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Wednesday final day to file for local boards

Snyder, Hermleigh ISD elections uncontested

Time is short for potential board and council members to file for the May 6 election as the deadline is Wednesday.

It is the final day for candidates to file for a spot on the ballots for trustee positions on three county school boards, the college board, and the Snyder city council.

Persons wishing to file for board spots for Snyder, Ira and Hermleigh may do so through 4 p.m. Wednesday. In Snyder, filing takes place at the administration building, while board hopefuls for Ira and Hermleigh file in the superintendent's office.

Persons wanting on the Western Texas College ballot must file in the president's office and have until 4 p.m. Wednesday.

City Hall is the spot to file for a position on the City Council ballot. The filing period ends at 5 p.m.

The Ira school board ballot will have one contested race as Gilbert Sanchez and Dennis D. Taylor have both filed for the Place 4 post. Bo Robinson currently holds the position, but has not filed for another term.

Dirk Dunn is seeking another term in Place 5 on the Ira board.

Three Hermleigh trustees are seeking re-election and all are unopposed.

Tim Dacus has filed for his second term on the Hermleigh board, joining Alan Culp and Vance Reynolds.

Culp and Reynolds are seeking their first full terms on the board.

Thus far, the Snyder ISD school board race is also uncontested.

Richard Chambers has filed for his third term as a Place 3 trustee and Mike Levens has filed for his second term in Place 2.

Both Ira and Snyder schools have the option of canceling their elections if no contested races develop.

The City Council election has one contested race as Jason Scott Spradlin is seeking to unseat I.E. Martin in District 4.

In other filings for the May 6 City Council election, Vernest Tippens is seeking her seventh term for District 1 while James Jenkins has filed for his first full term on the council in District 3.

David Harrell has announced for the District 2 spot, held by Jerry Webb who has said he will not run again.

On the Western Texas College board, three people are seeking the Place 6 post currently held by R.C. Patton, who announced he will not seek another term. Patton was an original board member.

John Zalman III, Scott Richburg and James Hanks have all filed for the spot.

Eddie Peterson and Lee Presswood both filed for their second terms on the college board. Presswood holds Place 5 and Peterson holds Place 7.

Early voting by personal appearance for the May 6 elections begins April 19 and ends May 2.

For Snyder ISD, early voting will take place at the administration building between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Ira and Hermleigh early voting will take place in the superintendent's office of the respective campus.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the WTC administration building between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Voters need to register by April 6 to be eligible to vote in the May 6 elections.

GETTING READY FOR THE SALE — Scurry County Library employee Barbara Adams (left) and director Janie Romine prepare for the book sale which gets underway at 10 a.m. Wednesday. The sale continues through Saturday. (SDN Staff Photo)

Ira Superintendent...

Howard is finalist for Comanche job

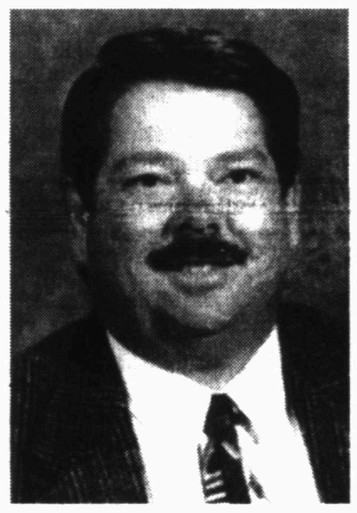
Ira superintendent Rick Howard is one of four finalists for the superintendent's position in the Comanche school district.

Howard, who has been superintendent in Ira for the past 12 years, joins Drew Watkins of Mt. Pleasant, Robert Parks of White Deer and Barry Corbitt of Iredell on the final selection list in Comanche.

Comanche is a Class 2A school, having just dropped from the 3A ranks in the latest UIL classification. Ira plays six-man football, and competes in Class A in basketball.

The announcement from Comanche ISD is expected on March 29.

Howard is a former trainer for Snyder ISD athletics, and his wife, Paula, teaches music at Central Elementary. Their daughter, Katie, is a senior at Ira.



Rick Howard

Drama students seeking repeat of 1995 successes

Jerry Worsham and the cast and crew of Snyder High School's one act play won't mind a bit if history repeats itself.

In 1995, drama students performed William Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and advanced all the way to state, winning the title that year.

This year's one-act play entry is also *A Midsummer Night's Dream.* The SHS thespians were to be in Big Spring all day today for the district one-act play contest at Big Spring High School Auditorium.

SHS' *Midsummer Night's Dream* was to be the third play to perform. The performance is set for 3 p.m.

Other high schools will perform as follows: Lakeview, 1 p.m.; Ft. Stockton, 2 p.m.; Big Spring, 4 p.m.; Sweetwater, 5 p.m.; and Andrews, 6 p.m.

Snyder High has earned 29 trips to the state contest, including two before Worsham became the director. Under his tenure, SHS has won state 13 times.

Casting for Snyder's one-act play includes Corey Knipe as Theseus/Oberon; Hayli Henderson as Hippolyta/Titania; and Chad Rice as Egeus/Peter Quince.

Liz Brown has the role of Hermia and Zach Alred will portray Lysander. Brandon McCraw will be Demetrius, Cheryl Reed will play Helena and Mark Haines will portray Puck.

Michael Gibson will play Bottom/Pyramus; Austin Haire will be Flute/Thisby; and Chris Shoemake isSnout/Wall.

Others in the cast include Kelli Henderson as Snug/Lion/Mustard Seed; and Vallery Haines as Peaseblossom (main fairy).

Colby Stolker has the roles of StarVeling/Moon. Haley Elkins will play the Moth/Lady In Waiting.

Josh Gonzales is the stage manager. Randy Green serves as assistant stage manager.

Jon Hensley is the light tech and Buddy Whittenburg will be the sound tech.

Understudies include Josh Heaton, Sarah Cantu, Amy Braziel, Josh Ortegon, Morten Edzards.

A Midsummer Night'sDream is a comedy. It opens in Athens, Greece with wedding preparations for Theseus, Duke of Athens, and Hippolyta, queen of the Amazons. However, most of the action occurs in an enchanted forest outside Athens.

Shakespeare wrote A Midsummer Night's Dream between 1595-1600.

Area-Wide Pray for Rain Service

The Scurry County Ministerial Alliance is sponsoring an area-wide *Pray for Rain Service* Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Scurry County Coliseum.

Everyone is invited.

Snyder National Bank promotes two employees

Two promotions and the re-election of officers and directors were announced Tuesday following the annual shareholders meeting of Snyder National Bank.

Janelle Orr, an assistant vice president and account representative, was promoted to vice president.

Lois Brewster was named assistant cashier and will head the bank's note department.

Directors re-elected were chairman Ted Crenwelge, Jack Greene Sr., Joe Jackson, Bruce Kallemeyn, Ralph Miller, Max von Roeder, William N. Tolleson, John Ward and Donald H. Wills.

Jackson was also re-elected president and chief executive officer.

Other officers are Jack Gorman Jr., senior executive vice president; Kallemeyn, executive vice president; and Doug Scott, senior vice president and cashier.

Vice presidents are Edna Anderson, Glen Gray, Sid Hardegree and Helen McLeod. Janie Sullenger is an assistant vice president.

Assistant cashiers are Nelda Allen, Paula Bond, Juanita Gambrell and Janelle Pollard.

Accident claims two at chemical plant

CHANNELVIEW (AP) — Two workers were found dead early today inside a large boiler they had been cleaning at a chemical plant.

