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Judge, sheriff seek new terms

District Judge Ernie Armstrong and Scurry County Sheriff Darren Jackson are the latest office holders to announce re-election plans.

Judge Armstrong filed with Republican headquarters in Austin for his third full term, while Sheriff Jackson, a Democrat, filed with county chairman Jerry Gannaway for his second full term.



Armstrong



Jackson

Judge Armstrong also served a portion of the term of Judge Gene Dulaney following Dulaney's retirement. At the time, Armstrong was district attorney.

Jackson was first elected to the sheriff's position in 1996 and has since served two years of an appointed term and an unexpired term following Keith Collier's election and Collier's decision not to take office. Jackson has been a member of the sheriff's department since 1986.

Other filings for the March 9 primaries include District Attorney Dana Cooley, County Attorney Mike Hartman, Precinct 1 Commissioner Ralph Trevey and Precinct 3 Commissioner Howard Limmer. All are incumbents.

Cooley, a Republican, will be seeking her third term and she also has served 1½ years of an unexpired term when Armstrong was appointed District Judge.

Hartman will be seeking his third term and will be running in the GOP primary.

Trevey, a Democrat, is seeking his fourth term while Limmer, a Republican, is running for the third time.

The term of tax assessor-collector Diana Williamson, a Republican, also is expiring.



HOSPITAL COUNTDOWN – Snyder resident Virginia Clark casts her vote Saturday morning in the hospital district election. Polls will stay open until 7 p.m. Saturday. Voting results will be posted on the SDN website, www. snyderdailynews.com. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "We learned in Boy Scouts that the best way to make a fire with two sticks is to be sure one of 'em is a match."

There's been a lot in the news in recent weeks about removing the Ten Commandments from the Supreme Court building in Alabama and removing "one nation under God" from the pledge of Allegiance.

Snyder's Harold Yearwood came across a letter to the editor in an area paper that made some good points about the extreme trend concerning separation of church and state.

The writer suggested a shopping list for the Godless:

—Cancel Christmas as a federal holiday.

—The same for Thanksgiving.

—Prevent Saint Patrick's Day and Mardi Gras parades on the streets where cities have used federal funds to make improvements.

—Discard all books in the Library of Congress with a reference to any deity.

—Clear out the religious paintings in the National Gallery.

—Stop the swearing in of government dignitaries (president included) using a Bible or minister.

—Remove "In God We Trust" from all money.

—Don't allow Valentines in the schools.

—Remove all religious symbols from tombstones in federal cemeteries.

—Ban such programs as a "Christmas Carol" from radio and television since any religious reference would certainly offend someone who believe that the FCC should regulate such.

—Discharge all chaplains from the military and Congress.

—Remove the Red Cross from the sides of hospital ships.

—Ban public prayer from all federal property.

The writer added that he feels confident that he may have over looked any number of religious references that serve to offend the sensibilities of the ACLU and their atheistic zealots, so feel free to add to the list.

He concluded: "May God bless you."

Saw a kid waiting his turn for a chat with Santa Claus the other day.

He was about seven years old, all smiles, obviously a young man with a mission as he waited patiently.

He even patted his foot to the songs that were being played throughout the shopping area. He appeared to be in the spirit of the season.

Then there was this odd sound. The kid heard it, too.

So much for his youthful innocence...the kid jumped up and fished something out of his pocket.

"Hello," he answered.

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Flu-like illnesses fill Cogdell Hospital beds

By Annie Rowe
SDN Staff Writer

You wake up one morning and don't feel good. It's not that you feel *bad*, really, just not yourself.

As the day wears on, a headach develops. You begin to cough, the throat hurts and the headache spreads to the point where your whole body hurts.

By the next morning, you probably have a fever along with chills, weakness and that headache continues. Arms, back and legs also become painful.

You have the flu.

Scurry County is an area where influenza is considered to be widespread. One indication is the rate of occupancy at Cogdell Hospital. This past week, the 50-bed hospital had as many as 64 patients. The daily average is around 15. Influenza began in the U.S. in 1918 when soldiers fighting in WW I brought home the virus of the so-called "Spanish flu." Over the years, as humans became migratory, the virus was carried to other countries where different strains began to mutate.

This year throughout Texas, flu outbreaks have been categorized as "widespread." That classification is based on influenza being recorded in at least half of the state's 11 public health regions. Last week, seven of the public health regions recorded cases of the flu.

Eduardo Sanchez, commissioner of health, is advising Texans to get as flu shot as soon as possible.

"We're seeing a lot of influenza earlier in the season than usual," he said. "We're concerned that with increased travel during the holidays, the flu situation could worsen.

"Get a flu shot. I don't know how to say it more clearly."

The Texas Department of Health reports that most of the influenza in Texas has been caused by type A of the influenza virus. This season's vaccine is formulated to protect against the A/Panama, A/New Caledonia and B/Hong Kong strains of the flu virus and against other similar strains.

Tammy Tyrrell, a registered nurse specializing in epidemiology for the Scurry County Health Unit, advises that getting a flu shot is the first defense against the illness.

"The problem with the flu is that each year the flu virus evolves. This year it could develop into a strain that is not protected by a vaccine. But it's important to note that the vaccine can provide cross-protection against the virus, so it's important to get the shot. It's not too late. You can get it through December and even into January and it will still aid in providing protection," said Tyrrell.

It's important for parents to know that children over the age of six months should also be vaccinated.

According to Linda Winter, Snyder ISD coordinator, school attendance has remained steady and has not reflected an unusual number of absences.

"It's fortunate, but we're holding pretty steady so far this year," said Winter. "We're at about a six percent absence rate so far which is pretty normal for this time of year."

Neither Ira or Hermleigh has had a marked increase in absences due to illness.

The Scurry County Health Unit currently is out of flu vaccine for adults. However, Covenant Family Healthcare and Cogdell's Rural Health Clinic do have vaccine for adults.

Tyrrell believes that the health unit will be ready to begin vaccinating older children next week.

"Hopefully, we will have the flu vaccine for ages three to 18-year-olds available sometime next week," she said.

The health unit does have vaccine for children from six months to 35 months.

COLD OR FLU?

The flu is an acute respiratory illness that is different from the common cold. Here are some signs to look for:

SYMPTOMS	COLD	FLU
Fever	Rare	Characteristic, high (102-104 degrees), lasts 3-4 days
Headache	Rare	Prominent
General aches, pains	Slight	Usual; often severe
Fatigue, weakness	Quite mild	Can last up to 2-3 weeks
Extreme exhaustion	Never	Early and prominent
Stuffy nose	Common	Sometimes
Sneezing	Usual	Sometimes
Sore Throat	Common	Sometimes
Chest discomfort, cough	Mild to moderate; hacking cough	Common; can become severe
COMPLICATIONS	Sinus congestion or earache	Bronchitis, pneumonia; can be life-threatening
PREVENTION	None	Annual vaccination; antiviral medicines (see your doctor)
TREATMENT	Only temporary relief of symptoms	Antiviral medicines (see your doctor)

SOURCE: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases

Phase-in period for new area code expiring

The phase-in period for the 325 area code ends at 12:01 a.m. Sunday.

No longer will customers receive a recorded reminder of the change from the old 915 to the present 325 area code.

Mandatory dialing of the new codes began Oct. 4. Since that time, dialers who used the 915 area code to call Snyder received a recorded reminder about using the new code.

If callers attempt to use the 915 area code beginning Sunday, they will reach an El Paso number since that area is the only one that retained the former code.

The 325 area code also includes Abilene and San Angelo and down to Brady, while Midland-Odessa is now in the 432 area code.

Third person pleads guilty in Allsup's caper

A third individual charged in connection with the staged robbery of Allsup's convenience store in Snyder has pleaded guilty.

Misti Raeann Reeder, 22, of 3005 39th Street pleaded guilty in 132nd District Court Thursday to tampering with evidence.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong sentenced Reeder to serve seven years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for seven years. She also was fined $750 and ordered to pay $1,364 in restitution to Allsup's.

The faked robbery was reported to Snyder police on Sept. 13. As a result of the investigation, five people were charged.

In other court action Thursday, a Snyder woman charged in connection with a series of burglaries last June, pleaded guilty on three counts of burglary of a building.

Pamela Ann Pinkerton, 27, of 1906 West Drive, was sentenced to two years in prison, probated for five years on each count. The sentences will be served concurrently.

Pinkerton also was fined $500 and ordered to make restitution totaling $1,175.

CEO will be meeting topic

The transition committee charged with filling the vacant administrative positions at Cogdell Memorial Hospital will meet at 7:30 a.m. Monday.

The three-man committee consisting of Charles Church, Terry Williams and Bo Robinson will discuss the recruitment process for a chief executive officer.

The committee will meet in the hospital boardroom.

ASK US

Q—When do final exams start at Western Texas College?

A—At 8 a.m. Monday. They will conclude Thursday evening.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Dawn Thomas...

...has lived in Snyder for all of her 17 years. Her mother is June Jones and her stepfather is Steve Jones. She has five sisters, Denise, Alicia, Alexis, Marcie and Rachel. She also has two brothers, Marvin and James. Dawn is a senior at Snyder High School. She enjoys being with family and friends and driving around town.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Nobody is perfect. Look for the good in others. Forget the rest.

—Barbara Bush



Santa Claus reminds everyone that there are

18

days until Christmas

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Choir Christmas program

"The Christmas Suite" will be presented at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Worsham Auditorium by the combined choirs of Snyder High School, Snyder Junior High and West Elementary. The concert will follow a Christmas dessert buffet in the student center. Tickets are $5.

Lord's Supper Church anniversary

The Lord's Supper Church, 119 36th St., one year anniversary will be at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday with pastors Randy and Delia Asebedo.

SHS volleyball boosters

The SHS volleyball boosters will meet at 4 p.m. Sunday in the girls gym to plan the volleyball banquet Dec. 18.

United Way to meet

Scurry County United Way board meeting will be at noon Monday at 2311 Ave. T. A Dutch Treat lunch will be provided.

SHS senior dedications

Senior dedications for Tiger's Lair Yearbook will be accepted through Monday. Cost is $45 with picture and 35-word limit. Call 574-6138.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "The Most Important Thing," followed by "the Word of God."

Snyder Lions Club

Snyder Lions Club will not meet at its regular time Tuesday but will have a Partner-In-Service meeting at 6:30 that evening at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. WTC drama students will present *Crappie, Texas Christmas.*

Food Cupboard donations

Snyder Ministerial Alliance seeks donations to the Food Cupboard, non-perishable items only. Contributions can be dropped off at the Food Cupboard on Tuesday between 8 to 11 a.m. Food may also be taken to your home church or to First United Methodist Church from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., where it will be picked up.

Early Head Start's new building

Scurry Community Services invite you to the grand opening of Scurry County Early Head Start's new building at 2802 Second St. from 4-6 p.m. Tuesday.

Doodle Bug writers club

Members of the Doodle Bug writers club invite all writers to meet at 1 p.m. every other Tuesday at the Golden Village Terrace community room. For more information call 574-1817, 573-7369, or 573-5819.

LVN testing dates

Testing dates at WTC for LVN ASSET will be 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and also on Jan. 20 and Jan. 27. To reserve a time, you must contact the WTC counseling office at 573-8511, ext. 313. Limited seating is available.

WTC Lions Club raffle

WTC Lions Club is selling chances for two spring season passes for either baseball or softball. Tickets are $1 each or six for $5. Tickets are available from any WTC Lions Club member. The drawing will be held Wednesday.

First Baptist support group

First Baptist Church sponsors a support group for persons facing difficulties – including cancer, divorce, grief, etc. It meets on the first floor Adult 6 Department at 6:30 p.m. Thursday.

Central Elementary fundraiser

Pies purchased through the Central Elementary fundraiser will be available from 1-6 p.m. Friday.

WTC spring pre-registration

Pre-registration at WTC continues through Friday. Students should call or go by the counseling center to make an appointment. The number is 573-8511, ext. 313. Students who have not passed THEA (formerly TASP) and are in DRE, DMT and DEN classes must wait until grades are posted.

Coat drive underway

SISD, local businesses and organizations are sponsoring a coat drive through Dec. 15 to assist children and families in need. New or slightly used clean coats, hats, gloves and scarves of all sizes are needed. Collection sites are Humble Smith, Snyder CADA, chamber, WTSB, ASB, FAB, Texas Savings and SNB. If necessary, call 574-6012 or 573-1141 to schedule a collection. Coats will be distributed Dec. 17-18 at 1904 37th St. Schools will get coats prior to Christmas holidays. School principals may call above numbers to request a coat, etc.

Madrigal Christmas dinners

The annual Madrigal Christmas dinners presented by the SHS choral department will be held at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 15-16 at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Tickets are $15 and can be obtained by calling 573-6301.

House decorating contest

The house decorating contest will be judged from 6:30-10:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 17. To enter your home, contact the chamber at 573-3558.

Smokey Bear posters

Smokey Bear posters for a contest sponsored by Snyder Garden Club must be turned in by Dec. 18 to classroom teachers or by calling Sandra Browning at 573-7277. Local winners will be announced in January and top posters will advance to the state contest.

Goodfellows drive underway

Canned goods may be brought to any school campus and monetary contributions can be made at any financial institution for the Goodfellows Food Drive.

Extra cookbooks available

Extra Home for the Holidays cookbooks can be purchased at the Scurry County Extension Office for $5 each.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland is available free of charge. Call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakey Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.



CHRISTMAS PROJECT — Girl Scout Cadet Troop #210 recently prepared cookies for the Christmas Project for prison ministry at the Price Daniel Unit. From left are Jessica Deavers, Jessica Timora, Kendra Iglehart, Kayla Liccardi and Elizabeth Davis. (Contributed Photo)

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Houston surgeon's license is suspended

HOUSTON (AP) — A state regulatory board temporarily suspended the license of a Houston orthopedic surgeon because he reportedly employed or worked with a suspended doctor who was deemed a "continuing threat to public welfare."

Dr. Floyd O. Hardimon, 68, received a temporary suspension from the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners on Friday, the Houston Chronicle reported in its Saturday editions.

Hardimon did not return phone messages left by the newspaper.

A temporary suspension can last indefinitely and eventually lead to a doctor's medical license being revoked.

Hardimon, who practiced at Vista Medical Center in Pasadena, was cited for "lack of competence or failure to care adequately for these patients," because of an incident on or about Sept. 22, the board said.

The board said Hardimon was present while Dr. Eric Scheffey, also an orthopedic surgeon, saw a patient for a follow-up exam after surgery.

The board said Scheffey, 53, introduced the patient to Hardimon, explaining he had assisted in the patient's last three surgeries.

James Huff inducted

SEARCY, Ark. — James Huff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Huff of Snyder, was recently inducted into Harding University's chapter of Alpha Chi, the national intercollegiate honor society.

Huff is a computer engineering major.

Alpha Chi is a nationally affiliated society encouraging superior scholarship. Harding's chapter, the Arkansas Eta chapter, is open to the upper 10 percent of the senior class with a minimum 3.75 grade point on 104 semester hours, and to the upper 10 percent of the junior class with a minimum 3.85 grade point on 80 semester hours.

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AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order:

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Texas Two Step

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:

04-13-30-32. Bonus ball 29.

Estimated jackpot: $250,000

Mega Millions

ATLANTA (AP) — The jackpot in the multi-state Mega Millions lottery drawing grew to $54 million Saturday.

None of the tickets sold for Friday's $44 million drawing matched all five lotto numbers and the Mega Ball. The next drawing will be Tuesday.

There were seven second-prize winners from Friday night's drawing. Each of the seven matched the five lotto numbers but did not match the Mega Ball. Those tickets are worth $175,000.

Thirty players matched four of the five lotto numbers, plus the Mega Ball number. Those tickets are each worth $5,000.

The winning numbers from Friday's drawing were: 1, 12, 15, 18 and 44. The Mega Ball number was 42.

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Optimism over economy gives attitudes a boost

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans' increasing optimism about the economy is starting to improve their attitudes about the direction of the nation and about President Bush, an Associated Press poll finds.

People are increasingly comfortable about job security for themselves and for those they know — 44 percent now, compared with 35 percent in early October. And more approve of the way Bush is handling the economy — 50 percent compared with 45 percent in the October poll, according to the poll conducted for the AP by Ipsos-Public Affairs.

More in the poll say they favor the president's re-election than oppose it, with 41 percent saying they will definitely vote for him and 36 percent definitely against him. One in five is considering voting for someone else.

"I'm mulling over what I'm going to do in the next election," said Eydee Nelson, a 32-year-old mother of two young girls in Fort Collins, Colo. "I feel like the economy is picking up. That definitely makes me more sympathetic to the president's re-election."

The economy is showing mixed signs of recovery: rapid growth that surprised most economists last quarter, indications the job market could be turning around, a rebound in the stock market over the past six months.

But the nation has lost 2.3 million jobs, the turnaround in employment is uncertain and states have been hard hit by revenue losses and are making cuts.

Baby boomers, college graduates and men in general were among the groups more likely to show signs of increased optimism, according to the AP-Ipsos poll.

"Confidence is improving," said Sung Won Sohn, chief economist at Wells Fargo in Minneapolis. "It's a trend, not a blip. While it's not at the level it was in 1999 and 2000, we clearly are coming off the bottom."

The poll found the percentage of people who say they're more comfortable about job security is higher than for those who say they're not, 44 percent to 37 percent. In early October, more were uncomfortable.

If the economy continues to improve, Bush is expected to benefit.

"If things are going well, it's more than likely he'll get a good bit of credit for it," said Doreen Hartley, a 48-year-old computer programmer from Newtown, Pa., near Philadelphia.

While improvements in Bush's ratings were usually small, the upward shifts were reflected in several poll questions. The public remains sharply divided about the president, but the economic optimism seems to have halted his slide in the polls. Also, his Thanksgiving trip to visit U.S. troops in Baghdad was generally well-received.

Support for the president's handling of other domestic issues like education, health care and the economy, at 47 percent, has not shifted significantly. A majority, 54 percent, approved of his handling of foreign policy and the war on terrorism.

Bush's job approval among registered voters was at 53 percent, with 44 percent disapproving.

A mall and the right visitor by Jef Mallett



Moderately Confused



North Texas city making it hard on Girl Scout cookie peddlers

DALLAS (AP) — A North Texas city is making it harder for Girl Scouts to sell cookies door to door under a new solicitation ordinance.

Rowlett city officials recently adopted a stricter ordinance that requires scouts to apply for permits and requires all adults involved, including parents who make the rounds with their daughters, to have a criminal background check.

The policy is one tough cookie to swallow for parents and Girl Scout leaders who are worried that it will hurt this year's cookies sales.

City officials said their intention was to curb solicitation and to protect residents, not to be cookie monsters.

"We have a duty to do background checks on individuals we know are going to be going door to door when there may be kids at home alone from school," said Mayor Shane Johnson. "The intent of this ordinance was to ensure the safety of our residents to the extent that we can."

Gina Motteram, manager of Service Unit 147 in Rowlett, said city officials meant well, but she does not believe they understand the scope of the decision.

"We have right at 400 girls registered. And you are talking about 700 total people — including parents — who will have to be registered."

City official said the ordinance has to be applied fairly to everyone, and that includes 12-year-old Girl Scouts.

The city charges $50 for a permit, plus $1 for each individual who will be doing the selling. The fee is waived for nonprofits such as the Girl Scouts, but they still must apply for a permit and obtain a copy for each person who will be walking the neighborhoods.

"We will do what they are requiring," Motteram said. "But that is a lot more paperwork for us and for them."

The Scouts' policy already requires that all volunteers for the organization undergo criminal background checks. The organization also prohibits scouts from going door to door after dark and requires the girls to be accompanied by an adult.

The organization also allows for solicitation after hours at booths outside stores — something the city policy prohibits.

"If they are operating under the permit, they are restricted to the hours between 9 a.m. to [illegible] p.m. from Sept. 1 to April 30.

Deadline looming for signing DCP contracts

Producers wanting to receive advance direct payments in December under the Direct and Counter-cyclical Program (DCP) must sign their 2004 DCP contracts before the end of the year, according to Joe Hefner of the Scurry County Farm Service Agency.

"The Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 introduced the Direct and Counter-cyclical Program, which requires producers to sign a new contract every year," said Hefner, executive director of the Scurry County FSA. "This is a change from the old Production Flexibility Contracts, which were good for seven years."

The Direct and Counter-cyclical Program offers eligible farmers and ranchers direct cash payments based on acres and yields established for each farm. Producers can elect to receive their direct payments as a lump sum in October or as two partial payments — an advance payment of up to 50 percent of the total and a final payment for the remainder.

When electing to receive two partial payments, Hefner said, "the producer also selects the month in which to receive the advance payment — that's where timing is critical," he said.

"Producers who, for tax or other purposes, want to receive an advance payment this month, have to sign their 2004 DCP contracts in the next few weeks so the advance direct payments can be issued by Dec. 31," said Hefner.

Regardless of which month a producer selects for the advance direct payment, final payments are made in October, following the end of the fiscal year.

The Direct and Counter-cyclical Program is designed to help stabilize U.S. agriculture by providing payments to eligible producers who enroll their farms each fiscal year during the life of the current farm bill.

Both direct payments and counter-cyclical payments are calculated using base acres and payment yields established for each individual farm. Direct payment rates are constant. Counter-cyclical payment rates vary with the average price of program commodities each marketing year. When crop values are high, counter-cyclical payments are zero.

Producers wanting more income in 2003 are encouraged to call the Scurry County Farm Service Agency office to book an appointment.

For more information regarding DCP and other FSA programs, contact the Scurry County FSA office at (325) 573-0171ed or visit the USDA Web sites at http://www.usda.gov.

Schwarz wins subscription

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Studies have shown that many websites don't accomplish what their owners expect. To overcome this, WSI has identified a standard cycle for implementing an effective site. The first stage of the cycle is an Internet Business Analysis (IBA). Even if a business already has a website, the IBA often discovers ways to make it better.

"Basically, the IBA is a questionnaire which allows us to determine how to set up a business's presence on the Internet," said Drew Bullard, president of Computer Solutions. "As we discuss the questions, explain some of the new technology available, and point out possibilities, business owners often come up with new ideas for their websites. It can be very exciting."

"Our affiliation with WSI gives us gives us tremendous resources and capabilities which we have not had before, from selling online to e-mail newsletters to online catalogs to streaming video" said Bullard. "We can even develop intranets or corporate portals, for businesses spread out over several locations. From my own experience as a small business owner, which includes website design, I know that maintaining a site can be frustrating. One of the great things about the WSI sites is that they allow business owners to do most of the updating themselves right from their own computers with no special software. If owners don't have time for this, we can do it for them."

"After the site is up and running, we stay with the business to make sure the site works," said Bullard. "We have tools to analyze the site to see where the traffic is coming from, what sections are visited the most, even from which page the site is exited or at what time of day most of the traffic arrives. This allows us to refine the site as time goes on. We also do search engine optimization (SEO) which allows sites to achieve a high ranking in search engines."

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Vaccine for flu running low in U.S.

AUSTIN (AP) — Doctors and other medical providers should use their remaining supplies of flu vaccines on people who have the highest risk of severe complications from the flu, the Texas Department of Health recommended.

The announcement came after two makers of flu shots in the United States said they had run out of vaccine and will not be able to meet a surge in demand resulting from fears of a particularly bad flu season.

The companies said people who have not yet had their shots may still be able to find them because distributors and doctors' office may still have some left.

Health Commissioner Eduardo Sanchez said remaining vaccine supplies should be for the elderly, children 6 months through 23 months, people with chronic health conditions, such as diabetes and asthma, and people with weakened immune systems.

"It could be that most of the people in the high risk groups who wanted a flu shot have already gotten a flu shot, but we just don't know that," Sanchez said. "We're taking this step as a precaution."

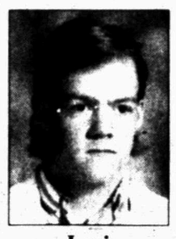
TDH has about a few thousand doses left of the 362,000 it had ordered, spokesman Doug McBride said. About 8 million doses were ordered by doctors and other medical providers in Texas but it is not known how many of those are left, McBride said.



THREE INJURED – Emergency personnel work to free two Brownfield women from a 1999 Tahoe that was involved in a two-vehicle accident at U.S. 84 and CR 122 shortly before 1 p.m. Friday. Jackie Moss, the driver, and Ruby Smith were transferred to Covenant Hospital in Lubbock and were in stable condition Saturday morning. The other vehicle was a 1990 GMC pickup driven by Charles Kerry of Snyder who was admitted to Cogdell Memorial Hospital and was listed in stable condition Saturday. (SDN Staff Photo)

Whatever happened to...

Levi Glenn McCathern II, a 1987 graduate of Snyder High School, formed a law firm, McCathern Mooty Buffington (MMB) in 1998 in Dallas.



Levi McCathern 1987



Levi McCathern 2003

The firm serves a clientele of commercial and general civil litigation. Levi was listed in the November issue of Texas Monthly as one of the states super lawyers.

Levi was active in drama, band, speech and weight lifting while attending Snyder High School. He was in the National Honor Society and was active in youth church activities. He is a graduate of Baylor University and Baylor Law School.

Levi lives in Dallas and has an eight-year-old son, Noah.

His parents are Glenn and Jan McCathern of Amarillo. Glenn was educational director of Colonial Hill Baptist Church for many years and Jan was an instructor at Western Texas College.

(Readers are invited to submit information and pictures for this feature. Bring by Snyder Daily News or mail to Box 949 in Snyder, 79550)

Senior Center News

The meals-on-wheels project benefits citizens of our community and requires 15 volunteers a day. During the holidays we are in need of volunteers who would be able to donate their time on a substitute basis. Teenagers out of school could volunteer as "stackers" or "hoppers." Call Glenda at 573-4035 or visit our facility at 2603 Avenue M. to volunteer for the meals-on-wheels program.

Social Security agents will be at the center from 10 a.m. to noon and from 1-2 p.m. Tuesday. We do not make appointments. Assistance is received on a first come first serve basis. Register as you enter the quilting area.

The Christmas candy sale is Thursday. Volunteers are asked to donate homemade candy and have it to the center no later than 9:30 a.m. The sale begins at 10 a.m. The candy costs $3 per coffee can.

Volunteers will fill the coffee can with each individual's selection of candies. Christmas crafts will also be for sale. No early sales and absolutely no sampling. All money will go to the operation of the center.

Our Christmas dinner is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Dec. 17. To pre-register, sign up at the center or call 573-4035.

The community sing and the country and western dance have both been canceled for the month of December.

MONDAY

Party bridge begins at 9:30 a.m. and continues throughout the morning. Skip-Bo begins at 10 a.m. in the eighty-eight room. Join us at noon Monday-Friday for the congregate meal. Senior citizens 60 years of age and older are asked to make a donation of $2.50 per person. Visitors less than sixty years of age must pay $4 per plate.

TUESDAY

We will have our traditional signing of Christmas cards for the residents of the nursing homes. Join us and enjoy hot cocoa and sign as many cards as you are able. We strive to have several signatures on every card and at least one card for each resident in the local nursing homes.

Seniors may also play eighty/eighty-eight beginning at 10 a.m. Thursday was the last day for swimnastics at Western Texas College. The class will resume in January.

WEDNESDAY

Ladies Pool is scheduled for 9 a.m. and Skip-Bo begins at 10 a.m. in the bridge room. Join us for Pinochle at 1 p.m. also in the bridge room. Newcomers are welcome there is always a volunteer ready to assist you.

THURSDAY

The Christmas Candy Sale begins at 10 a.m. The Sunshine Choir will lead a Christmas carol sing-a-long from 10-11 a.m. The center will open at 6 p.m. for game night.

FRIDAY

Blood pressure readings and the bridge tournament begin at 9:30 a.m. and continue throughout the morning.

