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NHS ceremonies Sunday

31 Snyder High School students to be inducted

Four Snyder High School seniors and 27 juniors will be inducted into the National Honor Society during ceremonies set for 4 p.m. Sunday at Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Among the standards for membership are scholastic average, based on honors points of 6.0 or higher for juniors and 6.2 for seniors. The students are recommended by a five-member faculty committee.

Upon acceptance, the students agree to participate in at least two NHS service projects and one individual project.

Seniors to be inducted are Beau McLeod, Jannica Northerns, Kathryn Robbins and Mendy Winter.

Juniors to be inducted include George Aguilar, Troy Allen, Cara Byram, Clark Church, David Clardy, Laura Collins, Christina Garner, Erica Garvin, Melanie Gibson, Jessica Hodges, Shauna Huddleston, Kerri Kemp, Sarah Knowles and Ryan Landes.

Others are LaTrisha Lee, Sara Lilly, Shahala Marricle, Shawn Purcell, Casity Reneau, Doyle Rice, Emily Rice, Cara Stansell, Eric Tovar, Joanie Wemken, Raechele Wemken, Molly Wilson and Emily Zeck.

NHS sponsors are Janice Mitchell and Linda Trevino.

NHS officers are Sterling Cave, president; Mandy Baker, vice president; Courtney Anderson, secretary; and Stacey Parker, reporter.

Larry Scott, principal, will give opening remarks.

Sunday's ceremonies will also include hooding of seniors.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The three Rs of the Infernal Revenue Service: This is ours, that is ours, everything to come is ours."

It's that time again. April 15 does a couple of positive things. It makes you organize that area where you stuff receipts, bank statements and assorted mail not worth opening.

Also, it's a time when Americans can complain and most listeners will sympathize with their beef. In fact, it can often lead to a contest of who can tell the saddest story.

While we have to admit that we had rather not pay, a honest evaluation tells us that you had to have income to pay and to have income, you had to have a job.

In times when corporate downsizing is fashionable, having a job with income, and having to pay taxes is actually a blessing — and it gives us something to gripe about in the coffee shop.

For a little history lesson. In 1913, the entire federal tax law, plus explanations and other related material, fit into a single 400-page volume.

Today, material relating to federal tax regulations totals 40,500 pages contained in 22 volumes.

The IRS claims to be making progress. The number of tax-regulation writing projects awaiting completion stands at 330, down eight from a month earlier.

Sen. Sam Nunn, the Georgia Democrat who says he is retiring from public office, once described the tax code as "thousands of pages of pet rocks that have nothing to do with the national interest."

According to the IRS, filing by phone has been a smash hit. Close to three million have filed their tax returns this year merely by pressing the buttons of a touch tone phone.

The IRS effort to expand electronic filing runs into more problems. Cyberfile — to cuts costs, reduce errors and cut down on paperwork — is being developed.

Concerning Cyberfile, the IRS had this to say, "We never intended nor would we ever go forward with any system until it worked perfectly..."

That reminds us of the hollow assurance given by the agent who says he's arrived to be "helpful."

Guys in the coffee shop were talking about the two sure things of life — death and taxes.

Howard Franks put it into perspective: "Yeah, but one thing about death, it doesn't get worse every time Congress meets."

April 27...

SNS needing funds, workday volunteers

Snyder Neighbors Sharing is in need of assistance from the Snyder community to help ensure that its annual workday is the success that past events have been, the organization's board president says.

"We have received donations from most of our regular givers and have picked up a few new donors. However, because of the economic hard times in our community, some of the donations have been smaller. We need several thousand dollars to equal the donations that we have received in the past," said Thomas Fogleman, SNS board president.

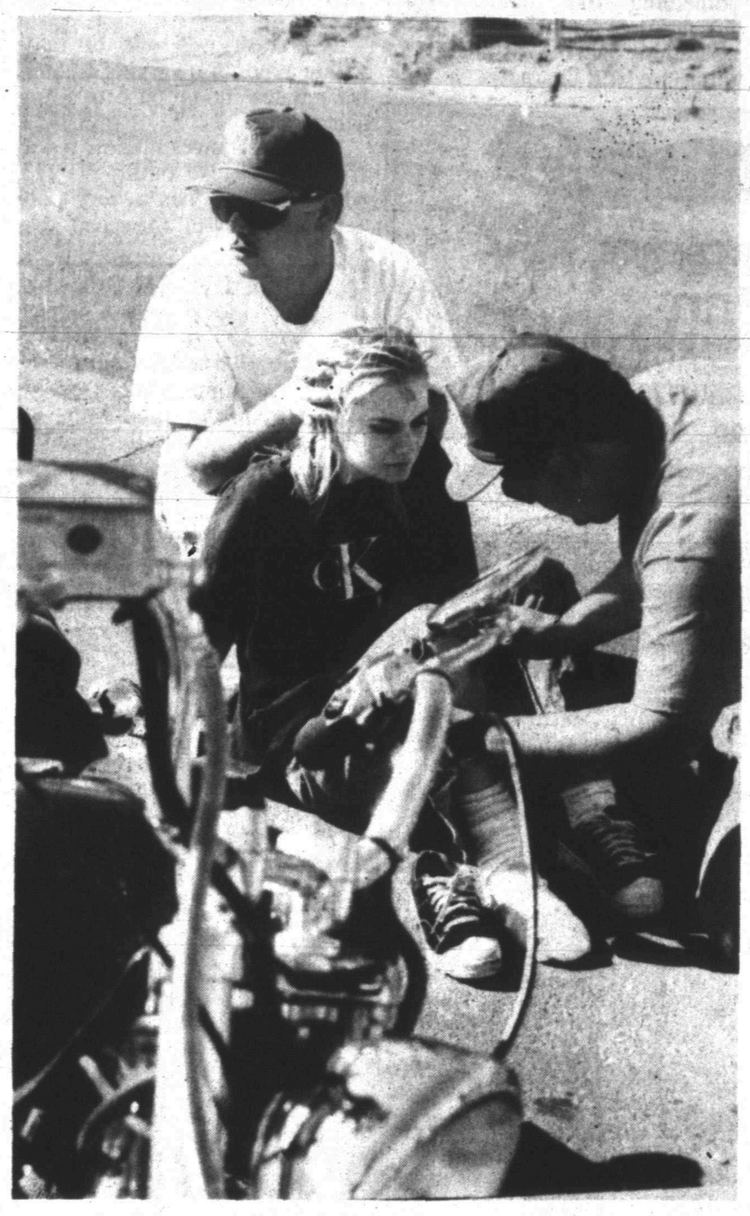
Snyder Neighbors Sharing coordinates an effort whereby volunteers help repair homes of the elderly or handicapped who cannot make the repairs themselves. This year, the organization has selected 10 projects that meet the Snyder Neighbors Sharing guidelines.

"We are in the process of trying to determine if we will have sufficient funds to do all of the work that the houses are needing. Unless we receive additional funds, our budget will be very close," Fogleman said.

Fogleman noted that additional workers will also be needed for the annual workday, set this year for April 27.

Donations may be mailed to Snyder Neighbors Sharing, P.O. Box 541 in Snyder, or can be dropped off at Sam Robertson Insurance or West Elementary.

Groups or individuals interested in assisting in volunteer work can contact Fogleman at 573-3538 during business hours or at 573-3066 in the evening.



ONE INJURED - Fourteen-year-old Amy Warr is being assisted by Emergency Medical Technicians Kyle Haley, left, and Carey Clark following a pickup-motorcycle accident shortly after 5 p.m. Friday in the 2500 block of 25th Street. Warr suffered a broken leg and cuts in the accident and remained hospitalized at Cogdell Hospital Saturday morning. (SDN Staff Photo)

Early polls open Monday in 3 elections

Early voting begins Monday in the city council election and two board of trustee elections in Scurry County.

Early voting runs through April 30 for the entities holding May 4 elections — the city, Hermleigh ISD and the Western Texas College district.

Elections scheduled at Snyder ISD and Ira ISD will be cancelled because none of the candidates were unopposed.

The city council election features two contested races. Vernest Tippens, who is seeking her fifth Place 1 term, is being challenged by the Rev. Caiaphas Cain. In Place 2, Ron Baker is challenging Jerry Webb, who is trying to win his second term.

Unopposed candidates on the council are Kenny Gambrell for Place 3 and I.E. Martin for Place 4.

The Western Texas College board of trustees election has one contested seat. Carl Williams, who is seeking his second Place 2 term, is facing a challenge from Jack K. Greene Jr.

Drew Bullard is unopposed for Place 1 on the WTC board.

There are six candidates up for three seats on the Hermleigh ISD board. Seeking to fill one of two full terms on the board are Tony Lambaren, Jimmy Barnes, Burton Sandefur and incumbent James Rinehart.

Running for a partial term on the board are Tim Dacus and Ted Mireles Jr.

Voting is conducted during normal businesses hours at the business office of each entity holding an election.

Behind the ridin' and ropin,' WTC Rodeo team touches lives

If the Western Texas College NIRA Rodeo which begins here Thursday was nothing more than quality young athletes participating in exciting competition, it would be enough for rodeo fans.

But in between fast riding and quick roping, Western Texas Coach Todd Danley and his rodeo team members are slowing down and taking the time to reach out and touch some special people.

"We're going to hold the exceptional rodeo, of course, and this year we're also going to take a program to the public schools," said Danley.

The program, REACh (Rodeo, Education And Children), is a drug and gang prevention program interwoven into a rodeo and western heritage background. It was originated by Penny Conway of Tuscon, Ariz., who will be in Snyder Tuesday and Wednesday to help put it on in Snyder's elementary and junior high schools.

The program has been performed for all of the major Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association rodeos, said Danley, but this will be the first time a college has done it.

"We're doing it for two reasons," said Danley. "One, this is a good opportunity for us to give something back to the community. We believe we can be good role models. And secondly, we want to increase these kids' awareness of what rodeo is all about."

Assemblies will be held Tuesday and Wednesday at the five elementary schools and Snyder Junior High. In addition to the program, rodeo tickets will be distributed to the students, Danley

See Rodeo, Page 14A

Bike-a-thon slated April 20

The "Wheels For Life" bike-a thon-to help St. Jude Children's Research Hospital will be held Saturday, April 20, in front of the National Guard Armory at Towle Park.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with the ride to start at 9.

Police Sgt. Trevlyn Pitner has volunteered to set up and maintain a safe route, check rider's bicycles and discuss safety.

There will be a one-mile course set up through the park and a half-mile course around the pond for smaller children.

A rest stop area will be available for refreshments.

The chamber of commerce is making packets with valuable coupons to present to the first 100 riders. Wal-Mart will donate a bicycle to be awarded to the rider who turns in the largest amount of money pledged by sponsors April 27.

Riders complete an entry form and obtain sponsors from family, friends and businesses. Riders turning in money will all receive a certificate. Riders turning in at least $35 will receive a T-shirt as well. Those turning in at least $75 will also receive a sports bag.

Volunteers are needed. For entry information contact coordinator Sheryl McClendon at 573-5008.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital was founded by Danny Thomas. Treatment is provided without regard to ability to pay. It is the largest childhood cancer research center in America and is the only institution established for the sole purpose of conducting basic and clinical research into catastrophic childhood diseases.

HISD to consider renovation project

Hermleigh ISD board, which had to cancel last Tuesday's meeting when only three trustees attended, will try again Monday.

The focus of the 8 p.m. meeting is the district's renovation project, which a consultant on the project said needs quick attention if the work is to be completed before the start of the fall semester.

Marlin Dodds, a consultant with the construction management firm of D.S.A., Inc. said last Tuesday that the program needs to be started by June 1 and noted that it will take at least four weeks for the bidding process.

Monday, the board is to review cost estimates on remodeling and approve letting of the bids.

The school district has some $500,000 in facility improvement money from the state. The initial estimate of the project is $654,000. This includes $278,000 at the elementary school, $174,000 at the high school and $130,000 in the kitchen and cafeteria. Also, $28,000 is tabbed for improvements to the Ag Shop and $45,000 has been designated for a canopy and entry way.

Other agenda items include payment of an attorney's bill and consideration of health insurance bids for 1996-97.

Cinco de Mayo fiesta planned

Mariaches, pinatas, folkloric dances and much more will be featured at the first annual Cinco de Mayo Fiesta, being planned by Snyder Chamber of Commerce for May 5 at Scurry County Coliseum.

Local and area citizens are invited to participate in a day of fun, food and games, according to Donna Fowler, chamber director.

The event will kick off with a parade. Children 10 years and younger will gather afterwards for the breaking of pinatas.

Booths will be open from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Softball and volleyball tournaments have been scheduled.

Parade and talent show entries are being requested. There will be special sections in the parade for bicycle riders, cars, softball teams, floats and more.

The evening will close with a dance at the Latin American Center from 8 p.m. until midnight. Tickets for the dance are being sold in advance at the chamber.

May 5, 1862 is a date never to be forgotten in Mexican history, recognized as a victory day for Mexico over the French. Mexico, after a century and a half, struggled for its liberty and saw the dawn of a new, progressive country. For many years, Hispanics, as well as other cultures, have come together to celebrate the Cinco de Mayo, in hopes of handing down the tradition to their children.

For entry other information about the fiesta, call 573-3558.

ASK US

Q—Has Snyder High School set the date for it annual Awards Ceremony?

A—Yes. It is scheduled for May 13.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High 74 degrees; low, 49; 7 a.m. reading Saturday, 49; no precipitation; total for 1996, 1.93 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday, mostly sunny, windy. High, mid 80s. SW-W wind 20-30 mph, gusty, patchy blowing dust possible. Sunday, sunny, cooler. High, lower 70s. NW wind 15-25 mph, gusty.



Juan Martinez

Windy!

Sunset: 8:11 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:16 a.m.

Of 103 days in 1996, the sun has shone 99 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

A foolish son is a grief to his father, and bitterness to her who bore him.

Proverbs 17:25

Navy eyes field reviews of pilot mishaps

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The fiery and deadly crash of an F-14 fighter jet by a pilot who apparently was showing off for his parents will prompt a tougher look at review boards, the Navy said.

Lt. Cmdr. John Stacy Bates became disoriented after a rapid, steep takeoff from Nashville's airport into a cloudy sky, said Rear Adm. Bernard Smith, who presented the results Friday of a 2½-month review.

Bates, 33, a co-pilot and three people on the ground died in the Jan. 29 crash.

Bates' "judgment was influenced by his parents' presence at the field and his desire to demonstrate other than a routine departure," the report said.

"Obviously, there was a lapse of judgment there, and it was uncharacteristic for this pilot to do something like that," Adm. Jeremy Boorda, the chief of naval operations, said in Washington. "I think we will learn the lessons from this and we will learn them very well."

The report also said that two other airmen had asked not to fly with him because of problems in the past.

The report blamed the crash on pilot error and said Bates was flying with the fighter's nose at more than 50 degrees, a steeper pitch than allowed by Navy flight rules.

The crash was one of three within a month involving fighters from Bates' home base in Miramar, Calif.

The Navy investigation report criticized Bates' outfit, VF213, which it said "has a very poor reputation among the naval aviation community."

Boorda said he has ordered a review of all the Navy's Field Naval Aviator Evaluation Boards — the field performance reviews convened usually after an aviator has a mishap or performance problem. The Navy typically conducts about 40 a year.

A key issue will be to make sure that pilots with good reputations but less than topnotch skills are not being cleared to fly, Boorda said.

Bates and radar intercept officer Graham Alden Higgins, 28, of Maine, died in the crash, as did Elmer and Ada Newsom, whose home was struck by the fighter, and Ewing Wair, who was visiting the Newsoms.

Members of the Newsom family who were briefed on the report before the news conference thanked the Navy for admitting its responsibility.



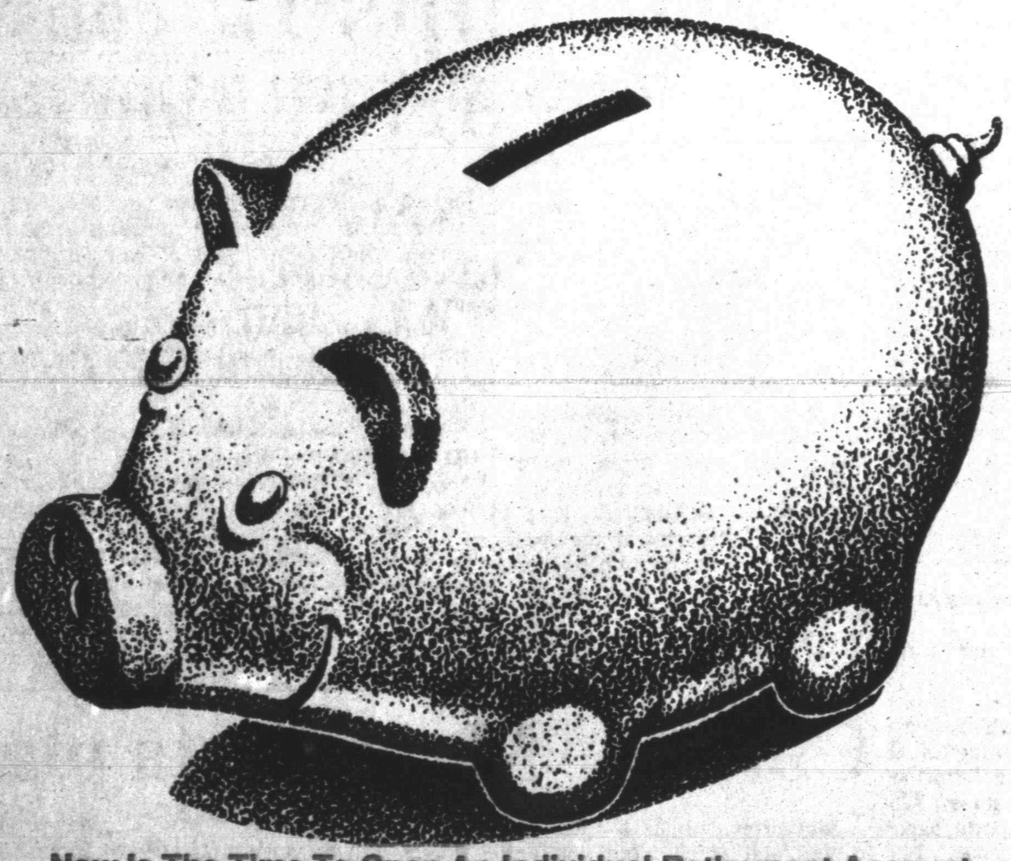
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RED BARN BAR-B-QUE — Doyce and Janet Nix are the owners of the Red Barn Bar-B-Que which they opened March 14. (SDN Staff Photo)

Doyce, Janet Nix open Red Barn Bar-B-Que

Doyce Nix, owner of Red Barn Bar-B-Que, has been in the barbecue business since 1977, having owned two other restaurants in Andrews and Colorado City.

Doyce and his wife, Janet, opened the Red Barn March 14 after closing the one in Colorado City.

"The location and building here were much better," Nix said. "Besides, we lived in Snyder and there was no need to drive back and forth."

The Red Barn offers a variety of barbecued meats including chicken, pork ribs, beef, hot links and German sausage and the sauce is homemade.

"We smoke all our meats with mesquite wood, and I make the barbecue sauce myself. I have been for years," Nix said.

Mr. and Mrs. Nix also make their potato salad and onion rings fresh.

"We have quite a reputation for our onion rings," Nix said.

The Red Barn's menu offers more than just barbecue. They also carry hamburgers, french fries, poorboys, club sandwiches and fried ham and cheese sandwiches.

"We needed a variety, a little more than just barbecue," Nix said.

Nix said he and his wife believe in quality products.

"If you start out with good quality you have a chance to end up with good quality. But if you start out with junk, you'll wind up with junk," he said.

Mr. and Mrs. Nix related a tale of some travelers from Long Island, N.Y. who had no idea how to order barbecue.

"They had never seen corn-on-the-cob, and they had to see the pit to know how the barbecue was cooked," Mr. and Mrs. Nix said. "They had no idea that anything like this existed in the world."

Customers can dine-in or carry out, and Nix said they try to serve a generous amount.

"We serve a good portion of food, so that no one goes away hungry," he said.

The Red Barn also offers catering to large and small parties and family and class reunions.

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Gonzales earns national awards

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Adrian Gonzales, Snyder Junior High School student, has been named a National Award winner in mathematics and history and government.

He is the son of Dolores and Elvira Gonzales of Snyder and Pablo and Eva Gonzales of Presidio.

W.J. Fuller SDN winner

W.J. Fuller of HC 72, Box 91, Ira is the March winner of a free year's subscription to the Snyder Daily News. Each month a drawing is held from the names of those who either subscribed or renewed their subscriptions.

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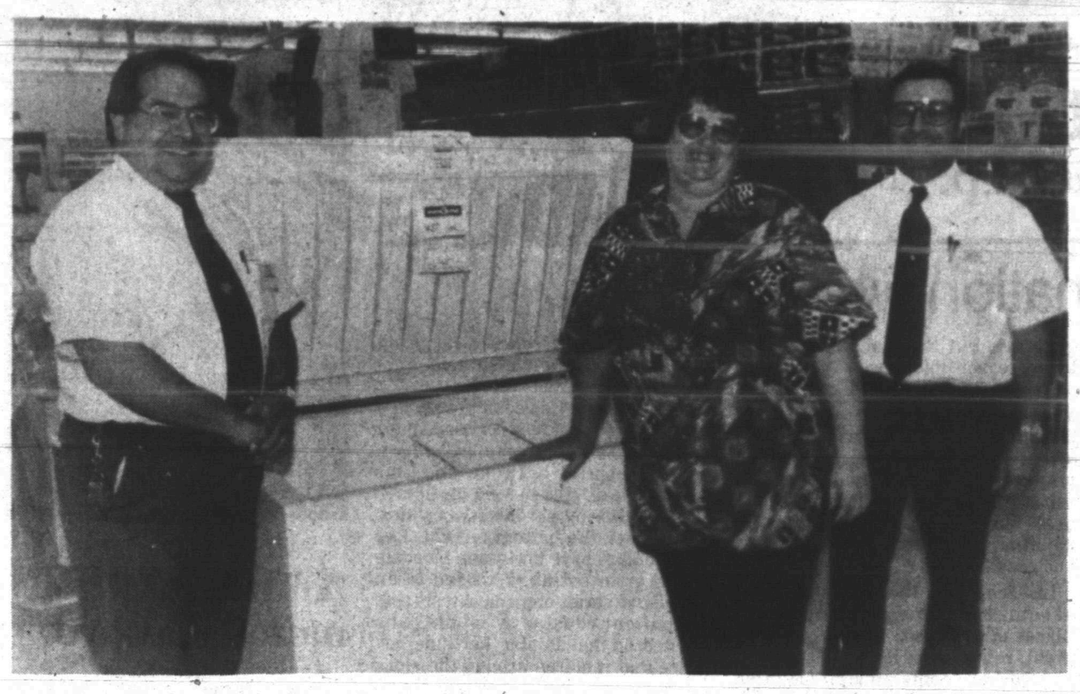
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Junior Olympics

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Students Wanting To Participate Should Sign-up Through Their Elementary School
Junior Olympics is a major fundraiser for grades K-6th.



COOL WINNER - Shirley Leatherwood was the lucky winner of a new food freezer given away by Lawrence IGA #400. Site manager C.R. Perez, left, and perishables manager Oscar Vargas made the presentation. (SDN Staff Photo)

Meat industry blames Mad Cow hysteria on politicians

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — Meeting in one of the world's beef capitals for a conference planned long before the mad cow crisis, leaders of the reeling meat industry tried to put a brave face on the future of beef.

But whenever talk turned to mad cows — and Britain's plans to destroy millions of cattle — they left no doubt about who they felt needed extermination: bungling politicians and reckless journalists.

Chris Oberst, president of the International Meat Confederation, accused the British government of "extraordinary naivete." He blamed it for spreading fears of a possible link between mad cow disease and a degenerative brain disease in humans.

"It's a case of mad politician disease," he told an audience of some 400 people, who sat patiently through 15 hours of slide shows and speeches this week on the marketing of beef, chicken and pork.

Oberst also blamed the news media, saying: "The tragedy isn't what happened, it's the way it's been reported."

John Huston, president of the U.S. National Cattlemen's Beef Association, agreed, saying: "The worst thing for me is this nickname 'mad cow' and the inevitable cartoons that have appeared since."

Topics at the International Meat Confederation's 11th World Congress ranged from "The Effects upon Meat Exporters after Changes in the New Zealand Economy" to "Foot and Mouth Disease in South America" and "Strategies to Capture Red Meat Consumers."

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Police defend role in raising money through false report

TORONTO (AP) — A woman parlayed a poignant tale of terminal illness and a purse-snatching into an $83,000 fund made up of donations from kind Canadians who were touched by her tale of woe.

Well-meaning police officers helped publicize the woman's purported plight after she claimed a mugger had stolen her last bit of cash and a bus ticket that her 7-year-old son was going to use to reach relatives after her imminent death from cancer.

At a packed news conference Friday, police said the 27-year-old woman, Donna Mercier, had invented the purse-snatching and did not have cancer. She has been charged with public mischief for making a false report and is due to appear in court May 2.

But officers insisted they did "a noble deed," saying they checked with four different doctors who indicated Mercier really was seriously ill with a potentially terminal kidney disease.

"I think the accused certainly owes the public an apology," said Superintendent Aiden Maher.

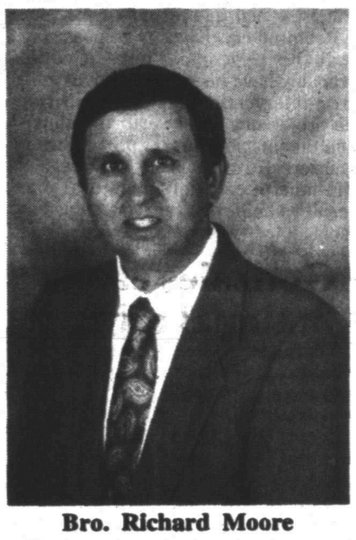
Revival at North College nears end

Spring revival at North College Avenue Baptist Church will conclude Sunday.

Sunday morning Bible study begins at 9:45 with worship to follow at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Everyone is invited.

Bro. Richard Moore, pastor of First Southern Baptist Church in Holtville, Calif. will preach. Bro. Steve Long, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Ira, will be the music leader.



Bro. Richard Moore

Wants to negotiate

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Morelos State Governor Jorge Carrillo Olea on Friday reiterated his offer to negotiate with townsfolk protesting plans for a massive golf course project in their community.



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Phil Collard is a graduate of Tascosa High, Amarillo, 1962, Abilene Christian University, 1966, School of Practical Evangelism Arlington, 1975, and is a counselor certified in Taylor-Johnson Testing, 1988. He has served as a minister in Brownwood, Canada, Stephenville, Lewisville, Cleburne, Hereford, and La Junta, CO, before becoming the pulpit minister for the Roscoe Church of Christ in 1994. He has participated in or directed 24 Campaigns for Christ in the United States, Canada and Africa. He has been involved in the community in city council, Rotary, Kiwanis, Volunteer Counselor for Alcoholics Anonymous, Coach and Administrator for youth sports organizations in football, baseball and basketball. He has been a local radio broadcaster of high school and college football and basketball games. He likes to lift weights and work out. He has been a speaker for high school and college baccalaureate services, and a member of locally structured "Like Big Brothers" program.

Phil is a family man as he and his wife, Beth, had one son, Brady, who was killed in a pole vaulting accident in 1991 at the age of 17, and another son, Landon, who is a student at Harding University, Searcy, Arkansas.

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As we bid farewell to Dr. Duane Hood, Dr. Mary Hood and Mickey Baird, I want to thank each of you for your help in starting Western Texas College.

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Bill Wilson Jr.

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Please indicate the type of items you are wanting picked up and schedule it for the day the dump trucks will be in your area. Have the items placed next to the curb, driveway, alley, leaving access for traffic. Small items must be placed in bags and stacked near the curb, driveway or alley. City personnel will not be allowed to go onto the property and into any structure to retrieve objects. Please keep brush in a separate pile from other items. Please keep appliances and metals in a pile separate from other items. Please be available to assist in loading the items. If you can't be available, indicate so when scheduling the dump truck. Tree limbs, lumber, etc. will need to be cut into pieces that can be easily handled by one person.

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Woman is killed by package bomb

PLANTATION, Fla. (AP) — A woman whose ex-husband had threatened to blow her up was killed as she opened a package bomb on her kitchen table.

The explosion also injured three children, including an 11-year-old neighbor who carried the parcel in from the front step.