They had been working on a scaffold, performing routine sandblasting inside the 22-by- 27-foot boiler, said David Harpole, a spokesman for the Equistar Chemicals LP plant.

"They were being provided with breathing air because of the nature of the space they were in and because of the sandblasting operation," he said.

A third worker was stationed outside the entry to the boiler to make sure their breathing lines didn't become tangled.

The third worker called emergency personnel when the workers inside failed to respond. Plant officials were not sure how much time elapsed between the loss of communication and the discovery of the men, Harpole said.

Harpole said officials had no reason to suspect any hazardous materials were involved.

Chamber okays fund requests

The Snyder Chamber of Commerce board of directors approved two hotel/motel fund requests Monday.

One was for the Snyder High School drama department in the amount of $1,500. The funds will be used to offset the cost of hosting area one-act play competition April 7-9. The money will help with such items as trophies, medals and advertising as well as judges' expenses

A request in the amount of $1,500 was also approved for the Second Annual Sammy Baugh Celebrity Tournament to be held June 23-25 at the Western Texas College golf course. The funds will be used for tournament expenses such as trophies and mail-outs.

In other business, a committee was appointed to meet April 3 with health insurance agents to look over bids and compare coverage for chamber employees.

The board was briefed on upcoming events including the Western Texas College rodeo, April 6-8; Snyder Arts and Crafts Show, April 29-30; Senior Citizens Center May Day, May 6; and the West Texas Western Swing Festival, May 16-21.

BCD will meet Wednesday

The quarterly meeting of the Scurry County Board of Development will be held Wednesday at noon in the DCOS board room at American State Bank.

Agenda items include the oath of office being administered to re-appointed members David Kattes, David Koonce and Jerry Martin.

Officers for the coming year will also be elected.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "We've got a friend who claims to be offended by being considered a couch potato. The politically-correct term, he says, is 'spud in a recliner.'"

Somebody sent us this modern day fairy tale concerning the new millennium woman.

It seems the old gal was out playing golf one day when she hit her pink ball into the trees. On the next shot, her ball landed in a trap, next to a frog.

It was a talking frog. She decided to keep him, but the frog said, "If you let me go, I will grant you three wishes."

The woman freed the talking frog who expressed his appreciation, but said he had failed to mention that there was a condition to the wishes. Whatever she wished for, her husband would get 10 times more and better.

The woman thought about it for a minute and decided that would be okay.

For her first wish, she wanted to be made the most beautiful woman in the world.

The frog said okay, but reminded her that her husband would be made the most handsome man in the world, and that women would flock to him.

The woman decided it was worth the risk. She reasoned that because she would be the most beautiful, her husband would have eyes only for her.

Kazam! She became the most beautiful gal on the planet.

For her second wish, she told the frog that she wanted to become the richest woman in the universe.

The talking frog dutifully pointed out that if she became the richest woman, that her hubby would become the richest man – 10 times more wealthy.

"That's okay," she said. "Because what is mine is his and what is his is mine."

Kazam! She was now not only the most lovely, but the most wealthy woman in the world – married to someone with even greater fiscal assets.

The frog then inquired about her third wish.

The woman thought a minute and then replied, "I'd like a very mild heart attack."

Didja hear about the guy who asked a woman if she wanted to hear a funny blonde joke.

He was warned that before telling the joke, that she was a body builder and that she had two companions with her – one a professional wrestler and the other a renowned kick boxer.

"Do you still want to tell the joke?

The guy thought about it a few seconds and said, "No, not if I'm going to have to explain it three times."

ASK US

Q—When does Daylight Savings Time begin?
A—Sunday, April 2.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Monday, 82 degrees; low, 41; 7 a.m. Tuesday, 61; no precipitation; total for 2000, 1.86 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, cloudy, 30% rain chance. Low 40-45; E wind 10-20 mph; Wednesday, cloudy, 50% rain chance; high 65-70, SE win 10-20 mph.

David Strayhorn
Chance of Rain

Sunset: 6:57 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:45 a.m.
Of 80 days in 2000, the sun has shone 79 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Curiosity is one of the permanent and certain characteristics of a vigorous mind.
—Samuel Johnson

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Veteran oil field workers hard to find

NEEDVILLE (AP) — James Vrana has been sinking steel into Texas soil his entire adult life, sweating over countless wells seeking oil and natural gas more than a mile below.

Vrana works for San Antonio-based South Texas Drilling Co. as a toolpusher, meaning he's in charge of every aspect of keeping an oil rig running.

These days Vrana, 40, finds himself among a dying breed. Thousands of colleagues abandoned the oil patch when crude prices bottomed out in December 1998.

"A bunch of my friends, when it (oil prices) got low, they just found something else," Vrana, 40, said over the din of Rig No. 11, about 25 miles southwest of Houston.

Now that prices have nearly tripled, and operators try to seize upon $30-a-barrel oil to mend their balance sheets, industry insiders fear any move to boost drilling will be stilted by the exodus of pros like Vrana.

"It's already happening," said Morris Burns, executive vice president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association, an industry association in oil-rich western Texas and eastern New Mexico.

It's been nearly a full year since the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries cut production by 4.3 million barrels a day to gradually increase the per-barrel price from around $10 — below break-even for just about any U.S. well — to above $30.

Producers, wary of the market's unceasing volatility, have used this time of expensive oil to concentrate on reducing debt and restoring cash reserves. Still, Houston-based Baker Hughes Inc.'s most recent count of U.S. land-based rigs showed 626 in action, better than 50 percent above the historic lows set last spring.

"We're looking at the lull before the storm if prices continue to stay up," said Jim Henry, president of Henry Petroleum in the West Texas city of Midland, hub of the continental United States' most active onshore oil patch.

The U.S. oil and gas industry has lost 26 percent of its payroll over the past decade, according to the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics. The steepest one-year drop was in 1999, when the number of workers fell 14 percent to 293,100 from 339,200 in 1998.

Roughnecks, the workers responsible for feeding pipe into an oil well to set up a rig, make about $20,000 a year, if there's enough work to last the year.

Task force to be dismantled

ANDREWS, N.C. (AP) — The Southeast Bomb Task Force's command post, protected by armed guards, barbed-wire fences and spotlights, has become an enduring symbol of the government's presence in this small town.

Now the former textile mill which serves as the nerve center for the manhunt for accused serial bomber Eric Rudolph is being vacated, even though agents will press on with their investigation.

The head of the task force that has hunted in vain for Rudolph for more than two years said Monday the government will dismantle the command post by early summer.

Steven McCraw also said in his first public appearance since taking over the job last summer that he's leaving North Carolina next month to return to Washington, D.C.

"Eric Rudolph has not escaped justice, he has just delayed it," McCraw said in an interview. "And every day he remains on the run he is living a life of depravation and hardship."

The decision to close the command post reflects a change in tactics, McCraw said. No longer are agents searching the heavily wooded Southern Appalachians for signs of Rudolph, he said.

"The tactical search ceased on Aug. 1 of last year when I came here," he said. "When we vacate the command post, we will still have agents here investigating the case."

Rudolph, 33, has been charged in three Atlanta-area bombings, including the 1996 Olympic Park bombing in which a woman died. Investigators also suspect he was involved in the Jan. 29, 1998, explosion that killed a policeman and maimed a nurse at the New Woman All Women Health Care clinic in Birmingham, Ala.

Berry's World

News Briefs

Automakers to modify designs of SUVs

NEW YORK (AP) — Automakers plan to modify designs of their sport utility vehicles to make them less hazardous to other motorists, The New York Times reported today.

