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Council combing through new budget

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

Snyder's city council hopscotched over several pages in the city's 2003-2004 budget book Tuesday night before councilman Terry Martin suggested they start at the front in order not to miss any items.

Martin's suggestion followed comments by Ron Shaw as the workshop began on the Snyder Chamber of Commerce's use of hotel-motel funds.

Shaw's remarks came after Mayor Francene Noah asked if council members had anything specific they wanted to talk about.

Shaw said he felt the chamber is depending on the hotel-motel funds for operational expenses and not emphasizing memberships.

"What concerns me is that they are getting to a point where there is not the emphasis on membership there once was," said Shaw.

Shaw said he felt the chamber should have a fixed amount of operational expense from hotel-motel funds, and not a percentage.

Mayor Pro-tem Vernest Tippens said the reason the chamber had more money to spend from the hotel-motel funds was because more people are staying in the motels.

David Harrell, who also is a member of the chamber board, questioned Shaw on his motives for bringing up the matter.

"I'm not following what you're trying to get out of this," said Harrell.

"The money might be disbursed differently," said Shaw, who added he had heard the chamber now has only 21 members.

That number was disputed by Harrell as he said he did not know the exact number, but thought it is well over 100.

James Ashley said if Shaw is not suggesting the dollar amount be changed, it was not a budget issue.

Martin, sensing that the budget session was quickly going to turn into another marathon as it had the last two years, said it was time to move on to other matters.

The workshop had a 5:30 p.m. starting time posted, but budget discussions did not actually begin until 6:20, delayed as the council was served a meal in the lobby of city hall by finance department employees who had prepared the meal earlier in the day in the kitchen in the city hall break room.

The council did review several departments in the general fund, including those of self-insurance, garage, sanitation, and water and sewer.

The city's administration is recommending a five percent increase in water and sewer rates, and an eight percent increase in sanitation rates for both residential and commercial accounts.

City Manager John Gayle said the increases would amount to the minimum charges for a residence going from $39.45 monthly to $41.90.

The proposed city budget for 2003-2004 is $9,631,499 as compared to the present $9,603,255.

Capital expenditures in the budget are projected at $221,505.

Only two items on the capital expenditure list was specifically mentioned Tuesday night.

Shaw said $900 requested for a new typewriter for municipal court should be deleted as he had seen the old typewriter in action.

"It works fine. I don't feel it should be replaced just because it is on a schedule to be replaced," said Shaw.

A $550 sink for the break room at city hall got Shaw's okay, however. "If the city continues to prepare meals, we might even need more cabinet space," he said.

Other items touched upon Tuesday night was moving city tax collections from the county to the appraisal district, and the city building its own animal shelter.

Presently, the city contracts with Dr. Charles Church for shelter and other services totaling $1,550 monthly.

The next scheduled workshop by the council is July 7.

Noah presided at the meeting and council members in attendance were Harrell, Tippens, Ashley, Shaw, Martin and Stephanie Ducheneaux.



AIR FORCE VISITORS — Three high-ranking officers from Dyess AFB were in Snyder Tuesday to meet with a group of citizens and tour the AHN TECH facility at Winston Field. Shown in one of the operational rooms at the Electronic Scoring Site are from left, Col. Jeff Beene, operations group deputy commander; Lt. Col. West Anderson, commander, 7th operations support squadron; and Lt. Col. Mick Guthais, commander, 28th bomb squadron. Operating the computer is DeWayne Wilson of AHN TECH. Also in Snyder Tuesday was Dwight Williams, Dyess air space manager. (SDN Staff Photo)

Ira ISD extends contract

Ira school board voted Tuesday night to extend the contract of Dr. Larry Devitt for four years at $70,000 per year.

Dr. Devitt has been superintendent at Ira for one semester, coming from Mexia.

The district and Dr. Devitt operate through a third-party firm – JR3 — that enables the superintendent to draw his retirement income plus a salary that is actually paid to the contracted firm.

Board member Sid Wall said the agreement allows the district to employ Dr. Devitt at a salary less than would have to be paid for a superintendent with his qualifications.

In other action Tuesday night, the board voted to accept the bid of West Texas State Bank as the school depository, and made a minor change to the school calendar.

Dr. Devitt presented the TAKS results to the board, along with the English-as-a-second-language report.

DCOS meets and then recesses

After meeting with representatives of Snyder Brick and Tile for almost two hours Monday, Development Corporation of Snyder directors had scheduled another meeting for 10 a.m. today.

The board met just long enough this morning to recess until 4 p.m. today.

John DeLille, DCOS executive director, said the meeting was delayed to await updated information.

Present for this morning's session were Dayton Robertson, Mike McWilliams, Roy McQueen and Roy Baze.

$800,000...

WTC receives large grant

Western Texas College Monday was notified that it is recipient of an $880,000 grant to start an Upward Bound program.

Upward Bound is a federal grant program that targets low income, potential first-generation college students.

Three full-time employees will be added, as well as a part-time counselor and several part-time instructors.

The funds will be appropriated in four equal annual installments.

Purpose of the program is to allow more hands-on for students who normally wouldn't consider college after high school, according to Dr. Greg Williams, WTC president.

"This is a great program that will add to the college and to the community as a whole," Dr. Williams said. "It's just one more thing we can do here to reach out and be a part of the community that supports us."

A program director will be hired by Sept. 1, and that individual will be responsible for hiring an academic coordinator and a secretary, as well as the part-time positions.

Salary for the director's position will range from $35,000 to $40,000 annually.

The Upward Bound staff will select 50 local students annually for the year-long program.

The students will tour other campuses, attend cultural events and even live on campus for six weeks during summer.

Participants receive small stipends for participation — usually $20 a month and about $100 for the summer.

"It's not much, but it helps to make the program a bit more attractive for some of these students," Dr. Williams said. "They can buy themselves a little something each month for participating."

The president said two of the individuals who were key in obtaining the grant no longer work at WTC.

"I need to thank Bettie McQueen, our former vice president, and Dennis Noblett, our former development officer, for working on this before they left," he said. "The work that both of them put into this process is why we were awarded this grant."

Participants receive year-round tutoring and instruction and concentrate heavily on the SAT and ACT tests, but it's not all work.

Field trips include college days and tours of area campuses and even sporting events to get a feel of college life.

"This is a fantastic opportunity for some kids to get an idea of what it's like to be a college student," Dr. Williams said. "Our board of trustees has told us they want find outside sources of revenue and different ways to do business and attract new students. This is something that does all of those things. Upward Bound is beneficial for everyone in Snyder and at WTC."

Area sales tax rebates

City	June '03	June '02	+/-	Year '03	Year '02	+/-
Abilene	$2,008,125.97	$1,957,907.10	2.56%	$12,921,585.69	$12,803,670.78	0.92%
Big Spring	$288,443.42	$261,686.96	10.22%	$1,792,284.28	$1,796,058.19	-0.21%
Colorado City	$27,915.82	$24,559.98	13.66%	$197,689.65	$200,801.27	-1.54%
Lamesa	$63,700.80	$64,006.99	-0.47%	$431,250.00	$426,411.70	1.13%
Lubbock	$2,044,171.31	$2,077,526.68	-1.60%	$14,283,725.85	$14,394,522.71	-0.76%
Post	$21,380.53	$20,904.41	2.27%	$130,975.31	$128,368.00	2.03%
Roby	$1,530.77	$1,414.20	8.24%	$9,805.12	$10,472.35	-6.37%
Rotan	$9,317.68	$11,408.90	-18.32%	$65,791.80	$64,287.31	2.34%
Snyder	$160,446.61	$109,491.09	46.53%	$872,164.43	$683,636.20	27.57%
Sweetwater	$156,454.22	$126,895.06	23.29%	$1,014,521.87	$917,434.74	10.58%

SALES TAX REBATE — Snyder's sales tax rebate check this month is $160,446.61, an increase of 46.53 percent over the same month last year. For the year, the city's rebate checks have been over 27 percent higher than in 2002.

ASK US

Q—When and where will the annual God and Country service be held this year?
A—June 29 at 6 p.m. at Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Tonya Zamora...

...has lived in Snyder all her life. She has worked at Snyder National Bank for three years where she is a teller. Her husband, Albert, is employed at Grimmett Bros. They have two children which she claims are her hobbies, a daughter Lauren, 12, and a son, Jaden, 5.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

I couldn't be two-faced. If I had two faces, I wouldn't wear this one.
—Abraham Lincoln

THE SDN COLUMN

MY TURN
by Shirley A. Gorman



It's amazing what you can learn when you aren't really paying attention.

One Sunday afternoon while washing the laundry and attempting to make a new chicken and rice recipe between the cycles, we tuned the living room Cyclops to the Sci-Fi Channel.

We were more concerned about not pouring the detergent into the recipe or throwing the spices and other ingredients into the washer tub than we were to the string of monsters that invaded our living room.

But every now and then we peaked at the screen and cocked an ear to listen. And boy did we learn a lot.

For instance, the gigantic alligator that terrorized an island sure was a good judge of character. This dude was swimming nearby, minding his own business, when one bad (and ugly) dude on a yacht grabbed one of the females and dragged her topside. But before he could do anything this alligator jumps up from the water and — well you get the picture. That jerk won't bother anyone else again.

That alligator could tell who was naughty and who was nice, but he had no sense of direction. What was he doing in the ocean anyway?

The last time we saw that creature, it was in a standoff with the three surviving characters. We heard an explosion so we have a feeling the big guy lost. We doubt he'll turn up again, unless, of course, they make a sequel. It's amazing how quickly monsters revive when they smell a sequel.

Stray cats are pretty smart, too. Especially the dominant male in one movie that looked a lot like that back-from-the-dead cat in Pet Sematary.

He waited until this nice couple and their young daughter moved into their new country home, before he let them know they had invaded his turf.

Also, he could tell the good sister from the sister who had designs on her brother-in-law and niece. We did not see the kiss the covetous sister gave her brother-in-law, but evidently the wife did and she wasn't happy about it.

Neither was the cat apparently. He hid in an empty box and when the sister-in-law dropped by unexpectedly and poked her head in where she shouldn't have he attacked her causing her to fall over the banister. That cat must have a special sense for judging humans.

We learned a lot about prehistoric monsters, too. For instance, they aren't very grateful, they can do magic tricks but they lose their stamina after about two hours. We saw this 200 or something million-year-old dinosaur taller than the Empire State Building and meaner than Darth Vader chasing some insect-size people when one stopped, turned around and yelled something stupid like, "I created you." Then a foot the size of Texas shook the earth and that guy disappeared.

But every time we looked up we saw this creature stomping, champing, chasing, roaring and breathing fire. He was evidently mad about something. But at the end we saw him wrapped in chains with at least a dozen or more helicopters flying him to some deserted island. It's a good thing for those humans that he gave out after all that exertion.

We learned something else. We had a lot more fun not watching monster movies than we did cleaning up the mess we made in the kitchen.

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Colonial Hill Baptist VBS

Come to the Great Kingdom Caper Vacation Bible School at Colonial Hill Baptist Church daily through Friday for grades K-6. Call 573-8596.

First Baptist Church VBS

First Baptist Church is hosting Vacation Bible School from 9 a.m. until noon daily through Friday. Cracking the Character Code is the theme for students K through completion of sixth grade.

Eastern Star meeting

Snyder Chapter No. 450 of the Order of Eastern Star will have a regular stated meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday. Members are encouraged to attend as Deputy Grand Matron Bettye Sloan will be in attendance.

Senior swimnastics

Swimnastics for senior citizens is held from 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the WTC pool.

FBC services televised

First Baptist Church services are televised on channel 2 at 3 p.m. each Thursday.

Antique tractor display

The Scurry County Antique Tractor and Equipment Club will have a display from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday at Winston Field. For more information call 573-4414.

Discovery School fundraiser

Hair Razors will be doing haircuts, nail art and polish change for donations from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday at United Supermarkets. All proceeds go toward a new playground for Discovery School at First United Methodist Church.

Central Baptist car wash

Central Baptist Church youth will have a car wash from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at Allsup's in Hermleigh. Proceeds will be used for summer camp.

Vacation Bible School

Central Baptist Church in Hermleigh will have Vacation Bible School Monday through next Friday from 5:30-7:40 p.m. A parade and party will be held Sunday, June 22, at 5 p.m. with prizes for the best decorated bicycles. For more information, call the church at 863-2305.

East Side VBS

Vacation Bible School at East Side Church of Christ is set for Monday through next Thursday from 9 a.m. until noon. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Monday. Children from kindergarten through fifth grades are welcome. For more information call, 573-3583.

Missionary to speak

Former Snyder resident Pat Reynolds, who is now a missionary in Guatemala, will speak at "Thee Place", 904 26th St., from 12:15-12:50 p.m. Monday. The public is invited, and if it is your lunch hour, bring a sack lunch.

