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# Quality of water key concern at Northeast

## *Though bond issue for school repairs will not be able to address that issue*

Even if a bond issue is approved for school repairs, it won't solve the number one problem at Northeast Elementary — dirty water.

Tuesday night, in the first of a series of seven campus meetings to obtain public input for renovation of Snyder ISD's aging facilities, those interested in Northeast Elementary overwhelming identified the quality of water as the priority issue.

Some 54 persons attended the 50-minute meeting, which was conducted by representatives of a Lubbock architectural and engineering firm, BGR.

Coda Stephenson told the audience — mainly consisting of school staffers — that a survey of district facilities last fall had identified approximately $1.5 million in needed repairs at Northeast.

In response to questions from the audience, Stephenson said none of the proposals addressed the water quality issue which he described as a "community problem."

Those in attendance said bottled water is brought to the school for students to drink and most don't want to use the discolored water even to wash hands.

Principal Lee Presswood said water quality is not only an issue for the school, but for residents of northeast Snyder, which is served by some of the oldest cast-iron main lines in the city.

School officials and some parents in the audience said they had discussed the problem with city officials over several years.

Darrell Callahan, city water superintendent, said the city is aware of the problem and has been working with school officials over a number of years.

"Despite meeting TRNCC guidelines, we still have dirty water complaints. These are the old cast-iron lines that are 40-plus years old," Callahan said.

"We provide bottled water to the school and the city paid for a filter system and pays to keep it maintained," Callahan added.

City Manager John Gayle said the water main on 13th Street running in front of the school was replaced a couple of years ago and helped solve complaints of low water pressure.

"Part of the problem is the low population denisity in northeast quadrant and the fact that the lines are not looped," the city manager said.

Gayle said that the city has applied for a $365,000 block grant of which $100,000 is earmarked

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## THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

**The feller on Deep Creek says, "If at first you don't succeed, skydiving's not for you."**

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In the clamor to be politically correct, a group of students have devised improved statements to help them through the maze of the education experience.

--No one fails a class these days, students are merely "passing impaired."

--Detention hall is being replaced by "exit delayed."

--A kid's bedroom is no longer cluttered, but merely "passage restrictive."

--There is no such thing as a lazy student. Rather, he's "energetically declined."

--A school locker is no longer overflowing with junk, it's just "closure prohibitive."

--Teens no longer get grounded, but rather have hit a "social speed bump."

--The homework missing is no longer a good excuse. Try instead "an out-of-notebook experience."

--A pupil snoozing in class can claim "rationing consciousness."

--Instead of being labled as tardy, describe your situation as "rescheduled arrival time."

--Instead of having a bad hair day, try "rebellious follicle syndrome."

--Instead of smelly gym socks, blame it on "ordor-retentive athletic footware."

--Shyness is more acceptable if described as "conversationally selective."

--A motormouth sounds better being called "abundantly verbal."

--Of course you weren't passing notes. You were "participating in the discreet exchange of penned mediations."

--If sent to the principal's office, tell your parents you went on a "mandatory field trip to the administrative area."

--Gossip is boring. Try "speedy transmission of near-factual information."

--Food cafeteria: Instead of calling it awful, try "digestively challenged."

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And a good thought to remember:

"A diplomat is someone who can tell you to go to thunder...and make you feel happy to be on your way."

# Local weevil office gearing up for 1998

## *Anticipates passage of referendum*

The ballots to determine the future of the Rolling Plains Central Boll Weevil Eradication Program are now in the hands of producers and landowners and will be counted on March 19.

"The ballots on whether or not to continue the program were sent out last week," said Cleve Cleveland, district manager of the Snyder office.

While the passage of the issue is still up in the air, locally, the program is gearing up for another year.

The 12 people at the local office are making plans based on the passage of the referendum by mapping, planning trap placement and other activities.

"We're not making predictions, but we feel real good about its passage," said Cleveland.

"I think the farmers saw the benefits of it last year with the increased yields."

While a dozen people are now working in the program here in Snyder, the number will increase to around 65 during the growing season.

This translates to a payroll of almost a half-million dollars per year in the Snyder office, said Lindy Patton, state-wide executive director.

Patton said Scurry County's cotton crop last season probably had an economic impact of more than $150 million to the area's economy.

Teresa Eliason, the eradication program's public relations director, said the Abilene office had already received some calls on the ballots which were sent out by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

"Most people just need some clarification and want to make sure their ballots count," said Eliason.

"We're receiving questions from wives whose husbands had died and the ballots were addressed to the husband. They just want to make sure of the correct procedure to vote," said Eliason.

She urges anyone with questions to call the Abilene office at 1-800-687-1212.

Cleveland said the boll weevil office in Snyder buys as much locally as possible.

"We have lots of vehicles and we, of course, buy our gas here. We trade will several local businesses," said Cleveland.

Producers will also be voting on a person to be named to the state eradication board as Woody Anderson of Colorado City and Mike Massey of Roscoe have been nominated.

**OPENS THURSDAY — "All In The Timing," will debut at 8 p.m. Thursday in Western Texas College's fine arts theatre. Jeff Tydlaska and Krista Tydlaska perform a scene from "Variations on the Death Of Trotsky," one of six plays directed by WTC students. Nightly performances run through Saturday and a 2 p.m. matinee is slated Sunday. Tickets are $5 for the general public and $3 for students and senior citizens. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)**

# Main breaks but rationing not necessary

It was a bad news, good news situation.

A 12-inch water main along Avenue M on the west side of the water plant broke about 6:30 this morning.

Normally, the city would have gone on a rationing alert, but that's the good news.

One pump of the new water treatment plant was brought on line, the water was re-routed and cutomers were being served by mid-morning.

Another bit of good news was the new line along Avenue L to 37th Street that serves east Snyder and the new industrial park.

"That line was a Godsend," said Darrell Callahan, city water superintendent. "If we hadn't had that line, we would be rationing water."

While supplies are lower than normal, Callahan said the system will be replenished overnight.

Yesterday, water customers saw service interrupted as Rhodes Construction was making connections into the old system. That was completed late Tuesday.

Callahan said the city is spending $58,000 for a new 12-inch line from the water plant south to 37th Street to replace the old line that has been in the ground 25 to 30 years. The tie-in was to have occurred Thursday, but the current break will likely delay until next week getting the new line in service.

## *Cautioned urged...*

# Solar eclipse occurs Thursday

Scurry County residents will be treated to a solar eclipse Thursday and while the astronomical show is intriguing, it can also be harmful if not viewed properly.

The event is particularly anticipated by researchers and scientists because in eight countries, it will be a total eclipse — meaning that the moon will pass directly in front of the sun, obscuring it completely for as much as four minutes.

During this brief period, day turns into night. Totality brings a solar light display, producing sites which are not visible at any other time. Some of these are called Baily's Beads, Diamond Ring Effect, solar corona, rubies, eruptive prominences and shadow bands.

In the United States and other areas, though, it will be seen as a partial eclipse. The moon will appear to creep slowly across the face of the sun, taking bigger and bigger "bites" out of it, but never completely covering it.

Scientists say the maximum eclipse will occur at 17:30 Universal Time, or about 11:30 a.m. Central Standard Time.

It is extremely dangerous to view an eclipse with the naked eye. Most filters are also not safe, including smoked glass or sunglasses.

Shade 14 welder's filters and double thicknesses of black and white negative film, if properly exposed to sunlight and developed to maximum density, may be safe. Film containing photographic images or color slide film are not safe, no matter how many thicknesses are used. Garbage bags and floopy disks or CDs are unsafe.

# ER coverage contract on CMH agenda

A new physician contract for emergency room coverage will be considered by the board of managers of Cogdell Hospital when it convenes at 8 a.m. Thursday.

In a break from tradition, the board will meet at 1503 Trinity Blvd., site of the new physical therapy department.

At last month's meeting, hospital officials said 24-hour coverage of the emergency room by doctors will continue, but that the system will be revised to include some local physicians.

Hospital manager Jeff Reecer had said he expects to present a contract for 36 hours of coverage each week by a firm that supplies emergency room doctors.

In other business Thursday, three directors reappointed by the commissioners court in January are expected to be formally given their oath of office. Those reappointed are Jim Bob Cave, J.B. Tate Jr. and Stanley Martin. The board will then elect officers for the new year.

In addition to reviewing financial statements, the board will hear medical staff reports, pay bills, and hear a nursing report.

Also on the agenda is approval of appointments to the Cogdell Hospital Foundation.

Dana Cooley

# Cooley appointed to healthcare board

Snyder prosecutor Dana Cooley has earned a second appointment from Gov. George W. Bush.

Cooley, 132nd District Attorney for Scurry and Borden counties, is one of 12 Texans appointed to the Statewide Rural Healthcare Systems board created by the 75th Legislature.

The legislation created a private, non-profit health system governed and managed by rural physicians, hospitals, community leaders and consumers of health care.

The newly-appointd board will administer the system and will adopt rules regarding the provision of administrative services.

Cooley was appointed to a term ending Feb. 1, 2001. She will serve as a public member of the board.

Gov. Bush appointed Cooley district attorney in August, 1995 after Ernie Armstrong vacated the office to become district judge of the 132nd Judicial District.

Cooley won election to a four-year term last November. She had previously served as assistant district attorney. She is also attorney for the city of Snyder.

A native of Borden County, she earned a bachelor's degree in education from Abilene Christian University. After teaching school, she returned to school to earn her law degree from Texas Tech University.

A member of the 37th Street Church of Christ, Cooley is a member of the advisory board of Noah Project-West, a shelter for battered families.

Cooley, a Republican, was nominated for a spot on the rural health board by State Sen. Tom Haywood of Wichita Falls. Gov. Bush's appointment is subject to confirmation by the Texas Senate.

Also appointed to the board is Dr. Pervaiz Rahman of Gainesville, Lucille Rochs of Fredericksburg, Joe Tom Terrell of Jacksonville, Dr. Hugh H. Wilson of Hale Center, Dr. Joyce Roberts of Mt. Vernon, Dr. Pablo C. Teveni of Stanton, R.B. (Skipper) Wallace of Lampasas, Dr. Harold High of Cuero, Ralph H. Meriwether of Alpine, Dr. Thomas E. Mueller of LaGrange and Doris Reding of Littlefield.

## ASK US

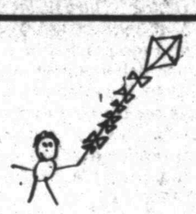
**Q—Will tickets to the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra on March 3 be available at the gate?**

**A—Yes. Tickets are $15 general admission and $20 for reserved seating to the concert and dance. They are available at the chamber now if you want them in advance.**

## FORECAST - ALMANAC

**Snyder Temps:** High Tuesday, 81 degrees; low, 40; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 55; no precipitation; total for 1998, 2.75 inches.

**Area Forecast:** Wind advisory today. Tonight, clear. Low 30-35. W wind decreasing to 10-20 mph. Thursday, sunny, breezy. High 60-65. W wind 15-25 mph, gusty.



Michael Alaniz
**Windy**

**Sunset:** 6:39 p.m.
**Sunrise:** 7:14 a.m.
**Of 55 days in 1998, the sun has shone 53 days in Snyder.**

## TODAY'S THOUGHT

**In the depth of winter I finally learned that within me there lay an invincible summer.**

**Albert Camus**

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# Central Awards

## *Fourth six weeks*

Central third graders have received the following awards.

**SUPER KIDS**

Ramsey Herrera, Amber Hildreth, William Brasher, Jaedi Baze, Linda DeLaCruz, Raymond Valadez, Kelton Clayton, Corbin Smith, Ryne Trout, Brandon Hagins, Jessica Yanez, Staci Lee.

**UNIT RECOGNITION**

Amy Sauceda, Kyle Sanchez, Desirae Guerra, Charone Hill, Sonia Estrada, Victoria Hermosillo, Danna Thompson, Christina Martinez, April Beth Boyd, Donald Jeffery, Pamela Bradshaw, David Gomez.

