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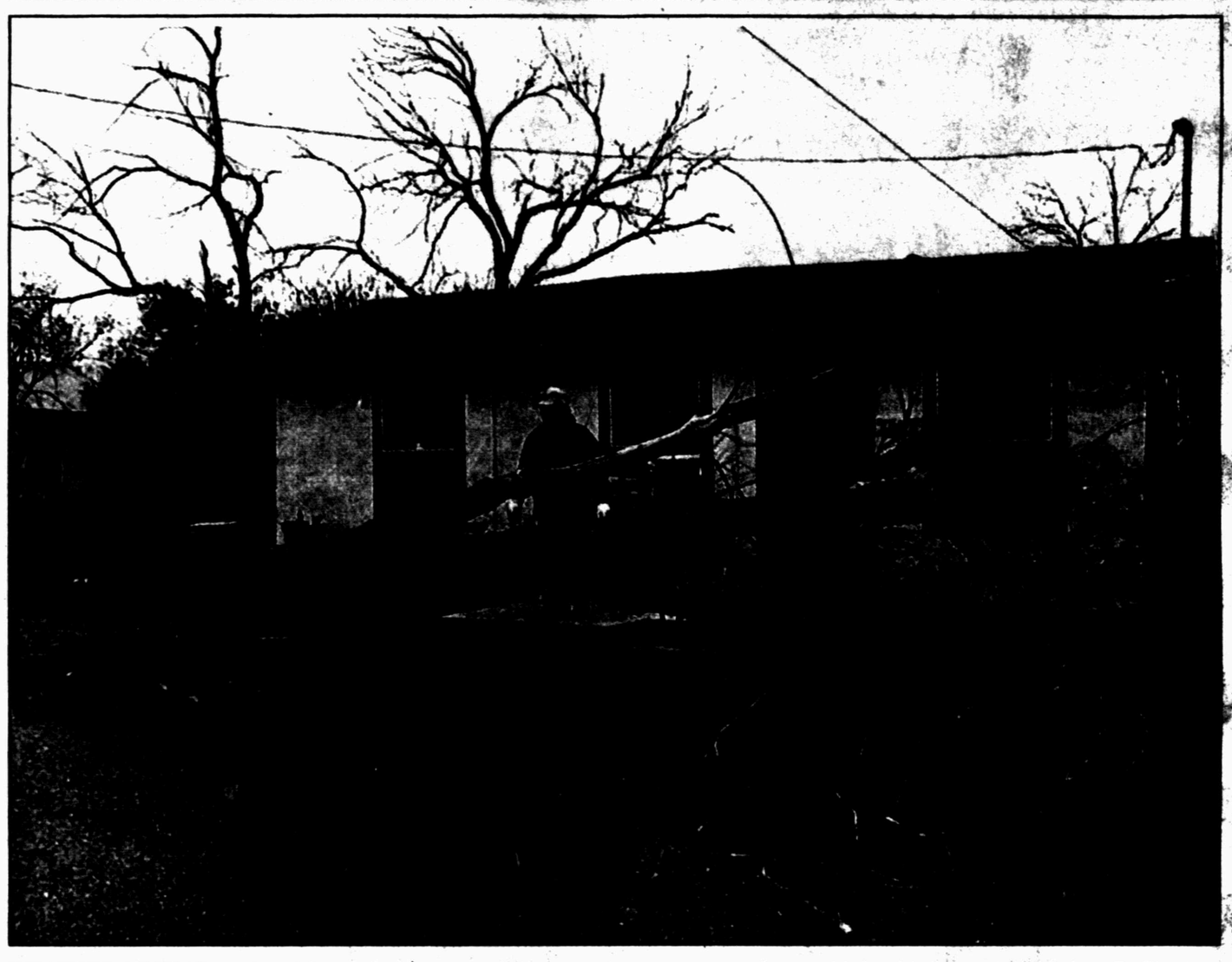
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Home of Amanda Culwell



WEATHER MISHAP — Angel Lopez looks over a fallen tree that came very close to hitting his home at 902 Ave. R. The tree blew over during early Saturday morning's stormy weather. The cold front that triggered the storm hung around all weekend and this morning's temperature was a chilly 34 degrees. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Sexual assault trial underway

Jury selection was continuing shortly before noon today in the trial of a Snyder man accused of aggravated sexual assault of a nine-year-old girl.

Joe Louis Hernandez III of 413 North Ave. U is on trial in 132nd District Court for the assault that allegedly occurred July 23 of last year.

Hernandez, 46, was indicted by a Scurry County grand jury in August. He has been free on a $20,000 bond.

Some 140 prospective jurors were summoned and of that number, 46 appeared for jury duty in District Judge Ernie Armstrong's court this morning.

District Attorney Dana Cooley will present the state's case, and James Wilks of Sweetwater is the defense attorney.

Privacy protection may not be possible in electronic age

AUSTIN (AP) — Full protection of an individual's privacy in the Internet age may be impossible despite legislative attempts to limit access to private records, acting Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff said today.

"I don't know if it's going to be possible to protect anybody's privacy," Ratliff told editors gathered for the annual meeting of the Texas Daily Newspaper Association.

The Senate last week passed a bill to give Texans greater control over their medical records. Under the Texas Medical Privacy Act, health entities would be banned from sharing patient data with marketers or advertisers without prior consent.

The bill allows consumers to inspect and make changes to their medical records. It also gives them the right to sue to stop the release of information and to know how any information is used.

Such measures will go only so far, because the amount of information already accessible electronically is "staggering," said Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant.

"Even if we try to stifle that, I don't know if you can. It's a little scary," Ratliff said.

House Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, said any privacy legislation should not infringe on the media's access to public records.

"People are understandably concerned about privacy," Laney said. "Privacy legislation should not create problems for the news media's ability to report the news."

Laney said he is optimistic the Legislature will approve legislation to expand campaign finance disclosure.

The Senate already has passed a bill requiring timely reporting of late campaign contributions as well as the occupation and employer of major contributors. A similar bill has passed a House committee but awaits action by the full chamber.

The two leaders also reiterated their hesitation about using bonds to pay for building roads in Texas.

"It's not free. It's just postponing the cost," said Laney, who opposes using bonds.

One-act play being fine-tuned for contest

Snyder High School one-act participants are getting ready for District 4A competition Tuesday at Worsham Auditorium. In addition to competing, SHS is hosting the district contest.

The local production of William Shakespeare's *Taming of the Shrew* will go on stage at 5 p.m.

Levelland will perform at 6 p.m. Big Spring will take to the stage at 3 p.m., followed by Plainview at 4 p.m.

The judge will be C. Lee Turner of Prairie View A&M.

Awards will be presented at 7:30 p.m.

Snyder advanced to district from the South Zone contest, hosted by SHS last Thursday. Also advancing to district was Big Spring's *What I Did Last Summer.*

Snyder also picked up five acting awards including best actor for Brandon McCraw. Hayli Henderson was named to the all-star cast, and Bobby Sands, Kelli Henderson, and Mark Haines received honorable mention all-star recognition.

Makes it to the fourth round...

Anderson competes in bee

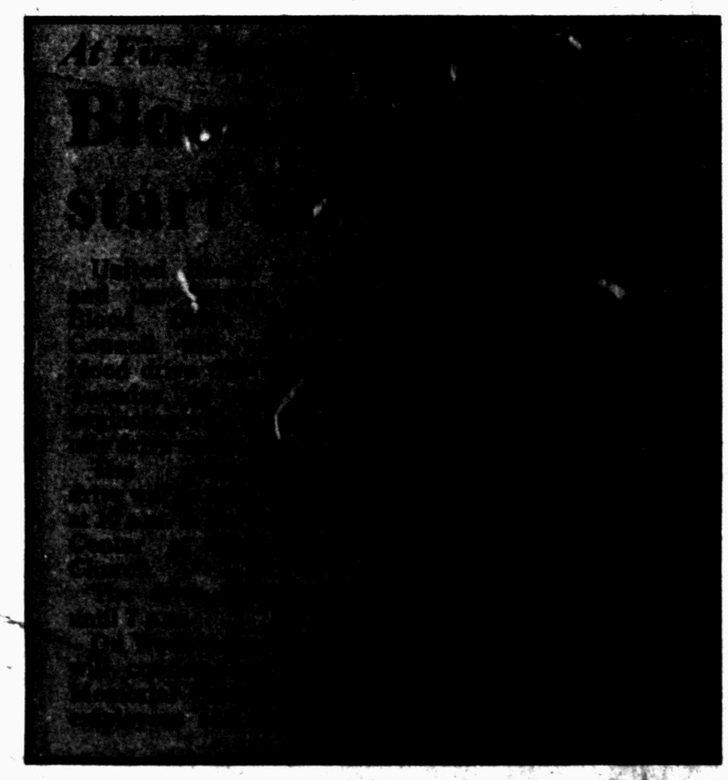
Snyder eighth grader Paige Anderson represented Scurry County in the regional spelling bee held Saturday at McInturff Center at University Medical Center in Lubbock. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson.

Spelling bee competition began in February. Paige was one of seven junior high students who competed in the campus bee on Feb. 7. While she finished in third place, Paige ended up competing in the county bee on Feb. 16 when Patrick Jones, the winner, was unable to attend.

Paige won the junior high bee in 2000.

The 50th annual regional bee lasted 35 minutes, and the winner was determined in the 12th round.

The top speller Mary Esther Ahern correctly spelled "brogan" to win. She attends Christ the King Middle School.





