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Ask Us

Q—What exactly does the abbreviation "GATT" stand for?

A—The proposed trade pact is the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, shortened to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and abbreviated as GATT.

Local

Flu shots

Scurry County Health Unit will be giving flu shots Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-4 p.m.

Singles

Singles of Snyder will meet at 7 this evening for volleyball and games at the First Baptist Church Multipurpose Center.

Video series

The Family Life series continues at 7 p.m. Monday on Cablevision Channel 2 with "Faith and Purpose: Examining My Life Goals."

Pecans

The Industrial Technology Club at Snyder High School is selling pecans as a fund-raiser. Pecans may be ordered by calling 573-6301 and asking for Mr. Wright or Mr. Farley.

Dinners

Snyder High School choir is now taking reservations for its Christmas Madrigal Dinners, which will be held Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 28-29, and Thursday, Dec. 1. For reservations or more information call 573-6301.

Genealogy

Scurry County Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29, in the county library. Rae Adams will present a program on family reflections. Visitors are welcome.

Extra day

Snyder ISD Supt. Gayle Lomax announced today that the Christmas holiday vacation for Snyder public schools will be extended one day. The second semester will officially begin Jan. 3 instead of Jan. 2, as previously scheduled.

DCOS

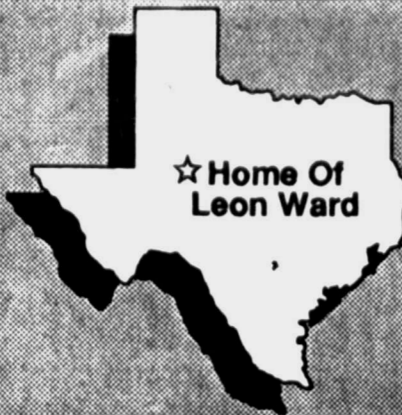
Development Corporation of Snyder board will meet at 4 p.m. Monday to consider an agency contract for a community facts book.

Following that business, the board will adjourn to a work session to review the proposed DCOS operating guide.

Weather

Snyder Area Forecast: Rest of the Thanksgiving weekend, partly cloudy. Lows mainly in the 30s. Highs from 60 to near 70.

Almanac: Sunset today, 5:42. Sunrise Friday, 7:19. Of 327 days in 1994, the sun has shone 320 days in Snyder.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Snyder Daily News



THANKSGIVING PLAY — Members of Mrs. Rebekah Thornton's fifth grade class at Northeast Elementary put on a Thanksgiving play for the school this week depicting the first Thanksgiving. The entire class was in the play and class members shown are, from left, Jay Scott, Jayne Boulware, Kallie Billingsley, Jamie Vaca and Lacie Green. (SDN Staff Photo)

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "If you eat too much today, just be thankful it's not leftover for tomorrow."

This timely item, the ABCs of Thanksgiving, came across our desk.

Oh give thanks unto the Lord for:

- America, with its plenty and freedom.
- The Bible, Baseball and other Books.
- Christ, the Church and Children.
- Dads who provide, protect and prepare us for life.
- Easter and for Eyes that see and Ears that hear.
- Faith, Food, Friends, Family and even Football.
- Good times, past and present.
- Health of body, Happiness of spirit and Hugs.
- Immortality and Ice Cream.
- Jesus, Jolly people and Jingle Bells.
- Life with a good night's sleep, a comfortable pair of shoes, a glass of cold water and warm fire.

- Mothers with their tender, loving care.
 - Neighbors, who return almost everything they borrow.
 - Outdoors, with its beauty and splendor.
 - Peace, Parents, Picnics and Popcorn.
 - Quiet times.
 - Rainbows, and the Right word at the Right time.
 - Senior Citizens with their wit and wisdom, and for Single persons with their labor and love.
 - Teeth to chew and Toes to dance.
 - Unexpected joys, like a letter or a visit from an old friend.
 - Vegetable gardens, Victories and Vacations.
 - Wives — young and old, short and tall, bless 'em all.
 - Xtra things we forgot.
 - Youth who don't know it all and still want to learn.
 - Zoos, Zippers and Zest for living.
- Happy Thanksgiving!

For Thanksgiving...

Kindergartners offer unique recipes

The holidays conjure up all kinds of ways to cook turkey, America's favorite holiday entree.

In the true spirit of sharing, kindergartners at Hermleigh offered the following "recipes."

—"My grandma gives me a turkey. You cook it for eight minutes in the stove at nine degrees," said Brian Molina. "Take it out and eat it with a fork."

—Offered Brittany Kelley, "You get a turkey from IGA. We cook it in the stove at 14 degrees for 15 minutes. We take it out and get some people over and then eat it with corn, beans and hot rolls

and a snack of pudding."

—"You get a turkey at the store," suggested Nicholas Eaton. "You cook it on the stove for an hour. You eat it and it's good."

—Brisa Sanchez prefers the hot, quick way. "You get the turkey from the store and put it in the hot, hot oven. You cook it for eight minutes and you eat it with dressing and pecan pie and bread."

—Ashley Rodriguez prefers a fresh turkey, obviously cooked very slowly. "You get a turkey at Abilene. You kill it, then you cook it outside for a long time at night. Then you sleep with it. You eat it

with milk when you get hungry."

—"You get a turkey when you go hunting during turkey season," said Robert Ritch. "You get a big pan, put it in there and cook it at two degrees for two seconds. Then I eat it."

—Michael Barrera offers another slow-cook method. "You have to buy a turkey. Then you cook it on the stove at 22 degrees for six years. Then you cut it up and put barbecue on it. Then you eat it. You fix salad, beans and chocolate pudding with it."

—Meagan Karainen didn't offer a specific cooking time, but

was pretty specific on the condiments. "You get a turkey from Don's. Then you cook it in the stove at 55 degrees for a long time. Then you take it out and cut it up. Then fix french fries and cake and then you eat it."

—K'Leigh Jackson was specific on time, but not side dishes. "You get a turkey at the store, then you cook it on the stove. You cook it for a thousand minutes. Then we eat it with chicken dressing and the red stuff."

—Name brands are good, suggested Ysidro Fuentes Jr. "You get a turkey from the stores. When

you get it home, you cook it. You put it in the oven and cook it for 35 minutes. You take it out and eat it with Stove Top Stuffing."

—Cesilie Torres understands who gives out the grades. "I get a turkey from my teacher," she said, referring to Karen Whittenburg. "You cook it with a stove at one degree for one minute. Then you eat it."

—"You get a turkey at a turkey place," suggested Kristi Jones. "You cook it in the oven at 30 degrees for two minutes. Then you eat it with bread, corn and a corn dog."

Dinner for 1,350 served at Daniel on Thanksgiving

While a few people who are preparing Thanksgiving dinner got started early this morning at the latest, there are many cooks who have been working days ahead for this traditional meal which is one of the biggest, if not the biggest, they will prepare all year.

Preparing a meal for a dozen or more is a big chore, but nothing like the one that Virginia Darden faces this time of year.

Darden is the food service di-

rector at the Price Daniel Unit and in charge of preparing meals for some 1,350 persons who will eat their Thanksgiving meal there.

"We'll start serving the inmate population around 9 a.m. and we will wind up the dinner around 1 p.m.," said Darden. She added that it will be a little later than normal because of the size of the meal.

She will serve the traditional ham and turkey to approximately 1,297 inmates and about 50 correctional officers.

"We try to give them (the inmates) a little extra this time of year because this meal is their holiday," said Darden. "They probably won't be getting that much more food but they will be getting a bigger variety."

Darden, her TDCJ staff and the inmates who work in the kitchen prepared 60 turkeys for today's meal and approximately 700 pounds of ham.

All the food was shipped in from Huntsville for preparation here and the hams came from TDCJ farms.

The meal will consist of all the traditional vegetables that will be served in most Scurry County homes — only a lot more of it. There will be 1,200 pounds of mashed potatoes, 16 cases of sweet potatoes and 12 cases of green beans. Also on the menu will be giblet gravy, corn, fruit salad, a relish tray, cranberry sauce, hot rolls, apple pie, chocolate cake and punch.

And when Thanksgiving is over, Darden is just going to take it easy — right?

No. She will be helping her sister prepare a meal Friday for their families — fortunately, there are only 14 of them.

CoC manager may be named on Tuesday

Snyder Chamber of Commerce board could name a new chamber manager as early as Tuesday, if interviews can be worked out this weekend.