**TOKENS**

Classes earning four or more tokens were Molly Kattes and Betty Thompson, both 4; Paula Bowden, 5; Deborah Judah, 8; Magdalena Jaimes, 9; Judy Barkowsky, 10; Stanley Cozart and Kathy Moore, both 11; June Holcomb and Judy Moss, both 12; Edilyn Smith, 13; and Kathy Spoor, 15.

# Privatizing Social Security opposed

WASHINGTON (AP) — A top Clinton administration official assured Congress Tuesday that all options to fix Social Security will be considered, but added he personally opposes any radical privatization of the retirement system.

"I would hope that any solution ... preserves Social Security as a basic public trust," Deputy Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers told a Senate Budget Committtee panel. "I would therefore reject any kind of radical privatization approach."

Summers said he also has doubts about partially privatizing Social Security by letting people keep some payroll taxes in individual accounts — an idea supported by many Republicans.

"The risk to individuals, and ultimately the risk to the government as something that backstops individuals, is something that would have to be considered alongside the other important considerations of giving people something that is very truly theirs," said Summers.

Summers testified before the budget committee's task force on Social Security along with Franklin Raines, director of the White House Office of Management and Budget, and Social Security Commissioner Kenneth Apfel. All three officials vowed that no proposal for Social Security reform will be left out of the discussion at a series of four public forums Clinton has called for this year.

"It will require a lot of forbearance from all of us from taking hard and fast positions, taking things off the table, from going for the easy political shot," said Raines, but "we're going to work hard at it on our side and I hope everyone else is going to be able to work hard at it as well, because it's too important to be given up as a sound bite on television."

The president has said he will ask Congress to act in 1999 to fix the funding shortfall looming for Social Security when baby boomers retire starting around 2010. Clinton has not endorsed any specific solution, but in his State of the Union address last month he asked lawmakers not to touch any federal budget surplus in case it's needed.


**St. Elizabeth Fish Fry**

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# Missouri executes convicted murderer

POTOSI, Mo. (AP) — A man convicted of killing two brothers in a drunken brawl was executed by injection early today after arguing that he didn't receive an adequate defense from an attorney who became his lover.

Reginald Powell, 29, was pronounced dead at 12:04 a.m. at the Potosi Correctional Center in southeast Missouri. His final words were "I love my family."

The case drew national attention because of the affair between Powell and his original trial lawyer, Marianne Marxkors, a relationship that she said clouded her judgment. She blamed herself for putting him on death row.

"Had he had a fair trial, and the jury decided to kill him, that would be one thing," Marxkors said. "But I took that away from him. This verdict is colored by my lack of objectivity and my mistakes."

It was an unlikely love affair. Powell was a borderline mentally retarded black teen-ager from a rough St. Louis neighborhood. Marxkors was an educated white public defender nearly twice his age.

Marxkors admitted she began falling in love with Powell soon after she was appointed as a public defender to handle his case. After his conviction, they had their first sexual encounter in a holding cell near a St. Louis courtroom. The relationship lasted for years.

During the trial, prosecutors offered a plea bargain of life in prison in exchange for a guilty plea. Marxkors turned it down and never put Powell on the stand during the penalty phase. She said later she thought she could somehow get Powell off on a manslaughter conviction.

Prison guards became suspicious when they saw the lawyer and her client in a clutch. They searched Powell's cell and found lusty love letters from Marxkors. She ceased to be his attorney but was never disciplined for the relationship. She no longer practices law and is working toward a master's degree in social work.

Powell's attorneys had sought commutation of the sentence to life in prison. Marxkors, now 45, pleaded unsuccessfully Tuesday with Gov. Mel Carnahan for the life of a man she has called her "soul mate."

Prosecutors have said Powell's affair did not interfere with the verdict and there was no evidence that the plea bargain had not been offered to him.

Court records show that Powell grew up virtually without parental supervision. One test put his IQ at 65.

Prosecutors said that Powell and another man beat and killed Freddie Miller, 39, and his brother, Arthur Miller, 29, during a drunken brawl in St. Louis in 1986.

After the other man stopped, Powell kept going, stomping both men so hard he broke nearly all of their ribs. Then he stabbed the brothers to death and robbed them of $3 and a pack of cigarettes.

# Date Book

Feb. 25, 1998

*Today is the 56th day of 1998 and the 67th day of winter.*

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1836, Samuel Colt invented the revolver.

On this day in 1870, Hiram Revels from Mississippi became the first African-American U.S. senator.

On this day in 1986, Ferdinand Marcos resigned as president of the Philippines.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Pierre-Auguste Renoir (1841-1919), artist; Enrico Caruso (1873-1921), singer; John Foster Dulles (1888-1959), U.S. diplomat; Adele Davis (1904-1974), nutritionist; Jim Backus (1913-1989), actor; Anthony Burgess (1917-1993), writer; George Harrison (1943-), musician, is 55; Neil Jordan (1950-), film director, is 48.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** On this day in 1964, Cassius Clay defeated Sonny Liston and won the world heavyweight boxing championship.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "He who knows only his own side of the case, knows little of that." — John Stuart Mill

**TODAY'S WEATHER:** On this day in 1929, a tornado hit an oil refinery near Grand Prairie, Texas, and covered miles of land to the northeast with oil.

SOURCE: 1998 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

**TODAY'S MOON:** Day before new moon.

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**LITERARY COMPETITION — Snyder High School students placing in the District UIL practice meet in Lubbock include, (from left) first row, spelling, Windy Wood and, Vanessa Jones, 1st, and Felsha Biggers, 5th — all three won 2nd in team spelling; top row, Trevor Kerr, 1st in accounting; Christy Tankersley, 2nd in computer applications; Wade Ashby, 10th in number sense; and Melinda Hernandez, 2nd in headline and news writing. Brett Gibson, not shown, won 2nd in accounting. Sponsors are Darlene Stokes, Becky Johnson, Phyllis Smith, Janice Northerns and Lynda Patterson. District UIL will be at SHS on April 4. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)**

# Beef suppliers settle lawsuits

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The parent of the Jack in the Box fast-food chain has agreed to accept $58.5 million from nine beef suppliers to end litigation filed after tainted hamburger killed four people in 1993.

The deal with Foodmaker Inc. ends a string of court battles, including nearly 100 lawsuits filed on behalf of people who ate burgers contaminated with an especially virulent strain of E. coli bacteria. Hundreds were sickened.

The outbreak eventually was traced to several Jack in the Box outlets in Washington state. Foodmaker sued its supplier, The Vons Companies Inc., and eight companies that sold beef to Vons.

Details of the settlement were not disclosed.

"This means we can focus on the future of the company and the plans for growth," Shirley Gines, a spokeswoman for San Diego-based Foodmaker, said Tuesday.

Safeway Inc., parent of Vons, confirmed that it had settled all claims made by Foodmaker, and that insurance would pay much of the bill.

"The settlement will have no significant effect on Safeway's financial condition or results of operations," the statement said.

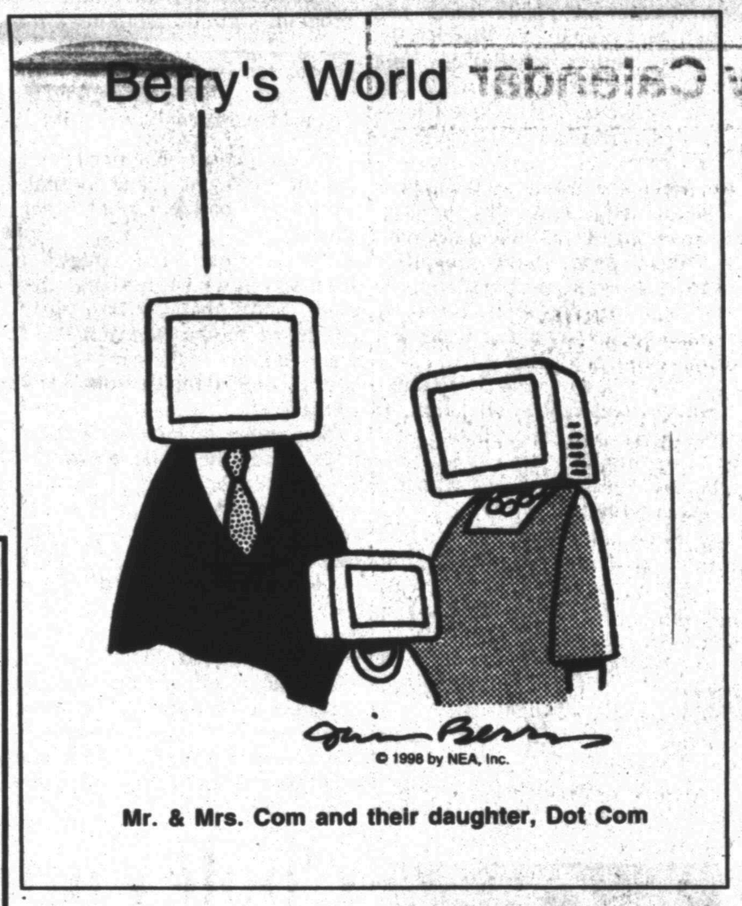
# Mother no-billed in babies' deaths

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas County grand jury declined Tuesday to indict an Irving woman accused in the fire deaths of her two children.

Maria Francis Perez, 28, was released from jail shortly after the grand jury no-bill. She had been held in lieu of $500,000 bond on two counts of capital murder.

The Oct. 17 fire at killed Hermergildo Noe Perez, 3, and Celica Rosa Maria Francis Perez, 1.

The woman had denied having anything to do with the deaths of the youngsters.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to charge an additional 26 cents per month per line to recover costs for providing Expanded Local Calling service (ELC) to certain Texas Customers.

The 26 cents per month surcharge would not be billed to customers who receive ELC. However, customers who receive ELC and pay less than the maximum $3.50 a month residential ELC charge or less than the maximum $7 business ELC charge will have to pay the additional 26 cents per month charge.

Expanded Local Calling was created in 1993 by Texas legislation that requires telephone companies to provide toll-free calling between small towns that share a community of interest such as a school or hospital district. The legislation allows telephone companies to recover costs not paid through customer charges by applying a surcharge to all other customers in the state who do not receive the ELC service or who do not pay the maximum ELC rate. The maximum monthly ELC rate allowed under state law is $3.50 per line for residential customers and $7 per line for business customers.

Southwestern Bell estimates that the 26 cents per month per line charge will recover the $27 million annual cost of providing ELC service that is not recovered from ELC rates.

If approved by the PUC, the monthly statewide surcharge of 26 cents per line per month will begin with the April, 1998 billing cycles, with an agreement to refund all or part of the charge if the PUC does not approve it.

For questions about the reasons for the charge, please call the Southwestern Bell Business Office listed in your directory.

The PUC assigned Docket Number 18513 to this proceeding. The deadline for intervention in this matter is March 31, 1998. Persons who wish to intervene or comment in these proceedings should notify the PUC by March 31, 1998. All requests to intervene should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX, 78711-3326. For information intervening, please call the PUC at 1-888-782-8477 or at 512-936-7120.

**AVISO PUBLICO**

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) presentó una solicitud ante la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (PUC) para cobrar 26 centavos más al mes por línea para recuperar los costos por el servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) a ciertos clientes en Texas.

El cargo de 26 centavos al mes no se cobrará a los clientes que reciben ELC. Sin embargo, los clientes que reciben ELC y pagan menos del máximo de $3.50 al mes por el servicio ELC residencial o menos del máximo de $7 por el servicio ELC comercial, tendrán que pagar 26 centavos adicionales a su pago mensual.

El servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) fue establecido en 1993 por la legislación del estado de Texas y requiere que las compañías prestadoras de servicios telefónicos ofrezcan llamadas de larga distancia gratuitas entre pequeñas poblaciones que comparten un interés común tales como distritos escolares y de hospitales. Esta ley permite que las compañías telefónicas recuperen los costos no pagados mediante cargos a clientes, a través de un cargo a todos los demás clientes en el estado que no reciben el servicio ELC o que no pagan la tarifa máxima del servicio ELC. La tarifa máxima mensual permitida por la ley estatal es $3.50 por línea para clientes con servicio residencial y $7 por línea para clientes con servicio comercial.

Southwestern Bell calcula que los 26 centavos al mes por línea cubrirán los $27 millones del costo anual del servicio ELC que no está cubierto por las tarifas de ELC.

Si la PUC autoriza el cargo mensual estatal de 26 centavos al mes por línea éste comenzará a partir de los ciclos de facturación de abril 1998, con el acuerdo de reembolsar todo o parte del cargo si la PUC no lo autoriza.

Para preguntas relacionadas con este cargo, por favor llame a la Oficina Local de Southwestern Bell listada en su directorio telefónico.

La PUC asignó el número de registro de 18513 a este procedimiento. El plazo de intervención sobre este asunto terminará el 31 de marzo de 1998. Las personas que deseen intervenir o hacer comentarios sobre este procedimiento deberán notificar a la PUC antes del 31 de marzo de 1998. Todas las solicitudes de intervención deberán enviarse por correo a Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Para mayor información sobre la intervención, por favor comuníquese con la PUC al 1-888-782-8477 o al 512-936-7120.

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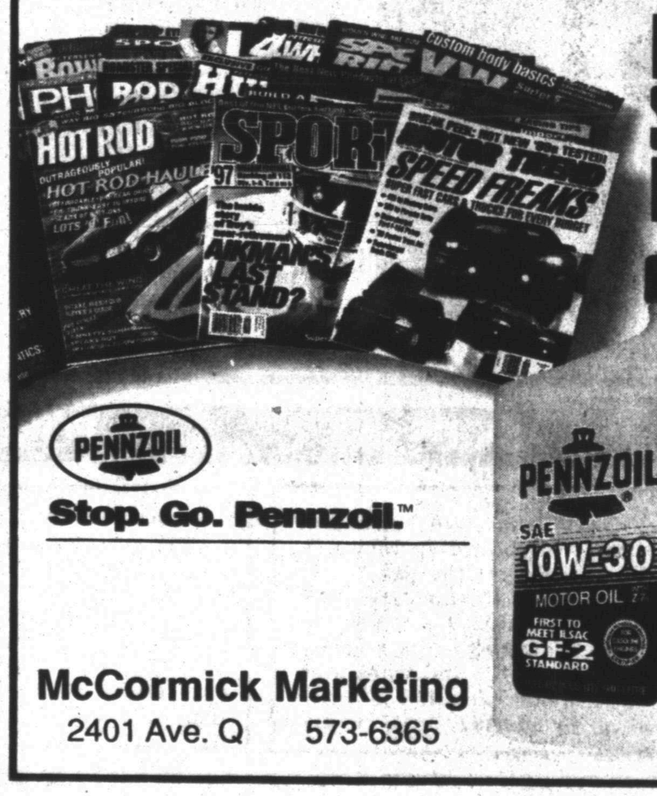


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# Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

## Husband Asks for Equality In Giving and Getting Gifts

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DEAR ABBY: My wife and I will be celebrating our 54th wedding anniversary this year, and I have had the same gripe for half a century. What on God's green earth makes women think that holidays are only for them? Let's take last year, for example:

On Valentine's Day, I gave my wife a lovely silver and gold choker with matching bracelet and earrings. I would have loved to have seen a bottle of champagne in the bedroom, or received an invitation to go out for dinner. Neither happened.

Three months before our anniversary, I planned a weekend at a first-class resort, and for her birthday, we went on a two-week cruise. This was all booked and paid for in advance. On our anniversaries, I am lucky to get a card from her.

Abby, we live in an affluent community, and I see many wives making a fuss over their husbands. But every time I mention my feelings, my wife tells me that holidays are for wives. The topper was when she said, "I go to bed with you; what else do you want?" Her favorite is, "You have everything; I don't know what to get for you."

I could go on for days, but this is enough for one letter. Thanks for listening.

HURT HUSBAND

**DEAR HURT HUSBAND: Your wife should be ashamed of herself. Although most of us of a certain age have most of the material things we need, everyone likes to be remembered on special occasions.**

**Actions speak louder than words. Show her this column, and tell her that gift-giving should be a two-way street.**

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DEAR ABBY: My son "George" was 17, and his girlfriend, "Lulu," was 18 when she announced that she was pregnant with George's child. When I told him, "The first thing we'll do is have some blood tests done to be sure that's true," George insisted that he would accept the baby as his own whether it was his or not. Hearing that, his father and I agreed to accept the child as our grandchild.

Well, Lulu had the baby and everything seemed to be fine until they broke up seven months later. Lulu refused to let George, me or anyone in the family see the baby. I was so upset I called our family lawyer, who informed me that there's nothing we can do about it because Lulu didn't put George's name on the birth certificate.

The problem is, George and Lulu are back together again. When I head the news, I informed my son that Lulu was not to come near me, and I wouldn't accept the baby as my grandchild until the blood tests were taken. George told his father that he thinks I'm being immature, and I should learn to take things as they come. How can I make him see that I can't accept Lulu treating my heart like a yo-yo? Please help me.

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# TV content ratings called misleading

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Parents trying to screen television shows for foul language, sexual references and violence can't trust the TV ratings system, a media watchdog group said in a study released today.

The system "doesn't come close to accurately informing parents whether or not a show is suitable for their children," said the study by the Parents Television Council.

An examination of three weeks of network programming during the 8-9 p.m. EST weekday hour and 7-9 p.m. on Sunday found that 65 percent of shows containing at least one obscenity failed to carry an "L" rating for coarse language, the study said.

Of the early-evening shows that included sexual innuendo, 76 percent did not carry the "D" rating intended to flag sexually themed dialogue, the council found.

Among the examples offered was an exchange on CBS' "The Nanny" in which one character says she's found "the perfect subject for our one-person play." The reply: "Your sex life."

"If they're going to have ratings, they should be consistent across the board," Mark Honig, the council's executive director, said Tuesday. But of greater concern is the nature of programs airing at a time children tend to watch TV, he said.

"The real solution to the problem is cleaning up content in that first hour of primetime programming," said Honig, whose Los Angeles-based PTC is part of the conservative Media Research Center, a watchdog group in Alexandria, Va.

The designations "V," "S," "L" and "D" — for violence, sex, possibly offensive language and suggestive dialogue — were added last fall to the original age-based ratings that include TV-PG and TV-14.

Jack Valenti, the Motion Picture Association of America president who oversaw creation of the 14-month-old ratings system, said it has drawn virtually no complaints to his group or to TV stations nationwide.

"From the public standpoint, I guess you must say silence is consent," Valenti said. "The criticism is not there."

Advocacy groups and some politicians are condemning the system because it "did not produce radical change in what they perceive to be the wrong kind of program," Valenti said.

That was never the intent — the ratings are solely informational, Valenti said.

The council's survey focused on ABC, CBS, Fox, UPN and WB programs for Oct. 30 through Nov. 19. NBC, which has refused to use the letter designations, was excluded from that portion of the study.

Though some networks were bigger violators in labeling, the study found none had a clean slate. Fox was the best at applying accurate labels but still got it right only about a third of the time, in the council's estimation.

# Teen's suicide follows botched kidnapping

CLEVELAND (AP) — A 19-year-old man who was promised a new stereo system for kidnapping and killing a friend's grandmother shot himself to death when apprehended with the bound and gagged woman in the trunk of his car, police said.

Chris McDonald was promised the $900 stereo for kidnapping and killing Linda Byrd, 51, authorities said.

The Huffman man died at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Hermann Hospital in Houston where he had been treated for a self-inflicted gunshot wound since his arrest late Monday night.

Officers said Mrs. Byrd was taken from her home in the Houston suburb of Huffman about 8:30 a.m. Monday. She was bound and gagged and kept in the trunk while McDonald drove around the area for hours.

The woman was treated and released at an area hospital.

The grandson, whose name is not being released, is being detained by Harris County authorities, pending charges of aggravated kidnapping.

Police say he planned her kidnapping and murder because he stood to gain her home and her belongings.

"This kid had run his head to other people (about the kidnapping) and the 19-year-old told the grandmother himself that the grandson hired him," said Harris County Detective Bill Taver.

"He made no statement at all. He denied any knowledge," Taver said of the 15-year-old, who was living with Mrs. Byrd.

Harris County sheriff's deputies were notified of Byrd's kidnapping after people reported hearing noises from the trunk of McDonald's car during several stops that he made throughout the day, Taver said.

# Community Calendar

**WEDNESDAY**

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

**THURSDAY**

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal building; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with lunch bread.

LLL Club; fellowship hall of First Baptist Church; 9:30 a.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.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 6:30 p.m.

Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; MAWC; 7 p.m.

Bilingual AA meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 8 p.m.

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

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

**FRIDAY**

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

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

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**ACROSS**

1 Gloss
7 One who is canvassed
13 Evening party
14 Cutting tool
15 Congenitally joined
16 Quantity
17 Atty.'s deg.
18 Mae West role
20 Dakota Indian
21 Encounter
23 Habitual drunkard
24 Strap on a falcon's leg
25 Hosiery problem
27 Trig term
29 Prefix for take
31 Ethiopian title
32 Tiger Woods' org.
33 Sharp bark
34 Magician's word
37 Gas for signs
40 Homeowner's paper
41 Labor org.
43 Defeat soundly
45 Keats' product
46 Collection of anecdotes
47 Deface
48 Noise
51 Give the meaning of
54 Belong
55 Intertwine
56 The Rolling —
57 Fed the fire

**DOWN**

1 Religious poem
2 Lots and lots
3 Actor Hal —
4 Author Levin
5 Gel
6 Shoe parts
7 Zitherlike instrument
8 Electrical unit
9 Zodiac sign
10 Actress Bacall
11 Author Hemingway
12 Rocky Mountain park
19 Greek island
22 Pressed down
24 Green mineral
26 Musicians' jobs
28 Abel's brother
30 Fills
34 Scholarly bore
35 Reverberate anew
36 Have
38 Eskimo boat (var.)
39 Shade of difference
40 Actress Day
42 Walks in water
44 Cornered
49 Barbie's beau
50 Before, poetically
52 Noun suffix
53 Mr. Ziegfeld

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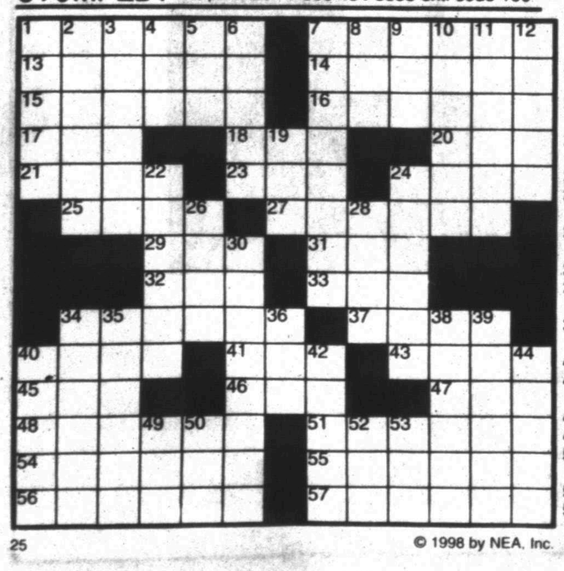



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# SPORTS

## Lady Pirates unseat No. 1 Lady Eagles

It came down to the final seconds.

But what more could one expect as the top two teams in girls' Class 4A were playing in their quest for a state championship?