MATH AND SCIENCE MADE FUN — Snyder Junior High School will host a math and science fun night for 8th graders and their parents at 6 o'clock tonight in the school cafeteria. Preparing for the event are science teachers (from left) Sonja Hanks, Leslie Murphy and Marsha Krenek. (SDN Staff Photo)

Grand jury awaits former resident's case

Midland County District Attorney Al Schorre said he is awaiting reports from a forensic anthropologist and the Department of Public Safety crime lab before presenting to a grand jury the murder case of a former Snyder woman.

The remains of Daytina Hulslander, who attended Snyder High School in the late 1980s, were discovered Feb. 25 by hunters in western Glasscock County. Dental records confirmed the identity of the mother of five, who had been missing since April 1998.

"There is a bunch of items that are off at the DPS lab. We are going to be waiting on the results of those before we schedule it for any grand jury hearings. We anticipate that to take about 30 days," Schorre said.

The cause of death is unknown. "That is one of the questions we have asked the lab to determine what it was," he said.

The DA declined to identify a suspect.

The remains are being examined by Dr. Gil King, forensic anthropologist, at the University of North Texas in Denton.

Meanwhile, the DPS crime laboratory in Lubbock is examining material picked up out at the scene where the body was discovered.

Schorre said an investigator from his office, J.D. Luckie, was assigned to the case when it came to a standstill.

"He has been working on it for the last several months. We assigned him to it when the case kind of hit a slow spot. It hit some slow spots because we had no idea where the body was or what happened to it."

ASK US

Q—What is the annual budget of the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse?

A—For fiscal year 2001, which runs from Sept. 1 to Aug. 31, the budget is $278,588.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 51 degrees; low, 37; high Sunday, 50; low, 34; 7 a.m. Monday, 34.

Area Forecast: Tonight, cloudy, 50% rain chance. Tuesday, cloudy, 60% rain chance. Tuesday night, cloudy, low mid 40s, 40% rain chance.



Sunset: 7 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:39 a.m.
Of 84 days in 2001, the sun has shone 75 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Enthusiasm is self-confidence in action.
—Franklin Field

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In close race, 'Gladiator' wins best picture

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Oscars were like a sudden-death overtime, with the best-picture announcement a three-way tiebreaker for "Gladiator," "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" and "Traffic."

Each film already had taken four Oscars, so it all came down to Sunday night's last award, with the Roman epic "Gladiator" finally prevailing.

Even then, all three films came away with top prizes. "Crouching Tiger's" wins included foreign-language film and original score. Among "Traffic's" honors were best director for Steven Soderbergh, supporting actor for Benicio Del Toro and best adapted screenplay for Stephen Gaghan.

Two guys named Crowe had something to crow about. Russell Crowe took best actor for "Gladiator," and Cameron Crowe won the Oscar for original screenplay for his rock 'n' roll memoir "Almost Famous."

"It's probably appropriate, the feeling when they announce your name for a music movie is psychedelic," Cameron Crowe said back stage.

The sheer physical effort was the hardest part of playing the fallen general Maximus in "Gladiator," Russell Crowe said.

"I was very heavily beaten up on this movie," said Crowe, who also was nominated last year for "The Insider." "We didn't have time to take breaks in production to repair me, so we just had to keep going."

Hollywood's top female star, Julia Roberts, won best actress for "Erin Brockovich" after going 10 years since her last nomination.

Her voice quavering, the giddy Roberts waved off the official Oscar timer trying to limit her acceptance speech, spending several minutes gushing her thanks.

"Everybody tries to shut me up," Roberts said backstage. "It didn't work with my parents. It doesn't work now. A gal's gotta have her moment, that's what I think."

During the ceremony, Roberts forgot to mention the real-life Erin Brockovich, so she made up for it backstage, praising the legal aide who led a court fight over water pollution.

"During my out-of-body experience earlier tonight, I didn't acknowledge her, shamefully. Shamefully," Roberts said. "And really, she is the center of the universe which was our movie."

Amid the box-office hits that dominated the Oscars, there was the small, searing drama "Pollock," which earned the supporting-actress statue for Marcia Gay Harden.

"Pollock" director Ed Harris, a best-actor nominee for the title role, spent a decade trying to make the film biography of painter Jackson Pollock.

Backstage, Harden said she had forgotten to thank former colleagues when she worked as a waitress while trying to land acting jobs.

"I said I would say thank you to all the waiters and waitresses who used to cover my shift for me so I could run down to audition," Harden said.

The only best-picture contender that came away empty-handed was "Chocolat," which lost in all five of its categories.

"Gladiator" had led the field with 12 nominations, followed by 10 for "Crouching Tiger" and five apiece for "Erin Brockovich" and "Traffic." The latter films were both directed by Soderbergh, who had two director nominations.

Ang Lee had seemed the favorite for best director for "Crouching Tiger." Lee had won the Directors Guild of America honor, and it was only the fifth time in the 53-year history of the guild's awards that the winner failed to also take the Oscar.

Some Oscar analysts thought Soderbergh was handicapped with two nominations because he might split his own vote. The gritty, documentary-style "Traffic" had been widely considered Soderbergh's best chance of the two films to win the directing honor.

Throughout awards season, Soderbergh had refused to give Oscar voters any hints about which film he would prefer them to support.

"You know, whenever people ask me, 'Which of your films is your favorite?', I say, 'The one I'm making right now,'" Soderbergh said.

It was Hollywood's return to the gladiatorial arena that took center stage at the Oscars. "Gladiator" was a glitzy, $100 million revival of the mammoth Roman spectacle, the first time Hollywood had taken on the genre in 35 years.

While "Gladiator" director Ridley Scott, co-star Joaquin Phoenix and the film's writers were shut out, the movie's creators had cause to celebrate considering the obstacles it overcame. The movie had the majestic scope that the academy often favors, but some critics felt it lacked the writing and acting heft that helps make a best picture.

It also was released in May, running counter to Hollywood wisdom that academy voters gravitate toward prestige films that come out near year's end.

But after grossing $450 million worldwide, the biggest commercial success in the best-picture field, "Gladiator" also proved durable with awards voters.

The movie's other wins were for visual effects, costume design and sound.

"It takes a lot of people to make a Colosseum, but it only takes one or two to mess it up," said Douglas Wick, a producer on "Gladiator." "To all the wizards who brought to life the sights, sounds and citizens of a faraway world, we should take a chisel to this statue and give you your fair share."

"Gladiator's" huge edifices and panoramic views of Rome were created through a seamless blend of partly built sets completed in post-production with computer imagery.

The Colosseum seats were filled with 2,000 live extras and 33,000 computer-created spectators.

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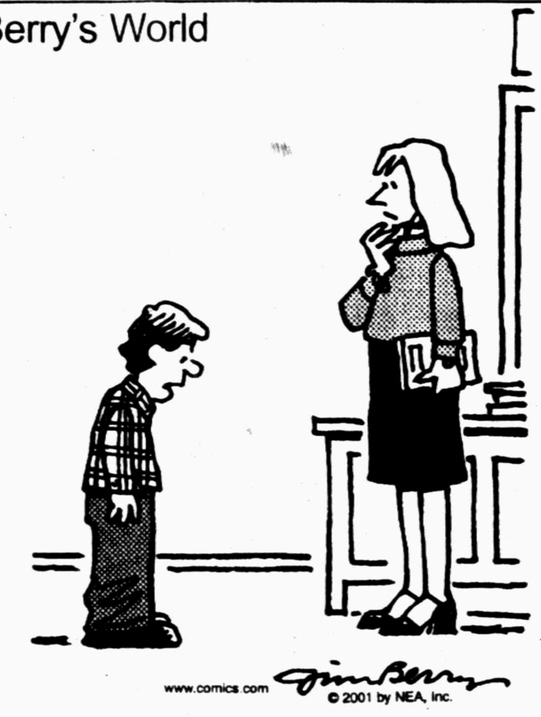
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Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated $20 (M) million

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 54 were: 9, 16, 20, 33, 35, 50

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $26 (M) million

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Oscar winners are announced

By The Associated Press

Complete list of 73rd annual Academy Awards presented Sunday evening at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles:

Picture: "Gladiator."

Director: Steven Soderbergh, "Traffic."

Actor: Russell Crowe, "Gladiator."

Actress: Julia Roberts, "Erin Brockovich."

Supporting Actor: Benicio Del Toro, "Traffic."

Supporting Actress: Marcia Gay Harden, "Pollock."

Screenplay Adaptation: Stephen Gaghan, "Traffic."

Original Screenplay: Cameron Crowe, "Almost Famous."

Foreign Language Film: "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon."

Original Score: "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon."

Original Song: "Things Have Changed" from "Wonder Boys," Bob Dylan.

Art Direction: "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon."

Film Editing: "Traffic."

Live Action Short Subject: "Quiero Ser (I want to be)."

Animated Short Subject: "Father and Daughter."

Costume Design: "Gladiator."

Sound: "Gladiator."

Sound Editing: "U-571."

Cinematography: "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon."

Make-up: "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas."

Documentary Short: "Big Mama."

Documentary Feature: "Into the Arms of Strangers: Stories of the Kindertransport."

Visual Effects: "Gladiator."

Academy Award winners previously announced this year:

Honorary Oscar: cinematographer Jack Cardiff.

Honorary Oscar: screenwriter-producer-director Ernest Lehman.

Technical Achievement: Rob Cook, Loren Carpenter and Ed Catmull of Pixar for the "Renderman" software.

Gordon E. Sawyer Award: producer Irwin W. Young.

Irving G. Thalberg Memorial Award: producer Dino De Laurentiis.

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By Phillip Alder

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East
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♥ Q 10 9 8
♦ 8 7 4 3
♣ A Q 10

South
♠ A 6 2
♥ K 4 3
♦ A K Q J 9
♣ 7 5

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: South

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

Opening lead: ♠ Q

Monday, March 26, 2001

A suit combination assistant

By Phillip Alder

Who said to his assistant on March 10, 1876, "Mr. Watson, come here, I want you"?