A four-person search committee on Wednesday reviewed applications by 16 persons, chamber board president Pearlene Stewart-Nolan said. She declined to release a list of applicants, but did say that 10 of the 16 are Snyder residents.

Stewart-Nolan said the search committee will attempt to schedule interviews of finalists this weekend. A board meeting has been scheduled for 4 p.m. Tuesday and the committee's recommendation may come at that time.

The chamber is hoping to fill the position by mid-December. That timeline would allow the new manager to work with out-going manager Ricky Fritz for about two weeks. Fritz will take office in January as county judge.

Grass fires head list on FD report

Fire Chief Terry Don McDowell released the annual fire department report this week, and considering the dry summer, the findings were not a surprise.

"Grass fires dominated the statistics," said McDowell.

There were 31 grass fires recorded within the city limits and 115 within the county. Last year, the department responded to 163 grass fire calls as compared to only 48 the year before.

There were only two tank battery fires recorded this year.

The department made a total of 165 calls within the city limits and McDowell said the costliest fire was the former Neff Floral fire in July, estimated at \$66,000. It was one of two business fires within the city this year.

The department made 211 fire

calls within the county and aided neighboring fire departments six times for a total of 382 responses. There were 49 calls made in Precinct 1, 55 made in Precinct 2, 47 made in Precinct 3 and 60 calls within Precinct 4.

The department responded to 11 dwelling fires within the city limits and four others in the county. Fourteen vehicle fires were noted in the city and four more in the county.

The department fought two mobile home fires during this reporting period — both within the city limits.

One hundred and fourteen public service calls were answered this year. McDowell said they included checking on dumpster fires and smoking fluorescent lights and presenting fire prevention programs.

'Toys' seats can be reserved

Scurry County and area citizens may begin making reservations for the Ritz Community Theatre production of "The Toys Take Over Christmas" on Monday.

Reservations for season ticket holders were being held this week. On Monday, reservations are open to anyone.

Reservations may be made by calling Pam Fenton at the Senior Center at 573-4035. General admission is \$6.

The one-act play will be performed at the Western Texas College Fine Arts Theatre Dec. 2 through Dec. 5 — Friday, Saturday and Monday nights at 8 o'clock and a 2:30 p.m. Sunday matinee.

It is requested that all those who attend bring a toy or stuffed animal and place it in the Toys for Tots box in the theatre lobby.

Cast members include Joey Steakley as the insufferable Toy-maker, given to temper tantrums;

Christina Bullard as Sunny, the spirited rag doll; Jessica Dea as Tina, a beautiful fashion doll; Christy Garner as Colette, the clown doll; Kenneth Darlin as Captain, the gallant wooden soldier; Jed Martin as Soldier #1;

Crissida Tyler as Soldier #2; MiMi Stout as the distressed customer; Heather Floyd as the dazzling Christmas Fairy; and Santa Claus as himself.

Directing the Patricia Class play is Donna Hutchinson.

Tour of Homes tickets are being offered now

Tickets are now on sale for the Dec. 11 Tour of Homes and Christmas Open House sponsored by Historic Scurry County, Inc., and the Scurry County Historical Commission.

Homes on the tour are those of Ray and Betty Courtney, Ralph and Nance Lewis, and Marvin and Julie Sentell. Open house will be held in the Cornelius Dodson house and the Dermott school on the Scurry County Coliseum grounds. Refreshments and entertainment are planned in the

school.

Tickets are \$10 each, with proceeds going for the maintenance and upkeep of the Cornelius-Dodson house and the Dermott school. Tickets can be purchased at Countryplace, The Pleasure's Mine, Li'l Rascals, Classic Interiors, Eddie Peterson Pharmacy, and Friendly Flowers. Information about the event can be obtained by calling June McGlaun at 573-9742 or Jean Everett at 573-2763.

Basic checking accounts not available to everyone

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans with low or moderate incomes may not be able to get basic checking account services because of many banks' high initial deposit requirements and a confusing mix of fees, Consumers Union said Wednesday.

The Southwest Regional Office of Consumers Union, publisher of Consumer Reports magazine, found in a survey of 25 top banks in the state that the average minimum deposit required for basic checking accounts is \$92.

The group reported that five banks required initial minimum deposits of \$200, and nine needed \$100.

Consumers Union said that laws in some other states cap initial deposits, often in the \$25 to

\$50 range, to promote customer access to the banking system. Deposit amounts are unregulated in Texas.

The percentage of people in the United States with checking accounts dropped from 79 percent in 1983 to 75 percent in 1992.

"A basic checking account is an important tool for consumers in the marketplace. Consumers can then avoid the high cost of check-cashing services and the hassle and expense of buying money orders," said Robert Schneider, senior staff attorney for the group.

Steve Scurlock, senior vice president of the Texas Bankers Association, said most banks generally offer a basic checking account package designed for people who will not have a large balance

or won't write many checks.

"It's my impression that many banks are doing what they can to offer services to all parts of their communities, including the low- to moderate-income populace," he said.

Scurlock added that banks are private businesses that must protect themselves in offering a checking account service.

"If banks are not in business, they're not going to benefit anybody," he said.

The average monthly basic fee among the banks surveyed by Consumers Union was \$2.50. Fees charged for check transactions ranged from 10 cents to 75 cents per check, with the number of free transactions ranging from eight to 50.



FREEDOM — Northeast Elementary School celebrated patriotism with a "Freedom" program on Monday and Tuesday. "Freedom" is a musical celebration of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Students in the classes of Mrs. Barbara Owen, Mrs. Ann Uptergrove and Mrs. Susan Scott performed. The classroom teachers worked with the speaking parts with Mrs. Dorothy Kayser directing the overall program. Mrs. Carmen Carpenter and Chris Porter assisted in the presentation. Nancy Higgins was in charge of publicity. Students shown are from left, front row, Tyson Kubena, Rosie Villasana, Joe Martinez, Robert Castro, Amanda Greenwood, Christopher Burchfield, Amber Garcia, Maritza Aguirre, Alicia Guerrero, Rachel Fritz, Colter Bedell, Joey Garcia and Melissa Jones; second

row: Britt Sharrock, Wes Martin, Rocky Jasso, Jaci Tovar, Marcus Barboza, Alicia Bowlin, Stefani Beck, Carlos Martinez, Tommy Gladden, Shiloh Fritz, Giana Fuentez and Chad McCright; third row, Kyle Blum, Michael Fletcher, Michael Matthews, Philip Abalos, Jonathan Scalf, Amreen Rajabali, Isabel Salinas, Carcie Posey, Justin Pechacek, Freida Jackson, Jon Medrano and Heath Conner; top row, Adam Owen, Richard Martinez, James Villareal, Nathan Hines, Steven Torres, Amy Reynolds, Zack Rollins, Keell Shoemaker, Katy Voss, Scott Gilliland, Roger Warr, Sara Cave, Sandy Torres, Sarah Potts and Brandon Gentry. Jacqueline Madrid and Justin Hill are not pictured. (SDN Staff Photo)

Port Authority considering tightening pipeline proposals

HOUSTON (AP) — Port of Houston officials are considering tighter pipeline licensing rules and better emergency response capacity after recent flood-related fuel spills and explosions on the San Jacinto River.

Port commissioners haven't taken any action yet on the matter, but they agreed at a Tuesday meeting to review safety precautions. "When you have an accident like this, it brings to everyone's attention you need to look at your procedures," said Port Authority executive director H. Thomas Kornegay. "We didn't have any problems. It just brings up all these issues."

At least four pipelines crossing the San Jacinto near the Houston Ship Channel ruptured last month, spilling thousands of gallons of oil and gasoline that exploded and

burned for several days.

Officials have said record flooding that struck the area helped to weaken the pipelines and led to the ruptures.

The port authority grants 10-year licenses to pipeline owners who build and operate lines that cross navigable streams in Harris County, including the ship channel and the San Jacinto.

The pipelines themselves are regulated by the Texas Railroad Commission and the U.S. Department of Transportation, but the Port Authority ensures that licensees follow minimum pipeline burial depths and gets authorization from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Kornegay told commissioners it was reasonable to expect new federal and or state safety standards on leak detection systems and bur-

ial depths as a result of the recent ruptures.