The Granbury Lady Pirates escaped with a 57-58 win over the Lady Canyon Eagles as sophomore Jia Perkins hit a short jumper with just under six seconds to play for the winning margin.

Canyon's Candi White attempted a last-second lay-up after dribbling the length of the court but it failed to go in as the final whistle sounded.

Perkins' shot came after Canyon's T'naie Thiel put the Lady Eagles in the lead with 17 seconds left on the clock as she calmly sank two free throws.

It should have come as no surprise that Perkins would take the last shot as the Lady Pirates had twice before worked the ball to her as time was expiring.

Perkins made the final points in the first quarter and at the half.

Both teams started out cold in Scurry County Coliseum as Canyon did not score until almost three minutes had ticked off the clock in the first quarter as Jolee Ayers hit one of two free shots.

Tori Hasty nailed the first two for the Lady Pirates as they took a 2-1 lead with 5:18 left in the first quarter and the race was on.

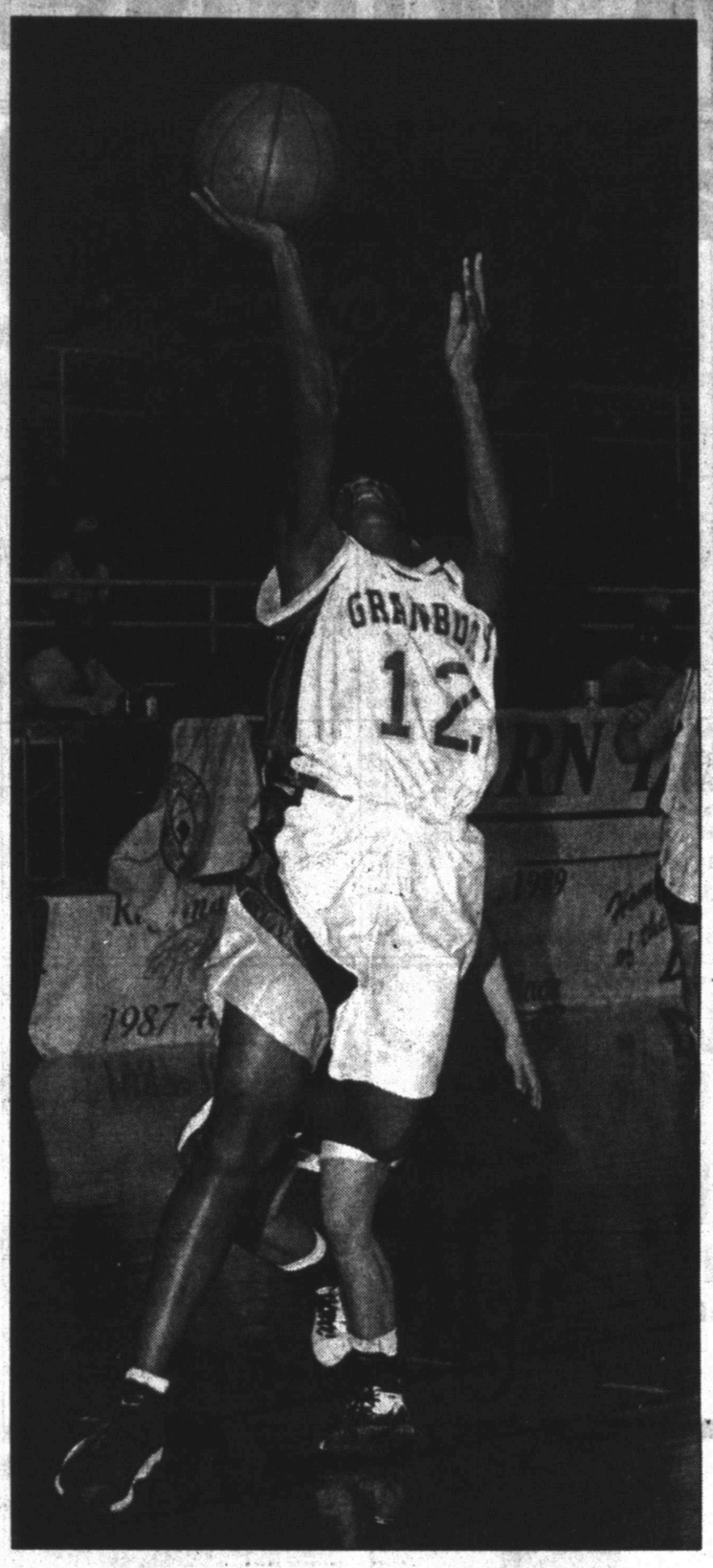
Perkins carried Granbury for the first half as she tossed in 17 points as the Lady Pirates held a 32-26 halftime lead.

They lead 48-44 going into the fourth quarter.

Canyon took the lead at 49-48 with just over four minutes left and the score was tied four times in the final minutes before Granbury pulled out their one-point win.

The Lady Pirates now face another Canyon team as they will meet Canyon Randall Saturday in Big Spring.

In other playoff action at the coliseum, the Colorado City girls fell to Slaton, 52-41.



UNCONTESTED — Granbury's Jia Perkins finds open room to lay in two points during 4A regional quarterfinal action Tuesday night against Canyon at Scurry County Coliseum. Perkins hit the game-winning shot with six seconds left, propelling the Lady Pirates over top-ranked Canyon, 58-57. (SDN Staff Photo)

*Bronte 50, Hermleigh 34...*

## Longhorns rumble past Cardinals in bi-district

WESTBROOK — For the first eight minutes, the Cardinals were flying high.

But for the final 24, the Longhorns were on a stampede.

After scoring 17 points in the opening quarter, Hermleigh could muster only 17 more for the rest of the contest as Bronte captured a 50-34 bi-district victory Tuesday night.

The Cards end their season 11-14, after claiming the 25-A district crown.

The Longhorns, who improve to 18-11 on the year, will face either Grady or Eden in the area round.

"This is a big win for us," Bronte coach Rocky Rawls said. "Hermleigh is probably the quickest team we faced all season."

Despite the loss, Cardinal coach Juan Rios was pleased with the hoop season.

"I don't think a whole lot of people expected us to be here," Rios remarked. "But these kids believed in themselves and the people of Hermleigh believed in them. And they made it happen. I'm very proud of this group of kids."

It looked at first as if the Cardinals would fly away with the area berth.

Hermleigh opened a 14-2 lead with 3 minutes left in the opening quarter, as Larry Lambaren and Jason Hernandez each buried three-pointers.

Bronte got untracked near the end of the period, closing the gap to 17-8 to start the second.

Then the fence came down and the stampede began.

The Longhorns put together a 19-0 run which spanned the first seven minutes of the quarter.

Long-range buckets from Michael Martinez and Zeb Speary, combined with the rebounding and inside play of Rodney Adams, propelled Bronte to 17-17 advantage.

Lambaren posted the Cards only point of the period on a free throw, as the Longhorns led 30-18 at the intermission.

"I told our kids at halftime that we were only down by 12 points," Rios stated. "And in a basketball game that isn't much."

The second-quarter turnaround was due in part to Bronte's work on the glass. The Longhorns hauled in 15 rebounds, to only seven for Hermleigh.

"We did a good job of rebounding tonight," Rawls said. "We're not a real tall team, but these kids know how to get position and how to block out."

Both squads came out cold to start the second half.

Bronte could manage only nine points in the third, but didn't give the Cardinals any easy shots on the other end of the floor.

The Cards trailed by 15 points, 39-24, as the final frame began.

Hernandez tried to spark a rally, pouring in six points in the fourth, including a perfect 4 for 4 performance from the free-throw line.

But the Longhorn defense continued to cover the Hermleigh shooters.

Bronte outscored Hermleigh, 11-10, in the fourth period, grabbing the 50-34 win.

HERMLEIGH — L. Lambaren 2 1-6 6, Callaway 1 3-7 5, J. Hernandez 3 6-9 13, Johnny Garza 5 0-0 10. Totals 11 10-18 34.

BRONTE — Gibbs 0 1-3 1, S. Graves 1 0-0 2, Adams 8 1-2 17, T. Holland 1 1-2 3, Sallee 1 2-4 4, Speary 1 0-0 3, D. Holland 3 1-2 7, Scott 3 1-1 7, Martinez 2 0-0 5, J. Graves 0 1-2 1. Totals 20 8-16 50.

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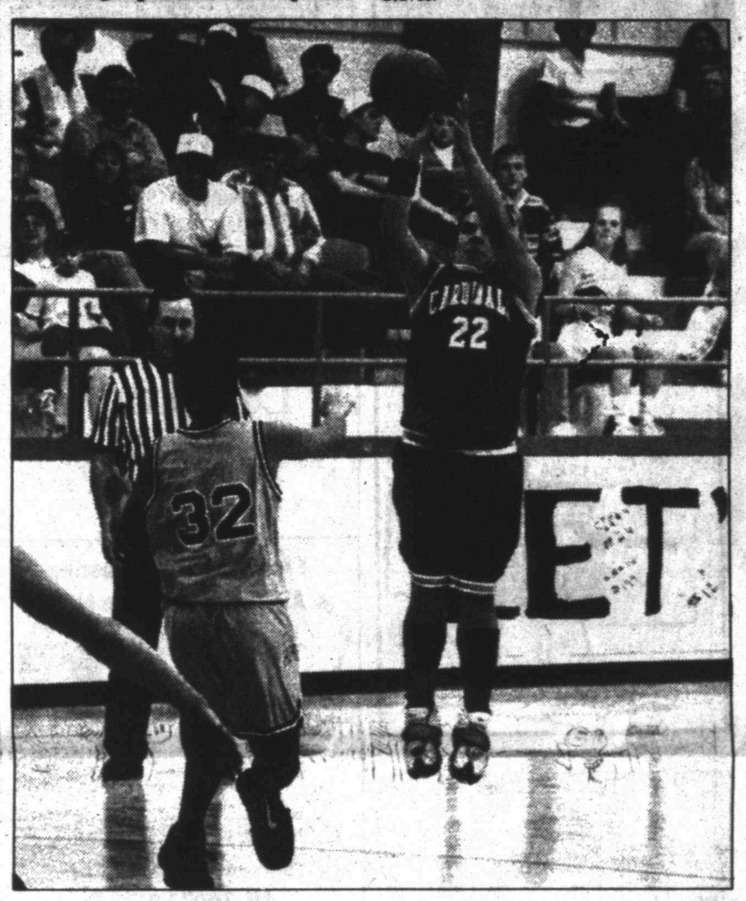
| Hermleigh | 17 | 1 | 6 | 10 | — 34 |
| Bronte | 8 | 22 | 9 | 11 | — 50 |

Three-point goals: Hermleigh 2 (L. Lambaren, J. Hernandez), Bronte 2 (Speary, Martinez). Rebounds: Hermleigh 24 (Callaway 8), Bronte 39 (Adams 14). Total fouls: Hermleigh 20, Bronte 15. Fouled out: Bronte — S. Graves.



JUMP SHOT — Hermleigh's Johnny Garza shoots over Bronte's Michael Martinez during bi-district action Tuesday at Westbrook. Garza finished with 10 points on the night, but Bronte nabbed the 50-34 victory. (SDN Staff Photo)

## UIL hands down final decisions; San Angelo Central heads north

AUSTIN (AP) — The Assignment Appeals Committee of the University Interscholastic League has handed down the final rulings involving appeals to the league's biennial realignment process.

On Monday, the appeals committee unanimously voted to grant an appeal made by the Amarillo and Lubbock school districts to place San Angelo Central back in District 3-5A for football.

Central originally was assigned to District 3-5A, but was moved last week at Central's request by the UIL's State District Assignment Review Board to District 4-5A with Abilene, Abilene Cooper, Midland, Midland Lee, Odessa and Odessa Permian.

District 3-5A now consists of Amarillo, Amarillo Tascosa, Lubbock, Lubbock Coronado, Lubbock Monterey and San Angelo Central.