Miledy Cartaya, 37, died instantly from the blast Friday, police said.

Her son, Michael, 13, suffered a cut on his hand and her daughter, Nicole, 9, had a lower back injury. Both were in good condition at a hospital. Eduardo Costa, the boy who found the bomb, was treated for minor injuries.

Cartaya's fiance, 25-year-old Carlos Barrios, also was treated for minor injuries. Two other people in the house escaped injury.

The bomb, which exploded in the back of the house, blew "the front doors wide open and off the hinges," said police Sgt. Mike Price.

The blast blew open French doors and knocked screens askew and littered the swimming pool with debris.

Police had warned Cartaya not to open unexpected packages after a pipe bomb was found on the hood of her car last month.

She had been involved in a yearlong dispute with her ex-husband, Dr. Ezequiel Cartaya, police said. During that time, she tried to get a restraining order against him and he threatened to blow her up, police said.



Happy 9th Birthday Tyler Thompson

Financial Focus

In December 1994, Orange County, Calif., declared bankruptcy. When the dust settled, the problem was attributed to improper investing of county funds. Most Americans were unaffected, but to holders of Orange County's tax-exempt bonds, it was bad news.

The Orange County debacle is a testimony to the adage, "Don't put all your eggs in one basket." It's still possible to enjoy the regular, tax-exempt income of municipal bonds. Just be careful to diversify your investment. Here are three ways to do so.

Buy bonds from a variety of municipalities. Municipal tax-exempt bonds are issued by a wide range of entities all over the country. However, many investors make the mistake of buying only bonds that are issued within their own state in order to enjoy freedom from federal and state taxes. In the case of a major default, such investors are overexposed to loss.

Avoid this possibility by buying bonds from different areas of the country. You may have to pay some state taxes on your income, but you greatly enhance your safety by diversification. For even more safety, buy tax-exempt bonds that are insured.

Buy bond trusts. When you buy a municipal bond unit trust, you're getting a piece of a portfolio of 10 or more different bond issues from around the country. The trust collects all income and principal that is returned from the bond issuers and distributes it to investors monthly, quarterly or semiannually.

Bonds within a unit trust are carefully selected by professional managers for safety and income. Individuals can invest as little as $1,000 and many unit trusts are insured. In fact, insured unit trusts that owned Orange County bonds continued to pay timely interest even after the bonds went into default.

Buy bond funds. The major difference between bond trusts and bond mutual funds is that after a bond trust purchases its bonds, no additional bonds are bought or sold for the trust. Mutual funds, on the other hand, regularly buy and sell bonds and replace those that mature. This means that income from bond funds can fluctuate. Income may increase if interest rates rise or decline if interest rates fall. Bond funds also offer the benefit of professional management, and bond fund shareholders have the option of reinvesting monthly dividends into more shares of the fund. The tax-exempt feature can increase the impact of compounding.

Remember, every investment involves some risk. One of the best ways to minimize risk is through diversification.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Is frequent urination worrisome?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 30-year-old male in good health. However, I'm concerned about the frequency with which I urinate. I go approximately 10 to 12 times a day. It's rare when I sleep through the night without having to get up to go. I've reduced my caffeine intake, which has helped a little, but wonder if I should still be concerned.

DEAR READER: Although frequent urination is usually the consequence of drinking excess fluid, it can also reflect a number of diseases, primarily diabetes, urinary infection and disorders of the pituitary gland. You may simply be drinking more liquids than your body needs and your kidneys are doing their job.

However, to be on the safe side, you should mention your symptoms to your doctor. If you've had an examination within the past year or two, he'll probably reassure you that nothing is wrong — and suggest that your monitor your intake of fluids.

Or, if he hasn't seen you in awhile, he might want to check you over, obtain a urinalysis and blood tests, and get a handle on the situation. I doubt that you need to be concerned about your frequent urination, but be prudent and bring the symptom to your family physician's attention.

To give you more information on one possible cause of your frequent urination, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Bladder and Urinary Tract Infections." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: How is lead poisoning transmitted into a person's body and how is it treated? I'm aware of the usual culprits like paint and gasoline, but there must be other things responsible as well.

DEAR READER: Lead poisoning is a serious and all-too-common medical condition that causes a wide range of symptoms. In children, excess lead produces vomiting, difficulty walking, seizures and coma. In adults, the mineral leads to headache, loss of appetite, abdominal pain, vomiting, and constipation.

Lead can enter the body from several sources, including leaded paint (flakes of which can be eaten by children), retention of lead objects (such as birdshot), contaminated food that is inappropriately stored in lead-glazed ceramic ware, smoke from the burning of lead-containing products, inhalation of vapors from leaded gasoline, and occupational exposure (primarily from unregulated cottage industries, such as lead-glazing).

Lead poisoning is diagnosed by blood tests.

Treatment consists of chelation, the administration of compounds — such as EDTA — that bind to lead in the body and accelerate its excretion. Of equal importance is reduction of exposure to continuing lead contamination.

In this country, the most common source of lead toxicity is old house paint. Thus, parents who live in old apartments or houses must make a special effort to protect their children by repainting with non-leaded latex paint.

Primitive cultures have often held surprises for us so-called sophisticates of the "developed" world, and no phenomenon has generated more interest than sudden, unexplained death. In many Third World societies, when a perfectly healthy adult is told (by the shaman or medicine man) that he is going to die, he does. And no one knows why. The tribal or clan members accept the curse as a valid reality of life.

Although most societies (our own included) have developed elaborate rituals, which may involve sacrifices, to negate a death curse, it continues to be an integral part of the social matrix. (Look, for example, at what happens to a person in our culture who is told that he has inoperable cancer.)

How is it, Western scientists ask, that a normal, non-diseased adult can just up and die?

This question was recently addressed by Dr. Bruce Robinson of the South Florida College of Medicine in Tampa, writing in the Nov. 15, 1995, Archives of Internal Medicine. Titled "Death by Destruction of Will," the article examines sudden death brought on by a collapse of the desire to live. This peculiarity is, according to Robinson, understandable, universal and much more common than we think.

In the report, Robinson describes a 93-year-old woman with increasing mental impairment, who was admitted to hospital because she was becoming less able to fend for herself at home. During her involuntary hospitalization, the bottom fell out. She was found to have low-grade bleeding from her intestine. This led to an exhaustive series of medical tests that the patient constantly fought. She insisted on maintaining her independence and required around-the-clock restraints.

After having been deprived of her free will, the woman suddenly became despondent and withdrawn. She said she was going to die "because God willed it." She seemed to abandon all hope. On the fifth hospital day, she was found without pulse or respiration. An autopsy failed to reveal the cause of death. The medical team "demonstrated no awareness of any potential link between the events of her treatment, her changes in affect and behavior, and her death."

Yet, Robinson insists, the probable cause is obvious: The woman lost the will to live. The medical institution effectively removed, from this heretofore independent and feisty patient, the desire to survive.

Scientific studies have repeatedly demonstrated that most living species will experience a paralysis of will when faced with a hopeless situation, forced immobilization or unremitting noxious stimuli, such as pain. In humans, the step-wise regression toward the destruction of will has been described as "anger, discomfort, resistance, fear, humiliation, demoralization, denial, and resignation."

Robinson concludes by emphasizing that the 93-year-old patient could probably have been helped by psychiatric intervention, the use of a sitter (in preference to physical restraints), and the judicious prescription of tranquilizers. He urges us not to disregard the mortal consequences that can result when physicians well trained in molecular biology and the science of disease do not appreciate the importance of the soul.

Ah, yes, the soul. It can't be measured or weighed. Its existence is questioned. However, who of us wouldn't agree that it is a quality, a presence, a component of life? Who will claim that all living creatures don't have it? Tough questions. But one thing is clear: Monkey around with the soul at your own peril.

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Amber Burt

Amber Burt gets national award

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Amber Burt, Snyder Junior High School student, has been named a United States National Award winner in history and government.

She is the daughter of Gary and Anita Burt and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Anderson of Snyder.

Justice Dept. has concerns about merger

WASHINGTON (AP) — A proposed $5.4 billion merger of two major U.S. railroads would reduce competition throughout the West and "may not be in the public interest," the Justice Department says.

The deal also would result in roughly $800 million in monopolistic price increases to consumers and shippers, the department's antitrust division argued in preliminary comments filed Friday with the federal Surface Transportation Board.

Union Pacific Corp. is seeking government approval for a plan to buy Southern Pacific Rail Corp. in a transaction it said would save the railroads more than $750 million annually and improve Western freight service.

The Texas Railroad Commission filed a similar opinion with the STB last month, calling for major divestitures by the new proposed conglomerate if the merger goes through.

Antitrust officials said the number of possible rail competitors would decline from two to one or from three to two in hundreds of markets because of the merger.

"Only through competition can consumers be assured of the best price," said Anne Bingaman, assistant attorney general in charge of the Justice Department's antitrust division.

"The department is concerned that this transaction will create monopolies or duopolies for crucial transportation services that industries and consumers depend upon throughout the U.S.," she said in a statement.

The three-member Surface Transportation Board has the final say on the deal and is expected to make a decision in August.

The Justice Department plans to file its final brief on the matter June 3, and the railroads will have an opportunity to respond to its concerns.

Marlon Brando meets with Jewish leaders

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Speaking at times in Yiddish, a tearful Marlon Brando apologized to Jewish leaders privately Friday for saying Hollywood is run by Jews who perpetuate ethnic stereotypes in movies.

"His basic reaction was that he never meant it to sound that way," Rabbi Marvin Hier, founder of the Simon Wiesenthal Center, told reporters at the center's Holocaust Museum.

"I told him it was important for him to tell it to the world," Hier said, adding that he's convinced Brando is no anti-Semite.

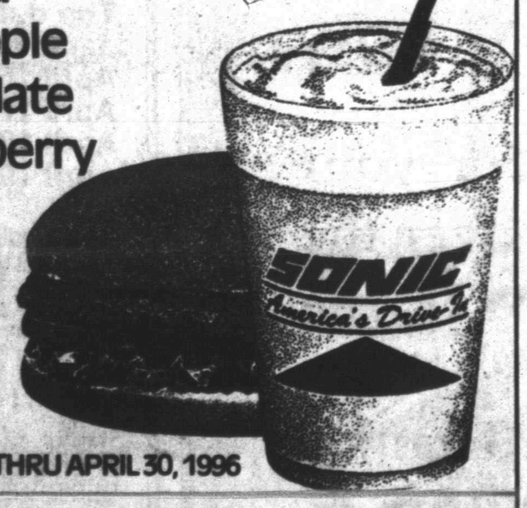
Brando, 72, the Oscar-winning star of "On The Waterfront" and "The Godfather," made his remarks on CNN's "Larry King Show" on April 5, prompting demands for an apology from numerous Jewish leaders.

"Hollywood is run by Jews," Brando told King. "It is owned by Jews and they should have a greater sensitivity about the issue of people who are suffering."

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BEST JUMPERS — East fourth graders in Melony Early's class earned the most money — $436.70 — during the school's jump rope for heart fund-raiser conducted last month. Students shown jumping are Bethany Clements, Sarah Crawford, Josh Kemp and Kyle Dortch. The school earned a total of $3,026. Monies benefit the Scurry County Heart Association. (SDN Staff Photo)



TOP THREE — These three East fourth graders earned the most money during the school's fund-raiser for the Scurry County Heart Association. The best jumpers during the jump rope for heart conducted last month are from left, Bradley Price, $145; Meagan Langham, $142; and Romana Escobedo, $130. Prizes included a jump rope, water bottle, sun shades and tee shirt. (SDN Staff Photo)

Gunman opens fire, killing one in abandoned restaurant

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — A sniper holed up in an abandoned, burning restaurant sprayed a busy shopping area with gunfire Friday, killing one person and wounding seven others before perishing in the flames.

More than 100 shots were fired from the shuttered Po' Folks Restaurant during the hourlong siege that forced motorists to crouch behind their cars and sent shoppers into nearby businesses for refuge.

At least four people were shot, one fatally, police said. The person who was killed has not been identified. Several other people suffered cuts from flying glass.

The unidentified gunman died in the fire. Police, working in a steady rain, pulled his body from the charred shell of the restaurant. Officers also recovered three automatic handguns among the debris.

Pamela Berry, a police reporter for The Clarion-Ledger newspaper, was in stable condition after undergoing surgery for a gunshot wound to the neck. Police said the wound was not life threatening.

Dan Davis, metro editor for the newspaper, said Berry had heard on her police scanner that there was a hostage situation.

"She was apparently fairly close, but we don't know where exactly she was. Another one of our reporters had called her on the cellular phone and she was shot while on the phone," Davis said.

Four women were treated for minor injuries at area hospitals and released.

Two young boys were also treated for gunshot wounds; one of them, James Lawson, 10, was hospitalized in stable condition with a wound to his lower left leg, a spokeswoman at Mississippi Baptist Medical Center said.

Police said the gunman apparently was barricaded inside Po' Folks Restaurant when he opened fire. No motive was given.

The boarded-up restaurant sits at the edge of a shopping center that also includes a large grocery store, a Wal-Mart and other businesses. The shopping center is popular with area residents and students from nearby Jackson State University.

"We put all the people back in the store because we have those big windows in front," said Mike Poff, assistant manager at Wal-Mart. "We didn't want anybody to get hurt."

A Pizza Hut next door to Po' Folks Restaurant was riddled with bullets, as were two police cars and private vehicles in the parking lot, police said.

Children at nearby Southside Assembly of God Church were huddled inside as the standoff unfolded.

"They're upset," said Pam Leggett, who watched with some other parents as a body wrapped in a sheet was taken away.

"They hurried us inside saying there was gunfire," said Alan Crawford, a parishioner at the church. "Our main concern was getting the kids in the day care back in the center of the building so they wouldn't get hit by any stray bullets."

Televangelist indicted

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas television evangelist W.V. Grant has been indicted on tax evasion charges and has been bargaining with prosecutors over a plea, television station WFAA reported.

Grant, head of Eagle's Nest Family Church in Oak Cliff, was indicted "several months ago," but a judge ordered that the case was ordered be kept, the station reported Friday night, quoting unnamed sources.

Bob Dole seeks meeting with Perot to ask for GOP support

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Even as he sharpens his focus on President Clinton, Bob Dole says he hopes to arrange a face-to-face meeting with Ross Perot soon to urge him to forgo another White House run and instead help the Republican ticket.

As he has campaigned in recent days, Dole has made the case repeatedly that Republicans are committed to most of Perot's reform agenda, from balancing the budget to lobbying reform and term limits for members of Congress.

"So help us — jump on the bandwagon," Dole said in a speech in Houston on Friday night. "If we want to change America, we need to change the occupant of the White House. It is that simple, Mr. Perot."

Perot is traveling the country building support for his new Reform Party, and has said he will serve as its presidential candidate if that is what the members want. In a CNN interview taped for showing Saturday, Perot was skeptical of Dole's recent overtures.

"I'm happy to meet with anybody anytime ... but if anybody's serious about meeting with me you'd think they'd give me a call, we'd set up a meeting, we'd have a quiet meeting," Perot said.

Dole has said he would like to speak to Perot "fairly soon" but has been too busy because of campaigning in primaries and his duties as Senate majority leader.

Speaking to reporters before an evening flight from Texas to Iowa, where he was campaigning Saturday, Dole said of a potential chat with Perot:

"I'd rather do it personally. We'll do it one of these days."

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Bringing you news of what has been happening on and off campus with WTC students, faculty, and staff, and providing you with some upcoming events for your calendar.

1996 *Aquifer* coming soon
The 1996 issue of WTC's literary magazine, *Aquifer*, will be available on campus the fourth week of April. Contributors are exclusively WTC student writers, artists, and photographers. This year's issue, the sixth, will lead off with a poem by Sandra Hall remembering the late Dr. Franklin Pruitt, and will contain a wide range of short stories, essays, poems, and drawings. In conjunction with the release of the *Aquifer*, WTC will present a reading by Lubbock poets Beverly Finch and Ted Genoways, joined by *Aquifer* contributors on Wednesday, April 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theater. The public is welcome.

Mr. and Miss WTC
Cody Smith of Aspermont and Tonya Diersing of Hamlin were named Mr. and Miss WTC for 1996. They were chosen from a group of 12 campus favorites, nominated by a campus-wide vote of the student body. The announcement was made at the recent spring formal.

Local Phi Theta Kappa chapter wins top award
WTC's Psi Zeta chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society recently won the top award at the regional convention, the right to represent District 1 as vice president. The chapter also received four other awards. The "Shots Across Texas" campaign brought in first place honors. The WTC chapter was named among the Top Ten chapters and selected for Five Star Chapter status. Also, the chapter yearbook was given honorable mention. In recognition of these efforts, the chapter received three scholarships for summer mini-honor seminars. In addition, Barbara Chapman received the Most Distinguished Member award, which is presented to only one member from the entire Texas-New Mexico region.

Cymbeline
Shakespeare's *Cymbeline* will be presented at WTC's Fine Arts Theater April 17 through 20 at 8:00 p.m.

Student Art Show
WTC student artists will display their work in the gallery of the Fine Arts Theater April 19 - May 6.

Rodeo
The WTC College Rodeo will be held at the Coliseum April 18 - 20.

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SPORTS

Snyder High golfers named all-district

Six Snyder High School Lady Tiger golfers were selected all-district this week.

Kayla Drain, Daysha Weaver and Julie Doolittle were named first team all-district while Alissa Wells, Keisha Gafford and Misty Williams were second team all-district recipients.

Drain was the district medalist with a five-round total of 433. Weaver was runner-up, two shots back with a 435.

On the boys' side, Carl Strelecki and Page Patterson were named first team all-district. James Pilgrim made the second team all-district.

Strelecki finished in second place in the medalist hunt with a 90-hole total, 387

Both the girls' and boys' teams will compete in the regional tournament on April 22-23 at the Riverside Golf Course in San Angelo.

SNYDER HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT GOLF RESULTS						
GIRLS						
Snyder A	Sweetwater	Frenship	Snyder	Levelland	Lamesa	Total
Kayla Drain	90	81	88	85	89	433
Daysha Weaver	86	90	87	84	88	435
Julie Doolittle	92	89	88	88	86	443
Keisha Gafford	91	82	95	95	91	454
Alissa Wells	89	91	85	96	94	455
Snyder B						
Misty Williams	99	85	92	100	97	473
Tamra Anderson	111	98	95	117	109	530
Stephanie Alderette	114	103	97	114	110	538
Adrienne McJimsey	111	102	106	115	107	541
Catrina Lopez				105	113	218
Vanessa Jones	102	97	88			287
Team Totals						
Snyder A	356	342	348	352	354	1,752
Frenship	424	408	380	393	382	1,987
Lamesa	405	399	403	385	429	2,021
Snyder B	423	382	372	434	423	2,034
Sweetwater	467	415	423	448	387	2,140
Levelland	497	463	467	445	429	2,301
BOYS						
Snyder A	Sweetwater	Frenship	Snyder	Levelland	Lamesa	Total
Carl Strelecki	75	81	79	76	76	387
Page Patterson	78	77	85	73	82	395
James Pilgrim	87	85	77	83	85	417
Nick Long	85	84	85	87	84	425
Matt Parker	88	90	88	85	84	435
Snyder B						
Shane Robinson	89	92	87	80	79	427
Troy Allen	85	93	86	80	87	431
Jacob Smith	82	88	87	86	91	434
John Purcell	93	92	89	82	81	437
Kraig Billingsley	89	90	92	86	86	442
Team Standings						
Lamesa	319	324	315	305	292	1,555
Snyder	325	333	326	317	322	1,623
Frenship	324	333	343	326	321	1,647
Sweetwater	352	335	344	318	338	1,687
Levelland	345	348	340	327	334	1,694
Snyder B	345	354	349	328	332	1,708



REGIONAL BOUND--The Snyder High School golf teams will be going to San Angelo for the regional golf tournament, April 22-23, at the Riverside Golf Course. The girls' team (above) won the district by 235 strokes. Team members are (L to R) Daysha Weaver, Julie Doolittle, Kayla Drain, Coach Matt Glenn, Alissa Wells and Keisha Gafford. Five golfers will qualify from the boys' team. Competing for the spots are bottom row, Glenn, Jacob Smith, Troy Allen and Nick Long. Top row Shane Robinson, Matt Parker, Carl Strelecki, James Pilgrim and Page Patterson. (SDN Staff Photos by Brent Taylor)

Ira Bulldogs place at district meet

Wade Wiggins from Ira High School took first in the 110 high hurdles during the district track meet held Thursday in Klondike.

Wiggins ran a 15.2. In addition to the hurdles, Wiggins finished fourth in the 200 meter and fifth in the 100 meter. In the long jump, Wiggins leaped 18¾, good for sixth place.

In the shot, Oceil Castillon finished third with a put of 41¼.

On the girls' side, the 400 meter relay team, made up of Alissa Goolsby, Terri Robinson, Brooke Wilkins and Marsha Martin, finished sixth.

The 800 meter relay was fifth. The team consisted of Goolsby, Martin, Sarah Murlin and Wilkins.

Wilkins was sixth in the 300 meter hurdles while Robinson was sixth in the triple jump.

Tigers blow by Golder Tors, 8-2

LAMESA—Clay Berryman picked up win number 11 on the year for the Snyder Tigers as they upended the Lamesa Golden Tors, 8-2, Friday in District 5-4A baseball action.

Berryman, who does have two losses, allowed Lamesa to get two runs on six hits, struck out five and walked two.

The Tiger bats came alive with 11 hits which allowed the eight runs, including a solo home run by Gene Pollard in the fifth and a triple by Bryant Roberson in the third.

Ty Estes had what turned out to be the game-winning RBI in the fourth on a double to left, scoring David Smith for the third run of the game.

Roberson had a two run RBI double in the seventh and later in the same inning, Patrick Cumbie slammed a double to score Pollard.

The Tigers scored the first run of the game in the third, added two more in the fourth before getting one more in the fifth. Lamesa trailed, 5-0, going into the bottom of the fifth, but got on the scoreboard on a two-run homer.

Snyder erupted for four runs in the top of the seventh and got the Golden Tors, three up, three down in the bottom half of the inning.

Snyder improves to 4-1 in league play, 17-8 for the season while Lamesa is still looking for its first win in loop play. Lamesa is 6-14 for the year.

In one other district game played Friday, Frenship knocked off Estacado, 8-6. Sweetwater was to play Levelland Saturday afternoon.

Next up for Snyder will be Levelland at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday night at Moffett Field.

SNYDER 8, LAMESA 2									
Snyder	001	210	4	—	8	11	2		
Lamesa	000	020	0	—	2	6	2		

Berryman and Gard. WP-Berryman (11-2) 2B- Roberson, Cumbie, Beck, Estes. 3B- Roberson. HR- Pollard. Records: Snyder 17-8, 4-1, Lamesa 6-14, 0-5.

DISTRICT 5-AAAA STANDINGS

BASEBALL

Team	District W	L	Pct	Season W	L	T	Pct
Frenship	4	0	1.000	6	12		.333
Snyder	4	1	.800	17	'8		.680
Estacado	3	2	.600	7	15		.318
Sweetwater	1	2	.333	4	14		.222
Levelland	1	3	.250	12	9		.571
Lamesa	0	5	.000	6	14		.300

Tuesday's Games: Frenship 11, Snyder 5; Estacado 6, Sweetwater 0; Levelland 9, Lamesa 5.

Friday's Games: Snyder 8, Lamesa 2; Frenship 8, Estacado 6.

Saturday's Game: Sweetwater at Levelland, 1 p.m.



Snyder High tennis players reach finals in district meet

Salvador Aguirre crusied into the finals of the District 5-4A tennis tournament Friday with two, two set wins.

Aguirre, a senior, had a first round bye before defeating Estacado's Emilo Hernandez, 7-5, 6-3. Aguirre then knocked off Josh Thompson from Lamesa, 6-4, 6-0.

In the finals Saturday, Aguirre was to play Josh Addison from Lamesa.

"Salvador is one of the hardest workers I've seen," said coach Chad Redwine. "He is an extremely smart player who will look for weaknesses in opponents and adapt his game to his opponent's play."

Anthony Martinez won two matches including a quarterfinal match, but was knocked out in semifinals. Martinez opened up with a three set win over Lee Hernandez from Estacado, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3. In the quarterfinals, Hernandez came out on top of William Daugherty of Levelland in straight sets, 6-0, 6-1.

In the semifinals, Martinez was defeated by Josh Addison from Lamesa, 6-0, 6-1. Martinez was to play for third Saturday against Josh Thompson.

The doubles team of Jason Crow and Jaime Juarez were to play in the finals Saturday. After receiving a first round bye, they defeated Neff and Peace of Frenship, 6-3, 6-2. The twosome reached the finals with a 6-3, 7-5 win over Chien and Garcia of Lamesa.

One other doubles team made it to the quarterfinals before being elimanated. Todd Hall and Bryan Gibson defeated Brandon and Maxwell of Lamesa, 6-2, 6-0, before losing to Gonzales and Lawson of Levelland, 6-1, 6-2.

The girls' doubles team of Laura Gonzales and Michelle Spencer were to play in the finals. They received a bye in the first round before defeating Urnosky and Rector of Frenship, 6-0, 6-0 in the quarterfianls. In the semifinals, it took three sets to defeat Pitts and Rush of Levelland, 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Gonzales and Spencer were to meet Lewis and Pennington of Sweetwater in the finals.

"I'm happy for these girls, but do not want to get excited until the finals are played," said Redwine.

Two freshman, Vicki Vargas and Lidia Rodriguez defeated Farmer and Aldin of Frenship, 6-4, 7-5, but lost to Barbee and Polk of Levelland, 6-0, 6-2.

In girls' singles, Angela Sanchez lost to Cammy Kinney of Lamesa, 6-4, 7-5, and Cynthia Fennell lost to Andrea Grnett from Lamesa, 6-0, 6-0.

"Regardless of how things turn out Saturday, this has been a very good year for both team and individuals" Redwine said. "Tennis starts earlier than any other sport and runs longer then any sport. The kids have worked hard all year long."

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Joshua Friday in Brownwood...

SPORTS

Lady Tigers district champs with win over Mustangs

It was a seven-run first inning for the Lady Tigers from Snyder High School Friday as they clinched the District 5-4A softball championship with a 9-3 victory over the Lady Mustangs from Sweetwater.

Snyder will represent the district as the top seed in the state playoffs while Sweetwater will be number two.

The Lady Tigers will meet Joshua in the bi-district round, Friday at 6 p.m. in Brownwood. Sweetwater will take on Brownwood 30 minutes after the Snyder-Joshua game.

After setting the side down in order in the top of the first, Snyder erupted as seven of the first eight batters came around to score.

"We sort of dictated the outcome early," said a wet coach Billy Hicks who received an ice water dousing after the game. "We jumped out on them early and played pretty good defense."

Jodi White led off the inning with a single to left. Mendy Winter followed with another single. With two runners on, Joanie Wemken singled to left, driving in two runs.

Raechele Wemken then got on base with an error on the left fielder. Connie Payne singled to load the bases before the big shot of the night.

Senior Adrienne Bailey stroked a shot to the right-center field fence and did not stop running until she crossed home plate for an inside the park grand slam.

Julie Lang flied out to short for the first out, but Sharon Gulseth doubled to get on base. Shawn Purcell then popped out to the first baseman for the second out.

Batting for the second time in the inning, White singled to score Gulseth before Winter flied out to center to end the inning.

For the next three innings, the score would remain 7-0, but Sweetwater broke up the shutout by scoring two in the top of the fifth. The Lady Tigers would answer the two runs in the bottom of the fifth.

Lochie Applin flied out to open the inning and Gulseth grounded out for out number two. Purcell then got on with an error on the shortstop.

White, who went three for four, singled to left before Winter walked. J. Wemken then got on with an error on the shortstop which allowed Purcell and White to score.

The Lady Mustangs would score one more in the top of the seventh, but that was not enough as Snyder took the district crown.

Freshman Brittany Drummond threw three innings of perfect ball, until Sweetwater got a hit in the fourth. For the night, Drummond allowed three runs on five hits, struck out four and walked one.

Snyder came up with nine runs on 12 hits. If there was a down spot for the Lady Tigers, it would have to be in the error department where Snyder committed five. Sweetwater had seven miscues.

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WTC rodeo reach finals at NMJC

HOBBS, N.M. — Western Texas sophomore Shawn Minor outseated freshman teammate Lance Gaillard to take over first place in the saddle bronc at the New Mexico Junior College NIRA Rodeo.