In the meantime, the port authority might require licensees to provide as-built drawings of their lines. Pipeline owners now must submit only drawings of their pipeline plans, which don't reflect deviations during construction.

Officials also will review their emergency response plan in the wake of last month's explosions, and they want a closer examination of their own liability in such disasters.

Unsafe toys still available

WASHINGTON (AP) — Toys that will be banned or carry warning labels next year because young children can choke on them remain on sale through the holiday shopping season, a consumer group warned.

A new federal law, effective Jan. 1, will ban the sale of small balls intended for children under age 3 and require warning labels for balloons, marbles and toys with small parts.

Since the law is not yet in effect, many of the toys are still in stores and mail-order catalogs without warning labels, Bill Wood, consumer advocate with the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, said Tuesday.

"While not technically illegal for a few more weeks, more toys will be sold now than at any other time during the rest of the year," Wood said. "Continuing to sell these potential instruments of death is reprehensible."

The Child Safety Protection Act will ban balls intended for children under age 3 that have a diameter of less than 1.75 inches. Existing law allows balls with a diameter of 1.25 inches, but balls of this size have caused choking deaths, the consumer group said.

The group recommends that parents of children under 3 avoid all balls or toy parts that are smaller than a child's fist.

Consumers with questions about toy safety or who want to report the sale of unsafe toys can call the Consumer Product Safety Commission hot line at 1-800-638-2772. The line is answered from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST, and recorded messages can be left

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DECEMBER BRIDE FETED — Starla Davis, bride-elect of Lee Williams, was honoree at a gift shower Monday evening in the fellowship hall of Colonial Hill Baptist Church, given by several hostesses. Miss Davis and Williams plan a 7 p.m., Dec. 30 wedding in the church. From left are Starla Davis, the future bride's sister; Loyce Hayes, her grandmother; the honoree; and Janelda Davis, her grandmother. Not pictured is the mother of the prospective groom, Jamie Thomas of Eastland. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Winter drives wild creature inside

By COUNTRY LIVING
For AP Special Features

You may find a mouse in the house, bats in your belfry, opossums in the basement or squirrels in the attic when winter weather drives woodland creatures indoors.

The solution, Cathy Johnson wrote in an article in the current issue of Country Living, is a policy of exclusion.

With exclusion, you find a way to discourage, or exclude, animals from your territory. It is a low-impact method of dealing with wild visitors that results in fewer injuries to the animals than trapping does and is much less likely to cause them undue stress.

Gene Kelly, wildlife programs supervisor with the Missouri Department of Conservation, said many people try live-trapping a marauder, transporting it several miles and then depositing it into a new environment.

The department strongly prefers exclusion that leaves an animal on home ground. It knows where food and water are and it isn't going to have to fight with another adult to carve out a new territorial niche.

Exclusion is a particularly good policy when dealing with skunks, which can spray their acrid mist up to 15 feet.

Kelly does not recommend using mothballs to deter pesky visitors, since many people have adverse reactions to their fumes. He said it was better to block the entry hole with sheet metal, foam insulation or metal screening.

Finding the entry hole is not always easy. Some bats, for instance, can squeeze through an

Rodgers hosts meeting

Stargazers Family and Community Education Club met Nov. 14 in the home of Mildred Rodgers for its monthly meeting.

Joy Early was hostess and program chairman. She demonstrated the recycling of ashtrays into flower vases and making earrings out of Levi belt loops.

Ruby Gregory showed how to make a butterfly out of old magazines, wallpaper and other recyclable paper.

Verline White won the hostess gift. Members set their Christmas party on the regular meeting night in December.

opening less than three-quarters of an inch in diameter. If these nocturnal creatures take up residence in your attic and you feel compelled to evict them, you can best determine their exit sites at dusk, when they generally leave their roost to feed.

Bats are much more benign than their reputation suggests. They consume hundreds of tons of destructive insects each year and help pollinate many crop plants.

Unlike squirrels and raccoons, one or two bats in a seldom-used attic will provide few clues that they are there. They don't chew holes in your home or destroy insulation. Robert Benson, public information officer for Bat Conservation International, estimated that 80 percent of bats living in buildings and outbuildings go undetected.

If bats are residing in a shed, barn or outbuilding on your property, why not leave them alone? In winter they hibernate, and it is best to wait until warmer weather to deliver an eviction notice.

Single bats that get into living quarters are most often misplaced youngsters. Open a window and close all doors — after the bat gets its bearings, it will generally fly out the window. This technique works with birds as well.

If the bat alights and you can get close, Benson suggested putting a coffee can over it. The bat will most likely crawl into a dark, safe place. Put on gloves, cover the end

of the can with a piece of cardboard and carry it outside to release the bat.

If you have a whole colony in your attic, you probably want to exclude them. Find their entry point, wait until all the animals have vacated for the night, then hang a piece of bird netting over the outside of the hole. Fasten the netting in place across the top and part way down the sides but leave the bottom open. This will allow the bats to fly out — they hit the net and drop down — but they won't be able to reenter.

Wait three or four days to make sure all the animals have vacated, then seal the hole.

The Royal Air Force was established in Britain in 1918.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

A marriage of combination

By Phillip Alder

Virginia Wolff was discussing writing when she penned, "Some collaboration has to take place in the mind between the woman and the man before the art of creation can be accomplished."

Well, in today's deal from the 1994 World Mixed Pairs Championship, a married couple, Philippe and Benedicte Cronier from Paris, collaborate beautifully. They create a false picture in declarer's mind as to the lie of the cards.

Benedicte's double of two spades is typical of winning pairs tactics. If the opponents stop in a known eight-card or better fit at the two-level, it is almost always right to enter the auction. You hope either to bump them up to

the three-level, which may be one too high, or to find your own good spot.

Against three spades, Benedicte led her lowest diamond. Declarer put in dummy's 10 and won East's jack with his ace. South played a spade to dummy's ace and a spade back to his king. Now came a low club to dummy's queen, Philippe ducking his ace smoothly when West signaled with the five, showing an even number. Declarer led a heart off the dummy, won by West's queen.

Now Benedicte continued with the diamond four.

Placing West with the club ace, declarer thought East must have the diamond king. So he called for dummy's diamond eight. However, Philippe produced the nine and returned a diamond to his partner's king. The defenders still had the heart and club ace to come for one down.

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Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Thanksgiving Holiday

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:30-11 a.m.; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2 p.m. ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 863-2349; (Last Friday of the month is the birthday, open meeting); 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-3956 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-1141, 863-2349 or 573-8626; 10 a.m. Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1 to 4 p.m.

ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder County Club; 1:30 p.m. Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.

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Bush family will move into mansion

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov.-elect George W. Bush's twin daughters balked at the idea of boarding school, so the Bushes will be moving into the Governor's Mansion as a family in January.

Bush and his wife, Laura, had considered boarding 12-year-old Barbara and Jenna at Hockaday, a private girls' school in Dallas that they attend as seventh-graders.

But Mrs. Bush confirmed to the Austin American-Statesman that the family has decided to move from Dallas' exclusive Preston Hollow neighborhood into the mansion near the Texas Capitol.

"We considered several options," Mrs. Bush said. "I could commute and (the girls) board at Hockaday. Or they could move with us in the middle of the (school) year. We didn't want George to commute.

"We talked to the girls. They're ready to go on with us. The girls want to live in the mansion. They think it sounds exciting."

The two-story mansion has been home to the young children of former Govs. Allan Shivers, Price Daniel, John Connally and Mark White. And the formality of the place hasn't stopped the children from having fun or getting into trouble.

White, for example, recalled the

day that his oldest son, Wells, ventured into the backyard armed with a bow and arrow to go squirrel hunting.

The 12-year-old, caught in the act, was made to understand that his actions "were not the politically correct thing to do," White told the newspaper.

The Bushes will reside primarily in the 11-room, 2,920-square-foot private upstairs quarters in the mansion. Previous governors' families also have made use of the first floor and two upstairs bedrooms that are included in public tours.

"I heard it was small," Mrs. Bush said. "But it will be very adequate for us. I think it will be just perfect for us. I'm looking forward to it."

The Bushes haven't decided

where the twins, who celebrate their 13th birthday Friday, will attend school. But Mrs. Bush says they're leaning toward a small, private school.

"We felt if the girls end up going with us, a small situation would be a good transition. It's difficult to move in the seventh grade — and to have your dad become governor the same year you move," she said.