Senior Menu

MONDAY
Beef Stew
Southern Fried Okra
Pickled Beets & Onion
Tropical Apples

TUESDAY
Braised Pork Chop w/Gravy
Seasoned Fries
Green Beans
Heavenly Hash
Sugar Cookie

WEDNESDAY
Hamburger Steak w/Bacon
Scalloped Potatoes
Green Peas
Carrot Raisin Salad
Lemon Bars

THURSDAY
Chicken Strips w/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Whole Kernel Corn
Tossed Salad
Pineapple Pudding

FRIDAY
Fried Fish
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White Cake w/Strawberries

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Current picture?

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Four families ordered to vacate apartment complex in Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — Officials have ordered four families to vacate an apartment complex where a fire killed five children because of faulty wiring.

Alvin Police chief Mike Merkel said faulty wiring was found in many of the remaining 15 apartments at The Bates Townhouse Apartments, creating a hazardous living environment.

The families will get help finding temporary shelter from the city's victims assistance program, he said.

Also on Friday, fire officials removed wiring and other debris from the unit where the Tuesday blaze started in the downstairs living room.

The debris will undergo X-rays and chemical testing to help investigators determine the cause of the fire, Merkel said.

The fire riped through the apartment and seriously burned the children's father, Salim Charina, and also injured their mother, Candice Towns.

Firefighters found the bodies of Zain Charina, 4; and his siblings Zohaib, 3; Shafina, 2; and 2-month-old twins Amann and Cyra, in the two upstairs bedrooms.

Charina, who remains in critical condition in the burn unit at Memorial Hermann Hospital, told relatives that he woke up to find his apartment full of smoke. He said he pushed Towns through an upstairs window and suffered burns in a failed effort to find the children.

Towns, who suffered two broken vertebrae in the fall, underwent surgery Friday for a broken leg, family members told the Houston Chronicle. She visited her husband for the first time Thursday, they said.

"We're hoping she can be well enough to attend the funeral," said her uncle, Mike Towns. Funeral services are Tuesday at SouthPark Funeral Home in Pearland.

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Financial Focus

Are You Taking Advantage of Online Account Access?

Not too many years ago, if you wanted to see how your investments were doing, you had to wait for your monthly or quarterly statement. But that was then - this is now. Today, you can jump on the Internet and view your investment accounts. By tracking these accounts online, you can do a better job of managing them — and that can help make you a better, smarter investor.

Of course, the information available to you on your computer depends on the company with which you invest. Some firms offer more "bells and whistles" than others, and you may have to wade through some unnecessary screens to get what you want. However, here are some items that commonly appear online - along with suggestions on how to use them:

•**Account summary** — You should be able to get a high-level view of your account balances and total value. Your account summary may include investments, savings, lines of credit, mortgages or other accounts. Most services allow you to "drill down" into each account for details on each holding within the account, such as current price and number of shares.

•**Recent account activity** — You can use the information found in this section to verify recent purchases and sales. By monitoring your transactions regularly, you'll identify the pattern of your investment moves, which, in turn, will help keep you aware of the effects of your decisions. When you know what you're buying and selling, and how frequently you're making these transactions, you'll be able to see if you're following your stated investment strategy.

•**Historical information** — Online account access services are a great source for historical statements and previous account transactions. You also may have access to important records, such as what you originally paid for an investment. This type of information can be valuable when you're calculating the taxes that may be due when you sell securities.

If you've got a particularly comprehensive online account service, you may be able to get a variety of other useful features, such as headline news, daily market commentary, investment research and even educational information. Depending on how much time you're willing to commit to these items, you may find that they can help inform you about your investments and the wider financial world.

Ultimately, your online account access can be a great tool to help you manage your investments. In fact, you may even want to go over some of this information with your investment professional. By doing so, you may find it easier to understand his or her recommendations.

Despite all the advantages you'll find with online access, you don't necessarily want to visit your accounts too frequently. If you dwell too often on the day-to-day changes in your account balance, you might lose sight of the big picture — and that could lead you to make ill-advised decisions.

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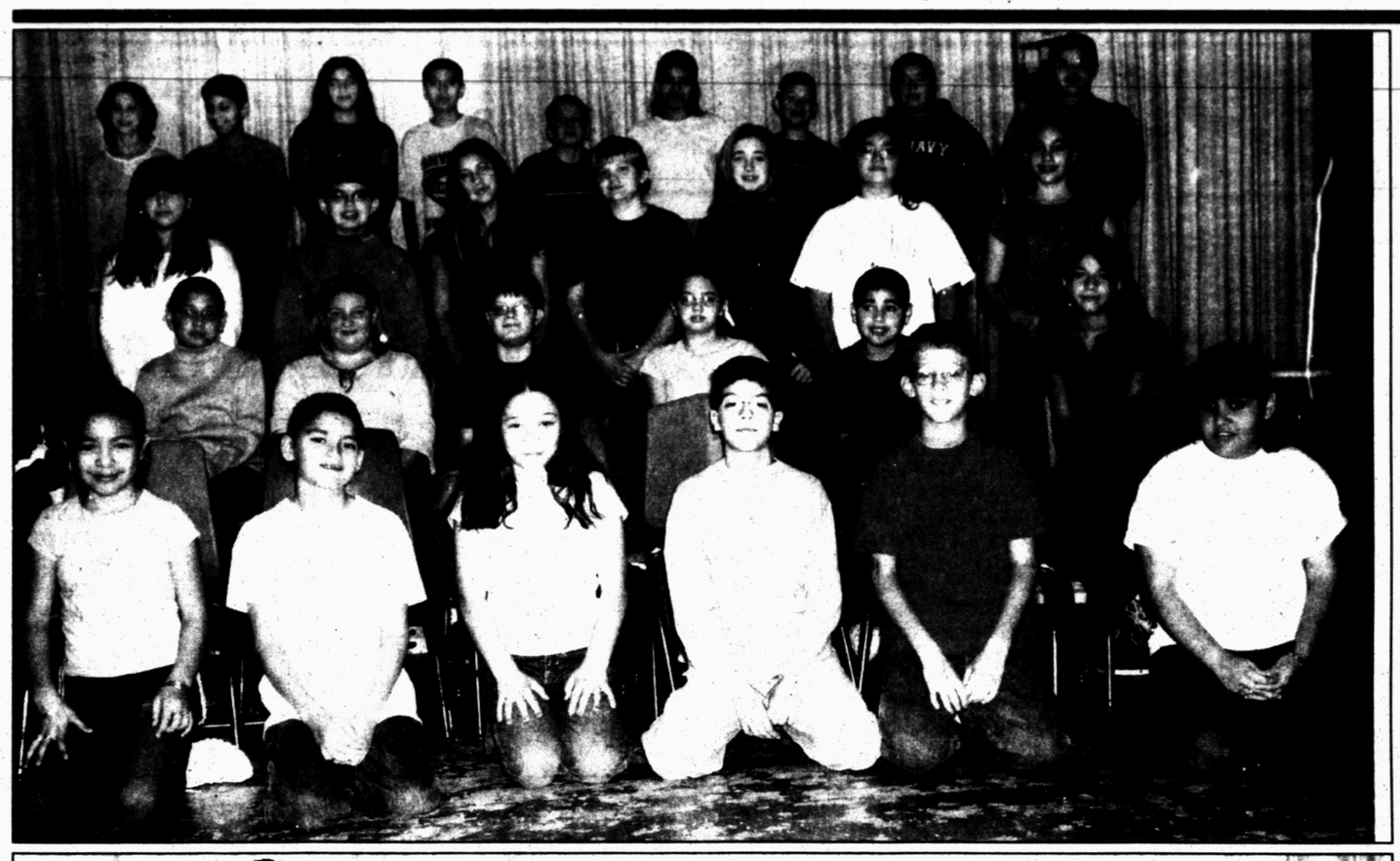
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SHAKIN' IT UP — West Elementary choir students presented *Shakin It Up* on Nov. 14. (top picture) Top row from left are Jessica Floyd, Brian Muniz, Yvette Hernandez, Juan Estrada, Clint Wall, Daisy Garcia, Tanner Robertson, Andrea Perez and Quinton Bass. Third row from left are Kelsi Fulford, Jacob Kemp, Chelcea Roemisch, Eric Trammell, Rachel Gault, Laura Ortega and Samana Medrano. Second row, Cassie Cochran, Kenny Kincaid, Loryn Terry, Manuel Sandoval, Josie Ornelas. First row, Wendy Morin, David Sosa, Martha Cabrera, Matt Rios, John Buchanan and Krystal Martinez. (bottom picture) Fourth row from left, Hayden Chandler, Allison Swigert, Cassandra Benitez, Kana Grimes, Arielle Huddleston, Jodi Hamilton, Rainie Moore, La Tekka Richardson, Chris Fuentes and Ben Alfaro. Third row, Adelberto Medina, Samana Arizmendi, Elizabeth Martinez, Janie Ornelas, Ashley Dennis, Bianca Cabrera, Natasha Garcia, Gus Gonzales, Gabby Arredondo. Row two, Amanda Browning, Toby Lopez, Cindy Garza, Brent Cole, Hayley Fry, Jose Espinoza. Row one, Elizabeth Rodriguez, Meagan Smith, Jose Rodarte, Ashley Browning, Dilland Almanza and Ashley Silva. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

Stanfield presents workshops

Stanfield Elementary representatives attended Reach for the Stars, the Southwest Center for Accelerated Schools' fifth annual conference last month in Austin.

Stanfield is one of six "demonstrated schools" that have met the criteria for implementing the Accelerated Schools Project's principles, values, powerful learning and governance process.

The conference included Richard "Cactus" Pryor and Jim Smith, Jr. as featured speakers. Various workshops and seminars were presented, including two by Stanfield teachers.

Carolyn Torres, Suzanne Doolittle and Diane Huff presented "Math is more than just a worksheet."

Wendy Hunter and Sheila Collier presented "Super sensational spelling."

The Accelerated Schools Project was introduced in 1986. The Southwest Center for Accelerated Schools is part of the national network of Accelerated Schools founded by Dr. Henry Levins.

This is Stanfield's third and final year of the Accelerated Schools grant. Central Elementary is also an accelerated school.



PRESENT PROGRAM — Carolyn Torres was one of Stanfield Elementary teachers who presented a workshop during the fifth annual conference hosted by the Southwest Center for Accelerated Schools. Torres, Suzanne Doolittle and Diane Huff presented "Math is more than just a workshop." (Contributed Photo)

Jailer is found guilty of sex with inmates

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — A South Texas jury has found a former Cameron County jailer guilty of two counts of inappropriate sexual contact with female inmates.

Joel Zamora was convicted Friday for fondling Jennifer Hurtado and Yesenia G. Sanchez last year while their were inmates at Dentention Center II.

His sentencing is set for Jan. 8.

Zamora, who was the county's chief jailer, was acquitted of charges of having sexual intercourse with the women.

"We would have liked four out of four, but we are very pleased to have gotten a conviction," said District Attorney Yolanda de Leon. "What this conviction stands for is that in Cameron County, whatever happens behind closed doors will eventually see the light of day."

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SPORTS



MAKING PLANS — Snyder junior varsity basketball coach Zack Williams goes over a situation with Barrett Bowlin during a free throw attempt in the first quarter of Snyder's game with Sweetwater Saturday. The junior Tigers had two games scheduled Saturday in the JV tournament. (SDN Staff Photo)

Lady Tigers advance to championship in Lamesa

LAMESA — The Snyder Lady Tigers moved on to the championship game against the host team in the Lamesa Girls Tournament with a 63-51 victory over Odessa Permian.

Erin Burleson and Sirena Medrano combined to score 40 of Snyder's points.

Burleson connected with five shots from behind the arc for a game-high 21 points, while Medrano hit eight field goals and went 3-for-4 at the free-throw line for 19. The two scored all nine points in the fourth quarter for the Lady Tigers.

The team jumped out to a 20-12 edge, before pushing the lead to 19 before halftime.

Terann Ragland added nine points, and Sarah Henson hit for six.

Jordan Stansell and Teddi Crenwelge had four each.

Snyder advanced to play Permian after a 66-19 waxing of Lubbock Roosevelt, showing its defensive mettle by shutting out Roosevelt in the first quarter.

"We've been showing signs of being a good defensive team," he said, adding that the rare shut out in the quarter was a mix of good defense and Roosevelt not getting any shots to fall.

"You certainly don't see that very often," he said.

Martin said this year's club is much younger than the 2002 version, leading to sometime inconsistent play. But, he said, the team has been shooting better of late, and is starting to jell.

"Our team chemistry is getting better, and we're shooting better the last two or three games. Offensively, we are quite a bit better (than last year), and we have the potential to be better defensively," he said. "We have proven we can play defense, we just need to be more consistent."

Snyder won the Lamesa tournament last year, and Martin said winning the tournament would be a nice start for district, especially against host Lamesa, which beat El Paso Bowie Friday to advance to the championship game.

"It would be big, considering they're a district opponent, but we just want to play well," he said. "We would like to beat them in district."

The Lady Tigers played Lamesa three times in 2002 winning once and losing two close games, so the rivals are familiar.

"They won the district and they are undefeated (this year), so it will be a tough match-up. They have a lot of returners," Martin said.

The teams were scheduled to tip-off at 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

Lady Cards win Wilson tourney

WILSON — The Hermleigh Lady Cardinals used a late scoring push to slip past host Wilson, 34-28, and win the Lynn County Cotton Classic Friday.

Free throw shooting was the difference, as the Lady Cards hit 10 free throws, many down the stretch, as they pulled away from Wilson late.

"The girls did really well," said head coach Raymond House. "They played well defensively. Wilson is pretty scrappy, and it was a 'ping-pong' match. I'm really proud of them."

The teams were tied after the first quarter, and Hermeligh held a three-point lead at the half.

Wilson stormed back to take a 23-22 lead at the end of the third quarter, before Hermleigh's free-throw shooting helped them outscore Wilson 12-5 in the final quarter.

Alana Culp led all players with 17 points, while Alicia Culp added 10 for the Lady Cardinals, who improved to 4-3 on the season.

Hermleigh will play Southland Tuesday before entering the Rochester Tournament next weekend. A scheduling conflict forced the team to play its first district game before the break, with Blackwell on the schedule Dec. 19.

"The girls are working hard and getting ready for district. That's what they are gearing up for, and they are on the right track. They are improving every game," House said.

Tigers blow big lead, fall to Fabens in Andrews tourney

ANDREWS — The Tigers did everything right in the first quarter Friday.

Then everything went wrong.

After taking a 19-point lead at the end of the first quarter, the wheels came off for Snyder in the second half against Fabens in a 68-45 loss in the second round of the Gym Bice Classic.

The Tigers led by 10 points at halftime, but were outscored 28-4 in the third period, and 45-9 overall in the second half.

"At the start of the game we played good defense and shot really well," head coach Bud Birks said. "It was one of those deals where it fell apart offensively and defensively. We stopped doing things that we had been doing defensively, and we didn't take care of the ball. In the third and fourth quarters we were just not mentally and physically tough."

Lee Scott hit four shots from behind the arc in the first quarter, scoring 16 of his 20 points in the opening frame.

Scott was held scoreless in the second half.

The Tigers also missed several free throws down the stretch.

Birks said the limited practice time his team has had together has contributed to some of the errors late in games.

"We have had only two practices, and for a team that plays as much man as we do, you can't cover all the situations in two practices," he said.

The Tigers were scheduled to play the winner between Andrews and Pecos at 5:30 p.m. Saturday.

Spade tops Hermleigh

WILSON — The Hermleigh Cardinals fell in the consolation game of the Lynn County Classic, as Spade surged past the Cardinals in the last minute to grab a 56-47 victory.

Spade jumped on top early, limiting Hermleigh to five first quarter points, before the Cardinals came back to within one point at halftime.

The teams were tied 47-47 late in the fourth quarter before Spade gave a final push to take the contest.

Jonathan McClure led the Cardinals with 18 points, and Shane Berry pumped in 10.

Keenon Garcia added nine, Robby Anderson scored seven, and Justin Kelly added two.

The Cardinals will take on Southland Tuesday, and will compete in the Rochester Tournament next weekend.

Symons wins Baugh Trophy

Texas Tech senior quarterback B.J. Symons was announced as the recipient of the Sammy Baugh Trophy, one year after former Tech record-setting quarterback Kliff Kingsbury received the honor.

Symons set the NCAA single-season mark with 5,336 passing yards. Symons also leads the nation in nearly every passing and total offense category, including touchdown passes (48), passing yards per game (444.7) and total offense yards per game (456.3). He also turned in the third-best single-game passing performance in NCAA history with 661 yards in a come-from-behind win at Mississippi earlier in the season.

In addition to his single-season passing record, Symons also set five other NCAA records in single-season total offense yards (5,476), consecutive games of 400-plus yards of total offense (9), most passing yards over four-consecutive games (2,239), most total offense yards over three-consecutive games (1,799) and most total offense yards over four-consecutive games (2,328).

Duncan lifts Spurs past Magic

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Tim Duncan thinks the Orlando Magic are far better than their 1-18 record. Duncan can't believe his San Antonio Spurs don't have a winning record, either.

Duncan's season-high 47 points lifted San Antonio to a 105-94 victory over Orlando on Friday night, sending the Magic to a franchise-record 18th straight loss while snapping the Spurs' four-game losing streak.

"They're a very talented team," Duncan said. "It's just like us — I don't think we're a .500 team, but it's just how we started the season."

San Antonio is now 10-10.

Orlando first looked as if it would roll over against the defending NBA champions, trailing by 18 late in the second quarter. But the Magic roared back to seize a five-point advantage entering the final quarter after Tracy McGrady scored 16 of his 28 points in the third period.

But Orlando missed 16 of 21 shots in the fourth and went on to surpassed the previous longest losing streak in team history, set in 1991-92. McGrady missed his final nine shots as the Spurs closed the game with an 18-7 run.

"Guys are playing the game hard — but everybody is playing hard," McGrady said. "Let's try to play smart basketball. At times we do that, but for the most part, we're not. That's why we're giving away these games."

Said Duncan: "(McGrady's) going through a tough time right now. I know he's as competitive as all of us, and I know it's killing him right now with the stretch they're going through."

Duncan shot 19-for-33 from the field and 9-for-13 from the line, coming six points from his career high.

"They weren't really double-teaming me, so I had my chances to take my shots in the post," Duncan said. "I took them when they were there."

Duncan also had 12 rebounds for his 15th double-double in 16 games. The Spurs outrebounded Orlando 45-33, and had 15 offensive rebounds for 18 second-chance points.

Rasho Nestorovic added 12 points for the Spurs. Ron Mercer scored seven of his 11 points in the opening seconds of the fourth quarter to kick off the Spurs' comeback.

Sports Briefs

Baseball/softball booster clubs

The SHS softball and baseball booster clubs will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the film room.

Malone suspended for elbow

NEW YORK (AP) — Karl Malone will not play Sunday against his former team, the Utah Jazz, after being suspended for one game by the NBA for elbowing Dallas guard Steve Nash in the head.

The penalty was announced by NBA vice president Stu Jackson after he reviewed videotape of Malone's thrown elbow, which came early in the third quarter of the Lakers' 114-103 victory on Thursday night.

Kidd fined for berating officials

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — New Jersey Nets guard Jason Kidd was fined $10,000 by the NBA for verbally abusing and publicly criticizing game officials following a loss to Memphis.

Oregon extends Bellotti's contract

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Oregon football coach Mike Bellotti agreed to a one-year contract extension will keep him with the Duck through the 2008 season.

Bellotti's annual salary remains at $650,000, with incentives that could push the total to $1.1 million, the school said.



Daysha Weaver

Weaver passes PGA players ability test

Daysha Weaver has passed the PGA Players Ability Test at Nueva Vista Golf Course in Midland. Her 36-hole total was 151 with rounds of 75 and 76.

Weaver gives golf lessons and is a PGA apprentice at Texas Star Golf Club in Euless.

She graduated from Snyder High School in 1998 and from the University of North Texas in 2002. Daysha is the daughter of Randy and Barbara Weaver of Snyder.





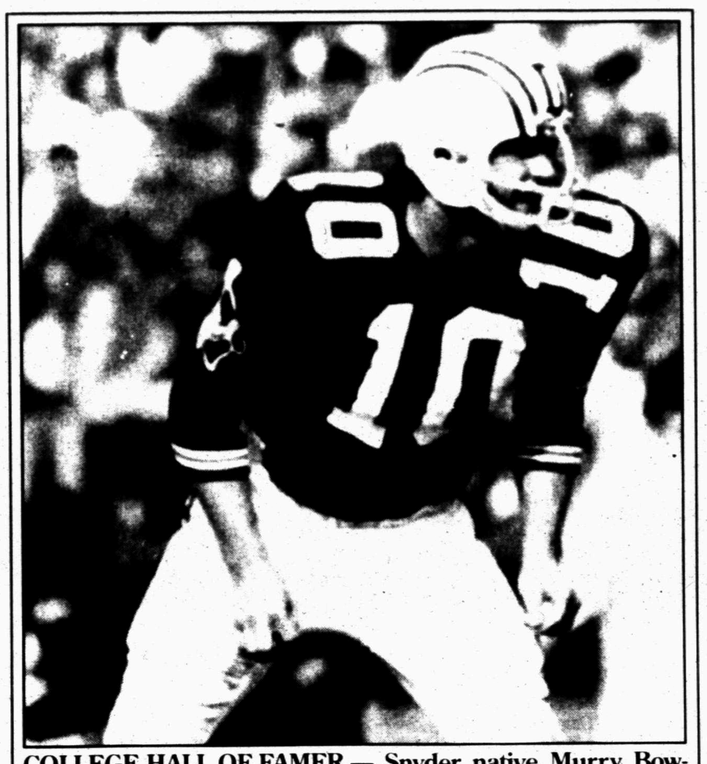
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COLLEGE HALL OF FAMER — Snyder native Murry Bowden joins 10 other players and coaches in the College Football Hall of Fame class of 2003. Bowden led Dartmouth to an undefeated record his senior year. He was the captain of a defense that shut out six opponents in 1970, his senior season.

Murry Bowden to enter Hall of Fame

Murry Bowden, a 1967 graduate of Snyder High School and All-American linebacker at Dartmouth College, has been named for induction in the College Football Hall of Fame.

Bowden joins Barry Sanders, Joe Theismann, Hayden Fry and seven other players and coaches as 2003 inductees, and follows the induction last year of fellow Snyder native Grant Teaff.

Bowden was co-captain his senior year and led Dartmouth to an undefeated season in 1970, when the school was ranked 14th in both wire service polls and won the second of its five straight Ivy League championships.

That team also outscored its opponents, 311-42, shutting out the last four teams it faced to give them six on the year, and won the Lambert Trophy as the best team in the East.

Bowden received several individual honors that year, including selection on the All-America first team for both the College Football Coaches Association and the Walter Camp Foundation.

He also was named to the All-East, All-New England and All-Ivy first teams. He was named to the All-New England first team in 1969, as well, when Dartmouth went 8-1.

Bowden, who majored in psychology, received his law degree from the University of Texas Law School in 1975.

In 1982, Bowden co-founded The Hanover Company, a real estate investment company located in Houston, where he and his wife, Polly, live with their two sons. He currently serves as co-chairman of the firm.

Joining Bowden in the Hall of Fame are Sanders, Oklahoma State; Theismann, Notre Dame; defensive back Roger Wehrli, Missouri; running back Ricky Bell, USC; guard Tom Brown, Minnesota; tackle Jimbo Colvert, Pittsburgh; end Jerry LeVias, SMU; tackle Billy Neighbors, Alabama; linebacker Ron Pritchard, Arizona State and quarterback John Rausch, Georgia.

Fry went to Odessa High School, leading the team to a state title in 1946. He was head coach at SMU from 1962-1972, before taking over North Texas State, where he coached until 1978. Fry took over the Iowa program in 1979 and coached 20 years, winning three Big 10 titles.

He is joined by former Florida and Tennessee head coach Doug Dickey.

Cowboys battle Eagles with first place in East on the line

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — For the first time since Troy Aikman, Emmitt Smith and Michael Irvin played for Dallas, a game between the Cowboys and Philadelphia Eagles has playoff implications for both teams.

First place in the NFC East is on the line when the two-time division champion Eagles (9-3) host the Cowboys (8-4) at Lincoln Financial Field on Sunday. Dallas won the first meeting 23-21 on Oct. 12, but the Eagles haven't lost since, winning seven straight.

"I said after our 0-2 start that we're the defending NFC East champs. You have to go through Philly in order to get the trophy," Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb said. "You all laughed, probably smirked and went home and told all your friends that I was stupid, but I guess you understand that what I was saying was right."

McNabb's comments haven't become bulletin-board material for the Cowboys because the Eagles backed up his statement.

"He has room to talk right now, and our job is to try to prove him wrong this weekend. That's all we can do," Cowboys tight end Dan Campbell said.

The significance of this game has renewed an intense rivalry. It's been seven years since both teams finished a season with winning records.

While the Cowboys were struggling in recent years, the Eagles established themselves as one of the top teams in the NFL, reaching the NFC championship game the last two seasons. The Eagles also are trying to stay atop the conference standings; St. Louis is 9-3, too.

Now that Dallas is winning again after three straight 5-11 finishes, the Eagles stand in their way.

"If we want to be champions or we want to set ourselves up for the playoffs, we have to go through Philly and have to beat them. It's a big test for us," Cowboys linebacker Dexter Coakley said.

The Cowboys are coming off a lopsided 40-21 loss to Miami on Thanksgiving. They're just 3-3 after a 5-1 start under new coach Bill Parcells. Still, playing for first place this late in the season is quite an accomplishment for an overachieving team that hasn't had a winning record since 1998.

"The fact that we're playing in a game that involves first place, I think that's a good thing for us at this time of the year, being that it's in the 13th game I've been here," Parcells said. "That's a good thing.

"But I look at this season in its entirety and I want to try to make sure that I'm doing everything to try to give our team the best chance to win this week, and then I'll worry about next week."

Gainesville tops Wylie

NORTH RICHLAND HILLS — Abilene Wylie, which twice topped the Snyder Tigers this season, including an 18-6 victory to bounce the Tigers from playoffs, blew a 17-13 halftime lead to lose to Gainesville, 35-24, in the 3A state semifinals.

Gainesville senior quarterback Chris Brown completed 9-of-15 passes for 100 yards and rushed for 72, as Gainesville scored 24 unanswered points in the second half.

Wylie quarterback Case Keenum lit up Gainesville for 276 yards on 20-of-31 passing in a losing effort.

Gainesville improved to 14-0 on the season, and will play the winner of Saturday's game between Burnet and Jasper for the Class 3A Division I state crown.

Texas, Boston in talks for Ramirez, Rodriguez swap

NEW YORK (AP) — A-Rod could be the next big star moving to the AL East as the Boston Red Sox try to beat the New York Yankees in a heated game of "Can you top this?"

The Red Sox are discussing acquiring the AL MVP Alex Rodriguez from the Texas Rangers for Manny Ramirez in what would be a swap of the only $20 million-a-year players in baseball history.

"There seems to be a focus that often leads to successful deals," Ramirez's agent, Jeff Moorad, said Friday.

Moorad confirmed that Boston and Texas are talking. But he added: "I've stayed in touch with both clubs over the last few days, and neither seemed optimistic today that a deal was imminent."

Rodriguez told Texas last month before he won his first MVP award that he was open to having the Rangers explore a trade.

The shortstop has reached 47 homers and 118 RBIs in three straight seasons. Ramirez, an outfielder, had at least 33 homers and 104 RBIs in each of his three years in Boston.