In a case involving District 16-3A, the appeals committee overturned the decision of the review board to move: Quitman from District 15-3A to 13-3A; Bullard from 16-3A to 15-3A; and Linden-Kildare from 13-3A to 16-3A.

District 13-3A now includes Clarksville, Daingerfield, Linden-Kildare, Mount Vernon, Pittsburg and Winnsboro.

District 15-3A now consists of Brownsboro, Emory Rains, Lindale, Mineola, Quitman and Van.

District 16-3A consists of Bullard, Gilmer, Gladewater, Gladewater Sabine, Jefferson, Longview Spring Hill, Tatum and White Oak.

The committee also granted an appeal made by District 48-1A to place Kennard back in District 46-1A for basketball.

Kennard originally was assigned to District 46-1A but requested to be placed in District 48-1A with Elkhart Slocum, Latexo, Neches, Normangee and Oakwood.

District 46-1A now includes Broaddus, Goodrich, Kennard, Livingston Big Sandy and Zavalla.

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## Local Sports Schedule

**BASKETBALL**

**Thursday**

Midland at WTC, conference finale, 7:30.

**Friday**

Coahoma vs. Jim Ned, boys' 2A bi-district, 7:30, Scurry County Coliseum.

**GOLF**

**Friday-Saturday**

WTC at Bronco Invitational, NMMI Golf Course, Roswell, N.M.

Snyder varsity girls at San Antonio Invitational.

Snyder varsity girls at Midland Classic.

**TENNIS**

**Friday-Saturday**

Snyder varsity at Odessa Invitational.

**SOFTBALL**

**Friday-Saturday**

Snyder varsity at Brownwood tourney.

**BASEBALL**

**Today**

Howard College vs. McMurry, doubleheader, 4 p.m., Moffett Field.

**Friday**

Snyder varsity vs. Ft. Worth Castleberry, 11 a.m., Mineral Wells tourney.

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Snyder varsity vs. Springtown, 10 a.m.

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## Cowboys release Wilson, waive DT Tony Casillas

IRVING (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys released veteran backup quarterback Wade Wilson on Tuesday to clear room under the salary cap but hinted he might be re-signed later.

Also Tuesday, Dallas waived 34-year-old defensive tackle Tony Casillas, who is retiring after 12 NFL seasons and two stints with the Cowboys.

Wilson, 39, still had one season left under his contract, but Stephen Jones said the team wanted to create more flexibility to sign free agents.

"There were salary cap implications involved in this move," said Jones, Cowboys vice president and director of player personnel.

"We are going to keep all of our options in regard to Wade open, and we know he will keep his options as far as we're concerned open as well."

Wilson, a 17-year NFL veteran, has seen little duty during his two seasons as Troy Aikman's backup.

It wasn't always that way.

The alumnus of East Texas State, now Texas A&M-Commerce, has completed 57.2 percent of his 2,340 passes for 16,720 yards, 92 touchdowns and 98 interceptions over his career. Last season, he was 12-of-21 for 115 yards with no touchdowns and no interceptions.

Taken by the Minnesota Vikings in the eighth round of the 1981 NFL draft. In 11 seasons with the Vikings, he led the team to the playoffs three years in a row (1987-89).

Released by the Vikings before the 1991 training camp, he played 1992 with the Atlanta Falcons and 1993-94 with the New Orleans Saints before signing with the Cowboys as Aikman's backup.

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| Atlantic Division | W | L | Pct | GB |
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| Miami | 38 | 18 | .679 | - |
| NewYork | 31 | 23 | .574 | 6 |
| NewJersey | 32 | 24 | .571 | 6 |
| Orlando | 28 | 27 | .509 | 9½ |
| Washington | 28 | 28 | .500 | 10 |
| Boston | 25 | 30 | .455 | 12½ |
| Philadelphia | 18 | 35 | .340 | 18½ |
| **Central Division** | | | | |
| Chicago | 42 | 15 | .737 | - |
| Indiana | 38 | 16 | .704 | 2½ |
| Atlanta | 32 | 23 | .582 | 9 |
| Charlotte | 32 | 23 | .582 | 9 |
| Cleveland | 29 | 26 | .527 | 12 |
| Milwaukee | 28 | 27 | .509 | 13 |
| Detroit | 25 | 29 | .463 | 15½ |
| Toronto | 12 | 42 | .222 | 28½ |

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

| Midwest Division | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Utah | 37 | 16 | .698 | - |
| SanAntonio | 37 | 18 | .673 | 1 |
| Minnesota | 30 | 24 | .556 | 7½ |
| Houston | 27 | 28 | .491 | 11 |
| Vancouver | 14 | 41 | .255 | 24 |
| Dallas | 10 | 44 | .185 | 27½ |
| Denver | 5 | 50 | .091 | 33 |
| **Pacific Division** | | | | |
| Seattle | 42 | 13 | .764 | - |
| L.A.Lakers | 37 | 16 | .698 | 4 |
| Phoenix | 37 | 17 | .685 | 4½ |
| Portland | 32 | 22 | .593 | 9½ |
| Sacramento | 24 | 32 | .429 | 18½ |
| GoldenState | 12 | 42 | .222 | 29½ |
| L.A.Clippers | 11 | 44 | .200 | 31 |

**Tuesday's Games**

Washington 124, Houston 112

Golden State 87, New York 82

New Jersey 110, Vancouver 101

Miami 104, Utah 102

L.A. Lakers 98, Milwaukee 81

San Antonio 105, Minnesota 99

Philadelphia 85, Phoenix 84

**Wednesday's Games**

Sacramento at Boston, 7 p.m.

Dallas at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.

Vancouver at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.

Charlotte at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.

L.A. Lakers at Indiana, 8 p.m.

Portland at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Atlanta at Denver, 9 p.m.

Philadelphia at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

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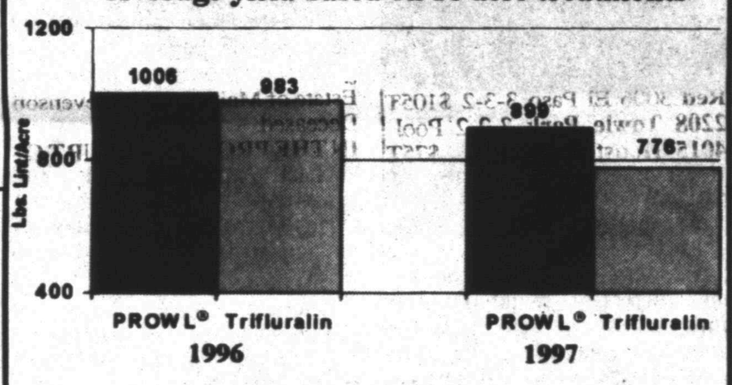


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No. 5410
Estate of Malven King Stevenson, Deceased.
IN THE PROBATE COURT OF SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS
NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MALVEN KING STEVENSON

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the ESTATE OF MALVEN KING STEVENSON were issued on FEBRUARY 24, 1998, in CAUSE NO. 5410, pending in the COUNTY COURT OF SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS to FRANCES LEE STEVENSON.

The residence address of such Executrix is 2707 34th Street, Snyder, TX 79549, and she receives her mail at 2707 34th Street, Snyder, TX 79549.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to be presented within the time and the manner prescribed by law to the Executrix in care of

Lealand W. Greene
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2515 College Avenue
P.O. Box 125
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SIGNED this 24th day of February, 1998.
Frances Lee Stevenson
Independent Executrix

### INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Rotan Municipal Water Authority, will receive bids for its Waterline Facility Improvements until 11:00 a.m., March 18, 1998, at the offices of Bart Strayhorn, 204 W. Sammy Baugh, Rotan, Texas 79546. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 11:00 a.m., March 18, 1998.

Bids are invited upon the several items and quantities of work as follows:

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Copies of the Bid/Contract Documents may be obtained by depositing $70.00 with McK Engineering for each set of Documents obtained. The deposit is non-refundable.

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The Rotan Municipal Water Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Bids may be held by the Rotan Municipal Water Authority for a period not to exceed 30 days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidders qualifications prior to the contract award.

Rotan Municipal Water Authority John Gray, President
Date: March 18, 1998

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|---|---|---|---|---|
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| AT&T Corp | 62⅝ | 61⅞ | 62⅝ | + ⅜ |
| AirTouch | 43⅝ | 42 15-16 | 43⅝ | + 7-16 |
| Albertsons | 48 9-16 | 47⅞ | 48 3-16 | — 3-16 |
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| Alltel | 44⅝ | 43 11-16 | 44 5-16 | +11-16 |
| AmerOnline | 121 15-16 | 119⅝ | 120 7-16 | + 1⅜ |
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| Ameritech s | 42 | 41⅞ | 41⅞ | + 9-16 |
| Amoco | 83 3-16 | 82⅝ | 83 | — ⅛ |
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| Armcolnc | 5⅝ | 5¼ | 5 5-16 | + 1-16 |
| AtlRichfld s | 74 9-16 | 74 1-16 | 74⅝ | — 1-16 |
| ATMOS Egy | | 28⅛ | 28⅛ | 28⅛ |
| Avialt | 14 11-16 | 14⅝ | 14 11-16 | + ⅜ |
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| Chrysler | 39⅝ | 39⅛ | 39⅝ | + ⅜ |
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| ComclMetals | | 31⅛ | 31⅛ | 31⅛ — ⅛ |
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| FordMotor | | 55⅛ | 55⅛ | 55⅛ + ⅜ |
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| GaPacGP s | | 58⅛ | 58 | 58 3-16 — 1-16 |
| GlobalMar | 21 15-16 | 21⅜ | 21⅞ | + 5-16 |
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| Praxair | | 46⅛ | 46 | 46 1-16 + 7-16 |
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# Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

**Your Birthday**
Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1998

In the year ahead, you might participate in something in which you'll play a minor but significant role. What you will gain materially will be more gratifying than your 12 minutes of fame.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** If you have to resolve a complicated problem today, the answers might come more easily if you can concentrate in solitude. Isolate yourself. Pisces, 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. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Be optimistic regarding your affairs today, but continue to keep your expectations within reason. Be appropriately grateful for each little victory.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** It is not who you know but what you know that will be of critical importance to your career today. If your knowledge base is greater than your opponents, you'll win.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Beginning today, make a concerted effort to expand your objectives. The broader your horizons and linkage, the greater your probabilities for opportunities.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Your talents for research, probing and detection are sharper than usual today. Investigate in-depth developments you believe have potential benefits.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Today, you'll operate more effectively if you keep everything in balance. Do not overemphasize work or underemphasize play. Each should play a key role.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** If you're going to attempt something today you've never tried previously, have backup available to correct matters if you should make a mistake.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Leadership qualities and organizational skills could be your most valuable assets today. Take over peer involvements that need supervision.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** What you fail to get done today could bring complications tomorrow. You will have the proper motivation because you'll understand the rewards involved.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Today, you might be more mentally than physically restless. Utilize these urges properly; let the inner you establish the agenda.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** An opportunity might arise today that will enable you to lay a foundation for something constructive in the near future. Take advantage of this open window.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Appearances are enormously important today, so put on a positive demeanor. If you want to direct others, it's essential you look and act like a leader.