"When they finish eighth grade, they can re-evaluate it. This will give them 1 1/2 years to get their feet on the ground."

Mrs. Bush said she expects the twins to host some overnight parties in the mansion for their Dallas girlfriends.

White, who now lives in Houston, said living in the mansion is exciting for children.

His three "got to observe history in the making," he said. "They got a profound respect for government."

White's sons, Wells and Andrew, slept in the Elisha M. Pease bedroom upstairs, which is one of the rooms viewed during tours.

"Every day, they had to get up, make the beds, and straighten the room," White said. "It may account for the reason why they sleep late today."

Anne DeBois, mansion administrator, said children of previous governors have used the grounds for lawn games. The Shivers family fenced a section of the grounds for a children's play area, and the Whites converted a space in the detached carriage house into a children's playroom.

The Bushes are bringing their English springer spaniel, Spot which should have little trouble adjusting to the mansion after being born in the White House. Spot is the pup of Millie, former President and Barbara Bush's dog.

The residence status of the family's two cats, Cowboy and India, is uncertain because they are indoor-outdoor animals, which could make living at the mansion difficult.

Shooting will be examined

WACO (AP) — Authorities were questioning several people Wednesday after shots were fired in an apparent dispute over rights to the site of the 1993 Branch Davidian standoff near Waco.

McLennan County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Dan Weyenberg says some people affiliated with the Branch Davidian sect apparently went to the site where former sect leader David Koresh led a standoff against authorities last year.

"The preliminary information I have is that there were some Branch Davidians out there and there were guns involved," Weyenberg said. "There was one shot cranked off, but it wasn't shot at anybody."

McLennan County Sheriff's Lt. Truman Simons says some people were taken in for questioning. He declined to release details.

Amo Bishop Roden, the former wife of former Branch Davidian leader George Roden, has continued to live near the site of the charred compound.

A witness, Candace Brown, told television reporters that Mrs. Roden pulled a gun and fired at least once in the air.

Recently, some members of the Branch Davidian sect have waged a legal battle to clarify who has rights to the property.

Democracy listed as war casualty

NEW YORK (AP) — The biggest casualty of the Gulf War was democracy, says Walter Cronkite.

In the January issue of American Heritage magazine, Cronkite criticizes the military for keeping journalists off the front lines and giving Americans a heavily censored version of what was going on.



STUDENTS VISIT IGA — Northeast morning and afternoon pre-k classes of Barbara Jones visited IGA recently during their study of foods. In the top photo the morning class is pictured. Bottom row from left are Jeffrey Halda, Ryan Gonzales, and Sharla Nolan. Second row are Laura Gutierrez, Jerry Silva, Tasha Hernandez and Kaycee Loveall. Back row are Angelica Silva, Michael Medrano, Zane Green, Angie Amarillas and Stevie Rose. IGA employee pictured is Monica Chandler. The afternoon class is pictured in the bottom photo. Bottom row are Angela Almanza and Joel Rocha. Second row are Stacey Elam, Amberly Jaramillo, Frankie Benitez and Gerek Preston. Back row are Marcus Medrano, Eliseo Medrano, Corey Jaramillo, Anthony Ramos and Paul Garcia. IGA employees are Monica Chandler and C.R. Perez. Deanna Holladay is the pre-k aide. (Contributed Photos)

Prosecutor who challenged power structure resigns

MEXICO CITY (AP) — A prosecutor investigating the murder of his politician brother resigned from his post and Mexico's ruling party Wednesday, charging the case would never be solved "without political will."

Deputy Attorney General Mario Ruiz Massieu had shaken Mexico's power structure with recent charges that a "political group" had carried out the Sept. 28 assassination of his brother, Jose Francisco Ruiz Massieu.

"Justice! Justice!" Mexicans shouted during the resignation announcement by Ruiz Massieu at a highly publicized news conference to which members of the general public were invited.

The resignation was the latest development in a political scandal that has overshadowed preparations for next week's inauguration of President-elect Ernesto Zedillo and threatened to disrupt the ceremonies.

Ruiz Massieu was secretary-general of the ruling party, known as the PRI, and thus its second-

ranking member. The killing was the second major assassination this year after the March 23 shooting death of Luis Donaldo Colosio, presidential candidate of the ruling party.

Sharp divisions over the PRI's future have caused disagreements in the party that has ruled Mexico since 1929. One faction favors continuing party business as usual while the other wants to modernize the PRI and make it more democratic.

Both Colosio and Massieu belonged to the latter group.

Ruiz Massieu's accusation that a political motive was behind his brother's death had threatened to disrupt next week's inauguration of President-elect Ernesto Zedillo to a six-year term.

Zedillo takes over from the outgoing Carlos Salinas de Gortari on Dec. 1.

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Man robbed bank to pay for care

JONESBORO, Ark. (AP) — A man told police he robbed a bank so he could afford cancer treatments for his terminally ill wife.

Larry Eugene Archer, 22, of nearby LePanto was arrested at a police roadblock after a chase Tuesday following a holdup at the Mid-South Bank.

Detective Rick Elliott said Archer's account of his wife's illness was true.

A woman who answered the telephone at Archer's home and

identified herself as his mother said his wife has ovarian cancer.

Archer told police he decided to rob the bank after several banks turned him down for a loan.

In the holdup, a man handed a teller a note demanding \$10,000, and threatened to "blow you up," Elliott said. The robber man had no weapon.

Archer was given \$4,100, police said.

He was charged with robbery and jailed on \$200,000 bail.

School did not cheat

GEORGETOWN (AP) — The Texas Education Agency has found no evidence of cheating on a statewide academic skills test by Georgetown High School sophomores.

The Austin American-Statesman reported in June that teachers and students said they saw what might have been cheating and lax testing conditions during the March administration of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills.

Georgetown school district officials conducted an investigation and forwarded their findings to the state agency, along with a list of action they plan to take during future exams.

Prosecutor ends Grammer probe

NEW YORK (AP) — An investigation into allegation that actor Kelsey Grammer had sex with a minor had to be closed because the teen-age girl refused to cooperate, a prosecutor said.

The girl's father and stepmother contacted authorities in Somerset County, N.J., where the alleged rendezvous with the 15-year-old girl took place at a hotel, said Nick Bissell, Somerset County prosecutor.

Grammer was never questioned because the girl, now 17, refused to give her account to prosecutors, Bissell told Tuesday's New York Post.

Grammer, the 39-year-old star of the hit television comedy series "Frazier," has denied having sex with the girl, and he says the accusation is an attempt at blackmail.

"I think we're dealing with some very desperate people," Grammer said Tuesday when approached at a golf course by the television program "A Current Affair."

The Post said the girl's parents plan to file a \$15.5 million lawsuit against Grammer.

Bissell did not return telephone calls left Tuesday by The Associated Press.

The traditional high priest of Lamaism, a form of Buddhism practiced in Tibet and Mongolia, is the dalai lama. Dalai lama is a title rather than a name.

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Limbaugh offers to buy lobster

NEW YORK (AP) — Rush Limbaugh may sound like he prefers raw meat, but he's hungrily on an 18-pound lobster.

On his TV show Tuesday, Limbaugh doubled Mary Tyler Moore's \$1,000 offer to buy a 65-year-old lobster named Spike that lives in a tank at the Gladstones 4 Fish restaurant in Los Angeles.

Moore made the offer so she could free the 3-foot lobster in the Atlantic.

Limbaugh has no such intentions.

"Tell him he's invited for dinner but not to plan on dessert," he said.

Spike was going to be auctioned off for dinner last month but became such a hit with employees and patrons that the restaurant changed its mind.

Producers of Limbaugh's TV show conveyed the offer to the restaurant. There was no immediate reply.

Rotan slates 'Magi' event

ROTAN — Theatre on the Brazos will present O'Henry's "Gift of the Magi" — adaptation, music and lyrics by Peter Ekstrom — as their Christmas dinner theatre production. The play will be held in the Rotan Community Center.

The play will be presented on Dec. 2, 3 and 4. Dec. 2 and 3 will be the dinner theatre and the productions will begin at 7 p.m. in the evening. Dec. 4 is dessert only and the production will begin at 2 p.m. in the afternoon.

The cost of the dinner theatre is \$12 and \$6 for the dessert only production.

The dinner menu consists of chicken cordon bleu, passion potatoes, green bean almondine, garden salad, hot rolls, tea and coffee, holiday delight dessert.