General Motors said it will manufacture the 2002 Oldsmobile Bravada, GMC Envoy and Chevrolet Blazer with underbody steel rails up to 2 inches lower than in current models to reduce the risk of their smashing over cars bumpers and doorsills.

Ford said it will do the same with its Explorer, Expedition and Lincoln Navigator. And DaimlerChrysler said it will make several changes to the 2002 Dodge Durango's front end so it is less likely to override cars in collisions.

Foreign automakers also plan to design their SUVs so they are less likely to injure or kill people in other vehicles during crashes, the Times said. The Toyota Sequoia will have impact-absorbing bars below the bumpers, a feature recently added to the Ford Excursion.

Nissan, Honda and Mitsubishi either have made design changes or said they plan to.

SUVs are considerably heavier than cars. The vehicles, which will continue to have high hoods that cause more damage and injuries when striking cars from the side, are almost three times as likely as cars to kill the other driver in a crash, the Times said.

Trapped driver tries to cut himself free

DOWNEY, Calif. (AP) — Trapped for days in a crashed van as traffic whizzed by only a few feet away, Lee Risler got so desperate he tried to cut off his pinned hand with a pocketknife.

Risler's van veered off Interstate 605 and overturned in a ditch around 3 a.m. Saturday. The 54-year-old sandal maker spent the next 21/2 days stuck there, his arm trapped under the van, his feet hanging out the window and his head covered with boxes of sandals.

Risler was freed around noon Monday when a California Department of Transportation worker spotted his 1991 Ford hidden by trees a few yards off the freeway, about 15 miles southeast of downtown Los Angeles.

Risler complained of a tremendous thirst and was bleeding from the hand, but he was coherent, rescue workers said.

Maintenance worker Joe Ochoa, the second on the scene, said Risler told him, "I tried to amputate my arm because I'm trapped."

"He did more damage to his arm than the accident," said Downey Fire Department Battalion Chief Chuck Seely. "This guy was definitely in desperation."

Rescue workers rushed Risler to the St. Francis Medical Center in Lynwood, where he was in fair condition late Monday, said hospital spokeswoman Lisa Ciccanti.

Risler was driving from his high desert home in Lucerne Valley to sell sandals at a craft fair in Hermosa Beach when the accident occurred. Investigators did not immediately determine Monday why his van left the highway.

Risler's wife, Bryn Risler, said family members went to the Hermosa Beach show and wondered where Risler was. They even called the Highway Patrol.

Inmate used dental floss to escape cell

HOUSTON (AP) — Prison officials believe an inmate used dental floss or a similar coated string to painstakingly cut his way out of his cell and kill a rival.

Antonio Lara was accused of crawling out from under his cell bars and killing Roland Rios, said Alfred M. "Mac" Stringfellow, Texas Board of Criminal Justice chairman.

Stringfellow said he didn't know how many steel bars Lara managed to cut through at the Coffield Unit of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice near Palestine, or how long it took.

"He was very dedicated at doing this," Stringfellow told the Houston Chronicle in today's editions. "They are very resourceful people. That's all they have is time, so they can sit there and saw away until they finally are able to cut through it."

Lara, 26, was serving a 15-year sentence for attempted murder, robbery and aggravated assault. Rios, 41, was serving a 10-year term for aggravated robbery and injury to a child.

Stringfellow said Lara coated the nylon string with toothpaste or another abrasive in order to cut through metal bars and attack Rios as he was being escorted by guards to the shower March 16.

Rios' stabbing death resulted in confinement of some 122,000 Texas prison inmates to their cells in a rare systemwide lockdown to collect contraband and try and prevent further gang warfare.

Accusation shocks Texas grandmother

DETROIT (AP) — A Texas grandmother said she was shocked when she heard that her son-in-law was charged with felony child-abandonment on accusations he tried to sell her 10-month-old granddaughter for $60,000.

"I almost flipped; I almost died right there," Eva Taylor of Alamo, Texas, told the Detroit Free Press on Monday.

Lawrence B. Schaub was arrested when he tried to sell his daughter last Wednesday to undercover investigators who were posing as a childless man and woman and the man's father. Schaub had made a promotional video hawking the girl.

Taylor said she is relieved that her granddaughter is safe but is worried about her daughter, Idora Schaub. Chesterfield Township police listed her as a missing person Monday.

"I'm terrified; I'm really terrified," Taylor told the Free Press. "I'm worried about my grandkids, I'm worried about her, and I'm worried about what he might have done to her."

At his arraignment, Lawrence Schaub, 30, of Clinton Township, said that he had received a few abusive phone calls from her since she left him two months ago.

Idora Schaub twice obtained personal protection orders against him and filed for divorce last year, but never completed the process.

The girl, her 5-year-old brother and 6-year-old sister have been placed in the temporary custody of the state Family Independence Agency.

Taylor said she wants to raise the three children, although she didn't say whether she has filed for custody. Larry Schaub's mother did not return a call to the Free Press seeking comment.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Wife bites her tongue when guests hang around for dinner

DEAR ABBY: We have a problem with relatives not knowing when a visit should end. They call on weekend afternoons to say they'll be stopping over for an hour or so. Well, the couple of hours stretch into five or six, and then it's dinnertime.

How does one "push" these uninvited guests out the door so that we can proceed with our dinner? I'm not prepared for four, five or six dinner "guests" — nor do I feel I should be.

It has become very stressful, since these are my husband's relatives and I must watch what I say, and I don't even want these people visiting. Don't people realize how rude it is to overstay their visit? — **STEAMED IN MINNESOTA**

DEAR STEAMED: I'm sure that most people realize it's rude to overstay their welcome — but when it comes to "family," they suspend the formalities.

The next time it happens, do what many other families do. Say, "Let's order out for a pizza and split the bill!"

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DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have a dilemma and hope you can provide an answer. We will soon celebrate our 40th anniversary. We want to have a small dinner for those people who were in our wedding party. (There are only a few left.) We would also like to invite some close friends.

We would like to include something in our invitations that would relay a "sincere message" that we do not want any gifts. The presence of our friends and family to help us celebrate this occasion is the best gift we could receive.

Please do not reveal my name. We have not completed our guest list, and I would not like to slight anyone. — **WANTS TO OFFEND NO ONE**

DEAR WANTS: Yours is a question I receive at least once a year. The message can be worded as follows: "No gifts, please. Your presence will be our cherished gift, and we respectfully request no other."

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DEAR ABBY: As I type this letter I am eating the last bite of a slice of the cheesecake that I made yesterday for my family. It is, of course, your wonderful recipe. I have made about 15 of them since the recipe was last printed in the newspaper. My family loves it. The only dessert they have raved about as much is your pecan pie recipe. I don't much care for pecan pie myself — but I love this one.

It was mentioned in your column that you have written a cookbooklet. I would like to know where to get one or two. I love to find delicious recipes that are also easy to prepare. — **GAIL SAUNDERS, KANSAS CITY, MO.**

DEAR GAIL: I'm delighted that my dessert recipes have been such a hit with your family. I have actually published two cookbooklets: "Dear Abby's Favorite Recipes," followed by "More Favorite Recipes by Dear Abby." (The cheesecake recipe is found in the first one, but there are recipes that are equally delicious in the second one as well.)

If you're as busy as I am — and most people are these days — yet want to serve something special to your family and friends, you'll find delectable, easy recipes for foods from appetizers to fabulous desserts. All of my recipes have to be easy to assemble as well as tasty because during the last 40 years I haven't had a lot of time to spend in the kitchen!