Hospice care-givers dinner

There will be a dinner for Odyssey Health Care Hospice caregivers, past and present, at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the First Presbyterian Church fellowship hall. Harold and Zola Kornegy will furnish the fish.

Brisket dinner

Our Lady of Guadalupe Baile Folklorico will hold a brisket dinner from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Sunday, June 29, at the Northeast Elementary cafeteria. Adult tickets are $5, while children tickets are $3. All proceeds will be used to buy costumes.

GED registration, test dates

Mandatory pre-registration for the TED test will be Wednesday, July 2, at the GED testing center, Building 7B, at WTC from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. The math segment of the test will begin at 8 a.m. Thursday, July 3. For more information, call Molly Kattes, 573-2919, or Emily Hataway, 573-8511, ext.297, or 574-2112. It is recommended that candidates receive some preparation before attempting the test.

4-H Horse Club fundraiser

The Scurry County 4-H Horse Club is selling whole smoked briskets to be delivered the weekend before July 4th. Cost is $30. To order call 573-3797 or 573-5423.

Gateway Family Services raffle

Gateway Family Services is raffling a 2003 anniversary edition Harley Davidson Road King motorcycle. Only 2,500 tickets will be sold. The raffle will be held July 4th in Towle Park. Tickets may be purchased at D&D Auto, Purple Sage Motel, Ira Pump & Supply and by calling Gateway's administrative office at 573-4351.

Class of 1993 reunion

The SHS class of 1993 is planning a 10-year reunion on July 12. Classmate addresses are needed. Contact Catalina Jones at 573-5045, or e-mail class of 93shs@yahoo.com.

SHS 1967-68 reunion

Snyder High School classes of 1967 and 1968 will have a class reunion July 5 at Jack Greene's park starting at 7 p.m. Barbecue and music will be provided. Cost is $15 per person and those attending are asked to bring lawn chairs or blankets. RSVP by June 25. Contact Gina Rhodes at 573-2400, or Janet Lay at Janetlay@remax.net.

NY judge resigns following remark

TARRYTOWN, N.Y. (AP) — A judge who admitted asking an Arab-American woman if she was a terrorist when she went to court last month to fight a parking ticket has stepped down.

Village Justice William Crosbie, 79, resigned in a letter Monday to the mayor. The incident led the woman to file a complaint with the state Commission on Judicial Conduct.

Anissa Khoder, a Lebanese who has lived in the United States 14 years, said she went to court because she received two tickets within an hour for the same parking violation and believed only one was valid.

Khoder, 46, said Crosbie asked if she was a terrorist.



TOP 5 AT IRA — The Top five high school students at Ira are Freshman: (pictured 4th row right to left) (not pictured Terryn Autry), Ashton Smith, Chris Dobbs, Wes Kellner and Brittany Dickerhoff; Sophomores: (pictured 3rd row right to left) Brandon Crane, Sarah McCown, Shea Allen, Amber Sanchez and Justin Taylor; Juniors: (pictured 2nd row right to left) Amanda Calley, Lindsey Wilson, Rusty Josey, Lacie Thompson and Jess Wall; Seniors: (pictured 1st row right to left) Celeigh Sterling, Candace Sanchez, Kali Clements, Michelle Nettles and Michael Allen. (Contributed Photo)

Y chromosome uses a trick to repair its own most crucial gene

By The Associated Press

Scientists have discovered that the Y chromosome uses a trick to repair its most crucial genes, a strategy that apparently helps keep it from rotting away over evolutionary time.

Some scientists have suggested the Y chromosome might disappear millions of years from now because it can't eliminate genetic defects in the usual way, and broken genes tend to erode away over the long haul.

But there are reasons to be optimistic about the chromosome's future, and the new work adds one more.

"Y chromosomes really have a big trick up their sleeves," said David Page, a Howard Hughes Medical Institute investigator at the Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research in Cambridge, Mass.

The gene-fixing trick was already known to happen occasionally in human DNA, but the surprise is that the Y chromosome has elevated it to standard operating procedure, said Page, who led the research.

The work by scientists at the Whitehead and the Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis appears in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature. It's the first comprehensive and detailed analysis of the genetic code of the Y chromosome, which is best known for supplying the signal to make males.

The work is "a landmark for the history of sex determination," declared Dr. Francis S. Collins, director of the National Human Genome Research Institute.

Scientists said followup work could illuminate basic biological differences between the sexes, perhaps shedding light on causes of differences in disease susceptibility, for example.

The Y chromosome can't fix its genes in the usual way because it doesn't meet up with other Y chromosomes. The body's other chromosomes are inherited in pairs, with one member coming from a mother and the other from a father. That pairing lets them swap corresponding pieces of themselves, a mechanism that lets the species get rid of damaged genes.

But the Y chromosome comes by itself. It can't trade appreciable amounts of DNA with its partner, the X chromosome, so it can't get rid of damaged genes that way.

The new work reports evidence that the Y chromosome makes extensive use of a process called gene conversion. The chromosome carries backup copies of its important genes, and it can use one copy to fix a flaw in the other.

Page said the gene-fixing technique comes at a price. When the chromosome makes a mistake in the procedure, it can delete stretches of DNA. Such deletions, occuring in one in every couple thousand boys, are a recognized cause of male infertility.

Huntington Willard, director of the Institute for Genome Sciences and Policy at Duke University, said the new work provided the clearest demonstration in human DNA of the gene-fixing process at work.

Today's chuckle

Mallard lives in spite of blowgun dart

VIRGINIA, Minn. (AP) — This is hardly a lame duck.

A mallard swimming on Silver Lake isn't letting a dart in its head stop it from eating, swimming, socializing or paddling away from rescue attempts.

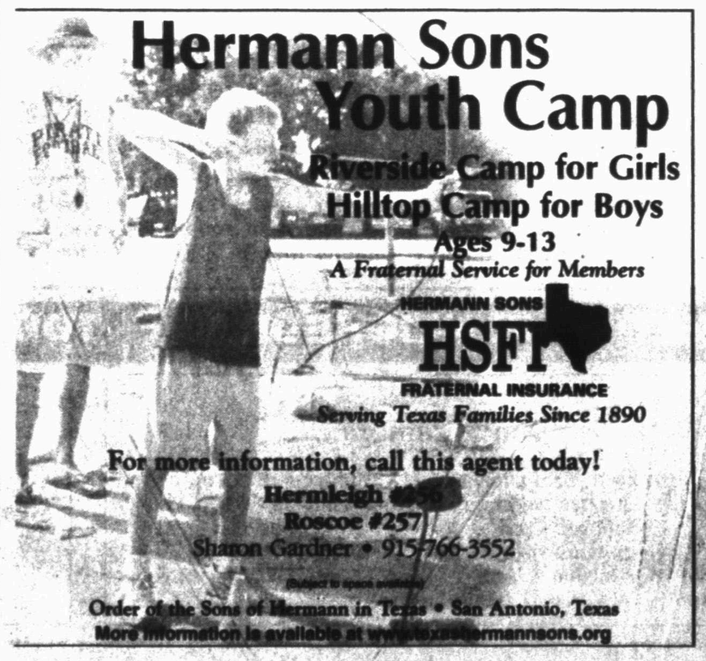


Authorities don't know who shot the duck with a metal blowgun dart, but the bird has been unable to remove the shaft from its left cheek behind its bill.

Department of Natural Resources personnel tried without success Monday to capture the mallard, an agency spokeswoman said. The wound caused by the dart isn't infected, and the duck is swimming and eating, she said.

The Mesabi Humane Society has received several calls about the duck, said Mary Peliska, executive director, and animal control officers also have been checking on the duck.

"You just want to pull it out," she said of the dart. "You have to catch the duck first. They go fast."



Woman charged

RICHLAND CENTER, Wis. (AP) — Investigators say a 22-year-old woman secretly gave birth at her parents' house and then carried the dead infant's body around before it was discovered, along with the remains of another baby, at the home.

Kristin Scott is charged with reckless homicide, a felony punishable by up to 60 years in prison, and hiding a corpse, in one of the deaths. No charges have been filed in the second baby's death.

According to a criminal complaint, Scott hid the pregnancy from her parents and moved the body around.

Registration begins for 37th's Sonshine

Sonshine School at 37th Street Church of Christ currently is registering students for the fall semester. The pre-school has classes for ages two through five.

Students attend classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. The two-year-old class will nap in the afternoon. The registration fee is $40 and tuition is $50 per month, with a discount for families who enroll more than one child.

At Sonshine School, each class studies one Bible story per week. They also have a different color, number, shape and memory verse each month. Two to three letters of the alphabet will also be introduced each month.

A combined assembly for all classes is held for 30 minutes each morning where children sing and discuss the themes for the month. In addition, each class has a half-hour of physical education each day.

Enrollment packets can be obtained from the church office Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until noon and 1-4 p.m. For more information, call the director, Wendy Barnett at 574-1960.

Date Book

Wednesday, June 18, 2003

Today is the 169th day of 2003 and the 91st day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1812, the United States declared war on Great Britain.

On this day in 1873, Susan B. Anthony was fined $100 for trying to vote in the presidential election of 1872. She refused to pay.

On this day in 1983, space shuttle astronaut Sally Ride became the first American woman to travel in space.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Tom Wicker (1926-), journalist, is 77; Roger Ebert (1942-), film critic, is 61; Paul McCartney (1942-), musician, is 61; Carol Kane (1952-), actress, is 51; Isabella Rossellini (1952-), actress, is 51.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1941, Joe Louis knocked out Billy Conn in the 13th round.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Your intellect may be confused, but your emotions will never lie to you." — Roger Ebert

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (June 14) and last quarter (June 21).

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Texas Two Step

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

3-17-20-26. Bonus ball 11.

Estimated jackpot: $400,000

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(Day) 9-1-7
(Night) 3-7-0

Cash Five
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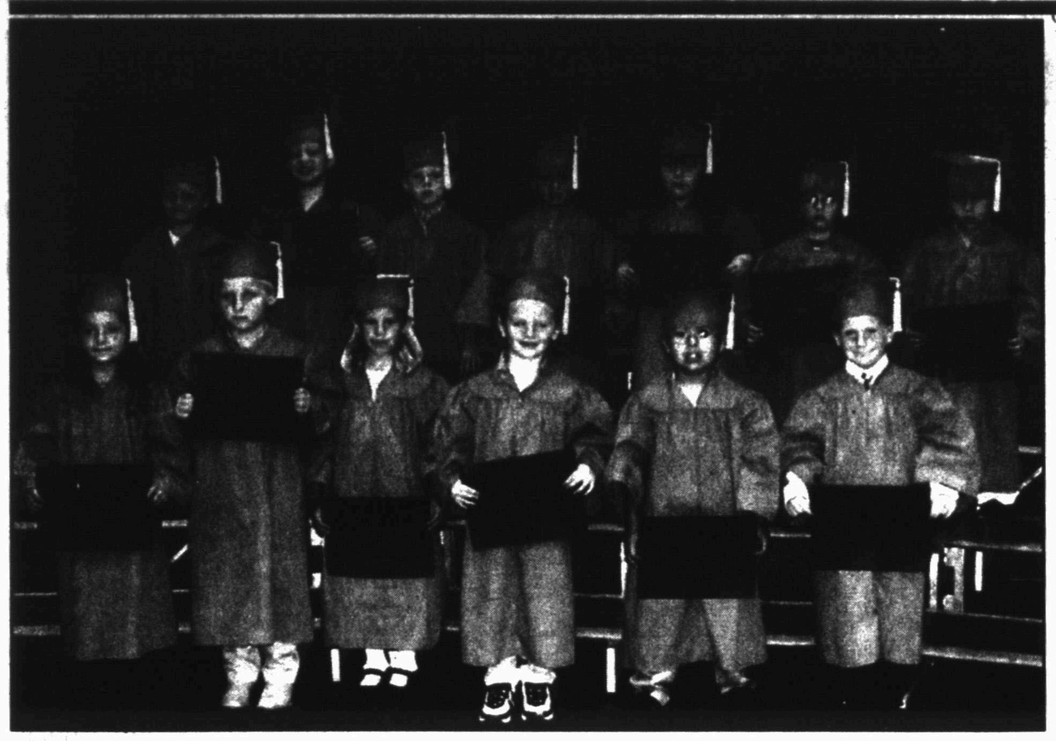
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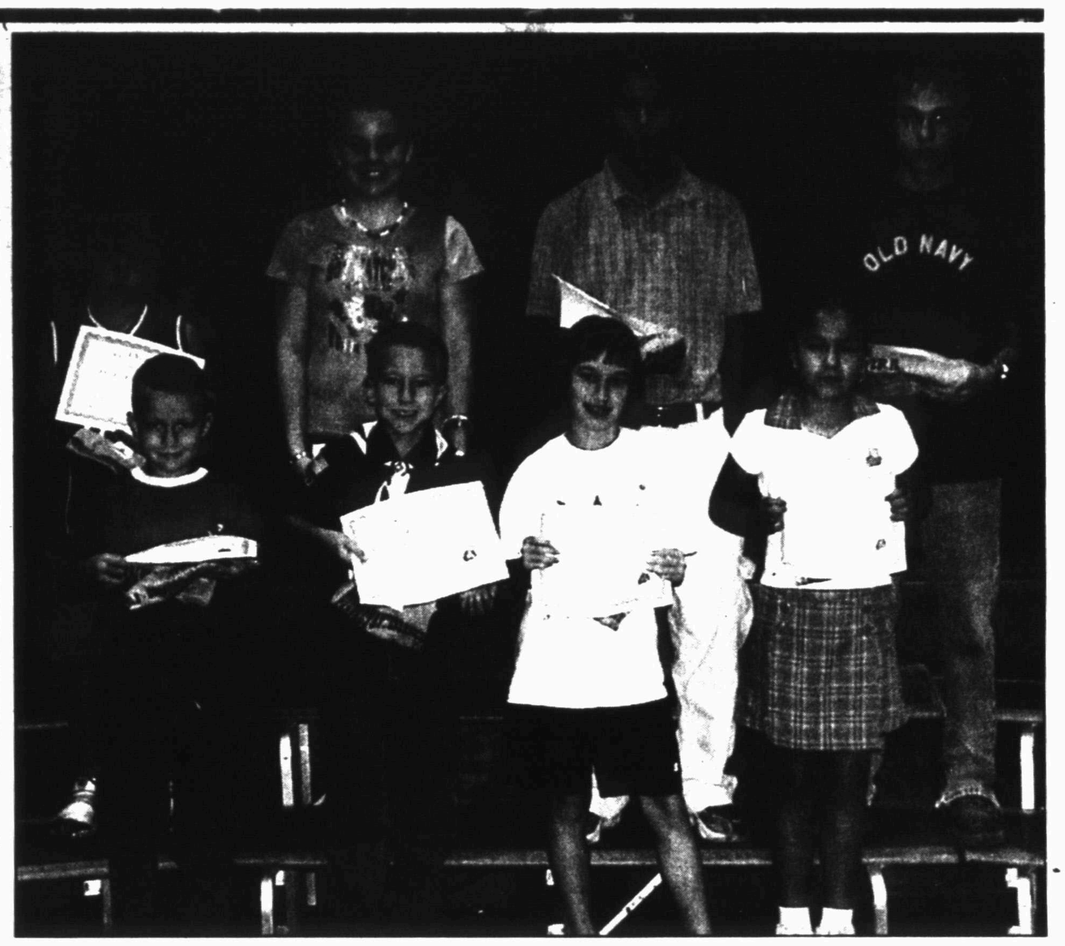
NOTICE