For reservations call the box office at the Theatre on the Brazos between the hours of 3 and 5 in the afternoon. The number to call is 735-2341 and after hours number is 735-2302. Reservation deadline is Nov. 28.

"The Gift of the Magi" stars Rick Maddera and Martee Billingsley. The play is directed by Pat Boone and the music is directed by Evelyn Nowlin.

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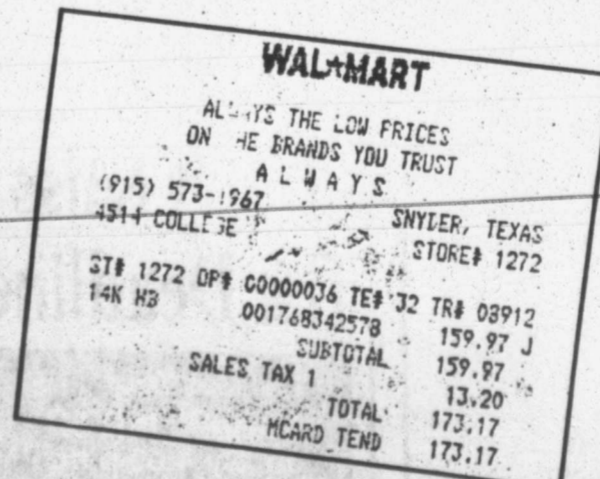
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Rainy weather slows cotton, peanut harvests

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Texas producers won't be giving thanks this Thanksgiving for the rainy weather that is slowing cotton and peanut harvests across the state, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service reports.

Dr. Billy Warrick, Extension

agronomist in San Angelo, said that rainy weather has halted harvests because farmers can't work in soaked fields.

"Usually by Thanksgiving growers are finished with the cotton harvest, but it looks like this year that won't happen," Warrick

said. "Many producers aren't even at the halfway mark.

Peanut growers in West Central Texas still have 20 percent to harvest, but wet fields are stopping their harvests as well.

Warrick said that this fall's mild season has also taken its toll on

dryland cotton waiting for the first killing frost. He explained a freeze knocks down excess growth on the cotton plant before harvesting.

"The freeze already is 18 days late, and each day of delay cuts yields for dryland cotton growers," he said.

Emory Boring, Extension entomologist in Vernon, said the Rolling Plains finally received its killing frost, but now producers have to wait for fields to dry before proceeding with the peanut and cotton harvests.

"We have finally got the killing frost we were waiting for across most of the area, and we expect the rest of the region will drop below freezing Wednesday," he said.

"However, due to the rains last weekend, we still have to wait on the weather."

Jose Pena, Extension economist in Uvalde, said that cool fall weather has finally arrived for Southwest Texas.

"The weather is cool, but not too cool for grains and pastures," Pena said. "The weather is working with us, bringing rain and cooler temperatures when we need them."

Pena said right now his region is harvesting sorghum, peanuts, cabbage and pecans. Producers will begin harvesting spinach in a few weeks.

Jon Zeitler, meteorologist at the National Weather Service Agricultural Service Center in College Station, said a high pressure system will bring cooler conditions to Texas this week.

"Moist air in the upper levels of the atmosphere will cause an increase in cloud cover over the next few days," Zeitler said. "The state can expect to see fair skies today and mostly cloudy skies for Thanksgiving Day."

Zeitler said a warming trend is expected for the weekend, but scattered showers and thunderstorms will accompany these mild conditions.

High temperatures over the next five days will range from the 50s and 60s Wednesday, warming to the 60s and 70s by Friday. Low temperatures will vary from the 20s and 30s in the northern one-third of the state to the low 40s and 50s in the rest of the state.

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: Soil moisture short. Pastures, ranges need rain. Wheat progressing. Harvesting cotton. Sorghum harvest near completion. Supplemental feeding continues for livestock.

SOUTH PLAINS: Soil moisture very short to short. Pastures,

ranges in fair to good condition. Harvesting cotton, sorghum. Planting wheat. Small grains, winter pastures need moisture.

ROLLING PLAINS: Soil moisture adequate to short. First killing frost reported for pastures, ranges. Cotton harvest under way. Peanut harvest 95 percent complete; yields low. Wheat planting 95 percent complete. Livestock fair to good.

NORTH TEXAS: Soil moisture surplus to adequate. Pastures, ranges in excellent to fair condition. Harvesting cotton, wheat, soybeans, peanuts, oats, pecans. Planting wheat. Wet pastures affecting cattle feeding conditions.

EAST TEXAS: Soil moisture adequate. Pastures, ranges in fair condition. Fall vegetable harvest near completion. Pruning peach trees. Winter grasses progressing. Pecan yields low.

FAR WEST TEXAS: Soil moisture very short to adequate. Pastures, ranges need moisture. Harvesting cotton. Wheat in good condition. Winter pastures progressing; need rain. Livestock in fair to good condition.

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: Soil moisture short to surplus. Pastures, ranges improving with rain. Harvesting cotton, pecans. Wheat progressing. Peanut quality declining; some pest problems. Livestock in good condition.

CENTRAL TEXAS: Soil moisture surplus. Pastures, ranges benefiting from rain. Planting wheat. Excess moisture affecting oats, field activity. Peanuts yields good to excellent.

SOUTHEAST TEXAS: Soil moisture adequate. Pastures,

Slick, husband settle with city

SAN RAFAEL, Calif. (AP) — A fire that destroyed rock singer Grace Slick's hilltop mansion along with such memorabilia as clothing worn by John Lennon will cost officials \$865,000.

The blaze was touched off by Marin County park workers who were welding a gate nearby.

In a settlement with the county and the town of Corte Madera, Slick and her husband, Skip Johnson, will receive \$220,000 for the fire that destroyed their \$700,000 Mill Valley house in 1993.

The remainder will go to Allstate Insurance Co., which paid out more than \$1 million after the blaze.

Besides the house and the clothing, Slick lost a platinum record and tapes of recording sessions with the Jefferson Airplane and the Jefferson Starship.

Make holiday celebrations safer for young children

If it's been some time since you worried about unguarded stairways or unplugged outlets in your home, the approaching holiday season could once again bring these potential dangers to your attention.

Holidays bring welcome visits from loving grandchildren, nieces, nephews and friends. But the holidays also mean visits from babies and toddlers, which means you may have to re-evaluate the child-safety of your home.

One good place to begin is with your window coverings. While the versatility and style of today's mini blinds, pleated shades and vertical blinds give consumers the best value and appearance there are a few things to remember when young children are around.

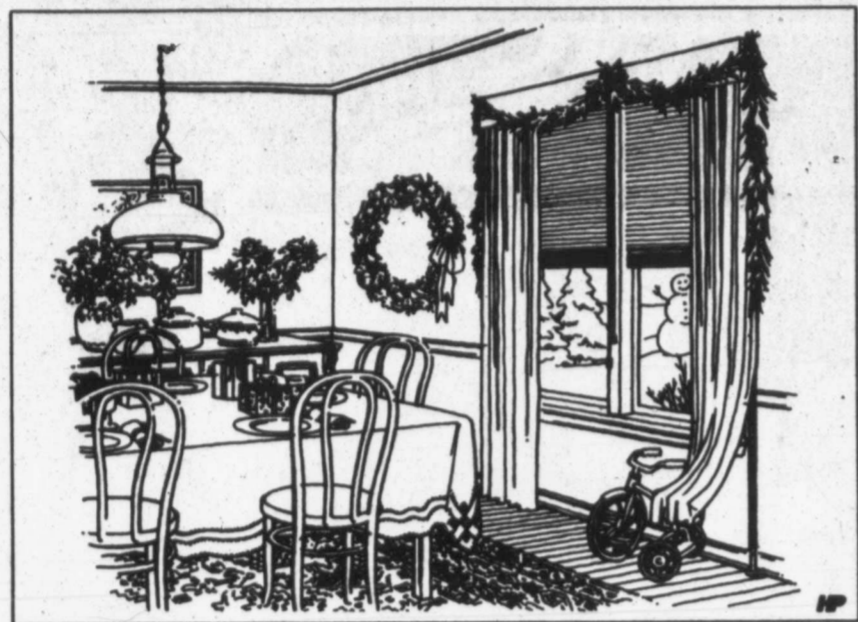
First, make sure furniture, beds and cribs are moved away from windows. Even if you have child guards on the windows, you still must be watchful. The temptation to investigate cords hanging from window coverings is powerful for a young child.