This week, I'm going to give you an assistant that will help you play several suit combinations. Look at the North and South hands in today's diagram. You are the declarer in three no-trump. You have four top tricks in the majors, so you need five diamond tricks to get home. Should you play the honors from the top, or should you take a first-round finesse of your nine?

In my evaluation method, that South hand is worth 18.75 points: 17.75 for the honors and one for the wonderful five-card suit. So, opening one diamond and jump-rebidding in no-trump is an accurate description, especially if you use the modern 15-17 one-no-trump opening.

Here is the formula that works when you are missing only one honor. Divide the number of cards the opponents hold by two, rounding up if the answer includes a half. That is their number. Then add up your top tricks. If your number is less, finesse. But if your top-trick total is equal to or greater than their number, play for the drop.

In this deal, East and West hold seven diamonds. Dividing by two gives three and a half, rounded up to four. And you have four top tricks: the ace, king, queen and jack. So, play for the drop, leading out your honors. Here, because I can fiddle the cards to prove my point, that works perfectly.

The initial sentence was spoken by Alexander Graham Bell. They were the first intelligible words transmitted by a telephone.

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East Texas man convicted for Internet crime

ATHENS (AP) — Cherokee County officials say a 23-year-old Jacksonville man used a library computer and his relatives' computers to attempt to seduce a 14-year-old California girl.

Jamie Newburn was convicted last week in Los Angeles of one count of interstate travel with intent to engage in criminal sexual activity and one count of using the Internet to attempt to induce a minor to engage in criminal sexual activity.

Newburn faces up to 30 years in federal prison. Sentencing is scheduled for May 21 in Los Angeles before U.S. District Judge Christina A. Snyder.

Newturn traveled by bus from Texas to Southern California last November, Thom Mrozek of the U.S. Attorney's office in Los Angeles, told the Athens Daily Review.

"The rendezvous was apparently the culmination of months of e-mails, phone calls and mail ..." Mrozek said.

During a three-day trial, a jury heard evidence that Newburn met the girl in an Internet chat room and made lewd intentions clear to her in e-mail messages and over the telephone.

Newburn took a Greyhound bus to Los Angeles for the purpose of having sexual relations with the girl, prosecutors said. Last Nov. 23, Newburn went to the girl's home and arranged to meet her that night in a motel room, the jury was told.

Later that night, authorities said, the girl sneaked out of her house and walked toward the motel where Newburn was staying.

Gene linked to early puberty in girls

NEW ORLEANS (AP) --Scientists attempting to figure out why some girls go through puberty at unusually young ages have found a surprising culprit — a gene that speeds up the body's breakdown of the male sex hormone.

Many believe that the age of puberty — the time when girls develop breasts and other sexual characteristics — is creeping downward. The most widely held explanation for this is growing childhood obesity, along with rich diets and lack of physical activity.

However, genes almost certainly play a role in the age of puberty, and many assumed that the most likely players in this scenario would be ones that control the body's production and use of estrogen.

Research released Sunday at a meeting of the American Association for Cancer Research suggests a more complicated interplay of hormones, since the body's supply of testosterone, the male hormone, seems to be a key influence on the timing of puberty.

Dr. Fred F. Kadlubar and colleagues from the Food and Drug Administration's National Center for Toxicological Research discovered the link in a study of 192 girls ages 9 and 10.

A study published four years ago found that about half of all black girls and 15 percent of whites begin to develop sexually by age 8. The average age of puberty is about 13 for whites and a year younger for blacks.

Typically, girls begin breast development about a year before their first period. Kadlubar's team looked for a link between genes and this change in the randomly chosen group of girls.

They examined several genes that control the body's use of estrogen but found no association with early puberty. To their surprise, though, they found a strong link when they tested the girls for a gene that controls the body's breakdown of testosterone.

They looked for a particular variation, called CYP1B1, in a gene that produces a liver enzyme. They found that 90 percent of the girls with two copies of this genetic variation had already begun breast development by age 9 1/2, compared with 56 percent of those with one copy and 40 percent with no copies.

"It tells us what goes on hormonally during the early stage of breast development," said Kadlubar. "Now we have to put testosterone into the equation."

It has long been known that estrogen production increases and testosterone falls during this developmental landmark. Kadlubar said the CYP1B1 gene, by reducing testosterone levels, may trigger the cascade of hormones involved in the start of breast development.

Early puberty is a concern, because it increases the risk of breast cancer later in life. Experts speculate that, among other things, early breast development may increase lifelong exposure to estrogen, which increases the chances of this malignancy.

Kadlubar said the enzyme he studied is critically important to the body's well being, so doctors are unlikely ever to try tinkering with it in an attempt to slow puberty.

However, Dr. Christine B. Ambrosone of Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York City said it someday may be useful to screen girls for the genetic variation. Those who have the gene could be targets for special effort to delay puberty by slowing their weight gain and increasing exercise.

"These are groundbreaking studies," she said. "We will need to see where this goes, but there is a lot of exciting research for the future."

Kadlubar said the next step will be to see if the gene influences sexual development in boys. In theory, at least, those with the CYP1B1 gene should develop later than usual, since they are exposed to lower levels of testosterone.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Tuesday, March 27, 2001

By rubbing shoulders with the right crowd in the year ahead, some unique benefits will be derived. Your personal charisma will attract them to you in the first place.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — If all you focus on are the negative issues today, doom and gloom will be all you'll get. Transfer your energies and efforts to what you have going for you. Trying to patch up a broken romance?

The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — One of your sign's downfalls can be to deal in glamorous, vague imaginings, which might be your tendency today. You'll be far happier if you strive to deal with life realistically.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — It's guaranteed that you'll fulfill your expectations today if you anticipate negative responses from others, because you'll then do things in ways that will provoke them.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Even well-intentioned friends should be kept out of your confidential affairs today. Unfortunately, the input of others could turn out to be counterproductive.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — If you witness warning signs that someone with whom you're associating today is tempted to create an embarrassing development, ward it off or you'll be tarred by it as well.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Instead of expediting matters today, you could end up with a haste-makes-waste example. Don't make demands of yourself or co-workers you or they are unable to meet.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — If you're not your old considerate self today, you could offend someone who is important to you. Be careful how you conduct yourself and what you say to others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — You might subject yourself to additional delays today if you become indecisive or wishy-washy about dealing with a matter that, in reality, is in its final stages.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Unfortunately, what we sow is usually what we reap. So if you learn of some unkind things being said about you today, it might be traceable back to some unflattering comments you made.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Provided you don't take any ill-advised risks with your resources today, you have a chance of coming out ahead of the game. Tune out any suggestions of the uniformed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Owing to inclinations of saying one thing today but doing another, your behavior will prove to be not only confusing to others, but disappointing as well.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — It's all too easy to be gullible and base your judgments on hearsay today. Be especially leery of one who has an ax to grind and distorts facts in order to manipulate you.

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Carter to accept humanitarian award

ROANOKE, Va. (AP) — Former President Jimmy Carter is to be in Lexington on Thursday to accept a humanitarian award from Virginia Military Institute.

VMI created the Jonathan Myrick Daniels Humanitarian Award to recognize those who have made significant personal sacrifices to protect or improve the lives of others.

Daniels, a 1961 VMI graduate, was killed when he stepped in front of a shotgun blast intended for a young black girl, Riby Sales, during the civil rights movement in 1965. Daniels was in Haynesville, Ala., helping with voter registration when a sheriff's deputy shot at Sales. She survived when Daniels absorbed the brunt of the blast.

Carter will be the first recipient of the award, established in 1998. Sales and Richard Morrissow, a Catholic priest wounded in the attack, will attend the ceremony.

Man creates peanut chip

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Its called a chip, looks like a cracker, and tastes like something completely unexpected: a peanut.

Yao-wen Huang, a University of Georgia food researcher, calls his new invention the peanut chip, and he's hoping that before long they'll be available in snack-food aisles across the country.

That could be great news for peanut farmers in Georgia, who produce almost half the peanuts grown in the United States. In recent years they've seen peanuts criticized by nutritionists as too fatty, and banned by some airlines because of passengers' allergies.

"It has the possibility of being a handy and tasty snack for people who love peanuts," said Ralph Yoder, executive director of the Georgia Peanut Producers Association. "If it catches on, it has the potential of creating and building a new market for our product, which is what our organization is all about."