"A-Rod's the best player in the game, and he plays a premium defensive position," said Rodriguez's agent, Scott Boras. "He certainly brings a moniker to a franchise. When a player like that is available, there are teams that are certainly going to do everything they can to pursue him."

Red Sox president Larry Lucchino wouldn't confirm or deny any talks.

Texas spokesman Gregg Elkin said there were no developments to report.

Ex-Jaguars helping Texans

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — All their Ex's live in Texas — or at least that's what the hand-painted sign in the corner of the stadium read the last time the Houston Texans visited the Jacksonville Jaguars.

This year, many of those Ex's are living in the trainer's room.

When the injury-riddled Texans (5-7) visit the Jaguars (3-9) on Sunday, none of the three players the Texans took from the Jaguars in the expansion draft — Gary Walker, Seth Payne, Tony Boselli — will be playing.

"We felt the potential reward was worth the risk," said coach Dom Capers, a former Jaguars defensive coordinator, when asked if he regretted taking Boselli. "It never really worked out. So you move on."

The Texans have moved on quite nicely, and they've done it, in part, with help from yet another influx of former Jaguars. In the past year, they've signed offensive lineman Zach Wiegert, tailback Stacey Mack and safety Marlon McCree. Mack was a starter until he, too, went on IR. Wiegert and McCree are starters.

And while logic might dictate that cherry-picking from a team that hasn't had a winning season since 1999 would be a recipe for trouble, the Texans believe they're going in the right direction.

David Carr, the first pick in the draft last season, is learning while he takes his lumps. Domanick Davis was selected AFC rookie of the week for four consecutive weeks, at one point. The Texans have a solid receiving corps in Andre Johnson and Jabar Gaffney. And, realistically, Walker and Payne were solid for the Jaguars; if they return, they could be key for Houston, as well.

National Hockey League

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Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	16	3	5	1	38	79	48
New Jersey	13	5	6	0	32	58	39
N.Y. Rangers	10	9	5	2	27	72	67
N.Y. Islanders	9	13	2	0	20	62	67
Pittsburgh	6	13	4	1	17	47	84

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	14	6	5	2	35	74	68
Boston	12	5	4	4	32	69	63
Ottawa	12	8	2	3	29	80	56
Buffalo	12	12	2	1	27	62	70
Montreal	11	11	3	1	26	56	61

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Atlanta	13	11	3	1	30	84	81
Tampa Bay	11	6	4	1	27	53	42
Carolina	7	10	8	1	23	51	63
Florida	9	14	4	0	22	57	74
Washington	8	16	1	1	18	66	78

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	15	9	3	0	33	92	64
St. Louis	14	6	2	1	31	63	52
Nashville	14	10	1	0	29	66	62
Columbus	8	13	3	1	20	53	69
Chicago	6	13	4	3	19	49	74

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	14	7	3	2	33	82	62
Colorado	14	7	3	1	32	77	61
Calgary	12	8	1	3	28	57	57
Edmonton	10	12	3	0	23	67	76
Minnesota	9	13	4	0	22	54	59

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	13	10	1	1	28	63	57
San Jose	8	7	9	2	27	63	64
Dallas	11	12	3	0	25	58	64
Phoenix	9	10	6	1	25	66	79
Anaheim	8	10	4	5	25	58	77

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss.

Friday's Games

Montreal 1, Carolina 1, tie
Philadelphia 3, Phoenix 2
Atlanta 6, Anaheim 2
Calgary 2, Minnesota 1

Saturday's Games

Nashville at St. Louis, 2 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
New Jersey at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at Boston, 6 p.m.
Carolina at Montreal, 6 p.m.
Detroit at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Chicago at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Columbus at Colorado, 8 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Dallas at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.
Washington at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Tampa Bay at N.Y. Rangers, 4 p.m.
Phoenix at Chicago, 6 p.m.
Dallas at Anaheim, 7 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Calgary, 7 p.m.

National Football League

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	10	2	0	.833	257	209
Miami	8	4	0	.667	241	191
Buffalo	5	7	0	.417	197	194
N.Y. Jets	5	7	0	.417	234	238

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	9	3	0	.750	343	254
Tennessee	9	3	0	.750	320	232
Houston	5	7	0	.417	211	290
Jacksonville	3	9	0	.250	202	264

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	7	5	0	.583	300	238
Cincinnati	7	5	0	.583	268	266
Cleveland	4	8	0	.333	192	224
Pittsburgh	4	8	0	.333	223	277

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	11	1	0	.917	361	222
Denver	7	5	0	.583	279	206
Oakland	3	9	0	.250	222	278
San Diego	2	10	0	.167	233	342

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	9	3	0	.750	245	212
Dallas	8	4	0	.667	226	208
N.Y. Giants	4	8	0	.333	202	266
Washington	4	8	0	.333	236	280

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Carolina	8	4	0	.667	234	229
New Orleans	6	6	0	.500	256	278
Tampa Bay	5	7	0	.417	230	191
Atlanta	2	10	0	.167	221	328

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	7	5	0	.583	310	295
Green Bay	6	6	0	.500	298	255
Chicago	5	7	0	.417	219	247
Detroit	4	8	0	.333	202	280

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
St. Louis	9	3	0	.750	347	246
Seattle	8	4	0	.667	323	239
San Francisco	5	7	0	.417	248	230
Arizona	3	9	0	.250	166	337

Sunday's Games

San Diego at Detroit, noon
Chicago at Green Bay, noon
Oakland at Pittsburgh, noon
Houston at Jacksonville, noon
Washington at N.Y. Giants, noon
Indianapolis at Tennessee, noon
Cincinnati at Baltimore, noon
Dallas at Philadelphia, noon
Seattle at Minnesota, noon
Tampa Bay at New Orleans, noon
Arizona at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Buffalo, 3:15 p.m.
Miami at New England, 3:15 p.m.
Kansas City at Denver, 3:15 p.m.
Carolina at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

Monday's Game

St. Louis at Cleveland, 8 p.m.

National Basketball Association

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	11	10	.524	—
New Jersey	8	11	.421	2
Boston	7	12	.368	3
New York	7	13	.350	3½
Washington	6	12	.333	3½
Miami	5	14	.263	5
Orlando	1	18	.053	9

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	16	4	.800	—
Detroit	14	6	.700	2
New Orleans	13	7	.650	3
Toronto	11	8	.579	4½
Milwaukee	9	10	.474	6½
Atlanta	6	14	.300	10
Chicago	5	13	.278	10
Cleveland	4	15	.211	11½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	13	6	.684	—
Dallas	12	7	.632	1
Houston	11	7	.611	1½
Utah	11	7	.611	1½
Minnesota	11	8	.579	2
Memphis	10	8	.556	2½
San Antonio	10	10	.500	3½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	16	3	.842	—
Sacramento	12	5	.706	3
Portland	10	7	.588	5
Seattle	9	7	.563	5½
Golden State	8	9	.471	7
Phoenix	8	10	.444	7½
L.A. Clippers	6	9	.400	8

Friday's Games

Toronto 92, Atlanta 87
Phoenix 110, Boston 106
Philadelphia 93, Miami 90
New Jersey 93, Milwaukee 86
Memphis 92, Washington 77
San Antonio 105, Orlando 94
Houston 83, New Orleans 74
Utah 86, L.A. Clippers 67
Denver 98, Golden State 91
Portland 88, New York 81
Indiana 101, Seattle 94
Minnesota 112, Sacramento 109, OT

Saturday's Games

Atlanta at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Phoenix at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Minnesota at L.A. Clippers, 2:30 p.m.
Seattle at Toronto, 3 p.m.
Portland at Memphis, 3 p.m.
Boston at Denver, 8 p.m.
Indiana at Sacramento, 8 p.m.
Utah at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m.

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DATED the 4th day of December, 2003.

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ATTENTION: **Marie Cox**; I have surveyed the property located at 309½ 25th St., (W75' Lot 3, Block 31, Grayum and Nelson Addition of the City of Snyder). I declare the structure(s) to be unsafe as defined by Ordinance No. 324 and intend to order demolition of the structure(s) on or about December 30, 2003. If no objections are received by this date the demolition order will be issued.

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No. 084XXR1002
will be received by the Abilene District Office of the Texas Department of Transportation located at:
4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas
until
3:00 P.M., Wednesday, December 10, 2003
then publicly opened and read.

Bidding documents, including proposal/agreement form and specifications, may be obtained from:
Scott Mitchell
Texas Department of Transportation
4250 N. Clack
P.O. Box 150
Abilene, Texas 79604
(325) 676-6911
(325) 676-6958 - Fax

Legal Notice

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Scurry County Commissioners' Court will receive and open bid proposals for Air Conditioning at the Scurry County Coliseum, Monday, December 15, 2003, at 10:00 a.m., during Regular Session of Commissioners' Court. Specifications may be obtained at the County Judge's Office, Scurry County Courthouse, Snyder, Texas.

PUBLIC NOTICE
On Thursday, December 11, 2003, at 6:00 p.m. in the Administration Building Boardroom during the regularly scheduled meeting of the Snyder I.S.D. Board of Trustees a public hearing will be held to discuss the AEIS (Academic Excellence Indicator System) Report. This includes performance and profile sections for the campuses and district for the 2002-2003 school year.

Announcements

Marshmallow shooters are now at SuZ's (behind Allsups). Come see our mosaic frame pictures!

Lost & Found

FOUND
Large dark grey & white Tom. Vicinity of 200 blk of 36th Place. 573-5730

LOST
female grey cat. **$500 reward**
1-888-254-2097
http://www.ellenmarquez.com/lostcatphotos/

LOST
Yorkie/Schnauzer mix.
12 yrs., deaf & partially blind.
Call 573-6107 or 573-3281

Vehicles

***1981 Buick** Electra, runs good, tagged. $950 OBO.
***1981** Titan motor home, self contained, Onan generator, $4,500 325-573-0195 325-436-1104

2000 Lincoln Town Car
Executive series, 55,000 miles, extra clean, loaded, 4-dr. $19,500 cash. Call 10a.m.–5p.m. for appointment, 325-573-6897.

Motorcycles

1986 Honda Goldwing Aspencade. Excellent condition. 36,000 miles. 325-573-0206, after 5pm

Business Services

BAR-R-DOZER
-Raygene Shipp-
•Brush control
•Road blading & repair
•Cleaning & building tanks
Free Estimates
No charge for road time!
325-338-5656 325-962-2416

Chimney Cleaning & Repairs
Walter Banks or Darrell Craig
573-4736 573-2472
Leave Message

LOST!!
Male Puppy
Beige/grey Wire Hair Terrier
2 or 3 months old.
Lost Thanksgiving from 3203 Hill Ave. at 33rd Street.
Red Collar
REWARD
Call Vicki 573-7886.



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Business Services

Duke and Son
Concrete, Masonry, House Leveling, Patchwork (brick & concrete). 573-5911, 573-2477

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Home Repair, Remodeling Painting, Fencing, Flooring, Tile Winterizing, Yard, Trees, Etc.
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Wade 207-1514

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Dependable. Reasonable prices. I have my own transportation.
573-4337

On Site PC Repair
Upgrades, custom computers built to your needs!!
For estimates
325-728-2809 325-242-0380

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Free in shop estimates.
Work guaranteed.
Service starting at $50.
574-2685 207-2733

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Clean your garage or house.
Will move furniture.
For estimates call
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Antique Restoring
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Tilling–Leveling
Front-end loader, Walk-behind tiller, Tractor tiller, Small acreage plowed. 325-573-8264

CALL FOR RESULTS!
573-5486
CLASSIFIEDS

Employment

CHURCH ORGANIST
wanted to play for Sunday morning services, special evening services, & Wednesday evening choir practice.
First Presbyterian Church, Snyder. Call church office at 573-6915, leave message.

NEEDED
OTR flatbed truck driver. Minimum 4 years experience, clean driving record. Come by 3707 College Ave. or call 573-3032, ask for Rudy.

Employment

Driver/Transportation
MAVERICK ANNOUNCES PAY RAISE TO .35 CPM
Flatbed OTR Drivers
Needed Immediately
- Largest pay increase in our history
- Weekends at home
- $500 Sign-on bonus & $550 orientation pay
- 23 yrs old & 1 yr OTR req.
- New per diem pay option

Maverick Transportation
1-800-289-1100
CALL TODAY!
www.maverickusa.com

Employment

Full-time Secretary
First Baptist Church. Looking for a multi-tasked person with strong organizational skills and strong computer skills. Pick up application at 1701 27th St.

Housekeepers Needed
Western Crest & Windridge
573-1488

Personal Care Attendants
needed immediately in Snyder area. Call 325-677-2047 or 1-800-671-2369, ask for Tonya.

Employment

SNYDER'S DQ'S NOW HIRING!
Looking for bright, friendly, customer service leaders for day and night shifts. Above average pay for above average people. Flexible hours for full/part time help. Vacation and holiday pay. Smoke and drug free environment. Drug test required. Apply in person today with Managers, Robin Goree and Carolyn Faulkenberry.

Everyone reads classifieds!

Employment

Snyder ISD - Carpenter responsible for all carpentry related maintenance for district. Salary commensurate with experience. Employment date: Jan. 1, 2004. Applications may be obtained by contacting Mike Carter, Director of Maintenance at 2910 Ave. M, Snyder, TX. 325-573-2993 Snyder ISD is an equal opportunity employer.

Full-time secretarial position. Apply at Texas Workforce Commission, order #1240620 EOE Employer paid ad.

Trojan Pipeline GP, Inc. Opportunities

Trojan Pipeline GP, Inc., an affiliate of Occidental Petroleum Corporation, is looking for highly qualified individuals to work in the following positions in Texas. The positions may be located from Levelland to Midland/Odessa, with the majority of the work in the Midland/Odessa area. Some relocation assistance may be offered depending upon the position and actual job site if necessary.

If you are interested in applying for one or more of these positions, please submit your resume via e-mail or fax to the numbers below. Please be clear in your cover letter which position(s) you are applying for and why you believe you are qualified for that position, and make sure to include your contact information.

The company offers a highly competitive salary and benefits package. Salaries for each position will be dependent upon education, training, skills and experience.

Measurement Lead

Direct work force to provide measured lease and pipeline data management and measurement and transportation services to shippers for gathered and transported crude oil. Req: Strong understanding of pipeline operations, hydraulics, oil movements, construction, maintenance facilities, govt. regulations.

Measurement Specialist

Perform all duties associated with lease data management system. Req: API tank gauging and measurement experience as well as experience with operation of ACT meters and crude station equipment.

Measurement Technician

Design and plan all new custom connection and optimization of both new and existing LACT field data, storage and terminal facilities. Req: Experience with oil field and/or pipeline and terminal automation systems as well as strong understanding of DOT, NEC, OSHA and API compliance regulations. SCADA systems experience also required.

All positions require a minimum of a high school diploma or GED, a valid driver's license, and 5 years of directly applicable experience in the specific area/discipline. You must be capable of obtaining DOT qualification and prior demonstrated ability to do so will be considered a plus.

Please your send resume to:

E-mail: OOGC_HR_staffing@oxy.com
Fax: 713-985-1253
Attn: Kristie Broadaway
Please indicate Job Title in the reference line.

EOE M/F/D/V

West Texas Opportunities, Inc. is accepting applications for the following position:

Case Manager: Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED; the ability to work well with community leaders, officials, clients and other staff; have knowledge of community resources; dress appropriately; have some computer experience and have some office procedure experience; ability to speak and understand both English and Spanish is desirable.

Applications may be obtained at the Texas Department of Human Services office located at 3409 Snyder Shopping Center. Self-addressed stamped envelopes will be included with the applications, which must be mailed to the WTO,I office in Lamesa to arrive no later than Monday, December 15, 2003. Do not take applications to Snyder TDHS office.

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DELIVER THE NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES

Men and women 18 and older with insured vehicles are needed to deliver in Slaton, Snyder, and surrounding areas. We are also looking for Office Clerks & Loaders. Delivery is in process. Work a minimum of 4 daylight hours per day. Get paid within 24 hours upon successful completion of your route.
Call 1-806-425-1840 between 8:00a.m. & 4:30p.m. M - F.
EOE

Mitchell County Hospital District
Colorado City Job Listings:
Full Time Positions with Benefits

1. **Mitchell County Hospital Nursing Staff Needed: LVN 7pm to 7 am; CRNA 7pm to 7am; & RN 7pm to 7am**
2. **Wallace Medical Prison Unit in Colorado City is taking applications for an LVN for the 3pm to 11pm shift.**
3. **Mitchell County Hospital Dietary Dept. is taking applications for Dishwashers.**

For further information contact Sandra Sullivan, Human Resources at (325)728-3431 ext. 290 for more information.

Right-of-Way Lead

This position is responsible for managing the ROW program for the pipeline assets and possibly other assets in West Texas. Requires extensive hands-on experience with and management of One Call response and public awareness programs, property marking and maintaining pipeline and third-party ROW crossings, and ensuring DOT ROW compliance. Must have demonstrated effectiveness at dealing with 3rd parties and the public on ROW issues.

The company offers a highly competitive salary and benefits package. The salary for this position will be dependent upon education, training, skills and experience.

If you are interested in applying for this position, please submit your resume via Fax to (918) 632-7449 or mail resume to:

Recruitment File ROWL
P.O. Box 2450
Tulsa, OK 74145

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Instructions

Defensive Driving Classes
Mon. & Tues. Dec. 8th–9th, 6p.m.– 9p.m. each night.
or Sat. Dec. 13th 8a.m.–3p.m.
2619 College Ave. 573-2850

Woman's Column

Unique Stocking Stuffers
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Come in for a new look at Hair Razors for the holiday season.
Call Gina, 573-0189.

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10'x12' portable storage building. $42/dwn + $42/mo.
Free delivery. (806)794-6772

2001 Murray go-cart, large wheels, 6.5hp. $700 firm. Call 573-3861.

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Christmas Package.
Spa, deck, & redwood room priced at below factory price.
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SECOND SATURDAY !SALE!
All Romance Paperbacks $1
Infant/Kid's Winter Wear 1/2 Price
Baby beds, Strollers.
Bedding sets 20% Off
Bunnies $9.99
1–5p.m. 573-0990

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Wheel Chairs, Walkers, Canes
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Sales & Rentals
3706 College **573-7582**

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UP TO 4 ROOM SYSTEMS & INSTALLATION FREE. 100 CHANNELS, 8 HBOs, 5 CINEMAX, FREE 3 MONTHS + $50 REBATE. ALSO HONOR GIFT CERTIFICATES. INCLUDES FULL YEAR WARRANTY ON EQUIPMENT & INSTALL. LOCAL# 325-575-0990

Electric cookstove, 2 ovens. Nice! $175 207-0506

Firewood!! Mesquite & Oak
Local cutter. Part seasoned. 24"-22"-20"-18". Some split. Delivered
573-1216, leave message

La-Z-Boy recliner/glider. Like new! $150 325-573-3140

OXY Permian

Permian Basin Opportunities

Oxy Permian Ltd., an affiliate of Occidental Petroleum Corporation, is looking for highly qualified individuals to work in the following positions in support of Permian Basin transportation assets, including the crude oil transportation assets owned by Trojan Pipeline, L.P., an affiliate of Occidental Petroleum Corporation. Oxy Permian is the largest oil producer in the Permian Basin. The positions may be located from Levelland to Midland/Odessa, with the majority of the work in the Midland/Odessa area. Some relocation assistance may be offered depending upon the position and actual job site if necessary.

If you are interested in applying for one or more of these positions, please submit your resume via e-mail or fax to the numbers below. Please be clear in your cover letter which position(s) you are applying for and why you believe you are qualified for that position, and make sure to include your contact information.

The company offers a highly competitive salary and benefits package. Salaries for each position will be dependent upon education, training, skills and experience.

Compliance Specialist: Responsible for implementing the compliance program for the crude oil transportation assets as developed by the corporate compliance administrator. This includes effective monitoring and maintaining all compliance documentation to meet TRRC, New Mexico State and DOT requirements. The successful candidate must thoroughly understand all pertinent regulations and documentation requirements and also demonstrate the ability to work effectively with company, employees, contractors and all applicable regulatory agencies, internal and external auditors, and others seeking knowledge of the company's regulatory compliance efforts. 5-10 years of pipeline/oilfield experience is required.

Corrosion Specialist: Responsible for implementing a corrosion program for the crude oil transportation assets that meets regulatory and corporate requirements. This includes effectively monitoring and maintaining all compliance documentation for state and DOT requirements for pipeline systems. Requires proven corrosion monitoring and prevention knowledge and skills, and a demonstrated ability to communicate effectively with team members, regulatory officials, and others requiring knowledge of the pipeline integrity programs. 5-10 years of pipeline/oilfield experience is required.

Health, Environment and Safety (HES) Specialist: Responsible for implementing a best-in-class HES program for the crude oil transportation assets, which includes the development of preventive/predictive HES programs, performing root-cause analysis, and working with employees, contractors and the public to achieve excellence. Must have and be able to communicate a thorough knowledge of federal, state and local regulatory requirements in the HES area, and possess excellent skills for dealing effectively with other team members, regulatory personnel, and the public. A demonstrated pro-active attitude for personal safety and the safety of co-workers, and the public is required. 10-15 years of pipeline/oilfield experience is required.

Pipeline Construction Coordinator: Responsible for area wide planning and coordination of activities for multiple construction specialists. Oversee planning, scheduling and coordinating construction activities for pipeline and facilities repair, installation and modifications, while maintaining the highest standards for HES performance. Must be experienced at directing others, mentoring; insuring use of sound business principles and compliance with corporate policy; selecting and managing contractor activities; estimating, tracking and post-appraising costs; managing construction QA/QC program; managing construction related D.O.T. documentation. Must have demonstrated strong project management skills, and have a sound knowledge of API and ASME codes and standards as well as NDT testing and pipeline installation, and have strong personal computer aptitude. Must have at least 15 years of experience in D.O.T. pipeline transportation systems construction/repair. Requires demonstrated leadership and effective communication skills.

Construction Specialist: Responsible for planning, scheduling and coordinating construction activities for pipeline and facilities repair, installation and modifications, while maintaining the highest standards for HES performance. This includes selecting, directing and managing contractor activities; estimating, tracking and post-appraising costs; and overseeing implementation. Must have demonstrated strong project management and effective communication skills, and have a sound knowledge of API and ASME codes and standards as well as NDT testing and pipeline installation. Requires 10 years of pipeline/oilfield experience.

Maintenance/Reliability Coordinator: Responsible for providing direction, planning and scheduling of preventive/predictive maintenance, troubleshooting, and repair of pipeline and oilfield surface equipment while maintaining the highest standards for HES performance. This includes the development and implementation of preventive/predictive maintenance programs, leading root cause failure analysis, and a focus on lowering the total operating cost of all equipment. The position will require communication between operations and technical staff. Requires 8+ years of pipeline/oilfield experience.

Maintenance/Reliability Specialist (Maintenance Focus): Responsible for preventive/predictive maintenance, troubleshooting, and repair of pipeline and oilfield surface equipment while maintaining the highest standards for HES performance. This includes participating in the development, implementing, and performing of preventive/predictive maintenance programs, assisting with root cause failure analysis, and repairing equipment with a focus on lowering the total operating cost of all equipment. 5-10 years pipeline/oilfield experience required.

Maintenance/Reliability Specialist (Electrical focus): Responsible for preventive/predictive maintenance, troubleshooting, and repair of electrical switchgear, controls, and distribution systems for pipeline and oilfield surface equipment while maintaining the highest standards for HES performance. This includes participating in the development, implementing, and performing of preventive/predictive maintenance programs, assisting with root cause failure analysis, and repairing equipment with a focus on lowering the total operating cost of all equipment. 10 years of pipeline/oilfield experience required.

All positions require a minimum of a high school diploma or GED, basic computer skills and a valid driver's license. Candidates must be capable of obtaining DOT qualification. Please send your resume to:

E-mail: OOGC_HR_staffing@oxy.com
Fax: 713-985-1253
Attn: Kristie Broadaway
Please indicate title of position of interest in the reference line

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OXY Permian

Pipeline Maintenance & Technical Services Lead Midland

Oxy Permian, an affiliate of Occidental Petroleum Corporation, has an excellent opportunity available for a Pipeline Maintenance and Technical Services Lead in our Midland office. The successful candidate will be the area leader responsible for maintenance and technical services support of transportation assets in the Permian Basin, including crude oil transportation assets owned by Trojan Pipeline, L.P., an affiliate of Occidental Petroleum Corporation. Strong leadership and oil and gas transportation operations and industry knowledge are essential to this position.

Requirements:

- BS degree or equivalent oil and gas pipeline industry experience
- 15+ years of pipeline operations experience, with a minimum of three years experience in overall management and maintenance of major crude oil transportation systems
- Proficient knowledge of all aspects of crude oil transportation operations. This includes: supervision, regulatory and DOT compliance, planning, budgeting, staffing, project management, coordination, construction and implementation, maintenance, corrosion, and general transportation operations knowledge.
- Proven team player with a demonstrated capability to effectively work in a multi-disciplined, multi-organizational environment.
- Demonstrated strong transportation asset operational and managerial skills.
- Demonstrated and effective communication skills for internal and external contacts (employees, contractors, public)
- A proven track record of continuous improvement in working operational issues and challenges.
- Demonstrated ability for solid and timely decision-making skills, with a track record for successful results.
- Strong initiative and the ability to work independently and across organizations in a fast-paced environment to accomplish objectives and organizational targets.

Occidental offers competitive compensation, excellent benefits and an exceptional team-oriented environment. Please send your resume to:

E-mail: OOGC_HR_staffing@oxy.com
Fax: 713-985-1253
Attn: Kristie Broadaway

Please indicate Pipeline Maintenance & Tech Svcs Lead in the reference line.

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1/2 cord, cord. Custom cut any size. Split & delivered. 573-7683 after 7p.m.

MORGAN 5-person hot tub. $79/dwn + $79/mo. Includes free delivery, cover, & chemical kit. (806)794-6772

New arrivals at SuZ's
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Quillos for all ages. Hooded towels for that special little one.

New Crop Pecans
Shelled $5 lb, Unshelled $2 lb
Delivered locally. 573-9853

Papershell pecans for sale. 60¢ lb. 573-5035

Queen-size mattress & box springs. $65 573-7854

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Metal detectors by White's Electronics.
325-728-2494 Colorado City

Standard bench & weights. Like new! $100 573-1648

Unique Christmas Gifts
Metal windmills, 11"–18", all colors. Come by 303 36th St. 573-5291

Whirlpool dryer, late model, $125. Fixer-upper trailer, (4-wheeler/mowers), $50. 1/2hp compressor. 573-3937

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AKC English Bulldog puppies, gentle, intelligent, excellent pets. $300/dep. will hold. $1,200 firm. 325-573-2394

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CRITTER CORNER
Tropical Fish/Small Animals
Bunnies – $9.99
1809 25th 573-0990

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Want To Buy
Insulation blowing machine, complete. Call David Raschke, 325-650-0205.

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***You pay electricity**
700 E. 37th
(across from coliseum)
573-3519 573-1681

Apartments For Rent

2-bedroom, furnished or unfurnished. All bills & cable paid. No pets. Starting at $350/mo. 573-5773

College Park Apartments
4503 College
2 bedroom apartment available in clean, quiet, 16-unit complex. Locally owned. 575-3084 573-0340

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Call For Details
Western Crest & Windridge Village
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Snyder, TX
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1 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Pool
2 Bedrooms, 2 bath
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Houses For Rent

***2-1-1, fenced** yard, n pets. 2807 38th **573-4454**

For Rent or **Sale**
2 bedroom house, CH/A. 573-3769 or 207-0205

***Large** 2-1, brick, corner lot.
***2-1-1**, fenced.
***2-1-1**, corner lot.
*1 bedroom apartment.
573-1780, leave message.