Also, because young children climb, never put a chair, sofa, bench or even a bookcase near a window with a dangling cord. Young children can get the cords wrapped around their necks.

The most effective way to reduce potential danger to children from window coverings pull cords is to eliminate free-hanging loops. On two-corded blinds, this can be accomplished by first cutting the cord above the wooden or plastic tassel (actually a thimble-like knob).

Then remove the equalizer buckle and add two new tassels at the end of each cord. You can also use a break-away tassel which will allow the cords to separate if a child becomes entangled in the loop. Tassels are available at local window covering retailers, free of charge.

If you have two-corded pleated or cellular shades, again cut the cord above the tassel and add a separate tassel at the end of each cord. Remember that when the shades are raised there will be a



A home dressed up for the holiday season and ready for friends and family, also should be safe for young children who visit. One potential source of danger are window covering cords, but several technical fixes can make them safer.

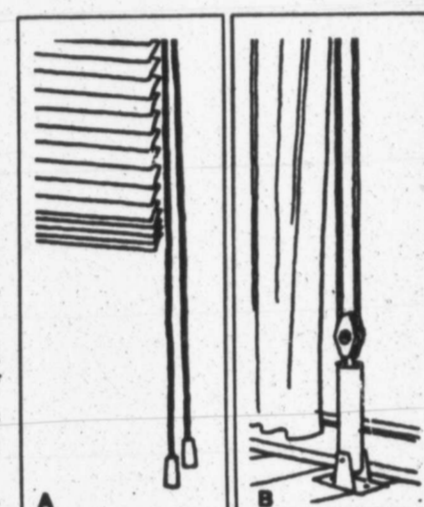
loop above the cord stop. Children must be kept away from this loop as well.

If you have window coverings with a continuous loop system, secure the cord or chain to the floor, wall or window jamb with a tie-down device to make it tight.

To complete your child safety checklist, consider these other easy-to-do steps:

- Keep ornaments, tinsel and lights off very low branches of your holiday tree so toddlers are not tempted to reach out and pull them.
- Install inexpensive stair guards to protect your young visitors and give you peace of mind.
- Purchase inexpensive outlet covers so toddlers' hands won't investigate electrical wires and plugs.
- Put your favorite objects and breakables out of reach on a high shelf or store them until visiting time is over!

You can get free window covering tassels at Home Depot, JC Penney, K Mart, Lowe's Companies, Meijer Stores, Montgomery Ward, Pier One Imports, Sears Wal-Mart, and other participating retailers. Or call 800-506-4636.



On horizontal blinds (illustration A), cut the cord to remove the loop, pull off the equalizer buckle and add separate tassels at the end of each newly created cord. For window coverings with a continuous loop system (illustration B), secure the cord or chain to the floor, wall or window jamb with a tie-down device to make it tight.

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ranges in good condition. Harvesting peanuts, pecans. Cultivating land. Planting small grains. Livestock improving with pasture growth.


SOUTHWEST TEXAS: Soil moisture adequate. Pastures, ranges benefiting from rain. Harvesting cabbage, spinach. Peanut harvest near completion. Sorghum yields, quality good. Livestock improving as forage increases.

COASTAL BEND: Soil moisture adequate. Pastures, ranges in good condition; fields receiving fertilizer & herbicide applications. Harvesting peanuts. Small grains, rye grass progressing. Pecan crop poor. Cattle excellent condition.

SOUTH TEXAS: Soil moisture short to adequate. Pastures, ranges need rain. Harvesting sugarcane, bell peppers, cucumbers. Citrus crop excellent; weak market. Livestock in fair to good condition.

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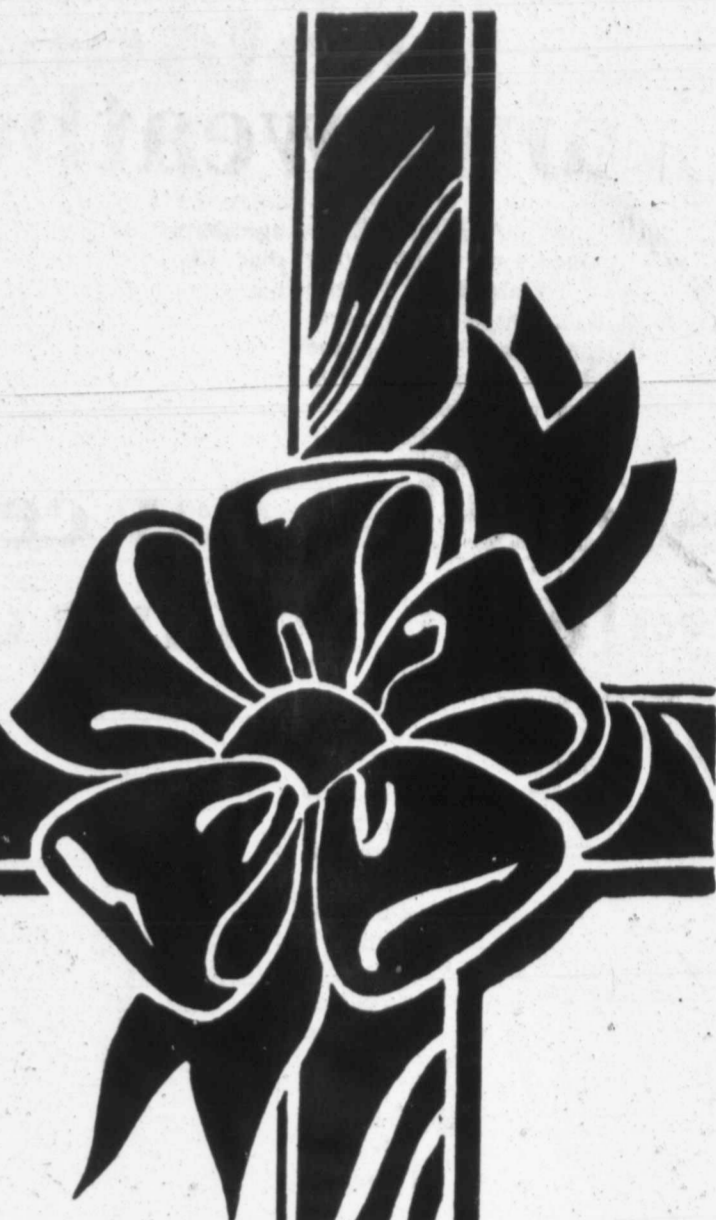
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HOW TO COOK A TURKEY — Hermleigh kindergarten students in Karen Whittenburg's class recently described how to bake a turkey for Thanksgiving. (See story on page one.) Students pictured are from left, back row, Ashly Rodriguez, Robert Ritch, Y.J. Fuentes, Nickolas Eaton, Michael Barrera; middle row, K'Leigh Jackson, Megan Kariainen, Brian Molina, Kristi Jones; front row, Erissa Sanchez, Cesilie Torres and Brittany Kelley. (SDN Staff Photo)

Flutemaker crafts a legacy

WEATHERFORD — Butch Hall lifted the cedar American Indian flute to his lips and fingered the holes. A haunting tune filled the still air, made all the sweeter by the aromatic smell of cedar shavings that littered Hall's wood-working shop.

Hall, 49, is of Cherokee descent and he credits that ancestry for his love for Indian art. He uses his talents to make American Indian art in the shape of museum-quality, traditional courting and love flutes, ceremonial pipes and war clubs.

"Even as a young boy, my father, who was born in Tecumseh, Okla., took me to visit reservations and the museums and on archaeological hunts for arrowheads and that sort of thing," Hall said.

"I've always felt a closeness to that side of my heritage. But also, on my mother's side, the Italian side, I come from a very long line of famous Italian furniture makers that go all the way back to Milan, Italy," he said.

Hall's wife, Laura, has decorated their home around his collection of American Indian artifacts, and her painstaking handiwork, which curiously makes it the easiest to play, Laura Hall said, adding that her husband courted her with his flute-playing.

Hall's flutes, various ceremonial pipes and war clubs all bear Laura Hall's designs and include fur decorations, hand-painted feathers and inlaid glass beads.

Pipes were used in ceremonies such as the making of war or peace, healing, and in rituals to ensure a good hunt or a good harvest, Butch Hall said.