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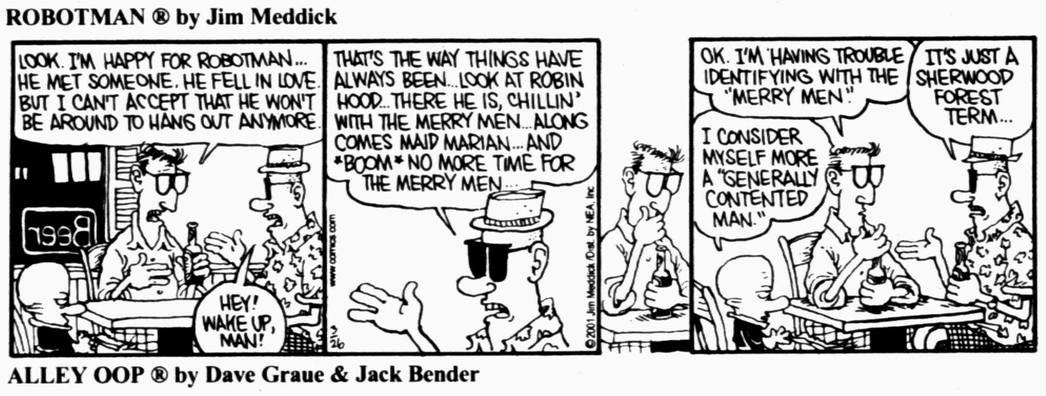
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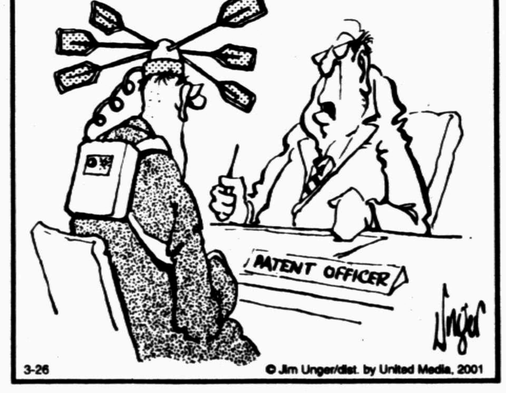
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26 Sched. abbr.
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34 Actor Estevez
35 Shade of difference
36 Fixed
37 Stag's mate
39 Unyielding
40 More squalid
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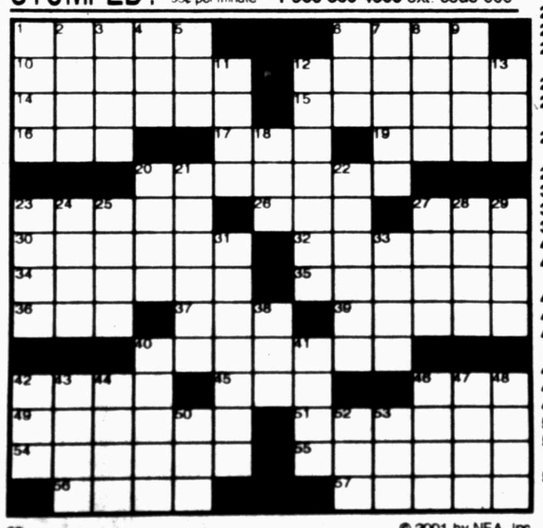
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SPORTS

Local squad earns spot at nationals

LEVELLAND — After dropping their opening-round contest, Snyder's Major Division All-Stars reeled off four consecutive victories to earn a trip to the national tournament.

Snyder Major capped its comeback Saturday with a 43-34 victory over Lamesa to grab the runner-up spot at the Little Dribblers Regional Tournament.

The second-place finish secured Snyder a spot in the national tourney to be held April 11-14 in Plainview.

After falling to Plainview II, the locals knocked off Levelland II, 54-10. Snyder then avenged its earlier loss with a 36-23 win over Plainview II.

Snyder rolled over Andrews, 62-12, before downing Lamesa to advance to nationals.

In its final win, Snyder got 10 unanswered points from Ricky Sanchez in the fourth quarter to hold off Lamesa.

Corbin Clements led Snyder with 16 points, while Sanchez finished with 10, and Lance Day dropped in nine.

Jamie Arnold tallied four points, and Brent Bollinger and Pedro Villas chipped in two apiece.

Snyder 54, Levelland II 10

Snyder: Corbin Clements and Ricky Sanchez, 12; Lance Day and Ryan Mitchell, 6; Brent Bollinger, 5; Jamie Arnold, 4; Brooks Gafford, Cody Burney and Tyler Driggers, 2; Pedro Villa, 1.

Snyder 36, Plainview II 23

Snyder: Brent Bollinger, 10; Cody Burney, 6; Brooks Gafford, 5; Lance Day and Ryan Mitchell, 4; Pedro Villa, 3; Ricky Sanchez, 2; Corbin Clements, 1.

Snyder 62, Andrews 12

Snyder: Lance Day 10, Ryan Mitchell, 9; Cody Burney and Brent Bollinger, 8; Pedro Villa and Corbin Clements, 6; Jamie Arnold and Brooks Gafford, 5; Pedro Villa, 3; Tyler Driggers, 2.

Snyder 43, Lamesa 34

Snyder: Corbin Clements, 16; Ricky Sanchez, 10; Lance Day, 9; Jamie Arnold, 4; Brent Bollinger and Pedro Villa, 2.



NATIONAL QUALIFIERS — Snyder Major captured second place at the Little Dribblers Regional Tournament to earn a berth in the national tourney. Members of the team are, front row from left, Brent Bollinger, Pete Villa, Jamie Arnold, Tyler Driggers and Ricky Sanchez, On the middle row are Lance Day, Corbin Clements, Ryan Mitchell, Cody Burney and Brooks Gafford. On the back row are coaches Jodie Day and Russell Gafford. (Contributed Photo)

Men's NCAA Tournament

All Times EST
EAST REGIONAL
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 24
Duke 79, Southern California 69
SOUTH REGIONAL
Regional Semifinals
Regional Championship
Sunday, March 25
Michigan State 69, Temple 62
MIDWEST REGIONAL
Regional Championship
Sunday, March 25
Arizona 87, Illinois 81
WEST REGIONAL
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 24
Maryland 87, Stanford 73

THE FINAL FOUR
At The Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome
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National Semifinals
Saturday, March 31
Michigan State (28-4) vs. Arizona (27-7), 5:42 p.m.
Duke (33-4) vs. Maryland (25-10), following first game

Women's NCAA Tournament

All Times EST
EAST REGIONAL
Regional Championship
Monday, March 26
Louisiana Tech (31-4) vs. Connecticut (31-2), 7:07 p.m.
MIDEAST REGIONAL
Regional Championship
Monday, March 26
Xavier (31-2) vs. Purdue (29-6), 8:07 p.m.
MIDWEST REGIONAL
Regional Championship
Monday, March 26
Notre Dame (31-2) vs. Vanderbilt (24-9), 9:07 p.m.
WEST REGIONAL
Regional Championship
Monday, March 26
Southwest Missouri State (28-5) vs. Washington (22-9), 10:07 p.m.

Tigers slip to third at SA Relays

SAN ANGELO — Two years ago, the Snyder Tigers would have been thrilled with a third-place finish at the San Angelo Relays. But recent success has raised the level of expectations, making Saturday's result somewhat of a letdown.

Snyder rode the strength of Mark Medley to a third-place finish at the San Angelo meet, finishing more than 50 points behind district foe Lubbock Estacado. Fellow district rival Lake View trailed Snyder by five points. Fredericksburg won the event with 129 points.

Medley, a state qualifier last year in the discus, continued to shine. The senior won both the discus and shot put competitions for the fourth consecutive meet this season, and garnered almost 30 percent of Snyder's points.

"Mark has had tremendous success this season," said Snyder coach Chad Rogers. "But the great thing is that no matter how much success he has, he continues to work hard. He never rests. He keeps trying to make himself better, and that's what you have to do to be successful."

With Medley's top finishes, and a second-place showing by the Tigers' sprint relay team, Snyder seemed poised to make a run at the title.

Wade Pinson raced to second place in the 110-meter hurdles, and Matthew Grimmett took fourth in the 400 to strengthen the Tigers' positioning.

But the picture quickly changed.

In the pole vault, returning state qualifier Jared Thornhill passed to 14 feet, but missed the height on all three attempts. Jesse Haines' effort of 13-0 was good enough for third place.

Snyder failed to accumulate points in the 3,200, despite two runners in the finals, and chalked up sixth place in the mile.

The Tigers' chances of victory were further damaged when Pinson pulled out of the mile relay due to an aching ankle. Snyder came in sixth in the event.

The Tigers will renew their title hopes Saturday at the Levelland Relays.

San Angelo Relays

Team standings: 1. Fredericksburg, 129; 2. Estacado, 122; 3. Snyder, 69; 4. Lake View, 64; 5. Dumas, 61; 6. Killeen Shoemaker, 53; 7. (tie) Frenship and Marble Falls, 30; 9. Amarillo Caprock, 22; 10. Brownwood, 20; 11. Mineral Wells, 11; 12. Pecos, 7.

Field Events

High jump: 1. Daniells, Dumas, 6-2; 2. Weirich, Fredericksburg, 6-0; 3. Walker, Lake View, 5-10; 4. (tie) Butler, Estacado and Pinson, Snyder, 5-10.

Pole vault: 1. Weirich, Fredericksburg, 15-0; 2. Simpson, Marble Falls, 14-0; 3. Haines, Snyder, 13-0.

Triple jump: 1. Kinney, Estacado, 44-7; 2. Hallman, Lake View, 44-3 ¾; 3. Sells, Estacado, 42-5; 4. Clay, Snyder, 42-3 ½.

Shot put: 1. Medley, Snyder, 57-5 ½; 2. Lyons, Lake View, 54-10 ¾; 3. Davidson, Frenship, 50-10 ½.

Discus: 1. Medley, Snyder, 157-11; 2. Lyons, Lake View, 154-3; 3. Valdez, Brownwood, 153-11.

Running Events

4X100 relay: 1. Shoemaker, 43.92; 2. Snyder, 44.17; 3. Fredericksburg 45.01.

4x800: 1. Dumas, 8:20.67; 2. Fredericksburg 8:22.38; 3. Lake View, 8:36.13; 4. Estacado, 8:51.68; 5. Snyder, 9:00.11.

110 hurdles: 1. Whiting, Fredericksburg 14.65; 2. Pinson, Snyder, 14.81; 3. Howard, Estacado, 14.85.

100: 1. Sheppard, Estacado, 10.73; 2. Jackson, Shoemaker, 11.10; 3. Burns, Brownwood, 11.12; 4. Grimmett, Snyder, 11.15.