To order my family recipes, send a long, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 for each booklet ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Cookbooklets, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054. (Postage is included.)

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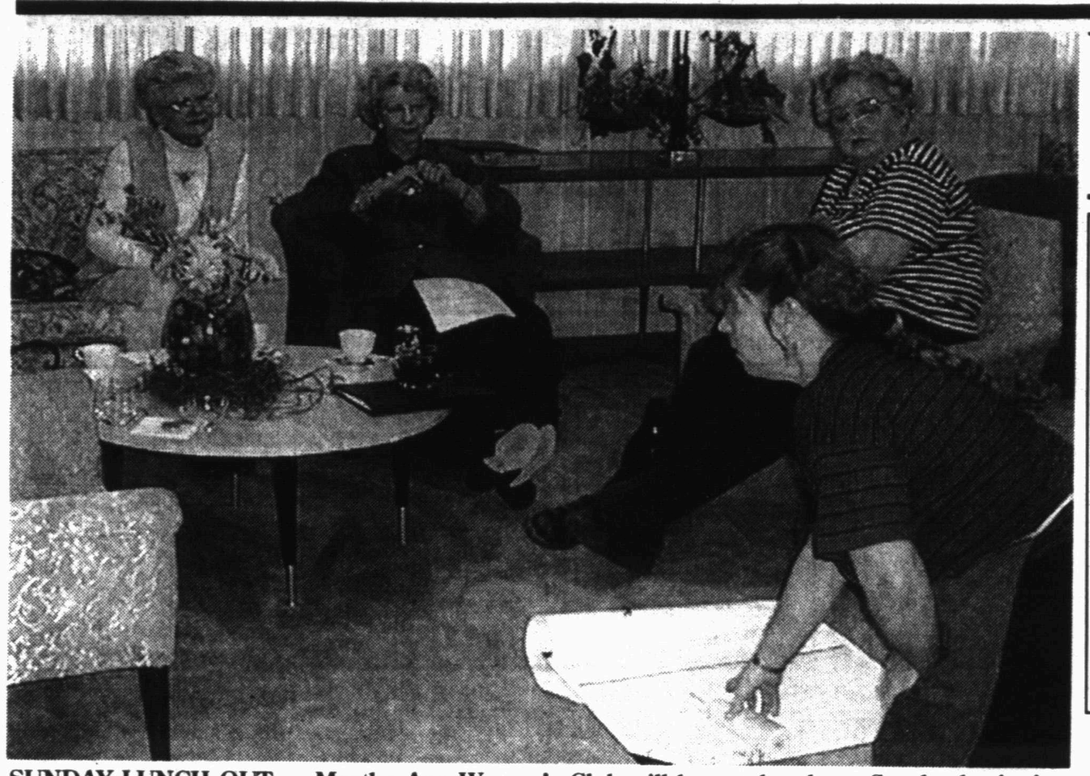

SUNDAY LUNCH OUT — Martha Ann Woman's Club will have a luncheon Sunday beginning at 11:30. Tickets are $8 for adults and $4 for children six and under. Tickets will be delivered by calling 573-3427, 573-6171 or 573-7923. Anne von Roeder, Francene Noah, Wanda Falls, board members from left, and caterer Sandra Brace plan details for the event. Proceeds are used to maintain the clubhouse. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Ask Anne & Nan

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Nash-Cummings

Cleaning stains on Formica

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: My problem is my wood-grain Formica cabinets in the kitchen. At first glance they look OK, but look closer and you'll see grease and steam stains. Sunny days make them look worse. I've tried various cleaners, even those designed for Formica, but nothing helps. — **DONNA KOPSELL, Hebron, Ill.**

DEAR DONNA: We love Bon Ami cleanser! It has no chlorine, phosphate, perfume or dye in it. It does have feldspar and calcite, gentle abrasives. It's great for removing stains from dishes, cups, flatware and utensils, and we hope the stains from your cabinet.

If you can't find Bon Ami locally, you can order it from the Agelong Catalog at (800) 892-8022 or from their Web site at www.agelong.com

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: Could you please help me find a source for glycerin? Our pharmacy carries very small bottles, but I need one the size of a bottle of rubbing alcohol, as I use it in the rinse water for blankets, sweaters, etc. — **MARION GORDON, Covina, Calif.**

DEAR MARION: We're sorry, but we could only find small bottles of glycerin. Champion's Pharmacy & Herb Store in Memphis carries a four-ounce bottle of glycerin for $4.99 plus $3.25 for shipping. To order, call (800) 936-6662.

STUMPED: LOOKING FOR A POEM — Connie Grinstead of Ocilla, Ga., is looking for a poem her mother remembers in part. It's an alphabet poem. Does anyone know the rest?

A is for Aunt Ann, she's spinning her flax,
B is for bees that make honey and wax,
C is for the crib where the baby at night lies,
D is for dolly with pretty blue eyes,
E is for Emery, the name of my brother.

IDEA OF THE WEEK — Shelia Powers of Farmington, Miss., wrote to tell us about another use for hair spray.

Sheila used to work at a paint and wallpaper store where an older painter told her to spray grease stains with hair spray. She writes, "I filed the suggestions away. Ten years later we bought an older home and every time we painted the kitchen it wasn't long before grease stains came right through. I remembered what the painter had said, and I tried it. I bought the cheapest hair spray that I could, and for about two weeks whenever I thought about it I sprayed the walls with it. It has been three years and many washings, and the grease stains have not come back through."

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Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Art Guild Study Club; MAWC; 5 p.m.

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

AA Beginner's Meeting-Open; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 7 p.m.

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for more information call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5 to 6 p.m.; 2501 35th. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

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

Martha Ann Woman's Club fourth Wednesday luncheon and game day; serving begins at 11:30, games of choice will follow; reservations necessary by Tuesday by calling 573-3427.Spiritual Solutions for Living Problems Book Study; Snyder Park Club; 6 p.m.

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 574-1292 or 573-8018 p.m.

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal bldg.; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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

Al-Anon brown bag; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 574-1292, 573-2101 or 573-0695; noon to 1 p.m.

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

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

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

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 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.

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-9742.

Scurry County AA closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Just For Today NA open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 10 a.m.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

03-21-00

North
♠ 7
♥ Q J 4
♦ 10 8 5
♣ A 10 8 5 4 2

West
♠ K Q 10 8 4 3
♥ 8 6
♦ Q 6
♣ Q J 3

East
♠ A 6 5
♥ 7 3 2
♦ A J 9 2
♣ K 9 7

South
♠ J 9 2
♥ A K 10 9 5
♦ K 7 4 3
♣ 6

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	2 ♠	3 ♥	3 ♠
4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ K

Tap the dummy to death

By Phillip Alder

We are looking at three ways to undermine dummy's trump holding to a contract's detriment. They were highlighted by Ely Culbertson in an article that was reprinted in this month's issue of The Bridge World magazine.

How can the defense defeat this four-heart contract?

Culbertson gave no bidding. And I had difficulty devising a sequence to four hearts. Still, over West's weak jump overcall (which shows a decent six-card suit and 6-10 high-card points), it is acceptable for North, with a good side suit and a singleton, to bid three hearts. Then, after East raises spades, marking North with a shortage there, it is reasonable for South to gamble on four hearts.

West leads the spade king. East can see that if South has a singleton club, there is a great danger that dummy's suit will be established and run. However, for that to happen, declarer needs to have three dummy entries and to draw trumps ending in the dummy. South has those three entries: the heart queen-jack and club ace. And he can draw trumps ending in dummy unless ...