Small 1 bedroom house, ideal for single or couple, no children. Washer, dryer, refrigerator, stove, fenced yard, water paid. $275/mo. 1705 Smith 573-7759

Mobile Homes

3B-2B-3CP, CH/A, 6 lots, water well, fenced, large shop, 959 N Ave. R., $5,000/dwn, $500/mo. 573-2251

For Sale By Owner
1/2 blk. + 1 lot, water well, w/2 3-2 mobile homes (1 doublewide), cellar, 20x20 building, chain link fence. 573-9777

Cemetery Plots

(4) cemetery plots
@ Hillside Memorial "Garden of Christus", 83–D, spaces 1–4. 979-297-9335

For Sale
(5) cemetery lots in Hillside Gardens. Sell each or multiple. $600/each. 866-854-3952

Commercial Buildings for Sale or Lease

Business building for rent. 1900 37th St. 573-5285

Workshop - storage building & lot for sale. Call 573-6983.

Real Estate

Spacious, lovely 3-2-2, den, fireplace, patio, new carpet, new kitchen. 2703 47th $119,000 573-1428

3702 Ave. V
3B-2B-1CG, CH/A, brick, fenced yard. No owner finance. $42,500 573-2251

3718 Ave. V
3B-1B-1CG, CH/A, cellar, fenced yard. Good condition. $37,500 $2,500/dwn., $550/mo. 573-2251

3 bedroom, 1 bath, w/separate apartment, CH/A. 3773 Sunset 573-8875

Real Estate

COUNTRY HOME
4B-2B-2CG, panel-ray heat, room AC's, own septic system. $5,000/dwn., $600/mo. 1811 Huffman 573-2251

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Owner financing available. Low down payment. 3725 Rose Circle 505-937-1195

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Real Estate

For Sale By Owner
Owner financing provided. Low down, low monthly. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 133 Milburn. Call Kelly 432-425-9994.

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Owner financing provided. Low down payment, low monthly. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, 2 living areas, fenced backyard, close to schools. 418 29th St. Call Kelly 432-425-9994.

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Real Estate

Lake Thomas house for sale. 2-story w/balcony, 1½ bath. Call 325-207-3372.

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#5516 Call 1-800-955-0021 x1406

Owner Finance
2-1, fenced, large rooms, remodeled bath & kitchen. 218 29th St. $1,000/dwn., $350/mo. 12 yrs Call **207-0508**

Redecorate for down payment. 3-2-2 luxury brick, Colonial Hills, fenced, trees. $78,500 573-4425 573-1550

For Sale By Owner
4519 Fredonia 3-2, 2 living areas, FP, great kitchen, huge utility room, large fenced backyard, in Bassridge Addition. 254-855-3310

JACK & JACK
Realtors
611 Coliseum Dr
Ford Spikes, Owner/Broker
573-8571 573-3452

3-1¾-2cp, 2 storage areas, 220 35th...$35T
1.89 Acres CONTRACT PENDING ...gh $15T
Fluvanna 3-2, den on .34 A's water well Bargain
REDUCED! 600 29th 2-1-1, office, den...$18T
Owner Finance Lrg. Mobile Home 2-2, 302 24th Nice ...$20T
3773 Dalton 3-1¾-1cp, den, dining..$35T
60 Acres w/C UNDER CONTRACT sq. ft.
REDUCED! 1.71 UNDER CONTRACT $65T
Shop Bldg. + 3 Lots 407 College & 2-1 Merrill
111 Peach 2 or 3-1 ...$9.5T
80 acres 5 mi. SE of Hermleigh, 3-2-2 + office + shop & out building ...Call
Good Shop Bldg. or Garage 1802 College $16T
Commercial Property for Sale or Lease
Stonewall Co. 1,315 acre cattle operation. Water well + 6 earth tanks. Deer, quail, turkey & hogs ...Call
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2609 37th 3-3-2 ...$107.5T
4517 Galveston 3-2-2-2 living areas ...Call
3201 Houston 3-2-2, lrg den ...Red. $92T
2904 34th 2-2½, 2 living areas ...$89.5T
Great Location 4000 Jacksboro 3-2-2 $87.5T
3310 Ave. V 3-2-2 ...Reduced $55T
Edge of Town - 1601 Hilltop Lane - Brick 3-1-2cp plus storm cellar ...$49.5T
4109 Eastridge 3-2-2, new carpet & tile ...$41.5T
3749 Avondale 3-1¾ ...$39T
Investors - 2609 Ave. U Brick Duplex $35T
Edge of Town CONTRACT PENDING $31.5T
3702 Austin CONTRACT PENDING 26.5T
224 33rd St. 2-1-2 living areas ...$25T
3725 Rose Circle ...Owner Finance $25T
3005 Ave. T 3-1 ...Reduced $7,500
Small Cabin C-City Lake 1-1 ...$14T
Trailer to be moved 2-2 ...$12.5T
Several residential lots, East 35th St. ...Call

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McBeth Pecan Farm 3 bedroom house with 15+ acres ...Reduced!
1745 Keller 3-1½-2, barn plus 15 acres Move right in! ...Call for details
150 Acres + 3-2, 2 LA's ...Call for details
Will sell house + 8 acres ...$37.5T

★ ★ COMMERCIAL LISTINGS ★ ★

Great Location - Apx. 4 acres - 10,000 sq.ft. + or -. 600 37th St. ...Reduced $100's
Need Several Offices? 2515 College Ave. Living Quarters in back ...Call!
Car Lot - 709 Hwy 180 ...$40T
Houston & 37th - Apx. 28.6 acres ...$75T
Downtown - 1818 26th ...$35T
North College Ave ...$15T
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The Suite requests: THIS SUIT IS BROUGHT BY EDWARD YRUEGAS AND ELIDA YRUEGAS, GRANDPARENTS OF THE CHILD, THE SUBJECT OF THIS SUIT. PETITIONERS SHOULD BE DESIGNATED AS SOLE MANAGING CONSERVATORS. RESPONDENT SHOULD BE APPOINTED AS POSSESSORY CONSERVATOR. THERE HAS BEEN A TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AND ORDER SETTING HEARING FOR TEMPORARY ORDERS SIGNED BY THE COURT ON NOVEMBER 24, 2003. THE TEMPORARY HEARING IS SET FOR DECEMBER 8, 2003 AT 10:30 A.M. PETITIONERS PRAY FOR GENERAL RELIEF.

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Found socks cause new attack warning

WASHINGTON (AP) — The discovery of a pair of stretched-out socks with traces of explosives in them has prompted a government warning that al-Qaida may still be planning to use personal items to blow up a plane, according to the Homeland Security Department.

The bulletin was issued Wednesday to state and local officials, as well as federal transportation officials, said Homeland Security Department spokesman Brian Roehrkasse.

The FBI also issued a circular on the subject, he said.

Roehrkasse said there is no specific intelligence information indicating the terrorist group has a plot to blow up an aircraft using socks or other personal belongings.

He declined to say where the suspicious socks were discovered.

But ABC News, citing an anonymous source, reported Friday that the socks were seized by British authorities in Gloucester, England, during the arrest of Sajid Badat last month.

Badat was arrested Nov. 20 and charged with conspiring in an explosives plot with shoe bomber Richard Reid, who is serving a life sentence for attempting to bomb an airliner in December 2001.

Roehrkasse said the bulletin issued by Homeland Security "indicated al-Qaida operatives continue to display an interest in modifying personal items for potential use as improvised explosive devices, and continue to desire to target aviation."

Transportation Security Administration screeners have already been asked to be extra alert during the holiday season, Roehrkasse said.

Two more shootings on highway

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Two more shootings have occurred along an interstate highway since a woman was killed on the freeway last month, bringing the number of cases under investigation to 14, authorities said Friday.

A car and a house were hit in the latest shootings, Franklin County sheriff's Chief Deputy Steve Martin said.

Last Sunday morning, a woman heard a thud as she drove on Interstate 270 and noticed a bullet hole when she got home, Martin said. She notified police on Tuesday.

In the other shooting, Emma Fader found a bullet hole in the front of her house about a quarter-mile from the highway and a bullet on her living room floor, the deputy said. Fader made the discovery Monday following a weekend away, she said.

"Investigators now know the person or persons has consciously decided to continue with the same activity which unfortunately resulted in the death of Mrs. Knisley," Martin said.

Police believe the shootings are the first since Gail Knisley, 62, was killed Nov. 25 as she was being driven to a doctor's appointment. She was the only person hit in the shootings.

The Ohio Department of Transportation announced late Friday that the southern half of I-270, which encircles Columbus, will be closed in both directions from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday at investigators' request. The sheriff's department declined to comment.

At Fader's home, the bullet splintered solid oak paneling about a foot above a birdcage and about four feet from the couch where her son Donald Fitch sleeps.

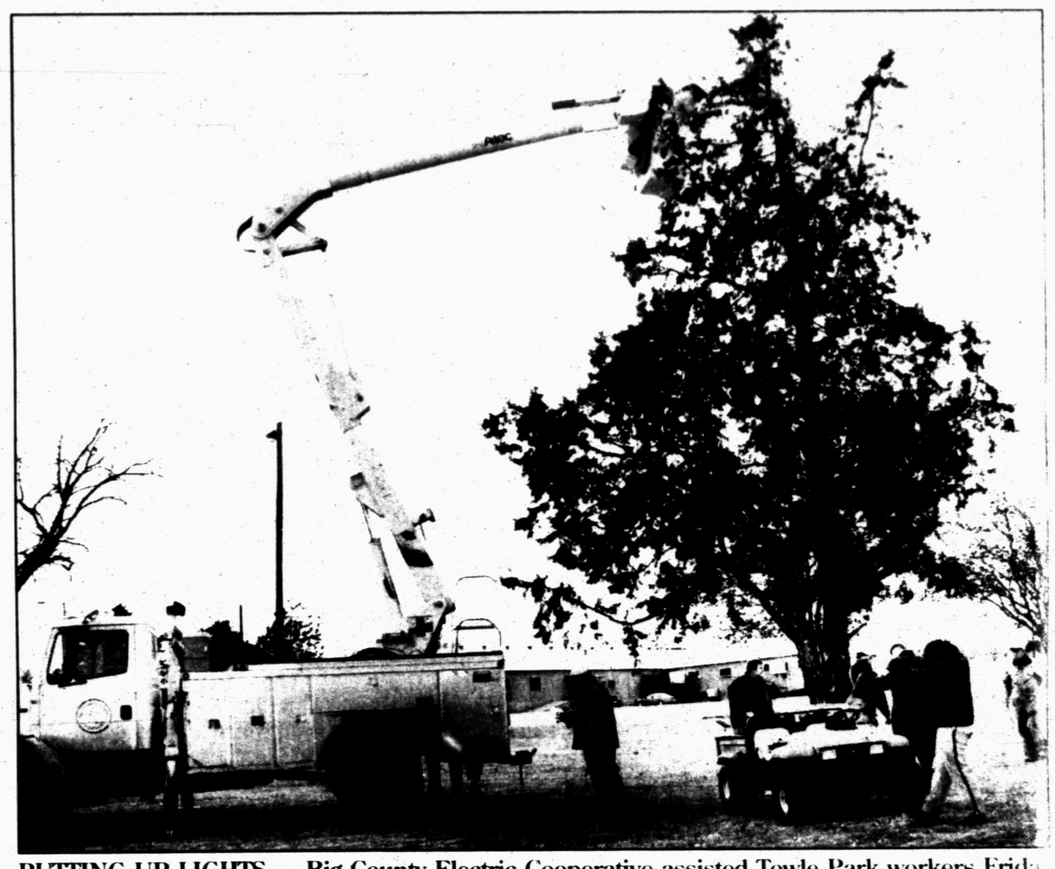
Fader and Fitch acknowledged the shooting has them spooked.

"I hope this is the end of it," Fitch said. "It's been nerve-racking."

While authorities haven't commented on the type of weapon used, Fitch said a police officer from suburban Obetz told him the shot must have come from a high-powered rifle.

The shootings began in May but have happened mainly in the past two months, raising fears that a sniper may be stalking the area. The incidents took place near an interchange of two highways that see 77,000 vehicles a day on average.

The bullet from the house came from the same gun as four other shootings that have been definitely linked by ballistics tests, including one at a school, Martin said. Although the tests could not link the rest of the shootings, investigators believe they all are connected.



PUTTING UP LIGHTS — Big County Electric Cooperative assisted Towle Park workers Frida as they decorated trees for the lighted parade scheduled Saturday night. Ruben Gonzales is i the bucket. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Air marshals arrest passenger

WASHINGTON (AP) — A former prison inmate on a Honolulu-to-Seattle flight charged toward the cockpit, shouting that he wanted to see the pilot, and was subdued by undercover air marshals who were on board to monitor him, officials said.

The incident involved 29-year-old Reno U. Maiava and occurred about 21/2 hours into Thursday's Northwest Airlines Flight 924, according to Dave Adams, spokesman for the federal air marshal service. Maiava, who spent 10 years in prison on two assault convictions, is on active supervision, according to the Washington state Department of Corrections.

Maiava leveled obscenities at federal officials during his initial appearance in U.S. District Court in Seattle on Friday. His hands and feet were shackled and he was accompanied by about 10 U.S. marshals, said Lawrence Lincoln, a spokesman for the U.S. Attorney's Office.

"It was quite a spectacle," Lincoln said.

He did not enter a plea to a charge of interfering with a flight crew. A detention hearing was set for next Thursday.

Maiava was being monitored and will have to get permission to leave the state of Washington, said Veltry Johnson, corrections department spokesman.

He was disruptive before the flight and got up during it, knocking into an elderly woman, Adams said. He also screamed "Where's my shirt?" at one point, then charged toward the cockpit shouting that he wanted to see the captain, the spokesman said.

Adams said a federal air marshal identified himself and told the foot-11, 215-pound Maiava to p his hands behind his head.

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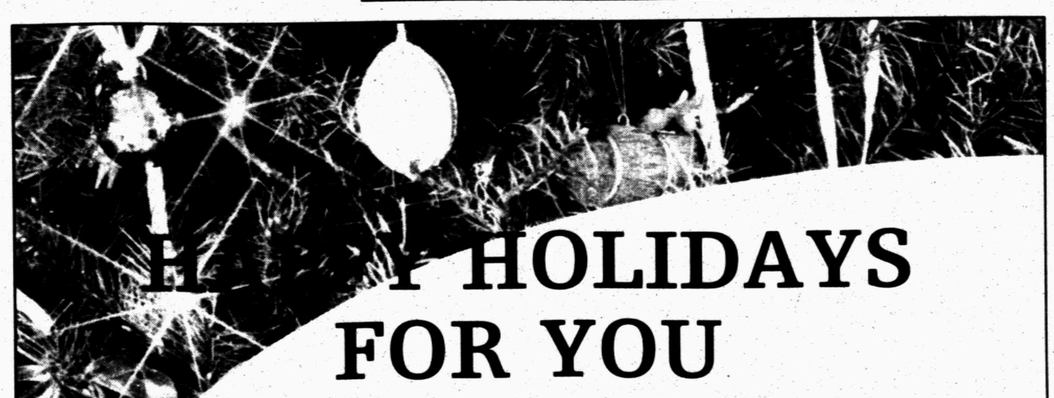
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Bush won't alter peace plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Israeli and Palestinian authors of a private Middle East peace plan presented their proposals to Secretary of State Colin Powell on Friday but were unable to alter the Bush administration's approach to peacemaking between Israel and the Palestinians.

"It was a very good meeting," Powell said. "We welcome other ideas."

However, Powell said, the U.S.-backed "road map" for peacemaking still had "primacy" in the effort to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian dispute.

And a State Department spokesman, Adam Ereli, said that blueprint, which would establish a Palestinian state in 2005, would not be altered as a result of Powell's meeting with former Israeli Justice Minister Yossi Beilin and Yasser Abed Rabbo, his Palestinian negotiating partner.

Ereli also said there were no plans for a follow-up meeting, although contact at some level could not be ruled out.

Beilin and Abed Rabbo then went to New York to see U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, who, like them, seeks an Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank and Gaza.

The United Nations, along with the United States, the European Union and Russia, make up the so-called Quartet that sponsored the "road map."

Powell, meanwhile, conferred with King Abdullah of Jordan, whose country is at peace with Israel and wants to see Israel negotiate terms with the Palestinians.

Describing their plan as an unprecedented "endgame" that complements, rather than conflicts with, the "road map," Beilin and Abed Rabbo, who is on the Palestine Liberation Organization's executive committee, said the contacts with the Bush administration would continue.

"We were encouraged," Abed Rabbo told reporters. "This is a very encouraging beginning."

They talked with reporters after meeting with Powell for 20 to 25 minutes and then, for an hour, with Assistant Secretary of State William Burns and Elliott Abrams, who works on Middle East issues at the National Security Council.

Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz was expected to have met with Beilin and Abed Rabbo, but Beilin said the meeting was postponed for scheduling reasons.

New tactics in Iraq starting to pay off

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Taking a fresh look at postwar Iraq, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld met Saturday with senior American commanders and was assured that a recent switch to more aggressive anti-insurgency tactics has begun to pay off.

"It improves — every month it gets better," Maj. Gen. Raymond Ordierno, commander of the Army's 4th Infantry Division, told Rumsfeld, who nonetheless expressed doubt that the drop in attacks on American troops marked a turning point.

"It's too early to say it's a trend," the defense secretary told reporters after having lunch with soldiers of the 82nd Airborne Division at a muddy outpost on the outskirts of Baghdad.

Security was tight for Rumsfeld's visit, which was not announced in advance. He arrived and left aboard an Air Force C-17 cargo plane and was whisked from Baghdad International Airport to the 82nd Airborne's post in a Black Hawk helicopter with gunners aboard.

He also went for the first time to Kirkuk, the center of Iraq's northern oil fields, and met with L. Paul Bremer, the U.S. civilian administrator of Iraq.

It was Rumsfeld's second trip to Iraq in four months, reflecting the Bush administration's push for faster progress toward improving security and speeding the political transition to Iraqi control, as well as an effort by the Pentagon to improve the morale of American troops.

Ordierno and other commanders spoke of the more offensive-minded approach to countering the shadowy resistance forces that made November the deadliest month for U.S. forces since the war began in March.

The aggressive tactics, which have included the first use of aerial bombing since the fall of Baghdad in April, have made Iraqis who oppose the resistance less fearful of coming forward with tips on the whereabouts of weapons and fighters, Ordierno said.

"When we have a successful operation, other Iraqis come out of the woodwork and offer information," he said in a briefing for Rumsfeld on recent operations in his area of responsibility. That includes Kirkuk, east to the Iranian border, and a large portion of the area north and west of Baghdad where anti-American sentiment runs highest.

Odierno told Rumsfeld that only about 5 percent of the homemade bombs set by insurgents detonate because U.S. soldiers are getting better at finding them.

The top commander in Iraq, Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez, said in an interview with reporters traveling with Rumsfeld that U.S. intelligence has not established conclusively that fallen Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is directing he insurgency. Sanchez nevertheless said it is believed that Saddam remains in the country.

Weekend starts with 10 arrests

• Arrests

Law enforcement officers Friday evening and Saturday morning made 10 arrests.

A 26-year-old man was taken into custody at Dermott on U.S. 84 at 8:02 p.m. Friday for a Lubbock warrant for speeding and no Texas driver's license.

At 8:34 p.m. Friday a 52-year-old man was arrested at U.S. 84 and Ennis Creek on a Brown County warrant for failure to appear.

Authorities responded to Cogdell Memorial Hospital at 8:53 p.m. Friday to serve a warrant on a 19-year-old man for probation revocation.

At 10:47 p.m. Friday, a 23-year-old man was arrested in the 2300 block of 40th and charged with misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

Officers took a 31-year-old man into custody at 10:28 p.m. Friday northwest of Snyder on U.S. 84 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated. A 21-year-old man was arrested at the same location for making alcohol available to a minor.

Two 17-year-old males were arrested at 12:01 a.m. Saturday in the 1000 block of 28th for consumption of alcohol by a minor.

A 52-year-old man was arrested in the 1700 block of College Ave. at 1:58 a.m. Saturday and was charged with misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

Officers made an arrest in the area of 28th and Ave. H of a 19-year-old male at 4:08 a.m. Saturday The man was charged with possession of a controlled substance.

All of these subjects were transported and booked into the Scurry County Jail.

• Burglary of a vehicle

Snyder officers responded to the 4000 block of Jacksboro at 9:28 a.m. Friday as a stereo had been stolen from a parked vehicle.

• Assault

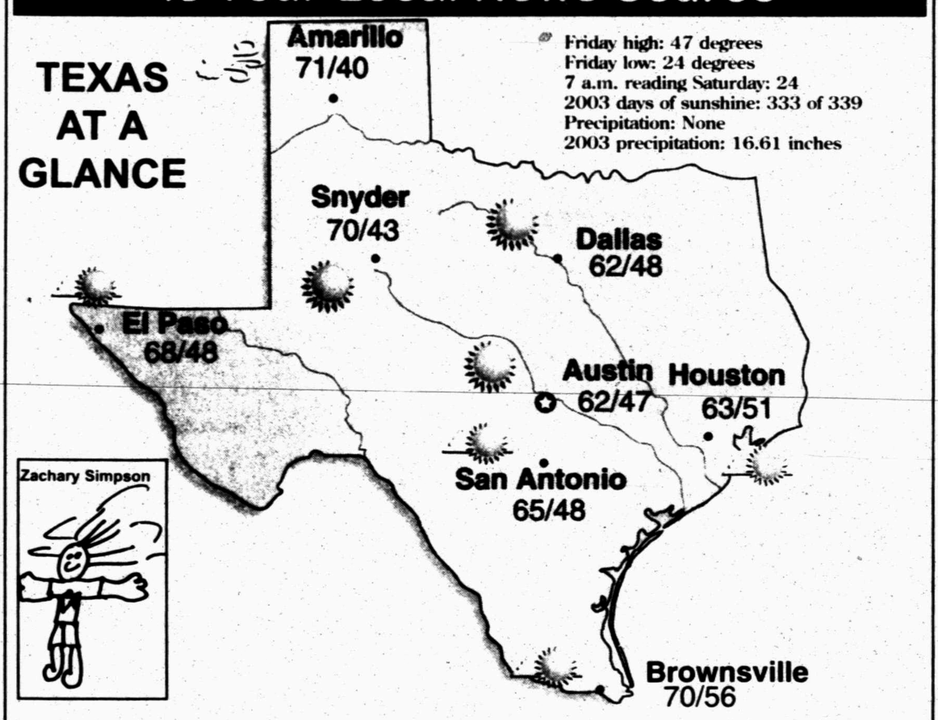
A representative of Cogdell Memorial Hospital informed authorities at 10:39 a.m. Friday that a 27-year-old man had been brought into the emergency room. The man was reportedly assaulted and an offense report for Class A assault was submitted.

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Abilene	69	47	windy	El Paso	68	48	mst sunny	Midland	73	42	sunny
Amarillo	71	40	windy	Fort Stockton	76	48	sunny	Raymondville	70	53	sunny
Austin	62	47	sunny	Gainesville	61	44	sunny	Rosenberg	63	51	mst sunny
Beaumont	62	49	mst sunny	Greenville	60	45	sunny	San Antonio	65	48	mst sunny
Brownsville	70	56	mst sunny	Houston	63	51	mst sunny	San Marcos	63	47	sunny
Brownwood	67	47	sunny	Kingsville	69	53	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	60	45	sunny
Corpus Christi	67	54	mst sunny	Livingston	60	46	sunny	Sweetwater	71	47	sunny
Corsicana	62	47	sunny	Longview	58	45	sunny	Tyler	58	46	sunny
Dallas	62	48	sunny	Lubbock	74	41	windy	Weatherford	62	44	sunny
Del Rio	66	47	sunny	Lufkin	61	46	sunny	Wichita Falls	67	45	windy

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	54	28	sunny	Houston	63	51	mst sunny	Phoenix	71	52	cloudy
Boston	32	25	snow	Los Angeles	63	49	rain	San Francisco	56	43	pt sunny
Chicago	42	34	pt sunny	Miami	70	57	mst sunny	Seattle	47	39	rain
Dallas	62	48	sunny	Minneapolis	41	34	cloudy	St. Louis	51	39	pt sunny
Denver	57	25	pt sunny	New York	34	25	sn showe	Washington, DC	36	24	windy

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Obituaries

Herb Reed was president of Southern Electric, civic leader

Herb Reed

1934-2003

H. Herbert Reed, longtime Snyder businessman and civic leader, died Friday, Dec. 5, at his home in Snyder after a sudden illness.

Graveside service for Mr. Reed, 69, is set for 9:30 a.m. Sunday in Hillside Memorial Gardens. The Rev. Miller Robinson, retired Baptist minister, will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.


Herb Reed

Born Nov. 2, 1934 in Dallas, he moved from Kilgore to Snyder with his family in 1949 when his father, Harry Reed, founded Southern Electric.

Student body president and a 1953 graduate of Snyder High School, he attended Texas Tech and returned to Snyder in 1954 to join the family business. He married Ramona Harless on Nov. 6, 1955 in Dunn. She died Aug. 16, 2002.

A U.S. Army Reserve veteran, he was called to active duty for a year in 1961 after which he returned to Snyder and became president of Southern Electric, retiring on Dec. 30, 1997.

Mr. Reed was a member of the Snyder Jaycees from 1959-70 and was a past-president of the organization. He served as a member of the Snyder city council from 1967-71 and served as mayor pro-tem and was active in the Sparkle City campaign.

Mr. Reed was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Snyder and was past president of the Snyder Country Club.

Survivors include two sons, David Reed and wife, Vickie, and Jeff Reed, all of Snyder; two brothers and sisters-in-law, John and Suzy Reed of Snyder and Mike and Judy Reed of Lubbock; and four grandchildren, Chris Reed, Cheryl Reed, Tanner Reed and Jeremy Reed.

Mrs. Thompson

1948-2003

Claudia Thompson died Thursday, Dec. 4, in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock after a lengthy illness.

Service for Mrs. Thompson, 55, is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in Mt. Olive Baptist Church. The Rev. Robert Sweet, pastor, will officiate. Cremation was under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born on July 28, 1948 in Cooper, she married Curtis Thompson in 1972 in Salina, Kan. Mrs. Thompson was a nurse and had worked in homes and hospitals. She moved to Snyder from Midland five years ago and had previously lived in Salina. She was a member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by a son, Donny Ray Thompson; and a brother, Donny Ray Shelton.

Survivors include her husband, Curtis Thompson of Snyder; two daughters, Vickie Thompson of Salina and Mattie Mae Thompson of Fort Worth; four sons, Benny Ray Thompson of Salina, Curtis Thompson Jr. of Hutchinson, Kan., Michael Wayne Thompson of Pueblo, Colo., and Sylvester Thompson of Springs, Colo.; two sisters, Patricia Shelton of Wichita, Kan., Doris Taylor of Salina; four brothers, Jimmy Charles Shelton of Kansas City, Claudine Shelton of Salina, David Shelton of Liberal, Kan., and John Shelton of Pueblo; and 20 grandchildren.

Garland Baucum

1941-2003

ABILENE — Garland Baucum, the grandfather of James Mosher of Snyder, died Thursday, Dec. 4, in an Abilene hospital.

Funeral service for Mr. Baucum is set for 2 p.m. Monday in the First Evangelical Methodist Church with Jerry McNeill and Ronnie Newton officiating. Burial will follow in Elmwood Memorial Park under the direction of Community Memorial Funeral Home.

Born Jan. 9, 1941 in Anson, he married Paulette Riddle on Nov. 6, 1959.

Mr. Baucum was a longtime resident of Abilene and was employed by Barr Roofing.