200: 1. Sheppard, Estacado, 21.69; 2. Woody, Shoemaker, 22.43; 3. Hallman, Lake View, 22.89; 4. Goff, Fredericksburg 22.95; 5. Hase, Caprock, 23.27; 6. Grimmett, Snyder, 23.51.

1,600: 1. Manzano, Marble Falls, 4:32.06; 2. Brown, Dumas, 4:39.32; 3. Hawkins, Frenship, 4:44.13; 4. Espinoza, Fredericksburg 4:44.52; 5. Perez, Fredericksburg 4:46.04; 6. Martinez, Snyder, 4:46.95.

4x400 relay: 1. Fredericksburg 3:25.52; 2. Estacado, 3:26.52; 3. Caprock, 3:34.87; 4. Lake View, 3:26.25; 5. Dumas, 3:39.16; 6. Snyder, 3:41.53.

WTC men finish fifth

ODESSA — Western Texas College didn't finish near the top at the Odessa College rodeo. But in the big picture, members of the WTC men's and women's teams improved their positions for the conference finals.

The Western Texas men finished fifth over the weekend, while the Lady Westerners had only one competitor rank in the final round, but WTC coach Greg Rhodes knows his squad is in good shape for when it really counts.

"This was the first rodeo of the season that didn't go our way on the women's side," said Rhodes. "But I'm happy with how our men's and women's teams are progressing. We're getting people in good position for the conference finals."

Four rodeos remain until the conference finals, which are scheduled for May 3-5 in Hobbs, N.M. Western Texas will compete in the Howard College rodeo starting Thursday, before hosting its own event April 5-7 at Scurry County Coliseum.

Bareback riders B.J. Scott and Tyson Thompson led the Westerners effort at Odessa. Scott posted a score of 71 to grab second place in the finals, followed by Thompson with a 70. The WTC duo split first and second in the overall standings.

J.W. Todd was fourth in the steer wrestling, and Rawley McFarland took second in the finals of the saddle bronc riding.

Margaret Jamison was the only Lady Westerner to rank in the final round. Jamison's time of 8.7 seconds was good enough for fourth in the goat tying.

Lady Tigers race to third place

POST — Despite the wind and cold weather, the Snyder Lady Tiger track team chalked up its best finish of the season.

Snyder braved the elements to grab third place Saturday in the girls' division of the Caprock Relays. The Lady Tigers tallied 87 points to finish behind Post and Colorado City.

"I was real pleased with our performance as a team," said Lady Tiger coach Todd Pollard. "It was cold and windy, but a lot of our girls ran the same times they've been running all year. That says a lot about their effort, considering the conditions."

Snyder was spurred by a first-place effort in the 4x100-meter relay. Sharday McKinney, Chaelyn Robinson, LaCrystal Brooks and Cameron Mackey teamed up to post a time of 52.62 seconds. Mackey also won the triple jump.

Brown continued to rake in points for the Lady Tigers. The junior grabbed third in the 100 hurdles and the triple jump, and fourth in the 300 hurdles.

Callie Bane secured the runner-up spot in the shot put, before taking sixth in the 100 hurdles. Amy Delorea was third in the discus, and fourth in the shot, while Anna Henson took fifth in the discus.

McKinney leaped to a second-place finish in the long jump. Robinson was sixth in the triple jump, and Erin Burleson grabbed sixth in the high jump.

In the 300 hurdles, Robinson nabbed sixth, with Janie Garcia doing the same in the 400.

Brown, Bane, Burleson and Jessie Keller combined to take fourth in the mile relay.

"I think this will give our team some momentum for the rest of the season," Pollard stated. "The girls have improved with each meet. If we can get some better weather to run in, I think we'll continue to improve as we get closer to the district meet."

In boys' competition, Snyder's JV garnered fifth place in the varsity division.

Clay Williams won the 100, while Jason Guynes was tops in the 110 hurdles and third in the 300 hurdles. Williams also grabbed second in the pole vault.

Trey Roland finished second in the discus.

Caprock Relays

GIRLS

Team standings: 1. Post, 163; 2. Colorado City, 98; 3. Snyder, 87; 4. Slaton, 74; 5. Hale Center, 73; 6. Floydada, 43; 7. Lubbock Roosevelt, 28; 8. Ralls, 8.

Field Events

Discus: 1. Boyd, Colorado City, 113-6; 2. Ledbetter, Post, 97-7; 3. Delorea, Snyder, 89-8.

Long jump: 1. Inmon, Slaton, 15-0; 2. McKinney, Snyder, 14-10 ½; 3. Manahan, Roosevelt, 14-2.

Triple jump: 1. Mackey, Snyder, 32-11; 2. Hernandez, Post, 31-7 ½; 3. Brown, Snyder, 31-2 ½.

Shot put: 1. Boyd, Colorado City, 32-1 ¾; 2. Bane, Snyder, 30-8; 3. Khaloufa, Roosevelt, 28-10 ¼.

Running Events

4x100 relay: 1. Snyder, 52.62; 2. Post, 52.84; 3. Colorado City, 54.56.

100 hurdles: 1. Williams, Post, 15.26; 2. Moore, Post, 16.92; 3. Brown, Snyder, 17.47.

BOYS

Team standings: 1. Floydada, 107; 2. Colorado City, 75; 3. Lubbock Roosevelt, 73; 4. Hale Center, 69; 5. Snyder, 66 ½; 6. Slaton, 61; 7. Ralls, 53 ½; 8. Post, 22.

Field Events

Pole vault: 1. Wood, Floydad, 8-0; 2. Williams, Snyder, 8-0.

Shot put: 1. Ellenberger, Post, 42-4; 2. Ortegon, Snyder, 41-11; 3. Graham, Colorado City, 41-7 ½.

Discus: 1. Hooper, Slaton, 142-2; 2. Roland, Snyder, 126-11; 3. Shaver, Hale center, 123-10.

Running Events

100: 1. Williams, Snyder, 11.84; 2. Timmons, Roosevelt, 11.88; 3. Osuna, Slaton, 11.97.

110 hurdles: 1. Guynes, Snyder, 16.59; 2. Hernandez, Slaton, 16.66; 3. Espinoza, Ralls, 17.05.

300 hurdles: 1. Hernandez, Slaton, 44.04; 2. Espinoza, Ralls, 44.88; 3. Guynes, Snyder, 45.36.

Lady Tigers sit second after first district round

BIG SPRING — There are five players on a high school golf team. In the opening leg of the district race, it took all five Snyder Lady Tigers to stay within striking distance of Andrews.

Snyder A fired a 339 Saturday to finish 13 strokes off the pace of Andrews A in the opening round of the District 4-4A girls' golf tournament.

After playing Comanche Trails in Big Spring on Saturday, the tourney continued this morning at Western Texas College.

Snyder leader Andra Lancaster struggled in the opening round, but the Lady Tigers didn't miss a beat.

Katie Kerley fired an 83 to tie for sixth in the medalist standings, followed by Kellie Dodson's 84 and Kara Harrison's 85. Lancaster finished with an 87, and Loryn Brown tallied an 89.

All five members of Andrews A finished in the top-10 of the individual standings.

Andrews B held down third place, followed by Snyder B and Levelland.

Christan Curry shot an 85 on Saturday, and was to have competed for Snyder A in today's round.

Catherine Whitworth turned in a 90, while Hailey Putnam posted a 95. Paige Smith turned in a 103, and Cami Trout finished with a 113.

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Nominated films do well at box office

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Traffic" grew more congested. "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" sprang upward. And "Chocolat" gave a boost to Junior Mint sales at theater concession stands everywhere.

Even those movies that lost the best-picture race at the Academy Awards on Sunday, are already winners. Each has rung up tens of millions of dollars in box-office receipts since last month's Oscar nominations, which sent many moviegoers scrambling to catch them before the awards broadcast.

"It's the watercooler effect. The Oscar telecast is one of the most widely viewed entertainment events, and people like to talk about the movies," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of box-office tracker Exhibitor Relations.

"Those that haven't seen the movies by today feel left out because they can't talk about them."

Unlike many awards seasons, when all five best-picture contenders remain in wide release, the Oscar bounce this year was mainly spread among those three films. "Erin Brockovich" and "Gladiator," the other top nominees, are long since out on video and are playing in only a handful of theaters.

"The fact that only three of the competing films are in the marketplace in any significant way means the pie's bigger for the rest of us," said Jack Foley, senior vice president of distribution at USA Films, which released "Traffic."

Even before the Oscar nominations, "Traffic" and "Crouching Tiger" had defied the odds and become big commercial successes. "Traffic" is a complex drug-war drama with a huge cast and three intertwining plots. "Crouching Tiger" is a Chinese martial-arts epic with English subtitles for its Mandarin dialogue.

Audiences already had embraced "Traffic" to the tune of $71 million by the weekend before the nominations. That same weekend, "Crouching Tiger" hit $60 million and passed "Life is Beautiful" as the biggest foreign-language hit ever.

But the best-picture nomination allowed "Crouching Tiger" to move into many small towns where foreign-language films would not normally play, said Michael Barker, co-president of the film's distributor, Sony Pictures Classics.

"It played in my hometown, Kerrville, Texas, where a foreign-language film had never played," Barker said. "There's no way that would have happened if the best-picture nomination had not happened."

Last weekend, both movies hit the $100 million mark. That performance is even more notable considering they have never played wider than about 1,800 theaters each. Big Hollywood pictures typically can run in 3,000 cinemas or more.

"Chocolat," a tale of sensual freedom versus repression in a French village, has more than doubled its domestic gross since the Oscar nominations, climbing to $56 million this past weekend.

Miramax, which released "Chocolat," has gained similar box-office bumps in recent years with best-picture nominees "The Cider House Rules" and "Shakespeare in Love."