There will be no immunizations given at the Scurry County Health Unit, Thursday, June 19, 2003. We are upgrading our Immunization Computer Program.

Sorry for the inconvenience.



KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION — Ira kindergarten students who graduated in May are (front Row) Savannah Jake Umphress, Dax Everett Stokes, Clair Marie Shafer, Dakota Lane Russell, Andres Gregory Ramirez III and Zachary Lee Goodwin; (back row) Ty Allen Brent Fontenot, Kalie Ann Elam, Austin Clay Cullifer, Jacob Lane Chappell, Brianna Rose Bradshaw, Robert Brock Bethel, Kolton Chase Baker. (Contributed Photo)



PERFECT ATTENDANCE — Ira students with perfect attedance for 2002-2003 are (front row) Jared Smith, Conner Smith, Brandee Pinkerton and Mariana Ornelas; (Back row) B.J. Botts, A'Lex Koonce, Eugenio Ornales and Justin Taylor. (Contributed Photo)

Convicted killer weds in prison

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Convicted killer Diane Zamora married a fellow Texas prison inmate, a man she's never met face to face, by proxy on Tuesday.

State District Judge John Gabriel performed the short ceremony with Zamora's mother, Gloria Mendoza Zamora, and her mother's friend standing in for the couple.

Gabriel said the two sealed the vows with a kiss.

"I think she was just happy to be able to do something for her daughter," Gabriel said in a story in today's San Antonio Express-News. "The whole thing was unusual — I've done marriages before where either the bride or groom was in prison. But it was legal and they were entitled to it, so it was all right with me."

Zamora, who attended the U.S. Naval Academy, and ex-boyfriend David Graham, who was at the Air Force Academy, were convicted of capital murder in the 1995 slaying of 16-year-old Adrianne Jones of Mansfield.

Prosecutors contended that Zamora urged Graham to kill Jones after he had a purported one-time sexual encounter with her.

Zamora and Graham were sentenced to life prison terms.

Earlier this year, Zamora and Steven Mora wrote the county clerk office asking for permission to get a marriage license.

KDFW-TV in Dallas obtained a copy of the marriage certificate — dated June 17 and issued by Bexar County — naming Zamora, 25, and Mora, 27, of San Antonio.

DNA evidence frees man from prison

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. (AP) — A man who spent nearly a decade in prison for rape was released Tuesday after a DNA analysis showed he didn't commit the crime.

"The first thing I want to do right now is go to church and say some prayers of thanks," Kenneth Wyniemko, 52, told reporters as he was released.

Wyniemko had been sentenced to 40 to 60 years in prison for the rape and armed robbery of a 28-year-old Clinton Township woman in April 1994.

The Michigan State Police Crime Lab conducted DNA testing of evidence in Wyniemko's case after it was taken up by the Innocence Project at Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Lansing.

"The DNA absolutely excludes him," said Macomb County Prosecutor Carl Marlinga, who dropped the charges against Wyniemko after a judge granted a defense motion for a new trial.

Woman dies after amateur fight

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Police are investigating an amateur boxing bout that resulted in the death of a 30-year-old woman who was pummeled in the fight.

"We are trying to determine the criminality of it," police spokesman Jay Frank said.

Stacy Young suffered swelling and bleeding in the brain during Saturday night's Toughman bout.

She was disconnected from life support Tuesday afternoon after being declared brain dead Monday night at Bayfront Medical Center in St. Petersburg, hospital spokesman Bill Hervey said. Hospital representatives at one point Tuesday prematurely reported her death when she was still on life support.

Chuck Young said his wife, a mother of two, decided on the spur of the moment to compete after learning that the only woman who had signed up needed an opponent.

"It's supposed to be fun," said Chuck Young, who also got in the ring but who lasted only 29 seconds in his bout. "They tell us nobody's going to get hurt. The worst that could happen was to get a broken nose."

There were no cash prizes for the bouts in the publicly owned Robarts Arena, at the Sarasota County fairgrounds. In Florida, prize money for boxing is legal only in tightly regulated professional bouts.

At 240 pounds, Young outweighed her opponent by about 60 pounds. But in the first 30 seconds of the bout, family members knew it was an uneven match, said her sister Jodie Meyers.

Young nearly lasted all three rounds before falling the final time, Meyers said, adding that doctors told her any one of the many blows could have damaged Young's brain.

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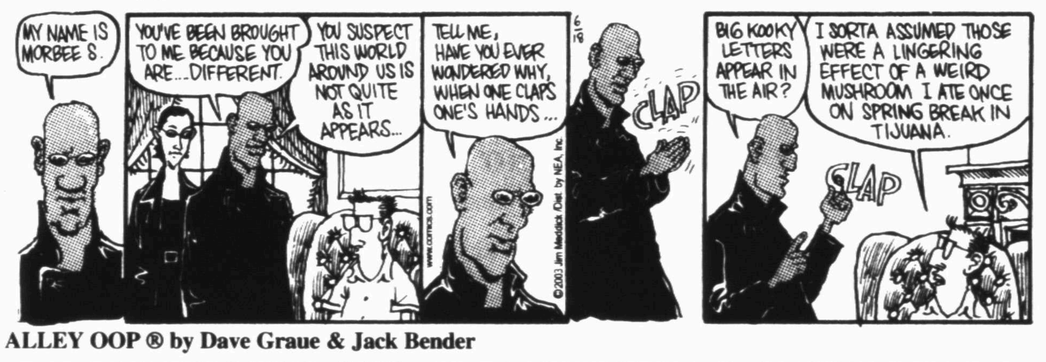
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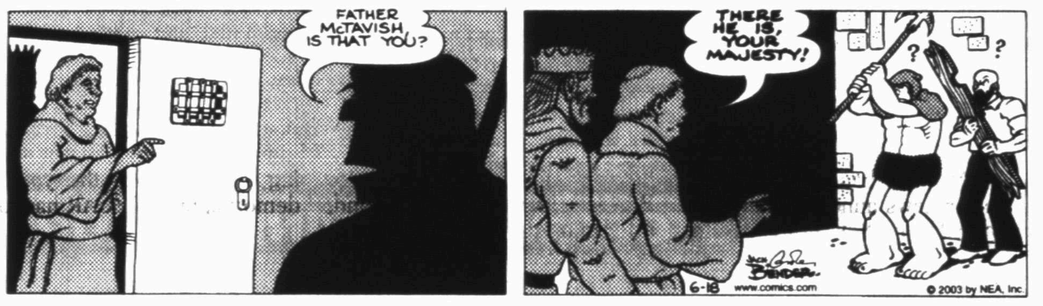
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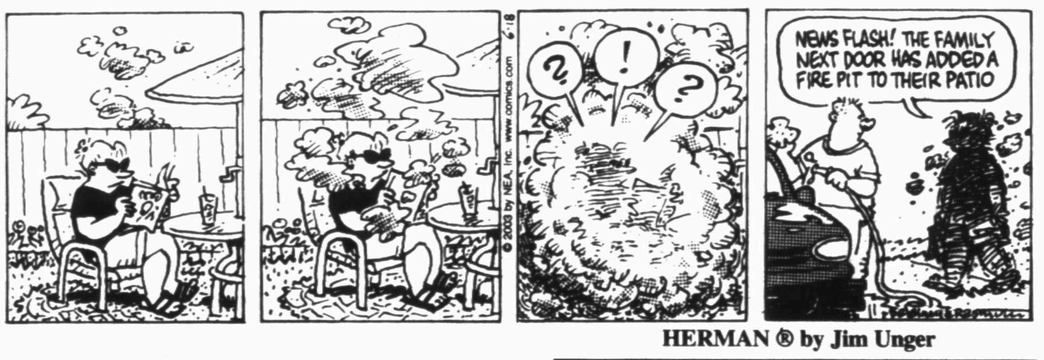
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5 Rodeo prop
10 Long-winded
12 In a weird way
13 Watch out
14 Handy
15 Extend across
16 Seize
18 Sault — Marie
19 Not yet expired
21 Marsh bird
25 Oyster treasures
29 Sun-dried brick
30 Money, slangily
32 Widespread damage
33 Bitter
34 Milder
37 Thumbs through
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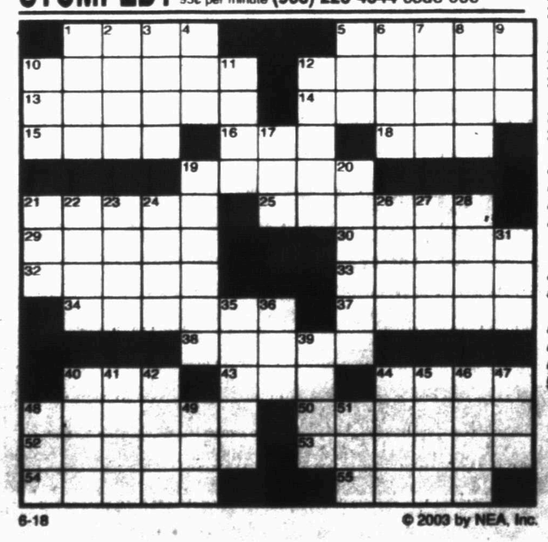
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2 Hawkeye's home
3 Spiritedness
4 Title for Guinness
5 "— Girls"
6 Mars, to Plato
7 Prepare flour
8 Fishtail
9 Popeye's Olive —
10 "Mystery!" channel
11 Lucy Lawless role
12 Blake of jazz
17 Jungfrau, e.g.
19 Some tees (hyph.)
20 Table linen, often
21 Nasty laugh
22 Wax-coated cheese
23 Ramble around
24 Bassoon cousin
26 Music genre
27 Petty of "Tank Girl"
28 Willowy
31 Want —
35 Film spectaculars
36 Thing in law
39 Far East nanny
40 Darn!
41 — Scotia
42 By and by
44 Chan rejoinder (2 wds.)
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48 Maybes
49 Get one's goat
51 Roman sun god