His pipe bowls are made from a low-fired terra cotta that is hand-rubbed and polished.

Designs and woods vary in Hall creations. Mesquite, cedar, oak, walnut and Colorado aspen receive hand-rubbed, special blended finishes, he said.

Justice Department expands probe

BOSTON (AP) — The U.S. Justice Department has intensified an antitrust investigation of Microsoft Corp.'s plan to buy its way into dominance of personal finance software.

Microsoft's proposed \$1.5 billion purchase of Intuit Inc., the maker of Quicken, would give it the most popular personal finance, budgeting and bill-paying software. Microsoft also hopes to use Intuit as a platform to move into on-line services like home banking and stock trading, which might allow it to collect a transaction fee every time someone uses a service.

The Justice Department has issued second requests for information from both companies about the purchase agreement, The Boston Globe and The Wall Street Journal reported today.

Levi's offering custom-made jeans

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — For many people, searching for the perfect pair of jeans can be a lifelong quest.

Now Levi Strauss and Co. is offering a solution that combines computer technology with express mail and good old-fashioned measuring tape: made-to-measure jeans.

The custom-fit process, available at some Original Levi's outlets, begins with a customer trying on a pair of prototype pants. Then a salesperson is told where they should be nipped and tucked.

The information is entered into a computer program that sends it to a factory in Mountain City, Tenn., where a personal pattern is printed and fabric is cut and sewn according to the customer's measurements. Within three weeks, the completed jeans are sent to the store or the buyer's home.

The San Francisco-based company said it designed the service for women, who are more inclined to complain about the fit of their

jeans. Men also will be able to order custom jeans.

The service is aimed at two types of women: those who have body types that don't fit into the 170 existing styles and sizes, and those who Levi's spokesman Sean Fitzgerald calls "jeans connoisseurs" and want the ultimate pair of pants.

The custom-fit jeans are available in New York City; Columbus and Cincinnati, Ohio; Peabody, Mass.; and Toronto. Within about a year, Levi's hopes to offer them at dozens of outlets across the country, Fitzgerald said. He said women have flown to Cincinnati just to take advantage of the service.

One retail analyst predicted custom jeans will become a trend.

"Not every woman is shaped the way Levi's makes pants traditionally," said Walter Loeb of Loeb Associates in New York. "By custom fitting pants, it has a specific appeal to many women. This is a forerunner and a very exciting development, in my opinion."

Levi's custom jeans come in a variety of colors, but are available only in the tapered leg with zip-fly style. Prices vary by store, but generally are about \$15 more expensive than the \$48 retail price of regular jeans, Fitzgerald said.

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Rep. Newt Gingrich...

Who's Who in brain trust

WASHINGTON (AP) — Dick Arme, John Kasich, Tom DeLay and Bob Walker may not be household names — but just wait. They are the brain trust for Newt Gingrich, a cadre of House lawmakers who stand at the speaker-to-be's right hand as the Republicans prepare to take control.

These four men — combative, conservative, middle-aged, white — are at the core of the tough-talking, hard-ball strategy that helped put the GOP in the driver's seat.

Arme will be the House majority leader. Walker and DeLay, currently competing for the majority whip position, also are sure to get top leadership positions.

Together, Gingrich's lieutenants are working out a strategy for the transition to power — from deciding which Capitol staff members will get the ax to setting the legislative agenda.

RICHARD ARMEY

When it comes to playing hardball, the 54-year-old Arme is a master. The former economics professor parlayed his conservative teachings at a Texas university into a political career after getting hooked on Congress by watching C-SPAN.

Elected in 1984 to represent the Dallas-Fort Worth suburbs, he has been outspoken from the start —

sometimes hurling vicious verbal barbs. During the debate on the crime bill last summer, he infuriated Democratic colleagues with the line, "Your president is just not important to us." When Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy announced his resignation under pressure, Arme quipped, "This is just the tip of the sleazeburg."

At a health reform hearing, he argued against including abortion as a guaranteed health insurance benefit, saying, "Are we going to be so fem-centric that we're going to condone the self-indulgent conduct of the body of a woman who has already demonstrated in most cases (she was) damned careless with it in the first place?"

An architect of the GOP "Contract with America," Arme is sure to push his causes as majority leader, although chances are he'll tone down his rhetoric.

He is an ardent supporter of free-market policies and is pushing a 17 percent flat tax — under which many tax loopholes would be eliminated but everyone, rich and poor, would pay the same percentage income tax. In favor of reining in the size and scope of government, Arme has also fought in the past to eliminate farm subsidies.

ROBERT WALKER

Walker, 51, of Pennsylvania, was elected to Congress in 1976

and has worked closely with Gingrich for the past decade. Like the House speaker-to-be, he is a familiar gadfly, known for going to excruciating lengths to get in the way of the Democrats.

In the mid-1980s, he was part of Gingrich's Conservative Opportunity Society, whose young members masterfully capitalized on House parliamentary procedures to spread their conservative message.

Day after day, they attacked the Democrats and called for a new order in after-hours speeches delivered on the House floor. The speeches — called "special orders" — often are delivered to an empty House chamber, but they are broadcast across the country on C-SPAN, and the conservative Republicans were the first to recognize the enormous potential of that forum.

When Gingrich was elected House minority whip in 1989, he brought Walker with him as a deputy. Walker became the chief deputy whip in 1993.

Walker is known for his bulldog tactics and sometimes inflammatory rhetoric — such as comparing Republicans under Democrats to the Jews under Nazi rule.

Concerned about the growing deficit, he is the author of the Taxpayer Debt Buydown Act, by which citizens would be allowed to designate up to 10 percent of the taxes they owe to deficit reduction and Congress would match those contributions.

In line to become chairman of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee, he has been a big advocate of major space programs and wants to see a Cabinet-level post overseeing the same areas as the committee. He also has pushed for research into hydrogeothermal as an alternative fuel source.

TOM DELAY

DeLay, 47, of Texas, came to Congress from the Texas House in 1985, already angling for a leadership role. In 1987, he got a place on the Appropriations Committee,

(See GINGRICH, Page 3B)



CONSERVATION — As a part of West Elementary's Energy Conservation Plan, students of the gifted and talented and advanced science classes of Malcolm Crawford, Jo Ann Ham and Steve Tyler are collecting recyclable paper. Each class made recycling boxes that were placed in every room for students and faculty to place waste

paper. Sacks of paper, placed in the school's entrance, showed how much paper could be recycled that would have been thrown away. From left are, front, Leslye Starnes, Kayla Phillips; back row, Olivia Aparicio, Missy French, Kevin Marshall, Lyndel Lee; and far back, Joe Lopez. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

El Paso man recovers sight decades after he was hurt

EL PASO — Bernard Galvin was pounding on an ax with his hammer when a metal fragment flew up and pierced his left eye. It was 1954, and Galvin was 47 years old.

"I stand pain pretty well," Galvin said. "And the fear of losing my eye eliminated any pain. 'I went to the emergency room right away and an ophthalmologist used an electric magnet to remove it. He told me I wouldn't ever see out of that eye again, that I was permanently blind in my left eye.'"

Galvin accepted the verdict and went on with his life.

"The side that's blind really causes you trouble," Galvin said. "You used to be able to take care of both sides, but now you stumble and bump into things. You can't pour anything into a cup with any degree of your former accuracy. If you're pouring from a coffee pot, next thing you know you're pouring it onto the table. There are a lot of little things like that."

He wore glasses and said he could still drive, but had to be extremely careful because his sense of distance was distorted. Then, about a year ago, he noticed a problem with the vision in his good right eye. He said an ophthalmologist diagnosed a cataract forming, but paid no attention to the blind left eye.

"At the street level I'd been hearing about a doctor who specializes in cataracts," Galvin said. "I decided to go see Dr. Bobby Maddox on my own initiative; no one referred me to him."

"I told him I was blind in my left eye. After many examinations we set up an appointment for

(See RECOVERS, Page 3B)

Researcher transplants sperm cells successfully

WASHINGTON (AP) — New techniques in which transplanted immature sperm cells allowed sterile male mice to reproduce could lead to human applications, researchers say.

Scientists at the School of Veterinary Medicine of the University of Pennsylvania say they were able to remove precursor sperm cells, called spermatogonia, from

healthy mice and insert them into the testes of sterile mice, which then could produce offspring.