The ultimate prize is the best-picture victory. "Shakespeare in Love" nearly tripled its revenues, to $100 million, after getting a nomination and then winning two years ago. Last year, best-picture winner "American Beauty" padded its take by $55 million after the nominations, climbing to $130 million.

Acting nominations also help, particularly for small, artsier films such as "Pollock," a grim biopic about painter Jackson Pollock. The film ran for a week in Los Angeles last December to qualify for the Oscars, then surprised awards analysts by grabbing a best-actor nomination for Ed Harris and a supporting-actress slot for Marcia Gay Harden.

Sony Pictures Classics put the movie into 14 theaters the weekend after the nominations. By this weekend, it will be in about 270 theaters and will have passed the $4 million mark, solid returns for such a heavy drama.

"It's really the Oscar nominations that have given the picture the major impetus it has now," Barker said.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Weight is controllable

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm interesting in maintaining my current weight. Recently I was told to use a complicated formula, involving my age and other factors, to determine the total number of calories to be consumed. Is such a formula appropriate?

DEAR READER: Many schemes have been developed to calculate proper caloric intake. They all have at least three failings.

First, they involve measuring — or at least estimating — the caloric value of foods. This step is a nuisance, requiring weighing what goes into your mouth and using calorie charts. Such a discipline may be attractive initially, but rapidly becomes a pain in the butt.

Second, calculations of an ideal caloric intake are based on someone else's idea of "ideal" weight. This generic analysis may not be suitable for everyone. You may be short and muscular, for example, or tall and slender. Depending on your build, you may need fewer — or more — calories to maintain your weight.

To a large degree, our body weights depend on inherited, genetic influences. You and I could weigh the same but, because of our genetic inheritances, we might burn them (or store them as fat) at different rates. Therefore, on identical caloric regimens, you would gain weight and I would lose — or vice versa.

Third, calculations do not take physical activity into account. Consider two people with the same weight, similar genes and the same caloric intake. One is a trained athlete, the other is sedentary. Obviously, the active person will require more calories to maintain weight then will the inactive individual.

Because of genetically determined metabolism and activity levels, calorie calculation is an inaccurate way to control weight.

I've found a much simpler, more useful method. You can learn what a reasonable weight should be by consulting the actuarial tables used by most insurance companies. If you weigh yourself weekly and adjust your caloric intake accordingly, you should be able to achieve and maintain the weight you wish. If you start off 10 pounds heavier than you want to be, for instance, reduce caloric consumption by eating less starch and fat and omitting alcohol and sugar. When you reach your desired weight, relax the restrictions. Adjust every week. Eat more when necessary, less if required. Anticipate holidays, when you are likely to eat more.

This method will meet your caloric needs and, at the same time, allow for genetic influences and exercise. Also, because your weight will probably not vary more then a few pounds a week, gaining and losing becomes a simple task of fine-tuning your diet.

In my opinion, this weigh-weekly-and-adjust-diet approach is appropriate for anybody. Nonetheless, I acknowledge that there are obese patients (and overly slim people) who have metabolic disturbances requiring professional attention. In such cases, medical testing, special diets, support groups and other resources may be necessary. However, for most of us, the technique I described is effective, cheap and healthful. Most importantly, it allows people to maintain control of their lives.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Calorie-Wise Cooking." 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.

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'Crunch Pak' fresh sliced apples recalled

WENATCHEE, Wash. (AP) — Fresh Products Northwest is recalling its "Crunch Pak" Fresh Sliced Apple packages in 17 states because of possible bacterial contamination.

Recent samples show some packages may be contaminated with Listeria monocytogenes, the company said on Saturday.

The organism can cause serious or fatal infections in children, and the sick and elderly. It also can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women. Others may get fevers, headaches, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea.

The problem was discovered during routine analysis, and no illnesses have been reported, Fresh Products said.

The product was distributed to wholesalers and retailers in Arizona, California, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Utah, Washington and Wisconsin.

All "Crunch Pak" varieties are included in the recall. Recalled products will have a "best if used by" date of March 21 through April 11 printed on the bag or carton label, the company said.

The company said it is working with the Food and Drug Administration.

Fresh Products Northwest is a joint venture of the Medford, Ore.-based Naumes Inc. and Dovex Fruit Co. of Wenatchee.

Editor's Note: Anyone with questions or comments can call recall coordinator Mary Hixson at (541) 608-1719.

Date Book

Monday, March 26, 2001

Today is the 85th day of 2001 and the seventh day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1845, Joseph Francis of New York City patented his method of making boats out of sheet iron.

On this day in 1866, California Governor Frederick Low signed a law against corrupt election practices.

On this day in 1979, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin signed the Camp David Peace Accord. The agreement established peace between Israel and Egypt.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Robert Frost (1874-1963), poet; Tennessee Williams (1911-1983), playwright; Sandra Day O'Connor (1930-), U.S. Supreme Court justice, is 71; Leonard Nimoy (1931-), actor, is 70; Erica Jong (1942-), writer, is 59; Bob Woodward (1943-), journalist, is 57; Diana Ross (1944-), singer-actress, is 57; Marcus Allen (1960-), football player, is 41.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1979, in college basketball, Michigan State defeated Indiana State 75-64.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "To be social is to be forgiving." — Robert Frost

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (March 24) and first quarter (April 1).

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Alltel	52.55	51.50	51.75	+ .63
AmEl Pw	44.10	43.50	43.87	+ 1.12
AndarkPtr	64.43	63.12	63.12	+ .52
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Aviall	6.58	6.45	6.51	+ .03
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BakerHughes	40.85	40.00	40.35	+ .85
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Sharp Image Energy will drill the No. 2 Sand Springs, an 8,200-foot wildcat located four miles southwest of Coahoma. Location is in Section 9, Block 31, T1S, T&P survey.

NES Permian Basin will drill the No. 6 Big Spring Brine Station in the Sand Springs field, two miles west of Coahoma. Planned for a depth of 1,270 feet, drill site is in Section 46, Block 31, T1N, T&P survey.

Devon SFS has completed the No. 4-11 Barber in the Signal Peak field, four miles south of Coahoma. The well was finaled to produce 80 barrels of oil and 10 barrels of water. Perforations were from 7,520-686 feet, and location is in Section 11, Block 31, T1S, T&P survey.

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Pioneer Exploration will drill the No. 38-A Billie Hanks in the Hylton field, eight miles southof Nolan. Planned for a depth of 6,400 feet, drill site is in Section 22, Block Z, T&P survey.

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Supporters of spring break events worried about racism

GALVESTON (AP) — Some supporters of Galveston's annual Beach Party — a Spring Break-like event that attracts thousands of black students each April — believe opponents are motivated more by racism than by concerns about traffic jams and lewd and rowdy behavior.

But government and business leaders from Galveston and other cities with similar events say they are concerned about inconvenience to residents and doubt whether local businesses benefit economically from them, The Galveston County Daily News reported in its Sunday editions.

Galveston is not alone in hosting an annual event like Beach Party.

Daytona Beach, Fla., hosts the Black College Reunion, Atlanta has its Freaknik celebration and the Mississippi beachfront communities of Biloxi and Gulfport host Black Spring Break.

Government officials in these cities say traffic is one of their biggest concerns. Beach Party snarls traffic because visitors choose to stay in their cars rather than park and walk, said Galveston City Manager Steve LeBlanc.

But Recy Dunn, president of the African American Chamber of Commerce in Galveston, blames the city's traffic plan for the gridlock.

Many Galveston business owners and hoteliers have long complained Beach Party isn't the envisioned economic boon because many partygoers don't rent hotel rooms and customers can't get through all the traffic.

Rip Daniels, host of a radio talk show in Gulfport, Miss., said officials prepared for the event as if it were a hurricane.

Grandmother hasn't given up hope that Opal Jo is still alive

FORT WORTH (AP) — Two years after the disappearance of 6-year-old Opal Jo Jennings and despite a conviction in the case, the girl's grandmother holds out hope that she will someday return.

"Opal, honey, if it's you, hang up the phone, baby, and call 911 and they'll come and get you. And you'll be safe," says the recording on Audrey Sanderford's answering machine.

No definite sightings of Opal have been made since her disappearance from a vacant lot near her grandmother's home in Saginaw on March 26, 1999. Meanwhile, Richard Franks has been convicted of aggravated kidnapping with intent to sexually abuse Opal and is serving a life sentence in her disappearance.

Still, Sanderford believes she is still alive.

"Opal isn't dead; there's never been one bit of evidence pointing to that," she told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in a report for Monday's editions.

Sanderford has given up the rented house on North Hampshire Street where she once maintained Opal's room as she left it. These days, she devotes much of her time to trying to protect other children.

On Saturday, she worked at a child identification program, helping parents to gather the necessary identifiers that would help authorities find their children if they are ever lost.

She planned to conduct a candlelight vigil at 7 p.m. Monday at the Spring Glen Apartments in Fort Worth.

Others scheduled their own remembrances

Diane Evanger, who owns the Sunshine Playhouse day-care center in Saginaw where Opal had many friends, planned to decorate a lone evergreen tree.

For the second year, Opal's kindergarten teacher, Gioia Jones, prepared for a private ritual: planting a pink crape myrtle at Saginaw Elementary School.

"It is a personal thing I am going to do every year as long as I am there," Jones said.

Saginaw Police Chief Roger Macon, who came to work in the city last month, said the department still receives one to five tips a week when people across the country see a flyer about Opal.

"With Franks in prison, from what I've read about the case, they have the right man. Hopefully, someday, he'll decide to tell a better version of the story than what he has before," Macon said.