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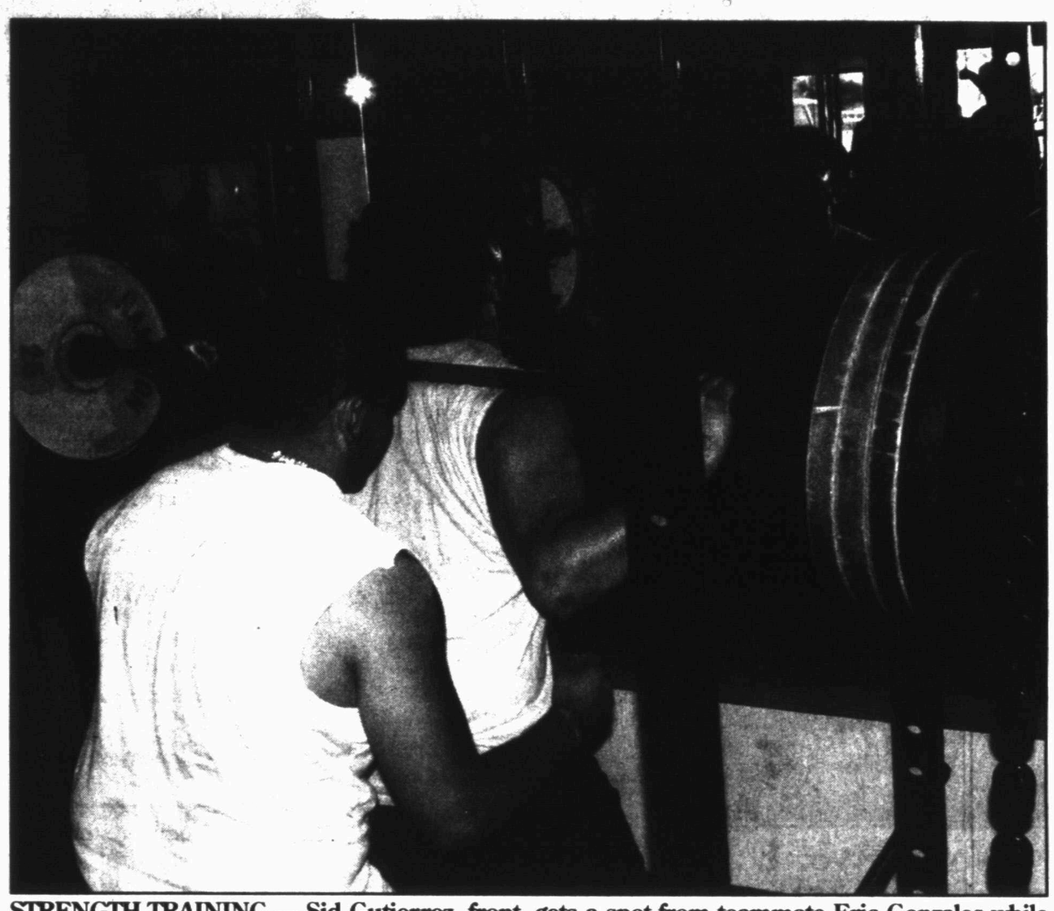
"I made two dozen chocolate chip cookies. Can you eat all of them?"

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SPORTS



STRENGTH TRAINING — Sid Gutierrez, front, gets a spot from teammate Eric Gonzales while doing the squat this morning at the free strength and conditioning camp being given by the football coaching staff. Forty-eight students participated in the workouts which are designed to increase strength, flexibilty and agility. The camp is open to all students. (SDN Staff Photo)

Have lost 14 of 16...

Tejada, A's give Rangers 10th straight road defeat

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Miguel Tejada, playing in his 500th consecutive game, hit a solo homer as the Oakland Athletics won their fourth straight game, 4-3 over the Texas Rangers on Tuesday.

Tejada's 500 straight games played is the longest active streak in the majors. The reigning AL MVP became the 34th player in major league history to do it. Since Ripken began his streak on May 30, 1982, only two others have played in more than 500 consecutive games — Dale Murphy (740) and Joe Carter (507).

Tejada's wife and children attended the game, as did some of his friends. His family back home in the Dominican Republic watched on television.

"My father told me everybody in my town was watching," Tejada said. "They're happy. They were pulling for me. They know I've not been doing good at the plate."

He didn't disappoint, driving a 1-0 pitch from Victor Santos (0-2) over the center-field wall in the sixth inning for his 11th homer. The hit snapped an 0-for-12 slump and chased Santos, who gave up a solo shot to Mark Ellis three batters earlier that broke a 2-all tie.

The A's winning streak is their longest since a season-best six consecutive victories from April 24-30.

Texas shortstop Alex Rodriguez, the man Tejada beat out for the MVP last season, was impressed.

"That is a big accomplishment, especially how hard Miguel plays every day," said A-Rod, whose 454 straight games is second behind Tejada. "He never compromises his game for the sake of the streak."

Ellis, whose offensive struggles caused him to be dropped from leadoff to ninth in the batting order, homered to left on a 3-2 pitch to start the inning. He also had a third-inning single for his 14th multihit game.

Texas fell to 2-12 in June and has lost 14 of 16, including 10 straight on the road.

Juan Gonzalez hit a run-scoring triple off the wall in right in the eighth against Chad Bradford. Keith Foulke worked the ninth for his 17th save in 20 chances.

Ted Lilly earned his first win in six starts and broke a three-game losing streak. His previous victory came May 13 at Detroit, and he pitched with a lead for the first time since the seventh inning of that game. But Lilly allowed the Rangers to tie it at 2 on Carl Everett's sacrifice fly in the fifth.

Lilly (4-5) was coming off one of the worst outings of his career in which he gave up five home runs to the Atlanta Braves last week.

He can finally forget about that one.

"I didn't ever want to get caught up in thinking about it too much," he said. "It's hard not to when you struggle. You have to find a way to get back in a groove."

Lilly gave up a leadoff double to Michael Young in the first, followed by a single by Everett, before retiring 10 straight batters. He also got out of a bases-loaded jam in the fifth with minimal damage — only one run.

Lilly allowed two runs on five hits in six innings, striking out four and walking two.

Santos struggled to find any rhythm, but was helped early by inning-ending double plays in the first and second, and another double play in the third.

Three of the five hits he gave up in 5 2-3 innings were homers. He struck out three and walked one.

Byrnes reached first on catcher's interference in the first, then Hatteberg hit a two-run homer to right for his fifth of the season.

Byrnes had his 10-game hit streak snapped.

NASCAR championship renamed

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — At the end of next season, NASCAR's newest champion most likely will raise the Nextel Cup over his head. Maybe he'll then use a "push-to-talk" phone to make some celebratory calls.

Both scenarios are possible now that wireless communications giant Nextel has reached a deal to replace R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. as the title sponsor of NASCAR's premier series, the Winston Cup.

NASCAR has scheduled a "major news announcement" for Thursday in New York's Times Square, with chairman Bill France Jr. and top drivers Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Jeff Gordon to attend.

NASCAR did not disclose the subject, but two sources confirmed on the condition of anonymity that Nextel will be answering the call NASCAR put out in February when RJR said it wanted out of its contract.

RJR has been limited in marketing its NASCAR sponsorship by the 1998 master settlement of state lawsuits against the tobacco industry. RJR cannot advertise Winston, its top cigarette brand, on radio or television and is expressly forbidden to market to people under 18.

Those limitations and the uncertain business climate in the tobacco industry led RJR in February to give NASCAR permission to look for another title sponsor, despite a five-year contract extension RJR had signed last year.

So Nextel will now connect to the estimated 75 million fans in more than 100 different countries that follow the sport. It will also be a sponsor capable of advertising and reaching the youthful demographic NASCAR has long pursued.

Astros stop losing streak

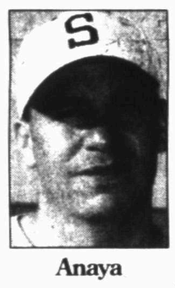
HOUSTON (AP) — Brad Lidge, Octavio Dotel and Billy Wagner each pitched a shutout inning, and Jeff Kent got the go-ahead RBI single in the eighth as the Astros snapped a four-game losing streak with a 4-3 victory Tuesday night over the Arizona Diamondbacks.

"I look at all the teams that go beyond just the playoffs and make it to the World Series," Kent said. "We have one of those kind of bullpens. That's one of the reasons I'm here. I was looking for a team that had this kind of pitching."

Jeriome Robertson got the Astros through six innings and left with a 3-3 tie. Lidge pitched a perfect seventh, Dotel (6-2) worked the eighth for the victory and Wagner pitched a perfect ninth for his 20th save in 21 tries.

Anaya joins coaching staff

Coming to Snyder from the sixth-largest city in the country is a huge adjustment, but Joe Anaya is adapting pretty well in his first two weeks.



Anaya

Anaya joined the Snyder Tiger defensive coaching staff, and has jumped feet first into the offseason programs and camps since his arrival.

Anaya, who last season coached at Casa Grande High in Phoenix, rejoins a group of familiar faces from his first coaching job a decade ago — which has eased the transition from a bustling metropolitan lifestyle.

"I started in 1994 in Las Cruces and I coached with Rogers and Martinez there," he said. "You can't beat these guys. It's easier coaching with friends."

Anaya graduated from the University of New Mexico in 2002, and spent several years at Santa Fe High School before moving to Phoenix for one year.

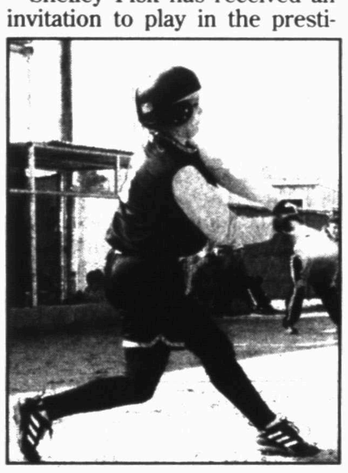
Anaya said he will most likely coach defensive backs, but he may also work with linebackers.

He said he and his wife, Néna, are already getting adjusted to Snyder.

"We really like it here," he said, adding that large cities have their advantages — and drawbacks. "We got tired of the traffic."

Fisk earns TGSCA All-Star berth

Shelley Fisk has received an invitation to play in the prestigious Texas Girls Softball Association East-West All-Star softball game.



Shelley Fisk

The game will be played July 8 at McCombs Field on the University of Texas campus in Austin.

Fisk concluded her high school career this season, and has signed on to play for Western Texas College next season.

She was the 2003 all-district MVP, as well as the winner of the Lady Tigers' Big Stick Award, which is given to the player with the highest batting average.

Fisk earned accolades all four years. She was named the Newcomer of the Year in 2000, and was voted to the first team and awarded a gold glove for her play at shortstop in 2001 and 2002.

The shortstop played in the Big Country all-star game in Midland Sunday with once and future teammate Valerie Hernandez. Fisk was 1-for-3 in the 2-0 loss. Fisk played both short and left field in the game, while Hernandez played almost the entire contest at second.

Fisk also will be traveling to Hawaii to play in a national tournament with teammates Chaelyn Robinson and Dara Chambers July 17.

Major League Baseball

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	45	23	.662	—
Montreal	39	30	.565	6½
Philadelphia	36	32	.529	9
Florida	34	38	.472	13
New York	32	37	.464	13½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	38	31	.551	—
Houston	38	32	.543	½
St. Louis	36	33	.522	2
Cincinnati	35	34	.507	3
Pittsburgh	27	39	.409	9½
Milwaukee	28	41	.406	10

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	42	27	.609	—
Los Angeles	41	28	.594	1
Colorado	35	37	.486	8½
Arizona	33	36	.478	9
San Diego	23	49	.319	20½

Tuesday's Games

Montreal at Pittsburgh, ppd., rain
N.Y. Mets 5, Florida 0
Philadelphia 5, Atlanta 4
Cincinnati 2, Chicago Cubs 1, 10 innings
Houston 4, Arizona 3
St. Louis 12, Milwaukee 3
San Diego 4, Colorado 3, 6 innings, rain
Los Angeles 4, San Francisco 1

Today's Games

Montreal (L.Hernandez 6-4) at Pittsburgh (D'Amico 4-7), 4:05 p.m., 1st game
Montreal (Vargas 3-3) at Pittsburgh (Suppan 5-6), 2nd game
N.Y. Mets (Leiter 7-3) at Florida (Penny 5-4), 6:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Ru.Ortiz 7-4) at Philadelphia (Millwood 8-4), 6:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Wood 5-5) at Cincinnati (Haynes 1-5), 6:10 p.m.
Arizona (Webb 3-2) at Houston (Villone 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Simontacchi 4-4) at Milwaukee (Rusch 1-10), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (Jarvis 0-0) at Colorado (Chacon 9-3), 8:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Rueter 7-1) at Los Angeles (Ishii 6-2), 9:10 p.m.