To make sure his partner cannot go wrong, East should overtake with the spade ace and return a spade, forcing dummy to ruff.

As Culbertson wrote, "The mechanism of this play is at once pretty and complex. It is one of the most paradoxical plays in bridge. To a superficial mind, the play is sheer suicide, violating all the rules of common sense. Actually, it is a superlatively effective stratagem, and is used only by experts and dubs: the former because they know so much, the latter because they know so little."

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Rebellious actor sought for role

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Wanted: An actor with a rebellious streak.

TNT needs a star for "James Dean: An Invented Life," a made-for-TV movie to premiere on the cable channel next year.

"It's an amazing challenge for us to find the right actor, and will be just as challenging for the actor chosen to portray James Dean in all of his complexities," said Mark Rydell, who will direct the two-hour film.

A casting search is under way in Los Angeles, New York, London and other cities for the right man, said Rydell.

The two-hour film will explore the actor's background, including the early death of his mother, his difficult relationship with his father and the roots of his fierce ambition, TNT said Monday.

New treatments for asthma being used

A lover of gardening, Robbie Montgomery, remembers the day she finished mowing the lawn, and then suddenly felt like she couldn't breathe. "I was gasping for air, and immediately rushed to the emergency room of my local hospital in San Diego." At age 26, she experienced her first asthma attack.

Robbie always had difficulty breathing as a child whether she was sick or well. "I remember days of playing on the playground during recess, often finding myself short of breath and wheezing." Her symptoms got worse when she was sick, but doctors told her it was because of a cold or allergies.

After Robbie's first asthma attack, she was forced to change her lifestyle. She began taking allergy shots that were very uncomfortable and made her arms swell, although they did alleviate her symptoms. Once an avid gardener and exerciser, Robbie had to stop gardening, modify her exercise routine and reduce the activities she could do with her children. She also did whatever she could to reduce the amount of dust in her home to make breathing easier.

Asthma is a chronic lung disease that affects an estimated 17 million people in the United States. The symptoms of asthma are swelling and tightening of airways within the lungs. Although symptoms differ from person to person and from one attack to another, common symptoms include coughing, shortness of breath, chest tightness, and wheezing. Triggers such as exercise, smoke pollution, or a cold irritate already sensitive lung airways and cause symptoms that characterize an asthma attack.

Researchers still do not know exactly what causes a person to get asthma. However, much progress has been made over the years in the understanding and treatment of the disease. Most people with asthma are now treated with short-term medication, like beta2-agonists and long-term medications, like steroids or leukotriene modifiers. These medications work by helping to relax muscles in the airways or reduce inflammation in the lungs.

While Robbie still can't garden the way she used to, she won't let the disease stop her, and is positive about the future of asthma treatments. "I've tried to not let my asthma stop me from doing the things I love. The good news is medicines keep getting better and are working faster than ever."

Today, Robbie is involved in The Asthma Treatment Study, a new 15-week research study that is currently investigating a combined inhaled medication to help people with asthma better manage their disease. People with asthma may be able to join the study if they are 15 years of age or older, experience asthma symptoms more than twice a week, and use a bronchodilator but still experience symptoms.

People interested in learning about The Asthma Treatment Study should call 1-888-30-STUDY for more information.

You might be eligible for the Asthma Treatment Study if you are:

-15 years of age or older.

-Experience asthma symptoms more than twice a week.

-Use a bronchodilator (a drug that helps airways in the lungs to expand) but still experience symptoms.

Nebraska mother relinquishes title

MERNA, Neb. (AP) — The Nebraska Mother of the Year has relinquished her title after one her sons said she nominated herself and forged his signature on a letter of support.

Patricia Downey stepped down Monday, a month after the Nebraska Mothers Association gave the 58-year-old mother of eight sons its highest honor.

Her son, Greg Downey, called the award a scandal.

Five of Downey's sons supported her nomination, while two others stood behind Greg Downey. In a news release, Patricia Downey said unresolved family differences prompted her decision.

She said family members who prepared the support letter attached previous signatures from the sons. When she learned some of her sons were upset, a letter without signatures was sent to the association to be included in the nomination portfolio.

It's the first time in the state association's 65-year history a mother has resigned the honor. Because there were no other candidates nominated before Downey's appointment, Nebraska will go without a Mother of the Year.

Hospital

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Praise God for the glorious gift He has given. In Christ we have a new status, we are God's children. Surely all eternity will be required to give God the honor He is due.

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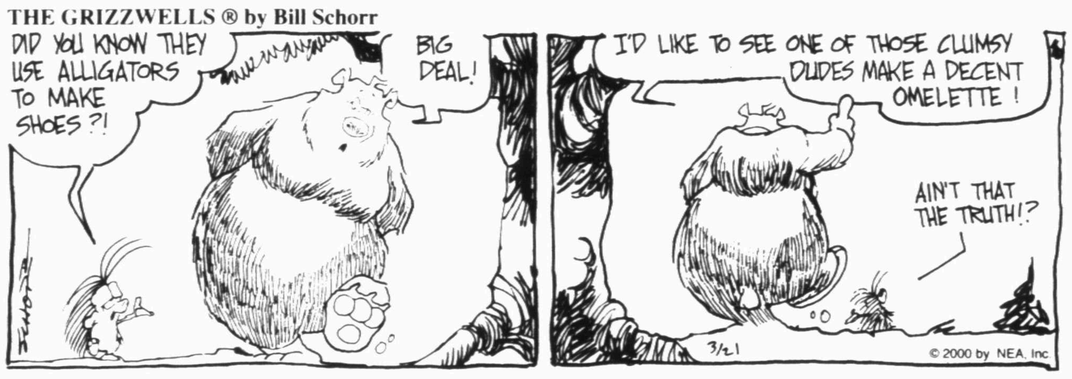

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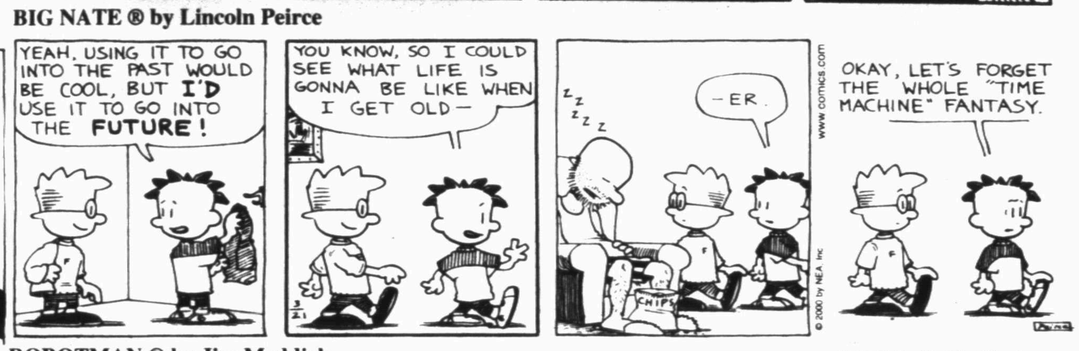

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ACROSS

1 Nuisance plants
6 Fills with reverence
10 Nearly
12 Fire-breathing monster
14 Fastidious
15 City area
16 Med. specialty
17 Decay
19 Actual being
20 Settler
23 Sources of water
26 Vast age
27 Actress Dawber
30 Army command (2 wds.)
32 Actress Andress
34 — quo
35 Pasta toppings
36 Young poodle
37 Author Umberto —
39 Iron (clothes)
40 Human being
42 M.P.'s quarry
45 Chum
46 North of Okla.
49 Injure
51 French region
54 Ill will
55 Longs (for)
56 Harrow's rival
57 Fjord