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**Your Birthday**
Thursday, Feb. 26, 1998

Constructive currents will be stirring in the year ahead that will strengthen your financial resolve. This could be an interesting and impressive earnings cycle for you.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Usually, you are a rather cautious person, but today you may not be able to distinguish between boldness and foolishness. Use common sense in your choices. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You might be drawn into a debate today. If your opposition has a firmer grasp of facts than you do, you'd better have an escape route ready to flee the scene.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** You might have your hands full today just trying to keep your own affairs in order without going out of your way to sort through the muddle of another.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Partnership arrangements could be more of a hindrance than a help today. If there is an objective you'd like to achieve, try to do so unaided.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Disappointment is a possibility if you rely upon co-workers today to handle assignments you should be taking care of yourself.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Let your hair down and enjoy yourself at a social event today, but take care not to wear out your welcome. To be safe, make an automatic exit early.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Even though it might take some doing, be tolerant of companions today who are not in harmony with your goals and purposes. Make allies, not enemies.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Things you criticize in others today could be a reflection of your own shortcomings. Instead of trying to correct their faulty patterns, work on your own.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Be very careful about involving yourself in a financial endeavor that is outside of your field of expertise. The lesson you could learn might be expensive.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** There is nothing wrong with looking out for your self-interests today, provided you don't feather your own nest at the expense of others.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** A past acquaintance may require your assistance today. Help where you can, but don't volunteer to take on anything beyond your capabilities or means.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Be very selective today in your social involvements. Try to avoid costly arrangements, as these might be the ones that could turn out to be the least fun.

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# Scurry County Country

## Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts,
County Extension Agent

**Build and maintain healthy family relationships**

Strong families don't just happen — they require hard work and commitment on the part of each member. The following tips can help you build and maintain strong and healthy family relationships.

**Open the lines of communications**

1. Communicate by your actions as well as your words. A well-timed hug or touch can mean more than a thousand words.
2. Be aware of your tone of voice and body language. A friendly, warm one combined with an open, relaxed style makes others feel safe and comfortable in your presence.
3. Be a good listener. Avoid filtering your child's or partner's words to fit your expectations or opinions.
4. Show that you understand the other person's point of view even if you don't agree.

**Develop a good parent-child relationship**

1. Set fair family rules and enforce them consistently. Make sure your child understands the consequences for breaking the rules.
2. Parenting is a tough job. Be patient, considerate and maintain a sense of humor.
3. Praise your child when he or she makes good decisions.
4. Set aside time to have fun with your child.

**Keep that marital spark alive**

1. Share child-care responsibilities and household chores with your partner.
2. Set family goals and priorities and work on them together.
3. Set aside a quiet time each day during which the two of you can talk about what's important in your life.
4. Remember that your family started with and is sustained by the two of you. Value and nurture your relationship.

**Work through crises and conflicts**

1. When crises arise, attack the problem not family members.
2. Understand and acknowledge what the conflict is about. Don't confuse things by becoming angry over one issue while arguing about another.
3. Don't hold grudges. Communicate your feelings openly and honestly, then move on.
4. Acknowledge your mistakes and be willing to say "I'm sorry."
5. Don't hide your disagreements with your partner from your children. Model how to resolve problems openly.

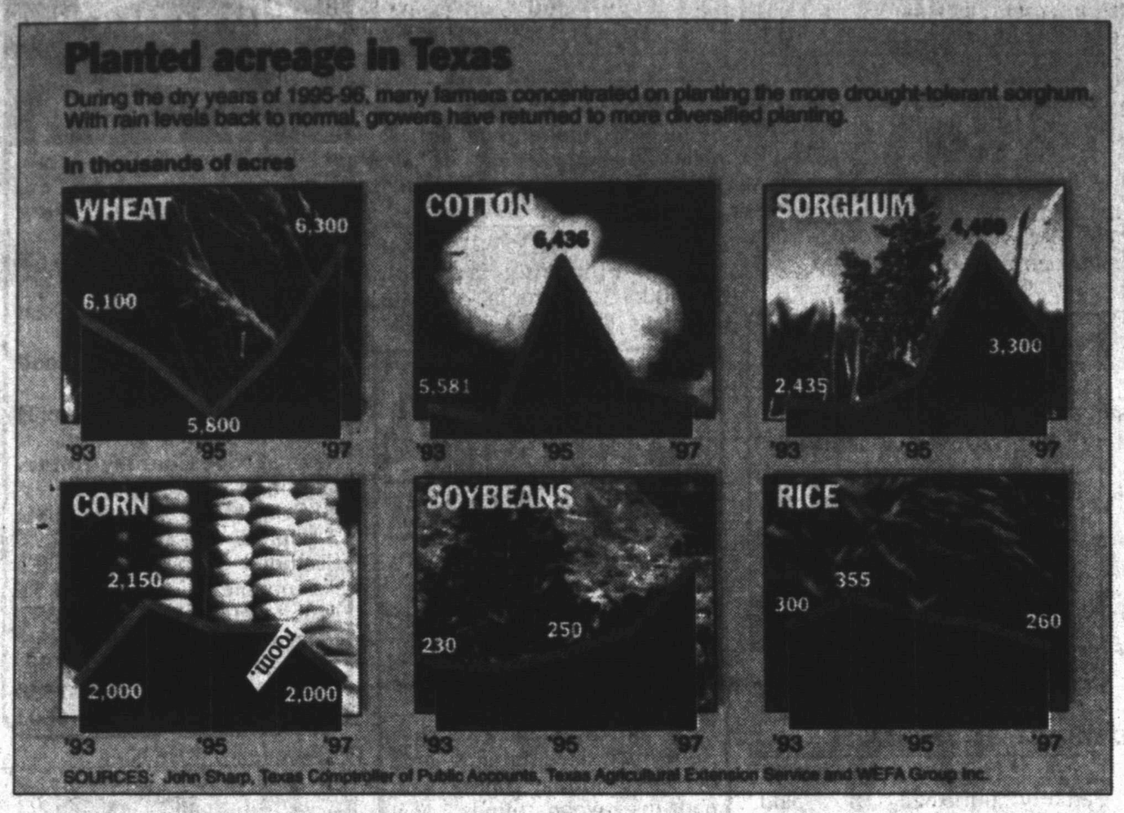
## Crop Report

PANHANDLE: soil moisture short to adequate. Ranges, pastures fair in condition. Cattle in good condition; supplemental feeding continues. Wheat is rated fair to good; mild weather allowing excellent growth. Sugar beets will not be planted in 1998.

SOUTH PLAINS: soil moisture adequate to short. Pastures, ranges fair to good, improved by rain. Wheat could use additional moisture. Livestock in good condition; supplemental feeding required. Land preparation, herbicide and fertilizer application continues.

ROLLING PLAINS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Ranges, pastures in poor to fair condition; muddy field conditions. Cattle in good condition; some calf bloat problems. Wheat could use clear, sunny days. Insect and weed problems reported in some fields.

FAR WEST TEXAS: soil moisture short. Ranges, pastures poor to fair. Cattle stable; supplemental feeding continues. Wheat needs more rain. Pecan trees are being pruned; winter irrigation is in progress. First peach tree bloomed in Sanderson County.




# Growers are urged to pay attention to consumer demands and responses

DENVER CITY — West Texas growers need to capitalize on their reputation for quality watermelons by borrowing a page from the playbook of cantaloupe producers in Pecos and growers of specialty crops in California and Florida, area melon producers were told during a day long production short course held recently.

A regional marketing program, developing product identity through brand names or trademarks, and adding value to the melons will help growers build long term demand for their crop and increase their profitability, said speakers at the short course.

Sate Rep. Gary Walker of Plains, who reported on water rights issues facing the legislature and agricultural producers, told the growers that West Texas melons he has taken to colleagues in the state capital have been well received. "We are familiar with Pecos cantaloupes," Walker said, "People in Austin look at our area for watermelons" of such consistently high quality.

Profitably marketing what they produce "is one situation where you'll have to save yourself," said Dr. Charles Hall, economist and horticultural marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, College Station. "We really need to look at a coordinated marketing strategy."

Many marketing challenges can be overcome, Hall said, "by viewing each other as partners rather than competitors." By coordinated marketing, he said, growers can meet quantity demands of buyers and influence in legal ways the price paid to growers.

"If you ask supermarket produce buyers what is important to them, they'll tell you quality, a product recognizable by the consumer and one that has a distinct quality" which sets it apart from others of its kind, Hall said.

"You just heard from Rep. Walker about the perception of people across the state" about the quality of West Texas melons, he said. "Why not capitalize on that?"

Growers must pay attention to consumer demands and their response to products, said Hall and Dr. Frank Dainello, Extension Service horticulturist and vegetable specialist from College Station. Consumers want a 10-12 pound melon, not a 35-pound melon, Hall said.

"We've got to identify niche markets," Daniello stressed. "One of the really big emerging markets is the good service industry. We're missing opportunities there."

Adding value to the melon might include providing two or three small, dessert size melons in a bit of netting as a "pack of melons,' or offering the product in a different form, such as melon balls or salad chunks, they said.

Ann Hartman of Denver City, recently named by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to represent areas of Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana on the National Watermelon Promotion Board (NWPB), explained that group's research, promotional and educational activities to help growers and handlers. "Yoakum and the surrounding counties have a tremendous future in watermelon production," Hartman said. "All we need to do is band together."

She noted that 26 growers in Yoakum County produced some 16 million pounds of melons last year. County Extension Service, focused on specific aspects of melon production.

In applying pesticides, "you've got to rotate the classes of chemicals you use," said Dr. Jonathan Edelson, Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service entomologist from Lane, Okla. He said proper application of pesitcides — the rates, distribution, volume and weather conditions — is critical.

## Lubbock cattle auction

LUBBOCK — The market at Lubbock had a run of 638 head of cattle for the Thursday, Feb. 19 Sale. Cows were $1 better. Calves and yearlings were steady. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows: 37 to 43.50; canners and low cutters: 31 to 36; slaughter bulls 48 to 54.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 90 to 113; 400 to 500; 85 to 100; 500 to 600, 83 to 95; 600 to 700, 75 to 84; 700 to 800, 73 to 80.

Feeder heifiers choice: 300 to 400, 80 to 92; 400 to 500, 75 to 85; 500 to 600, 72.50 to 84.50; 600 to 700, 68 to 75; 700 to 800, 65 to 74.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 75 to 90; 700 to 800, 65 to 72.

Cow and calf pairs, good: 600 to 800; grade, 450 to 575.

Springers: 350 to 630; baby calves: 100 to 175; doodlers: 150 to 225.

## Sweetwater cattle auction

SWEETWATER — The market at Sweetwater had a run of 533 head of cattle for the Wednesday, Feb. 11 Sale. Stocker and feeder cattle were steady with packer cows and bulls $1 to $2 higher. Pairs and bred cows were steady.

Steers:
300-400: 98-108
400-500: 92-102
500-600: 88-94
600-700: 76-85
Heifers:
300-400: 78-89
400-500: 75-90
500-600: 72 to 81.50
600-700: 70-75.50

Bred cows: Good: 500-585; Older and Plainer: 350-500

Pairs: Good: 625-710; Older and Plainer 500-625.

Packer cows: Good: 36-42; Low Yielding: 31-36.

Packer Bulls: Good: 48-54; Low Yielding: 45-58.

## CFSA Report

By Joe Hefner,
CFSA Executive Director

Preliminary results of the 16th Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) are 67 out of 139 were accepted.

Offers receiving an Environmental Benefits Index score (EBI) of 247 or greater were accepted. Individual acceptance or rejection notifications have been mailed to applicable producers.

The Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) will be working with the accepted offers to develop conservation plans for establishment or maintenance of the conservation cover. For more information concerning the sign-up, contact the FSA office.

Farms that are participating in the Agricultural Market Transition Act (AMTA) program and harvested cotton are eligible to place the 1997 crop in the loan. The base loan rate for Scurry County is 51.80 cents per pound, adjusted for premiums and discounts.

These loans are non-resource, meaning you could forfeit the cotton to Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC). Loans mature on the last day of the 10th month after the first day of the month in which the loan is disbursed. 1996 through 2002 loans cannot be extended.

The interest rate for loans disbursed in February is 6.375 percent. Only a non-refundable loan service fee and research and promotion fees will be deducted from the original loan proceeds. Storage and receiving charges will not be deducted.

The Agriculture Foreign Disclosure Act requires any citizen of a foreign country who purchases land for agricultural purposes to report to our office within 90 days of acquisition. Failure to report can result in penalties up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the land.