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	41	29	.586	—
Boston	40	29	.580	½
Toronto	39	31	.557	2
Baltimore	32	35	.478	7½
Tampa Bay	24	45	.348	16½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	38	31	.551	—
Kansas City	35	32	.522	2
Chicago	32	38	.457	6½
Cleveland	27	41	.397	10½
Detroit	17	50	.254	20

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	47	22	.681	—
Oakland	39	29	.574	7½
Anaheim	34	34	.500	12½
Texas	27	41	.397	19½

Tuesday's Games

Tampa Bay 11, N.Y. Yankees 2, 1st game
N.Y. Yankees 10, Tampa Bay 2, 2nd game
Toronto at Baltimore, ppd., rain
Cleveland 7, Detroit 4
Kansas City 14, Minnesota 7
Boston 7, Chicago White Sox 4
Seattle 8, Anaheim 4
Oakland 4, Texas 3

Today's Games

Toronto (Halladay 9-2) at Baltimore (Daal 4-7), 6:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Ja.Davis 5-5) at Detroit (Bonderman 2-9), 6:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Zambrano 3-4) at N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 7-4), 6:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Reed 3-6) at Kansas City (George 7-4), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Wakefield 5-2) at Chicago White Sox (Loaiza 9-2), 7:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Sele 3-4) at Seattle (Garcia 7-6), 9:05 p.m.
Texas (Mounce 0-1) at Oakland (Zito 7-5), 9:05 p.m.

Sports Briefs

Football camp

The SHS football coaches will offer a football camp June 23-25 for incoming grades 4-9 at Tiger Stadium.

Cost is $30, and the camp will be split into two age groups with incoming 4th-6th graders going from 10 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. each day, and incoming 7th-9th grade players going from 1:30 to 3:45 p.m. The first 40 to sign up receive a free t-shirt.

Call the fieldhouse at 574-6039 for more information.

Summer strength camp

SHS head football coach Chad Rogers is hosting a free summer strength and conditioning camp for three weeks.

The camps will run next week and the week of July 7, and are open to any incoming 9th-12th graders, will run Monday through Thursday, with incoming 10th through 12th graders working from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., and incoming freshmen going from 10-11:30 a.m.

Weight training, flexibilty, speed and agility are the focus.

Fellowship golf tournament

The Young Adult Ministry of the Ira First Church of God is sponsoring the 4th annual Fellowship Golf tournament June 28 at the WTC golf course.

Format is four-person scramble, with a first prize of $400 for each of the two flights. Special events include a $5,000 hole-in-one contest and a $100 putting contest.

Entry fee is $50 per person or $200 per team. Deadline to register is June 14. Forms are available at the WTC pro shop or call 573-5965 or 207-1740 for more information.

Couples play day

The WGA hosts a weekly couples play day Fridays at 5:30 p.m. Format is handicap scramble. Cost is $10 per couple. Call Rick at 573-7101 for more information.

Fourth of July volleyball tournament

Sign-ups are underway for the annual Fourth of July volleyball tournament at Towle Park. Entry fee is $70. Contact Louis Alaniz for more information.

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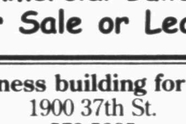
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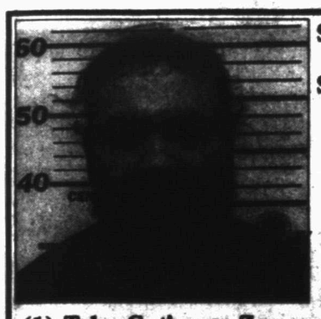
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June 6, 2003

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The following person has registered with the Snyder Police Department as a convicted sex offender.

(1) Toby Gutierrez Zamora, 29 years of age, male, 100 E. 37th Street, Apt. #55, Snyder, Texas 79549, convicted of "Sexual Assault". Victim was a female child 15 years old.

NOTIFICATION

El siguiente persona se a registrado con el Departamento de Policia de Snyder, y fue convicto de una offensa sexual.

(1) Toby Gutierrez Zamora, Un hombre, 29 anos de edad, 100 E. 37th Street, Apt. #55, Snyder, Texas 79549, convicto de "Asalto Sexual". La victima era nina, 15 anos de edad.

(s) Stephen W. Warren
Chief of Police

·Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



How to respond to a medical error

DEAR DR. GOTT: My wife had a recent routine appointment with our family doctor and was told she needed a tetanus booster. My wife told the nurse that she had one at her last visit. The nurse checked the records and said no, she was due for the shot. Rather than argue, my wife accepted the injection. Upon arriving home, she checked the receipt from her visit two months earlier and, sure enough, she had received a booster at that time. She called and informed the office of this fact.

Later that day, the doctor telephoned, apologized for the mistake and said the second shot would do no harm. My wife is not one to get upset; however, I found this to be totally incompetent on the part of the nurse and the record keeping. So, I have two questions.

One, will the unnecessary booster cause any health problems? Two, although this appears to be a minor mistake, should I report it to the local medical society or to the AMA?

DEAR READER: Being human, physicians and nurses sometimes make mistakes. In most instances, these errors are trivial and do not affect health. Two tetanus boosters within two months will not be harmful.

I am certain that the doctor and his office staff were appropriately embarrassed and upset by this glitch and will take action to improve record keeping. The fact that the physician called to apologize is noteworthy. Reporting this event to medical authorities will help neither you nor the doctor; I believe that such action is not necessary. No medical practice is perfect. Even capable and highly respected practitioners (and staffs) may stub their toes once in a while. My advice is to drop the matter and continue with your wife's physician. The fact that he was up-front and honest speaks volumes and is more important than a minor treatment error.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a healthy, 28-year-old new mother of a 6-month-old daughter. Four months ago, I started back on a strenuous exercise program, which I love. However, after each workout, I develop an incredible migraine that requires at least three Tylenols for relief. What could be causing this?

DEAR READER: Some people, prone to migraine, discover that their headaches worsen after childbirth or strenuous exercise. The reason for this is unknown.

You should address this issue with your gynecologist or family physician. It's possible that you may not be experiencing migraines at all. For example, if you are anemic, out of shape or began exercising too strenuously or too early after childbirth, the headaches may be the result of muscle contractions that could be relieved by iron therapy (if you're anemic), modifying your workout or using a muscle relaxant. Your doctor can advise you.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have hypertension for which I take atenolol and furosemide. Now my legs swell, turn red, become scaly and itch. Could the medicines be to blame?

DEAR READER: Although atenolol, a beta-blocker used to treat high blood pressure, can lead to swelling of the legs, furosemide alleviates this tendency. Therefore, I am concerned that you may be experiencing a reaction to one of your drugs — or an altogether unrelated condition, such as eczema or poor venous circulation. You should address this uncomfortable problem with your doctor, who can advise and treat you.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Hypertension." 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.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

	North	
	♠ Q 4 3	
	♥ Q J 10 9 2	
	♦ 6 4 3 2	
	♣ 2	
West		**East**
♠ J 9 8		♠ K 10 7
♥ 8 7 6 5 3		♥ 4
♦ 7		♦ J 10 8
♣ 10 9 8 4		♣ A K Q 7 6 5
	South	
	♠ A 6 5 2	
	♥ A K	
	♦ A K Q 9 5	
	♣ J 3	

Dealer: East
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
			1 ♣
Dbl.	Pass	1 ♥	2 ♣
2 ♦	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
5 ♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ 10

Wednesday, June 18, 2003

Look for the key to open the suit

By Phillip Alder

John Boyle O'Reilly, an Irish author and poet, wrote this stanza:

"You gave me the key of your heart, my love; / Then why did you make me knock? / Oh that was yesterday, saints above! / And last night — I changed the lock!"

At the bridge table, finding the right key to open the door to the other hand may be vital. Here is an example. Sitting South, how would you plan the play in five diamonds? West leads a club, East winning with the queen and continuing with the king.

The declarer was Jan Wohlin (woe-lean), who died in 1999. He was on the Swedish team that won the 1952 European Championship, but is best-known for composing wonderful declarer-play problems.

Wohlin could see 11 tricks via one spade, five hearts and five diamonds. But to cash those five hearts, he needed a dummy entry. And so, anticipating the likely 3-1 diamond break, declarer discarded a low spade from the dummy instead of ruffing the second club. Then, when East continued with the club ace, Wohlin ruffed in hand with the diamond nine.

Now it was easy to draw trumps in three rounds, unblock the ace-king of hearts, cross to dummy by leading the carefully preserved diamond five to dummy's six, and run the rest of the hearts.

Note that East defended well by playing the second club. If South had ruffed it in the dummy, the contract would no longer have been makable.

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July 3rd Lollapalooza canceled at Ionia

IONIA, Mich. (AP) — Lollapalooza is no longer opening at the Ionia County Fairgrounds.

Organizers of the rock festival, citing "staging and technical difficulties with the event site," have canceled the show planned for July 3.

The revival tour now will open July 4 in Noblesville, Ind.

Perry Farrell of Jane's Addiction founded the event, which ran from 1991 to 1998. The group — along with Audioslave, the Donnas, Queens of the Stone Age, Incubus and Jurassic 5 — is scheduled to keep the remaining 32 U.S. dates scheduled through Aug. 30.

Lollapalooza publicist Laura Cohen said stage size was an issue.

"Jane's Addiction recently went into ... rehearsal for Lollapalooza and, in the past week, it became apparent that the production and set for Jane's Addiction was too large for the stage at the venue (in Ionia)," she said recently. "It would have been cost-prohibitive to make it work at that particular venue."

Korina Haga at the Ionia Fair Association told The Grand Rapids Press that her office learned of the cancellation from a Lansing radio station.

She said the way the cancellation was handled "was very unprofessional.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	10.00	9.20	9.43	+.51
AOL TimeWrn	16.07	15.77	15.96	+.07
AT&T Corp rs	20.05	19.85	20.04	—.01
Albertsons	19.61	19.40	19.52	+.02
Alltel	48.37	47.93	48.35	—.02
AmEl Pw	30.62	30.29	30.45	—.17
AndarkPtr	45.69	45.00	45.20	—.36
ATMOS Egy	25.16	25.05	25.06	—.25
Aviall	11.10	10.80	10.81	—.27
BP PLC	44.40	44.05	44.33	+.28
BakerHughes	34.17	33.23	33.68	—.33
Bank of Amer	79.84	79.20	79.64	—.20
BellSouth	26.89	26.59	26.89	+.07
BurlNoSFe	29.60	28.80	29.29	—.31
Caterpillar	57.64	57.11	57.49	—.27
CenterPoint	9.20	9.02	9.15	—.03
ChevronTex	74.65	73.95	73.95	—.36
Citigroup	45.57	44.59	44.74	—.82
CocaCola	47.10	46.66	46.95	—.25
ColgatePal	60.70	60.21	60.56	—.09
CmclMetals	18.50	18.29	18.30	—.27
ConocoPhill	54.90	54.50	54.63	—.20
Cooper Inds	40.66	40.16	40.47	—.11
DaimlrChry	35.01	34.72	34.98	+.16
DeltaAirl	15.35	15.15	15.28	—.05
Dillards Inc	13.55	13.32	13.42	+.02
DowChem	31.87	31.65	31.70	—.10
DuPont	44.16	43.62	43.73	—.29
EastmanChem	32.75	32.33	32.44	—.33
EstKodak	31.27	28.00	28.90	—3.09
EDS Corp	24.20	22.03	23.95	+1.45
Entergy	53.80	53.15	53.28	—.35
ExxonMobil	37.80	37.25	37.26	—.41
FootLocker	13.42	13.26	13.33	—.11
GenDynam	76.70	75.72	76.56	+.49
GenElec	31.40	31.03	31.09	—.11
GenMills	49.35	48.95	49.16	—.29
GenMotors	38.70	38.26	38.47	—.67
GaPacific	18.07	17.77	17.90	—.26
Goodrich	20.48	20.12	20.30	+.02
Goodyear	7.01	6.92	7.01	+.05
GtAtlPac	9.18	8.75	8.94	—.27
Halliburtn	24.97	23.54	24.58	—.06
Hanson ADS	30.91	30.85	30.88	—.73
HarteHanks	19.08	18.81	18.91	—.17
HomeDepot	34.44	33.90	33.93	—.51
Honeywellintl	29.09	28.74	29.06	+.48
IBM	84.37	83.22	84.23	—.07
IntlPaper	38.15	37.60	37.77	—.46
JohnsonJn	55.19	54.62	54.76	
KinderMorg	55.67	55.40	55.55	+.10
Kroger Co	17.00	16.30	16.51	+.20
LockheedM	49.25	48.87	49.09	+.02
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Lubys	2.36	2.30	2.30	—.01
LucentTech	2.12	2.08	2.12	—.01
MarathonOil	26.92	26.50	26.62	—.06
MayDeptStr	22.38	21.98	22.23	—.27
Medtronic	50.45	49.57	49.61	—.69
Motorola	9.08	8.83	9.08	+.15
NCR Corp	27.28	26.56	27.27	+.12
Navistar	35.10	34.56	34.87	—.33
PNM Rescs	27.42	27.26	27.40	+.04
Penney JC	17.86	17.56	17.66	—.20
PepBoys	13.38	13.03	13.25	—.25
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PhelpDodge	39.47	39.06	39.23	—.31
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Praxair	63.41	62.43	62.71	—1.02
ProctGamb	91.89	88.88	91.35	—.54
RadioShack	25.78	25.35	25.72	—.09
RoyalDut	49.10	48.81	48.84	
SBC Comm	25.67	25.41	25.66	+.11
SaraLee	19.44	19.17	19.30	—.05
Scripps EW	89.66	86.12	87.51	—2.14
SearsRoeb	33.60	33.06	33.47	+.32
SherwinW	28.28	28.08	28.16	—.16
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SwstAirl	17.19	17.02	17.04	—.11
SprintFON	14.90	14.32	14.88	+.33
SprintPCS	6.07	5.84	6.04	+.16
Sunoco Inc	38.09	37.73	37.85	—.24
TXU Corp	22.01	21.58	21.83	—.22
TempleInland	46.05	45.58	45.85	—.62
Textnd	23.00	22.73	22.92	—.19
TexasInst	18.53	18.04	18.46	+.03
Textron	38.13	37.84	38.00	—.13
TrinityInds	18.40	18.02	18.09	—.22
TylerTech	4.66	4.53	4.65	+.07
UnionPacif	60.20	59.70	59.88	—.45
USSteel	17.76	17.65	17.67	—.17
UnitedTech	73.07	72.06	73.02	—.11
Unocal	30.25	29.95	29.95	—.18
VerizonComm	40.08	39.67	40.03	+.06
Wallmart	54.98	54.62	54.76	—.21
WellsFargo	51.85	51.52	51.67	—.13
WstnGasRs	39.89	39.50	39.71	—.07
WinnDixie	12.80	12.63	12.76	+.06
Xerox Cp	11.27	10.99	11.03	—.33
YumBrands	29.25	28.71	28.94	+.19

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Scurry County Country

USDA told no money for country-of-origin labels

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House panel voted Tuesday to deny the Agriculture Department money to force meatpackers and retailers to mark their products with labels describing where the meat originated.