DOWN

1 Walk in water
2 Verve
3 Send forth
4 Johnson or Rickles
5 JFK vehicle
6 Art Deco name
7 Type of cooler
8 Conceits
9 Female hogs
11 Novice
12 Obedient
13 Compass pt.
18 Dollar bill
20 Real-estate map
21 Put out a newspaper
22 Preoccupied
23 Stinging insect
24 "— —, Brute"
25 Jump
27 Purple shade
28 Bar brews
29 Church service
31 Gets away
33 Unerring
38 Medical suffix
40 Texas shrine
41 "Now — — me down to sleep"
42 Oklahoma town
43 Decrease
44 Leave out
46 Philosopher Marx
47 Skin ailment
48 Cozy home
50 Weapon
52 Hawaiian wreath
53 — Francisco

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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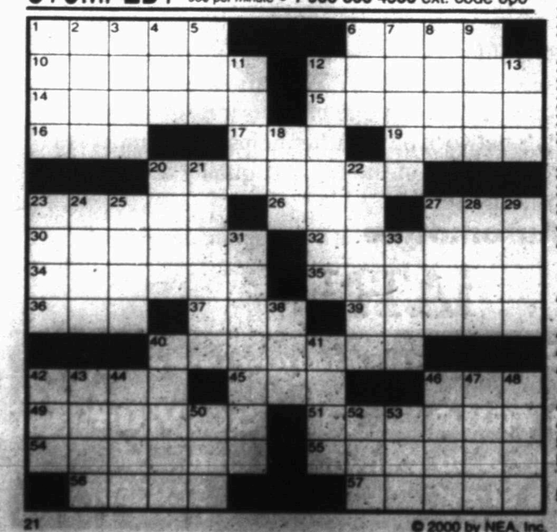

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SPORTS

Lady Raiders trip Tulane, 76-59

LUBBOCK (AP) — A strong defense was Texas Tech's best offense against Tulane.

The Lady Raiders scored 34 points off turnovers and grabbed 38 rebounds in a 76-59 victory Monday night in the second round of the NCAA women's Mideast Regional.

Plenette Pierson scored 19 points, pacing a balanced scoring attack for third-seeded Texas Tech (27-4). Aleah Johnson, Katrisa O'Neal and Tanisha Ellison each had 12 points.

"We had to go on the attack and stay on the attack all night," coach Marsha Sharp said. "We knew that we were not going to shut them down. The key for us since (Janell) Burse was scoring 19 points a game was to contain her. I think we did that."

The other player Tech worked to hold back was Grace Daley, who led all scorers with 24 points.

"We knew she liked to go to the left a lot," said Tech guard Katrissa O'Neal, who guarded Daley. "We worked at just staying down and trying to contain her and making her work for everything she got."

Tech broke open a close game late in the first half, putting together a 10-2 run that turned a 24-22 lead into a 36-24 halftime advantage. The flurry was punctuated by back-to-back 3-pointers from Amber Tarr and Keitha Dickerson, who hit a running shot from beyond the top of the key as time expired.

"I got it from Plenette and I looked at the clock and said, 'Five seconds. Why not?'" said Dickerson, who threw her arms in the air after hitting the three-pointer and ran off the court with a huge grin on her face.

The Lady Raiders pushed the lead to as many as 16 points during the opening stages of the second half, but sixth-seeded Tulane (27-5) sliced the gap to 49-39 at the 10:24 mark on a pair of free throws by Daley.

Tech answered with a 15-foot jumper from Tarr, a follow shot by Ellison and a layup by O'Neal to make it 55-39 with 8:17 left. Tulane got no closer than 13 points the rest of the way.

Tech, which won its 30th consecutive home game, advances to the Mideast Region semifinals, where it will meet Notre Dame.

UT's Mihm faces NBA decision

AUSTIN (AP) — The clock is ticking for Chris Mihm and the NBA.

Considered the best pure center in college basketball, the 7-foot Texas junior All-American has until May 14 to declare for the June 28 NBA draft or return for his senior season.

"I don't know at this point," he said. "Right now, I'm going to have to take some time, and I'm going to decide. And when the time comes, I'm going to call a press conference."

Every NBA team has scouted Mihm, a sure lottery pick. He had said he would delay his decision until after the season, which ended with a loss to LSU in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

"I'd like to talk to Tim Duncan, sit down and run some stuff by him," Mihm said.

Duncan had a chance to leave Wake Forest early, but stayed for his senior season. With another year of college experience, Duncan made an immediate impact with the San Antonio Spurs.

Mihm averaged nearly 18 points and more than 10 rebounds as Texas (24-9) cracked the AP Top Ten for the first time since 1982. Mihm was also the first Longhorn player selected to the AP All-America basketball team.

"I can only tell you I think this has been a real hard year for him, with everyone saying, 'What are you going to do? What are you going to do?'" coach Rick Barnes said.

JV trounces Chiefs, 10-4

Snyder didn't waste any time taking it to the Chiefs on Monday.

Snyder scored five runs in the first two innings, then cruised to a 10-4 victory over Lake View in junior varsity baseball action at Moffett Field.

Lake View could muster only four hits against Tiger hurler Shay Franks who finished with eight strikeouts.

Brooks Nunley led the offensive attack for Snyder, belting a single and a double to drive in a pair of runs.

The Chiefs took their only lead of the ballgame in the top of the first inning, before the Tigers knotted the tally at 2-2 in the bottom of the frame.

Lake View pulled ahead again in the top of the second with two more runs, before Snyder took the lead for good at 5-4.

The Tigers padded their cushion with two runs in the fourth and three more in the fifth.

Snyder will be in action again Thursday at the Sweetwater tournament.

Snyder 10, Lake View 4

Snyder: Nunley, double and single; Franks, double; Vantine, Ortegon and Heaton, two singles; Boyd and Conner, single.

Frosh fall to Big Spring

BIG SPRING — After winning three consecutive games to secure the title of the Grape Creek tournament, Snyder's freshman baseball team saw its streak come to an end Monday night.

Big Spring scored nine runs over the first two innings Monday to topple Snyder, 11-2.

The Tigers mustered only three hits on the night by Chance Greenwood, Patrick Alderete and Britt Harbin.

Logan Hill started on the mound for Snyder, before giving way to Adrian Perez in the second inning.

The setback comes on the heels of victories over Grape Creek, Ballinger and Winters during tournament action.

Billy Pena picked up the win against Ballinger and blasted a home run against Winters. Josh Gutierrez posted the victory against the Blizzards.

Snyder will be back on the diamond Friday when it hosts Abilene High at 5 p.m.

Snyder 8, Ballinger 2

Snyder: Pollard, Pena and Greenwood, two singles; Alderete, Harbin, Rich and Perez, single.

Snyder 14, Winters 10

Snyder: Pena, home run; Gutierrez and Alderete, double; Perez, three singles; Pollard, two singles; Rich and Hoyle, single.

Sports Whirl

By Eric Drennan SDN Sports Editor

The NCAA Basketball Tournament (a.k.a. The Big Dance, March Madness, The Road to the Final Four, The John Wooden-Dean Smith-Mike Krzyzewski Invitational) is in full swing.

The field has been narrowed from 64 to 16, and as always the Sweet 16 features some unlikely teams, as close games and upsets have been the norm through the first two rounds.

To prove that point, here's this:

—Twenty-three games were decided by less than 10 points, with eight of them decided by three or less, and five of those needed at least one overtime to decide the winner.