Minor posted a 75 Friday night to knock Gaillard and his 74 into second place. WTC's Jeff Decker is in sixth place with a 68 and Pete Ellis is in eighth with a 66.

The top 10 cowboys and cowgirls in each event qualify for Saturday evening's short-go.

While Minor took over the top spot in the saddle bronc, he saw his second place standing in the bareback fall to a tie for fifth with teammate Cody Fry. Both have posted 68s.

Joe Moody moved into fourth place in the calf roping with a 10.3 and Kevin Johnson is fifth with a 10.8 time. Team ropers Chad Pelster and Travis Correll are sitting fifth in that event with a 7.7. Pelster and Todd Loesch are seventh with an 8.3.

WTC results in women's competition show Emily Schaffer in second place in the goat tying with an 8.5-second run. Tona Wright posted a run of 9-flat.

In the breakaway, Dayna Doyle is locked in a three-way tie for second place that includes teammate KayCeed Pluggee. Both clocked in at 3.1. Chasity Rickman is in sixth with a 3.7.

Jamie Stewart's 17.1-second effort in the barrels was standing fourth in that event.

SDN SPORTS WEEK

BASEBALL

Monday: Snyder JV at Levelland, 4:30
Snyder 9th at Abilene High, 6:30

Tuesday: Levelland at Snyder, 7:30
Hermleigh at Ira, 5:00

Saturday: Snyder at Estacado, 1:00
Loraine at Snyder JV, 3:00
Loraine at Snyder 9th, 12:00

SOFTBALL

Tuesday: Snyder at Coahoma, 5:00

Friday: Bi-District Playoff
Snyder vs. Joshua, in Brownwood 6:00

GOLF

Monday: Western Texas College MGA, 6:00

Tuesday: Snyder Country Club WGA, 9:00
(Queen of the Hill)

Thursday: Snyder Country Club MGA, 5:30

Sunday-Tuesday: WTC at State JUCO Championship Tournament, Garden Valley Golf Resort, Tyler, Tx.

TRACK

Friday-Saturday: Regional Qualifier in Odessa

RODEO

Thursday-Sunday: Western Texas College Rodeo, Scurry County Coliseum

TAYLOR MADE

By Brent Taylor Sports Editor

Congratulations go to Bernard "Boxie" Weems who was inducted into the McMurry University Athletic Hall of Honor Saturday.

Boxie was a coach when I was a seventh grader at Lamar Junior High, and also my eighth grade year when Travis and Lamar merged to become Snyder Junior High, but I never had the pleasure of having him as one of my coaches. I'm sure I missed out.

Boxie brought by the office a copy of the letter he sent to McMurry with information about his playing days and coaching career.

I don't have room to put all of it in, but let me share a few things that stood out to me after reading it.

He started out by writing, "I entered McMurry College in the fall of 1950 as a wide-eyed, 230 pound, football tackle, ready and willing to take on the world. I left McMurry College in August, 1954, as a mature man, with enough knowledge to know what I didn't know, and enough sense to give my coaches and instructors credit for their help and encouragement. I have always been proud of my association with McMurry and the background it afforded me in my chosen field of education."

He goes on to talk about some of his coaches and players, including a tackle named W.T. Stapler.

Being a grad of Abilene Christian University, I thought this was interesting. "My biggest disappointment, ever, in playing football was not beating Abilene Christian College during my four years at McMurry. My father had wanted me to attend A.C.C., but I liked Coach Moore; so I went to McMurry, and the rest is history. McMurry won the year before I entered and the year after I graduated, but never while I was playing. My dad never let me forget it."

Just goes to show, a Wildcat is sometimes tougher than an Indian.

He closes the letter by saying, "Since you probably were not born when I attended McMurry, I am enclosing some clippings, just for your information. Maybe you will get some sort of idea about who I was at that time. At this time in my life, I am old, fat, bald and gray, but also healthy, happy and non-athletic!

My family always came first with me, then all the students that I taught and coached over the years took up the rest of my time. I was always available at anytime for them, and I believe that they all knew that.

When you put your life down on paper, it doesn't add up to much, but I have had a good and healthy life. When students call or come by and tell me how much I influenced their lives, that is enough reward for all those years of teaching and coaching. This always makes me feel like I did accomplish a little after all."

Chuck Bednarik of the Philadelphia Eagles was named All-Pro as both a center and a linebacker.

In 17 seasons as coach of the Cleveland Browns, only once did Paul Brown finish below .500 for the season.

LOCAL SPORTS BRIEFS

SHS all-sports banquet

The annual Snyder High School all-sports banquet will be at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, in the First Baptist Church activities center.

Athletes for SHS will be recognized by their coaches. Tickets are $5 for everyone, except varsity athletes who will get in free. Athletes are asked to pick up their tickets from Kathy Parker at the high school.

Family members of the athletes and school personal are invited to attend.

SISD Junior Olympics

The Junior Olympics for Snyder schools will be April 20 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Tiger Stadium.

Students in kindergarten through sixth grade can participate in softball throw, broad jump, 50, 100, 200 and 400 yard dashes, buddy shuttle and relays for fourth, fifth and sixth grades only.

Students wanting to participate should sign up through their elementary school

Outsiders basketball tourney

Hermleigh High School is sponsoring an outsiders basketball tournament to help raise money for the senior class.

The tournament will be Friday and Saturday, April 26-27. A 10-man roster will be required for the double-elimination event. Entry fee will be $100 per team with a deadline of April 18.

For more information contact Chip Roemisch at 863-2241, Tammie Holder at 863-2314 or Hermleigh High School at 863-2451. Entries may be mailed to the school at 1026 School Ave., Hermleigh, Tx. 79526

Indios softball tourney

The Indios softball tournament will be held April 26-29 at the Stanton softball field. Deadline to enter is April 24.

Entry fee is $110 and team trophies will be given to the top four teams. First and second place teams will receive T-shirts.

For more information, call Fred at (915) 756-2326 or Pablo at (915) 263-3210.

Cinco De Mayo tourney

The first annual Cinco De Mayo men's slowpitch softball tournament will be held May 4-5 at Winston Park.

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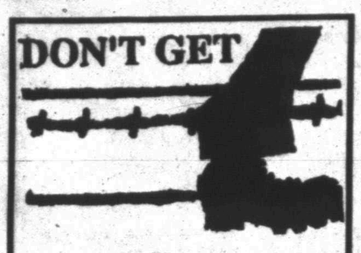
Police chief, wife in accident

HOUSTON (AP) — A utility vehicle carrying Police Chief Sam Nuchia and his wife flipped over on a highway Friday and briefly caught fire.

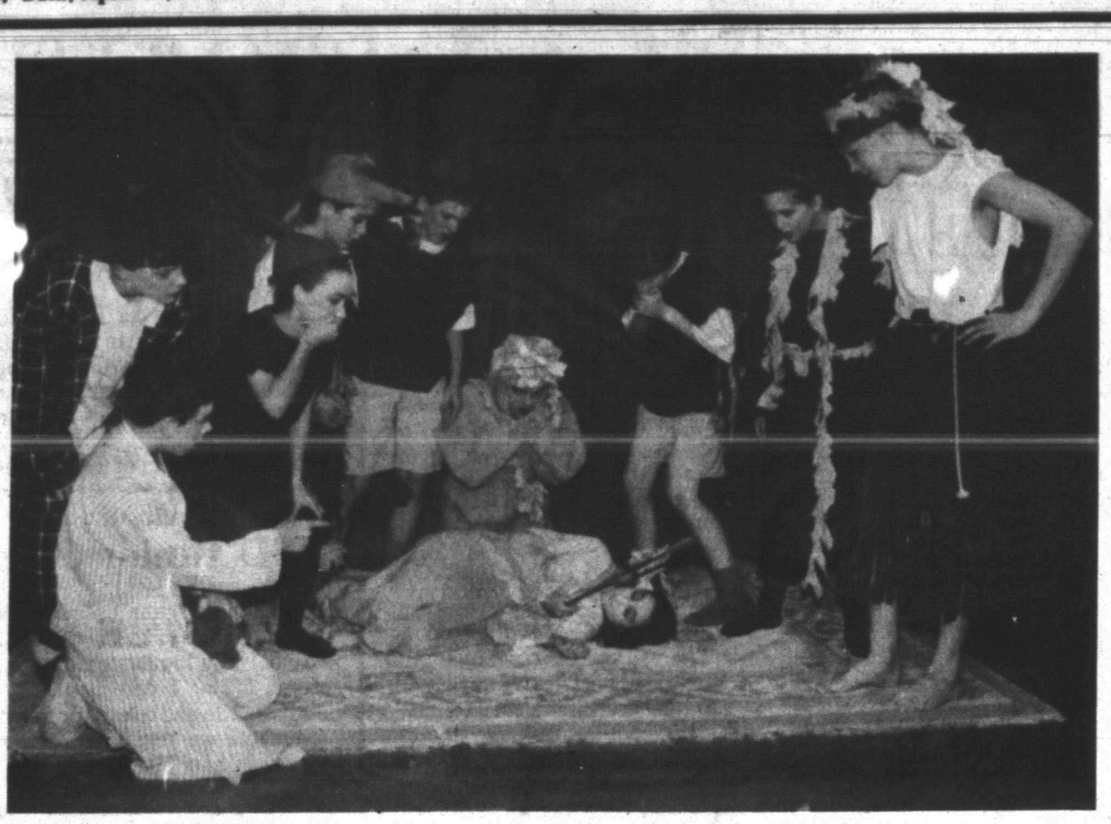
Nuchia escaped serious injury in the 3:47 p.m. accident in the westbound lane of U.S. 290, in front of Cypress-Fairbanks High School, northwest of Houston.

However, his wife, Elizabeth Nuchia, was treated at Cypress-Fairbanks Medical Center. She was not expected to be admitted, said hospital spokeswoman Sheena Cafari.

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THE LOST BOYS — These lost boys all have parts in Snyder Junior High School's "Peter Pan" production planned for April 18-20. Lindsey Bunch as Wendy is shown at center. The boys are from left, Colby Stoker, Kevin Taylor, Tara Price, Zach Allred, Jessie Haines, Crissida Tyler, Josh Heather, Leslie Hancock and Brandon McCraw. (SDN Staff Photo)

Civic group rapped for revoking scholarship

HOUSTON (AP) — A civic group has revoked a $10,000 scholarship from a Vietnamese-born student, saying the teen-ager was not eligible for the award because she is not a U.S. citizen.

The move has angered minority groups which say the citizenship requirement unfairly targets immigrants.

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo said the student's non-citizenship status was not noticed until after she won the award in February.

Glenda Joe, a spokeswoman for the Council of Asian American Organizations, said enforcement of the policy appeared to be directed toward immigrants.

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PETER PAN AND WENDY — Tara Price as Peter Pan and Lindsey Bunch as Wendy are two of the many characters appearing in Snyder Junior High School's production of "Peter Pan," the popular musical slated April 18-20. (SDN Staff Photo)

SJHS will present 'Peter Pan' musical

Snyder Junior High School's drama and choir departments will stage "Peter Pan," April 18-20 as their spring musical.

This original production of "Peter Pan" is based on the play by James M. Barrie.

Tara Price will portray Peter Pan. Other cast members include Lindsey Bunch as Wendy; Kevin Taylor as John; and Colby Stocker as Michael.

Other players are Stacey Olsen as Nana; Leslye Starnes as Mrs. Darling and Corey Knipe as Mr. Darling.

The lost boys include Leslie Hancock as Slightly; Crissida Tyler as Tootles; Brandon McCraw as Curly; Zach Allred as Nibs; Jessie Haines as the first twin and Josh Heaton as the second twin.

Kade Kubena has the role of Captain Hook and Amy Brooks will play Smee. Other pirates include Brandon Bolding, Audra Lilly, Kara Babcock, Lyndell Lee, Kim Moore, Michael Qualls and Kayla Phillips.

Michael Arbuckle will serve as the crocodile. Janette Allen will be Tiger Lilly. Other Indians include Claire Cotton, Jennifer Bryan, Kelley Garner, Rina Geiger, Lindsey Ornelas, Tiffany Sutter, Kristen York, Rebecca West and Joselyn Jones.

Elizabeth Brown will be starring as Wendy Grown-up. Jessica Bradshaw will play her daughter, Jane. Tinkerbell will be played by Wade Ashby and Laura Canada.

Crew members include Mandy Chambers, Missy Hicks, Deidra Gobel and April Whittenburg, all managing props. Kelly Garner, Janette Allen, Sherry Townsend, Tyronzia Brandon, all makeup.

Other include Alicia Wittie, Melinda Langham and Ashley Baremore, costumes; Seth Wood, Laura Greenwood, Holly Sawyer, Stephanie Rawls, Tiffanie Moore and Tera Kincaid helping backstage.

Jessica Dea serves as the stage manager. Leslye Starnes will be the assistant stage manager. Starnes and Dea will also be the publicity managers.

Directors are Janeen Patterson and Marci Dennis.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, April 14, 1996

You might reap impressive benefits in the year ahead through your involvement in creative projects. Utilize your resources, talents and contacts to the fullest extent possible.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) An impressive objective can be achieved today, but you must first let the people who can help know what you expect from them and what they can expect from you. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A new development that has commanded your attention will have even more potential than you suspect. Before you drift off course, re-evaluate the situation.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You will have the greatest amount of good luck today in a situation that is out of your hands. Chance will play a role in this new experience.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Take the time to make sensible decisions today, but once you've made a judgment, don't vacillate. Your evaluation will be sound, so have a little faith.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Today joint-venture agreements could provide the best opportunities for success. An effective ally and a little luck will prove a winning combination.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today an associate may help to advance your career. This person has a great deal of clout and he or she has done several favors for you already.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you possess the determination to see an important matter through to conclusion today, you'll get the results you desire. Press onward and upward.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You will receive greater rewards if you assist others instead of just serving your own interests and ambitions today. Try to help those in need.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Conditions pertaining to your financial affairs will continue to be favorable. You may find a new way to expand on a current project.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You might hear some good news today. This information will pertain to a matter that affects you in a variety of ways.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You will have more control over today's developments than you might think. However, you must assert yourself in situations in which boldness is required.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today you may be in line to receive something substantial. Even though your wish will probably be granted, it might not occur as you anticipated.

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Date Book

April 13, 1996

Today is the 104th day of 1996 and the 25th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1970, an explosion occurred aboard Apollo 13, forcing the crew to abort their planned moon landing and return to Earth.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826), U.S. president; F.W. Woolworth (1852-1919), merchant; Samuel Beckett (1906-1989), playwright; Eudora Welty (1909-), writer, is 87; Howard Keel (1917-), actor, is 79; Lanford Wilson (1937-), playwright, is 59; Al Green (1946-), singer, is 50.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1984, Pete Rose became the second player in major-league history to get 4,000 hits.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I hold it that a little rebellion now and then is a good thing, and as necessary in the political world as storms in the physical." — Thomas Jefferson

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1977, a sunny, 90-degree afternoon in Wakefield, Va., was interrupted by a large dust devil that caused $3,000 in damage.

SOURCE: 1996 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (April 10) and new moon (April 17).

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April 14, 1996

Today is the 105th day of 1996 and the 26th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1865, President Abraham Lincoln was shot at Ford's Theater in Washington, D.C.; he died the following morning.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Arnold Toynbee (1889-1975), historian; John Gielgud (1904-), actor, is 92; Rod Steiger (1925-), actor, is 71; Bradford Dillman (1930-), actor, is 66; Julie Christie (1940-), actress, is 56; Pete Rose (1941-), baseball great, is 55.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1910, President William Howard Taft became the first president to throw out the first ball on baseball's opening day in Washington.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "America is a large, friendly dog in a very small room. Every time it wags its tail it knocks over a chair." — Arnold Toynbee

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1935, dust storms created drifts up to 9 feet high in Colorado and New Mexico.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (April 10) and new moon (April 17).

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Your Birthday

Monday, April 15, 1996

In the year ahead, try to separate business contacts from social acquaintances. You can enjoy good times with each group, provided they don't overlap.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your judgment regarding career situations could be faulty today. You might think you have a distinct advantage when the opposite might be true. Major changes are ahead for Aries in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You will have many opportunities today, but there's a chance you might not know how to use them appropriately in regard to your personal relationships.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Take extra care in your financial affairs today, especially when friends are involved. Do not do anything that could cause them to question your motives.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Even though you will have the ability to assess situations accurately today, you still might make decisions that will not serve your best interests.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Joint endeavors must be managed with extreme skill today. If something goes awry between you and your associates, it will be hard to resolve.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Questionable judgment could result in some miscalculations today. Unfortunately, you may compound the situation by seeking counsel from inept advisers.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today, do not put faith in people who have disappointed you in the past. You will want to believe that they have changed, but in reality, they have not.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Try to be conscientious and dependable today regarding your duties and responsibilities. Do not let anything slip through the cracks.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Guard against the inclination to take risks today. You may be tempted to take a chance on something you do not understand.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Strive to be self-sufficient today. Do not attempt to manipulate associates and make them do things that you know you should take care of yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Try not to make any moves that could weaken your financial position today. Do not incur new debts until you have cleared up all old obligations.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You will lose money today if you manage your resources in an impractical manner. Do not do anything absurd, such as asking a fox to watch your hen house.

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The average grizzly bear can run as fast as the average horse.

Spring, sunspots, La Nina blamed for temperatures

DALLAS (AP) — OK, Mr. Weatherman, skip all the meteorological gobbledygook and give it to us straight.

What's the deal with the weather?

First it's hot. Then it's cold. Then it's warm. Then it's colder.

And on top of that, Texas is as dry as a mouth full of cotton in a dentist's office, while last year at this time the state was plagued with thunder and hail storms, tornadoes and floods.

Simple, says meteorologist Joe Harris of the National Weather Service.

"The temperature swings are just part of spring — you go from summer-like conditions back to winter. You'll see 85 degrees ... and then temperatures drop back into the 20s and 30s," Harris said.

"The other has to with 'La Nina.'"

La what?

Harris said conditions that often coincide with droughts are present, including a La Nina, a cold ocean current in the Pacific.

La Nina causes high-pressure systems that weaken storms or divert them from the central United States. It's the opposite of the El Nino system that sometimes funnels storms through the central part of the country, such as last spring's heavy rains.

The last La Nina occurred in 1988. The last El Nino ended in 1995.

Texas began drying up last fall. But folks didn't really start taking notice until early this year, when tinderbox conditions caused grass fires to pop up across the state.

Since January, about 3,000 separate blazes have consumed nearly 200,000 acres, about 10 times as much land as all of last year, officials with the State Division of Emergency Management said.

Those acres represent an area nearly the size of Dallas.

Some areas of the state are so dry that farmers can't plant crops.

Normally, Dallas receives an average of 15.64 inches of precipitation from October through April 11, said Patrick Eynon, a meteorologist with WeatherData, a private forecasting service based in Wichita, Kan.

The area has received just 8.63 inches from October 1995 through April 11 this year, he said.

San Antonio has received just 3.10 inches, compared to 13.11 inches on average for the same period.

But La Nina conditions alone don't signal a drought, experts say, adding that out of the last 10 years of La Nina conditions, only four produced droughts.

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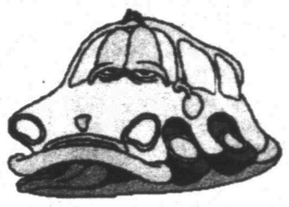


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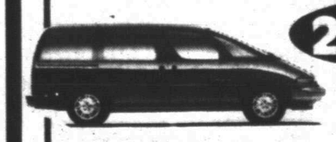
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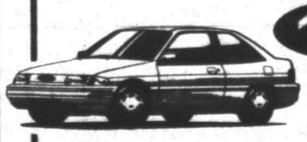
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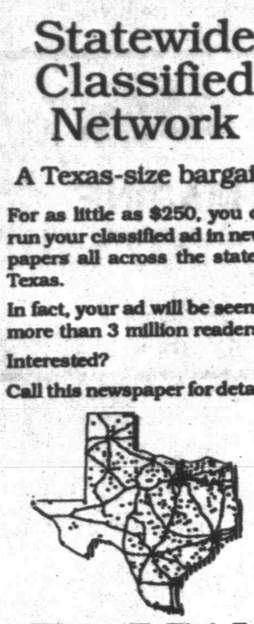
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•Playground
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Equal Housing Opportunity

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$100 OFF 1ST MONTH RENT
*Large 1 & 2 Bedroom
*G.E. Appliances *Frost-free Refrigerator
*Swimming Pool *Laundry Facilities
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2 bd., water furnished $150 mo., $30 dp.
2 bd., all bills paid $225 mo., $30 dp.
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330 HOUSES FOR RENT

3 bd., 2 bth., CH/A, DW, new carpet & paint, immaculate, 1400 sq. ft. west side, $600 mo. lease. 573-1199.

AVAILABLE MAY 15: 3 bd., 1 bth., $350 mo., East Elementary, CH/A, redecorated, new carpet. 573-5627.

FOR RENT: 2 bedroom, 1 bath, CH/A, references required, damage deposit required. Call 573-9047.

HOUSE FOR RENT: 2 bd., ice box, stove, some furniture, 2707 Ave. H. 573-5306.

NEAT 3 bd., 2900 42nd St. Near all schools, $350 mo. Call 573-2649 before 6 p.m.

NEAT 3 bedroom house, panel heating, appliances, 1610 27th St. $300 month. 573-0455.

335 MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT

AVAILABLE APRIL 15: 3 bd., 2 bth., mobile home, 2011 Moncrief, $375 mo. $150 deposit. 573-8715.

Plant a classified ad... and reap a cash crop.
573-5486

340 MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE

A Approval Hot Line! The Credit Specialists. 915-363-8963, 1-800-725-0881.

ABANDONED DOUBLEWIDE!! 1-915-363-0881.

DEALER LOSS!! Our loss is your Gain in 1995 homes that are priced to go. Must See. Doulbewides and singlewides, 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Take adyantage of low prices and gain instant equity. Homes of America, Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881, 1-800-725-0881.

NEW FLEETWOOD! 16x80 3 bedroom, 2 bath, storm windows, extra large utility room, separate dining area, and microwave cabinet. $241.93 per month, 240 months, 9.25% V.A.R. A.P.R. $1,390.00 down. Homes of America, Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881, 1-800-725-0881.

ONLY ONE LEFT! 16 wide 3 bedroom, 2 bath, storm windows, 25 oz. stain resistant carpet. Must see. $1,150.00 down, $199.70 per months, 240 months, 9.25% V.A.R. A.P.R. Homes of America, Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881, 1-800-725-0881.

REPO!! Only one like this on the lot! Front kitchen, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, with A/C, hardboard siding. $5,900.00 and you can own this nice mobile home. Homes of America, Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881, 1-800-725-0881.

Vacant Mobile Home. 550-4033.

Why rent when you can buy! New Redman doublewide 3 bedroom, 2 bath, stain resistant carpet with extra thick pad, deluxe kitchen with lots of cabinets, curtains through-out, storm door, with 12 inch eaves. $293.44 per month, $1,750.00 down, 240 months, 9.25% V.A.R. A.P.R. Homes of America, Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881, 1-800-725-0881.

WOW!! 1996 Doublewide $229.72 per month, built-in stereo, upgrade carpet, ceiling fan, zone 11 insulation, storm windows. 360 months, 8.75% V.A.R. A.P.R. $1,700.00 down. Homes of America, Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881, 1-800-725-0881.

351 GAS, OIL, MINERALS

WANT TO PURCHASE: Minerals and other oil/gas interests. Send details to: P.O. Box 13557, Denver, Co. 80201.

WELDING, R.V. REPAIR, METAL SHOP, AND FRAME ALIGNMENT EQUIPMENT
AUCTION
Saturday, April 20, 1996 — Sale Time 10:00 a.m.
PREVIEW: Friday, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
LOCATION: 710 SOUTH 7TH, LAMESA, TEXAS

JOHNSON TRAILER MANUFACTURING
Mr. Johnson has retired after fifty years in business. We have been consigned to liquidate at Auction the following welding, R. V. and trailer repair, metal shop, automotive shop, and frame and alignment equipment. All items will be sold "ABSOLUTE" "AS IS WHERE IS" with NO WARRANTIES OR GUARANTEES.

PICKUP - TRAILER
1987 Datsun 1300 Pickup
Pickup Bed Trailer
30' Air Stream Trailer Frame

FRAME AND FRONT END EQUIPMENT
Bear #830 Frame & Alignment Machine (complete)
Truck Wheel Spinner
Bear Scuff Gauge
(2) Bear Wheel Balancers
Truck Wheel Dolly

METAL SHOP EQUIPMENT
54" Hydraulic Shear
86" Metal Slitter
10' Hydraulic Press Break
10' Break-Over-Air Hold Down
Meshalltown Lennox 1/8" cut Throatless Shear
Five Pattern Metal or Aluminum Roller
3/8" Hydraulic Riveter
Dyer Spot/Tack Welder
1/4" - 4" Unrolled Bender
Stove Pipe Bead Roller
Aluminum Molding Bender
Addressograph #8340 graphotype machine
48" Footaction Press Break

WELDING EQUIPMENT
600 Amp GE AC Welder
900# Hard Surface Welding Rod
(20 Boxes) Float Welding Rod
200 Amp Forney Hall arc Welder
Acylene Torches w/Bottles
12 Speed Chicago Drill Press
Fordge Blower
Welding Table w/Vise

Auto Jig
Large Lot C Clamps
Storage Rack for Metal
1 hp Grinder w/Stand

SHOP EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS
7 1/2 hp VR Air Compressor 40 gal
5 hp VR Air Compressor 30 gal.
8 T. Floor Jack
2 1/2 T. Floor Jack
1/2 T. Floor Jack
Air Jack
Bendix Hydraulic Test Machine
Stewart-Warner Speed-O-Meter Test Bench
(2) Stex Valve Cutter
Large Battery Charger
1 T. Electric Chain Hoist
2 T. Chain Hoist
U. S. Valve Machine
10" 3 hp. Craftsman Table Saw
24" Delta Jig Saw
14" Band Saw
Craftsman Radial Arm Saw
(2) Shop Vacuums
Alpaint Gun Regulators
6" Vise
Atlas 6/12 Tester
12" x 4" Porta Planer
Table Belt Sander
Air Hollers
Air Staplers
Impact Wrenches 1/2" & 3/4"
Air Sanders
Air Hammers - for Body Work
(2) Poto Hammers
Gas Heater

Angle Head Grinder
Drills - Jig Saws - Belt Sanders
Misc. Hand Tools
(2) Porta Power Units
Singer Industrial Sewing Machine
Large Lot Chains & Booms
Furniture Clamps
Routers
Large Lot Pry Bars

ANTIQUES
Crosscut Saw
Clawfoot Square Hole Punch Foot Action

R. V. REPAIR SUPPLIES AND PARTS (Approx. 200) Windows
Doors
1000s of Screws - Rivets - Brads - Nails
Hinges, Drawer Pulls & Guides
Trailer Lights
Bath Tubs - Shower Pans
Toilets - Vent Hoods
12' x 43" Aluminum Sheets
Aluminum Molding and Trim
Wall Board
Rolls of electric Wire
Boat cushions
Captains Chairs
Trailer Axles
Trailer Hitches
Large Lot of Scrap Iron and Aluminum

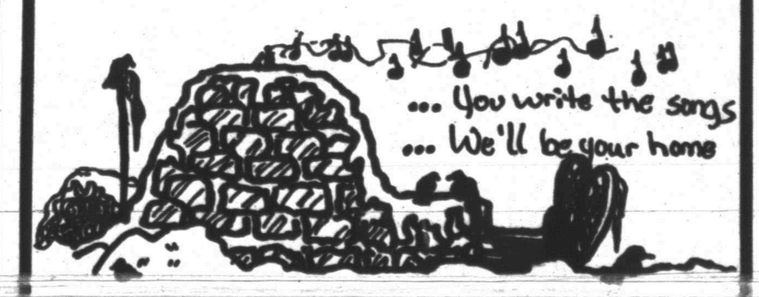
MISCELLANEOUS
Electric Smoker
(24) Mortar Tables
Propane Regulators and Bottles
(2 Boxes) Trotline Floats
and much more too numerous to list

CONCESSION BY: MCCULLOCK CATERING
Terms and Conditions: All items sold "ABSOLUTE" "AS IS WHERE IS" WITH NO WARRANTIES OR GUARANTEES. Cash or approved check day of sale. All accounts to be settled day of sale. Any announcements made day of sale will supersede any written or oral statements.