Survivors include his wife, Paulette Baucum of Abilene; a daughter Jerry Mosher of Abilene; two brothers, Ashley and Woodrow Baucum, both of Abilene; four sisters, Barbara Baucum of Lubbock, Patricia Phillips, Jeannie Keith and Patsy Keith, all of Abilene; and three other grandchildren.

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Cheney campaigns on Stenhom's turf

ABILENE (AP) — Newly elected U.S. Rep. Randy Neugebauer won't run again until next fall, but his campaign got a boost Friday night from Vice President Dick Cheney.

Nearly 400 people gathered at the Abilene Civic Center to hear Cheney speak at a fund-raiser for Neugebauer, R-Lubbock, elected in June to fill Texas' 19th district seat after Rep. Larry Combest retired.

Cheney said Neugebauer is "already the best we have" and has helped pass key legislation.

"He's a true man of the West, an independent thinker, a person of good common sense judgment," Cheney said.

During his 20-minute speech, Cheney said the Bush administration has made progress the past three years on various issues, including fighting terrorism and boosting the economy with tax cuts.

But more Republicans are needed in Washington, D.C., to support President Bush's judicial nominations, an energy bill and other programs, Cheney said.

About $155,000 was raised from the event, said Neugebauer spokesman Anthony Hulen. Tickets cost $25 each, but some people gave from $100 to $2,000, Hulen said.

Before Cheney arrived, Abilene Mayor Grady Barr encouraged the crowd to "whoop and holler" to welcome him. The Abilene High School band played holiday and patriotic songs.

After the event, Neugebauer said the timing of Cheney's visit — a year before the congressman's re-election bid — sends a message that the president and vice president want him "to come back and help them and be part of the team."

Combest, R-Lubbock, retired at the end of May, leaving his seat five months after a November election victory for a two-year term that began in January.

Neugebauer, a former Lubbock city councilman, narrowly defeated Midland Republican rival Mike Conaway, an accountant, in a runoff election in June.



WEST HONOR CHOIR PERFORMS — West Elementary's honor choir recently performed at the school. Fourth row from left, Rachel Dupree, Rachel Gault, Stacey Clifton, Meggan Downing, Eleanor Ashley, Arielle Huddleston, Jacie Eveland, Tosha McGlouthin, Chelsea Moss and Maria Guerra; third row, Amanda Midwell, Meghan Cooley, Samatha Medrano, Tiffany Roemer, Tayla Wesson and Kayli Brewster; second row, director Judy Brown, Devyn DeLoera, Samantha Barrera, Gabby Arredondo, Kelsi Fulford, Kylie Moreland, Jessica Hibbitt and Autumn Castillo; first row, J.C. Arellano, Stephen Kelley, Daniel Escobedo, Seth Naizer, Matt Rios, Roy Lee Sanchez, Tye Holley, Ty Burton, Garrett Hall, Brance Scott, Javiel Rowe, Vincent Mireles and Toby Lopez. Not pictured: Shaun Hayley, Alicia Chaidez, Meagan Smith and Cassie Cochran. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

School finance talks bring smoke

AUSTIN — A proposal to establish a $1 cigarette tax was presented to a legislative panel as a way to cut state health care costs and to raise revenue to help fund a cash-strapped public school finance system.

Danny McGoldrick, director of research for an anti-smoking group, told the Joint Select Committee on Public School Finance on Friday that the tax could also reduce the number of smokers in the state while generating $986.9 million in new revenues.

"Tobacco taxes are a huge win among voters, probably the most palatable revenue enhancement that you can address here in the state of Texas," he said.

The committee spent Thursday and Friday listening to expert testimony about taxing structures in preparation for an anticipated special legislative session to replace the so-called Robin Hood school finance system.

The Robin Hood nickname came about because the plan sends money from property-rich districts to poorer and smaller ones in an attempt to give all students an equal chance for a basic education.

The revenue from a $1 cigarette tax would be a fraction of the $33.9 billion in state and federal funds allocated to public schools in the next biennium.

Many school districts in Texas have raised property taxes to the $1.50 cap per $100 property valuation and are still struggling with budget constraints.

In a pending lawsuit, plaintiffs who oppose the school finance system allege that sharing the local property tax is equivalent to a statewide property tax, which is banned by the state constitution. The current school finance plan has survived several legal challenges since its inception a decade ago.

Bill Orzechowski, an anti-cigarette tax consultant, disputed the efficiency of a cigarette tax to pay for public schools. He argued that revenue would gradually decline as the number of smokers declines.

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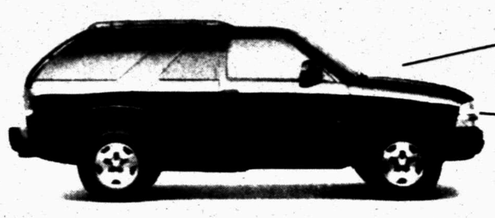
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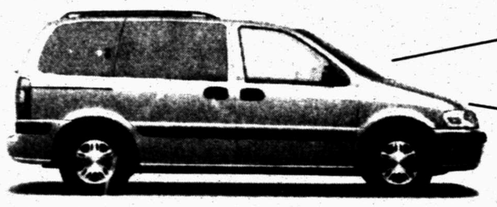
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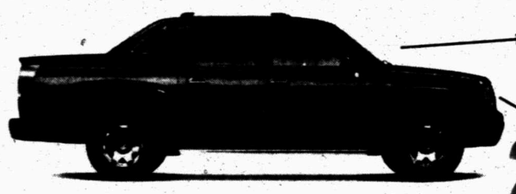
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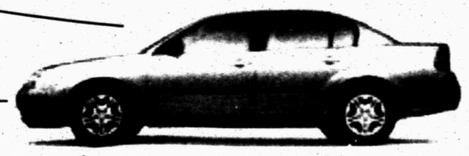


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PTK Founder's Day award goes to Vicky Rowland

Vicky Rowland is the latest recipient of the Phi Theta Kappa Founder's Day Award at Western Texas College. The honor was recently announced on campus during a reception for the honoree.

The Founders Day Award has been given at WTC since 1983 in recognition of a member of WTC faculty, staff, or administration who represents to an outstanding degree on one or more of the PTK ideals of scholarship, leadership, service and fellowship.

Mrs. Rowland began working at WTC Aug. 13, 2000 where she began as a file clerk in the Registrar's office. She was promoted on Aug. 6, 2001 to Admission's Counselor/Secretary to the Dean of Student Services. On Nov. 17, 2003 she was promoted to Admissions Counselor/Secretary to Distance Education.

Mrs. Rowland has been a member of the Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa since the fall of 2000. She earned an associate of arts degree from Western Texas College in December 2002 and is currently working on her bachelor of arts and applied science degree from Midwestern State University.

Mrs. Rowland is married to John Rowland, an oilfield mechanic who works for Pure Resources, Inc. They have three children, Chris Rowland and wife Kristy of Raymore, MO, Thomas Bishop and his wife Jenifer of Abilene; and L. Cpl Joseph Bishop of the U.S. Marines, recently stationed in Iraq. He is currently stationed in California but will return to Iraq in February.

She also has a granddaughter, Tori Rowland.

Phi Theta Kappa was founded in 1918 by presidents of two-year colleges in Missouri. The founders were seeking to recognize scholastic achievement by their students, and to establish a common purpose and standard for honors organizations on their different campuses.

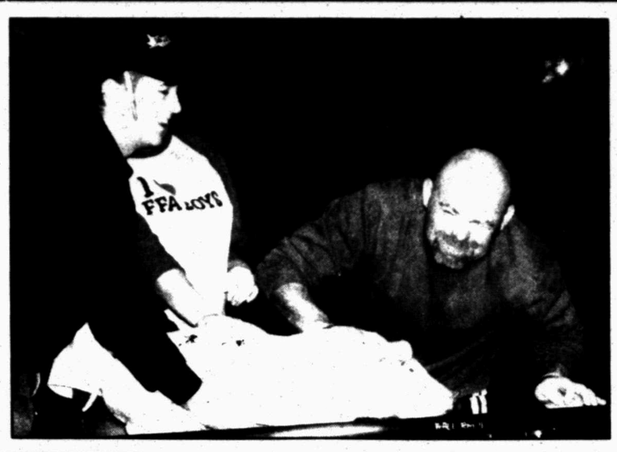
Eleven years later, Phi Theta Kappa was officially recognized by the American Association of Junior Colleges on Nov. 19, the date now traditionally observed as the Society's Founders Day.



RECIPIENT — Vicky Rowland, right, receives Founders Day Award. From left are Casey Crawford and Patty Kuhl. (Contributed Photo)

Northeast Jumps Rope For Heart

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PUCKER UP — You want me to do what? Coach Chris Porter grimaces as he bends down to kiss a pig, students' reward for raising more than their goal. SHS FFA students Logan West and Sarah Carpenter brought the pig to school. Sarah is the daughter of NE principal Carmen Carpenter.



BAD HAIR DAY — It just wasn't coach Chris Porter's Day. He kissed a pig, students taped him to the gym wall, then they tossed pies at him. Brandi Espinoza, left, and Leslie Rosas, are pictured. Students were rewarded for earning money in the fundraiser.





JUMPERS — Northeast students who jumped during the annual fundraiser included from left, photo at left, Cassandra Garcia, Regina Alarcon and Jeffrey Stewart. Also jumping were, from left, photo at right, Jordan Scott, Tippen Smith and Chance Young, photo. (SDN Photos By Shirley A. Gorman)



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In Abilene's Elmwood West United Methodist Church...

Vieth, Spoor pledge solemn vows

ABILENE — Jillian Vieth became the bride of Isaac Spoor at 3 p.m. on July 26 in Elmwood West United Methodist Church in Abilene.

Dr. Larry Fink of Hamby, a professor at Abilene Christian University, officiated the double-ring ceremony. The vows were repeated in a romantic setting of spiral candelabras lined with greenery flanked by two square white pillars wrapped with tulle and topped with ferns. A unity candle wrapped in tulle and greenery was to the right of the altar area.

Candlelighters were Katie Roberson, cousin of the bride from Abilene, and Mary Fink of Abilene. Both wore lavender A-line gowns with square necklines.

Vocalist/guitarist Dylan Sneed, former roommate of the groom, sang "The Luckiest." The groom sang "Angel."

The bride's father presented her in marriage. She was attired in a white strapless satin gown featuring a clear bead and sequin studded bodice. The three-foot train was lined with lace and beads and the elbow-length veil had tiny pearls sewn throughout. The bride carried a bouquet of white roses, hydrangeas and purple calla lilies.

Maid of honor was Paula Sullivan of Clyde, a childhood friend. Bridesmaids included Carolyn Chesser of Lubbock, Adrian Childress of Fort Worth, Kim Watson of Abilene and Carisa Davis of Cameron. Attendants wore strapless A-line gowns of elegant eggplant color embellished with a clear bead lining on the bodice. They carried a bouquet of white hydrangeas, roses and purple calla lilies.



Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Spoor
(Contributed Photo)

Flower girl was three-year-old Noel Miller, daughter of the bride's friend.

Best man was Nathan Spoor of Los Angeles, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Ben Cotton of Abilene, Jeff Rogers of Dallas, Dylan Sneed of Dallas and John Gutierrez of Snyder.

Male attendants wore black tuxedos with purple calla lily boutonnieres.

Amanda Goble of Clyde registered guests and passed out programs that included a CD of all the songs that inspired the couple's relationship.

The reception was held in the Elk Art Center in downtown Abilene. Along with the four-tiered white wedding cake with purple accents and layers separated by fresh roses and hydrangeas, two miniature spiral candelabras were wrapped with hydrangeas. Also included were a statue of a bride and the bridesmaids' bouquets.

The groom's table held a four-tiered cake decorated with purple accents on the sides of each layer and fresh roses and hydrangeas between each layer. The wedding cakes were provided by Cap Prachyl. The groom's table also held strawberry topped cheesecakes provided by the groom's mother. Servers were provided by Receptions With New Ideas Catering.

Their honeymoon trip was to Seattle, Wash. They have made their new home in Abilene.

The bride's parents are Eric and Rita Vieth of Hamby. The groom's parents are Ken and Kathy Spoor of Snyder.

The bride is from Hamby and attended high school in Clyde. She graduated from ACU with a degree in nutrition. She is employed by Outreach Health Services/WIC Program.

The groom is a 1998 Snyder High School graduate and is attending ACU. He will graduate with a degree in graphic design this month.

King, Beard wed in San Angelo

SAN ANGELO — Lila Beth King of San Angelo and Dale Marcus Beard of Snyder were united in marriage at 5 p.m. on Nov. 1 at Johnson Street Church of Christ in San Angelo. Jackie Qualls, youth minister of Sunset Church of Christ in Lubbock and brother-in-law of the bride, performed the ceremony.

Courtney and Elaine King of San Angelo are parents of the bride. Parents of the groom are Bobby and Diane Beard of Snyder. Grandparents of the groom are Dale and Frances Hess of Snyder.

The bridal party stood before a myriad of pillar and votive candles with a background of two tall arrangements including red rose, Asiatic lilies and gladiolus in fall colors, cockscomb, hypericum, kangaroo paw, solidaster, vining maple and curly willow.

Soli Deo, a string quartet from Hardin Simmons University, played Bach's "Air on a G String" as the mothers and grandparents were seated. Bach's "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" was played as the groomsmen and bridesmaids entered, followed by the flower girls to "Passacaile," by Handel. The bride was escorted by her father to Pachelbel's "Cannon in D" and met by the groom. After the exchanging of vows and rings, Byron Norwood of Tahoka sang "The Lord's Prayer." Beethoven's "Ode to Joy" was played as the recessional.



Mr. and Mrs. Dale Marcus Beard
(Photo by Wadleigh Studio)

The bride wore a gown of white silk satin. The full ballgown skirt was traditionally styled with a lavish silhouette and enhanced by bridal pearls and crystals at the waistline. The fitted bodice was strapless and attached to a graceful chapel train completing the elegant design by Marisa of New York. The dramatic two-tiered, fingertip veil was fashioned with a petite comb of pearls and crystals. Bel Aire designed the creation.

The bride's bouquet was hand-tied and fashioned of red Erotica and Black Magic roses, orange Mambo spray roses, and chartreuse green blupleurum. She also carried a sixpence traditionally carried by bride's in the Lewis family, including the groom's mother, grandmother and numerous other relations. A handkerchief-christening cap of the groom was also held.

Matron of honor was Michelle Wiseman of Tahoka. Bridesmaids were Emily Beaver of Eden, Joellen Qualls of Lubbock, both sisters of the bride; Adrien Hodges of Forney; and Mindy Cauble of Big Spring. Bridesmaids' gowns were ivory chiffon, floor-length dresses. Beading at the waistline enhanced their sleeveless, V-necked bodices. They carried bouquets of red and orange roses that repeated the bride's bouquet.

Flower girls were Emma Beaver of Eden and Morgan Cox of Sterling City. Their ballerina length dresses were sleeveless and made of ivory satin, and were fastened in the back with pearl buttons. Pale yellow sashes accented the dresses, and ivory satin ballet shoes completed their attire.

Best man was Brent Jones of San Angelo. Groomsmen were David Beard of Snyder, brother of the groom, Lanny Atkerson of Fort Worth, Billy Rawson of Colorado City and Gilbert Orosco of San Angelo. Ushers were Andy Braden of San Angelo and Jason Mormon of Snyder.

The groom wore a black Lavida tuxedo by Oscar de la Renta. The jacket was a four-buttoned, single-breasted style complemented by a black satin vest, black on black striped shirt and black Windsor tie.

Fathers, groomsmen and ushers wore matching tuxedos that were complemented by white shirts and black Windsor ties. All had boutonnieres of red roses.

Guests were registered by Melanie Gibson of Marble Falls and received wedding programs from April Baker of Snyder.

The reception was held in the ballroom and mezzanine of the Cactus Hotel. Guest tables were covered with white cloths and held silver candelabras, votives, flower arrangements of red and orange roses, greenery and tall curly willow. Rose petals were strewn on each table. Chairs were also covered in white and accented with ecru sashes.

Guests were served from a buffet table decorated with a silver urn full of fall flowers and foliage and were entertained by songs from the past by pianist Jim Wynne of Sterling City.

The bride's table was covered with an ecru lace cloth, an heirloom from the bride's late grandmother, Florine Price of Sterling City. Alternating layers of red velvet and Italian cream cakes made the four-tiered wedding cake. Red and orange roses were massed beneath and atop each tier. Serving were Robin Cave of Lubbock, Sterling Cave of Dallas, Jessica Price of Sterling City and Laura Johnson of Big Spring.

Decorated with three tall candlesticks, the groom's table was covered with a pale gold watered silk cloth. It held a three-tiered, monogrammed cheesecake topped with a mass of chocolate curls. Misty Myers and Melissa Loveless of Dallas and Mendy Miller of Big Spring served the cheesecake and coffee.

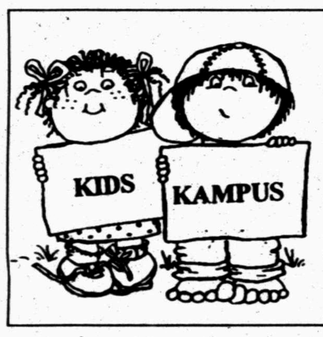
Almond punch was served from a silver punch bowl on a table covered by the same watered silk. Surrounding the punch bowl were rose bouquets. Amanda Copeland, Cassie Epperson, Becky Cave, all of Fort Worth, and La Becca Price of San Angelo attended.

Guests received decorated wedding cookies as favors.

The bride, a 1998 graduate of Snyder High School and May graduate of Caruth School of Dental Hygiene at Baylor College of Dentistry, is employed by Esters Family Dental in Irving.

The groom is a 1996 graduate of Snyder High School and a 2002 graduate of the University of North Texas with a degree in sociology. He is pursuing a master's degree and is employed by MHMR of Denton.

The couple's new home is in Lewisville.



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All Schools
BREAKFAST
Monday
Scrambled Eggs w/Bacon
Chilled Peaches
Tuesday
Biscuit & Sausage
Cereal & Toast
Fruit Juice
Wednesday
Egg & Cheese Taco
Applesauce
Thursday
French Toast Sticks
Friday
Sausage in a Biscuit

LUNCH
Elementaries
Monday
BLT Chicken Sandwich
Hamburger
Lettuce & Pickles
Mixed Vegetables
Chilled Pears
Condiments
Tuesday
Meatball Sandwich
Nachos w/Beef
Golden Kernel Corn
Mashed Potatoes
Fruited Gelatin
Wednesday
Wednesday
Chicken Burrito
Chef Salad
French Dressing
Garlic Breadstick
Peas & Carrots
Chilled Peaches
Thursday
Ravioli
Soft Beef Tacos
Mexicorn
Refried Beans
Chilled Pineapple Chunks
Friday
Pepperoni Pizza
Turkey & Cheese Sub
Mixed Salad w/Dressing
French Fries
Chocolate Chip Cookie

Junior High School
Monday
BLT Chicken Sandwich
Hamburger
Pepperoni Pizza
Cheeseburger
Lettuce & Pickles
French Fries
Chilled Pears
Condiments
Tuesday
Meatball Sandwich
Nachos w/Beef
Pepperoni Pizza
Cheeseburger
Golden Kernel Corn
Lettuce & Pickles
Mashed Potatoes
Fruited Gelatin
Wednesday
Chicken Burrito
Chef Salad
French Dressing
Pepperoni Pizza
Cheeseburger
Lettuce & Pickles
Garlic Breadstick
Peas & Carrots
Chilled Peaches
Thursday
Ravioli
Soft Beef Tacos
Pepperoni Pizza
Cheeseburger
Lettuce & Pickles
Mexicorn
Refried Beans
Chilled Pineapple Chunks
Friday
Hot Dogs
Pepperoni Pizza
Cheeseburger
Lettuce & Pickles
Mixed Salad w/Dressing
Mixed Vegetables
Chocolate Chip Cookie

High School
Monday
BLT Chicken Sandwich
Hamburger
Beef Burrito
Pepperoni Pizza
Salad Bar
French Fries
Chilled Pears
Tuesday
Meatball Sandwich
Nachos w/Beef
Hamburger
Beef Burrito
Pepperoni Pizza
Salad Bar
Golden Kernel Corn
Mashed Potatoes
Fruited Gelatin
Wednesday
Chicken Burrito
Chef Salad
Hamburger
Beef Burrito
Salad Bar
French Dressing
Garlic Breadstick
Broccoli Salad
Chilled Peaches
Thursday
Ravioli
Soft Beef Tacos
Hamburger
Beef Burrito
Pepperoni Pizza
~~Salad Bar~~
Mexicorn
Refried Beans
Chilled Pineapple Chunks
Friday
Pepperoni Pizza
Hot Dogs
Hamburger
Beef Burrito
Salad Bar
Mixed Salad w/Dressing
Mixed Vegetables
Chocolate Chip Cookie

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All meals are served with milk and breakfast offers a choice juice.

BREAKFAST
Monday
Cinnamon Toast
Tuesday
Donuts
Wednesday
Breakfast Combo
Thursday
Sausage/Egg/Cheese Biscuit
Friday
Pancake Pup
LUNCH
Monday
Chili & Cheese Sticks
Carrot Stick
French Fries
Crackers/Cherry Peppers
Pears
Tuesday
Fried Chicken/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables
Hot Rolls
Mixed Fruit/Whipped Topping
Wednesday
Chili Beans
Glazed Carrots
Cabbage
Corn Bread
Vanilla Pudding
Thursday
Fried Chicken Patty Sandwich
Lettuce & Tomato
Tater Tots
Peanut Butter Cookies
Friday
Stromboli
Pork & Beans
Fried Okra
Peaches

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A choice of milk is served with all meals and breakfast offers juice.

BREAKFAST
Monday
Waffles
Sausage
Tuesday
Biscuits & Gravy
Sausage
Wednesday
Oatmeal/Cream of Wheat
Toast
Thursday
Pop Tarts
Friday
Breakfast Burritos
LUNCH
Monday
Chicken & Noodles/Steak Fingers
Corn
Peas
Bread
Devils Food Cake
Tuesday
Ground Beef Stroganoff/Chicken Patti
Rice
Sliced Potatoes
Green Beans
Italian Bread
Jell-O
Wednesday
Stromboli/Peanut Butter Sandwich
Potato Wedges
Carrots
Oranges
Thursday
Beef Enchilada/Grilled Cheese Sandwich
Spanish Rice
Corn
Fruit
Friday
Hamburgers/Corn Dogs
Lettuce Tomatoes
French Fries
Cookies

Correction

SDN regrets the last paragraph was left off the Haley Sue Hollis and Bryan Patrick Phillips wedding story.

The bride graduated from Amarillo High School and attended Amarillo Junior College and the University of Texas at Austin. The groom graduated from Amarillo High School and the University of Texas.

Whenever it is in any way possible, every boy and girl should choose as his life work some occupation, which he should like to do anyhow, even if he did not need the money.

—William Lyon Phelps

Peraza, Landes wed in Dallas

DALLAS — Andrea Peraza and Ryan Landes were united in marriage in a double-ring ceremony at 2 p.m. on July 26 in the First Presbyterian Church in Dallas. Dr. William J. Carl III, pastor, officiated.

The bride's parents are Louie and Elva Peraza of Anaheim, Calif., and the groom's parents are Gary and Kathy Landes of Snyder.

The church sanctuary was draped in tulle, decorated with greenery and white flowers. A candelabrum adorned with tulle provided soft lighting and pews were marked with tulle bows. Large arrangements of fresh white gladiolus were placed on either side of the altar.

Vincent Peraza of Anaheim, brother of the bride, and Tanner Sescil of Lubbock, cousin of the groom, were candlelighters.

Thomas F. Froehlich, organist for the church, presented "Trumpet Tune," "Canon in D," "Bridal Chorus," and "Wedding March," on the elegant pipe organ.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a stunning Lady Eleanor original designed exclusively for David's Bridal. The strapless bodice featured hand-beaded pearls and sequins.

Adorning the flowing organza A-line skirt were pearl and sequin appliques in a floral design to the hem that extended to a graceful chapel length train. The bride carried a bouquet of white roses tied together with white satin ribbon.

Monique Salcido of Fullerton, Calif., was maid of honor. Holly Simmons, cousin of the groom from Irving, was bridesmaid. Attendants wore scalloped embroidered satin floor-length gown with an embroidered wrap in apple red. They carried white and red roses tied with satin ribbon.

Robyn Thompson of Snyder, sister of the groomsman, wore a satin short sleeve dress with an organza overlay in white and apple red. She wore red and white roses in her hair.

Best man was Nicholas Landes, brother of the groom from Snyder. Trevor Thompson of McKinney was groomsman. Vincent Peraza, brother of the bride of Anaheim, and Tanner Sescil, cousin of the groom from Lubbock, were ushers.



Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Landes
(Contributed Photo)

The groom as well as his attendants wore Perry Ellis black tuxedos. The groom wore a silver vest and black tie and the groomsman and ushers wore black vests and red ties.

The reception was held in Bryd Hall of the First Presbyterian Church.

The bride's table was covered in a white ruffled table cloth and adorned with fresh flowers and crystal bowls with floating red heart candles that sat on beveled mirrors. The bride's table was centered with a five-tiered white wedding cake decorated with white filigree and cascading fresh red roses.

Two buffet tables with assorted finger foods were available for guests. Serving were the bride's aunts, Brenda Simmons from Huntsville and Betty Cummins from San Antonio.

A German chocolate cake topped with chocolate dipped strawberries centered the groom's table that was covered with a white cloth and a red topper.

Their honeymoon trip was to St. Lucia and they have made their home in Irving.

Andrea is an accounting major at North Lake College and is employed as staff accountant at Evergreen Alliance Golf Limited in Irving.

Ryan, a 1997 Snyder High School graduate, is employed as an account manager for J-Com in Dallas. He graduated with a B.S. Degree from DeVry University in 2000.

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Rock and Roll Quilting Club; Hermleigh Community Center; everyone is invited for free quilting lessons, and special projects are to help someone in need; call 863-2383 for more information; 8 a.m. to noon.

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

NA-Just for Today; Park Club at Winston Park; 573-1438.

Manic Depression (Bipolar) support group; Family Life Community Church, 904 26th Street; 7 p.m.

Scurry County AA closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1292 or 573-9458; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Gateway Family Services parenting discussion group, focuses on a variety of parenting issues and special challenges; no charge; call 573-1822 for more information; 10:30 a.m.

Weight Watchers meeting; Colonial Hill Baptist Church; for more information call Kathy at 573-1289 during the evening; weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m.

ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m.

Beginners' AA open meeting; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 573-8268, 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for more information call 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; Trinity United Methodist Church. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

NA Just For Today, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-1438; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; horseshoe courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762.

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; at the coliseum annex; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

AA Big Book Study; closed meeting; contact numbers are 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center; 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd., Suite B; 1-2 p.m.

ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-0538 or 573-0770.

Scurry County AA closed meeting; Park Club at Winston Park; for information call 574-1292 or 573-9458; 8 p.m.

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SATURDAY

NA-Just For Today open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-1438; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

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In 1956, a giant iceberg was spotted in the South Pacific. It was 208 miles long and 60 miles wide larger than Belgium.



COT GRADUATES — Thirty-three students completed the correctional officers training class Tuesday at Western Texas College. They include (from left) first row, Carla Artz, Charlotte Bradberry, Shenna Calloway, Dennis Clark, Sean Duncan, Tanya Etheredge, Lametria Flowers, Anthony Hastings, Susan Hembree, Nancy Hernandez, Tony Hernandez; second row, Fannie Hicks, James Hoyle, Andrew Jimenez, Brian Jones, Christine Kellner, Larry Myers, Joe Natividad, Monica Pinkert, Claudie Risner, Helen Robles; third row, Henry Rocha, Jason Rodriguez, Raul Rodriguez, Rhonda Roemer, Julio Ruvalcaba, Jesse Swain, Josie Toscano, Nathaniel Uzzle, Christina Wagner, Joshua Walton, Lee Ybarra and David Zarate. Not pictured are Theresa Ervin, COT secretary, and Leanord Dodgen, director/instructor. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Use microwave oven as timesaver with holiday baking

Want to take part in a tasty holiday tradition, but don't have a ho-ho-whole lot of time to do it? A surprising solution for you is the microwave.