The study, published Tuesday in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, showed that the immature cells also caused the sterile mice to regain the ability to produce sperm.

However, offspring produced from the transplanted cells carry the genetic pattern of the donor mouse.

In the series of experiments, the rate of successful transplant ranged from 13 percent to 100 percent.

Although offspring produced from these transplants carried the genetic imprint of the donor mice, the experiment did suggest a way that some forms of human male sterility could be corrected without involving outside donors, said Martin Dym of Georgetown University Medical Center.

For example, Dym said young boys with Hodgkins lymphoma, a type of cancer, often can be cured now, but that the chemicals and radiation used in the treatment frequently leaves patients sterile.

If the University of Pennsylvania technique could be perfected for human use, Dym said spermatogonia from the male cancer patients could be removed before cancer treatment and then returned to them afterward.

This could enable the patients to re-establish the spermatogenesis that was destroyed by the cancer treatment and to regain an ability to father children, he said.

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1. Which 1986 track took Peter Gabriel to the top of the charts?
2. Which controversial Martin Scorsese movie - starring Willem Dafoe - featured a Gabriel score?
3. Which 1992 Peter Gabriel album featured contributions from Sinead O'Connor and Brian Eno?

Answers: (1) The Security (2) The Last Temptation of Christ (3) The Sledgehammer

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 - 12 - Sovereigns
 - 14 - Canceled
 - 15 - Beautiful young man
 - 16 - out (make do with)
 - 17 - Fermented drink
 - 19 - Depraved
 - 20 - Medical device
 - 22 - Bee's home
 - 25 - Female ruff
 - 26 - Slangy
 - 29 - Affirmative
 - 29 - Martini
 - 31 - Ingredient
 - 31 - Percussion player
 - 33 - Pullman car
 - 35 - Opp. of macro
 - 36 - Kind of curve
 - 37 - Yalle
- DOWN**
- 1 - Tear apart
 - 2 - Boxing blow
 - 3 - Dog in Garfield
 - 4 - Performed
 - 5 - Foe
 - 6 - Passover dinner
 - 7 - Failure
 - 8 - Lucy
 - 9 - vidi vidi
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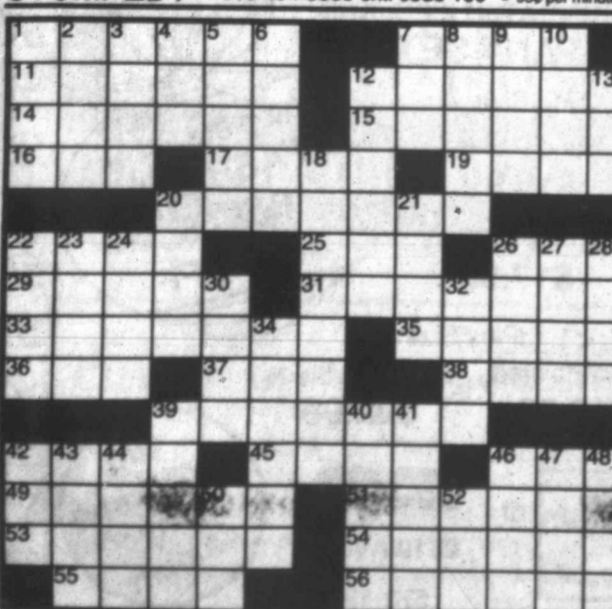
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ERRANT	DARE

- 12 Actress
- 8 - Lucy
- 9 - vidi vidi
- 10 - Seed covering
- 20 outdoors
- 20 Golfer - Balasteros
- 21 Flower
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- 23 Infirmities
- 24 Contents
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Woman finds ancient gold bracelet

LONDON (AP) — A woman walking on the beach found a gold bracelet that an expert says could be more than 3,000 years old. Majorie Eccles spotted the bracelet glinting in shallow water while walking along the Irish Sea near Nefyn in North Wales. The undecorated bracelet, 23/4 inches in diameter and 1/4 inch wide with a narrow gap between the two ends, dates from between

1500 B.C. and 1200 B.C., David Longley, director of Gwynedd Archaeological Trust said Tuesday. He said it probably came from what is now Ireland. It is estimated to be worth several thousand dollars. "It is in good condition and a very interesting find. It is a plain and pleasing design which would not look out of place on anybody's wrist in the 20th century," Lon-

gley said. If the bracelet is found to be a "treasure trove," or a precious good of unknown ownership

found buried, it will become the property of the state. In such cases, the finder is compensated.

Hairstyles

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shaving cream from the neck of customer Don Blumfelder, a lifetime Hidalgo County resident. "I stopped by here last month but you were gone," Blumfelder, 48, tells the barber. "You needed a good vacation, you deserved it. But it's about time you got back."

Blumfelder, a boatbuilder, is a loyal customer. He and Ochoa like the same hairstyles and the same conversation.

"You can get into just about any kind of conversation in this place," he says. "And where else can you get a haircut for \$3.50 in this day and time? It's just a good old, down-home barber shop."

Blumfelder pays Ochoa for the haircut, then stops at the door on his way out.

"I'll probably keep coming here as long as I live," Blumfelder says. "I'm a firm believer in keeping my money in the community."

"Another thing about this place is, the door is open. There are people walking by a lot," he says. "You've got the sound of the traffic right there. In most modern city barber shops, you don't see that kind of thing."

He says Ochoa's shop calls to mind life's simple pleasures.

"When you come in here, you can still go back to the past a little bit," Blumfelder says. He turns and smiles at Ochoa, pointing.

"There's not any more barbers out there like you, so you better have a damn good replacement when you quit," he says with a laugh.

Ochoa's shop has no telephone, so conversations are never interrupted by the ringing. The barber says he doesn't need a phone, because all his customers know when and where to find him working.

"I've been in the barber business since March of 1946,"

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Your Birthday

Friday, Nov. 25, 1994

Shifting conditions could boost your career in the year ahead. When trends fluctuate, you'll know just how to use them to your advantage.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If you go shopping today, allow yourself time to look at all the merchandise. Bargains might be overlooked if you are too hasty. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Realistic hopes have a good chance of being fulfilled today. However, unfounded expectations could easily collapse.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You may have an objective that is difficult to achieve early in the day. Later, though, unexpected factors might reverse the tide.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If the procedures you've been using recently haven't proven productive, it's time for a change. Use your ingenuity to find creative solutions.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Commercial

situations should work out satisfactorily if you take things one step at a time. Don't attempt to accomplish things too quickly today.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Trying to sense the needs of others today may prove the best path towards reaching your goals. Fulfilling their requirements could spell success.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Today might be the day to harvest the fruits of your labor. If the yield is less than you'd expected, you'll have to try harder next time.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) An enjoyable social gathering could produce surprising professional opportunities. You might find cash among the canapes today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Correct mistakes at work immediately today. If you delay, time could compound your problems.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Try to refrain from criticizing your companions today. If you must say something, be certain what you tell them is constructive and polite.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your material prospects might be good enough today to put you on the profit side of the ledger. To ensure financial success, capitalize on all your opportunities.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) In social situations today, your friends may find your company most enjoyable. However, if your family members were polled, your popularity might not run as high.

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Today is THANKSGIVING. It is the 328th day of 1994 and the 63rd day of fall.



TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1971, D.B. Cooper parachuted from a plane with \$200,000 ransom near Seattle, never to be seen again.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Baruch Spinoza (1632-1677), Dutch philosopher; Laurence Sterne (1713-1768), writer; Junipero Serra (1713-1784), Spanish missionary; Zachary Taylor (1784-1850), U.S. president; Scott Joplin (1868-1917), pianist-composer; Dale Carnegie (1888-1955), writer; William F. Buckley Jr. (1925-), editor-writer; Oscar Robertson (1938-), basketball great, is 56.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1970, the Marshall University football squad was devastated when 43 players and coaches were killed by a plane crash in Kenova, W.Va.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The Beatles are not merely awful. They are so unbel-

lievably horrible, so appallingly unmusical, so dogmatically insensitive to the magic of the art, that they qualify as crowned heads of antimusic." — William F. Buckley Jr.

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1924, "The Game" between Harvard and Yale at Cambridge, Mass., was played on a rain-soaked field. By winning the annual football contest, Yale also "took a long stride toward the swimming and water polo titles."

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TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Nov. 18) and last quarter (Nov. 26)

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