SOUTHWEST AUCTION COMPANY
GEORGE IZZARD AUCTIONEER #10739
P.O. BOX 53651
LUBBOCK, TEXAS 79453
800-749-7494

INSIDE SALE
1404 19th Street
Saturday 2 p.m. til 7 p.m.
Sunday 2 p.m. til 6 p.m.
(We got it all moved and we must sell!)

Oak ice box (reproduction), small entertainment center, two sets brass and glass tables, dining room set (brass & glass), dishes, china, cookware, silverware, small appliances, everything for the kitchen, linens for queen & full beds, afaghans, wall ornaments of all kinds, silk flower arrangements, home made dolls, womens clothes mostly x-lg.-3-X. ANTIQUES: Barber chair, hand water pump, hand pump gasoline pump, McCoy, drugstore cigar Indian, doll buggy, rocking baby cradle. A private collection that must sell!!
Will be unpacking different things each day!

Field Crest Apartments


Furnished or Unfurnished
700 E. 37th Street 573-3519

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ALWAYS A WINNER

360 REAL ESTATE

2 HOUSES FOR SALE: Finance Available.
2-1-1, utility room.
3-2, w/detached garage.
573-8264 after 6 p.m.

2 large bedrooms, large living room, 1 bth., garage with garage door opener, CH/A, nice neighborhood, 2333 Sunset. 573-6720.

3008 Denison, 3 bd., 2 bth., new pool and fence, $89,000. 573-0632 after 6 p.m.

4005 Midland Ave., brick home, 4 bd., 3 bth., 2 car garage w/opener, fireplace, built in appliances, sprinkler system, price negotiable. 915-573-3006.

COUNTRY: 2 homes, 3-2, cellar, CH/A, workshop, fireplace, trees. Call 573-7957.

FOR SALE:
*Building, 1 block West of downtown Snyder, 1917 thru 1925 25th St.
*320 Acre farm ½ mile West of City Limits on Hwy. 180, excellent base & yields.
*1,280 acre Ranch, 11 mi. N. of Cisco, excellent for cattle & hunting. Price Reduced!
J. Martin Basinger Co., Inc. 806-828-6854.

FOR SALE: Cute 2 bd., 1 bth., CH/A, caport, patio, fenced backyard, 10x12 shop. $22,500 573-5159.

FOR SALE in Hermleigh area, 2 bd., 1 bath, newly painted, new septic & wiring. Includes lg. cement floor workshop. 1 car garage, lg. storage unit, on ½ city block. $21,000 OBO. Call 806-965-2943 between 9 a.m.-12 noon and 6 p.m.-9 p.m.

FOR SALE: West, 3-2-2cp, den/office, CH/AC, 1500 sq. ft., workshop. Low 30's. Call 573-8263.

GOV'T FORECLOSED homes for pennies on $1 Delinquent Tax, Repo's, REO's. Your Area. Toll Free (1) 800-898-9778, Ext. H-2441 for current listings.

HERMLEIGH: 3 bd, 2 bth., CH/A, new roof, carport, new septic system, 1159 Willis Ave., $36,500. Call 863-2720.

LAKE COLORADO CITY: 2 story log home, 2-2-3cp, loft, custom drapes, sprinkler system, storage building, boat dock, $80,000. 915-728-8879 after 5:30 p.m.

MUST SEE to appreciate! 2400 42nd St. 3 bd., 1½ bth., big livingroom, assumable loan, small down payment, $450 mo. payments. 573-6913.

MUST SELL! REDUCED! $20,000, 3 bd, 1 bth., dining room, separate utility room, CH/new cooler. 3108 40th St. 573-3076.

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573-8505
1707 30th Street

NEW CONST., 4 bd, 2 bath, Call.
Affordable, 3-1-den, 2313 42nd, $20's.
All the Extras, Beautiful 3-3 ½-office, den, Cedar Creek.
3107 Ave. W. 3-2-2, Extra Lot.
123 Peach, 3-2, $27T.
Ira, 3-2-2.
4301 Lubbock, 3-2-2, $56T.
Bassridge, 3-2-2, 79.9.
Cedar Creek, 3-2-2.
Jacksboro, 3-2-2.
212 28th St., 3-2, $80's.
218 36th, 3-2-1, Neat.
4500 Beaumont, 4-2-2, Reduced.
2307 33rd, 2-2 ½, plus 6A.
Owner Fin., 3-1-1, 403 30th.
4008 Jacksboro, 3-2-2, Clean & Nice.
4 Bedrooms, 2808 Westridge.
253 A., Good, clean Farmland.
4506 Houston, 3-1 ¾-2, Pool, Nice.
3017 38th, 3-1 ¾-1CP, $20T.
2304 30th, 3-1 Brick, $30T.
Beauty Shop Equip. & Business, $15T.
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Lots of good listings!
1 to 115 acres with houses.
Nice 1 bedroom house for rent
Clarence Payne
573-8927

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4102 College
WEEKDAYS
573-5612 or 573-1755

3105 41st., 3-1-1, ch/a. 29.5T
2208 Ave. O, 2-2 + 2 lots.7.5T
412 35th St. 3-2, O.F. 27.5
4301 Lubbock, 3-2-2, fpl. 56T
4506 Houston, 3-2-2, large lot, swimming pool. 105T
Large, 3-2-2, 80 acres, pool.
3-2-2½ Art Room, den, formal LR & DR, lg. lot.
Comm. Bldg., Lmsa. Hwy. 35T
Apx. 3A at Hwy. 208 & 84. 9.5T
3-2, 2 story. 35T
4500 Beaumont, 4-3-2. 89.5T
309 35th, 2-1-2. 25T
3011 39th, 3-1, Owner Finance.
3706 Ave. U, 3-2, CH/A. 54T
304 36th Place, 3-1-1. 28T
2304 30th, 3-1. 30T
4600 El Paso, 3-2½-2. 90T
1904 Ave. M, 2-1-1, ch/a.
2906 El Paso, 3-2-2. 56.5T
3112 Ave. C, 4-1-2, O.F. 35T
IRA, 4 bd., 2 bth., red.
Gary Brewer Rd, 4-3-2. 85T
2903 36th, 3-3-2. 89T
Country, 3-2-2cp, apx. 5A. 65T

Claudia Sanchez	573-9615
Bill Dryden	573-9739
Frances Stevenson	573-2528

#1-WANTED 1 or 1/2 sec. land, NE.
#2-HOUSE & lot $8,000 ($1,000 down)
#3-NICE 2 bdrm. on 36th Pl.... 19,500
#4-NICE 2 bdrm. on 42nd St .. 36,500
#5-2 bdrm. on 26th St. 13,500
ROSWELL RIGSBY REAL ESTATE
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Realtors
611 Coliseum Dr.
573-8571 573-3452

New Exclusive, excellent condition, 3-2-2, Bassridge.
Exclusive, 4-2, ch/ra, 3726 Sunset, $39.5T.
Picture Perfect, 3-2-2, $70's.
Family Home, 3726 Austin, Lg. 4-2 and den, CH/A, $39,500.
Prestigious Location! Excellent floor plan, 3-2½-2.
Ready for New Owner, 2802 Ave. U, 3-4-1, Reduced.
South of Park, Bassridge Add., brick 3 and 4 bdrm. homes.
Modern 3-2-2 w/loft, 3203 Irving.
Summer Fun! 3-2-2 w/pool.
Perfect Starter Homes, 2 and 3 bdrms., West.
Country Homes w/acreage, 3 and 4 bdrm.
Several New Tracts of Farm and Ranch Land, Call for details.
Good Commercial Location, Metal Bldg. & Brick 3-2 home.
Under 20T, 215 33rd & 508 33rd., 2 or 3 bd.

Faye Blackledge	573-1223
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NEW EXCLUSIVE LAND OFFERING
2 nice stock farms: ★ 302 acre land in edge of Fisher County w/windmill and concrete tank. 130 ac. in cultivation and good hunting. ★292 acres at Camp Springs w/running spring and windmill.
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SNYDER DAILY NEWS
573-5486



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010 LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Mary Nelda Bills, Deceased, were issued on March 19, 1996, in Docket No. 5289, now pending in the County Court of Scurry County, Texas to: Pat W. Bills, Independent Executor.
The residence of the Executor is Scurry County, Texas, and his post office address is 3104 AvenueA, Snyder, Texas 79549.
Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the estate. The attorney's name and address for all claims is: Marvin F. Sentell, 1805 27th Street, Snyder, Texas 79549.
All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are hereby directed to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
Marvin F. Sentell
Attorney for
the estate of
Mary Nelda Bills, Deceased

Western Texas College will be accepting bids on NASCO's Deluxe Crisis Full Manikin until 1:00 p.m., April 19, 1996. Further information concerning the bid may be obtained by contacting the Business Office at Western Texas College, telephone 915-573-8511, Ext. 203.

Western Texas College will be accepting bids on LifePak 300 Automatic advisory Defibrillator until 1:00 p.m., April 19, 1996. Further information concerning the bid may be obtained by contacting the Business Office at Western Texas College, telephone 915-573-8511, Ext. 203.

Western Texas College will be accepting bids to replace two (2) of six Evaporative Air Coolers on roof of gymnasium building #4 until 1:00 p.m., April 19, 1996. Further information concerning the bid may be obtained by contacting the Business Office at Western Texas College, telephone 915-573-8511, Ext. 203.

NOTICE OF HEARING
CITY OF SNYDER
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
NOTICE is hereby given that a public hearing will be held Monday, April 22, 1996, at 5:00 p.m. at the City Hall, 1925 24th Street, Snyder, Texas to review and discuss the following item: Variance Case V-609, the request of Travis Bunch to place canopy cover columns 8 feet within the required 25 foot setback required in a C-1 Commercial District located at 3611 College Avenue, legally described as tax I.D. Number 1 208 1000 0181 4844, 1 208 1000 0181 4842 in the City of Snyder.
Vick Chambers
Planning and Zoning Department

Don't Miss The Deadline

Get Your CLASSIFIED AD In By 4:00 p.m. The Day BEFORE You Want It In The Paper!
(4:00 p.m. Friday For Sun. & Mon.)

ALL ADS ARE CASH in advance unless you have an established advertising account with The Snyder Daily News.
ALL GARAGE SALES must be paid in advance.

361 RESORTS

3 bd. cabin in Ruidoso, N.M., rented daily. 806-237-3953 or 505-257-5951.

LAKE CHAMPION: 28 ft. Lariet RV trailer, furnished, refrig. air, storage building on leased lot. $4,200. 915-366-2117.

362 FARMS & RANCHES

33 ACRES: 1 mile west of city limits, on city water. Sell All or 5 acres & up tracts. Call 573-3919.

CARDS OF THANKS



We would like to express our sincere appreciation to all our friends, neighbors, and relatives for your prayers and concern during the loss of our loved one. For the beautiful flowers, plants, and cards. The memorials and food.
A special thank you to Snyder EMS, Cogdell Emergency Staff, and Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.
May God bless all of you.

The family of Toby Lammert
Silfia, Phil, Vicki, Tracy, Carrie, Lexi and Hollie

THANK YOU

To the many friends who personally, or with flowers and cards, expressed love and sympathy during our time of loss, we deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness. Thanks so much to everyone who has kept my father and our family in prayer over the past fifteen months. By your prayers and through God's grace and mercy, my father was saved, and we have great joy knowing he is now in heaven.

Gordon Ricossa & Family



Words cannot begin to express our appreciation for the acts of kindness shown during our loss of Jake and Kenya Menix. The prayers, cards, calls, visits, plants, food and memorials have expressed your love for us. The Lord, our Christain family, and friends have helped sustain us through our time or sorrow. Our love goes out to all who had a part in making our burden lighter.

The families of Jake and Kenya Menix
Robert, Sara Menix and Troy
James & Rita Wolf
Frank Menix

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:
Re: your article April 12 about the Republic of Texas — it never ceases to amaze me at the errors you chose to give instead of truth.
I learned about the Republic's lawful accomplishments about six months after the Eicke Aug. 7-11 federal so-called "trial."
The Republic of Texas had already (6 weeks before I learned of it) completed the correct legal steps on a state level— Supreme Court of Texas case No. 95-1002 (November 16, 1995) and executed in the name of the People of the Republic of Texas in accordance with the final judgment under the law of nations (Dec. 13, 1995) and on a nation level via Secretary of State of the United States Warren C. Christopher (Dec. 1, 1995) and then on Jan 2, 1996 at 1:40 p.m. on an international level, final documents were received into the Archives of the International Court of Justice (world court) docket No. 94135 at the Hague, Netherlands; process was completed at this high pinnacle of Judicial Authority, reinstating the common law Republic of Texas Nation!
After three years of exhausting work which produced 10 pounds of evidentary documents, filed in the action, it is now resolved At Law (not de facto) that the Republic of Texas is re-instated as its own free and independent nation among nations, and is subject only to its treaties authorized by its constitution.
The Republic of Texas is not anti-government — as you said — it is very much for "lawful" government, aren't you?
If any officer is enforcing (de facto) unconstitutional rules, regulations, codes or statutes instead of law, is he a "law enforcer?"
Quoting your article... "documents that will be used by our Citizens (Republic of Texas) in accordance with international law and the common law of the nation of Texas" — how much more lawful can one be?
And "Last month, some 700 members of the organization served similar notices..." I was told by more than one that were there that the number was more than 1,500 and more like 3,000 (a lot of Citizens of the Republic of Texas were there.
This is a nation, not "an organization."
Remember, "de facto" means "existing, exercising power." The State (capital "S") and the United States are corporate (de facto) governments, where as "de jure" means "lawfully right." The nation of the Republic of Texas is "de jure" government.
"De facto" was used to unlawfully lock up my two sons who have not committed a crime. "De jure" was not allowed.
Wesley Burnett placed a splendid article that gave truth about the Republic of Texas in the Post, Texas paper after their Lubbock meeting. Why didn't Scurry County people get truth instead of an editorial (March 23-24) that seemed like "jeers, scoffing?"
The author speaks of $93 trillion the federal government owes the Citizens of the Republic of Texas and "jeers" the idea of each citizen getting a $5 million distribution. The author would not get any if he has not signed an Affidavit of Citizenship Information form, even though he may have domiciled in Texas more than the required six months. This affidavit is the only way the council for the Republic has to know who made the choice to be free, to be a citizen of the Republic of Texas and not an alien (U.S. Citizen) within Texas boundaries.
The author (and his boss) may wish for a $5 million distribution if a massive lien is filed against them for printing untrue things about the Republic. Have you tried to sell anything with a lien against it? Or work with a lien against a required bond?
The Apostles (esp. Paul) and even Jesus the Christ were "jeered, scoffed at and rejected" when they were striving to bring truth to the people.
God raises up (and takes down) nations!
An alien will not be allowed to own land property in the Republic of Texas. Many lawful things have been accomplished that I don't have space to tell about.
I understand that many law enforcement officers have chosen to be citizens of the Republic of Texas and are now enforcing the law. Isn't that why we elect them?
If laws were being obeyed, neither of my two sons would never have been locked up!
Thank you for your concern and prayers,
Lavelle Eicke

Enberg speaks

MOUNT PLEASANT, Mich. (AP) — Dick Enberg has something to say about opening his mouth and doubling his fortune.
Enberg kicked off the alumni speaking series at his alma mater, Central Michigan University, by recalling his job as a janitor at the university radio station, WCEN-AM. It paid $1 an hour.
"I went and asked to have the custodial job," Enberg said Thursday. "But they liked my voice, so they asked me to read the news."
The weekend D.J. gig also paid $1 an hour, and he ended up doing both jobs.
Enberg, who will be inducted into the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Hall of Fame this month, thanked his radio station bosses for making "a somebody out of a nobody."

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
(AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of the City of SNYDER, TEXAS:
(A los votantes registrados del Ciudad de SNYDER, Texas:)
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 4, 19 96, for voting in a general election to elect Single-Member District Councilmembers
(Notifíquese, por las presente, que los casillas electorales abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 4 de Mayo de 19 96 para votar en la Elección General para elegir Uno Solo-Miembro District Concejales

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)
CITY HALL, 1925 24th STREET, SNYDER, TEXAS 79549
CASA DE AYUNTAMIENTO, 1925 POR LA CALLE 24, SNYDER, TEXAS 79549
Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)
CITY HALL, 1925 24th STREET, SNYDER, TEXAS 79549
(LA CASA DE AYUNTAMIENTO, 1925 (location) (sitio) LA CALLE 24, SNYDER, TEXAS 79549)
Recommended but not required
between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 15, 1996
entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 15 DE ABRIL DE 1996
and ending on APRIL 30, 1996. *(y terminando el 30 DE ABRIL DE 1996.)*
Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:)
JEANNE JOHNSON
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario(a) de la Votación Adelantada)
P.O. BOX 1341
(Address) *(Dirección)*
SNYDER, TEXAS 79550
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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Common Courtesy Requires Very Carefully Chosen Words

DEAR ABBY: My mother and I have been reading your column for years and we value your opinion.

She and I were discussing a common courtesy. The example we used was saying "Good morning," or "How are you?" to everyone, including people you don't like.

Mother says she does this all the time — it makes her feel good, and lets people know that she acknowledges their presence.

I say that although it makes her feel good, it is hypocritical to do so, as it gives the people she doesn't like the wrong impression and encourages continued conversation she may not want.

We would like your opinion.

BETTY IN CARLSBAD, N.M.

DEAR BETTY: Saying "Good morning" or "Good afternoon" or "Good evening" is a gracious, friendly greeting. However, some people say, "How are you?" intending it as only a greeting, but it may be taken literally, and in return one may get a litany of symptoms. So it's safer to stick with "Good morning," "Good afternoon" and "Good evening."

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DEAR ABBY: I'm 39, and have been divorced for two years after a 14-year childless marriage of misery. I live alone in a tiny trailer two doors up from my father's house. I own and manage a 200-acre farm, which is all that's left after a tedious five-year divorce settlement. My finances are horrendous, but I've managed without borrowing from my dad or any other family member.

My mother died when I was 14; I did all of the housework and helped with the younger siblings. I followed in my father's footsteps and majored in agriculture in college. We have always gotten along and I've always enjoyed spending time with Dad.

So why does my father continue to allow my ex-husband to live rent-free in his house ever since our separation and all through the long divorce? Abby, I'm within shouting distance and eating roadkill to stay financially viable. My ex went overseas for a while, but predictably, he lost his job and now he's right back at Dad's place — even though he has family in another part of the state.

I just can't understand my father's behavior. What do you think of this, Abby?

REALLY HURT IN SCRANTON, PA.

DEAR REALLY HURT: Under the circumstances, I think your father's behavior is weird. If you want to understand his motives, ask him.

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DEAR ABBY: Our neighbors hire house sitters who slam doors, take the garbage out late at night, and party. They also use the Jacuzzi from midnight to 2 a.m., inviting guests to come sit with them and party with loud laughing and talking. (The Jacuzzi is next to our bedroom.)

We have no problems with these neighbors, but we immediately know when they leave town because that's when the partying begins.

How can we fix this problem? We'd rather hear dogs barking. At least dogs usually bark for a reason. These house sitters have absolutely no consideration for anyone but themselves, and my husband and I are fed up. Your advice would be greatly appreciated.

HAD ENOUGH IN SEAL BEACH, CALIF.

DEAR HAD ENOUGH: Inform your neighbors about their house sitters' noisy partying in their absence. That way, your neighbors can lay down some ground rules the next time they plan a trip.

Also, ask them for a telephone number where they can be reached should their next house sitters create a disturbance.

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Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

DEAR ABBY: This is an important issue that needs to be addressed, and I can't think of a better place than in your column. It concerns jury duty.

It seems that too many good citizens find a way to get out of jury duty. The fact is, they cannot afford to be on a jury. I know I can't. I'm a single parent with three children. Unfortunately, their father is a deadbeat dad.

I have a fairly good job, but if I don't work, I don't get paid. Most of my friends are in the same situation. The companies they work for do not pay employees when they are absent for jury duty.

Abby, the jury system is so outdated it is pathetic. By paying little more than pocket change, the courts automatically exclude a large number of the population. I would really like to serve on a jury, but if it means I won't be able to pay the rent, I must decline.

Sorry, I must remain ...

ANONYMOUS IN LONG BEACH, CALIF.

DEAR ANONYMOUS: I hear you loud and clear. You are right on target. The idea of having professional jurors has been discussed in the media lately. I understand that some countries already have them. Readers, I welcome your input.

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DEAR ABBY: A recent letter in your column about what and what not to say to someone who has suffered the loss of a loved one has finally prompted me to write to you.

My mom died of lung cancer two years ago, and on more than one occasion, after learning that lung cancer was the cause of death, people would ask me if she had been a smoker.

Abby, please tell your readers not to ask that question. True, they can *think* it — or ask someone else — but don't ask the grieving family members. It makes it sound like her death was justified.

Our family realized what cigarettes were doing to her, but it didn't change her suffering, or how we felt about her.

By the way, she had quit smoking more than a year before her lung cancer was discovered. But by then, her body had been much too badly damaged to recover. You may use my name.

PATTY HULL, ANDOVER, MINN.

DEAR PATTY: My condolences on the loss of your beloved mother. I am ashamed to admit it, but in the past, when I learned that someone had lung cancer, I would also ask, "Was he (or she) a smoker?"

Never again will I ask that question. Thank you, Patty. You taught me something today.

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DEAR ABBY: My marriage was the result of a letter-writing campaign linking civilians and service people, much like your Operation Dear Abby. Perhaps learning of our good fortune may encourage other readers to continue participation in such programs.

To illustrate the importance of personal mail to servicepeople, may I recount an incident that happened when I was a regimental sergeant major of the 505th Parachute Infantry during the Battle of the Bulge?

We were fighting in difficult terrain and weather when the Christmas mail arrived. Short of transportation to get it to the 14 companies, we sent the following message: "We have mail and rations, but can send only one of them today. Which shall it be?"

Every unit replied, "Send the mail!"

HOWARD P. MELVIN, REGT. SGT. MAJOR, WWII

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Vietnam defends Conoco contract

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) — Vietnam on Friday defended its bold move of licensing a U.S. oil company to explore waters claimed by China, declaring, "No one has the right to interfere or obstruct this."

Vietnam's state oil company awarded Houston-based Conoco Inc. the right to explore for oil and gas in an area of the South China Sea about 190 miles from the Vietnamese coast. Vietnam calls the area blocks 133 and 134.

China awarded exploration rights in the same area, which it calls Wan'an Bei 21, to Denver-based Crestone Energy Corp. in 1992.

Vietnam's move appeared certain to reignite tensions in the South China Sea, where six East Asian governments have jousted repeatedly in recent years over oil rights, shipping rights and ownership of tiny islands and atolls.

It was not clear why Vietnam decided to challenge China now, when bilateral relations are at their best in decades. Only Thursday, a senior Vietnamese official said the situation in the South China Sea was "better than a few years ago," and said there were hopes of drawing China into multilateral talks on the dispute.

"Based on the criteria stated in international laws ... blocks 133 and 134 are located on the continental shelf of Vietnam and are totally subjected to Vietnam's sovereignty and decision-making rights," the Foreign Ministry Press Department said in a written statement.

"Vietnam has the right to explore and exploit the natural resources in these blocks by itself or in cooperation with foreign countries."

The last part of the statement seemed to indicate willingness to talk with China about jointly exploring the area, but the Foreign Ministry did not immediately elaborate.

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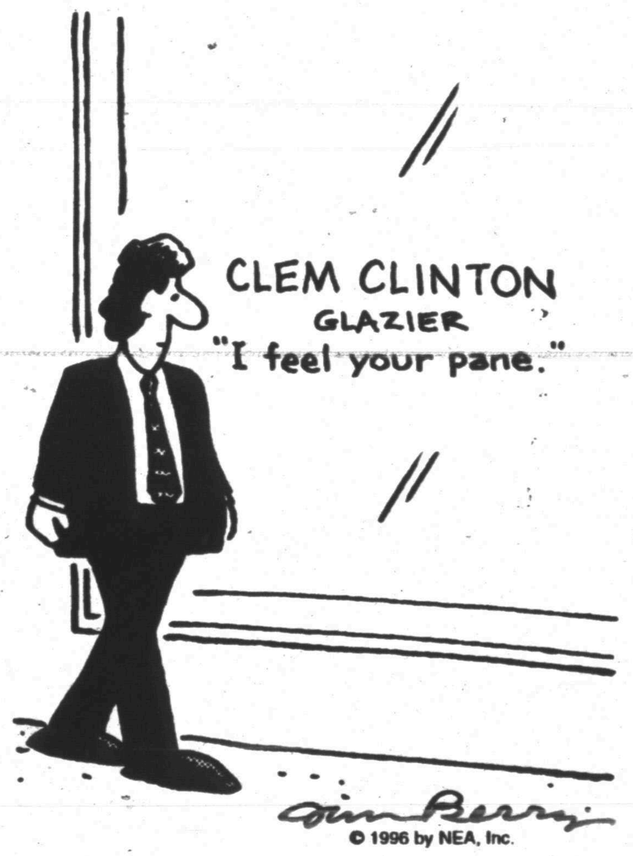
Second man convicted

McKINNEY (AP) — A Dallas man was convicted Friday in an attack on a North Dallas couple that one lawyer described as "every citizen's worst nightmare."

Noel Raul Cordoba, 19, was found guilty of two charges of aggravated kidnapping, two counts of aggravated robbery and one county of aggravated sexual assault, said Bill Dobiyanski, assistant Collin County district attorney.

Each charge is punishable by five years to life in prison and a $10,000 fine. The punishment phase of the trial started Friday and will continue Monday.

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Naval blockade imposed on Beirut

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Israeli gunboats imposed a naval blockade on Beirut Saturday, as planes and artillery pounded south Lebanon in the third day of an onslaught against Shiite Muslim militants.

Six civilians were killed and eight wounded when an Israeli helicopter fired at an ambulance on a road southeast of the southern port of Tyre, a United Nations officer said.

The officer, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said three of the dead were children and two were women. Lebanese security sources said the ambulance belonged to the Islamic Message Scouts, an affiliate of Shiite political groups.

The Israeli naval blockade was imposed amid mounting fears the offensive against the pro-Iranian Hezbollah group might draw Israel's main foe, Syria, into the fighting.

The Lebanese government lodged a formal protest with the U.N. Security Council over the Israeli "aggression" and called for an emergency meeting of the 22-nation Arab League.

Lebanese security sources said Israeli warships intercepted and ordered commercial vessels to stay 12 miles off Beirut in the Mediterranean. The Israeli navy also blockaded the southern ports of Sidon and Tyre.

Kantor named new commerce secretary

WASHINGTON (AP) — When the Clinton administration tried to sell American goods abroad, Mickey Kantor was the bad cop to Ron Brown's good cop. Now the U.S. trade representative is walking Brown's old beat.

President Clinton named trade ambassador Kantor to succeed Brown as commerce secretary Friday, 10 days after Brown died in a Croatian plane crash.

"We stood shoulder-to-shoulder to make sure we grew jobs and raised standards," Kantor said, recalling his relationship with Brown during an emotional ceremony announcing his appointment.

The Brown-Kantor tandem was a study in contrasts: Brown was a smooth, dapper consensus builder; Kantor's lanky build and gnarled fingers fit with his reputation as a fighter, a tough-as-nails negotiator.

"Mickey was the bad cop," Clinton quipped. "Ron was the good cop. I thought we ought to give (Kantor) a chance to be a good cop for a change."

Clinton said Kantor's appointment promises stability in his economic team.

"I don't want to miss a beat," he said. "I am determined that we will continue on the work that Ron Brown was engaged in the last day of his life."

The announcement came two days after Brown's burial.

Shuffling his economic team, Clinton also promoted Kantor's deputy, Charlene Barshefsky, to be acting trade representative and picked Franklin Raines, vice chairman of the Federal National Mortgage Association, as budget director, replacing Alice Rivlin, who is joining the Federal Reserve Board.

FBI may have found original manifesto

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — What appears to be the typed original of the Unabomber's 35,000-word manifesto has been found in the cabin of suspect Theodore Kaczynski, a law enforcement source said Friday.

"We have not yet confirmed it, but it appears to be the original," the source told The Associated Press, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The manuscript was found during the search of the former math professor's Montana cabin.

U.S. News and World Report said agents told the magazine the manuscript was indeed the original copy and was prepared on one of three typewriters removed from the cabin.

The manuscript and typewriter were found in a "cramped loft" of Kaczynski's tiny home, the magazine said Friday. U.S. News and World Report was to carry a story on the discovery in its April 22 issue, on newsstands Monday.