—Two top-seeded teams (Arizona and Stanford) are already gone, marking the first time that's happened in 19 years.

—Three of the four second-seeded squads (Temple, Cincinnati and St. John's) made early exits, as well.

—There are as many No. 10 seeds left (Seton Hall and Gonzaga) as there are No. 1 seeds (Duke and Michigan St.).

—In two regions, only one of the top five seeded teams remain.

—In the second round, the lower seeded team won nine of the 16 games.

Of the upsets that took place, certainly a few stand out more than others. Wisconsin's defeat of top-seeded Arizona in the West Region, and North Carolina's win over top-seeded Stanford in the South, loom pretty large.

Stanford spent a considerable amount of time atop the AP poll this year, as did upset victim Cincinnati, which was eliminated by Tulsa.

Other surprises include second-seeded Temple falling to Seton Hall, and second-seeded St. John's bowing out to Gonzaga, the fourth smallest school in the tournament.

The smallest university in the 64-team field was Lafayette with an enrollment of only 2,000 students. But admission numbers don't always count for much, as Pepperdine proved.

Pepperdine, with an enrollment of 2,600, humbled Indiana, which has 31,200 more students.

The two biggest schools in the tournament, Ohio St. and Texas, were also sent home in the second round.

As for other opening weekend memories, there are:

—The University of North Carolina at Wilmington garnered its first berth to the tournament but still couldn't find any respect. The team showed up at the Wilmington airport to catch its charter flight but there was no plane.

The plane finally arrived, hours late, because the pilot had flown to Wilmington, Del. It's hard to understand how a highly trained pilot could get Delaware out of the name UNC-Wilmington.

—The award for best team nickname in the tournament has to go to the Flying Dutchmen of Hofstra.

All total, there were five Bulldogs, four Tigers, two Wildcats, and two Blue Devils. There were also three Cardinals, and one Cardinal of Stanford, as well as the Hurricanes of Miami and the Tulsa Golden Hurricane.

—The least-favorite arena might have been at Nashville, Tenn. There must have been a sale on pinkish-purple paint in the Nashville area, because surely they wouldn't paint the lane that color on purpose.

—And finally, the best hair award has to go to Pepperdine. Some of those guys had hairdos big enough to make members of the Mod Squad jealous.

Except for one Pepperdine player who must have decided at the last minute to let his hair grow for the tournament. It hadn't grown enough yet, and he ended up resembling Mike Brady from The Brady Bunch.

Speaking of Mike Brady, wasn't he was supposed to be an architect?

But if he was such a good architect, then why did they have only two bedrooms and one bathroom for all six kids.

Local Sports Schedule

TODAY

Baseball: Snyder varsity at Abilene Wylie, 4 p.m.

Softball: Snyder at Fort Stockton, varsity at 4:30, JV at 6 p.m.

THURSDAY

Baseball: Snyder JV at Sweetwater tourney

Golf: Snyder boys at San Angelo

Rodeo: Western Texas College at Odessa rodeo

FRIDAY

Baseball: Snyder varsity at Frenship, 4:30

Baseball: Snyder JV at Sweetwater tourney

Baseball: Abilene High at Snyder freshmen, 5 p.m.

Softball: Snyder at Big Spring, varsity at 4, JV at 6 p.m.

Track: Snyder at San Angelo Relays

Rodeo: Western Texas College at Odessa rodeo

NIT Tourney Glance

All Times EST
Second Round
Monday, March 20

Notre Dame 76, Xavier 64
Penn State 105, Siena 103
Kent 81, Villanova 67
Brigham Young 82, Southern Illinois 57

Tuesday, March 21

Arizona State (19-12) at North Carolina State (18-12), 7 p.m.
New Mexico (18-13) at Wake Forest (18-14), 7:30 p.m.
Southwest Missouri State (23-10) at Mississippi (18-13), 8 p.m.
Georgetown (19-14) at California (17-14), 9 p.m.

Sports Briefs

Little league sign-ups scheduled

Registration for Snyder Little League, ages 8-12, and Snyder Senior League, ages 13-16, will continue through Wednesday at Caprock Securities. Players can sign up between 5 and 8 p.m.

Registration fee is $30 and players must bring a copy of their birth certificate.

Senior league needs help

Snyder Senior Baseball League is in need of board members. Anyone interested in serving on the board, or helping in any capacity, should contact Joel Hook at 573-4872 or 573-5213.

Pitching clinics held weekly

Fastpitch softball pitching clinics will be held every Wednesday. Class size is limited. For more information, contact Herman Martinez at 573-0390.

UCLA player has eye surgery

LOS ANGELES (AP) — UCLA guard Earl Watson underwent laser surgery to repair a small hole in the retina of his left eye. His vision was fine afterward and he is expected to start the Bruins' NCAA tournament game Thursday against Iowa State.

The retinal problem apparently existed for some time, said Dr. Steven Schwartz, and was discovered only because Watson sustained a blow above his eye in Saturday's victory over Maryland.

Ratings up for NCAA tourney

NEW YORK (AP) — Ratings for the first four days of the NCAA men's basketball tournament were the highest since 1994, up an average of 6 percent over last year, when CBS received its lowest mark since showing it in 1982.

Eight second-round games Sunday scored overnight ratings between 4.2 and 9.2 and shares from 10 to 17, Nielsen Media Research said.

The tournament-to-date averages were a 5.7 rating and 12 share, a hike from the 5.4/12 for the first four days of 1999's coverage.

Orlando coach fined for remarks

NEW YORK (AP) — Orlando coach Doc Rivers was fined $7,500 by the NBA for criticizing officials after Friday's Magic-Raptors game in Toronto.

Rivers was upset that his team shot only 13 free throws — the same number Toronto's Vince Carter attempted.

Vols free of violations

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The NCAA found no violations in the way Tennessee is providing academic help to athletes.

The inquiry followed allegations that at least four tutors did schoolwork for football players, including members of the 1998 national championship team.

The allegations, first reported by ESPN.com in September, also suggested athletic department administrators failed to tell superiors when tutors or their supervisors complained.

The university concluded after an internal investigation that no wrongdoing occurred. The NCAA concurred.

National Basketball Association

All Times EST

	W	L	Pct	GB
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
Miami	42	24	.636	—
New York	40	25	.615	1½
Philadelphia	38	28	.576	4
Orlando	32	36	.471	11
Boston	30	37	.448	12½
New Jersey	28	37	.431	13½
Washington	23	45	.338	20
Central Division				
Indiana	46	21	.687	—
Toronto	39	26	.600	6
Charlotte	35	31	.530	10½
Detroit	33	32	.508	12
Milwaukee	31	36	.463	15
Cleveland	26	40	.394	19½
Atlanta	24	41	.369	21
Chicago	13	53	.197	32½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Utah	44	21	.677	—
San Antonio	42	24	.636	2½
Minnesota	39	26	.600	5
Dallas	28	38	.424	16½
Denver	27	39	.409	17½
Houston	24	43	.358	21
Vancouver	18	49	.269	27
Pacific Division				
x-L.A. Lakers	56	12	.824	—
x-Portland	50	16	.758	5
Phoenix	43	23	.652	12
Seattle	40	27	.597	15½
Sacramento	38	27	.585	16½
Golden State	17	49	.258	38
L.A. Clippers	14	54	.206	42

x-clinched playoff berth

Monday's Games

Cleveland 98, Houston 85
Philadelphia 102, Charlotte 96
L.A. Lakers 100, Miami 89
Orlando 88, Chicago 86, OT
Phoenix 110, Boston 106
Washington 105, Clippers 93

Tuesday's Games

New Jersey at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Miami at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Indiana, 8 p.m.
Cleveland at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at Utah, 9 p.m.
Golden State at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Detroit at Seattle, 10:30 p.m.
Washington at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Minnesota at Boston, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Detroit at Portland, 10 p.m.
Golden State at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Women's NCAA Tourney Glance

All Times EST

EAST REGIONAL
Second Round

LSU 57, Stephen F. Austin 45
Connecticut 83, Clemson 45
Oklahoma 76, Purdue 74
Duke 90, Western Kentucky 70

Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 25
At Richmond, Va.