Here are some tips for using the microwave to help with your holiday baking:

—Many cookie recipes call for softened butter, and that's a snap to do in the microwave. A stick of butter is generally softened after heating in a microwave-safe container on medium-low power for 30 to 40 seconds.

—When making bar cookies in the microwave, use microwave-safe round pans instead of square pans to prevent the cookie edges from overcooking.

—Elevating the microwave-safe cookie pan on a rack or trivet will help the cookies cook more evenly.

—Drizzling melted chocolate over cookies gives them a festive look. Simply place unwrapped chocolate squares or chips in a microwave-safe bowl, and heat on high for 1 to 1½ minutes.

—Love warm cookies? Wrap 2 to 4 cookies in a paper towel and heat in the microwave for about 35 seconds on high, or until warm and soft.

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1 teaspoon vanilla extract

¼ teaspoon green food color

8 cups cornflakes

¼ cup red-hot cinnamon candies

1. Line cookie sheets with wax paper.

2. In a large microwave-safe bowl, heat the butter at 100% power for 45 seconds, or until melted. Stir in the marshmallows then microwave at 100% power for 3 to 4 minutes, or until melted, stirring after every minute.

3. Stir in the vanilla and food color. Add the cornflakes 1 cup at a time, stirring until evenly coated.

4. Drop the mixture by teaspoonfuls onto wax paper-lined cookie sheets and immediately place 3 cinnamon candies on the top of each cookie. Let cool. Store in a covered container with wax paper between layers.

CHRISPY CHOCOLATE CARAMEL BARS

30 bars

1 package (14 ounces) caramels, unwrapped

3 tablespoons water

5 cups crispy rice cereal

1 package (12 ounces) semi-sweet chocolate chips

1. Coat a 9" x 13" baking pan with nonstick cooking spray.

2. In a large microwave-safe bowl, combine the caramels and water. Microwave at 100% power for 2 to 2½ minutes, or until the caramels are melted, stirring after every minute.

3. Stir in the cereal then spread the mixture in the baking pan.

4.In a medium-sized microwave-safe bowl, heat the chocolate chips at 100% power for 2 minutes, or until melted, stirring after every minute. Spread the melted chocolate over the top and let cool. Cut into bars, and serve.

Library News & Views

By Sharon Sumruld, librarian

The Scurry County Library will be taking cans of food as payment on video fines throughout December. Every two cans of food will cancel out one dollar of fines. The food will be donated to the Food Cupboard to help those in need. This is an excellent time to clear up your video fine and also help others.

BOOK FEATURE

The Complete Illustrated Guide to Everything Sold in Hardware Stores and Garden Center, (Except the Plants), by Steve Ettlinger.

This guide is all you need to answer the maddening questions that arise when going to the hardware store and garden center. With a hardware section organized by type of tool, and a garden section split into handy subdivisions, it is the ultimate hardware resource. Home projects should be as easy as possilbe. Having the right tools, and knowing what to do, makes life better.

NEW NON-FICTION

It's More Than the Music: Life Lessons on Friends, Faith,..., by Bill Gaither.

The Grace Awakening, by Charles Swindoll.

Perfect Digital Photos in a Snap, by Ian Probert.

Complete Step-by-Step Guide to Cake Decorating..., by Carol Deacon.

Uppity Women of the New World, by Vicki Leon.

NEW FICTION

Wizard's First Rule, by Terry Goodkind.

Hanged Man's Song, by John Sandford.

City of Dreams, by Stephen Lawhead.

Irish Coffee, by Ralph McInerny.

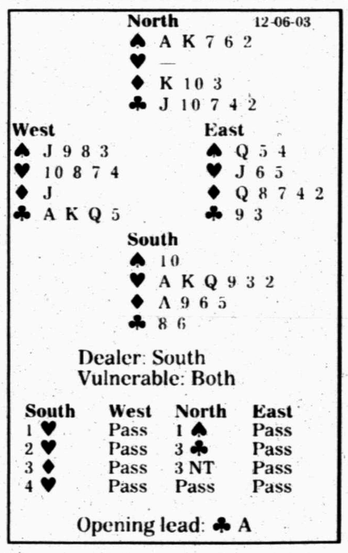
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Bridge by Phillip Alder



From the book to the bridge table

By Phillip Alder

What makes something funny? Occasionally, a particular person's slant on life. I prefer subtle rather than in-your-face. That is why I enjoyed this two-liner (author unknown): "Thank you for sending me a copy of your book. I'll waste no time in reading it."

Bridge textbooks are full of play techniques, and students who waste no time reading them complain that they never occur at the table. Of course, once in a while, a key coup is overlooked. But occasionally a textbook play isn't missed.

Look only at the West and North hands. Against South's contract of four hearts, you start with the club ace: two, nine, six. You continue with the club king: four, three, eight. What would you lead at trick three?

The deal occurred at this year's Pan Asia Bridge Championships in the Philippines.

South's decision to remove three no-trump to four hearts is debatable. Three no-trump can be made. East will probably lead his fourth-highest diamond. North takes West's jack with his king and returns the diamond 10. If East ducks, North collects two spades, three hearts and four diamonds. If East covers with the diamond queen, declarer wins with dummy's ace and establishes hearts, with the diamond nine as the entry.

Against four hearts, Laurance Lo from Hong Kong cashed two top clubs, then continued with the club five. His partner, Daniel Chui, correctly ruffed with the heart jack, which effected an uppercut, promoting two trump tricks for his partner.

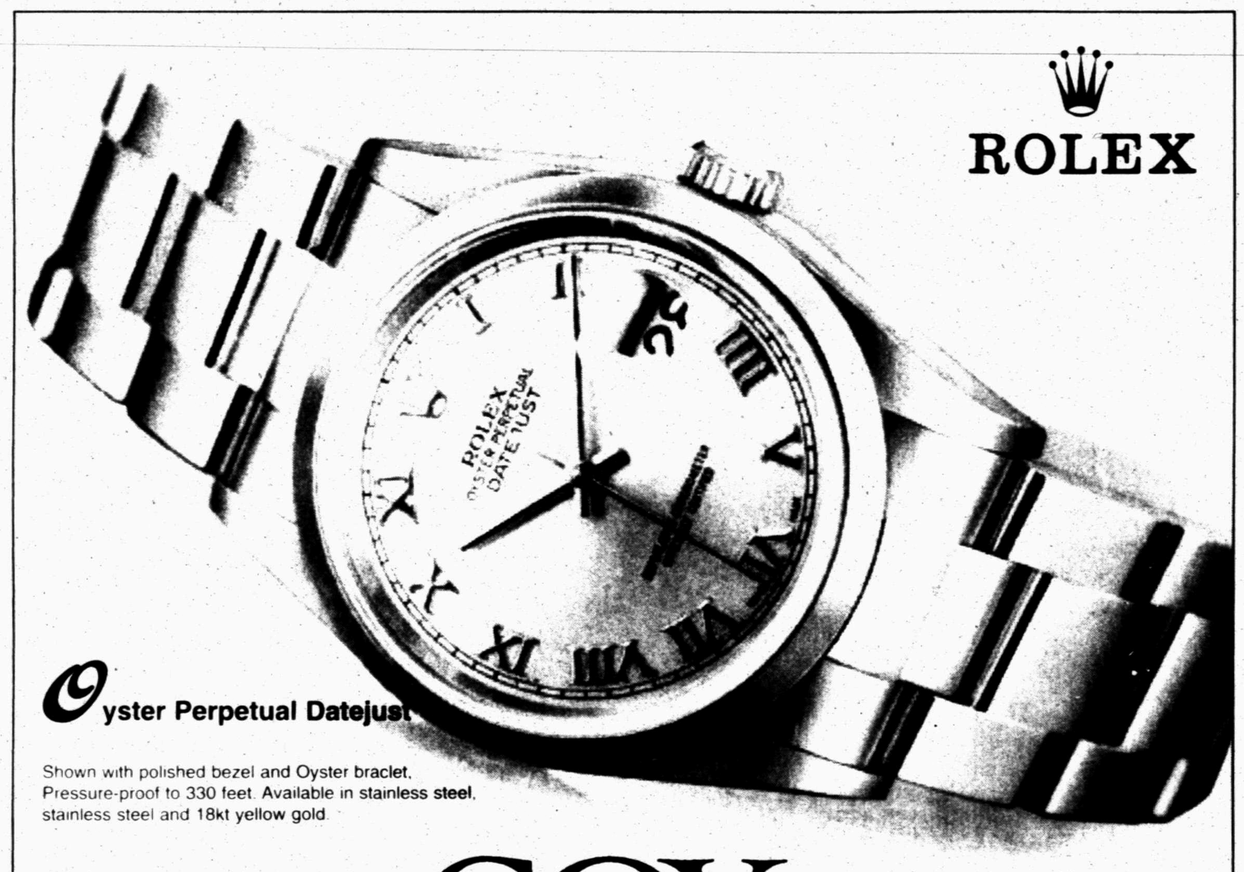
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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



How to treat embarrassing problem

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am at my wit's end, at age 58, because I cannot control my bowel movements and must wear a diaper to avoid soiling myself. I've had three normal colonoscopies in two years and the doctor was unable to advise me about how to solve my problem. Can you help?

DEAR READER: Fecal incontinence, a serious and disturbing affliction, has many causes, such as accidental injuries (including obstetrical ones), diabetes, fecal impaction, inflammation and tumors. In addition to a thorough examination, doctors also test patients with sphincter ultrasound, MRI scans, pelvic floor electromyography (to check muscle function), and anorectal manometry (to measure pressures in the rectum).

Treatment consists of a bowel management program to develop a predictable pattern of defecation (eating roughage, sitting on the toilet at the same time each day and other techniques), as well as perineal exercises (to strengthen the muscles of evacuation) and biofeedback.

Anal surgical repair is inconsistently effective. If all else fails, a colostomy may have to be considered.

I urge you to seek out a gastroenterologist in your community who is versed in the therapy of fecal incontinence. If this option is not suitable, you may experience relief by visiting a gastrointestinal clinic in a teaching hospital or medical center.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 39-year-old woman whose constipation problem has been a concern all my life. By chance, I discovered that kiwi fruit every morning is a cure. Please print this for other people who could be helped.

DEAR READER: Because of roughage and the potassium mineral, fresh (and dried) fruit is often beneficial for people with constipation. Although I am not aware of any specific benefits of kiwi, I am printing your letter for other readers.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Constipation and Diarrhea." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Could an elderly person in ill health will himself to die? I'm not talking about withholding medicine, but only the power of suggestion.

DEAR READER: In some African tribes, a "witchdoctor" can put a curse on someone. In many instances that person will die within a relatively short time because he believes in the strength of the curse. So, the answer to your question is a qualified "yes." But this is a cultural phenomenon.

In the developed world, spells and curses are seldom taken seriously, yet I know of patients who stopped eating (due, for example, to the death of a loved one) and died from what appeared to be an act of giving up. Therefore, I have to conclude that the power of suggestion or simply a will to die can, in some instances, result in mortality. The mind is complex and scientists have yet to discover the metabolic changes (not simply starvation) that may result from overwhelming beliefs.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Can the common cold be cured?

DEAR READER: Not at present.

During the winter season, the common cold is one of the most frequent ailments seen by doctors. Naturally, many patients and physicians are frustrated by the fact that medical research has yet to discover a cure for this affliction.

Colds are caused by more than 100 types of rhinovirus. Surprisingly, experts cannot agree on the method of transmission. According to one theory, rhinoviruses are spread by respiratory droplets: coughing, sneezing — even breathing — release moisture into the air. Contained within the microscopic bubbles are the viruses, which — when inhaled by another person —enter the tissues of the nose and throat, replicate and cause the infections known as coryza, the common cold.

Other authorities pooh-pooh the airborne droplet theory and insist, instead, that rhinoviruses are spread by hand-to-hand contact. The viruses can be dispersed by an act as simple as shaking hands; the victim then contracts coryza when he or she touches his or her own face and nose.

Until the exact mode of transmission is proved, doctors have chosen to cover all the bases by urging people to protect themselves against respiratory droplets — and frequently wash their hands during the coryza season. Stress and fatigue undoubtedly play a role as well; both conditions increase the risk of infection.

Research has shown that the rhinovirus particle has an irregular surface. Called "canyons," these depressions enable the virus to "key" onto, or fit, the surface of the host cells. If a medicine could be developed to fill the "canyons" (in place of the host cells), the virus could be inactivated. At present, several drug companies are working on such a substance, called a "capsid binder." However, a commercially available product is at least a decade away.

Most people can diagnose their own colds. The problem is not diagnosis but treatment, which remains prosaic and traditional: cough remedies, gargling, decongestants, therapy for fever, and bed rest, if necessary. Although the common cold is trivial compared to life threatening illness, such as cancer, it remains a mysterious and ubiquitous health problem.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Is there any new therapy for sore throats?

DEAR READER: There is a novel approach that is hardly new; it dates back to 1888 when a doctor reported success in treating sore throats with "carrot packs," a natural source of vitamin A. According to a brief summary in the journal Emergency Medicine (Sept. 2003 p. 13), a modern physician has successfully used a more up-to-date technique with great success. He found that biting into a vitamin A capsule immediately relieved throat irritation. He now advises patients "to buy 10,000 IU vitamin A gel caps to chew on when pharyngitis strikes. A patient can take up to three capsules on the first day, up to two on the second day and once a day thereafter, if needed. The total course should be limited because excessive vitamin A intake can cause severe headache or other major problems, and the capsules need to be stored out of reach of small children."

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of My Health Report "Vitamins and Minerals." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I wish you wouldn't be so hard on women with PMS. I suffer its tortures for 10 days out of each month and it's no fun. Will these symptoms subside after menopause?

DEAR READER: Actually, I go easy on women with premenstrual syndrome, because I am convinced that the moodiness, irritability and fatigue suffered by many women during the week or two preceding menstruation is a real medical phenomenon. The cause is unknown, but many authorities agree that such symptoms are related to cyclic hormone imbalances.

I've been told that symptoms of PMS can sometimes be lessened if women stringently avoid dietary salt during the times of their discomfort, because salt retention can alter the body's metabolism and fluid balance. Also, birth control pills may eliminate symptoms by re-establishing a more physiologic hormonal balance. Finally, some women can be helped by taking antidepressant or anti-anxiety medications.

Most women discover that PMS disappears once they enter menopause.

Because your life is so disrupted, I suggest that you discuss the PMS issue with your gynecologist. Perhaps there is a newer treatment with which I am not familiar.

If readers would like to contact Dr. Gott, they may write him through your newspaper or send their mail directly to Dr. Gott c/o United Media, 200 Madison Ave., 4th fl., New York, NY 10016.

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Federal program protects farmland from developers

BATTLEFIELD, Mo. (AP) — Bill Kary was torn between his love of running cattle and the comfortable retirement that could come from selling his southwest Missouri farm to developers.

Officials working to protect a relatively untouched Civil War battlefield from encroaching subdivisions convinced him a federal farmland protection program offered both.

Kary agreed to preserve two parcels of farmland totaling 102 acres that adjoin Wilson's Creek National Battlefield under an agreement with U.S. Department of Agriculture and Ozark Greenways, a not-for-profit conservation organization.

Kary's farm is now recognized as the first conservation easement site in Missouri. It also marks the first time the program was used to protect a historic battlefield.

"I may have made more building houses out here on this property, but building houses and making more money is not always the answer," Kary said before signing the final paperwork during a ceremony Nov. 25.

Under the agreement, Kary retains ownership of the land and will continue tending to his more than 100 head of cattle, as well as growing hay and fescue. Ozark Greenways holds the development rights to the two parcels, meaning the organization is charged with ensuring it forever remains agricultural land.

The Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program was established as part of the 1996 Farm Bill to provide money to help buy rights to keep productive farmland in agricultural use. But it allowed the USDA to partner only with state, tribal or local governments.

Because Missouri did not enact a farmland protection program, it was not eligible for federal funds.

The voluntary program expanded under the 2002 Farm Bill to allow non-governmental organizations with existing farm and ranch land protection programs to purchase conservation easements.

As a result, Ozark Greenways was able to work with Kary and the USDA to ensure development won't encroach on the edges of the battlefield, situated in a metropolitan area that is home to about 380,000 people.

"The benefit is that it protects the cultural landscape for visitors to the battlefield, instead of seeing it all eaten up by roads, houses and shopping centers," said Terry Whaley, executive director of Ozark Greenways. "It also keeps agricultural land within the realm of an urban area, so families can continue to farm."

Here's how it works: Kary's land has an agricultural value of $1,000 an acre, but a developer was willing to pay $9,000 an acre. The $8,000-per acre difference is considered the "development rights." That amounted to $816,000 for the 102 acres, which was paid to Kary in a lump sum.

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Today's chuckle

Grinch makes off with students' money

MIAMI (AP) — Busloads of school children who paid for a field trip celebrating the Christmas holidays got the Grinch instead.

Thousands of youngsters had paid between $10 and $20 each to attend a show called "Christmas From Around the World." When their school buses arrived Wednesday morning, the children found a shuttered playhouse and a promoter gone missing with their money.



"The Grinch raised his ugly head today," said Mary Ross Agosta, spokeswoman for the Archdiocese of Miami, which sent students from seven Roman Catholic schools to the show.

Miami police said the 50-year-old promoter, David Lee Ellisor, is wanted for questioning on possible fraud and grand theft charges.

"The fact that he's not showing up is making us very suspicious," police spokesman Lt. Bill Schwartz said Thursday. Police estimate Ellisor received at least $2,000 for the field trip and said he failed to pay a $1,600 bill at a local hotel last month.

The show was scheduled to run through Friday and listed as sponsors the city's police and fire departments and the Doubletree Hotel. Schwartz said none of them were involved.

Ellisor could not be located, but he left an apologetic recording at the phone number on his flier: "I'm so, so sorry to inform you the field trip has been postponed because we didn't have enough money to buy the presents. The city of Miami would not accept the school checks, and we've been fighting and we're sorry about this last-moment delay, but the field trip has been postponed until a couple of weeks from now."

Alternatives to local property taxes eyed

AUSTIN (AP) — Lawmakers considering how to revamp the state's school finance system on Thursday heard from tax experts about corporations that continue to use loopholes to help them avoid paying state franchise taxes.

During the regular session, the Legislature failed to adopt a fix to the so-called Delaware Sub loophole that allows corporations to avoid paying millions in taxes every year.

Texas Instruments might have restructured to legally avoid paying some state taxes had they believed a loophole utilized by many corporations would have remained an option, a company official said.

"I think most people would never have anticipated a loophole this large would remain in place this long," Linda Dickens, state tax manager for TI, said when asked why the corporation did not utilize the so-called Delaware Sub loophole to avoid paying the state franchise tax.

The Joint Select Committee on Public School Finance is preparing for an anticipated special session to find a replacement for the state's Robin Hood school finance system.

The state lost an estimated $163 million in revenue from some of the state's largest corporations that utilized the Delaware Sub loophole in the 2003 fiscal year, said Deputy Comptroller Billy Hamilton. The lost revenue is a fraction of the $33.9 billion in state and federal funds allocated to public schools in the next biennium.

Dell Inc. and SBC are among the largest Texas companies structured to avoid the franchise tax.

The franchise tax loophole allows hundreds of businesses to legally avoid paying the franchise tax by incorporating on paper in a low-tax state like Delaware, and operating as a subsidiary in Texas.

"Closing that loophole is the only way to make sure corporations don't totally avail themselves of the franchise tax under current law," Dickens said.

The loophole "allows two firms to be identical in all regards and pay vastly different taxes based on the paper structure of their organization," Hamilton said. "Taxes should be based on the ability to pay, not on a willingness to pay accountants or lawyers."

Many school districts in Texas have raised property taxes to the $1.50 cap per $100 property valuation and are still struggling with budget constraints. In a pending lawsuit, plaintiffs who oppose Robin Hood allege that sharing the local property tax is equivalent to a statewide property tax, which is banned by the state constitution.

Hamilton and other experts presented the committee with a variety of revenue generating options including bumping up existing sales taxes. For instance, in the 2005 fiscal year, bumping up the sales tax a penny would generate $1.9 billion, he said.

Hamilton also presented the committee with possible revenue that could be generated with a soft drink tax, a video lottery and a value added tax.

The committee, which was scheduled to meet again Friday, also discussed a state personal income tax, a split roll tax and a statewide property tax.

Date Book

Saturday, Dec. 6, 2003

Today is the 340th day of 2003 and the 75th day of autumn.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1492, Christopher Columbus landed on the island of Hispaniola, now the Dominican Republic and Haiti.

In 1877, Thomas Edison made history's first sound recording, reciting "Mary Had a Little Lamb" into his new invention.

In 1884, construction was completed on the Washington Monument.

In 1947, the Everglades National Park was established in Florida.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Alfred Eisenstaedt (1898-1995), photojournalist; Joyce Kilmer (1886-1918), poet; Ira Gershwin (1896-1983), lyricist; Dave Brubeck (1920-), jazz pianist, is 83; Tom Hulce (1953-), actor, is 50.

TODAY'S SPORTS: After becoming the first college football player to run for more than 2,000 yards in a season, Marcus Allen of Southern California was awarded the 1981 Heisman Trophy.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Nice work if you can get it, and you can get it if you try." — Ira Gershwin

TODAY'S FACT: The first U.S. president born in the 20th century was John F. Kennedy (1917).

TODAY'S NUMBER: 3,700,000 — estimated deaths caused by flooding of China's Huang He River in August 1931.

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Nov. 30) and full moon (Dec. 8).

All information from The World Almanac.

Sunday, Dec. 7, 2003

Today is the 341st day of 2003 and the 76th day of autumn.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1787, Delaware became the first state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1941, the Japanese launched a surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, bringing the United States into World War II.

In 1972, the last manned mission to the moon, Apollo 17, took off from Cape Canaveral, Fla.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Gian Lorenzo Bernini (1598-1680), sculptor and architect; Willa Cather (1873-1947) novelist; Eli Wallach (1915-), actor, is 88; Harry Chapin (1942-1981) singer, songwriter; Larry Bird (1956-), basketball star, is 47; Tino Martinez (1967-), baseball player, is 36.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1963, while covering the Army-Navy football game, CBS made the first use of instant replay. The announcer reassured viewers that Army did not score two consecutive touchdowns.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I like trees because they seem more resigned to the way they have to live than other things do." — Willa Cather.

TODAY'S FACT: Delaware gets its name from Lord De La Warr, the English governor of Virginia.

TODAY'S NUMBER: 10,943,765 — number of holdings in the Chicago Public Library.

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Nov. 30) and full moon (Dec. 8).

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Publish date changed

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The publication date of Pete Rose's new autobiography has been moved up two months to January.

"My Prison Without Bars," written with Rick Hill, will go on sale Jan. 8, Rodale Inc. said Wednesday.

The publication date is two days after the announcement of 2004 Hall of Fame inductees. Rose is ineligible for the Hall of Fame ballot because of the lifetime ban from baseball he agreed to in 1989 following an investigation of his gambling.

His first autobiography, "Pete Rose: My Story," was issued by Macmillan Publishing Co. in 1989, 2 1/2 months after Rose agreed to the ban. That book, written with Roger Kahn, maintained Rose's position that baseball's investigation was tainted and he never bet on baseball games.

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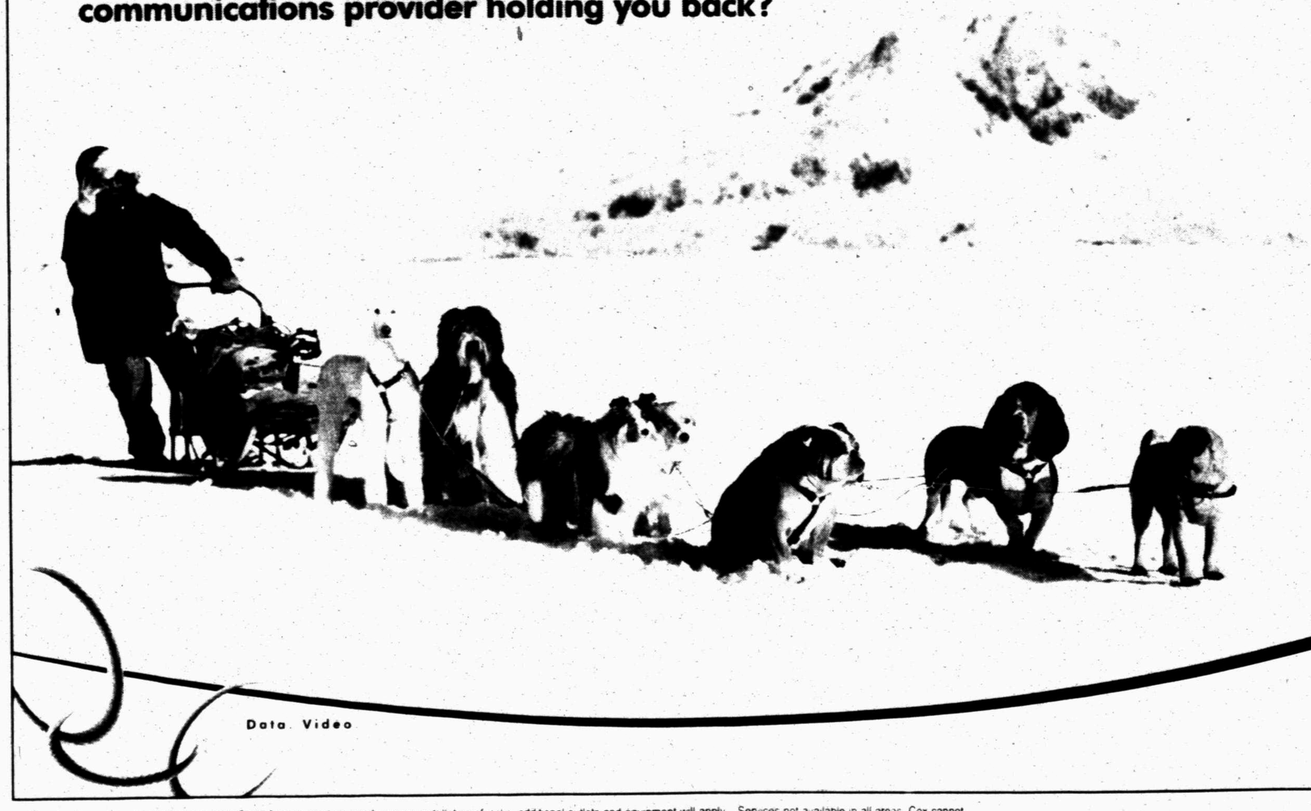
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Scurry County Anti-drug Connection

The best things in life are drug free

The Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with the Scurry County Anti Drug Connection and Al-Anon support groups devote this column to current information on substance abuse, and how we, as a community, can work together to create a safe and drug free environment for our children.

ALCOHOL PREVENTION:

Too many kids are drinking — just look at the most recent statistics. By the 8th grade, 52% of youth have tried alcohol; by the 12th grade, about 80% have used alcohol; nearly 7 million, or 19%, of persons ages 12-20 are binge drinkers; people who begin drinking before age 15 are four times more likely to develop alcoholism than those who begin at age 21; 31% of U.S. college students meet criteria for alcohol abuse and 6% are alcohol dependent.