Also found with the manifesto was the original of a letter the Unabomber sent to The New York Times last year, the Times reported in its Saturday editions.

The Unabomber has sent several letters to the Times, and it wasn't immediately clear which one this was, the Times said, but it was believed to be one relating to a demand that the manifesto be published.

The manifesto, entitled "Industrial Society and Its Future," was published last September by the Times and The Washington Post after consultation with the Justice Department.

The Unabomber had demanded publication as his price for ceasing his string of fatal bombing attacks.

The manifesto, which attacks the dehumanizing nature of modern society, was apparently a key in identifying Kaczynski. His brother, David Kaczynski, contacted the FBI after reading the manifesto and matching it to letters sent by Theodore Kaczynski.

A senior federal official in Washington disclosed earlier this week that all the Unabomber's communications, including the manifesto, had been typed on the same typewriter. Investigators believe he did that deliberately so authorities could authenticate the letters and rule out copy-cats.

Besides the manifesto, the Unabomber wrote a number of letters, all of them signed "FC," to newspapers as well as to professors, scientists and at least one victim.

Kaczynski, a 53-year-old former University of California at Berkeley professor, was arrested last week at the remote cabin near Lincoln, and is being held on a single count of possessing bomb components.

County court meets Monday

Scurry County Commissioners Court has several items of business to consider when it meets at 10 a.m. Monday.

Items of new business includes the quarterly report by County Treasurer Charlie Bell and the consideration of an Airport Project Participation Grant for Winston Field.

Other items of new business includes the swearing in of new Airport Zoning Board members and the resignation of a Child Welfare Board member.

Also, the court will consider reinstating the burning ban,and will hear a report from Elois Pruitt concerning a new copy machince for the district clerk's office.

The court also is expected to approve the minutes of the April meeting of the Scurry County Child Welfare Board and the March meeting of the library board. The monthly report from the county extension agents will also be considered for approval.

Rodeo scheduled April 18-21

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said. Students attending the rodeo must be accompanied by an adult.

Another behind-the-scenes event conducted annually by the WTC rodeo team is the Exceptional Rodeo for Humble-Smith students.

"The Exceptional Rodeo has a long tradition here and it's something we look forward to," said Danley. "We're expecting about 60 kids this year."

At the Exceptional Rodeo, WTC students work one-on-one with exceptional students from Humble-Smith. Quail Dobbs, award winning clown and barrelman, will perform, as usual.

This special rodeo will be held at 9 a.m. Friday in the coliseum. There is no charge, and the public is invited.

The WTC NIRA Rodeo opens Thursday at Scurry County Coliseum and runs through Saturday with shows nightly at 7:30. A WTC Alumni Rodeo is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets, all general admission, are $4 for adults and $2 for children.

Thursday's show will include the crowning of the WTC Rodeo Queen. Candidates are Dayna Doyle, a sophomore from Azle; Jessica Jeffrey, a freshman from Hamlin; and Vanessa Williams, a freshman from Snyder.

The long-go ends with Saturday morning slack. Saturday evening, the top 10 cowboys and cowgirls in each event will compete in the short-go, or finals.

Side events include a team roping and a dance. The team roping will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday in the WTC Arena and is open to WTC students, alumni and local residents. Proceeds will go to the WTC Rodeo scholarship fund. There is no admission.

The dance will be held Friday and Saturday nights at 9 o'clock in the Scurry County Rodeo Association pavilion on Gary Brewer Road. The rodeo association is cosponsoring the event. Blackwater, a band from San Angelo, will perform.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Thomas Hale, 3711 Ave. U; Dean Robertson, 699 SCR221; Leona Snider, 2412 Ave. L; Nelda Brooks, 2405 42nd; Zola Schlegel, 3506 Irving; Randall Seaton, 3001 40th; Amecia Warr, 183 CR15.

DISMISSALS: Kay Brown, John Morrow, T.O. Upshaw, Mary Wamplar, Betty White.

CENSUS: 55 (Med., Surg.-14, Long-term Care-37, OB-2, Nursery-1; ICU-1).

Officers investigating report of stolen pickup

The weekend got off to a busy start for local law enforcement personnel with the police department investigating a stolen vehicle report made early Saturday morning.

Cody Shackleford went to the sheriff's office at 2:34 a.m. Saturday to report that his pickup had been stolen from the VFW.

Before Shackleford notified authorities, officers had stopped a pickup around 1 a.m., one-half mile west of Snyder on the Lamesa Highway. One person ran from the scene while a 25-year-old male was taken into custody for public intoxication. The pickup was recovered. At mid-morning, officers were still seeking the person who fled the scene.

At 1:30 a.m. Saturday, officers arrested a 40-year-old male in the 1800 block of College Avenue for public intoxication.

Arrests made Friday included a 23-year-old female in the 1300 block of 24th Street on outstanding city warrants for disregarding a stop sign and for failure to appear.

Officers arrested a 35-year-old male at 6:43 p.m. Friday in the 2300 block of KSNY Drive for possesion of drug paraphernalia.

Following a report of loud music at 11:35 p.m. Friday from the 300 block of 23rd Street, officers arrested a 17-year-old male for public intoxication.

In other activity Friday, the fire department responded to a report of a bale of hay on fire, some three miles west of Snyder on CR 466 at 8:40 a.m.

Officers were notified at 8:42 a.m. that three small children had been left unattended in a residence. The children, all under two years old, were found with no adult supervision. The mother was later contacted, as was Child Protective Services.

Carla Coffee notified officers at 8:53 a.m. of a theft at Wilson Motors. An offense report for Class B theft was submitted.

Officers were called to the area around the sewer plant at 12:52 p.m. Friday in reference to the report of someone shooting a gun in the area. Contact was made with a person who had been shooting turtles and he was advised of the complaint.

An offense report for burglary of a habitation was made at 6:13 p.m. Friday in reference to someone stealing a refrigerator from a rent house owned by Swanson Aucutt on East Highway.

An offense report for Class B criminal mischief was submitted at 10:23 p.m. Friday in reference to a broken window at the Park Village Apartments.

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What's Up?

Spaghetti meal planned

The American Legion will sponsor a spaghetti meal from 3-6 p.m. Sunday at the Legion Post, 1800 Ave. R. The cost will be $3 per person.

Monday's jury call postponed

The 132nd District Court jury call for Monday has been postponed. However, citizens called are advised they must report at 9 a.m. April 29.

Chamber board to meet

Snyder Chamber of Commerce board of directors will meet at 11:30 a.m. Monday in the chamber board room.

AARP chapter to convene

Scurry County AARP Chapter 2063 will meet at noon Monday at the Senior Center. District Attorney Dana Cooley will present the program.

DCOS board to meet

Development Corporation of Snyder board will meet at 4 p.m. Monday. The only agenda item is an executive session to consider compensation for staff members.

Hope For Life's Journey series

The Hope For Life's Journey series of video tapes is airing on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. "Til Death Do Us Part" will air at 7 p.m. Monday.

Candidate forum Tuesday

Western Texas College will host a candidate forum for college board of trustee candidates at 10:45 a.m. Tuesday in the Fine Arts Theatre. The public is invited.

There is one contested race. In Place 2, Jack Greene Jr. is challenging incumbent Carl Williams. Drew Bullard is unopposed for Place 1.

End of school party

Parents interested in helping plan the 8th grade end of school party are encouraged to attend an 8 p.m. meeting Wednesday in the junior high library.

City-wide clean-up

A city-wide clean-up campaign will be held Tuesday through Friday, sponsored by the city, chamber and Snyder Beautification Committee.

Babysitting fund-raiser

East Side Church of Christ Youth Group will sponsor a babysitting fund-raiser Friday at the multi-purpose building. Children ages 2-10 are welcome between 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. There will be appropriate activities for each age group; refreshments will be served. Donations will benefit the youth group's summer mission trip.

Wastella Reunion planned

The Wastella Reunion will be held Saturday, April 20, at Martha Ann Woman's Club here. Registration will begin at 10 a.m.

Sausage Festival coming

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church will hold its annual Sausage Festival from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 21, at the Parish Center, 30th Street and Avenue A. Featured will be an all-you-can eat dinner with trimmings for $6 (children $3). Sausage will also be sold by the pound. Raffles, game booths and a country store are other events.

Blankets for sale

Snyder High School sophomore class is selling stadium gifts as a fund-raiser. Blankets are $49.50. Order forms may be obtained from Traci Eicke or any sophomore class officer, class sponsor Virginia Lomax or school secretary Katie Necessary. A $35 deposit is required when ordering.

Ira ISD board to meet

Ira ISD board will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday to consider transfer requests from out of district residents and to declare that unopposed candidates be elected to office.

Stanfield Night Out

Stanfield Night Out will be held Tuesday at the Spanish Inn. All parents, students and staff are invited to participate.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
0-9-3
(zero, nine, three)

Cash 5

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
5-6-15-21-24
(five, six, fifteen, twenty-one, twenty-four)

Folk tales fun and entertaining even if untrue

Mildred Boren Sentell longtime member of Texas Folklore Society

Scurry County Folks

by Shirley A. Gorman

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Did you know that a woman trying on an imitation fur coat at a department store reached into a pocket and was bitten by a cobra snake?

Or that a pregnant woman miscarried after biting into a dead mouse included in her meal from a well-known fried chicken restaurant?

These stories and variations of them have been repeated so often down through the years that they have become part of Texas folklore. Occasionally, they even find a way into newsprint. But neither is true.

Folklore consists of stories which have been passed on verbally from one person to the next and one generation to the next. They may or may not be true. But, some stories have been repeated so often that they are generally accepted as truth.

True or not, folk tales are fun. And they fascinate folklorists like Mildred Boren Sentell of Snyder who, along with her husband, Joe, were among the 180 people attending the 80th annual Texas Folklore Society meeting in Abilene the first week in April.

Mildred was one of 17 presenters who prepared and delivered an original speech, each about 20 minutes long. Topics varied considerably. To give more people the opportunity to be heard, members do not present papers annually, Mildred said.

Mildred researched and spoke about the conditions in and around Scurry and Fisher Counties, from the Civil War to the Depression.

Based on a doctor's memoirs, she described events of that era, including how men carried guns. In one instance, a man was charged with attempted murder, indicted for aggravated assault, tried, convicted and fined $25.

Mildred also enjoys listening to folk tales. A favorite tale concerns the legendary, long-lost treasure of the Pecos. Often repeated as fact rather than the fiction it really is, Mildred said visitors continue to be drawn to the Pecos, all carrying treasure maps.

She is currently researching two papers. One will focus on the Texas sightings of Mary, the Blessed Mother, and the other will describe early day funeral homes.

According to Mildred's research, funeral home directors at one time often determined the cause of death and signed the death certificate. Sometimes doctors did.

The Texas Folklore Society always meets in a different city the Thursday through Saturday before Easter. The 1995 meeting was held in Fort Worth.

Each convention usually has a theme with subjects varying from Hispanic tales and urban legends to early day life in Texas.

The Texas Folklore Society is an informal group which attracts people from all walks of life who have one thing in common — they love good stories about their state.

Student participation is encouraged. Sometimes students presenting papers are given a travel stipend, Mildred said.

Mildred joined TFS in 1972 while still a student at Angelo State University. Joe joined after the couple married in 1992.

Though a member for more than 20 years, Mildred did not start attending the annual meetings until she became a professor of English at ASU.

From the beginning, she said, she was "intrigued by the papers" and enjoyed the friendliness and informality of like-minded people she met at meetings.

Since they were "easy to know" and she "liked the subject matter," Mildred continues to participate, attending as many of the annual meetings as she is able.

She has served as past president, vice president and director of the society.

Between meetings, the Texas Folklore Society sponsors workshops on topics such as how to preserve and store family photos.

The society welcomes new members. Dues are only $15 per year and include a hard-bound book which features papers prepared by members. The organization also receives donations which allow it to keep dues low and still publish a good-quality book annually, Mildred said.

The Texas Folklore Society is one of the oldest folklore organizations still functioning in the United States. Organized in 1909, the group has always conducted the annual meeting except during World War II.

Mildred grew up in Post. Her family farmed and ranched in the Justiceburg area. Her maiden name was Boren, as was the name of her first husband, B.J. Boren of Snyder, who died in 1972 while they were living in Lamesa.

Mildred's also has a sister-in-law from Snyder.

After her husband died, Mildred moved to San Angelo where she enrolled at Angelo State University. She obtained both her BA and MA at ASU and has taken post graduate courses at Texas Tech University. She had obtained fellowships through the ASU's English department, so when she graduated she accepted a teaching position there.

Though Mildred was certified to teach English, Spanish and history, she never taught anything but English at ASU.

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LOCAL FOLKLORIST — Mildred Boren Sentell of Snyder is an active member of the Texas Folklore Society which held its annual meeting in Abilene earlier this month. She is holding "Sonovagun Stew," one of the society's annual publications which compile folktales researched and written by members. (SDN Staff Photo)



Robinson, Stansell

Double-ring ceremony unites Snyder couple

Cynthia Lynn Stansell became the bride of Brian Howard Robinson at 2 p.m. Feb. 3 in the First Baptist Church sanctuary. Officiating the double-ring ceremony was Dr. Marty Akins, pastor of First Baptist Church.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Stansell and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Robinson.

Vows were read before a 17-light heart-shaped candelabra. Two rainbow votive candelabras accented the sides of the heart. Two nine-tape brass candelabras completed the setting. They were all decorated with silk greenery. White bows adorned the pews.

Mike Holmes of Ira, uncle of the bride, sang "It is Well With My Soul." Jaime McFarland of Snyder sang "If You Could See What I See." Miss McFarland accompanied Matt Cross of Snyder in "Answered Prayers." Lynn Bethel accompanied on the organ.

Escorted by her father and given in marriage by her parents, the bride was attired in an elegant gown of heavy white Italian satin by the designers of Jasmine Haut Couture.

The off-the-shoulder long sleeve bodice was completely covered in white imported pearled Gupitte lace in a rose design. Each rose was fully outlined in tiny seed pearls.

The back was cut low in a V and featured buttons from the V to below the waistline. The long fitted sleeves which were fastened with covered buttons, came to a point at the wrist.

The basque waistline allowed the full length ball gown, accented with appliques of pearled Gupitte lace, to sweep to a semi-cathedral train. The waistline was accented by a soft bow in the back.

To compliment the ensemble, the bride chose a walking length veil of imported illusion, which was designed with three tiers. The tiers were accented with scattered tiny seed pearls. It was attached to a halo of gathered white Italian satin. It was gathered around the halo of sections, featuring three vertical strands of tiny seed pearls. The halo was adorned with a double bow in the back.

Completing the brides' ensemble were a pair of white satin shoes. They were decorated at the top with white seed pearls and sequins.

The bride carried a cascading bouquet of fresh flowers. The flowers included yellow roses, white tiger lillies, yellow daises, white pompom mums, white stephanotis, and accented with English ivy and white baby's breath. Yellow and white satin ribbon tied in love knots completed the bouquet. It was made by Sue Travis.



Mr. and Mrs. Brian Robinson
Photo by Harley Bynum

Following tradition, the bride carried a white handkerchief trimmed in antique lace and belonging to her grandmother as something old. The handkerchief has been carried by six generations of brides on the bride's side of the family. The wedding gown served as something new. She wore pearl earrings borrowed from her aunt. A garter made and given to the bride by Anna Mae Perry of Snyder served as something blue.

Jaime McFarland was maid of honor. Amy Holmes, Cara Stansell, cousins of the bride, and Andrea Robinson, the groom's sister, served as bridesmaids.

The attendants were dressed in identical above-the-knee dresses made of navy blue velvet, fashioned with a low neckline and a draped collar covered with white Venice lace. The lace followed the rose theme of the wedding.

The attendants carried silk arm bouquets of white and yellow open roses, yellow rose buds, and a stem of white orchids, accented with leather leaf fern. A wide navy blue velvet bow finished the bouquet.

Jordan Stansell, niece of the bride, served as flower girl. She was dressed identically to the bridesmaids. She carried a white, wicker basket lined with navy velvet and white lace. It held yellow silk petals.

The groom wore a black double breasted tuxedo with a traditional tie and cummerbund. His boutonniere was a white silk rose accented with baby's breath and greenery.

Greg Robinson of Snyder, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen were Kenny Miller, Mike McWilliams and Anson Stansell. The men were attired in black double breasted tuxedos with satin lapels and LeRoque ties. Their boutonnieres were like the groom's.

Michael Bunch of Odessa, cousin of the bride, served as ring bearer. He was attired like the groomsmen.

Serving as ushers were Greg and Mark Stansell of Fluvanna, brothers of the bride. The men were also attired like the groomsmen.

Andrea Robinson, sister of the groom, and Aaron Stansell, cousin of the bride, also served as candlelighters for the ceremony.

Registering guests was Deborah York of Clarendon.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the garden room. The bride's table was covered with a white tablecloth overlayed by a white Battenburg lace tablecloth. Table liners were borrowed from Lynda Beaver and Jacqueline Wills. The table held silver and crystal appointments including a silver punch set belonging to Margaret Drum.

The five-tiered Italian cream and white cake featured a cornelli lace design. It was encircled with fresh greenery and flowers. The cake was decorated with fresh tiger lillies, yellow roses and rose buds, gladiolas and white baby's breath.

Tina Stansell, sister-in-law of the bride, and Susan Stansell, cousin, served at the bride's table.

The groom's table was covered with a navy floor-length tablecloth overlayed by a white Battenburg lace tablecloth. It was purchased by the groom's mother in Switzerland. The table included a gold coffee service and flatware. The three-tierred round chocolate cake was frosted in a basket weave pattern. It was accented with chocolate dipped strawberries and chocolate curls. A fresh fruit platter also completed the table.

Terrie McWilliams and Deborah York served at the groom's table.

Both cakes were made by Diane Greene in Abilene.

In addition to the bride and groom's tables, a gold flowing fountain served almond punch. It was furnished by the groom's parents.

A rehearsal dinner and dance, hosted by the groom's parents, was held at Billy Ray Browning's barn.

After the wedding, the couple took a four-day cruise to Mexico. The couple is now making their home in Snyder.

Zeta Lambda Chapter to celebrate 35th birthday

The Zeta Lambda Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International will celebrate its 35th birthday Monday, April 15, at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Members will celebrate with a birthday dinner. A program will be presented by Snyder High School Choir members under the direction of Rhonda Haire.

The Zeta Lambda Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society of Snyder was organized from combined chapters of Beta Epsilon, Colorado City and Gamma Tau, Sweetwater.

The Zeta Lambda Chapter became official at the Baker Hotel in Colorado City on April 15, 1961. Mrs. Estha Coffee, president of Beta Epsilon of Colorado City; Miss Eula Lee Carter, honorary state founder of Delta Kappa Gamma Society; Miss Phyllis Ellis, state executive secretary; and Mrs. Lida Rhoades of Snyder assisted in the organizing ceremonies.

First officers of the Snyder chapter were Maydelle Burns, president; Virginia Grove, first vice president; Laura Holladay, second vice president; Mauryse Blalock, recording secretary; Vestal Maner, corresponding secretary; Lida Rhoades, parliamentarian; and Ruby Anderson, treasurer.

Charter members who are still listed as active members on the Zeta Lamda roster include Vestal Maner, Lida Rhoades and Ruby Anderson.

Ruby Anderson continues to be active in the chapter. She attends and participates in every meeting.

Hostesses for the evening will be Carol Miller, Mary Williams, JoAlyce McMullan, Paige Shaw, Elizabeth Conger and Vanessa Taylor.

After Benjamin Franklin published "Poor Richard Improved" in 1753, it became very fashionable in Europe for women to wear lightening rods on their hats and trail a ground wire behind them.

Dogs keep little girl warm

PILAR, N.M. (AP) — It was sort of a three dog night.

And it's a good thing, too, since rescuers say three dogs that belonged to a neighbor kept 3½-year-old Elisabeth Atencio warm after she wandered away from her rural northern New Mexico home Wednesday evening and spent the night on the surrounding hills.

The National Weather Service says overnight temperatures in the area dipped into the mid-30s.

Elisabeth was found the next morning, cuddled up to the dogs, using one of them as a pillow.

"Thank God for the dogs," her grandfather, Christopher Schaefer, 59, said as Elisabeth sat on his lap at the family home Thursday. "They kept her warm and safe and secure."

"I don't want to go back there unless I have a grownup," Elisabeth said.

The family had been watching a neighbor's dogs — a corgi, an Australian shepherd and a Rottweiler — because the neighbor was out of town.

"I guess that's our reward for taking care of them," said Elisabeth's grandmother, Betty Schaefer.

The child, described by her family as "nimble and energetic," left the family's yard with the dogs about 6 p.m. Wednesday while her parents and grandparents were doing chores.

They searched for three hours, yelling her name but getting no response. Shortly after 9 p.m., they called state police.

Police quickly recruited 58 people from search and rescue teams around the area, said Rick Goodman, state police search and rescue coordinator.

The searchers combed a 21-mile radius throughout the night without success.

"We knew she was with the dogs, and we knew children tend to go to sleep when it gets dark, or else they crawl into places where they can hide and feel secure," said Barry Holfelder, coordinator for the search for Elisabeth.

At dawn Thursday, a dog search team from Los Alamos arrived. The dogs were given some of Elisabeth's belongings to sniff, then spread out on the surrounding hills.

A mixed breed dog named Sampson, his trackers in tow, located Elisabeth and the neighbor dogs at 8:10 a.m. They were found on a ridge overlooking the Rio Grande about a half-mile west of her home, state police said.

Turner gives private performance

SINGAPORE (AP) — Tina Turner lived up to the name of her album "Private Dancer," giving a secret performance for the family of the sultan of Brunei.

The 57-year-old star sang for an audience of 300 in Brunei this week at a party to celebrate the 19th birthday of the niece of Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah, the world's richest man. Guests included celebrities flown in from around the world.

Turner's manager Roger Davies refused to say anything more about the event. The oil-rich sultan lets little news of royal activities emerge from his 1,778-room palace.



The Garden Editor

By Dr. Ted Brice

Several years ago I was invited to lecture at the Royal Horticulture Society in England. The subject of the talks would be on Chrysanthemums.

This is one of my favorite flowers and I had won many awards for growing and showing the mum. But to go to England and talk about growing mums is really something very special since England was one of the world leaders in the mum production.

Great Britain is known both for its garden history and its great number of wonderful gardens. It is no wonder that so many dedicated North American gardeners make the pilgrimage there for inspiration and education. When I went to England, I was like many other Americans that knew of only a few of their gardens that I wanted to see during my stay in their country.

If you ask any American gardener about the gardens he will mention the gardens of Kent and the gardens of Chelsea and the gardens of Sussex. Yes, those are very beautiful gardens and I enjoyed my visit to them where I took over ten rolls of pictures. I learned as soon as I got there that I only scratched the surface of the beautiful gardens of England.

Now Timber Press is offering a new book intitled "The 1996 Gardener's Guide to Britain" by Patrick Taylor. What would I have given for this wonderful book when I visited England. This book describes region by region as well as all the essential places of interest to gardeners that are regularly open to the public. It covers not only pleasure gardens but also bontanic gardens, aboreta, nurseries, demonstration gardens and outlets for garden ornaments.

In this most invaluable guide, every kind of garden is included from small collections of specialist plants to landscape and woodland gardens. The guide is arranged alphabetically, each entry carries the personal recommendation of the author and details include the address, precise directions, telephone number and opening times. The guide is illustrated with nine maps and over 200 specially commissioned color photographs.

This gardener's guide to the gardens of Great Britain is a must for anyone visiting England whether they are gardeners or just sightseeing and enjoying the beauty of Mother Nature.

I received my copy of "The 1996 Gardener's Guide to Britain several weeks ago and in just three days I read completely through this book and I must recommend it very highly.

Gardeners let me leave you with this thought, "God does not deduct from man's alloted time those hours spent gardening." Good gardening until next time from, Dr. Ted Brice, The Garden Editor.

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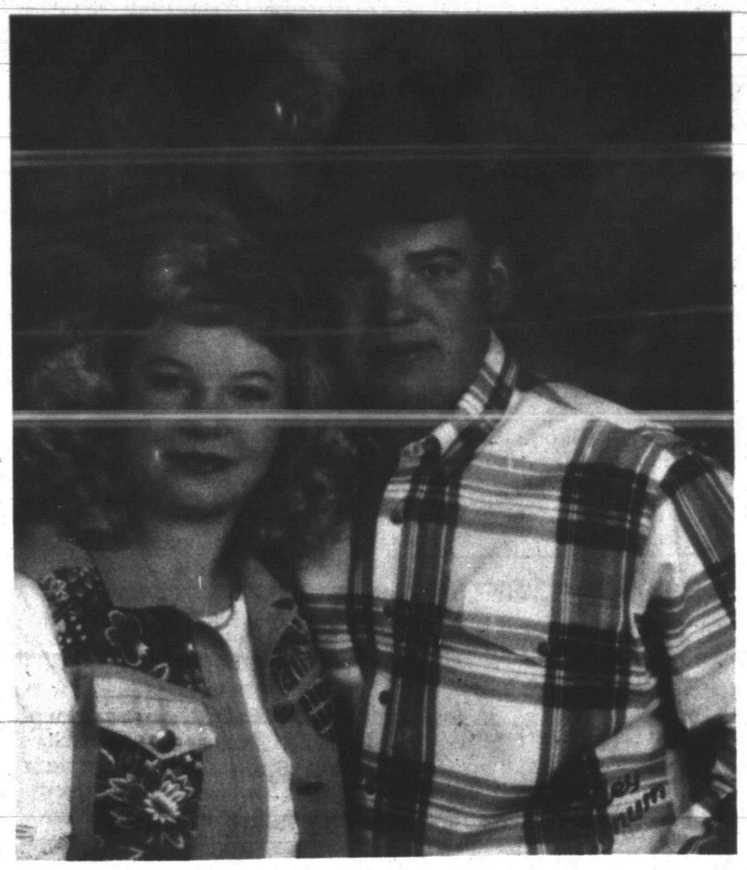
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JUNE WEDDING SET — Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gough of Graham announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Carrie Sue West of Snyder, to Clay Patterson of Knox City. West is the daughter of the late Billy Max West. Patterson is the son of Ronnie Patterson of Knox City and Karen Patterson of Breckenridge. The couple plan a 7 p.m. wedding June 28 in the First United Methodist Church in Snyder. (Contributed Photo)

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



	North	04-13-96
	♠A 7	
	♥Q 10 5	
	♦A Q J 7 5 3	
	♣9 5	
West		East
♠K J 9 5		♠10 3
♥9 8 6		♥J 7 4 3 2
♦6		♦K 10 2
♣Q 10 7 6 2		♣A J 3
	South	
	♠Q 8 6 4 2	
	♥A K	
	♦9 8 4	
	♣K 8 4	

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♣6

The baker's duckin'

By Phillip Alder

Today's deal was played back in 1977 during the Sunday Times Pairs in London. (The annual tournament is still running, but is now sponsored by the Macallan whiskey company.) The winners were Henri Szwarc and Jean-Michel Boulenger from Paris. They timed it perfectly, leading only once — after the last deal was completed. Boulenger defended well on this deal.

Against three no-trump, Szwarc (West) led his fourth-highest club. Obviously, if the lead were from a five-card suit headed by the K-10, Boulenger could win with the ace and return the jack to kill the contract immediately. But if South had the club king, this defense was unlikely to be successful. Instead, Boulenger played a smooth club jack at trick one.

To make the contract, declarer had to duck his king, but that was impossible to do. After winning with the club king, South took a diamond finesse. East rolled in with the king and continued with the ace and three of clubs: one down.

Note that if Boulenger had won the first trick with the club ace, the contract would have made, South holding up his king until the third round. Also, even if South had the club queen and won a cheap trick with it, the contract was still likely to go down. After winning with the diamond king, the defenders could cash the club suit. Playing the club jack at trick one would cost only if West had led from specifically K-10-8-6 or K-10-7-6 of clubs.

The title may have caused you to groan, especially if you speak French. A *boulanger* is a baker — nearly Jean-Michel, but no *cigare*.

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Snyder Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

No games were held Friday, April 5 or Sunday April 7 for Snyder Duplicate Bridge Club.

Dot Casey directed four tables Tuesday, April 9, at the Snyder Country Club.

1. Dora Blakey, Barbara Yorgesen.
2. Frances Stevenson, Malven Stevenson.
3. Pat Floyd, Robbie Floyd.

Allen helps launch arts foundation

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Debbie Allen, who played a high school dance teacher on TV's "Fame," is turning her attention to real-life aspiring artists.