Franks, previously convicted of indecency with a child, was sentenced to life in prison.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Vets at emergency pet clinics know time is of the essence

DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Kelly in Temecula," whose dog died as a result of eating a kitchen towel, touched my heart. I have been an emergency and critical-care veterinarian for many years, and her story is not uncommon. However, your warning left out an important point.

In her letter, Kelly said that for two or three days her dog wouldn't eat or drink, was lethargic and vomiting. Abby, if a dog vomits once and returns to normal, that's OK. However, if it vomits and is lethargic and anorexic, or vomits multiple times, the situation becomes an emergency.

Do not wait until it is convenient to see your family vet. Prompt medical care can be life-saving, and also cost-effective. In almost every area of the country, there are qualified emergency veterinary hospitals to help your pet at night and on weekends, or even when your vet is booked up during the day.

Emergency vets work with your family vet — we do not compete. If your pet is stable and can wait to be seen by your family vet, you will be given that option. Consider the emergency examination fee a small price to pay for your peace of mind.

Emergency facilities can be found in the yellow pages of the phone book or by calling your family vet's office at any time. Most will have an after-hours answering machine with instructions and referrals to the nearest emergency hospital that they recommend. All emergency hospitals are happy to give advice over the phone, help you determine the seriousness of the situation, and even recommend first aid. That is our job.

The phone number of a local emergency animal hospital is one all pet owners should keep handy. Many emergency hospitals give out free refrigerator magnets for this purpose. — **MITZI M. HOWARD, D.V.M.**

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Dexter will have nothing to do with the planning because he thinks it is a waste of money. How can I make him understand that a nice wedding is important to me? This is supposed to be the biggest and best event of our lives. — **LORRAINE IN MISSOURI**

DEAR LORRAINE: Your fiance's values are very different from yours. You have compromised for him, and he should be willing to do the same for you. Before making any more wedding plans, please consider this: If you can't reach a "happy" compromise about your wedding, what will your future be like with this man?

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One fugitive dead, another in custody

EDMOND, Okla. (AP) — Mildred Tuepker feared for her life when two escaped murderers took her and her husband hostage and refused to surrender to police during an eight-hour standoff.

"Just come in and get us," she recalled one of the men saying to an officer. "We'll shoot it out."

Tuepker, 72, was on the phone with a daughter in Delaware when fugitives William Davis and Douglas Gray barged into her home Saturday.

"Call the police," she said, then hung up the phone as her daughter heard a man say "We're running from the police. Get inside."

Police were at the Tuepker home within minutes of the hostage-taking, evacuating neighbors and attempting to negotiate with the fugitives by telephone.

Mildred Tuepker said she and her husband, Gilbert, managed to stay calm as Davis and Gray bathed, ate and watched a film as more than 100 police officers gathered outside.

"We were kind of speechless," she told The Associated Press Sunday. "We didn't do any screaming."

The Tuepkers said Davis and Gray had agreed to kill themselves rather than return to prison. After they released Mildred Tuepker, they asked her husband for the best place to shoot themselves.

He suggested the kitchen and went to wait in a bedroom, Mildred Tuepker said.

Davis' failed suicide attempt apparently left him writhing in pain. Police said Gray told them he used a handgun to help Davis carry out his attempt.

The state's second major prison break this year ended with Davis dead of a gunshot wound to the head, police said. Within half an hour, Gray decided against killing himself, walked out and surrendered. Neither of the Tuepkers were injured.

"Everybody is going to think I'm a coward," Gray said after his arrest, according to sheriff's Capt. Rick Barrow.

Police had been hunting for the fugitives since March 16, when the men allegedly hid in a mail cart that was being hauled by truck to a post office from the medium-security Mack Alford Correctional Center in Stringtown in southeastern Oklahoma.

The pair allegedly used a knife to overpower the prison worker driving the truck, and later stole and abandoned two other vehicles, one of which contained firearms.

Following the hostage-taking, Gray was booked on several felony charges and transferred to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

Billionaire is moving closer to controlling theatre chain

DENVER (AP) — Billionaire Philip F. Anschutz has reportedly taken another step toward gaining control of Regal Cinemas Inc., the nation's largest theater chain.

According to Monday's editions of The Wall Street Journal, Anschutz and partner Oaktree Capital Management LLC on Friday bought out a group of Regal's bondholders who had recently made a $1.1 billion offer for control of the movie chain.

The Knoxville, Tenn.-based Regal has 4,069 screens at 355 locations. It was bought by Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co., of New York, and Hicks, Muse, Tate & Furst Inc., of Dallas in 1998 for $1.5 billion, but it has been struggling under a crushing debt load of more than $1.8 billion.

In December, Regal defaulted on its bonds and said it was considering filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. Though KKR and Hicks Muse technically still own the company, their existing ownership stake would be wiped out in a Chapter 11 restructuring.

Anschutz and Oaktree had previously bought nearly half of Regal's $1 billion in syndicated bank loans, the newspaper reported. In Friday's deal, Anschutz and Oaktree bought about 30 percent of Regal's $800 million in bonds at an unknown price.

Anschutz now owns enough of Regal's bonds and bank debt to block approval of any competing plan by either class of debt holders, the Journal reported.

Officials at Regal, Greenwich Street, KKR and Hicks Muse declined to comment to The Wall Street Journal. Officials at Anschutz Corp., Oaktree and Tudor could not be reached for comment.

Anschutz is the largest owner of Englewood-based United Artists Theater Corp., the nation's sixth-largest chain, which is emerging from bankruptcy. In addition to several sports teams, Anschutz owns a movie production company, Crusader Entertainment.

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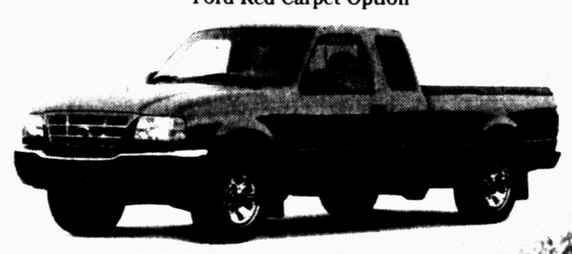
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Comair pilots walk off job today

HEBRON, Ky. (AP) — Comair pilots walked off the job today after contract talks with the regional airline broke off, and union officials said they were prepared to continue the strike for as long as necessary.

"I think it's fair to say that there was not a single Comair pilot that wanted this to happen, but we have prepared for this mentally and financially and we are together," union spokesman Max Roberts said shortly after the strike began at 12:01 a.m.

Comair, the nation's second-largest regional carrier after American Eagle, had canceled today's flights in advance of the walkout. It serves 95 cities in the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Bahamas and carries more than 8 million passengers annually. It also flies under the name Delta Connection.

Comair's 1,350 pilots want a company-funded retirement plan, more rest time between flights, higher pay and payment for all hours they are on the job, not just actual flying hours.

"You shouldn't be angry at the pilots," Comair president Randy Rademacher told non-striking employees. "They want more pay, they want better benefits, they want more respect for what they do. Everybody in this room wants that. I want that."

The airline intends to keep its roughly 4,000 non-pilot employees on the job during the strike.

The White House said today that President Bush, who earlier this month temporarily blocked a strike by Northwest Airlines mechanics, had not indicated whether he would intervene in the Comair strike.

Both sides have said they are willing to negotiate, but no new talks were scheduled.

Twenty uniformed pilots staged the first session of picketing outside the airline's home terminal at the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport.

Pilots and their families cheered, clapped and whistled at the airport when the strike announcement was made.

James C. Lawson, chairman of the Comair pilots' division of the Air Line Pilots Association, told the crowd that Comair pilots want the same rights and dignity as other airline pilots.

"It has been a ruse and a management ploy to classify you as regional pilots," he said. "You are airline pilots."

Comair's president said he was disappointed by the union's decision.

High court will not hear three appeals

LIVINGSTON (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court today rejected appeals from three Texas death row inmates, including one man set to die later this week.

Michael Moore, 37, faces lethal injection Wednesday evening for the 1994 stabbing death of a Copperas Cove woman, Christa Bentley, at her home.

Authorities believed Moore was a stalker infatuated with high school girls. Bentley, 35, was fatally stabbed when she surprised Moore, whom she discovered inside her home. Her daughter was among the girls Moore was accused of stalking.

Moore, who grew up in the Buffalo, N.Y., area, was tied to the crime after police pulled him over following a car chase that reached speeds of 100 mph.

The high court today also refused appeals of Alva Curry and Coy Wesbrook.

Curry was condemned for the 1991 slaying of an Austin convenience store clerk.

Wesbrook was condemned for killing five people in November 1997 at a party in east Harris County. Among the victims was Wesbrook's former wife.

U.S. in middle of economic downturn

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — President Bush's chief spokesman said today that the United States is "in the middle of an economic downturn" that requires his prescription of tax cuts and budget tightening.

Ari Fleischer offered the assessment as Bush launched a two day, three-state trip to promote his budget and tax plan. The tour will be capped by a major speech Tuesday on the economy.

"It's going to be the president's assessment of where the economy is, why his plan is the best plan to help the economy recover," Fleischer said. "He will share with the American people his view of where the nation stands" on the economy.

Bush has spoken in ominous terms about the economy since his election, but the rhetoric has picked up as his economic plan made his way through Congress. Earlier this month, Bush said the economy was "sputtering."

Items taken from three vehicles over weekend

• ***Vehicle burglaries***

Three reports for burglary of a vehicle were filed over the weekend, but authorities said that while it was possible the incidents are related, there is no evidence at this point to indicate they are.

Victor Isham notified officers at 10:14 p.m. Saturday that a CD player still in its box was taken from his 1987 Cadillac while it was parked at 702 28th Street.