The requirement to tell shoppers on product labels where the animal that produced the meat was born, raised and slaughtered was part of the $190 billion farm bill that President Bush signed into law last year. Food processors, retailers and some farmers have been complaining ever since that it would cost them millions of dollars to carry out.

On a unanimous voice vote, the House Appropriations agriculture subcommittee approved language in the bill for USDA operations that specifies none of the agency's money can be used for implementing the labeling requirement on meat.

Rep. Henry Bonilla, R-Texas, the subcommittee chairman, said lawmakers need time to determine costs before processors have to start providing the labels.

"Before any decision is made, the producers, processors, retailers and meat industry must have the opportunity to consider the ramifications," Bonilla said.

The Agriculture Department estimates it would cost $1.9 billion for keeping careful records on where animals are born, raised and slaughtered.

"How much study do they need?" asked Arthur Jaeger, assistant director for the Consumer Federation of America. "Implementation was specifically put off until fall of 2004, specifically to allow thorough review and consideration of how to implement it.

"They've had plenty of time to do it. Why on earth would you need more?"

Defending the labeling requirement, Sen. Tim Johnson, D-S.D., said Tuesday that the labels could have helped U.S. and Canadian officials quickly search for cattle linked to a cow infected with mad cow disease in Canada.

"With the case of mad cow disease in Canada threatening to kick the legs from under consumer confidence in beef, this is irresponsible," said Johnson, who pushed to add the labeling program to last year's farm bill. "The subcommittee should think about whether they are representing Canadian ranchers or American consumers."

Canada discovered an animal last month sick with mad cow disease, or bovine spongiform encephalopathy, and spent days searching for other animals in its herd to ensure that none was sick with the brain-wasting disease.

The case revealed that the United States, which trades meat and cattle extensively with Canada, has no system in place that would allow investigators to trace meat quickly from the slaughterhouse to the farm.

Canadian scientists have said they believe no other animals were infected.

Diversified

By Greg Gruben, County Extension Agent

Garden Checklist for June 2003

- Check plants for insects and diseases. Destroy badly infested plants. Spider mites can be especially troublesome at this time. Select a chemical or organic control, or use insecticidal soap.
- Supplemental irrigation is essential for many ornamental plants such as coleus, caladium, geranium, dahlia, azalea, and camellia during the hot, dry summer days ahead. Water lawn and garden thoroughly, but not too frequently.
- During the summer, soil moisture becomes extremely important and essential for good plant production. A good mulch will retain valuable moisture needed for plant growth, and improve overall gardening success. Mulches are usually applied 2 to 6 inches deep, depending on the material used.
- There is still time to plant some of the colorful, heat-tolerant summer annuals. Direct-seed zinnias and portulaca, and purchase plants of periwinkle, salvia, marigold, and purslane. Be sure to water transplants as needed until roots become established.
- Removing faded flowers from plants before they set seed will keep them growing and producing flowers. A light application of fertilizer ever 4 to 6 weeks will also be helpful.
- House plants can be moved out of doors this month. Sink the pots in a cool, shaded garden bed to prevent them from drying out so quickly. Water pots, container plants, and hanging baskets often.
- Now is the time to plan for next spring. Consider digging and dividing any crowded spring bulbs. Once the bulbs have matured and the foliage has turned brown, it is time to spade them up and thin out the stand. Crowded bulbs produce fewer and smaller blooms. They usually need thinning every 3 to 4 years.
- June is the time to select daylily varieties as they reach their peak of bloom.
- Fertilize roses every 4 to 6 weeks. Apply a high-nitrogen fertilizer immediately after a flush of bloom.
- Continue to spray susceptible roses with a black-spot control such as Funginex every 7 to 10 days.
- Re-blooming salvias, such as *Salvia greggii and S. Farinacea,* should be pruned back periodically during the summer. To make the job easier, use hedging shears, and remove only the spent flowers and a few inches of stem below.

Water from new wells begins arriving

BRONTE (AP) — A five-mile pipeline is a lifeline for residents of this West Texas town who have been within months of running out of water.

Residents should begin receiving new supplies by the week's end, says water superintendent Ricky Royall.

The town of 1,076, like most West Texas communities, has been rationing water for several years.

Before recent rains, Royall said the town had about two more months of water.

"It was a pretty bad situation," Royall told the San Angelo Standard-Times.

He said that, with the rains, Oak Creek Reservoir received about 10 vertical feet of runoff.

Royall said pumps are being installed in three new water wells north of Oak Creek Reservoir that are connected by the pipeline to existing supply lines in Bronte.

He said volunteers calling themselves the "Over the Hill Gang" started installing the pipeline from the wells in May and completed the job about two weeks ago.

Once the pumps are up and running, the town will begin pulling water from the wells.

Also, when the pumps are operating, the town plans to drill three more wells, Royall said.

All together, the six new wells should provide nearly 750,000 gallons of water per day.

Bronte will mix well water with lake water until the new wells are drilled, Royall said. He said the city will then decide how to best use the water depending on how much water is in the lake.

City officials received a $264,000 step grant earlier this year from the state's Office of Rural Community Affairs to pay for drilling three wells and supplies for the line. According to the grant, the town had to supply the labor. The value of the donated labor has been estimated to exceed $100,000.

Bronte officials also secured another $274,000 grant for its next three wells, supplies and utilities.

Residents, who were using about 500,000 gallons of water per day three years ago, now use about 175,000 gallons per day, Royall has said.

Stirrying Around Snyder

Beth Dauphin, CEA—Family and Consumer Sciences, 2605 Avenue M, Snyder, Texas 79549

The Fine Art of the Power Nap

When the going gets tough, the tough take a power nap — a 20 minute-or-so mid-afternoon doze that re-energizes our day. Winston Churchill donned his pajamas daily for a short snooze, saying he got "two days in one" thanks to napping. Other famous power nappers: Einstein, Edison, Napoleon, JFK, and Ronald Reagan.

Somehow, we've learned to scorn afternoon *siestas,* though many other regions embrace them, especially Europe and Latin America. Yet many people could use a nap now and then. According to the National Sleep Foundation, most of us are sleep-deprived — too busy to get the rest our bodies need. Although eight hours' slumber nightly is vital to good health, Americans currently average seven hours... and the trend is dropping.

Take one, guilt-free

At first blush, power napping runs contrary to our concept of hard work – after all, who wants to get caught sleeping on the job? But a quick catnap permits us to get 20 to 30 minutes of light, refreshing stage one sleep — the portion that relaxes the muscles and mind prior to the heavier sleep and dreaming that occurs in stages two through four.

As a result, researchers have found power nappers have higher productivity, make better decisions with fewer mistakes and accidents and have sunnier dispositions than their sleep-deprived counterparts. They are even less prone to heart attacks and gastrointestinal problems.

Some companies endorse the idea and are inviting employees to take advantage of nap rooms outfitted with cots, pillows and blankets. NASA says pilots on long, uneventful flights perform much better after power naps. (One pilot is always awake).

Convinced to give napping a try? Take these pointers for best benefits:

- Power nap in the early afternoon, or about eight hours after you wake up. Our energy naturally sags between 2 p.m and 4 p.m. when our body is diverting oxygen-rich blood from the brain to the stomach to digest lunch.
- Limit naps to between 15 and 30 minutes. Longer napping causes deep, dreamy sleep and a non-refreshed, foggy state called *sleep inertia.* This lessens our ability to stay sharp and focused and could cause trouble sleeping at night.
- "Power Rest" if you're not tired enough to nap. Relax, close your eyes and take a short break from chores.
- If your workplace isn't nap-friendly, fight afternoon fatigue with a brisk 10-minute power walk, stretch for several minutes or snack on fruit and water to boost energy. Don't drink coffee or eat candy for a midday charge — after the brief caffeine and sugar pick-me-up wears off, you'll be even more tired.

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Markets

Colorado City

The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 321 head of cattle for the Saturday, June 11, sale. We have had general rains throughout the trade area. Stocker and feeder steers and heifers were steady to $2 higher. Very light test on cattle under 599 pounds. Packer cows were steady to $1 lower. Trade was active and demand good.

Feeder Steers:
300-400: 94-109
400-500: 85-106
600-700: 86.50-89
700-800: 80-87.50
Feeder Heifers:
400-500: 87-80.50
500-600: 85-87.50
600-750: 76-83
Replacement cows:
Bred cows: 550-650
Pairs: 725-845
Packer cows: 36-42.50
Packer bulls: 48-54.23

Lubbock

The Lubbock Stockyards, Inc had a run of 550 head of livestock for the Thursday June 12, sale. Cows were $2 to $3 better. Yearlings and calves were steady.

Slaughter cows:
(High dressing, cutters, utility) 36-43
Canners and low cutters: 32-37
Slaughter bulls: 45-54
Feeder steers:
300-400: 100-115
400-500: 90-107
500-600: 82-95
600-700: 77-85
700-800: 72-84
Feeder heifers:
300-400: 90-110
400-500: 80-93
500-600: 75-85
600-700: 74-81
700-800: 68-78
Feeder bulls – Good and choice
500-600: 75-85
700-800: 68-75
Cow and Calf Pairs
Good: 600-725
Grade: 550-625
Springers: 350-650
Baby Calves: 75-175
Doodlers: 125-225

COLORADO RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

WEEKLY LAKE AND WATER DELIVERY REPORT

LAKE J. B. THOMAS (200,604 ACRE FEET AT ELEVATION 2258.00 FT.)

	ONE YEAR AGO	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
	6-16-02	6-9-03	6-16-03
ELEVATION (FEET)	16.69	19.39	19.53
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	17,136	22,699	23,013
PERCENT FULL	8.54	11.32	11.47
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		4.80	0.00
IVIE TO LAKE THOMAS (Gal.)		0	0
SPENCE TO THOMAS (Gal.)		0	0

*RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT BIG SPRING/ODESSA INTAKE.

E.V. SPENCE RESERVOIR (517,262 ACRE-FEET AT ELEVATION 1898.00 FT.)

	ONE YEAR AGO	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
	6-16-02	6-9-03	6-16-03
ELEVATION (FEET)	42.21	40.55	43.81
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	48,565	43,369	53,926
PERCENT FULL	9.39	8.38	10.43
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		5.10	4.20

*RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT SPENCE PUMP STATION.

O.H. IVIE RESERVOIR (554,340 ACRE-FEET AT ELEVATION 1551.50 FT.)

	ONE YEAR AGO	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
	6-16-02	6-9-03	6-16-03
ELEVATION (FEET)	29.56	27.77	28.97
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	232,141	213,829	225,953
PERCENT FULL	41.88	38.57	40.76
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		4.20	0.20

* RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT DAM.