The dancer and actress joined singer James Ingram and a group of entertainment and investment executives Friday in launching the American Foundation for the Arts, aimed at making up for cutbacks in government funding.

The Philadelphia-based organization intends to qualify for charity status and raise an initial $10 million for college scholarships.

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Stargazers TFCEC; Pauline Broyles, 573-5144; 3117 Ave. T; 7 p.m.

Delta Kappa Gamma, Zeta Lambda Chapter; MAWC; 7 p.m.

Storytime for 4- and 5-year olds; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-8971 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-9458, 573-8626 or 573-8929; 8 p.m.

AARP #2063; noon; Senior Citizens Center.

TUESDAY

Ladies Golf Association; Snyder Country Club; 9 a.m. tee time.

Art Guild Study Club; MAWC; 6:30 p.m.

Beta Sigma Phi; 7:30 p.m.; MAWC.

Hermleigh Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge; 8 p.m.

Weight Watchers; Trinity Methodist Church (south wing); noon; for more information, call 1-800-359-3131.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

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

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-3956, 573-2101,573-1141 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Alturian Daughters Club; MAWC; 11:30.

Scurry County Penwomen; 1:30 p.m.;

Cosmorama Study Club; MAWC; 4:15 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary; board room; all members are urged to attend; 10 a.m.

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Country Club; noon.

Snyder Chapter No. 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall; 1912 35th; 7:30 p.m.

Al-Anon meeting (smoke free), noon to 1 p.m., brown bag. Park Club in Winston Park. For information call 573-4203 or 573-5525.

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; American Legion; 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night; 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 573-8929; 8 p.m., open meeting (last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting, pot luck at 7 p.m.).

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

SATURDAY

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349; 10 a.m.

Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1 to 4 p.m.

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

Narcotics Anonymous Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 5 p.m.

Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.

Thomas Edison proposed marriage to Mina Miller, who accepted, by tapping out the words "Will you marry me?" on her hand in Morse code.



WEDDING SHOWER — A wedding shower honoring Rhonda Thomas and Jim Underwood of Snyder was held April 6 at 2:30 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church in Snyder. Pictured from left are Deana Flavel, sister of the groom from San Angelo; Vetta Underwood, mother of the groom from Snyder; the bride-elect; and Dorothy Thomas, mother of the bride from Snyder. The couple will marry at 3 p.m. April 20 in the Trinity United Methodist Church. (Contributed Photo)



Bride & Groom Registry

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Louise Cates & Philip Payblas	Rhonda L. Thomas & Jim Underwood	Xandy Ballard & Robert Ballard	April Beale & Eric West
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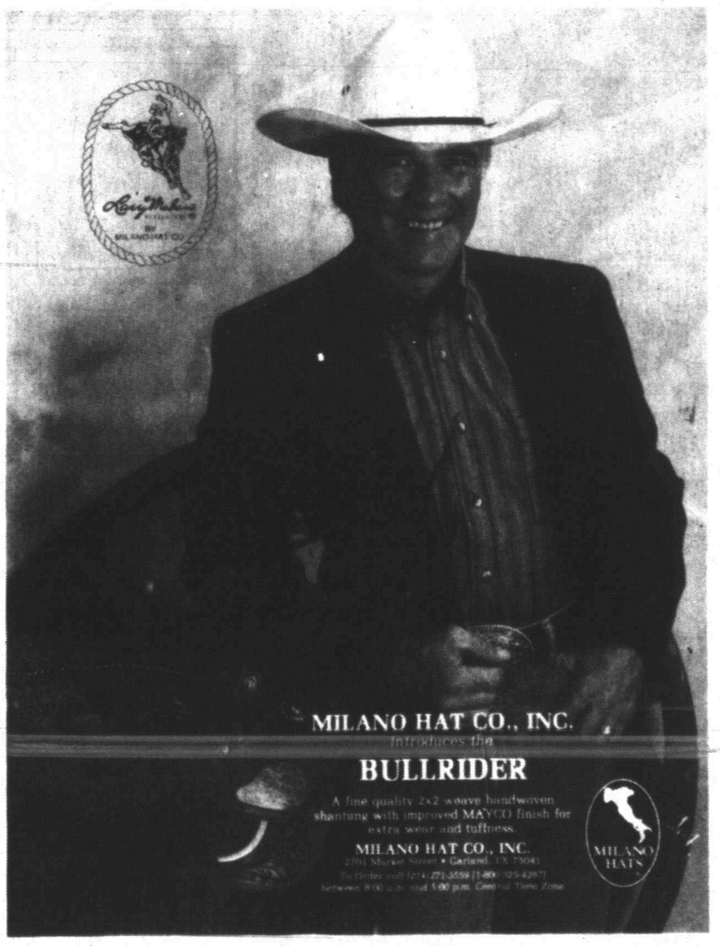
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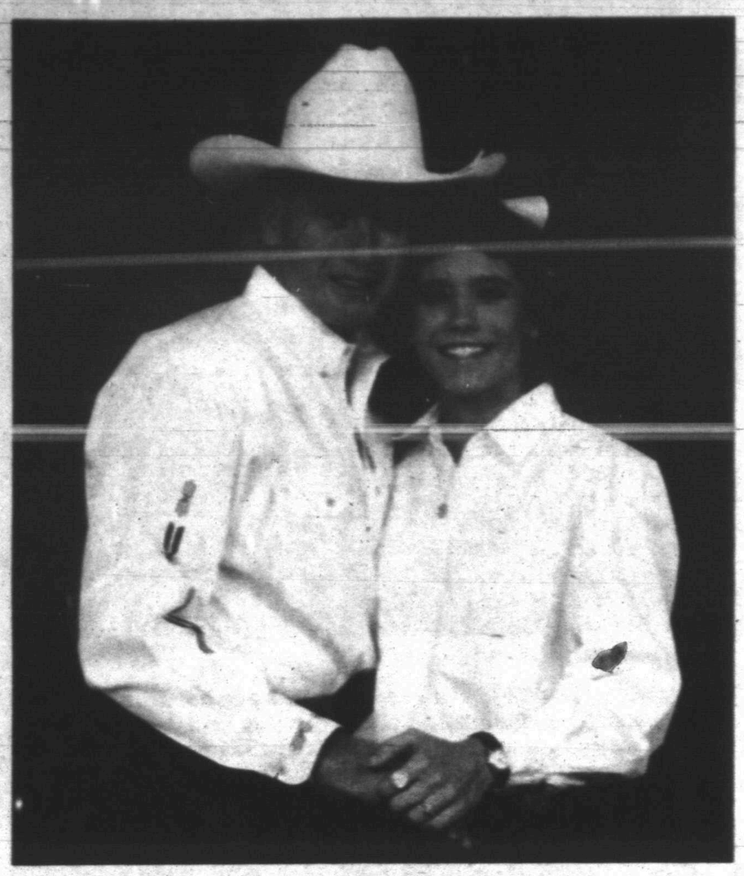
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JULY WEDDING PLANNED — Holly Renee Madison and Guy Will Zant are planning a 7:30 July 20 wedding at First Baptist Church of Stanton. The bride-elect is the daughter of Gayle Springer and the late John Madison. The parents of the groom are Guy and Patricia Zant of Vealmoor. (Contributed Photo)

Weeks top music singles listed

TOP SINGLES

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1. "Because You Loved Me," Celine Dion (550 Music)
2. "Always Be My Baby," Mariah Carey (Columbia)
3. "Nobody Knows," The Tony Rich Project (Laface) (Gold)
4. "Ironic," Alanis Morissette (Maverick)
5. "Down Low (Nobody Has to Know)," R. Kelly featuring Ronald Isley (Jive)
6. "1, 2, 3, 4 (Sumpin' New)," Coolio (Tommy Boy)
7. "Sittin' Up In My Room," Brandy (Arista) (Gold)
8. "Woo-Hah!! Got You All In Check," Busta Rhymes (Flipmode-Elektra)
9. "You're the One," SWV (RCA)
10. "Count On Me," Whitney Houston & CeCe Winans (Arista)

Top ten video sales released

Weekly charts for the nation's most popular videos as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission:

VIDEO SALES

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1. "Babe," (MCA-Universal)
2. "Pulp Fiction," (Miramax)
3. "Pocahontas," (Disney)
4. "Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls," (Warner)
5. "The Many Adventures of Winnie the Pooh," (Disney)
6. "Playboy: 21 Playmates," (Playboy)
7. "The X-Files: Pilot-Deep Throat," (Fox)
8. "Playboy: Strip," (Playboy)
9. "Playboy's Girls of the Internet," (Playboy)
10. "The X-Files: Conduit-Ice," (Fox)

VIDEO RENTALS

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1. "Braveheart," (Paramount)
2. "Babe," (MCA-Universal)
3. "Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls," (Warner)
4. "Assassins," (Warner)
5. "The Usual Suspects," (PolyGram)
6. "Copycat," (Warner)
7. "Dangerous Minds," (Hollywood)
8. "A Walk in the Clouds," (Fox)
9. "Seven," (New Line)
10. "To Wong Foo, Thanks For Everything! Julie Newmar," (MCA-Universal)

School Menus

Hermleigh

BREAKFAST

MONDAY
Juice
Muffins
Milk

TUESDAY
Fruit
Fried Ham
Toasted Rolls
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Juice
Buttered Rice
Toast
Milk

THURSDAY
Fruit
Cinnamon Toast
Milk

FRIDAY
Juice
Waffles/Syrup
Milk

LUNCH

MONDAY
Swiss Steak
Steamed Rice
Carrot Sticks
Hot Rolls
Lemon Pudding
Milk

TUESDAY
Hamburger Casserole
Mashed Potatoes
Shredded Lettuce
Hot Rolls
Fruit Jello
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Pinto Beans
Buttered Cabbage
Corn Bread
Peach Cobbler
Milk

Senior Citizen Menu

MONDAY
Beef-Macaroni-Cheese Casserole
Hominy
Herbed Green Beans
Onion Slices
Garlic Bread
Chocolate Pudding

TUESDAY
Beef Enchiladas
Pinto Beans
Spanish Rice
Mexican Salad
Sopapillas

WEDNESDAY
Oven Fried Chicken
Cream Gravy
Baked Potato
Spinach
Jellied Citrus Salad
Cherry Turnover

THURSDAY
Baked Ham w/Cherry Sauce
Cooked Cabbage
Blackeye Peas
Corn Relish
Cheese Apple Crisp

FRIDAY
Fried Fish
Tater Tots
Mixed Vegetables
Creamy Coleslaw
Cheesecake

Monroe in hospital

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Bill Monroe, the father of bluegrass music, is in the hospital undergoing tests for circulatory problems.

Monroe, 84, has been in Baptist Hospital for about three weeks. He is not receiving visitors, said Tony Conway, his manager.

THURSDAY
Baked Chicken
Dressing/Gravy
Buttered Green Beans
Hot Rolls
Cherries/Whipped Topping
Milk

FRIDAY
Hamburgers
Burger Salad
French Fries
Cardinal Cake
Milk

Snyder

BREAKFAST

MONDAY
Donut
Assorted Cereal w/Toast
Juice
Milk

TUESDAY
Waffles w/Syrup
Assorted Cereal w/Toast
Juice
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Cinnamon Roll
Assorted Cereal w/Toast
Juice
Milk

THURSDAY
Breakfast Pizza
Assorted Cereal w/Toast
Juice
Milk

FRIDAY
Biscuit & Sausage
Assorted Cereal w/Toast
Juice
Milk

LUNCH

MONDAY
Hamburger
Steak Burger
Burger Salad
Tator Tots
Fruit
Milk

TUESDAY
Chicken Nuggets
Corndog
Mac & Cheese
Peas
Fresh Fruit
Texas Toast
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Enchilada Casserole
Beef Tacos
Pinto Beans
Tossed Salad
Cornbread
Milk

THURSDAY
Spaghetti w/Sauce
Lasagna
Buttered Corn
Apple Cobbler
French Bread
Milk

FRIDAY
Roast Beef
Brown Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Pie
Hot Rolls
Milk

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MONDAY
Meatball and Mushroom Soup
Creamed Potatoes
Green Beans
Biscuits
Peaches & Cream

TUESDAY
Stromboli
Peas & Carrots
Parsley Potatoes
Pears

WEDNESDAY
Salmon Patties
Sweet Peas
Baked Potatoes
Cherry Crisp

THURSDAY
Beef Tamale Pie
Corn
Vegetable Salad
Crackers
Brownies

FRIDAY
Chili Cheese Dogs
French Fries
Pork & Beans
Plain Cookies

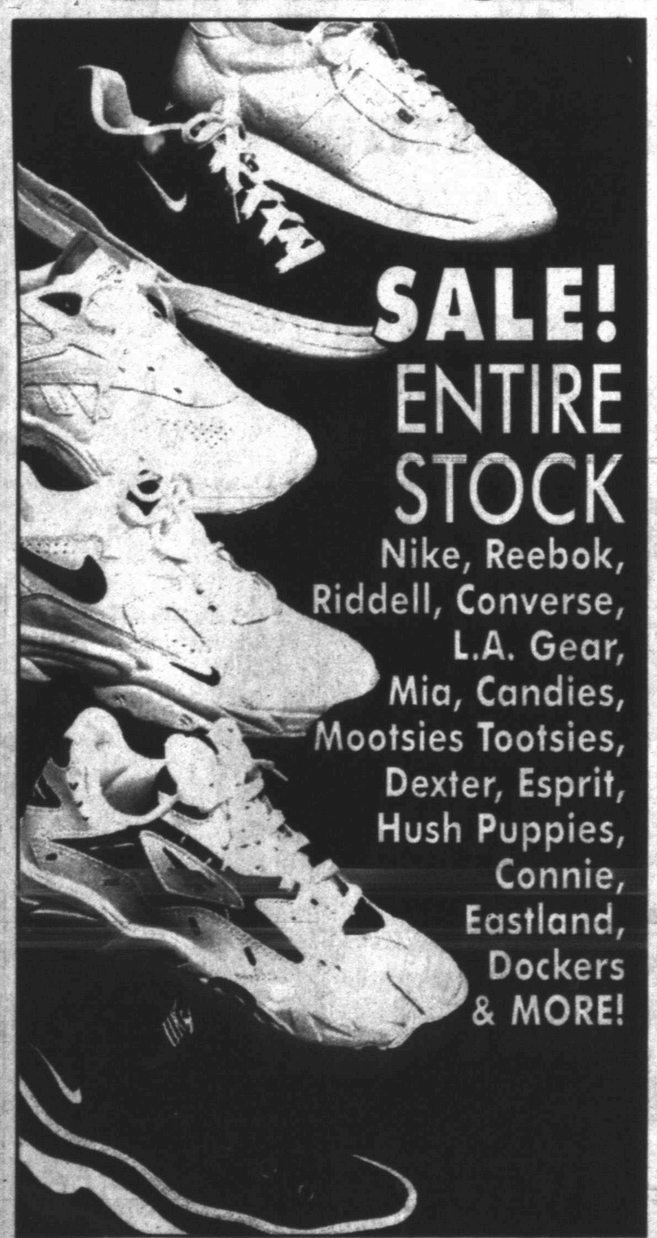
Simpson smothered in kisses

NASSAU, Bahamas (AP) — O.J. Simpson took a break from his legal troubles to play in a celebrity charity golf tournament and found himself smothered in kisses.

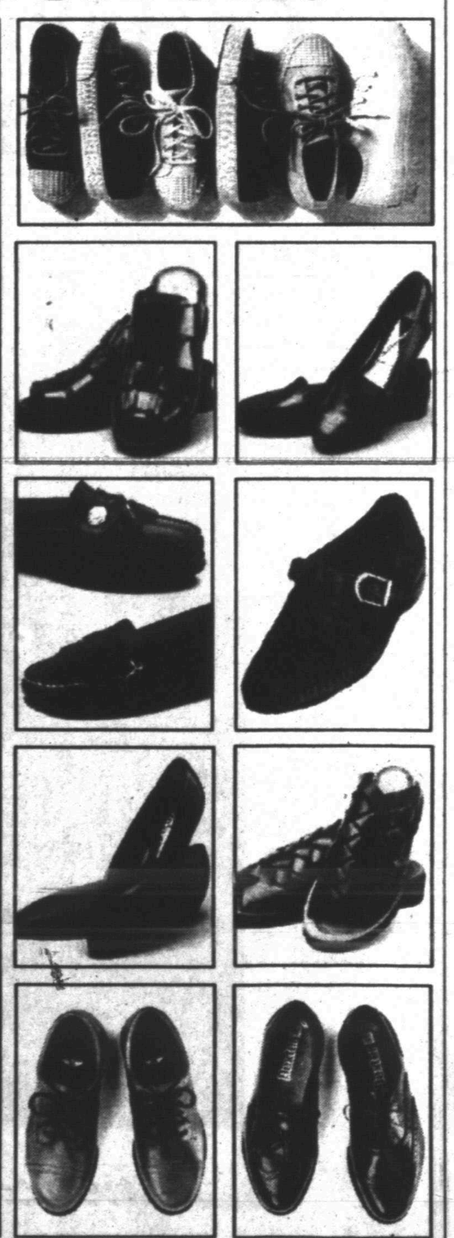
"I've never had so much sugar in all my life," said Simpson, laughing. "I've got lipstick all over me." He was quoted Thursday in The Tribune, a Nassau daily, after locals and tourists thronged him when he arrived Wednesday.

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Quaint Texas towns starting to woo visitors

By SUSAN WARREN
The Wall Street Journal's Texas Journal

BRENHAM — What's the name of that quaint little German town? The one in bluebonnet country, right off U.S. 290, about an hour and a half outside Austin? The place with all those neat historic buildings, antique stores and bed-and-breakfast inns?

Fredericksburg, you say?

Lois Kolkhorst was hoping you'd say Brenham. "One day," says the president of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce in Brenham, "people will say, 'Fredericksburg? What? Who? Where?'"

Brenham is envious, as are a lot of other small towns in Texas that have watched Fredericksburg rocket to the top of the heap among quaint-little-town tourist attractions in Texas in just five years. And by copying Fredericksburg's marketing magic, some of the tiniest dots on the Texas map are hoping to transform themselves into popular weekend getaways for city-dwellers.

Nowhere does Fredericksburg's success fuel ambitions as bold as those of Brenham, that other quaint little German town down the street (in the opposite direction of Fredericksburg) from Austin on U.S. 290. "We're looking at Fredericksburg thinking, 'That's what we could be one day,'" says Ms. Kolkhorst. When she hired Page Michel as the Chamber's new director of tourism in December, "I told her 'Fredericksburg: Live it. Breathe it. Eat it.'"

With good reason. Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce President Joe Kammlah estimates that the Hill Country hamlet of 7,000 people played host to about a million tourists last year. The city's take in hotel/motel taxes totaled $428,000, compared with $187,000 in 1990. Brenham, population 12,400, opened its arms to about 100,000 visitors last year.

The two towns have many similarities: German heritage, beautiful countryside, strong roots in Texas history, old homes. But as Ms. Michel, the new tourism director for the Washington County chamber concedes, Brenham has a long way to go before it resembles its model.

For one thing, Fredericksburg had a big head start. The town began to renovate back in the 1970s, salvaging its crumbling historic buildings while many other towns were demolishing theirs to make way for modern "improvements." It began marketing itself as an attraction in 1984, but it wasn't until the state's economy started to recover in the '90s that the town took off. As visitors flocked in, the antique shops, craft shops and restaurants multiplied.

Fredericksburg also has benefited from cooperation and continuity within the local community. In fact, Penny Reeh, head of Fredericksburg's convention and tourism bureau, three years ago started her own private consulting firm to preach those qualities, among other things, to other small Texas towns.

Brenham has never enjoyed those benefits, says Ed McWilliams, director of travel research and product development for the tourism division of the state Department of Commerce. While Fredericksburg's city fathers and most local residents pitched in wholeheartedly with the Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce's tourism efforts, McWilliams says, Brenham's tourism boosters so far have failed to light a fire under the city government or to convince local residents that attracting more tourists is crucial to the city's future, he says.

Tommy Traylor agrees. The wealthy Texan has bought several of Brenham's historic downtown buildings and restored them. Most recently, he renovated an 1899 office building, transforming a decrepit downtown flophouse into the elegantly furnished Ant Street Inn, which the state has honored with an official historic-site marker.

But Traylor remains frustrated in his efforts to contribute to Brenham's revival. The town, as he sees it, has been held back by two major factors: "City Hall and the chamber."

Though the once-torpid chamber has been revitalized by the arrival of Ms. Kolkhorst and Ms. Michel, City Hall continues to have "a pothole mentality," he says, unable to escape its mundane fix-it-when-it-breaks thinking. What's more, police have been slow to act on open drug dealing and drunks downtown, he says.

Mayor Robert Appel agrees that tourism is vital to Brenham's future, but he says efforts to build the industry are primarily the chamber's responsibility. (Curtailing public drinking is difficult, he adds, because liquor stores complain that clearing drunks off the street hurts their sales.)

In some instances, the city government has appeared uncooperative. When Teresa Beckers walked into the chamber's offices a year ago and asked for help in starting a local theater, Ms. Kolkhorst was ecstatic. She was able to work with a local bank to cut a good deal on a downtown lease for the theater.

But the project ground to a halt when the city's building inspectors stopped construction, citing numerous building-code problems. Ultimately, the problems were worked out, and Unity Theater opened to rave reviews in February. Ms. Beckers says the city acted precipitately and could have worked with her without taking such drastic action. But she also blames her own failure to approach City Hall directly. "I didn't say, "May I?'" she says.

On a recent weekday afternoon at the peak of Bluebonnet season — Brenham's top time for tourists — the shops lining the town's square are quiet and nearly empty. Parking is plentiful.

The pace of activity picks up on the weekends, but Brenham wants to build a seven-day-a-week tourism-and-visitor business by attracting corporate meetings, retirees and families on extended vacations. Currently, the biggest draw of the year is the February pig sift — the elimination round of Houston's show-pig competition. The pig sift pulls in about 8,000 visitors who spend as much as $500,000 in the town during the one-week event.

Brenham boosters say their town has as much, if not more, to offer than Fredericksburg. The town's anchor attraction is ice-cream maker Blue Bell Creameries, whose own marketing campaign has proclaimed Brenham "heaven"—for cows, at least.

Location could help.

Fredericksburg has benefited by being within a 90-minute drive from two major cities: Austin and San Antonio. But Brenham is just as close to Austin, even closer to Houston, and only about a two-hour drive from San Antonio.

However, Ms. Michel needs travelers who spend the night and thus pay hotel taxes, which help fund the city's tourism efforts. She and Ms. Kolkhorst are developing a marketing strategy that they hope will not just draw tourists, but also keep them, by touting all of Washington County, which includes several other towns with tourism potential.

By selling Washington County, Brenham also can profit from the county's claim to fame as the "Birthplace of Texas," where the Texas Declaration of Independence was signed on March 2, 1836, launching the war with Mexico that established the Republic of Texas. Ms. Michel believes Washington County can be as successful in marketing its role in Texas' birth as Fredericksburg has been in marketing its German heritage.

Still, Brenham, like other small towns wishing to emulate Fredericksburg, doesn't want to take tourism too far. Kammlah, the president of the Fredericksburg chamber, is sensitive to criticism that the town is in danger of turning itself into a tourist trap: "We don't consider ourselves a theme park, a little German oom-pah village here in central Texas," he says.

Ms. Kolkhorst points out that while tourism is Fredericksburg's bread and butter, Brenham's economy has a broader base, including the ice-cream factory and computer services. She is nonetheless convinced that tourism ranks as the town's top business in terms of potential.

Early signs of progress cheer her. On Unity Theater's opening night, Ms. Kolkhorst, her husband and another couple strolled through the town square after the performance, and then stopped at the Ant Street Inn's bar for a drink — an evening that wouldn't have been possible just a year ago.

"Yes, we're getting there!" Ms. Kolkhorst recalls saying. "We're the only people in the Inn tonight, but it's a start."

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Gross receipts for year ended Sept. 30, 1995

By The Wall Street Journal's Texas Journal

Gross receipts for some Texas tourist destinations reported to the state in the year ended Sept.30, 1995:

Hotel/Motel

Town	Population	Gross Receipts
Fredericksburg	7,256	$6,561,125
Brenham	12,445	$2,171,427
Granbury	4,223	$2,384,592
Salado	2,000(e)	$2,280,686
Ennis	14,314	$1,327,153
Calvert	1,561	$2,240(i)
Bastrop	4,235	$991,742
NewBraunfels	28,686	$12,720,771
Jefferson	2,205	$1,964,349
Kerrville	18,118	$2,326,128

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Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.

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Scurry County Folks

by Shirley A. Gorman

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She enjoyed teaching at ASU because everyone in the English department got along well and they had academic freedom.

Her interest in education dates to her stint as a substitute teacher in Lamesa while her husband was ill. Since she enjoyed teaching, she said she decided to make a career of it.

Mildred met her husband, Joe, in Snyder when both attended the funeral of her father-in-law, Billy Boren. Mildred had been a widow for 20 years when she and Joe were married in November of 1992. She finished the 1992-1993 school year at ASU before retiring and moving to Snyder.

Mildred is active in the West Texas Historical Association and the First Presbyterian Church. In addition, she recently learned to quilt and considers it fun.

She has three grown children. A daughter, Mary Ezell, has two children and lives in Lubbock. Another daughter, Jane Elmore, has two daughters and lives in Brighton, Colo.

A son, David Boren, has two children and lives in Post.

Mary will teach this fall, David is a building contractor and Jane has just finished her master's degree in counseling.

Ballet classes said good for children

By LoANA M. GONZALES
Waco Tribune-Herald

WACO — Adrian Law takes her ballet lessons seriously.

Before class begins, she props herself in front of the mirrors at Joy's School of Dance and practices her leg and arm positions.

The 8-year-old said she already sees the results of the dance lessons in other areas of her young life.

"It's helping me feel like running track," Adrian said, noting how flexible ballet has made her. "Your body gets to move a lot more than it does at home."

Adrian, along with about 14 other girls age 6 to 13, is taking ballet as part of a cultural arts program being offered through the Tejas Council of Camp Fire Boys and Girls.

The program is giving children ages 5 through 17 living in three public housing sites the opportunity to study visual arts, drama and music. The program is made possible through grants from the Rapoport Foundation and the Waco Housing Authority.

Pat McKee, executive director of the Tejas Council, said cultural arts programs have been proven to enrich the lives of young people.

"Many studies believe that children who grow up with experiences in cultural programs make better students," McKee said. "It helps them to have a better understanding of life, enhance their grades and the beauty in their life."

McKee said it's likely that most of these children would not be involved with such classes if not for the Camp Fire program.

She also said cultural arts activities add to a child's self-esteem.

Lesley Jones, a ballet instructor at Joy's who teaches the children, said she is proof that dance classes do more than get your physical body moving.

"It gave me a lot of dedication," the 20-year-old said of growing up with ballet lessons.

McKee said the Tejas Council wanted the grant specifically to begin a cultural arts program.

She said such exposure gives the children a better understanding of differences in society. "We see this program as part of a rounding program that helps children fit better into the social environment in their schools," McKee said.

McKee said cultural activities are the perfect complement to Camp Fire's philosophy, adding that the program helps develop self-discipline. "Our whole mission is to help children grow up to be self-sufficient adults," she said. "All of these kinds of programs help that happen."

Keisha Rene, 11, said she likes taking ballet lessons for two main reasons.

"It helps to loosen your body and have fun," Keisha said.

Ballet lessons began in September but only recently moved to Joy's.

Heather Boyce, an instructor at Joy's who also works with the girls, said seeing the children go from a recreation room at the housing site to a real dance studio has been rewarding.

Ultrasound approved to cut unneccessary cancer biopsies

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration approved a powerful ultrasound Friday to help doctors determine when lumps in women's breasts are noncancerous — so those women can skip a common surgical cancer test.

Advanced Technology Laboratories predicts its High-Definition Imaging, or HDI, ultrasound eventually will cut by 40 percent the 700,000 breast biopsies performed annually in the United States.

Out of those biopsies, 180,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer every year. The rest have benign lumps.

Women must undergo a regular mammogram to detect any suspicious cells in their breasts. The ultrasound is intended to help doctors then decide which of those women need a biopsy to tell if the lesion is cancerous or benign and which can safely skip that outpatient surgery.

A biopsy costs about $2,500, while the 15-minute, painless ultrasound will cost $75 to $300, Seattle-based ALT said.

"No test is 100 percent, although this is very close," said Dr. Brian Garra, a breast cancer specialist at Georgetown University Medical Center, who advised the FDA on the machine's effectiveness.