Producers intending to graze small grains must report their intentions, after planting but at least 15 days prior to grazing in order to assure coverage under the Non-Insured Crop Assistance Program (NAP).

The NAP provides disaster coverage for crops not eligible for multi-peril crop insurance coverage. A request for disaster credit. FSA-574, should also be filed if small grain grazing is adversely affected due to weather conditions. Producers neding to certify their small grain grazing or any other crop may call 573-0171 for an appointment.

## Colorado City cattle auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 738 head of cattle for the Saturday, Feb. 14 Sale. Feeder steers and heifers firm, with 300-500 lb. heifers $2 to $3 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls were steady. Bred cows and pairs too few to test. Trade was active, demand good.

Steers:
200 to 400: 85 to 112
400 to 500: 82.50 to 102
500 to 600: 81.50 to 95.50
600 to 700: 77 to 84
Heifers:
200 to 400: 82 to 105
400 to 500: 80 to 87.50
500 to 600: 72 to 87
500 to 600: 64 to 75.50

Young bred cows: $560 to $590
Medium age to older bred cows:
Young cows and calves: too few to test
Medium age to older cows and calves:
Packer cows: 27.50 to 42.50.
Packer bulls: 42.50 to 52.25

The U.S. Revenue Cutter Service — a naval task force — was formed in 1790. It would later become the Coast Guard.

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STEER CLEAR OF ABBREVIATIONS
OK, so you want to include all the important basics, now don't confuse your reader by using strange abbreviations. What is perfectly clear to you may be perfectly unrecognizable to someone else!

BE HONEST
Exaggerating your item's finer points may bring in a lot of responses, but a buyer who's misled won't appreciate it - and will take his business somewhere else.

STATE YOUR PRICE
The cost of an item is one of the most important concerns of Classified readers. Ads showing prices are ones which get results. Giving a price also serves to "weed out" those buyers not in your price range.

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# Mental health parity in insurance examined

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Diagnosed at 10 with a treatable brain disorder, Jason is now 13 and doing well. But his mother worries that insurance benefits through her husband's job will soon be exhausted.

If Jason had a tumor or diabetes, the lifetime limit for coverage would be $1 million. But because Jason's disorder is a mental illness — manic depression — the limit is $25,000.

That's discrimination, say mental health advocates who charge such policies contribute to the stigma of mental illness. In legislative battles across the country, they are fighting to make mental health benefits equal to those for physical ailments.

A federal mental health parity law went into effect Jan. 1, but critics say it is watered down with exemptions.

Fourteen states already have parity laws. North Carolina has it for state employees and is among 19 states with legislation pending for full parity, according to the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill.

"I don't think insurance policies have caught up with science," said Jason's mother, who asked that her name not be used to protect her son's identity. "This is about keeping children in school, employees on the job and families from being emotionally and financially devastated."

Mental illness affects 20 percent of the U.S. population and treatment costs total at least $67 billion a year, according to a study prepared last year for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Ninety-eight percent of all employer health plans include mental health coverage. But most have a lifetime cap of $10,000 to $25,000, compared to $1 million to $2 million for physical ailments.

The insurance industry developed restrictions in coverage in the 1980s when mental illness became "one of the most uncontrolled expenses in health care," said Jeff Zander, an independent insurance broker in Nashville.

"The treatments tend to be ongoing and it's hard to measure when the need for a service is completed," he said. "It's not like when your gall bladder goes bad and you have it taken out, or when you break your leg and eventually get the cast removed."

There are signs of change, though.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission last week heralded a settlement in a discrimination case as a breakthrough for disabilities law. In a federal civil case brought by an employee, Israel Discount Bank of New York did not admit liability but agreed to an equal benefits package for those with mental and physical disabilities.

On the federal level, the Mental Health Parity Act requires businesses with more than 50 employees to increase mental health benefits to the same level as medical and surgical needs.

But it does not require them to provide mental health coverage if they don't already, allows employers to impose treatment limits, doesn't include substance abuse treatment and allows companies to seek exemptions if health care costs increase by 1 percent or more by complying with the law.

"We'll comply, of course, but these kind of government mandates do present a problem," said Lillian Jenkins, vice president of human resources for Aladdin Industries, a 1,400-employee manufacturer of thermoses and lunch boxes in Nashville.

Business lobbyists who fought the law predict confusion for consumers initially and, eventually, an increase in premiums. They say the added cost may even prompt some employers to drop mental health insurance.

"Once again, Washington has delivered a New Year's headache for employers," said Neil Trautwein, manager of health care policy for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

Trautwein said corporate America already understands the importance of helping workers in crisis and has began offering mental health benefits. Lost productivity and earnings from untreated mental ailments totaled $74.9 billion in 1990, according to the Mental Health Liaison Group, a coalition of more than 30 advocacy groups.

A 1997 study funded by the National Institute of Mental Health said parity coverage would cost businesses only about $1 per enrollee per year. Business advocates dispute that figure.

For Jason's family, treatment means blood work every two months, monthly medication checks and semimonthly therapy. His mother said it costs the family about $600 a month out of pocket but is worth every penny.

"As a mother, I want to teach him with all my heart that he has a treatable brain disorder and must take medication every day, just like his grandfather had diabetes and had to take medication every day," she said.

"But in reality, if we don't get insurance parity, I'll need to groom him to become savvy about a system that forces people to think in terms of being disabled in order to get help."

# Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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♦ 10 7 5
♣ A Q 9 7 2

South
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Dealer: North

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## Internet access to bridge

The World Bridge Federation's web site is www.bridge.gr. During the 1996 world championships, one could download the daily bulletins from this site, but only if one had a postscript printer, which few do. For the 1997 championships, things were better. One could download in postscript or PDF (portable document format). However, when I tried the latter, the complexity of the pages required using Adobe Acrobat to print one page at a time, and large headlines disappeared.

I was gnashing my teeth, wondering why the WBF couldn't supply the bulletins in plain-vanilla text, as does the American Contract Bridge League. Then I read in Bridge Plus magazine about Niels Wendell Pedersen's website at math.auc.dk/~nwp/bridge. He converted each bulletin into plain text. What a fine fellow! Suddenly out came the pages at a rapid rate. (True, I didn't get the photos and pretty layouts, but so what? I wanted results and deals.)

A quick glance at today's diagram might suggest that four spades will succeed. With the very lucky trump position, South seems destined to win 10 tricks via four spades, five hearts and the diamond ace. Yet in the Bermuda Bowl match between USA-1 and China, it didn't work out that way.

Both Wests, Li Xin and Zia Mahmood, did well to lead a club. And both Easts, Wang Xiao and Michael Rosenberg, found the right line, playing three rounds of clubs. And when declarer, with the lead in dummy, called for a trump, both Easts shot in with the ace and returned a club, which promoted West's remaining trump: one down.

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# Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

## Are HMOs good medicine?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: According to media reports, health maintenance organizations are scheduled to increase their premiums sharply. I'm a working mother with health problems, and I'm a member of Oxford Health Plans. How can I fight the anticipated premium increases?

DEAR READER: Oxford is at it again. But have hope. The New York Times (Jan. 11, 1998) reported that Oxford is about to be audited by the State of Connecticut. This HMO has already agreed to pay an estimated $500,000 dollars in restitution charges to subscribers in New York because of billing irregularities. Moreover, Oxford recently reported a $78 million third-quarter loss. Is this the company that you want covering your health insurance?

On a broader scale, the Times article addressed the problem of premium increases in all HMOs. These organizations purposely have kept their premiums low in order to seduce more employees and participants into joining. Now, with medical expenses rapidly escalating, the companies will very likely increase premiums — up to 8 percent — to overcome the artificially low fees that they have charged to spur people to join. This increase is a major concern for many subscribers and raises serious issues about whether HMOs are the most efficient way to provide medical insurance.

As an individual, you have pitifully little recourse. However, if you — and thousands like you — vote with your pocketbooks by abandoning outfits like Oxford, you may be able to change the system by enrolling in other, more user-friendly programs. In addition, state and federal authorities are actively involved in investigating HMO financial irregularities that could be possibly fraudulent.

For now, I advise that you sign on with the HMO that most closely meets your needs. The industry is clearly in a state of change. For this reason, I cannot give you an ironclad recommendation.

To give you more information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Insuring Your Good Health." 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: I drink about three cups of decaffeinated coffee a day. Will this harm me?

DEAR READER: This is a very moderate level of consumption, which will not harm you. In fact, for most adults, three cups (not mugs) of regular coffee is not a health hazard. Enjoy your beverage without guilt!

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Win A Chicken Fried Steak Dinner For Two From The Shack!

The Winner Of Last Week's Contest Is M.J. Merritt

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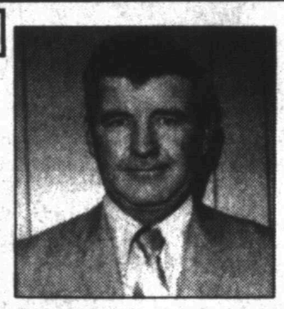
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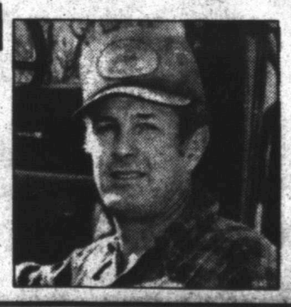
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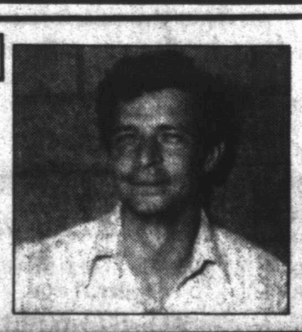
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In each advertisement you will find a face from the past. Identify the faces on the entry blank opposite the name of the sponsoring business. **Bring or mail the entry blank to the Snyder Daily News, 3600 College, PO Box 949.** The deadline for entering is 5 p.m. Monday before the next contest appears on Wednesday. The weekly prize winner will be drawn from all the correct entries. The winner will be notified. This week's faces will be identified in next week's contest. Only one entry per person, and please do not make copies of the entry blank. Employees of the SDN and their families are not eligible to enter.

Last Week's Photos: 1. Margaret Dillaha 2. Dr. Nelson Brice 3. Barbara Eicke 4. Joe Ellington 5. Mel Zane Gilbert 6. Horace Bostick 7. Miller Robinson 8. Carl Williams 9. Donna Gray 10. Donnie Burk

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

# Obituaries

## Bertha Strawn

**1908-1998**

Bertha S. Strawn, 89, of Snyder died Tuesday, Feb. 24, at her residence following a sudden illness.

Service is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. C.J. Smith, retired Baptist minister, will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born on April 24, 1908 in Denton County, she married Aubrey Seabourne on March 30, 1931. He died in 1968. In 1975, she married Earl Herbert Strawn. He died June 13, 1976. Mrs. Strawn, a homemaker, had lived in Snyder since 1917.

She was also preceded in death by three sisters, Bessie Lay, Maggie Griffin and Etta Caldwell; and two brothers, Bob Lunsford and R.C. Lunsford.

Survivors include a sister, Emma Harbaugh of Roswell, N.M., and several nieces and nephews.

## Mr. McKnight

**1949-1998**

Sylvester McKnight Jr., 48, died Monday, Feb. 23, at his home in Snyder following a lengthy illness.

Graveside service for Mr. McKnight is set for 10 a.m. Friday in Hillside Memorial Gardens. The Rev. Raymond Dunkins will officiate. Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Born July 13, 1949 in Big Spring, he was a former city of Big Spring employee.

Survivors include his mother, Geneva McKnight of Snyder; two daughters, Stephanie McKnight of Florida and Tawanna McKnight of Temple; two sisters, Linda Emerson of Colorado City and Joyce Smith of Denver; three brothers, Don McKnight of Peoria, Ill., Leon McKnight of Phoenix and Issac McKnight of Snyder; and three grandchildren.