Yet many people refuse to take the problem of underage drinking as seriously as they should. After all, they say, isn't getting drunk with your friends part of growing up in America?

Unfortunately, while the majority of kids who drink do grow up to become healthy adults, use of alcohol greatly increases the chances that they will be involved in a car crash, homicide or suicide — the leading causes of death for teenagers and young adults. In fact, a 16-year-old is more likely to die of alcohol-related causes than any other.

Adults also may be ambivalent about underage drinking because they think kids are drinking to relax or have a good time with their friends. What's the harm, they ask, if they're not drinking and driving?

Kids, however, aren't "social drinkers" who enjoy a glass of wine with their meal or go to cocktail parties. Nearly 60% say they drink when they're upset and nearly 40% drink alone. By the time they get to college, a large percentage of them have become "binge drinkers," which means they have had five or more drinks in a row during the past two weeks.

Kids typically begin using alcohol around the age of 13, long before their minds and bodies are mature enough to handle the effects of a powerful drug. Research shows that the earlier kids start drinking, the more likely they will be to develop a problem with alcohol or other drugs later in life.

Once kids start drinking, their world suddenly becomes a more dangerous place. Girls are more likely to be forced into unwanted sexual activity, which can result in pregnancy. Boys get into more fights and commit acts of vandalism that may escalate into more serious crimes. The academic and athletic performances of both sexes can suffer.

In short, if we care about the health of our children, we must do everything we can to discourage them from drinking for as long as possible.

When it comes to alcoholism, primary prevention is a little like surfing. It's important to stay ahead of the wave if you want to reach the shore safely. Similarly, getting — and staying — out in front of the wave of substance abuse problems facing this country is the primary objective of prevention.

Primary and secondary prevention programs and policies are usually far more effective than tertiary prevention (treatment) in reducing the level or prevalence of a problem in society.

Nonetheless, without effective and affordable treatment programs that reduce the suffering of individuals and make the costs of alcohol problems and alcoholism to individuals and society more widely known, society is often uninterested in prevention. Clearly, both prevention and treatment are needed.

Primary prevention actions are directed toward prolonging life and promoting health for the general public by helping the public reduce or prevent the incidence of new cases of alcohol-related problems and alcoholism. The goals of health promotion, risk reduction and disease prevention include:

While the issue of underage drinking is a complex problem, one that can only be solved through a sustained and cooperative effort between parents, schools, community leaders, and the children themselves, there are three areas which have proven to be effective in prevention of underage drinking: curtailing the availability of alcohol, consistent enforcement of existing laws and regulations, and changing norms and behaviors through education.

In addition, the alcohol beverage industry has a responsibility to discourage underage drinking and to curtail advertising and marketing that appeals to underage youth.

As a society, we've got to do a far better job persuading our citizens and our young people that alcohol use is a dead end, that they are playing Russian roulette, not only with their own lives, but with the lives of friends, neighbors, and loved ones.

Education and strong parental supervision are the ways to head off and heal the devastating consequences of underage and excessive drinking.

By Stacia Murphy, President of the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence.

For more information on how you and/or your business or organization can be involved in promoting a drug-free community, contact the Scurry County Anti-Drug Connection at the Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 574-1931 or 573-1411.

FAO Schwarz files for bankruptcy

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Unable to pump up holiday sales or find a buyer, the owner of FAO Schwarz toy stores filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection Thursday, less than eight months after emerging from an earlier bankruptcy.

The announcement came three weeks before Christmas, and unless a buyer emerges soon, the chain — including the landmark store on New York's Fifth Avenue — may be hosting its last holiday rush.

It's possible new investors can revive Schwarz in some form, possibly trading on its cachet as a toy boutique for the affluent, but analysts said the toy stores begun in 1862 may simply cease to exist.

Public Records

Marriage License

Walter Lee Holmesley and Katy Mae Newton, both of Snyder.

Tommy Edward Vaughan and Betsy Ann Fambro, both of Odessa.

Robert Kyle Pruitt and Jennifer Carrell, both of Tacoma, Wash.

Filed in District Court

Pennant Weigh Indicators Inc., dba Babcock Equipment Co., vs. B&F Well Servicing Inc., suit for foreign judgment.

Excalibur I, successor in interest to Cross Country Bank Inc., vs. Orlando Ponce, suit on account.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Juan Cuellar Rodriguez and Margarita Rodriguez, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Rebecca Dawn Coward and Cristopher Scott Coward, divorce granted.

Deed Records

Carl Tefertiller, independent executor of the estate of Georgia Tefertiller, to Carl Tefertiller, Lot 5 in Block E of the Westridge Addition.

Swartz and Brough Inc. to Juan Lugo, Lot 4 in Block C of the Replat of the Towle Place Addition.

Kevin W. and Jennifer S. Sawyer to Richard Marquez Gallegos and Selene Diaz Dominguez, an 0.277-acre tract in the southwest one-quarter of Section 156, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Bill Price Construction Inc. to Cudd Pressure Control Inc., 9.345 acres in Section 197, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Ranch Capital Holding Company Inc. to Farmsource Inc., Lots 1-13 in Block 6 and Lots 1-26 in Block 9, all in the Replat of Blocks 5-A and Block 6, part of Block 7, Blocks 8-A and 8-B of the 1st Replat of the Parkway Addition, Section 1.

Gerald Arlene McGaha Jr. and Nawana R. Hernandez to Greg Arliss McGaha, Lot 1 in Block 47 of the Baze and Dodson Replat of Blocks 45 and 47 of the Colonial Hill Addition.

Lucille Fitzsimmons, Becky Latson and Rick Bowen to T.L. and Karen Joseph Henderson, an undivided interest in 201.035 acres in the north part of Section 231, Block 3, H&GC survey.

Helen J. Martin to Yolanda H. Rosas, the east 44.5 feet of Lot 30 and the west 25.5 feet of Lot 31, both in Block 7 of the Replat of the south one-half of Blocks 7, 6 and 11 of the Highlands Addition.

Kenneth D. Keller and Karman Keller Dosser to Lorita Faye Keller, 2.50 acres in the southwest one-quarter of the southeast one-quarter of Section 169, Block 97, H&TC survey.

John L. Bloom to Brad Hart, 81.285 acres in the north one-half of the southeast one-quarter of Section 442, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Kenneth Don Keller, attorney-in-fact for Martha Ann Grubb, to James E. and Edna Merrell, the west one-half of Lot 3 in Block 24 of the Blankenship Addition.

Harvey Vernon Walker, independent executor of the estate of Beradine Walker, to Harvey Vernon Walker, the south 32 feet of Lot 16 and the north 56 feet of Lot 17, both in Block 3, Section 3 of the Martin Addition.

Betty R. Hicks to Larry D. and Ruth E. Geilenfeldt, the south 162.47 acres of the west 322.46 acres in Section 208, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Jon Edwin Shaw, individually and attorney-in-fact for Deborah L. Shaw, to Frank Marshall and Elyndabeth Toland, Lot 7 in Block 2 of the Colonial Hill East Addition.

Robert Lennon and Oweda Ruth Lane to Charles Gaddis, Lot 2 and the east 20 feet of Lot 3, both in Block 40 of the Original Town of Hermleigh.

Leonard Frank and Patricia Ann Groves to Samuel Todd and Karen Melissa Owens, 8.512 acres in the northwest one-quarter of Section 135, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Snyder High Students will provide their **Christmas Cheer project** again this season. This project, called **Students Helping Seniors** is in its 4th year. Juniors and seniors volunteer to put Christmas lights/decorations for the senior citizens in Snyder. This is a free service to this segment of our population. It gives the students a chance to spread a little Christmas cheer and allows the older population a chance to meet the great kids we have here in Snyder.

Anyone interested is encouraged to fill out the application form and send it to:

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Speaker for all seasons

by Don Newbury

Quick now, what do President Bush and several Dallas residents with unpaid traffic tickets have in common?

They all missed Thanksgiving Dinner with their families.

The president, orchestrating the ultimate flight plan for dinner with the troops in Baghdad, was absent from his Crawford ranch for only about 24 hours. Meanwhile, interrupting turkey day doings in Dallas were a dozen marshals trying to make a dent in the 335,000 warrants outstanding from municipal court.

Issued for unpaid traffic tickets and other Class C misdemeanors, citations now total $80 million. Offenders already had been notified by mail that they risked additional fines and/or jail time.

Still, the city got "nose" jobs-make that "thumbing of the nose" jobs-from the slackers...*

One guy couldn't believe that marshals were out "duty-doing" on Thanksgiving Day. "They took me to jail before I had a chance to eat, and by the time they got all the paperwork done, I missed lunch in jail, too," he lamented.

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Animals are much in the news these days. Our nation is awash in chimpanzees-the feds are building a $29 million refuge near Shreveport for the growing surplus. However, African elephants — difficult to breed in captivity—are on the wane. If the trend continues, North American zoos will have only 13 of them left by 2050. Dare we forget about animals that don't?

Reminds me that whooping crane population was down to 15 in 1941. A wiseacre urged us to relax. "Just round up some regular cranes and teach them to whoop," he suggested. For the record, the flock has grown to about 200.

We may need to bring in a passel of statisticians to ease our fears of too many chimps and too few elephants. After all, they squared our thinking a couple of decades ago with this observation: "Alcohol consumption is up 6 percent this year. Rail freight is down 6 percent. Thus, more people are getting loaded than boxcars."

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Football coaching maestro Gordon Wood, with 89 years of living and nine state championships under his belt, has seen-and heard-and said-many things.

Recently, one of Brownwood High School's former football players, Jerry Don Gleaton, was inducted into the BHS Hall of Fame. He claimed that his two most frightening moments in sports were when he was opposing pitcher against the home standing NY Yankees on bat night and back in high school when his punt for BHS fell short of double figures.

"It went for nine yards. I hated to go back to our sideline, knowing Coach wouldn't be too happy."

Coach Wood remembers the alleged punt, admitting to probably having said, "My grandmother can punt for nine yards." (He may have added "with better hang time....")

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In Sanger, first-time homeowner Ryan McDaniel is learning that some bargains aren't, and sometimes, free is worse. Back in the summer, he and wife Jeanie visited a garage sale in an upscale Fort Worth neighborhood. Only a few items remained and darkness was at hand when the couple spotted a 7.5-foot Christmas tree, still in the box. "It's yours if you want it," the owner said.

They snapped it up, and a few days ago, he attempted to put it up. Trouble was, the 7.5 applied not only to the height, but also to the lower limbs.

Set up in the den, it blocked entry to the kitchen. Undeterred, Ryan moved it to the spare bedroom so passersby could see the lights. He pushed everything against the wall and leaned the bed up sideways. There were enough lights and decorations for the front. The lights do more than light the tree; they also highlight furniture asunder... For a closer look, don't go there. Drive slowly past, but don't stop-unless you really want to see a tree gussied up in front — but blank in back.

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Speaking of nose jobs, with Michael Jackson's appearance altered by periodic surgeries and arrests now frequent, is there much point in photographing him each time he's booked?

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Letters to the Editor

Talented leaders

Dear Editor:

We are so blessed to live in Snyder and Scurry County. I look around and stand amazed at the talented and effective leaders we possess. There are many obvious reasons why 41 people desired the position of Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce — a very public, challenging and demanding position.

The most important reason is because of the leadership in this community and area. Without the vision of our leaders, Snyder and Scurry County would be going nowhere and certainly no one would have the desire to jump in with them.

The Chamber of Commerce Board and Search Committee has had the unenviable task of replacing, an irreplaceable Donna Fowler, and they have done an exceptional job. They have worked hard over the last few months, meeting for countless hours and receiving much advice — wanted and unwanted, needed and not needed — all the while maintaining a high level of professionalism with their own careers, projects and interests.

If you see any of our leaders, please tell them "thanks" for a job well done: Mike Thornton, David Harrell, Jeffrey Martin, Elois Pruitt, Sheriff Darren Jackson, Joni Gonzalez, Billy Grimmett, Anita Talbott, Ann Smartt, David Boyd, Dr. Greg Williams, Paula McWilliams, Sandra Salinas, Dayton Robertson, Bill Dryden and Nancy Smith.

Keep Vickie in your thoughts and prayers as she begins this journey — the continued success of Scurry County will be her greatest goal, and she needs all of us to help her make that happen.

I'll close with Jeremiah 29:11, His words and my prayer for all the applicants of this position, for Vickie and for the Chamber Board and Search Committee and for the citizens of Snyder and Scurry County, "'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.'"

Looking forward
Melissa Petty

Recycle nut

Dear Editor:

I am a recycle nut. My husband thinks I'm trying to save the world. I do want to play my part, put in my share.

My share has been going to the trash. I used to recycle glass, then plastic, then always paper and cans. Now the recycle bin for the cans has disappeared. What to do, what to do?

Come on Sparkle City.

Trish Payne

P.S. Don't let my cans, plastic and glass go to trash.

Open Government Barometer

Number of Executive Sessions held by public entities in 2003.

Snyder ISD	10
Hermleigh ISD	7
Ira ISD	7
City of Snyder	5
DCOS	4
Cogdell Hospital	3
WTC	1
Scurry County	0



Take me out of this ball game

by Joe Klock, Sr.

Okay, I admit to getting all charged up about them there Florida Marlins winning the World Series again, to screaming like a crazed wildcat after the last out of that seventh and deciding game. One would have to be either catatonic or a dyed-in-the-pinstripe Yankee fan to have reacted otherwise, and this particular one is neither.

So, I root-root-rooted for the home team, albeit while consuming neither peanuts nor Crackerjack and surrounded by no crowds in our cozy TV room, within easy reach of refrigerator, bathroom and remote button, for use during the more annoying commercials.

I am not, as regular readers know, an aficionado of Stallball as a spectator sport. In my view, as to sustained action and frequent flights of excitement, it ranks right up there with chess, billiards, Parcheesi and watching icicles grow. Between double plays, extra-base hits, stolen bases and bench-clearing brawls, it is to action what painting the town gray is to raising hell.

Nor is it, as it once was, the national pastime, that distinction having been conferred on bitching about "things" without doing anything about them - but we digress.

That Series victory unified this sun-blessed community like nothing comparable since our astonishing rebound from the ravages of Hurricane Andrew. We were one in triumph as we had once been joined in suffering.

Andrew presented us with a hefty price tag and left us with no alternative but to suck up our collective guts and pay it, which we did without hesitation.

Scarcely, though, had the Series cheers subsided and the parade debris been cleaned up when another tab was shoved under our noses - this a proposed bill for helping to defray the humongous cost (est. $325 mill) of a 38,000-seat stadium with retractable roof and Tajmahallic sky boxes .

Those 325 biggies, it should be noted, would not include cost overruns, coming as surely as the next generation of gerbils.

Mind you, I don't begrudge our local Boys Of Summer a new playground, the loyal Marlinites in the stands a roof over their heads, or the sybaritic skyboxers their Magic Kingdom. Just don't ask me to pay for it, or any part of it.

The Fish, as they are affectionately dubbed by insiders, now hold forth (well, first, actually) at a venue originally named after well-liked Joe Robbie, late owner of the Miami (football) Dolphins (also affectionately dubbed The Fish by insiders).

Robbie reportedly dug deeply into his own pockets to build the stadium and his successor in ownership honored Joe's memory by renaming it (for a gue$$-what rea$$on) the Pro Player stadium, after a corporate sponsor which subsequently went busted.

Said successor was notsowell-liked Wayne Highfinger (or something like that) who extinguished himself in the annals of sportsmanship by buying the baseball club, staffing it with enough talent to win the World Series coupla years back, then auctioning them off, to the dismay of Fish fanciers and baseball purists.

He then sold off the carrion to one guy who sold it to another guy, who is the guy now pleading for a new ball park for the team that won another World Series just this year.

The Pro Player Stadium, he argues, was built for football, not stallball, although it is quite obvious that this deformity did not prevent his team or Highfinger's from winning all the marbles.

A bigger problem, it has been suggested, is that the aforementioned Highfinger still owns the Pro Player place and reportedly has a Golden Goose (read choke-hold) rental deal with the baseball Fish, whereunder they can play and pay there, but participate in the profits only marginally.

All that aside, the new ownership feels that a new stadium is a must, if the Marlins are to remain a viable business entity. They claim to have lost $20 million in their series-winning season, although they decline to open their books for public perusal. Nothing fishy about that, they resolutely maintain - and who am I to say otherwise?

If they get what they want, the public trough will be partially drained for a substantial part of the cost, and the fans who favor this largesse will be thanked with jacked-up admission prices and no guarantee against another sell-off, sell-out or move out of town.

It ain't a sport no more, sport fans - it's a business; and while it's no business of mine what they do with or for the fish of either species, I'll thank them for not doing it with any of my tax money and will (if given the opportunity) vote accordingly.

If that makes me a foul ball, so be it. I still have my trusty remote and lots of other choices, including the option, rather than the obligation, of "paying-per-view."

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Austin American-Statesman

Bush in Baghdad

It didn't take long for the cynics and critics to attack President Bush for his surprise Thanksgiving Day visit to war-ravaged Baghdad.

It was a political stunt, they carped, mere public relations. It placed the president in harm's way unnecessarily for little more than an empty gesture. It was pure symbolism without substance, done to advance Bush's re-election effort.

But that misses the importance of a president of the United States visiting a war zone and the real, noticeable effect it had. The torrents of criticism also miss the point about the value of symbols and gestures, especially when they come from the leader of the free world.

Bush's 2½-hour visit to Baghdad was a superb morale booster for the troops. It demonstrated his appreciation for, and confidence in, those whose boots are on the ground. And it proved again his bold approach to his job and his willingness to take chances and do the unexpected. It also sent a message to the Iraqi people about Bush's commitment to the cause of Iraqi freedom.

Certainly the long abused people of Iraq took notice of the American president's words to them: "You have an opportunity to seize the moment and rebuild your great country, based on human dignity and freedom. The regime of Saddam Hussein is gone forever."

Further, Bush's surprise visit was a boost for most Americans, particularly those with family members in the military. The war in Iraq has been a difficult one for Americans to cope with because it turned into a fight against faceless terror.

It was also the perfect way to show there has been progress against the terrorists. The almost daily body count, the palpable fear and a generalized worry about the eventual outcome are a constant concern. Air Force One's landing and Bush's appearance on the ground was designed to show that the situation in Baghdad is improving, that the terror attacks have declined and American and coalition casualties are dropping.

No, the president's Thanksgiving Day surprise was not just political showmanship. It was a bold statement with positive consequences. And it was a courageous move, too. A cargo plane was hit by a shoulder-fired missile last weekend as it was taking off from the Baghdad airport.

The criticism that follows the president's every step is to be expected. Bush would have been criticized just as harshly if he'd spent a quiet Thanksgiving Day at with his family at the Crawford ranch. Anything a president does has a political aspect to it and will be battered by his adversaries. The battle against his critics is the one fight no president can win.

San Antonio Express-News

Weakened gun law

A negotiated addition to a government spending bill would undercut the effectiveness of background checks on gun buyers.

If the proposal becomes law, records on background checks of gun purchasers would be destroyed within 24 hours. The records are kept for 90 days under the current law.

The move is setback in the fight against gun violence. That lawmakers would weaken that law while terrorists target the United States is even more worrisome.

The Associated Press reported that Attorney General John Ashcroft first called for the change in 2001. Negotiations between the White House and lawmakers resulted in its addition to the appropriations bill Tuesday.

A Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence spokesman told the AP that the change would hamper the FBI's ability to trace gun sales accidentally or purposefully made to buyers with criminal records or a history of mental illness.

Earlier this year, the AP reported, Justice Department officials said federal agents were ordered to retrieve 3,429 guns that had been sold to unqualified buyers in 2002. The illicit sales were discovered from among 4.2 million background checks.

A report released by Americans for Gun Safety in January of 2002 found that 1,142 illegal gun purchases had been allowed in the first 18 months after the Brady Law requiring background checks went into effect.

Even though illegal sales account for a small number of total gun transactions, records should be kept long enough to ferret out mistakes and intentional violations of the law.

Instead of weakening the Brady law, Congress and the White House should strengthen it.

It is highly irresponsible to make it easier for criminals to buy guns without being detected.

The Dallas Morning News

Cable TV "a la carte"

Do you like to pay for things you don't want?

John McCain obviously doesn't. The Senate Commerce Committee chairman has been leading a movement to force cable television operators to offer channels on an "a la carte" basis as an alternative to bundled packages.

The rising cable TV rates up 40 percent nationally in five years have brought a lot of consumer grumbling. Cable companies claim innocence, saying they are just passing on programming costs that have gone up 34 percent in the past three years.

"Programming costs" are what cable companies pay to individual channels for broadcast rights. A cable company pays most channels a set amount, often minimal, for each cable customer. But sometimes the amount isn't minimal.

That's the message Cox Cable is using in its very public dispute with ESPN. Cox pays ESPN $2.61 per month for every cable customer, and the sports channel is seeking a 20 percent increase when their contract expires in April. Rather than charge every customer over $3 for the privilege of having ESPN on the dial, Cox wants to offer the channel only to customers who want it, putting ESPN on the same footing as HBO or Showtime.

Right now, you don't have a choice. If ESPN is available on your television, you are paying for it, whether you watch or not.

Of course, you also are paying for such things as Animal Planet, Court TV, the Food Channel and the History Channel, though their cost is lower. Belo Corp., the parent company of The Dallas Morning News, operates TXCN, an all-news Texas cable channel.

Sen. McCain believes it would save you money to buy only the channels you want. Not everyone agrees. A General Accounting Office study preferred bundling, saying that fewer potential viewers would mean lower ad rates, and thus higher costs for viewers.

Bundling a number of channels together does make sense. But allowing viewers to opt out of high-cost channels makes even more sense. And one doesn't preclude the other. A cable company could offer both, and you could comparison shop, buying a bundle that contained the channels you want to watch or picking out specific channels. It even would allow you to make a political statement. Some people would drop ESPN, but others might opt out of Fox News or CNN.

Choice is the American way. The marketplace offers, but you buy only what you want.

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WTC Geology Students Visit Sonora Caverns



One of the two groups that toured the caverns is pictured above. Starting at left bottom row: Bruno Paoliello, Robert Cedillo, Cindy Sanches, Justin Pechacek, Jacob Courtney, Cody Guzman and Will Carter. Second Row: Mr. Troy Lilly, Ashley Hadley, Kala Posey and Sandra Hall.

The Western Texas College, first semester, Geology class, teacher Troy Lilly and sponsor Sandra Hall took a trip to the Sonora Caverns in Sonora, Texas, on Friday November 14. The trip finished up a study the class had been doing on caves, caverns, and karst topography.

"They had a great time and saw many amazing things inside the cavern. These caverns are more decorated than the Carlsbad caverns" said Mr. Lilly.

The Geology class was able to see speleothem, stalactites, stalagmites, curtains, cave bacon, dripstone formations, flowstone formations, popcorn, soda straws, aragonite, box worm, and cave rim.

Mr. Lilly said, "I know they all have weird names, but when you see it, you know what it is."

Mr. Lilly's Geology classes go once a year to the Sonora caverns and in the spring, his classes go to the Guadalupe Mountains.



Mr. Lilly and his class took only one day out of school and learned all these miraculous things about the Sonora Caverns. They left from WTC about 7:00 in the morning and were back by about 4:30 that afternoon. That makes for a long day of learning and a lot of fun.

Getting to Know You

Sandra Hall
Upward Bound Grant Director
Hired : August 17, 1998



What led you to WTC: I was a student here from 1993-95 and began working part time in the Journalism department during that time. After graduating, I continued to work while I commuted to Angelo State. When I began working on my Masters degree, I asked Bill Halbert about the possibility of teaching a creative writing class, and instead, he offered me a full time position teaching English. In 2001, I moved into the Student Services division to become the Publications Advertising Coordinator, and this year, I became the Upward Bound Grant Director. What that adds up to is that I've been employed full time at WTC for about 6 years and have had 7 different supervisors, so either I'm never satisfied in one place, or no one wants to be my boss. Hmmm...

Where do you go from here: Well, the grant is funded for four years, then we'll reapply, so I'll pray for a renewal award at that time. If not, Bill Halbert and Jerry Corkran assure me that there is no shortage of classes to be taught on campus and in the prison units. Let's just hope they're serious.

Most memorable moment: Several personal ones come to mind, but my most memorable moment at WTC would have to be the day I received the Outstanding Female Student Award during the 1994 Awards Day program. I had some wonderful instructors here who encouraged me to continue my education and set high goals for myself. Some of them are still here, and I am indebted to each of them.

Hardest decision I've ever made: Deciding to take the English position at WTC. I was working on my Masters degree at the time and was also considering the position of Journalism instructor at Snyder High School. Both were great opportunities for someone who had just completed a Bachelors degree, but the deciding factors involved the chance to teach creative writing, be an editor for the Aquifer literary magazine, and work with some of the instructors here who I really admired.

Favorite Books and Authors: *Song of Solomon*, by Tom Morrison; *One Hundred Years of Solitude*, by Gabriel Garcia Marquez; and *Invisible Man*, by Ralph Ellison.

Favorite Movies: *Of Mice and Men*; *As Good as it Gets* and *The gods must be Crazy*

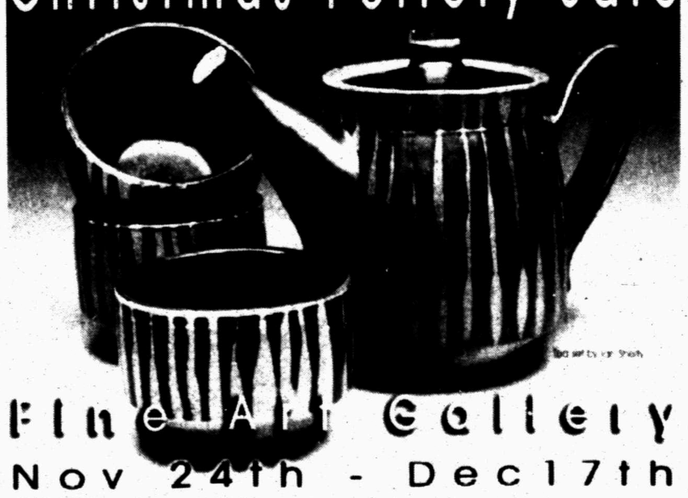
Favorite spare time activities: Reading, writing, snow skiing and playing racquetball.

Names of family members: My 2 sons. Josh is 21 and lives in San Angelo, and Jason is 19 and lives in Lubbock. Then there are my 2 daughters, I mean Dachshunds: Katie and Maggie.

If you could spend an hour talking to any person living or dead, who would it be: I think I would choose C.S. Lewis because he was a wonderful, prolific writer, a deep thinker, and an intriguing man. I was introduced to his work at an early age through his children's book series, *The Narnia Chronicles*, and continue to learn from his extensive writings on Christianity to this day.

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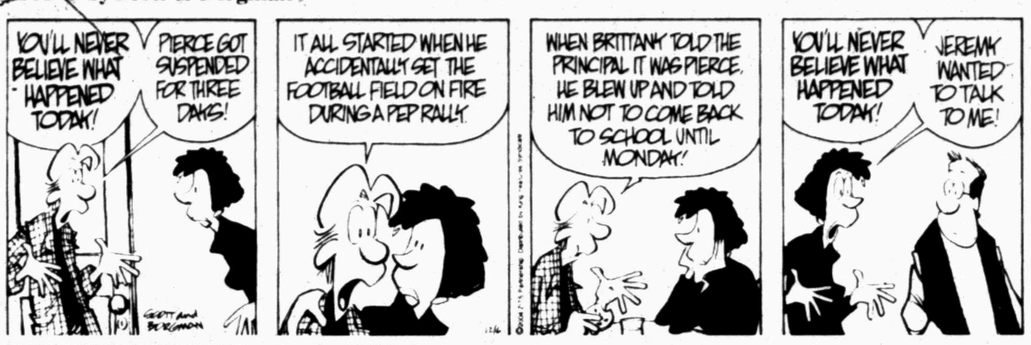
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Payment for preregistration can be made between January 6 and 20 by going directly to the WTC Business Office in the administration building. In addition, credit card payments may be made by phone by calling 573-8511, ext. 306. Before paying for classes, students with financial aid or scholarships should contact the Financial Aid Office located in the Student Center.