INFORMATION BASED ON NEW AREA CAPACITY CURVE DATA

MUNICIPAL WATER DELIVERIES IN GALLONS

	LAST WEEKS DAILY AVERAGE 6-9-03 6-3-03	THIS WEEKS DAILY AVERAGE 6-16-03 6-10-03	THIS WEEKS PEAK DAY 6-16-03 6-10-03
BIG SPRING	3,788,571	4,510,000	5,130,000
ODESSA	19,478,571	20,317,000	22,410,000
SNYDER	1,843,143	1,965,143	2,396,000
MIDLAND	23,460,429	24,657,143	30,468,000
SAN ANGELO	9,779,000	11,247,714	12,982,000
STANTON	116,857	151,857	180,000

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Thursday, June 19, 2003

You are going to get the chance to deal with a number of old problems and finally put many of them to rest in the year ahead. Adversities that are eradicated will open pathways to more pleasant conditions and successes.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — If your ideas are not being met with any enthusiasm from your cohorts today, there might be something wrong with them. Don't push for things that could potentially be bummers.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — No matter how juicy some information told to you in private is, put a lid on your eagerness to share it with others. Even tantalizing hints should be avoided, lest they reveal too much.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — If selfishness takes precedence concerning a joint endeavor you're involved in, the venture is destined to fail. It can only foster mismanagement.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Protect your image with both your behavior and your comments today. If either crosses the line of propriety, the story will make the rounds among your peers and you'll be judged accordingly.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Be particularly careful today when working with any new products, tools or materials. Plunging in before you have methodically read the proper usage instructions could cause mishaps.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — People's feelings are tenuous today, so when out with friends make certain you don't unintentionally hurt someone by showing more attention to one pal over another.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Be watchful that you don't give anyone the impression that she or he has your permission to speak on your behalf today. This person could misrepresent your thinking or intentions and get you in trouble.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You could have a strong tendency today to be talking at moments when you should be listening. Later, when you need the information told to you, you might not remember the key points.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Being able to stay within the bounds of the budget you've established for yourself could be rather difficult for you today. Avoid frivolous expensive activities and do no credit buying.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Conditions could be a bit unsettling on the home front today. Treat developments as tactfully as possible, so that you don't contribute to magnifying the problem further.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — About all you'll get from today will be a whole bunch of good intentions if you fail to follow through on what's on your list of things to do. Your time will count for nothing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — It's fun to go along with the crowd, but only if you can afford to do so. Be sensible about how you use your resources today or you may not have anything left for the rest of the week.

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DeLay willing to give Demos time to apologize

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay said Tuesday he's willing to give Democrats time on the House floor to apologize, now that a Homeland Security investigation has cleared the agency of any wrongdoing in the search for Texas state legislators last month.

But Democrats were far from repentant, saying the investigation was a "whitewash" that failed to answer key questions, including who asked the Department of Homeland Security to get involved in the "manhunt."

"I'm glad to see the Democrats have no credibility on this issue, that they have been misleading the press for well over a month now," DeLay said. "I would be glad to give them time to go down on the floor and apologize ... I'll make sure they have time to contradict themselves or to set the record straight, if they care to do so."

The findings of the department's inspector general's office was released late Monday afternoon. The report contained summaries of interviews and was heavy with marks blacking out information. The office said the redactions were for privacy reasons.

The investigation was prompted by revelations last month that the Air and Marine Interdiction and Coordination Center had assisted the Texas Department of Public Safety in the search for a Texas legislator's plane. State Rep. Pete Laney had left Texas with more than 50 other Democrats in opposition to Republican plans to push a congressional redistricting bill through the state House.

The Homeland Security inspector general's office found "there was every indication that the employee rendering assistance to the DPS on the telephone believed he was searching for a missing aircraft."

But Democrats were reluctant to accept the investigators' findings and said they would continue to push for release of unedited copies of recordings of the conversations and transcripts without redactions.

In particular they raised questions about DPS Lt. Will Crais' statement in the transcript that state representatives told him they wanted the Federal Aviation Administration to launch a search and rescue, although state officials knew the plane was not in trouble.

They also pointed to discussions in the transcript about Laney's plane possibly being parked at a hangar and why, based on that, the homeland security agency continued to believe the plane was missing.

Several Democratic members of the House Government Reform Committee have invoked a rule that allows them to compel Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge to release the recordings and documents but so far Ridge has not responded. The deadline is today.

"The information we are seeking is not classified. It's not related to national security. There's no reason Secretary Ridge should not release the information immediately," said Rep. Chris Bell, D-Houston, who spearheaded use of the rule.

In response to DeLay's comments, Rep. Max Sandlin, D-Marshall, said Democrats deserve apologies for DPS destroying information and refusing to turn over information and the Homeland Security Department's refusal to release recordings and transcripts.

"There's one way we get this straight and everyone can be happy ... you turn over the tapes, original tapes, you turn over transcripts and you reconstruct for the Congress all of the information claimed destroyed," Sandlin said.

The investigator's report does not address whether the DPS acted legally by telling the federal agency the plane might be missing. DeLay said it would be up to state investigators to decide whether the DPS officer involved should be held accountable.

"The federal government has the responsibility to enforce the law, whatever the law is. I'm not a prosecutor or an attorney. I'm not going to comment on what they should and shouldn't do. I am going to comment that they should enforce the law, whatever that may be," DeLay said.

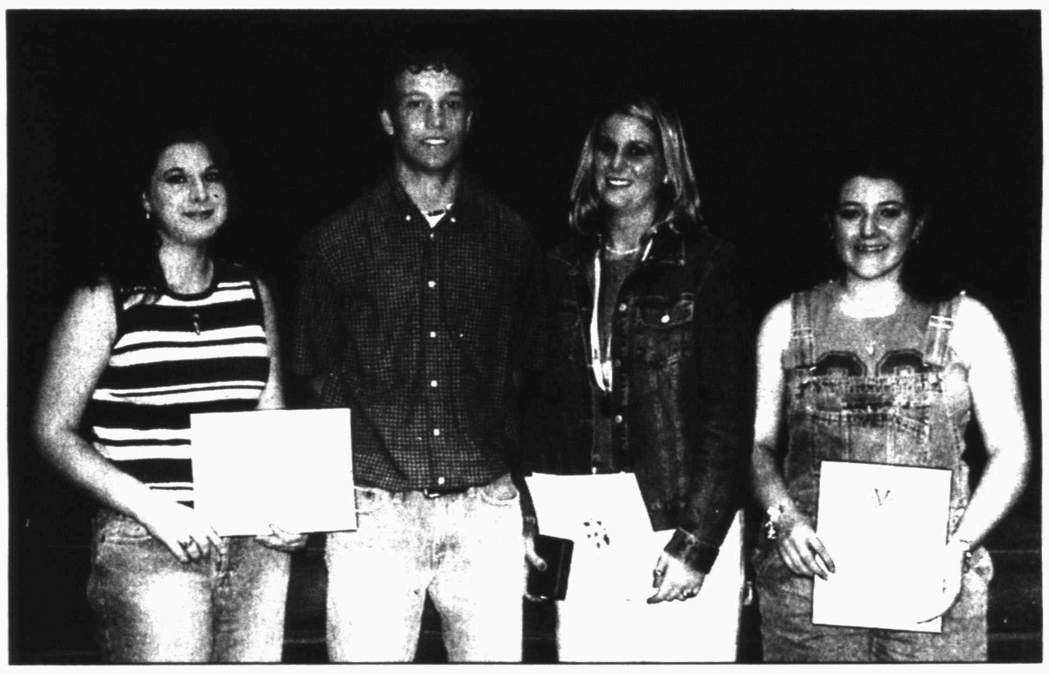
Dog helps round up bad guys and drugs

GRAND ISLAND, Neb. (AP) — One member of the Hall County sheriff's department compiled quite a pedigree before hanging up the leash.

Police dog Ringo helped his handler seize 17 pounds of methamphetamine and more than $93,000 in drug money. He helped find 16 criminals, police said.

He liked to chase burglars, said his handler and partner, Sgt. Bryan Simonson.

The 12-year-old Belgian Malnois was deployed more than 500 times to assist 82 law enforcement agents from 10 different agencies, Sheriff Jerry Watson said.



SCHOLAR AWARDS — Students who received schoolar awards at Ira High School are (left to right) Candace Sanchez, UIL Scholar; Eric Dickerhoff, Army National Scholar/Athlete; Celeigh Sterling, UIL Scholar, Wendy's High School Heisman Finalist and Army National Scholar/Athlete; Sarah McCown. Ventures Scholar. (Contributed Photo)

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Couple must rekindle passion in marriage that's burning low

DEAR ABBY: The love of my life, "Stacy," and I have been together for 20 years — married for 10. I adore her. We have three beautiful children.

I consider myself to be fairly good-looking. I work out regularly, have good hygiene and I'm in excellent health. I work hard at two jobs so Stacy can be home with the children. I make sure my family has the best of everything.

My problem is Stacy gives me very little affection. She is a loving person; however, she rarely touches me, lies in bed with me or kisses me. When we do make love, it's not as exciting as it was 20 years ago. I feel empty inside and I ache for some warmth.

Recently, at a business gathering, a slightly intoxicated female employee surprised me with a passionate goodnight kiss. It felt wonderful. I can't stop thinking about that feeling. I yearn for that same feeling with my beautiful wife, but she shows no interest.

I am desperate for advice. I don't know how to talk to Stacy about this. I am so preoccupied with these feelings that I can't keep my mind focused, and it's starting to affect my job performance. — **SOMETHING'S MISSING IN NEW JERSEY**

DEAR SOMETHING'S MISSING: You're working two jobs. Your wife is caring for three children under the age of 10. It's time for a second honeymoon where the two of you can spend time alone, get to know each other again, and rekindle the passion you once knew. Please make it a priority. It's important for the two of you to talk to each other and share feelings. That's where the true intimacy in marriage lies.

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DEAR ABBY: In a letter you printed signed, "Watching My Garden Grow in Tulsa," the writer made clear the point that one person's weed is another's flower. That column inspired me to write a poem. I hope you like it. — **MARY G. SKELTON, LYNN HAVEN, FLA.**

DEAR MARY: Like it? I love it! And I know my readers will, too. It is beautiful.

WEEDS — THE BEAUTIES OF MY GARDEN

Weeds, to some, are like memories long past,
Needing to be plucked of the shadows they cast —
But I see their beauty, for God placed them there,
So that's where I leave them and tend to their care.

Their roots, growing deeply, hold fast and true,
As my faith, my love and my hope must do —
To garner my strength for another day,
To weather life's storms that come my way.

Where I see a flower and you see a weed,
Its presence and purpose fulfills my need —
To do what I can to manage the earth,
In my small garden, regardless of worth.

As I nurture my weeds and watch them grow,
There's something I've often wanted to know:
Could the loveliest rose, cursed with its thorn,
Be simply a weed — imperfectly born?

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Doesn't work out

NEW YORK (AP) — Norah Jones won't be taking exercise equipment on tour with her this summer — because she doesn't have any.

"I've never worked out. In fact, I need to lose a few pounds," said the Grammy-winning singer, although her slender shape contradicts her. "I don't care if I'm a little chubby. I love to eat way too much."

Actually, Jones says she has worked out — once.

"I'm just not good at it," the 24-year-old told The Associated Press in a recent interview.

Instead of exercise, she likes to dine out with friends and watch television when her schedule allows.

Her favorite shows? Sitcoms.

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Man arrested after family violence incident

Family violence

A 34-year-old male was arrested shortly after 8:30 p.m. Tuesday after police responded to a disturbance in the 3700 block of Austin Ave.

The female caller had reported that her father was assaulting her mother. Police filed a Class A misdemeanor report for family violence and the 34-year-old husband was taken to the Scurry County Jail.

Arrests

An 18-year-old male was arrested at 11:38 p.m. Tuesday in the 2800 Block of Ave. M and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol by a minor and for Class C possession of narcotic paraphernalia. The subject was taken to jail and later released to his mother.

At 12:52 a.m., a 17-year-old man was arrested at Allsup's and charged with disorderly conduct-gestures.

At 3:17 a.m., police responded to the 800 block of 27th Street where a 44-year-old woman was reportedly causing a disturbance. The female was arrested for public intoxication and an offense report for family violence was submitted.

Verbal dispute

Officers were dispatched to Wal-Mart at 11:14 a.m. Tuesday where two women were having a verbal disagreement. Both women had left the area when officers arrived.

Property dispute

At 3:11 p.m. Tuesday, a woman reported that her boyfriend's brother had taken their vehicle and had not returned it. Officers advised the subjects that it was a civil matter and of the proper steps to take.

The same woman called dispatchers about 30 minutes later and asked to speak to a deputy who responded to the location. The caller also advised that someone had been threatening to damage the vehicle. A close patrol was requested. Another call was received saying the complainant had been yelling obscenities at his family. She was advised of the complaint. At 4:48 p.m., the first caller again complained about the property dispute and again was advised of the proper steps to take in a civil matter.

At 3:41 p.m. Tuesday, a Hermleigh man reported that he had sold a vehicle to a subject and had not received payment. A deputy advised the caller of the proper steps to take in a civil matter.

A man in the 2700 Block of 38th Street asked officers to stand by while his estranged wife picked up property.