"It doesn't mean a clean bill of health," he warned, noting that women who likely have benign lumps still must be watched to ensure the mass doesn't change, which can signal cancer.

A mammogram displays suspicious masses in breasts as blurry white spots against normal tissue.

Doctors can sometimes tell from a clear mammogram that the lesion is merely a cyst and may tell the woman just to get rechecked in a few months.

Many doctors to be safe order a biopsy, cutting out a tiny portion of breast tissue to check for cancerous cells.

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Wildflowers smell just as sweet in life, as in death



DEANIE FRANCIS MILLS

What a long, strange week it has been.

One week ago today I was one of the number in attendance at a cowboy funeral in a scrubby old cemetery on the top of a windy, sunsplashed West Texas hilltop, overlooking sprawling miles of ranchland; bluebonnets were scattered over the graves like quivering blue teardrops and the air was fragrant with the scent of wildflowers.

Two days later, I paced the floor for hours while a freezing freak blizzard raged outside as my 18-year-old son and a carload of friends drove smack into it on their way home, clad in shorts and T-shirts, from a visit to a South Texas college campus.

Two days after that, as part of research for a book, I drove 400 miles through droughty Central Texas country to visit a minimum-security federal women's prison in Bryan.

Yesterday my husband brought me soup on a tray as I recovered from a sudden 24-hour flu bug, and I whiled away the hours reading cover stories in "Time" and "Newsweek" about the FBI arrest of the suspected Unabomber.

And today, I'm sitting here thinking about how these seemingly unrelated events all tie together the same clear theme: the importance of family.

A cowboy funeral comforts as no other. A lone cowboy guitarist singing a song about how God needs the newly deceased in heaven to help Him round up strays may sound corny and senitmental to big-city types, but to those who are there, the notes ring honest and true. Pallbearers who are dressed in tight jeans and belts with buckles and starched white shirts and their black felt winter dress hats, bearing a casket with a coiled lasso nestled in flowers on top with gentle ruggedness, seem somehow right, strong in their sadness, an example for the blubbering blathering rest of us.

A handsome hardy young man and his beautiful blonde wife ought not be dead at all in the first place. Knowing that their lives could have been saved by something so cheap and readily available as a $12.99 smoke detector makes their deaths all the more tragic and maddening. You want to scream, but the cowboy singing, "How Great Thou Art," his high sweet voice reminiscent of Texas swing singer Bob Wills, accompanied with such innocent simplicity by his guitar, soothes the ravaged soul.

Still, as the cowboys all stand around the grave, hats in their hands, faces burnished by the sun, yet foreheads strangely pale from wearing those same hats, you gaze with bleary eyes at the two mamas, and you wonder if they would have done anything differently if they'd known they had such a short time with their beloved children.

And you wonder if maybe you should be doing anything differently with your own, since you can never know your own self how much time you will have with any of your loved ones.

Maybe I panicked a little too soon when the snow began to blow sideways and I knew a car full of teenagers would be slamming straight into it; maybe I didn't realize that they'd all grown up enough by now to know how to take care of themselves and to arrive safe and sound eleven hours after they left on a five-hour drive home. But that cowboy funeral was heavy on my mind and I knew none of us is exempt from tragedy. I hugged my son a little more fiercely when he walked in the door, thinking what a precious privilege it was just to be able to do that, hug him, when I knew other mamas would no longer have that chance.

It's something we should all remember.

At the prison, I asked two inmates what their fondest fantasy was for when they were released. I expected to hear them say, "Soak in a hot tub till the water grows cold," or "Watch all the TV I want in my p.j.'s with a quart of ice cream in my lap." But neither lady said any such thing.

All they ever thought about, they said, was seeing their children again. The inmate population at this facility is drawn from some 46 different states, and some of them just live too far away from home now. They can talk to their kids on the phone, but they can't see them and touch them and hug them and hold them.

And that's all that keeps them going.

This Saturday will be my 22nd wedding anniversary. For my husband to still bring me soup in bed when I'm sick may seem like such a little thing, but that's what the joy of life is made up of: all the little things, all the ten-second moments that fill us up with the knowledge that we are loved and that we love.

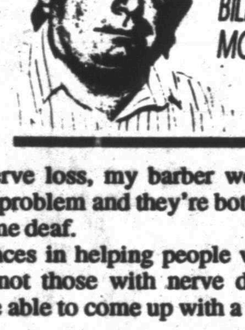
This is what one man learned when his body was blown halfway apart by a bomb made by another man who did not know love. Almost three years ago, David Gelernter, a Jewish college professor and computer scientist, opened a little package from the "Unabomber" which nearly killed him.

"The bright side, so to speak, of grave injury, discomfort, and nearness to death," writes Gelernter in "Time" magazine, "is that you emerge with a clear fix on what the heart treasures...I emerged knowing that...the time I spend with my wife and boys is all that matters in the end."

His response to the arrest of the bomber, along with praising the FBI and thanking those who'd helped his family when they needed it, "is to remember and honor the men who were bestially murdered and drink *l'chaim* — to the life of the mind, to the human enterprise that no bomb can touch."

This week has been a stark reminder to me that each and every day we should all do nothing else but drink deeply of our lives and our loves, to touch them and to sing their praises, to lift our spirits to the heavenly stars in thanksgiving for their presence, and to never forget that the wildflowers smell just as sweet in life as in death.

Of mice...and men



BILL MCCLELLAN

Of mice...and men.

I got a haircut the other day. That's not a big deal for most people, but for me a haircut is only a quarterly event. My hair doesn't grow very fast, what little there is left of the stuff.

This column isn't about hair, though. It's about science, and mice and men.

Because of an inherited nerve loss, my barber wears hearing aids. His brother has the same problem and they're both concerned that they may eventually become deaf.

"They've made great advances in helping people with hearing loss," my barber said. "But not those with nerve damage. I'm hoping that someday they'll be able to come up with a treatment to help people like me."

There are signs of encouragement, he said. A recent study has shown that a procedure done on mice with hearing loss incurred through nerve damage have been helped.

"Hopefully," my barber said. "It will do the same for people some day."

Lately we've heard of several major discoveries through research conducted on mice. Some have involved cancer and related diseases. Research on AIDS has been encouraging.

Experiments involving mice and other animals has been going on for years, of course. Some applaud it; others consider it deplorable. I personally think it is necessary, but hope we are fast moving to a time when the same research can be accomplished through the use of synthetics and computers.

If you've read many of my columns through the years, you know that I sometimes poke fun at researchers. I don't have a lot of respect for scientists who inject small animals with massive doses of something and then express surprise when the furry things die. A 13-year-old could come up with the same findings in his backyard, using several cases of RC Cola and a horned toad.

But these recent discoveries we've been hearing about are exciting. They bring new hope.

For now, such work wouldn't be possible without the mice, the monkeys and other animals.

And it wouldn't be possible without the scientists, the researchers and others like them who spend their lives trying to make our world better — who are racing against time for so many. They deserve our thanks, our prayers.

And that's the purpose of this column.

Here's to the mice... and to the men.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Dilluted anti-terrorism bill

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram

It is a national disgrace that the House of Representatives has made a mess of the anti-terrorism bill that the White House proposed in the wake of last spring's Oklahoma City bombing.

Agreed, the original proposal went a little too far in the direction of compromising civil liberties. We doubt that federal officers really need expanded surveillance capabilities, such as wiretaps without a warrant, or need to use illegally obtained evidence. Those provisions have been removed.

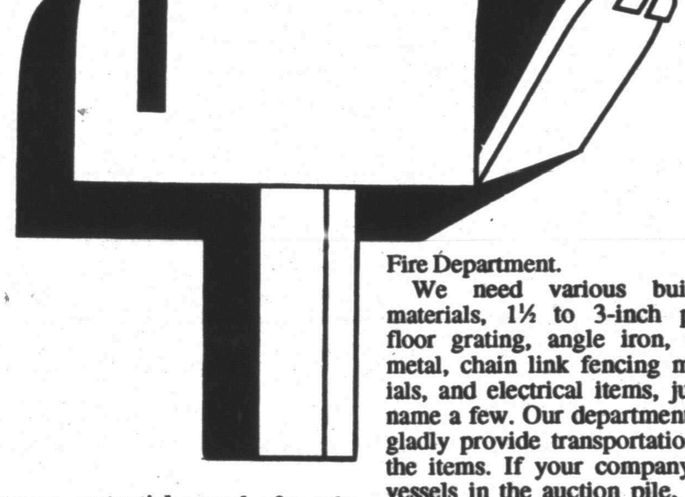
But in the House, anti-terrorism took a back seat to amendments backed by the National Rifle Association and to restricting Death Row appeals, which should be debated separately. Excellent anti-terrorism provisions were deleted.

Those include the tagging (after a study of the subject) of explosives to make them easier to trace. Now only plastic explosives would be tagged, and tagging of common explosives such as black and smokeless powder won't even be studied. Another victim of the NRA assault on the terrorism bill was a provision that would have forbade domestic fund-raising or other material support for foreign terrorist organizations (such as Hamas). It is hard to see how removing this helps U.S. hunters and gun owners.

Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., worked hard to tailor the bill to accommodate conservation objections. But when Rep. Bob Barr, R-Ga., the NRA's point man in the House, got through amending it, Hyde called the bill "a frail representation of what started out as a robust answer to the terrorist menace."

The last chance is in a House-Senate conference. In these perilous time, terrorism is a menace, and common-sense tools to fight it still are needed.

To the rescue



Dear Editor:

The following letter is offered as a means of sincere appreciation and public information.

On behalf of the Snyder Area Search & Rescue Team (SASRT), I would like to express our sincere appreciation to all who donated equipment, money, or provided services to support the advancement of the local rescue team. Without such support, the rescue team would still have only a handful of basic rescue equipment, which placed limitations on the rescue team's abilities and services.

Some limitations obviously still exist, but the team now is equipped to perform the rescues which they have been trained to perform. Without the vision of Pennzoil, and the spearheading of Linda Berryman, such a successful equipment fund drive would not have been possible. Not only have you aided in the safety of industry employees in our county, but each and every citizen has been affected. We have tried to give public recognition to all contributors in the SDN, and with a personal letter of appreciation. If we have mistakenly overlooked anyone, please accept our sincere apology.

SASRT has offered their services when requested, not only to our county, but to the area in general. Some of our surrounding counties have no such services, or very limited rescue capabilities. Rescue is a growing concern within the fire service, as many potentials we have never before considered are coming to light. Hopefully, our department will never face any degree of the type of incidents recently experienced by the New York City and Oklahoma City Fire Departments. But these incidents, as well as natural disasters, help to answer the questions many citizens have asked me recently, following the publicity of the recent fund-raiser.

"Why do we need a rescue team?" Well, quite frankly, when it comes to rescue, you can't afford to wait for some big city operation to come to your aid. Every second counts, and help might be as far as 100 miles away. The closest known rescue team is San Angelo. A response from that distance to a scene in North Scurry County could take up to 3 hours!

While we actually have few rescues in our county, the potential is always there. Including surrounding counties, the potential increases considerably. Everytime oilfield personnel ascend a drilling rig or pulling unit, everytime a city crew crawls into a ditch to fix a broken water line, every day when people enter confined spaces for various reasons, the potential for a rescue exists. Every construction site, industrial and petroleum facility, drainage ditch, fire scene, road construciton site, etc., has potential for the need for rescue.

The potential for structural collapse from fire, wind or tornado, kids illegally ascending water towers, vehicles over embankments, injured or sick roofers, missing children or hunters, all pose potential need for the services of a search and rescue team. When we do get rising water in our area, the potential becomes a high risk. The Sweetwater Fire Department had a swiftwater rescue near Blackwell just last year.

OSHA has standards in place that affect industry and petroleum facilities, and other general businesses, which require a rescue team to be within a reasonable response before workers can even enter a confined space. Some have confined space entries on a daily basis. Most of these facilities and businesses depend on the fire department for that rescue, if their own initial safety precautions fail. Knowing the need, potential and expectation, our fire department felt compelled to organize and equip a trained rescue team.

Our fire department has always had some personnel with rescue skills, and most of these individuals carried some limited personal equipment. Recognizing that this was no longer adequate, our department formed a team within the department, which has built a specialized trailer designed for carrying the equipment. Piece by piece, we have gathered equipment. The recent fund-raiser placed our department in a very good position with regards to equipment. While many pieces of equipment are still needed, we are now much more equipped to perform safe rescues with the proper equipment, based on the skills we have been taught. Our advanced certified personnel and training officers now have the equipment to teach others within our team who have just come onboard.

We are currently building a fire training facility with the rescue team concentrating on building rescue related field projects. Again, donations have come in to where we are progressing. We have tanks, pipes, vessels, etc., to teach our personnel. We are building a training tower for rope and ladder rescue practice. We will have below ground projects with which to train our people as well.

While we are progressing nicely, we are in need of additional building supplies. What may be considered "junk" by you or your company, might be valuable building supplies to our department. All donations will become property of the Snyder Volunteer Fire Department.

We need various building materials, 1½ to 3-inch pipe, floor grating, angle iron, sheet metal, chain link fencing materials, and electrical items, just to name a few. Our department will gladly provide transportation for the items. If your company has vessels in the auction pile, pipe, channel iron, etc., they may be suitable construction materials to build valuable training tools for our department.

Please contact me or any department member, and we will pursue the items to see if they are usable. Any and all donations to our non-profit organization should be tax deductible. Anyone wishing to obtain information about the rescue team, or how to become a member, may contact the fire department for a fire department membership application.

Sincerely,
Perry Westmoreland
President Snyder
Volunteer Fire Dept., Inc.
Member SASRT

Time to cry foul!

Dear Editor:

As a person who is interested in the young people of this community, I appreciate your efforts in covering the many activities in which they are involved. Even when I do not know the kids personally, it gives me great pleasure to read articles and see pictures of students who are working and succeeding in their fields of endeavor, whether it be FFA, drama, spelling bees, UIL competitions, academic achievements, or sports.

Scurry County is blessed with many talented, hard-working and creative kids whose efforts deserve to be applauded, and again, I thank you for giving them the recognition they rightly deserve.

However, as an avid reader of your paper I cannot help but notice the inequitable treatment some of the students receive — in particular, our high school golf team. If you will, please examine your issues printed April 1 through April 10 and you will see what I mean.

•On April 1 you told us "SHS wins district UIL academic competition." The story was given front page headline coverage. The article ran across 6 columns and continued on to page 10. It listed each student and his or her achievements. (My hat is off to each of you for a job well done.)

•On April 1 you told us that our high school boy's baseball team won their district opener in Levelland despite windy conditions. The story was placed at the top of the sports page, included a large picture, and covered about one third of the whole page. Many details of the game were given and the boys who played well were mentioned by name. (Congratulations, guys!)

•On April 4 you ran a large picture showing boy's baseball at the top of the sports page and informed us that they were going to play a game that evening. The team's standing in district was also given.

•On April 5 the front page headline read "The Corn is Green advances — Snyder High School's one-act play headed to region contest." The story ran across four columns and continued on to page 10. It told us of their past success and plans for the future. It included a quote from Jerry Worsham and listed the students who received special honors — those from Snyder and the other schools as well. (Bravo! Bravo!)

•On April 9 the top story on the sports page again reported on the success of the boy's baseball team. They story covered the full width of the page and included a large picture. The lengthy article told us all about the game and all of the boys who did well. (Good going!)

•The sports page heading of April 10 told us that the baseball boys had lost a game. Even so, their efforts were given a write-up that covered one third of the page and include a large picture, individual accomplishments and the team's standing in district. (Hang in there, guys!)

•On April 9 you told us that our girl's high school golf team won district and the boy's team placed second in district. Both teams would advance to regional. The entire article on the boy's and the girl's teams covered a small portion of two columns. The article was placed on the lower half of the sports page. (To see who got headline coverage, look two paragraphs above this one.) No picture was shown, no individual scores listed, no standings in district listed.

I believe it is time to cry foul! Can you explain to me why it is that, when our high school students win district in UIL academic competition or advance to regional in drama they are given front page headline honors, but when our golfers place first and second in district they are relegated to the bottom half of the sports page?

Our golfers have worked hard for their success and deserve better treatment than what they have thus far received. (Most of them work at their sport a full 12 months of the year, 5-6 days per week.)

As they prepare for regional and hope for another chance to play in the state playoffs, I ask you to think about the coverage you will give them. (Pictures would be nice, too.)

Please continue the excellent coverage you give to some of the activities, but strive to have a more fair and equitable amount of coverage for all of the students' endeavors.

Sincerely,
Sandra Wells
Snyder

Several vaccinations needed by age 2

The following vaccinations are needed by age 2 and can be given in five visits to a doctor or clinic:

•4 vaccinations against Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (DTP)

•3 vaccinations against Polio

•1 vaccination against Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR)

•3-4 vaccinations against Hib

•3 vaccinations against Hepatitis B

If a child is behind in his or her immunization series, he or she does not have to start over again. Following is information about the ten diseases these immunizations prevent:

POLIO: Polio is caused by a virus which is spread by contact with feces (bowel movement) of an infected person. Symptoms can include a sudden fever, sore throat, headache, muscle weakness and pain. Polio can cause paralysis and death.

DIPHTHERIA: Diphtheria is spread when germs pass from an infected person or carrier to the nose or throat of others. It is a very serious disease which can block the airway, making it impossible to breathe. It can also cause heart problems. Five to 10 out of 100 people who get diphtheria die.

TETANUS (Lockjaw): Tetanus is caused by a toxin produced by a germ that enters the body through a cut or wound. Tetanus causes serious, painful spasms of all muscles, and can lead to "locking" of the jaw so a person cannot open his or her mouth, swallow or breathe. Three out of 10 people who get tetanus die.

PERTUSSIS (Whooping cough): Pertussis is easily spread when germs pass from an infected person to the nose or throat of others. Pertussis can cause spells of violent coughing and choking, making it hard to breathe, drink or eat. The cough can last for weeks. This disease is most serious for babies. Babies can get pneumonia, have seizures, become brain damaged or even die. About half of the babies who get pertussis have to go to the hospital. There are pertussis outbreaks every year because children are not immunized.

MEASLES: Measles is caused by a virus which is very easily spread. Even being in the same room with an infected person is enough to catch the disease. Symptoms include a rash, fever, cough and watery eyes. Measles can also cause pneumonia, brain damage, seizures or death. Of every 1,000 children who get measles, 1-2 will die.

RUBELLA (German Measles): Rubella is caused by a virus which is spread when germs pass from an infected person to the nose or throat of others. It is usually a mild sickness with fever, swollen glands and a rash which lasts for about three days. If a pregnant woman contracts rubella, she can lose her unborn baby, or the baby can be born with birth defects, blind, deaf, mentally retarded, or have heart defects or other serious problems.

HIB MENINGITIS: Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) germs are spread from an infected person to the nose or throat of others. Hib causes meningitis (brain damage), pneumonia, and infection of the blood, joints, bone, throat and heart covering. This disease is very serious for children under 5 years old, especially infants.

MUMPS: Mumps is spread when germs pass from an infected person to the nose or throat of others. Mumps causes fever, headaches, and swollen glands under the jaw. One out of every 10 children who get mumps may develop a mild meningitis, sometimes causing encephalitis. Mumps can also result in permanent loss of hearing.

HEPATITIS B: Hepatitis B is an infection of the liver caused by a virus. This virus causes a flu-like illness with loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, rashes, joint pain and jaundice (yellowing of the eyes and skin). An infected pregnant woman can expose her newborn to this virus during birth. The virus stays in the liver of some people for the rest of their lives. Later, they can develop severe liver diseases, or cancer. Hepatitis B spreads through contact with blood or other body fluids. This can happen through sexual contact, or by sharing a razor, toothbrush, or needles used to inject drugs.

Scientists discover gene linked to aging

WASHINGTON (AP) — Discovery of a gene that fast-forwards 20-somethings into old age is giving scientists a first step in their quest to understand — and perhaps one day treat — the diseases of aging.

"A kind of Holy Grail of aging research has been to find this gene," said Gerard Schellenberg, whose team at the Seattle Veterans Affairs Medical Center discovered the gene that causes the premature aging of Werner's syndrome.

The gene appears to play a vital role in how DNA repairs itself and reproduces, long suspected as keys to aging, Schellenberg reports Friday in the journal Science.

"This is the first clear evidence" to explain how that could happen, said Dr. Anna McCormick, chief of aging research at the National Institutes of Health.

Werner's syndrome is a rare inherited disease. Victims' hair turns gray in their 20s. Soon, cataracts cloud their vision and osteoporosis, heart disease, cancer and other ailments of the elderly hit. Most patients die before 50.

Finding the gene that causes it is considered a milestone because doctors use Werner's syndrome as a model for understanding normal aging.

The gene, called WRN, appears to govern the production of vital enzymes called helicases, Schellenberg reported.

DNA carries the body's genetic blueprint, in double-helix strands coiled inside every cell. Whenever a cell reproduces, the DNA strands first must uncoil so they can be copied accurately for the new cell. Likewise, whenever the body needs to repair a cellular defect, the DNA must unwind so repair enzymes can snip off the defective piece. Helicases make DNA unwind.

"Whatever you can imagine that happens to DNA, helicases are involved," Schellenberg said.

If WRN is mutated, presumably the helicases aren't uncoiling DNA properly — so cells aren't reproducing to replace dying ones or DNA damage is not being repaired, he explained.

His next step is to prove that is what's happening, by examining the four WRN mutations he found in Werner's patients. When he checked the WRN genes of 144 healthy people, only one had a mutation on a single copy of the gene. Both copies must be defective for Werner's syndrome to develop.

NIH's McCormick also wants to check the WRN of healthy people at different times in their lives to see if the gene's activity changes with normal aging.

This is all early research — treatments for aging are a long way off and certainly many still undiscovered genes are involved, Schellenberg and other scientists agree.

Nor does WRN offer gene therapy for Werner's, because every copy of the gene in every cell is defective, a problem too massive to fix, McCormick cautioned.

But the discovery does offer "a whole new window into age-related diseases," said David Galas, chief scientist for Darwin Molecular Corp., a Seattle biotechnology company that holds the patent rights to the gene. The company hopes the discovery will point the way to future drugs.

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Senior Center News

Bridge and a Nine Ball tourney are planned in the Senior Center Monday morning as a new week of activities begins. The Scurry County chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons will meet in the center at noon following an executive session at 11:15 a.m.

A 42 Fun Day is planned Tuesday, with play beginning at 9:30 a.m. Canasta is scheduled at 1 p.m. Wednesday and a bridge tournament at 9:30 a.m. Friday.

Musical entertainment during the week will include a program by Hoss Clayton and his band starting at 11 a.m. Tuesday, a program by Cleo Wolfe at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday and one by the Senior Saints at 11 a.m. Thursday. The Sunshine Choir will go to the Snyder Healthcare Center for a program at 10 a.m. Friday.

The Center will mark Earth Day on April 22 and senior citizens are encouraged to bring newspaper and magazine articles pertaining to the conservation of natural resources. They are also encouraged to wear clothing with prints of flowers or trees to call attention to Earth Day, first observed in 1970.

The center will have its annual Mother's Day program on May 10 and Pamela Fenton, activities director, invites senior citizens to bring poems they would like to here on that day. The Sunshine Choir will present special music for this program and for a Memorial Day program on May 24. Senior citizens who would like to join the choir are invited to contact Mrs. Fenton or Norma Laywell, center director.

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Northeast

Student wins national contest

It began as a class project, one that Lili Valdez, Northeast fifth grader, took very seriously. It ended when she was picked a national winner in the Delta World Adventure Challenge with Carmen Sandiego, one of 38 selected from 5,000 entries.

Extensive research was required for Lili to complete the requirements for the project. The contest, based on the popular Saturday morning program, "Where on Earth is Carmen Sandiego?" pits the thief, Carmen, against contestants who must find her.

In Lili's essay, she tracked Carmen all the way to Caracas, Venezuela, drawing detailed maps and listing all the places she could stay and eat during her search.

Nine through 13-year-olds were eligible to enter. The deadline was Feb. 15. Each entrant had to include a completed City File, a typed or neatly written double-spaced essay in English and a completed entry form including the name of the sponsoring educator. In Lili's case it was her teacher, Donna Farley.

Winners were selected by geography professionals from the National Council for Geographic Education. Entries from two age groups were judged separately.

Out of a possible 100 points, content counted 50 percent, creativity 30 percent and clarity, 20 percent.

For content, judges considered the accuracy and extent of facts and information in the City File and how well each essay incorporated that information.

For creativity, judges awarded points for originality and imagination in the City FIle and essay.

For clarity, judges considered proper grammar and spelling and for how clearly the City File and essay were organized and written.

Lili, the daughter of Reuben and Toni Valdez, will receive a $100 savings bond, a portable cassette radio player, and a Delta-World Adventure Challenge gift pack including Carmen Sandiego games and toys.

For sponsoring the contest, Mrs. Farley will receive a classroom world map.



NATIONAL WINNER — Lili Valdez, Northeast fifth grader, points to Caracas, Venezuela on a world map. Her essay about tracking the fictional character, Carmen Sandiego, to that city recently won a national contest. (See story above.) (SDN Staff Photo)

Four arrested for selling panda skin

BEIJING (AP) — Chinese police arrested four people as they tried to sell a giant panda's pelt to a Hong Kong businessman, an official report said Friday.