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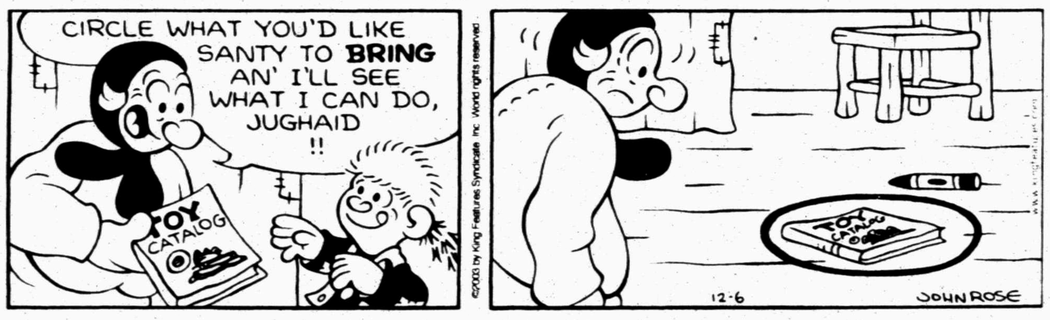
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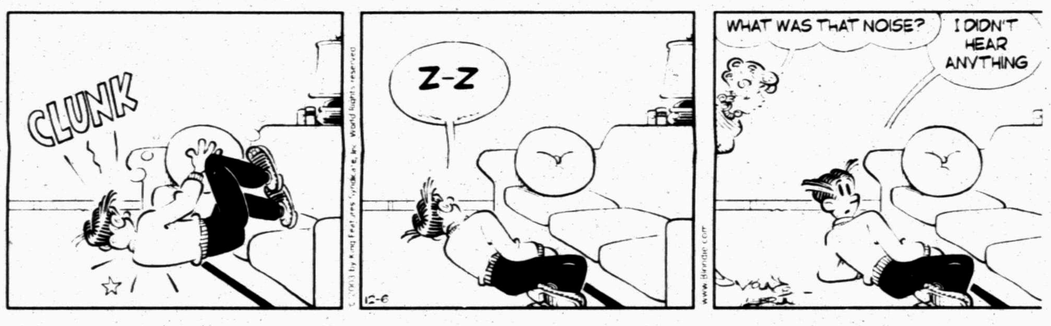
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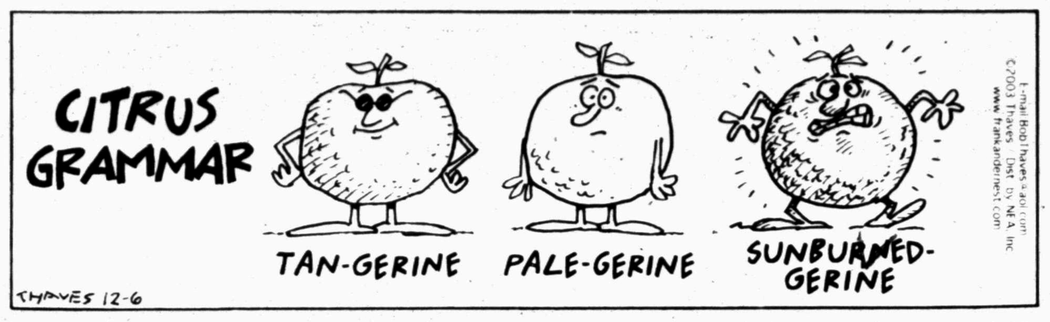
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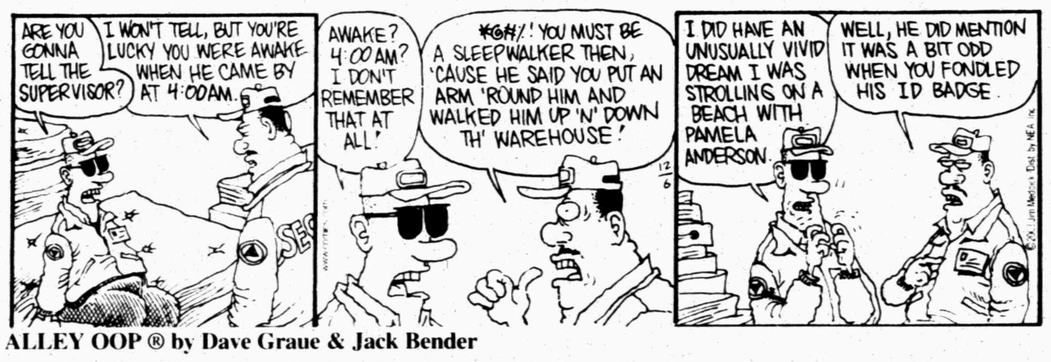
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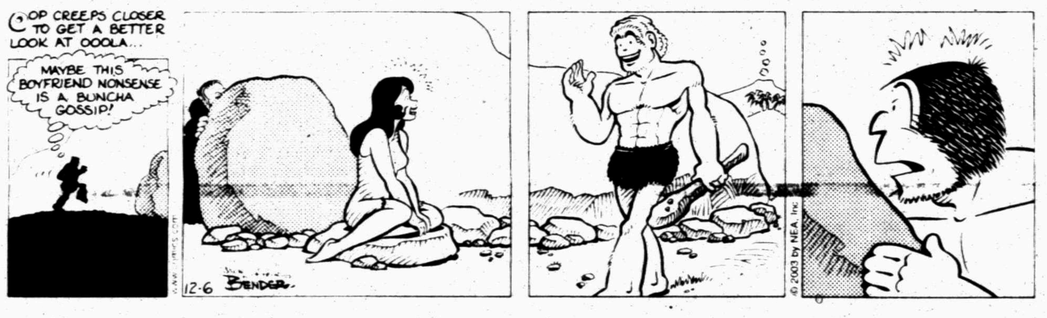
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13 Loaf end
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15 Chapeau's place
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18 Skulks
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24 Heap
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34 — Stanley Gardner
35 Stew or miscellany
36 Feels grateful
38 Takes off
40 Dutch carrier
41 Burst of laughter
42 Made a choice
44 World Series mo.
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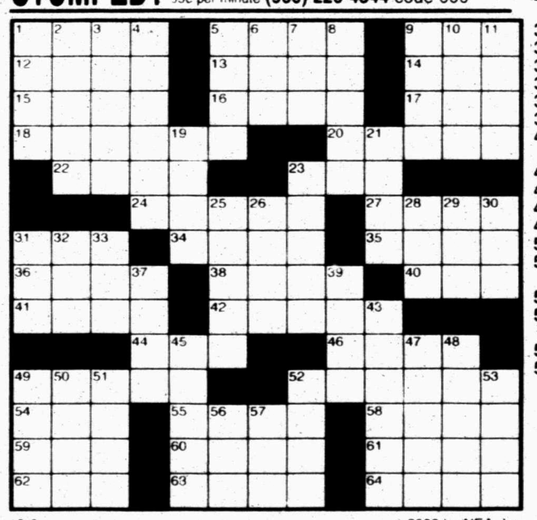
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Your Birthday

Sunday, Dec. 7, 2003

It's important that you involve yourself in a variety of activities and projects if you hope to feel happy and satisfied. Fortunately, exciting times are in the offing for you in the year ahead, and they'll be perfectly tailored for your temperament.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Should you be caught up in a quandary today where your alternatives appear to be of equal value, draw upon your past experiences to influence your decision. It'll serve you well.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Better communication with co-workers or with those with whom you share your life can be established today. Any misunderstandings can now be resolved if they are brought out into the open.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — The recreational break you take today will not be a frivolous pursuit. Instead, it will serve to be a healthy release of pressures and emotions that will prevent tensions from building up.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — There may be a possibility that you could have to deal with some type of domestic pressures today. However, they'll amount to nil if you handle them logically instead of emotionally.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Chances are you'll be far too restless today to simply sit around watching television, so in order to quiet your active intellect, devote your efforts to projects that utilize your mental attributes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Your possibilities for improvising ways to gain material advantages today are better than usual at this time. Spend your time with do-it-yourself projects that will save you a bundle.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — With seemingly little effort on your part, you possess the rare ability to juggle two or more complex situations simultaneously and do a great job on all. This talent will be much in evidence today.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — It's to your advantage today to keep a low profile in doings around the house or at work. Let others compete for attention or play to the grandstand. Use your energy for achievement.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — A little change of pace may prove to be quite refreshing today. Try to plan something different to do if at all possible, or at least involve yourself with progressive-thinking companions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Considerable personal satisfaction can be derived today from engaging in situations or projects where you can use your mental prowess to overcome difficult obstacles.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Most of the time, it isn't wise to offer unsolicited advice. Today, however, if you find yourself in a situation where you can save another a lot of grief with a few helpful hints, do so.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — In a joint endeavor today, find a counterpart who'll do all the heavy lifting so you can spend productive time on the brainwork. Your mind will be far more effective than your muscles.

Monday, Dec. 8, 2003

In the year ahead, you may have the opportunity to form several new associations that could play important roles in your life. However, checking the credentials of strangers first will be important.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Take care not to jump to conclusions today or make any hasty decisions. It could prove to be to your disadvantage in the long run and leave you out on a limb all by yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — A responsibility you had brushed aside may rear its ugly head today and cause you frustration, disappointment or a lot of anger. You'll have only yourself to blame.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Be particularly careful with whom you team up today. You could get saddled with an individual who comes on strong and impresses others, but falls flat when it comes to producing.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — No household is large enough for two strong-willed chiefs with opposing opinions as you may find out today. If harmony is to prevail, each must be willing to give a little ground.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Oh, you won't have any trouble getting your points across to others today, but how well they'll be received could be another story. The important thing is to be tactful instead of forceful.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Common sense could get the better of you today when it comes to getting involved financially. Liking a person isn't reason enough to invest in him or her — the risk must be minimal.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Be realistic in sizing up the opposition today before entering into competition with another. If you allow yourself to be blindsided, you could get trumped on the first play.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Unfortunately, you might start off the week facing a load of responsibilities that won't be to your liking. If you're smart, you'll get on them immediately instead of dodging them.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Even if information comes to you today from a reliable old friend, don't take any gambles on hearsay information. What this person believes to be fact could turn out to be quite faulty.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Be honest with yourself today about your motives for doing things that affect others. Unless your intentions are virtuous and noble, you could be labeled selfish and/or corrupt.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Negative thinkers will turn out to be the worst type of companions for you today. Hanging out with a naysayer will plant so many doubts in your mind you'll be rendered impotent.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — If joint ventures today it's possible that either you or the person with whom you're involved could expect more from the other than is reasonable, and end up extremely disappointed.

Major changes are ahead for Sagittarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167. Be sure to state your zodiac sign. Visit www.bernice4u.com for more advice.

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Evan Marriott will host game show

NEW YORK (AP) — "Joe Millionaire" star Evan Marriott will host the Game Show Network's new relationship show, "Fake-a-Date," which will premiere in March.

On "Fake-a-Date," a contestant will date two singles, one looking for love and the other who's hoping to win a luxury trip with his or her significant other, the Game Show Network said Wednesday. The contestant will decide who is sincere.

Marriott will offer advice and act as a confidante to participants. And he'll interview the contestant about the decision.

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Psalm 143:11

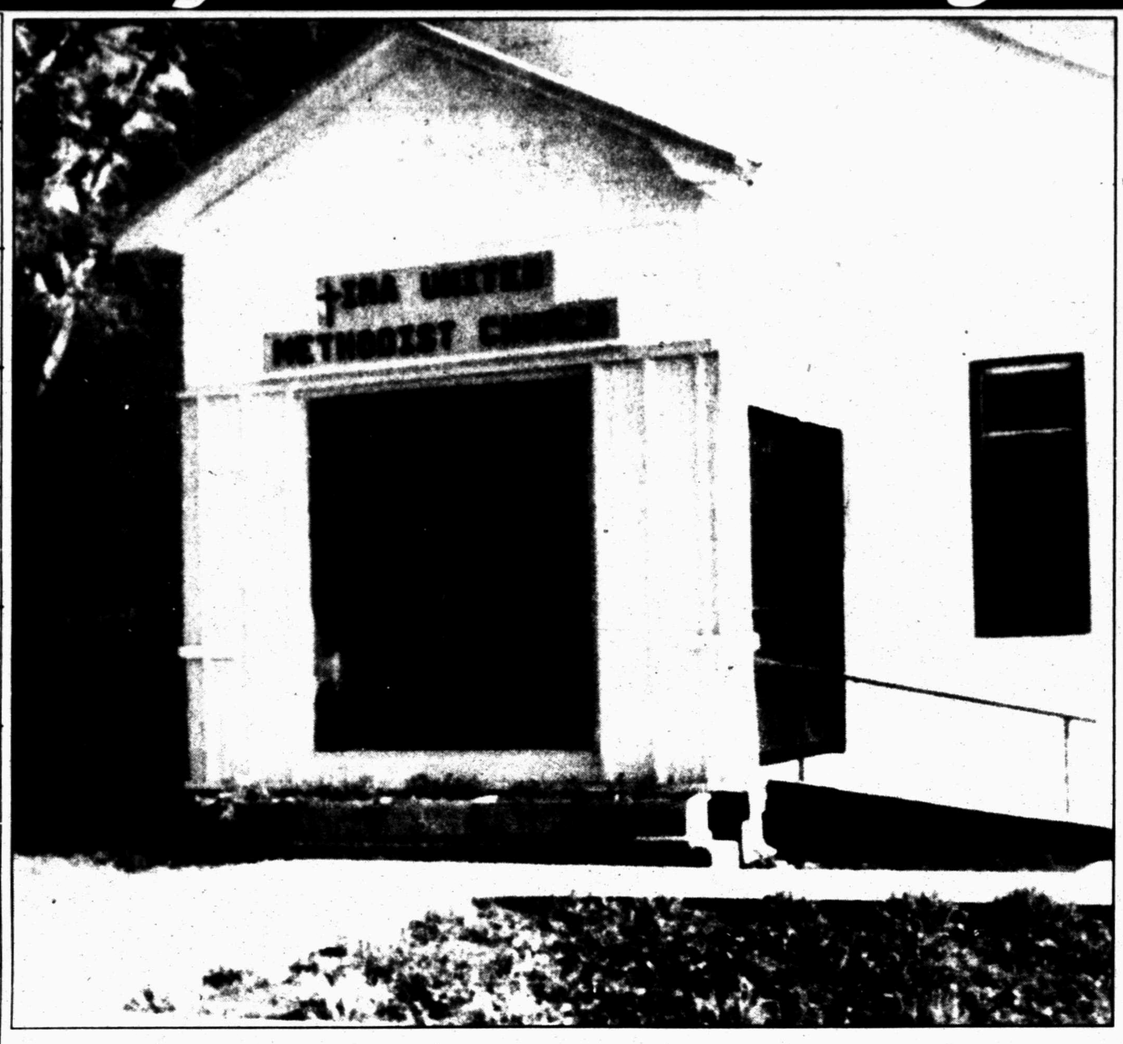
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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Wife is attracted to wrong husband in family friendship

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been friends with "Joyce and Dave" for many years. Our children are the same ages and go to school together. We have always enjoyed each other's company.

I find myself increasingly attracted to Dave, and I think the feeling is mutual. I have great strength of character, as I believe Dave does, but spending time with Joyce and him is becoming difficult.

Dave and I do not speak to each other in any way other than with respect and humor — but there's an underlying sexual tension I can't ignore.

I don't want to spoil our families' shared times together, but I feel I am playing with fire. What should I do? — **CARLA IN PHOENIX**

DEAR CARLA: People who play with fire usually get burned. It's time to take an honest look at your marriage and figure out what is missing. It's also time to enlarge your circle of friends and cut back on the time you have available for Joyce and Dave. Please don't put it off.

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DEAR ABBY: I identified with the letter from "Private Guy in San Jose," whose in-laws come for month-long visits twice a year. My mother-in-law used to visit for six weeks or more several times a year, with no date set for her return home 3,000 miles away. I told my husband I could handle her visits better if there were a return date to which I could look forward, but it never happened.

After years of frustration, I finally decided to create my own "escape" date. Six weeks was my limit. After that, I'd leave to visit my parents, thus letting my husband entertain his mother by himself.

It was amazing the speed with which my husband put his mother on a plane home!

Perhaps "Private Guy" could arrange a "business trip" or a visit to his own relatives after two weeks of hosting his in-laws. — **PROBLEM SOLVED IN FLORIDA**

DEAR PROBLEM SOLVED: That's certainly better than sitting home feeling infringed upon and allowing resentment to build. Even the freshest fish can turn foul if it is kept beyond the expiration date. Thank you for the helpful suggestion.

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DEAR ABBY: I have been dating "Steve" for six years. Three years ago, Steve promised me an engagement ring. I am still waiting for it.

I graduate from college in May and I plan to move to the city where Steve lives. Steve says we can't live together, though, because his parents won't allow that unless we're married. But, Abby, we're both 26!

Steve claims he's saving money for a ring, but last summer he managed to spend nearly $2,000 on vacation trips and sheets for his bed.

I can't wait forever. How long is too long? — **WAITING IN WISCONSIN**

DEAR WAITING: THIS is too long. If Steve was on the level, he would have postponed the trips, passed up the sheets and celebrated your engagement by now. He isn't ready for marriage. Since you are, I'd say it's time to move on.

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DEAR ABBY: "Loving Grandma in Omaha" was unsure whether it was OK to still hold her 11-year-old grandson on her lap.

Her letter reminded me of the time my 10-year-old nephew and my mother and I were at a restaurant. (Mom had helped to raise him as a baby.)

Toward the end of dinner my nephew went to sit on my mother's lap. I asked him, "What happens when you're too big for Grandma to hold anymore?" Without blinking, he replied, "Then I'LL hold HER." I had tears in my eyes the rest of the evening. — **KATHLEEN C., COMMACK, N.Y.**

DEAR KATHLEEN: Smart child. That is what I used to do with my mother. **Read on:**

DEAR ABBY: I was close to my maternal grandmother. Some mornings she would call my mother at 7 a.m. and tell her to take my temperature because I was sick. (She was ALWAYS right!) After I was 10 or so, I grew too big for her to hold, so I'd lie on the couch and put my head in her lap and she'd rub my neck and head.

She died just before my 13th birthday. I was in school, but I "knew" it had happened before I was told.

She had a wonderful Yiddish saying: "Tsuris (trouble) is what you get from children. Naches (joy) is what you get from grandchildren!" — **SENTIMENTAL IN NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y.**

DEAR SENTIMENTAL: There's truth in those old Yiddish sayings. Here's another: "When a man who has been previously married marries a woman who has been previously married, FOUR people go to bed." But I digress. **Back to the subject:**

DEAR ABBY: I rocked my son when he was a baby. When he was 6 or 7, he began having minor problems at school. His teacher suggested that I start rocking him again. I did, and within a few days, his teacher began commenting on how much better behaved he was.

I did not rock my son to sleep. We used the time to talk. He would confide his fears, little hurts, good things that happened — things we would never otherwise have shared. I continued to rock him until he was nearly bigger than I was. It was one of the best things I ever did.

Today he's in college, and a very personable young man. — **PROUD MOM, CEDAR HILL, TEXAS**

DEAR PROUD MOM: And I'm sure your wonderful relationship continues.

DEAR ABBY: I'm 32, and I still lie on the couch and put my head in my grandmother's lap. My sister is 28, a sergeant first class in the Army, and she still climbs into bed with Mom to talk. Some of my most precious memories are tied to those moments. Please tell "Loving Grandma" to continue rocking her grandson. As my mom is so fond of saying, "You cannot spoil a child by loving him." — **STILL CUDDLING, DAVENPORT, IOWA**

DEAR STILL CUDDLING: Your mother is right.

DEAR ABBY: Grandchildren are never too old to be held and shown affection. I would give anything to feel my grandmother's arms around me just once more.

It has been four years since her passing. I still have days when the pain hits like it did when I first lost her, but I get through it knowing she is always with me. Sometimes, when I need her most, I still feel her arms around me. — **STILL MISSING GRANDMA IN N.C.**

DEAR STILL: You have said it well. The people we love always remain in our hearts. The memory of their love and wisdom is their most important legacy.

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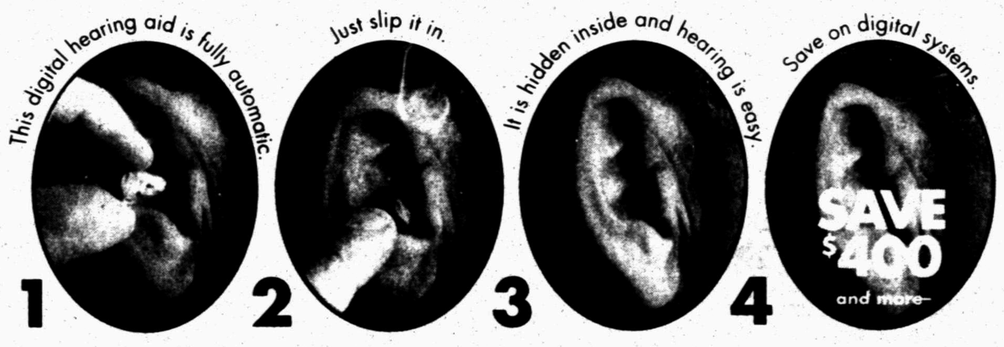
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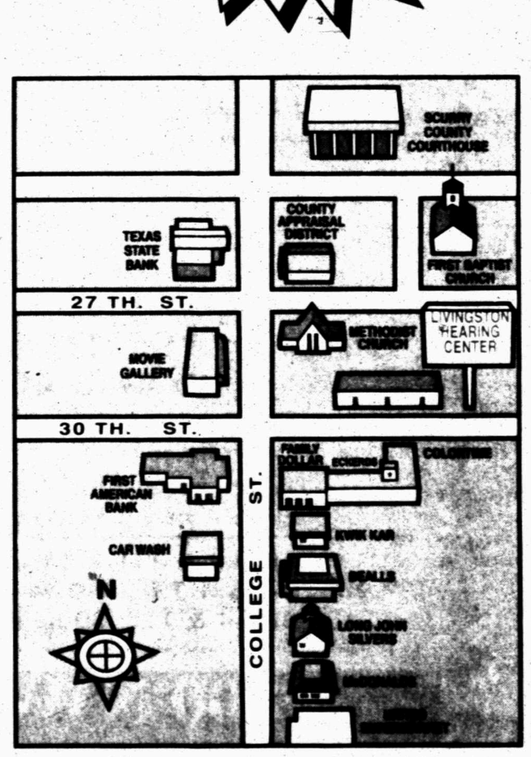
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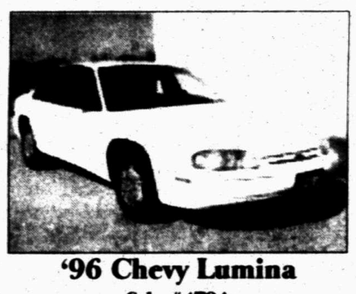
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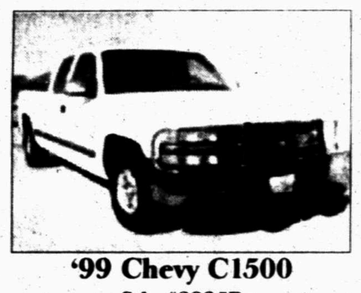


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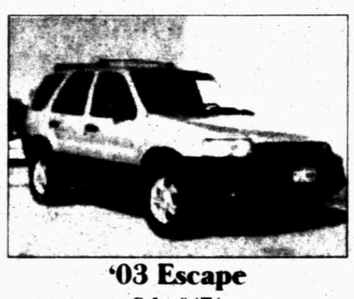
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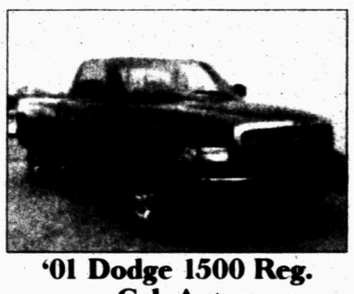
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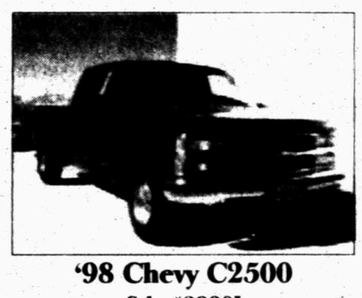
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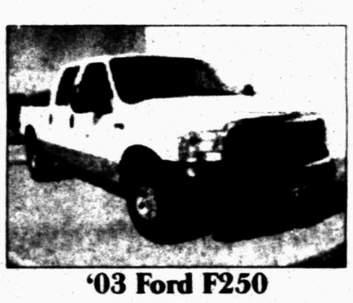
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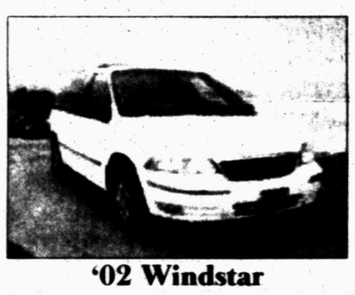
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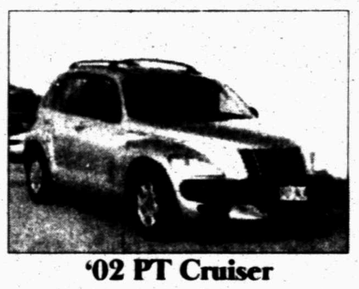
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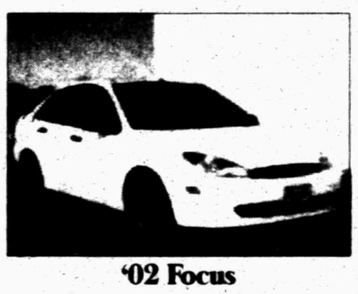
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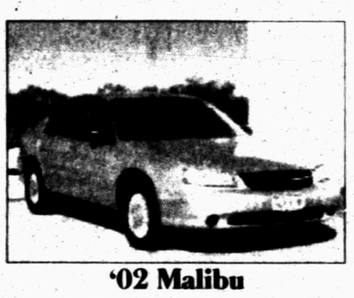
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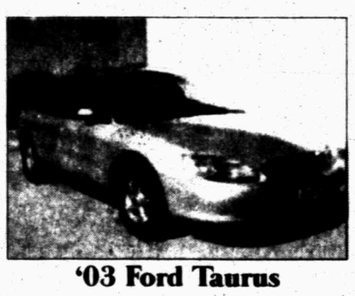
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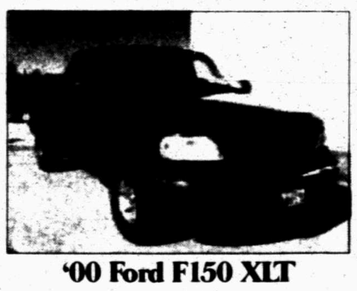
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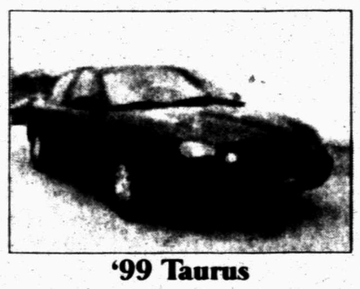
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