A woman called at 4:22 p.m. to report that she had found a dog and the dog's owner had become upset because he thought she intended to keep the animal. The man called the deputy and wanted his dog back, and it was eventually returned to the owner.

Fire

Snyder Fire Department was called to 1412 30th Street at 10:57 a.m. Tuesday where residents had reported the house filled with smoke. Firefighters were unable to locate a fire.

Two controlled burns were reported Tuesday, the first at 7:22 a.m. at 1841 Smith Ave. The second was at 4500 College Ave. at 8:32 a.m.

Close patrol

A resident at 314 35th reported that someone was getting into his backyard swimming pool. A close patrol was requested.

Property damage

Bobby Franks at 2411 40th Street reported damage done to a motorcycle. An attempt was made to locate a white motorcycle driven by a male wearing no helmet. A close patrol was initiated.

Mitchell County deputies called at 6:41 p.m. to report that a red-tagged vehicle on the Colorado City highway had been vandalized.

Power outage

A resident in the 2400 Block of 31st Street reported a power outage at 8:12 p.m. Tuesday.

Dog bite

A dog bite was reported in the 3700 Block of Ave. U. An offense report was submitted and the dog was taken to the animal shelter for observation.

Gas drive off

A customer reportedly left Skinny's without paying for gas. The customer later returned to pay.

Minor accident

Snyder officers investigated one minor accident Tuesday.

Involved in a two-vehicle accident at 1:59 p.m. in the 2700 block of College Avenue were a 1997 Ford driven by Carrie Pharris, 22, of 2411 29th St., and a 1997 Chevrolet pickup driven by Kendell Doty, 18, of 1311 18th St. There were no injuries.

Special session may be called

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry will reportedly call a special session of the Texas Legislature for June 30 to deal with congressional redistricting, which triggered a fight with Democrats during the regular term, and government reorganization.

Capitol sources told the Austin American-Statesman in today's online edition that the governor's office has alerted them of his plans. The Houston Chronicle also reported Perry is expected to announce a special session.

The American-Statesman and Chronicle quoted sources on condition of anonymity.

Perry can call an unlimited number of 30-day special sessions, but each must be on specific issues.

Kathy Walt, Perry's spokeswoman, told The Associated Press that the governor has scheduled no announcements today.

Asked about Perry's plans, Walt repeated an earlier statement: "If and when the governor decides to call a special session, he'll made that announcement at what he decides is the appropriate time. That's been his position for weeks now."

Whether Perry would call a special session this summer has been an issue since more than 50 Democrats dubbed the "Killer D's" fled to Oklahoma to kill a redistricting bill. Backed by U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, the measure would have shifted the balance of power in the Texas delegation to the GOP.

DeLay has fought for congressional redistricting.

Breedlove receives five years probation

After three prosecution witnesses had testified in the injury to a child trial Tuesday in 132nd District Court, defendant Kenneth Breedlove entered a guilty plea and was sentenced to five years deferred adjudication probation.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong handed down the sentence.

Breedlove, 37, of 107 Ash also must attend anger management counseling and participate in the Texas Alternative to Incarceration Program.

A jury of seven-women and five-men was hearing testimony when the plea was made.

Breedlove was indicted last March for striking a female member of his family in February with his fist.

District Attorney Dana Cooley and assistant DA Ben Smith represented the state, while Breedlove's attorney was Kenneth Maxwell of Sweetwater.

Births

Tiffanie Larae Moore announces the birth of her seven-pound daughter, Devin Rae Moore, at 2:17 a.m. on June 17 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Her grandparents are Tommy and Teresa Moore of Hermleigh.

Possible SARS patient quarantined in Texas

DALLAS (AP) — Health officials have used a court order to quarantine a man who reported to a North Texas hospital complaining of SARS-related symptoms, then tried to leave the facility.

The man, who told medical staffers that he had traveled recently to Toronto, remained early today at the unnamed hospital pending results of a test of whether he has severe acute respiratory syndrome.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention can take as long as three weeks to determine whether the man is a probable SARS case, which requires evidence of more severe illness, including pneumonia.

Campbell to attend Snyder public forum on Friday

State Rep. Scott Campbell (R-San Angelo) will be in Snyder Friday for a public forum.

The session will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. at Martha Ann Woman's Club and will be hosted by Operation Stars and Stripes.

Vicki Shroyer has arranged the session and said that information and forms will be available at the meeting to join Operation Stars and Stripes and also Citizens Corps. She said a donation can be made at the door to help fund the project. More information is available by calling 573-1419.

Rep. Campbell, just completing his freshman legislative session, serves as vice chairman of the defense affairs and state-federal relations committee which includes programs dealing with Homeland Security.

Rep. Campbell also will discuss the results of the recent legislative session.

Obituaries

Earnest Biggers

1917-2003

Earnest Biggers of Colorado City died Saturday, June 14, in Valley Fair Lodge.

Service for Mr. Biggers, 85, is set for 11 a.m. Thursday in the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Colorado City. Burial will follow in the Mitchell County Cemetery in Colorado City. The Rev. H.H. Lee of Colorado City will officiate.

Wright Colonial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Born Dec. 17, 1917 in Milam County, Mr. Biggers married Angeline Baker on Jan. 18, 1939 in Cameron.

He was preceded in death by one son, Earnest Biggers Jr.; four daughters, Nettie Mae Brooks, Ernestine Biggers, Celestine Biggers and Christine Biggers.

Survivors include his wife, Angeline Biggers of Colorado City; a daughter and son-in-law, Ruth and Willie Foote of Spanaway, Wash.; two daughters, Evelyn Dillard and Theresa Thompson, both of Colorado City; two sons and daughters-in-law, Frank and Janice Biggers of Colorado City and Nikko and Tennille Biggers of Arlington; three sisters, Wilma Biggers of Colorado City, Helen Ward of Waco and Leesther Biggers of Abilene; 14 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Elida Garcia

1931-2003

Elida Garcia, longtime Snyder resident, died Tuesday, June 17, in Abilene Regional Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Rosary for Mrs. Garcia, 72, is set for 8 this evening in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel.

Funeral service is set for 2 p.m. Thursday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with Deacon Frank Ortegon officiating. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery.

Born on April 14, 1931 near Robstown, she married Arnulfo Garcia Jr. on Feb. 18, 1946 in Robstown.

A resident of Snyder since 1950, Mrs. Garcia had worked for many years at Snyder Laundry and Drycleaning, and did upholstery for Dunham Mattress Factory and Fenton Furniture. She was a Catholic

Survivors include her husband, Arnulfo Garcia of Snyder; a daughter and son-in-law, Andrea and Rick Snider of Liberal, Kan.; a son and daughter-in-law, Louis and Mary Garcia of China Grove; a sister, Evangelina Yruegas of San Antonio; and a grandson, Joshua Snider of Liberal, Kan.

Hipolito Rascon

1915-2003

FORT STOCKTON — Hipolito Rascon, the father of David Rascon of Snyder, died Monday, June 16.

Rosary for Mr. Rascon, 87, is set for 7 this evening in the St. Agnes Catholic Church. Funeral service is set for 10 a.m. Thursday in the St. Agnes Church and burial will follow in the Fort Stockton Catholic Cemetery under the direction of Memorial Funeral Home.

Born Aug. 22, 1915 in Fort Stockton, he married Angelina Galindo on Nov. 8, 1946 in Fort Stockton.

He was a U.S. veteran of World War II and was awarded the Purple Heart and three Bronze Stars while serving in the South Pacific. He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Liborio and Estefana Rascon; a son, Ramon Rascon; two brothers, Domingo and Antonio Rascon; a sister, Viviana Mejia; and a great-granddaughter, Justine LeRay Perez.

Survivors include his wife, Angelina Rascon of Fort Stockton; three other sons, Joel Rascon of San Angelo, Daniel Rascon of Sarasota, Fla., and Hipolito Rascon Jr. of Fort Stockton; three daughters, Ernestina Sanchez, Criselda Rascon and Susanna Dominguez, all of Fort Stockton; a brother, Luciano Rascon of Fort Stockton; four sisters, Fernanda Thompson of Littlefield, Candida Salcido, Meregilda Carrasco and Adislada Gutierrez, all of Fort Stockton; 13 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

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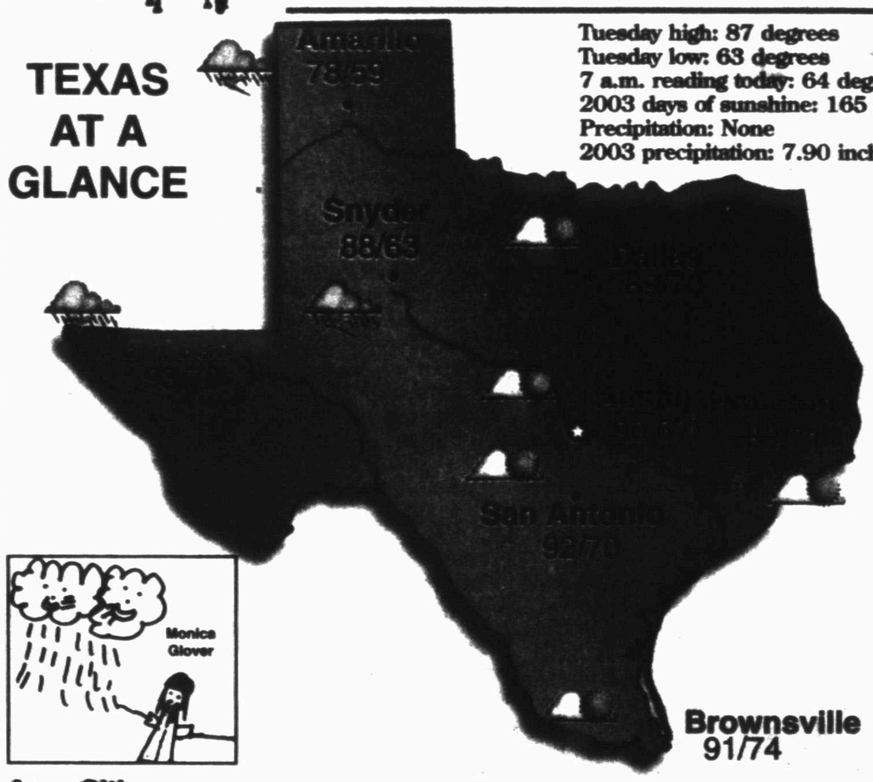
Local 3-Day Forecast

Thu 6/19	Fri 6/20	Sat 6/21
88/63	90/69	98/71
A mix of clouds and sun with the chance of an isolated thunderstorm in the .	Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.	Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.
Sunrise 6:36 AM Sunset 8:54 PM	Sunrise 6:36 AM Sunset 8:54 PM	Sunrise 6:36 AM Sunset 8:55 PM

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TEXAS AT A GLANCE



Tuesday high: 87 degrees
Tuesday low: 63 degrees
7 a.m. reading today: 64 degrees
2003 days of sunshine: 165 of 168
Precipitation: None
2003 precipitation: 7.90 inches

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond
Abilene	89	66	sunny	El Paso	93	70	t-storm	Midland	89	68	t-storm
Amarillo	78	59	t-storm	Fort Stockton	90	67	t-storm	Raymondville	93	71	pt sunny
Austin	90	67	pt sunny	Gainesville	88	65	mst sunny	Rosenberg	90	71	pt sunny
Beaumont	92	71	pt sunny	Greenville	87	66	pt sunny	San Antonio	92	70	pt sunny
Brownsville	91	74	pt sunny	Houston	89	71	pt sunny	San Marcos	91	69	pt sunny
Brownwood	92	66	sunny	Kingsville	92	71	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	87	66	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	90	73	pt sunny	Livingston	92	67	pt sunny	Sweetwater	89	64	sunny
Corsicana	88	67	pt sunny	Longview	91	67	pt sunny	Tyler	87	69	pt sunny
Dallas	89	70	pt sunny	Lubbock	84	63	t-storm	Weatherford	88	65	mst sunny
Del Rio	95	74	pt sunny	Lufkin	91	68	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	90	65	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond
Atlanta	84	66	t-storm	Houston	89	71	pt sunny	Phoenix	106	78	sunny
Boston	72	60	rain	Los Angeles	71	58	pt sunny	San Francisco	65	53	windy
Chicago	71	47	mst sunny	Miami	85	77	t-storm	Seattle	64	51	cloudy
Dallas	89	70	pt sunny	Minneapolis	77	55	mst sunny	St. Louis	79	58	pt sunny
Denver	75	56	t-storm	New York	75	60	t-storm	Washington, DC	79	65	t-storm

Moon Phases

Full	Last	New	First
Jun 14	Jun 21	Jun 29	Jul 7

UV Index

Thu 6/19	Fri 6/20	Sat 6/21
Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

The UV Index is measured on a 0-11 number scale, with a higher UV index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 — 11

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