Fire Department Rescue Team

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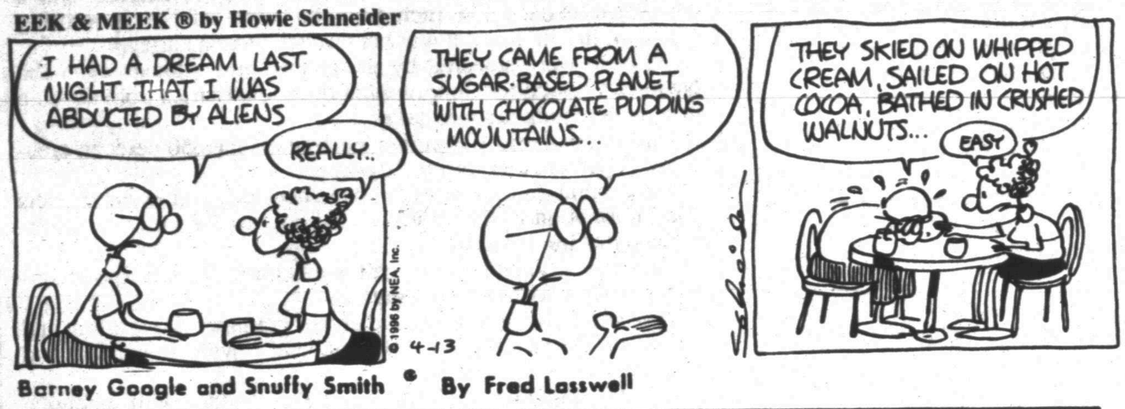
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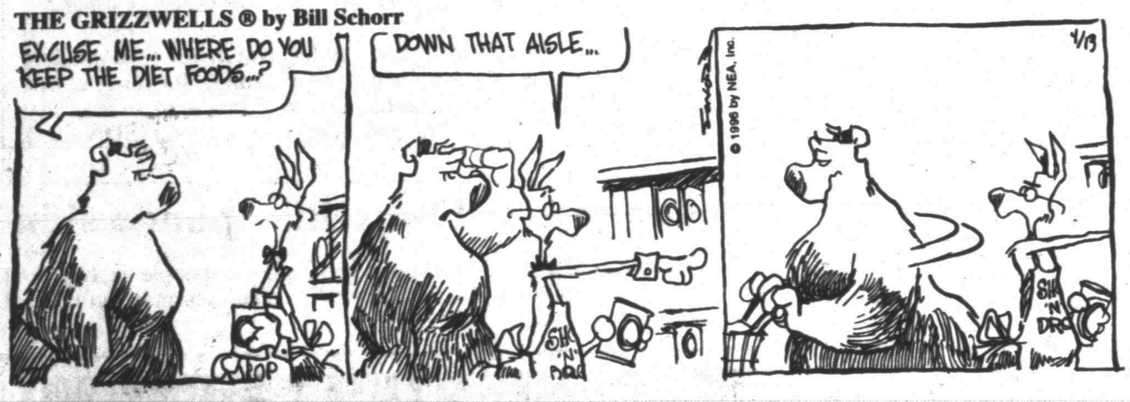
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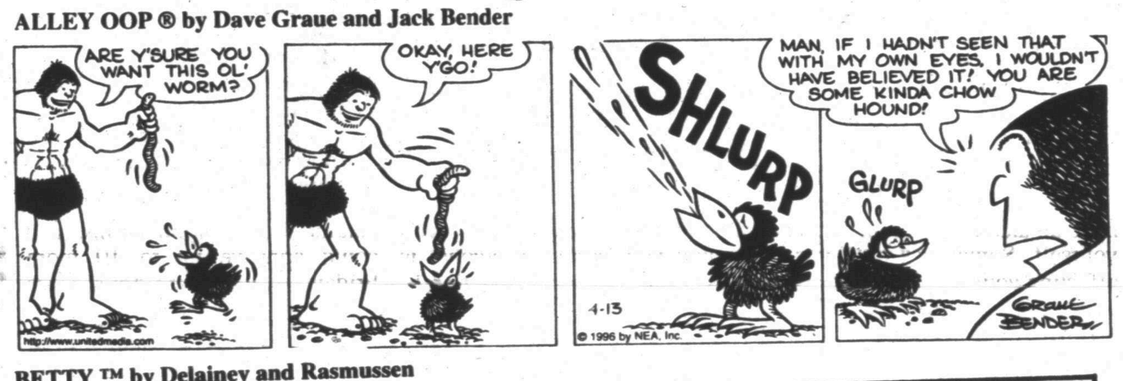
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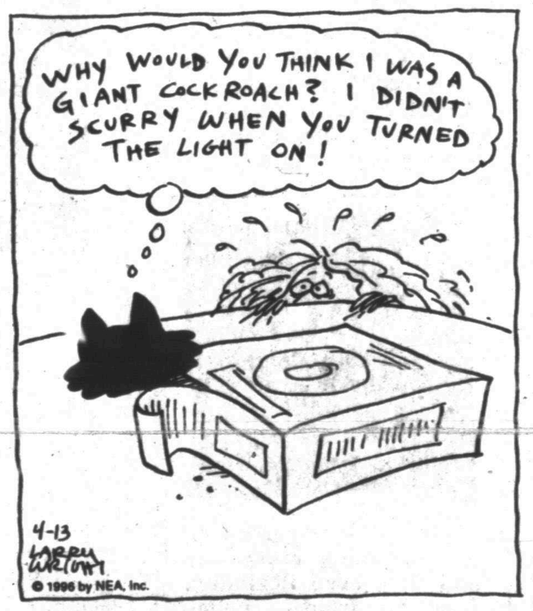
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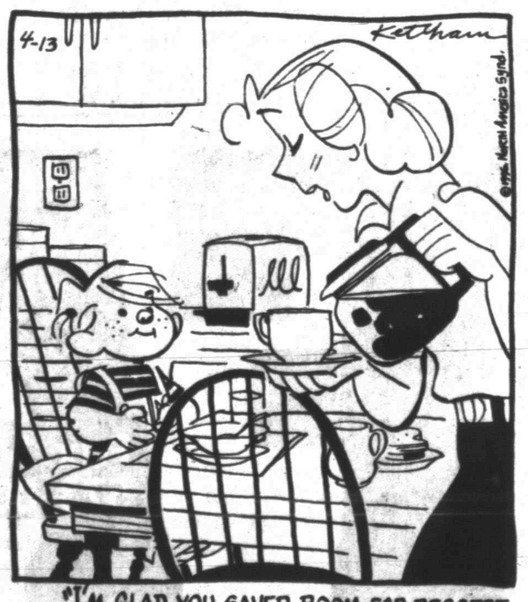


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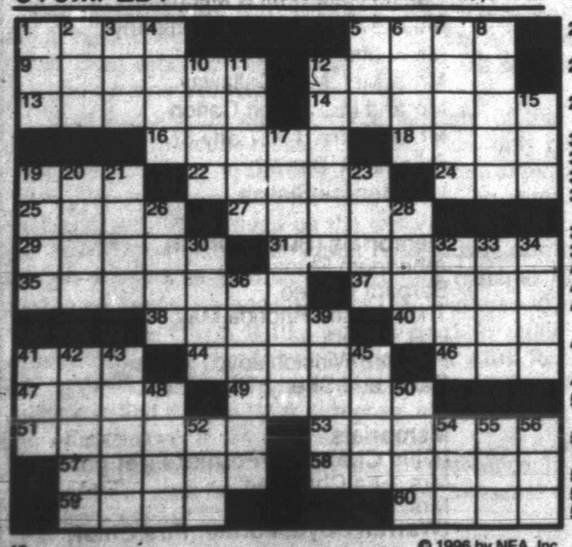
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Q&A

Facts you need to know

With the growing concern among parents, educators and other affected members of the community, Al-Anon support groups and the Snyder Area Council On Alcohol and Drug Abuse will be presenting a weekly column devoted to your questions about the increasing threat of substance abuse in Scurry County.

One only has to read the daily "police report" in the newspaper to realize that many arrests made by area peace officers are alcohol related.

Teen-agers are routinely ticketed for minor in possession or arrested for public intoxication, driving while intoxicated or misdemeanor possession of marijuana. High school and junior high students have been arrested for having drugs at school and for being intoxicated in class. For our youth, the access to drugs and alcohol is all too easy.

But alcohol and drug abuse is not a problem only for the young. Substance abuse occurs in all age groups, from pre-teens to seniors.

The intent of this column is to provide a beacon of light into the troubling subject of alcohol and drug abuse. Knowledge is power.

What is the cost of drug addiction in this community? Will it get worse? What can be done? How can you know if you are abusing drugs or alcohol or if a family member is? How early are kids facing this threat? What can be done?

One or two of your questions will be answered each week. CADA, Al-Anon and AA will attempt to answer each question, discuss each new topic, and offer hope in a solution to this growing problem our community faces.

The first question is one that many people ask:

Is there a way to tell if I have or if someone I know has a drinking problem?

THE SYMPTOMS

Chemical dependency, like other illnesses, has some specific warning signals. Any one or more of the following signs may indicate a drinking problem:

- Family or social problems caused by drinking.
- Job or financial difficulties related to drinking.
- Loss of a consistent ability to control drinking.
- "Blackouts" or the inability to remember what happened while drinking.
- Distressing physical and/or psychological reactions if you try to stop drinking.
- A need to drink increasing amounts of alcohol to get the desired effect.
- Marked changes in behavior or personality when drinking.
- Getting drunk frequently.
- Injuring yourself - or someone else - while intoxicated.
- Breaking the law while intoxicated.
- Starting the day with a drink.

If any of these symptoms apply to your own drinking, you may well have an alcohol problem. This is a time to be absolutely honest with yourself. Sometimes only you can know how seriously alcohol is affecting your life. Often others close to you can recognize your problem as well, but they may be embarrassed to bring it up. If they do, you have all the more reason to take a hard look at what your drinking is doing to you.

Twenty-four-hour confidential information is available by calling (915) 573-1141 or 1-800-658-6722. Information on help groups and individual's phone numbers may be found in the SDN Community Calendar.

Send your questions to P.O. Box 695, Snyder Tx. 79550. Or, you may call (915) 573-1141. All questions and personal inquiries may be submitted anonymously.

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Lynx Energy Co. Inc., 1996 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Billie Holladay and Debbie Phillips, 1996 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

Buford Sterling, 1996 Chevrolet pickup from Big County Autoland.

Russell Erwin, 1996 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Donnie Lindsey, 1996 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

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Wilson Motors, two 1996 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Dell Harrington, 1996 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

Arrow Construction Co., 1996 Ford flatbed from Wilson Motors.

Vera Shafer, 1996 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Dale R. Burton, 1996 Chevrolet Suburban from Big County Autoland.

Roger and Mary Batchelor, 1996 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Bill Shively, 1996 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Susan Lentz, 1996 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

SJS Inc., 1996 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Jerold Robinson and Davis Priess, 1995 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Victor C. Martin, 1995 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Marriage License

Jose Martinez Martinez and Sharon Lue Lee, both of Snyder.

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The Geral G. Greene Trust to John A. and Carolyn Greene, a 20-acre tract in the east 250 acres of Section 85, Block 2, H&TC survey.

David M. Merritt to Rayland Goswick, all of Lots 4-6 in Block 3 of the Evancrest Addition.

Kenneth E. Gibson, attorney-in-fact for Marian E. Gibson, to Lois Price, all of Lot 5 in Block 10 of the Park Place Addition.

Alton Paul Jarrell, attorney-in-fact for Maxine Lucille Williams, to Vernell Thompson, all of Lot 5 in Block 1 of the Cullum Addition.

Kim Dupree to Rodney Eugene Dupree, all of Lot 14 in Block G, a replat of the Towle Park Addition.

Juan F. and Erolinda Madera to Victor G. and Consuelo Ridriguez, the west 50 feet of Lot 1 in Block 4 of the Cody Addition.

Bruce and Vicki Kallemeyn to Estella Rios, all of Lot 4 and the west one-half of Lot 5 in Block 44 of the A.C. Wilmeth's Addition.

Scurry County, Trustee of the State of Texas, to Gilbert Merritt, Lots 3-6 in Block 23 of the Boothland West Addition.

Scurry County, Trustee for the State of Texas, to Mary Romero, Lots 1 and 2 in Block 1 of the Casstevens Subdivision of Block 15 in the Cody Addition.

Homero T. Velasquez to Rebecca Aragon Tobar and Carlos Aragon, tract one being one acre out of Tracts 37 and 41 of the Dallas Trust and Savings Bank Subdivision of Section 14, Block 2, J.P. Smith survey; tract two being a 0.45-acre tract out of Tracts 37 and 41 of the Dallas Trust and Savings Bank Subdivision of Section 14, Block 1, J.P. Smith survey.

Johnny Jimmie and Mary Lou Mata to Joe and Virginia Lara, the north one-half of the east one-half of Lot 3 in Block 35 of the Cody Heights Addition.

Myron Fenton to Esmeralda Cerda, the north 61 feet of Lots 13 and 14 in Block 20 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Betty Tollison Phillips to John Cagle, all of Lots 9 and the East 10 feet of Lot 10 in Block 3 of the Noble Heights Addition.

Billy John Voss and Carl Ann Preston to Martha Jane Partain Simpson, tract one being all of Section 203, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract two being the southwest one-quarter of Section 204, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract three being the south 240 acres of Section 184, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Carl Ann Preston and Martha Jane Partain Simpson to Billy John Voss, tract one being the northeast one-quarter and the northwest one-quarter of Section 152, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being the south one-half of Section 153, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract three being one acre out of Section 153, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract four being the south one-half of Section 98, Block 3, H&TC survey; tract five being the south one-half of Section 206, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract six being the north one-half of Section 191, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract seven being the east one-half of Section 173, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract eight being the north one-quarter of Section 170, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract nine being all the south part of the east one-half and the north part of the southwest one-quarter of Section 188, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Myrle Wayne Gafford, Barbara Ann Gray, Donna Jean Bowman and Ralphene Canon to Darlene Bollinger, the south 83.33 feet of Lot 2 in Block 26 of the Lundy's Park Addition.

Melva A. Craig to Gerald and Eloise Gunset, all of Lot 10 in Block C of the Replat of the Towle Place Addition.

Nelson Jones to Alfred L. and Connie M. Robbins, all of Lot 3 in Block 2 of the Glenn Huffman Addition.

Scurry County, Trustee of the State of Texas, to Jamie Delarosa, the north 40 feet of Lot 10 and the north 40 feet of the east one-half of Lot 11 in Block 35 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Bruce Kallemeyn to Sammie Lee Harrison, all of Lot 1 and the east 50 feet of Lot 2 in Block 42 of the T.N. Nunn Second Addition.

Domingo and Lydia Luera to Angelic Murillo, all of Lot 4 in Block 21 of the Bootheland West Addition.

Board member raises segregation concerns

AUSTIN (AP) — A State Board of Education member says she's concerned free-standing charter schools will result in segregation, as officials were poised to approve the second round of applications for such campuses.

The charter schools, created under last year's education law overhaul, are independent of school districts and freed from many state regulations in an effort to promote teaching innovations. Up to 20 may be approved by the Education Board.

The board has approved six charter school applications, and could approve up to 10 more Friday. That leaves four more slots. Officials said there could be eight applications competing for them in May.

The charter school law doesn't allow them to discriminate on the basis of race in accepting students, said David Anderson, Texas Education Agency general counsel.

But Education Board member Mary Helen Berlanga of Corpus Christi said Thursday since the charter schools aren't required to transport students from other areas of a city, the system may result in racial segregation.

"If they don't have to provide transportation, then first-come, first-served may not mean anything ... We're going to end up with segregated schools," she said.

Board Chairman Jack Christie of Houston, however, said that parents will find a way to get their children to a good school.

"I've seen it to where if you offer a good program in a magnet-type situation, you have good competition, those children will get there. ... I've seen it work with the poorest parents, too," he said.

"It's not as good as a limousine service to the school, but if it's a good school ... they'll get to that school," he said.

Senate Education Committee Chairman Bill Ratliff, author of the education reform law, added that the charter schools would be subject to U.S. Justice Department scrutiny.

"If there's any hint of any white flight or anything smacking of an attempt to re-segregate ... it's going to be scrutinized pretty hard," said Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant.

Ms. Berlanga also expressed concern that the charter schools aren't required to do criminal background checks of teachers. Teachers' backgrounds are checked when they are certified by the state, but charter schools may hire uncertified teachers.

Pat Linares, senior director of school-community support for TEA, said the charter schools do have authority to conduct background checks of uncertified teachers.

Ms. Berlanga said she'd like to see the charter schools focus on students who are discipline problems.

"I have children in the public schools. My children have to sit next to children who have criminal records," she said.

Board member Diane Patrick of Arlington noted, "Many of them (charter schools), in fact, are designed to meet the needs of students such as you've just described."

She said she believes the charters that are being approved will succeed, citing "the enthusiasm of the applicants and the dedication and commitment to making various innovations for children."

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Low grain supplies put pressure on livestock

WASHINGTON (AP) — Supplies of wheat and grain have moved from tight to tighter, putting pressure on livestock producers and eventually on what people pay for meat at the supermarket.

Depending on how cattle ranchers, hog farmers and others respond to the newest forecasts for low grain supplies, store prices could start rising in 1997. Livestock producers first cut back by sending their animals to slaughter, causing short-term surplus and low prices, followed by long-term price increases.

Wheat supplies will hit 50-year lows before the spring harvest, the Agriculture Department said Thursday. The bleak outlook for wheat was compounded by a forecast for the tightest corn supplies since the late 1930s.

The same department report showed pork, poultry and milk producers starting to cut production in response. The monthly report showed that beef production fell slightly after higher-than-expected slaughter in the first three months of the year.

The big livestock cutbacks have yet to be made as customers battle it out in the marketplace.

"The industry people and the exporters can outbid the domestic users, the livestock users," said Bill Uhrig, agricultural economist at Purdue University. "I think ultimately there's going to be some more liquidation."

As Uhrig and Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman pointed out Thursday, foreign buyers have the benefit of a weak dollar to lower the price impact. Users who can react swiftly have done so: The report noted a cutback in corn use for ethanol.

Glickman declared there was no emergency, saying the "marketplace will do its job of allocating supplies."

The short supplies were caused by heavier than usual export demand, low yields in 1995 and less-than-ideal growing conditions for the fall-planted winter wheat crop now awaiting harvest.

Only a 6½-week supply of wheat will be available starting June 1, when the new crop hits the market, if current use continues. Scarcely more than two weeks' worth of corn will be available as the major harvesting begins in August.

The driest season in more than 100 years has hit the belt of states from Texas northward that grow hard red winter wheat, the major U.S. wheat crop. Frost has also damaged the soft red winter wheat crop in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio.

Glickman, at a news conference, handed out vegetation maps that told the story: Vast areas of Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas showed brown where this time last year they showed a yellow-green or blue-green.

"We've got to have decent rain in the next two weeks in the winter wheat belt," said Gregg Doud, analyst for U.S. Wheat Associates, the export marketing group for wheat growers.

The outlook means a price boon for farmers who can manage to harvest their winter wheat or plant a spring wheat crop in the north, and for corn growers.

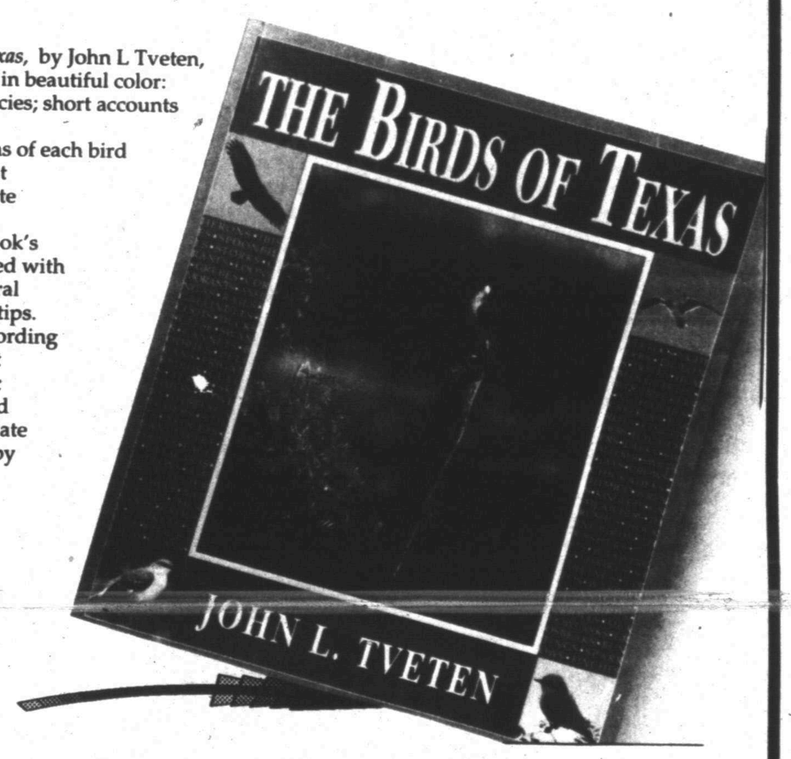
The immediate consumer impact should be minimal, the department said. Prices for cereal and baked goods will rise, with some of the costs already passed on to consumers early this year.

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Credit repair firms may make false promises

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumers should distrust any advertisement or business that promises to make a bad but accurate credit record spotless, because legally it can't be done, federal and state officials say.

By law, credit bureaus report everything about a person's credit background that's accurate and timely, even if the material is unflattering, for seven years. Bankruptcies are purged after 10 years.

Nonetheless, an estimated 1,100 firms nationwide rake in millions of dollars annually by continuing to lure the unsuspecting and the uninformed with promises to clean up blemished credit histories, said Jodie Bernstein, director of consumer protection for the Federal Trade Commission.

On Thursday, she announced that her agency and 10 state attorneys general have brought federal cases against 15 "credit repair" firms on charges of violating the FTC's new telemarketing rule.

A provision aimed at pulling the plug on credit repair firms prohibits them from seeking payment until six months after they deliver the promised service. Since they can't legally deliver, they are unlikely to collect.

"Nothing but time can clean up negative but accurate information from consumers' credit records," Ms. Bernstein said. "If they can't deliver, they can't collect, and that means they're out of business."

Catherine Rose learned the hard way.

Working two jobs after the breakup of her 20-year marriage, medical problems and personal bankruptcy, the Charlotte, N.C., woman said she was attracted to a credit repair ad broadcast on the radio.

"I thought, being desperate, that this was the solution and it wasn't," said Mrs. Rose, explaining that she lost $695 trying to erase the bankruptcy from her file. "All it did was put me in deeper financial problems."

To help educate consumers, the Newspaper Association of America, representing 1,500 papers in the United States and Canada, is asking members to run ads warning about credit repair firms in their classifieds.

"This is a highly skilled group of scam artists," said Charles Burson, the Tennessee attorney general. "Once they get you on the telephone, chances are you're going to lose some money."

Consumers who have been victimized should contact the National Fraud Information Center or the FTC, Ms. Bernstein said.

Four of the 15 cases were brought by the FTC.

The remaining cases were filed by attorneys general from Illinois, Indiana, Massachusetts, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, Washington state, Wisconsin and the District of Columbia.

Two of the FTC's defendants — Giving You Credit Inc. and Partners in Vision International Inc., both of San Diego; and Jayco Associates Inc., operating as Credit Doctor of Washington, D.C., have agreed to settle.

Another case remains sealed.

A case against The Law Center and The Consumer Law Center, under which the FTC said Walter Channels and James Coose operate in Santa Ana, Calif., is heading to trial in federal court in Los Angeles.

The National Fraud Information Center's telephone number is 1-800-876-7060; the FTC's number is 1-202-326-2222.

Young black males said main victims of firearms' injuries

WASHINGTON (AP) — People treated at hospital emergency rooms for nonfatal gunshot wounds related to crime are mainly male, black and young, according to a Justice Department study.

The study released Thursday, using data collected by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, found that males made up almost 90 percent of those treated for firearm injuries connected to crimes and that 59 percent were black.

Almost half were aged 15-24, with 22 percent coming from the 15-19 age group, according to records of 91 emergency rooms in the year beginning June 1, 1992.

The FBI and other law enforcement groups keep track of gun-related murders, but the Justice Department said the CDC study was the first to give national estimates of firearm injuries.

The racial breakdown for crime-related wounds — 59 percent black, 19 percent white and 14 percent Hispanic — and the preponderance of young victims is similar to that for murders. An FBI study of homicides in the same period found that 53 percent of the victims were black.

One difference was that more wounds were connected to crimes. Of firearm injuries, 58 percent resulted from assaults, compared with 25 percent that were unintentional or suicide attempts. Of 37,776 firearm deaths in 1992, 48 percent were suicides, 47 percent homicides or legal interventions and 4 percent unintentional, the Justice Department said.

The CDC estimated that there were 99,000 nonfatal gun wounds treated during the survey year, of which 57,500 resulted from assaults.

The study said that among crime-related gun incidents, there were 3.3 nonfatal cases for every homicide.

The report also found:

—12 percent of crime-related gunshot injuries came from drive-by shootings.

—1,400 police officers were injured and 67 killed in firearms assaults in 1993.

—About 3 percent of victims of serious violent crimes from 1987 through 1992 had been shot, according to the Justice Department's National Crime Victimization Survey. Roughly 60 percent of assailants were strangers, 25 percent acquaintances and 6 percent relatives or intimates.

Appellate court says Megan's law does apply to 12-year-old

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — A boy who confessed at age 12 to fondling his stepbrother must register as a sex offender under New Jersey's Megan's Law, a state appeals court ruled.

The ruling, issued Wednesday, triggered protests from some who said it highlights flaws in the law hastily passed in 1994. Attorneys for the boy said they would appeal.

"The notion that a 12-year-old boy can never be redeemed is repugnant," said John S. Furlong, a defense attorney who represented a another client in appealing Megan's Law. "If they had thought about what they were doing even for a nanosecond, they would have exempted children, say under the age of 16."

Megan's law was adopted in response to the rape and murder of 7-year-old Megan Kanka, who was allegedly attacked by a twice-convicted sex offender who lived across the street from her family's Hamilton Township home.

"I think many pedophiles do start at a young age," said Megan's mother, Maureen Kanka. "If he does have pedophile tendencies, ... I think it's important that he falls under Megan's Law. If there's any type of treatment for him, I think it has to happen at a young age."

The case involved a 1993 incident in which the boy, identified in court papers as B.G., touched the "intimate parts" of his 8-year-old stepbrother, J.B.

New Mexico's first lottery will begin operating April 27

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — New Mexicans who say they'll buy that new home or car if they win the state lottery will get their chance starting April 27.

That's when New Mexico's first $1 and $2 lottery tickets go on sale at more than 1,500 retail businesses around the state. The tickets may be purchased by anyone 18 years old or older at businesses ranging from convenience stores and gas stations to flower shops and liquor stores.

"The momentum is picking up — all the bits and pieces are coming together," said Jim Burleson, vice president of sales and marketing for the lottery.

Burleson says lottery employees are working long hours to complete last-minute preparations before the lottery's launch.

Last April, Gov. Gary Johnson signed a bill creating the New Mexico Lottery, with the profits designated for education. The bill was the only gambling-related measure to make it through the 1995 session, which turned down proposals to establish widespread gambling throughout the state.

The first tickets sold will be the instant-win "scratch" type. Players scrape off an opaque latex coating, and if three numbers match, the player wins between $1 and $10,000.

There will be two types of scratch tickets for sale at the outset. They differ only in the ticket's size and how much it costs the customer.

Scratch games end as soon as someone wins the maximum amount, said Ralph Decker, chief executive officer of the New Mexico Lottery.

The lottery will have about five more scratch games ready to offer soon after the first two games sell out, he said.

Scratch games don't have the multi-million dollar jackpots which many people associate with lotteries.

But Decker said those mega-jackpots could arrive by late September when the New Mexico Lottery offers Powerball through the Multi-State Lottery Association, a group of lotteries from 21 states and the District of Columbia who combine to create a larger pool for jackpots.

Jackpots for Powerball start at $5 million; they have reached $111 million.

Under Powerball, five numbers are selected from a group of 45 numbers, then a sixth number is chosen from a separate group of 45 numbers.

Players may choose their numbers or opt to have a computer make random selections.

Winning numbers are determined when five white balls and one red ball — the Powerball — are drawn from drums.

Anyone who holds a ticket with all the matching numbers wins the jackpot, which is paid out in equal yearly installments for 20 years.

New Mexico's lottery law earmarks 60 percent of the net revenue to public school districts and 40 percent to help college students pay tuition.

Despite where the money is aimed, not everyone sees the lottery as a benefit.

Guy Clark of Albuquerque, who heads the New Mexico Coalition Against Gambling, said he worries about people becoming addicted to the lottery.

"A lot of people think it's harmless and that makes it even more dangerous," Clark said. "The lottery is so accessible — that's the big problem."

Decker is warning lottery players to control themselves.

"Play responsibly," he advised. "Don't bet the farm on it — it's not a living."

The new lottery could generate $14 million for public schools in its first full year of operation, according to estimates presented last year to the Legislative Education Study Committee.

The money will be funneled through the Public School Capital Outlay Fund, which requires school districts to have used at least 75 percent of their bonding capacity and to have passed a local, 2-mill levy.

Just over one-third of the state's 89 school districts meet the bonding-capacity requirement.

Decker stressed that the lottery isn't in the business of disbursing the money, but said he would like to see it doled out to schools differently.

"I don't think it's right. I think it's punishing the school districts that are efficient," Decker said.

Any change, however, would have to be made by the Legislature, he said.

Rep. Daniel P. Silva, D-Albuquerque, introduced a bill during the 1996 legislative session that would have used 60 percent of the lottery's net revenue to buy computers for all school districts in the state. The measure never got out of committee.

The lottery proceeds reserved for college students will be paid out in the form of scholarship grants. Any high school graduate from New Mexico will be eligible to apply for up to eight semesters of paid tuition at any public college in the state.

The students will have to be enrolled full-time and maintain a cumulative 2.5 grade point average, said Bruce Hamlett, director of the state Commission on Higher Education.

"I think it's just the perfect type of program," Hamlett said. "It allows us to say — regardless of your income level — if you graduate from high school and go on to college, you will be able to get scholarships."

Okinawan landowners will be able to get airfield back

TOKYO (AP) — Japan and the United States have agreed on a 5-to-7-year plan for the return of an airfield on Okinawa to local landowners, U.S. Ambassador Walter Mondale said Friday.

The agreement, part of a pact setting the stage for President Clinton's visit next week, was announced following a meeting by Mondale, Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto and other officials.

"We want to be good neighbors," Mondale said.

U.S. and Japanese officials have been working intensively since last fall to find ways to overcome a growing resistance on Okinawa to keeping U.S. troops there.

Opposition to the U.S. military presence flared following the rape last September of a 12-year-old Okinawan schoolgirl, in which three U.S. servicemen were convicted of the crime last month. Anger over the rape sparked the largest anti-U.S. military rallies ever on Okinawa.

The base to be returned, Futemma, has been particularly controversial because it is located in a heavily populated area, and also because there are a number of schools nearby.

Residents have long complained about the noise and disruption caused by the base.

The governor of Okinawa, who is leading a push to expel tens of thousands of U.S. troops from the southern Japan island, has requested a summit of his own with Clinton, who arrives Tuesday, a senior Okinawan official said.

A Foreign Ministry official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said there were no plans for such a meeting.

The Okinawan official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Ota had been invited to a banquet in Tokyo in Clinton's honor, but added that it was not yet clear whether Ota would attend.

U.S. Embassy officials refused to comment.

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