## Odessa Chaffee

**1916-1998**

ELECTRA — Mrs. Odessa Flora Chaffee, sister of Evelyn Fletcher of Snyder, died Monday, Feb. 23, in Electra.

Service for Mrs. Chafee, 81, is set for 2 p.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Charles Nichols, pastor of Southside Baptist Church in Wichita Falls, officiating. Burial will follow in the New Electra Cemetery under the direction of Dutton Funeral Home.

Born on March 29, 1916 in Whitney, she married John "Jack" M. Chaffee on June 23, 1935 in Oklahoma. He died on Oct. 12, 1983. Mrs. Chaffee, a 74-year Electra resident, was a member of the Electra First Baptist Church since 1929. She is a graduate of Electra High School and had worked in sales for Ward Brothers Furniture.

Mrs. Chaffee was also preceded in death by four brothers.

Survivors include a son, William Michael Chaffee of Plano; a daughter, Jacqueline Roebuck of Electra; another sister, Letha Hancock of Midland; a brother, Marcus Ward of Electra; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family has suggested memorials to the American Cancer Society.

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## Alma Jones

**1927-1998**

WINSLOW, Ark. — Alma Lomax Jones, the sister of Edna Merrell of Snyder, died Tuesday, Feb. 24,in Winslow.

A memorial service for Mrs. Jones, 70, will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Winslow United Methodist Church. The Revs. Perry Hall and Kelly Giese will officiate.

Burial of cremains and a memorial graveside service will be held at the Mt. Olive Cemetery in Big Spring on April 25.

Born April 24, 1927 in Ft. Pierce, Fla., she was a school teacher for 41 years, having taught in Stanton, Hobbs, N.M., and Wichita, Kan.

She was a lifetime member of the United Methodist Church and was well known for her piano and gospel singing.

Survivors include a son, Louis Dawkins of Wichita, Kan.; a daughter, Dianna Stahl of Vacaville, Calif.; another sister, Elsie Neill of Big Spring; a brother, Robert Lomax of Odessa; and three grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Winslow United Methodist Church, Winslow Assembly of God, Washington County Hospice or the American Cancer Society.

# Florida damage visited

KISSIMMEE, Fla. (AP) — Cory Kelly should be among the scores of construction workers descending on tornado-ravaged neighborhoods in central Florida.

Instead, as President Clinton set out on a helicopter tour of the damaged area today, Kelly was at an emergency shelter, a blue brace on his broken right shoulder. A tornado that devastated the Ponderosa Park Campground early Monday blew Kelly out of his tent, slamming him into his car.

Times are tough for Kelly, 46, and his 22-year-old son, Cory Jr., who eke out a living working construction.

"We don't make enough money to do much different from what we were doing. And now we don't even have that," he said. "I haven't the foggiest idea what I'm going to do. You can't work construction with one arm."

While many of those in the campground were winter residents who can help themselves, Kelly and dozens of neighbors need help to restart their lives.

# Covert Albright meet set accord on course

WASHINGTON (AP) — As war clouds gathered, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright quietly flew to New York to tell Kofi Annan that the Clinton administration insisted on "red lines" for any settlement with Saddam Hussein.

Albright, who lunched for two hours with the U.N Secretary-General at his fashionable East Side townhouse, did not get a direct response from the low-key diplomat that Sunday, four days before his departure for Baghdad.

The agreement he reached with the Iraqi President a week later preserved the administration's basic objectives: The U.N. special commission that Saddam had prevented from inspecting some of Iraq's suspect arms sites would decide where and when to conduct their operations. And Richard Butler, the commission chairman, would be in charge of reporting the findings to the Security Council.

At the meeting, first reported in The New York Times, Albright also urged Annan to deliver the chilling message that failure to comply with the U.N. resolutions that authorized weapons searches would bring "the severest consequences," said a senior U.S. official familiar with Albright's Feb. 15 mission to Sutton Place.

# Northeast public forum held

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for looping of the water system in the northeast part of town.

Callahan said the city has a program of water line replacements and that over a 10-year period, about 35 percent of the cast-iron lines have been replaced. "We share their concern," Callahan said, "and we're working on the problem."

In starting the meeting, Stephensons said "nothing is out of bounds," saying his job is to give the best possible information to the school board so it can make an informed decision of work that needs to be done — and in what priority.

In the facilities survey done last year, the $1.5 million estimate for Northeast included replacement of temporary classrooms, dirt work around the building, replacement paving, playground equipment, landscaping and perhaps an irrigation system.

Building exterior work identified included minor brick damage, some window replacement, roof repair, steel awning repairs, and repair of stucco walls.

Interior renovations seen are renovation of toilets, floor tile replacement or covering, wall plastering and painting and room signage.

An overall consideration throughout the campus is bringing schools up to codes, especially in light of requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Stephenson said ADA renovation requirements are considered on a "case by case basis," unlike new construction. He said plans would have to be submitted in advance for approval.

Other items put in the firm's report last fall included work on the heating and air conditioning system, plumbing replacement, electrical and lighting upgrades, a fire alarm system and upgrade of lines to accomodate a computer data system.

Stephenson described Northeast, like the majority of buildings in the district, as "structurally-sound and well-maintained."

As a result of last fall's study, an estimated $15 million in district-wide repairs are needed. School trustees have agreed to call a bond issue, but no dollar amount has been set, pending the series of community input meetings.

Supt. Gayle Lomax, who attended Tuesday's session, said the board will prioritize the projects and make the final decisions.

If a bond issue is held and approved in August, Stephenson said the project would likely go out for bids next Feburary or March with work starting when the spring term ends.

Subsequent campus meetings have been set. The next is for 7 p.m. Thursday at East Elementary. Three campus meetings have been set next week.

# Seattle woman wins bake-off

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — "Salsa Couscous Chicken" was a winning title for fiction writer Ellie Mathews. The Seattle woman won the $1 million grand prize for her dish in the 38th Pillsbury Bake-off Contest on Tuesday.

She was among 99 cooks who competed in the contest, which is held every other year.

For the first time, Pillsbury asked for quick and easy recipes with limited preparation time or ingredients.

Mathews created a North African style dish but used a prepared salsa to shorten preparation and cooking time.

Mathews' recipe also was the top award winner in the 30-Minute Main Dishes category.

Three other category winners each won $10,000 and a new range:

—Betty Schroedl, Jefferson, Wis., won the Simple Side Dish category with Texas Two-Step Slaw.

—Richard McHargue, Richmond, Ky., won the Quick Snacks & Appetizers category with Tex-Mex Appetizer Tart.

—Edwina Gadsby, Great Falls, Mont., won the Fast & Easy Treats with her Brownie Souffle Cake with Mint Cream.

# Dispatchers, officers have a busy 24 hours

Tuesday and early this morning were busy for dispatchers at the sheriff's office as over 50 calls were received.

Citizens were reporting a variety of complaints, from low water pressure to burglaries, while some were just seeking information.

Officers were called to the Western Texas College campus at 2:23 this morning by campus security as someone had stolen a flashlight from a WTC patrolman's vehicle. An offense report for burglary of a vehicle was submitted.

At 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Joe Castillo reported someone had broken into his residence. An offense report for burglary was submitted.

Snyder EMS was requested in the 2800 block of Avenue X at 11:27 p.m. as a woman was reported bleeding from a cut. An offense report for threatening suicide was submitted.

A report of three young unattended children was made at 5 p.m. from the 1900 block of 15th Street and problems with juveniles were reported a short time later in the 400 block of 33rd Street.

Officers received a report of loud music at 7:36 p.m. in the 2200 block of Gilmore.

Snyder Fire Department responded to two fires Tuesday.

At 10:12 a.m., the department extinguished a small grass fire some 12 miles east of Snyder on Highway 180. The fire was caused by a burning trash barrel in dry grass.

At 5:47 p.m., the department responded to a grass fire at 4803 West Highway 180. Fire department officials said the fire was started by a child playing with matches.

A report of a gas drive-off from Snyder One-Stop was made at 10:10 p.m. as a person failed to pay for $5.07 in gas.

## Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Dotty Martinez, Garland Robison, Douglas Sawyer.

DISMISSALS: William (Zach) Cain, Barbara Girvin, Billy Lilly, Otis Martin, Ricky Deolloz, Theresa Jones.

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# WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

## Free tax counseling

Free tax counseling for the elderly and low-income persons of any age will be held from 9 a.m. until noon and 1-3 p.m. each Wednesday at the Senior Center. Call 573-4035 or 573-3822 for more information.

## Ash Wednesday service

Ash Wednesday service will be held at 7 tonight at the First Presbyterian Church. The message will be "Temptation and Promise." The public is invited.

## Snyder Little League to meet

Snyder Little League will meet at 6:30 this evening at Caprock Securities. Anyone who wishes to address the board may do so at this time.

## Internet seminar

Scurry County Extension Service will sponsor a program on computer and internet trends from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday in the Science Lecture Hall on the WTC Campus. The free program will help inform the public what type of equipment or computer they need, modem speed, how to use the Internet, and service providers and how they work.

## Mt. Olive anniversary

Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Ave. M and 35th St., will celebrate its 78th anniversary Friday and Sunday. Services will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and at 3 p.m. on Sunday. Refreshments will follow Friday's service and lunch will follow the Sunday afternoon service.

Everyone is invited to help the congregation celebrate the church's 78th year, says Rev. Robert Sweet, pastor.

## St. Elizabeth Fish Fry

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church will hold its fish from from 5:30-8 p.m. Friday at the Parish Center, 30th Street and Avenue A. Tickets are $6 each or $4 for children 6-12 and will be sold at the door.

## Class of 1983 reunion

A meeting to plan a reunion for the SHS Class of 1983 will be held at 6:30 p.m. Saturday at 2701 30th Street. Call 573-3204 for more information.

## Hearts on Fire meeting

A Hearts on Fire meeting will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday at The Church of the Hills. Everyone is invited to attend. Call 573-7794 for more information.

## Texas celebration at S.C. Museum

Celebrate Texas Independence Day from 1-3 p.m. Sunday at the Scurry County Museum on the WTC campus. There will be door prizes, refreshments and introduction of the book, "Historical Markers in Scurry County."

## Last chance for Ira annual

The last chance to order a 1998 Ira Bulldog annual is Friday. The cost is $22 with your name on the cover or $20 without. The supply will be limited, so order as soon as possible.

## Cultural arts workshop

Scurry County Extension Service's family and community education committee will host a workshop on ribbon embroidery in the Senior Center dining room from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday. Dorothy Campbell of Hermleigh will conduct the workshop.

## Girl Scout cookies

Local Girl Scouts will be selling cookies at Wal-Mart Saturday.

## Bible study tapes airing

Bible study viodeo tapes and "Hope for Life's Journey" tapes are airing weekly on cable TV Channel 2. The next set of tapes, "Overcoming and Encouraging," followed by "Overcoming Alcohol Dependency," will begin at 7 p.m. Monday.

## Book "Tiger Jazz"

Snyder High School show choir "Tiger Jazz" is interested in performing for local organizations. The group has a 25-to-30-minute show of popular favorites from the 1930s to the 1980s. To book a performance call 573-6301.

## Noah Project fund-raiser

A barbecue luncheon fund-raiser will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church. Funds raised will benefit the Noah Project. Tickets, available at the door or in advance by calling 573-1822, are $6 for adults and $3 for children 12 and under.

## Kiwanis Pancake Feast

Snyder Noon Kiwanis Pancake Feast will be held from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 7 in the West Elementary cafeteria. Cost is $4. Children under six may eat free. There will be a drawing for a remote control television.

## Pick 3

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

3-9-8
(three, nine, eight)

## Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

8-12-19-22-31
(eight, twelve, nineteen, twenty-two, thirty-one)