At 10:31 p.m. Saturday, Lynda Dobbs reported the theft of compact discs and a cell phone from a 2000 Chevrolet pickup while it was parked at 319 33rd Street.

The third report was taken at 10:43 a.m. Sunday. Alex Lopez told officers that a stereo was taken from his 1989 Chevrolet pickup while it was parked at 3110 Hill Avenue.

• ***Runaway***

A woman called police at 11:57 a.m. Saturday to report that her 12-year-old son had run away from home. She called back at 9:18 p.m. to advise that he had returned home.

• ***Gas drive-off***

A clerk with Town & Country on East Coliseum Drive reported a gas drive-off in the amount of $13 at 9:14 p.m. Saturday.

• ***Loud music***

An officer received a complaint of loud music coming from the American Legion at 11:13 p.m. Saturday. Contact was made with the manager, and the music was turned down.

A loud music complaint was received at 11:29 p.m. Saturday in the 400 block of 30th Street. Officers spoke with a subject, and he did turn the music down.

• ***Family violence***

In unrelated incidents, offense reports for family violence were filed at 2:43 a.m. Sunday, 3:30 a.m. Sunday and 1:03 p.m. Sunday.

• ***Close patrol requested***

Officers were asked to keep a close patrol of the Golden Terrace Apartments in reference to a resident reporting earlier in the week that someone had possibly broken into her apartment.

• ***Arrests***

At 1:01 p.m. Saturday, a Department of Public Safety trooper arrested a 70-year-old woman two miles south of Hermleigh on U.S. Highway 84 for driving while her license were suspended.

A 29-year-old woman was taken into custody at 12:35 a.m. Sunday by a DPS trooper at 17th Street and Avenue G for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

Misdemeanor DWI landed a 21-year-old man in jail at 2:18 a.m. Sunday. Officers arrested him in the 2400 block of Avenue L.

An 18-year-old man was booked into jail on Sunday on a Nolan County warrant for theft by check. Officers arrested him at 12:10 p.m. in the 3600 block of Avenue E.

Public intoxication sent a 62-year-old man to jail at 5:09 p.m. He was taken into custody in the IGA parking lot.

• ***Accidents***

A two-vehicle accident occurred at 3:50 p.m. Saturday in the 2400 block of 40th Street. Involved were a 1996 Chevrolet pickup driven by Larry Jason Gruben, 25, of 3725 Highland Drive and a 1987 Chevrolet Silverado pickup driven by Gorgiana Fuentez, 16, of 319 36th Place.

A 16-year-old female and a 15-year-old male were both admitted to Cogdell Memorial Hospital Sunday evening following a one-vehicle rollover on Camp Springs Road.

They were both listed in stable condition this morning.

The mishap was reported at 6:05 p.m. Sunday. The investigating trooper was unavailable this morning for additional information.

Obituaries

Ruby Neves

1935-2001

Ruby Lois Neves, longtime Snyder resident, died Saturday, March 24, at her home after a lengthy illness.

Service for Mrs. Neves, 65, is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday at Colonial Hill Baptist Church. Dr. Tommy Culwell, pastor, and the Rev. Miller Robinson, retired pastor, will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.



Ruby Neves

Born on Oct. 31, 1935 in Fisher County, she married Roy "Curley" Neves on Nov. 8, 1952 in Hobbs, Tex. A Snyder resident since 1965, she was a retired secretary for the Adult Probation Office.

Mrs. Neves was preceded in death by three brothers, Charlie Adams, Troy Adams and T.C. Adams Jr.; and three sisters, Nancy Adams, Pauline McAlpine and Mildred Hopper.

Survivors include her husband, Roy "Curley" Neves of the home; four sons, Larry Neves of Snyder, Nicky Neves of Levelland, Toby Neves of Weatherford, Okla., and Tracy Neves of Jonesboro, Ark.; a daughter, Kimberly Gambol of Snyder; two brothers, Gerald Adams of Midland and Herman Adams of Martindale; three sisters, Louise Johnson of Abilene, Doris Metcalf of Tulia and Maurine Lay of Odessa; and 14 grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society-Scurry Unit, West Texas State Bank, P.O. Box 1396 in care of Sheila McCormack, or the American Heart Association-Scurry County Division, in care of Billisue Stuard, 875 County Road 1101, Hermleigh, or to a favorite charity.

Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Dessie Harvel

1919-2001

Dessie Harvel, former longtime Snyder resident, died Saturday, March 24, in Midland.

Service for Mrs. Harvel, 81, was held this morning in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. C. Lane Boyd, First United Methodist Church, officiating. Graveside service was set for 3 p.m. today in Terry County Cemetery in Brownfield, officiated by the Brownfield American Legion.

Arrangements were under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home in Midland.

Mrs. Harvel, reared and educated in Cross Plains, married John Rankin Blackburn on Sept. 5, 1942 in El Paso. She moved to Brownfield in 1950 and to Snyder in 1972. She has lived in Midland the past two years and was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the American Legion Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her husband John Rankin Blackburn; a brother, Vernon Huntington; and a sister, Bonnie Timora.

Survivors include her son, John Blackburn of Austin; a daughter, Deanna Salmon of Midland; a brother, James Huntington of Arlington; a sister, Alona Gilbert and a stepdaughter, Frances Dupuy, both of Austin; seven grandchildren, Barry Salmon, Stephanie Salmon, Tim Salmon, Bo Blackburn, Kimberlee Blackburn, Bobby Blackburn, Crystal Dupuy, and one great-grandchild, Jack Blackburn, who served as honorary pallbearers.

Juana Silva

1905-2001

Juana Perez Silva, 96, of Snyder died Monday, March 26, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Silva was born on March 8, 1905 in Zacatecas, Mexico. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include two daughters, Victoria Silva of Snyder and Maria Acosta of Chicago, Ill.; and two sons, Lucio Silva of Garden City, Kan., and Lupe Silva of Abilene.

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Revival services

The public is invited to revival services underway at Faith Baptist Church. Services are held at 7 p.m. daily through Wednesday. Jerry Reed is the evangelist.

Math and science night

Snyder Junior High School will host a math and science night for 8th graders and their parents at 6 p.m. today in the school cafeteria.

West Elementary family night out

West Elementary will hold its family night out this evening at Red Barn Barbecue.

Ira Masonic Lodge

The Ira Masonic Lodge will have a stated meeting and work in the EA Degree at 7:30 tonight at the lodge.

Bible study tapes

Bible study videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 this evening is "The Wisdom of Solomon"} followed by "Role of Miracles in New Testament."

Weigh Down Workshop

An orientation for a Weigh Down Workshop will be held at 7 tonight at the Word is Life Church. For more information, call Donna Nehring at 573-7471

CPR certification classes

CPR certification classes for health-care providers will be held from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday in Room 7C at Western Texas College. To preregister and for more information, call 573-8511, ex. 390.

Golden Apple Awards banquet

SISD's sixth annual Golden Apple Awards banquet will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Snyder Country Club.

C.H.I.P. signup

Children's Health Insurance Program signup will held from 2-7 p.m. Tuesday at Northeast Elementary.

Cancer Society board meeting

Directors of the Scurry County unit of the American Cancer Society will meet at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the Cogdell Hospital board room.

Genealogical society

The Scurry County Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Scurry County Library's children's room. Jo Thrower will present a program on "The Hidden Half of the Family." Anyone searching for females in their families should attend. Membership dues are $12 a person, or $15 a couple.

Alzheimer support group

The Alzheimer family support group meets at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at Snyder Oaks Care Center.

MAWC game day and luncheon

Martha Ann Woman's Club game day and luncheon will be held Wednesday. Cost is $7.50 with serving to begin at 11:30 a.m. Games of choice will follow. Reservations are needed by 5 p.m. Tuesday by calling 573-3427.

Income tax help

An IRS-approved program for elderly and low-income persons of any age is held from 9 a.m. until noon and from 1-3 p.m. every Wednesday at the Snyder Senior Citizens Center.

West family reading night

West Elementary holds its family reading night from 6-7:30 p.m. every Thursday. New sessions have been added. Childcare and refreshments are provided.

GED testing dates

Testing for GED (high school equivalency) will be Friday. For more information call Molly Kattes, 573-2919, or Emily Hataway, 574-2112 at home, or 573-8511, ext. 297 at WTC between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Bible College choir

The Apostolic Faith Church, 2506 25th St., will host The Apostolic Faith Bible College Choir from Baxter Springs, Kan., at 7 p.m. Friday.

Car wash

First Christian Church's youth group will hold a car wash beginning at 10 a.m. Monday on the south parking lot of Wal-Mart. Donations will be accepted.

Rabies vaccination day

The yearly rabies vaccination day will be held from 1-7 p.m. Saturday at the Snyder Fire Department. Cost is $6 for the vaccination and city tags will be free. Patrons are asked to park behind Texas Savings Bank.

Spring revival services

North College Avenue Baptist Church will host a spring revival April 1-4. Sunday, the church will try to set a record for Sunday School and Sunday night. Next Monday is "blues night" with everyone encouraged to wear blue. Tuesday is music night with special choir music. Wednesday is children and youth night. There will be a dessert fellowship each evening, with Sunday being ice cream, Monday is pie and Tuesday is cake night. A hot dog social will follow the Wednesday meeting.

Gateway fundraiser

Gateway Family Services will present the Flying J Wrangers from Ruidoso at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 7, in the First Baptist Church Family Life Center. Tickets are $25 and include an evening of food and entertainment.

Experiencing God, The Musical

The combined choirs of Colonial Hill Baptist Church and First Baptist Church will present Experiencing God, The Musical, at 2 and 7 p.m. Sunday, April 8, at the First Baptist Church Worship Center. There is no admission charge and everyone is welcome.