Connecticut (32-1) vs. Oklahoma (25-7)
LSU (24-6) vs. Duke (28-5)

Regional Championship
Monday, March 27

Semifinal winners

MIDEAST REGIONAL
Second Round

Virginia 74, Boston College 70
Notre Dame 95, George Washington 60
Texas Tech 76, Tulane 59
Tennessee 75, Arizona 60

Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 25
At Memphis, Tenn.

Virginia (25-8) vs. Tennessee (30-3)
Notre Dame (27-4) vs. Texas Tech (27-4)

Regional Championship
Monday, March 27

Semifinal winners

MIDWEST REGIONAL
Second Round

Iowa State 79, Illinois 68
Penn State 75, Auburn 69
Old Dominion 96, SMU 76
Louisiana Tech 66, Vanderbilt 65

Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 25
At Kansas City, Mo.

Iowa St (27-5) vs. Penn St. (28-4)
Old Dominion (29-4) vs. Louisiana Tech (30-2)

Regional Championship
Monday, March 27

Semifinal winners

WEST REGIONAL
Second Round

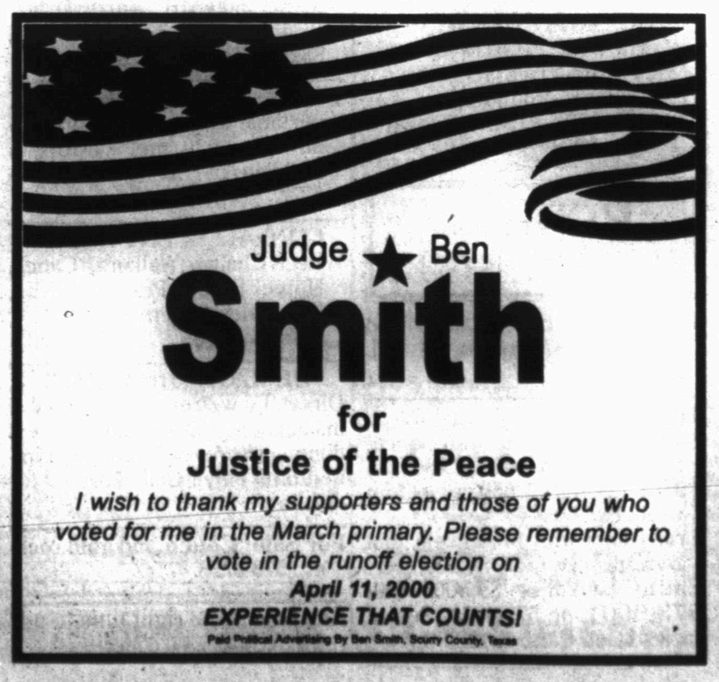
Rutgers 59, St. Joseph's 39
Alabama-Birmingham 78, Mississippi St. 72
Georgia 83, Stanford 64
North Carolina 83, Rice 50

Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 25
At Portland, Ore.

Rutgers (24-7) vs. Alabama-Birmingham (21-12)
Georgia (31-3) vs. North Carolina (20-12)

Regional Championship
Monday, March 27

Semifinal winners



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Two arrested in theft of missing Oscar statues

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The drama of Academy Awards night will almost be anticlimactic after the mystery of the stolen Oscars.

Most of the 55 statues reported stolen last week were recovered over the weekend next to a trash bin by a man scavenging for valuables. Police said Monday that two men who worked for the company delivering the Oscars were arrested.

"They did it for profit. They thought they could make money," said Detective Marc Zavala.

Bruce Davis, Academy executive director, said the 52 recovered statues look fine and some probably will be awarded Sunday. If any are "nicked or dinged, they will not be used," Davis said.

Now Academy officials, also stung when 4,000 Oscar ballots got lost in the mail this month, hope their biggest remaining worry is how host Billy Crystal will make fun of all the headaches leading up to the big night.

"I think he'll have a field day," Davis said.

Police said the Oscar theft was an inside job involving two 10-year employees of Roadway Express, the company hired to deliver the statues. Anonymous tips received Saturday led police to the men, but detectives would not elaborate.

Anthony Keith Hart and Lawrence Edward Ledent, both 38, were arrested Saturday and booked for investigation of grand theft. They were held on $100,000 bail each.

In one of the oddest presentations in Oscar history, officers wheeled two carts loaded with the statues into a news conference by Chief Bernard Parks. Officers slipped on rubber gloves to remove six of the Oscars from their packaging and set them on a table.

Detectives and Academy officials said they didn't know the location of the three other Oscars. The gold-plated statues are 131/2-inches tall and weigh 81/2 pounds each. The 55 statues cost about $18,000 to manufacture.

The Oscars were shipped March 3 from manufacturer R.S. Owens of Chicago and arrived at Roadway Express' warehouse in Bell, Calif., on March 8.

Jon Gerloff, security manager for Roadway's western division, said the company believes Hart and Ledent made off with the statues the same day the shipment arrived.

The Academy quickly put in a replacement order to R.S. Owens for more statues to make sure enough would be on hand for Oscar winners.

The statues were found Sunday night by Willie Fulgear, who had been foraging through trash bins and called police to report the discovery.

Fulgear said he hopes to collect some or all of a $50,000 reward put up by Roadway Express. Gerloff said the company had not figured out whether Fulgear would receive some of the money.

Academy executives also said they might invite Fulgear to the Oscars.

With some Oscars already in the Academy vaults and the new statues being made, organizers now have far more than they will need for the big night.

"We have enough for about three years," Academy President Robert Rehme said Monday.

Academy officials also said they have their fingers crossed that nothing else goes wrong in the next five days.

"We've even got a guy guarding Oscar tickets this year," Davis said. "Suddenly, we're paranoid about everything."

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NEW YORK (AP) -

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp s	31½	29 15-16	31	+ 1
AT&T Corp s	56⅞	55	56 3-16	—11-16
Albertsons	28½	27½	28 7-16	+ 3-16
Alltel	73⅜	72	72¾	— 9-16
AmerOnline s	66¾	63¾	66 5-16	— 9-16
AndarkPtr	33⅞	32 9-16	33½	+ 13-16
AtlRichfld	83	81 7-16	82⅞	+ 2 1-16
ATMOS Egy	18⅛	17 13-16	17 13-16	— 9-16
Avialt	9½	8⅞	9 3-16	— ¼
BP Amoco s	51 15-16	51⅛	51⅝	+ 1 5-16
BakerHughes	27¼	26⅜	27 3-16	+ 1½
Bank of Amer	51 5-16	49½	51⅛	+ 1½
BellAtl	59 11-16	58 11-16	58¾	— ⅜
BellSouth	45 11-16	44 13-16	45 3-16	— ½
Beth Steel	6½	6 5-16	6⅜	— ⅛
BurlNoSFe	21¼	20 13-16	21 1-16	— ½
CBS Corp	60	59⅜	59 7-16	— 5-16
Caterpillar	39 7-16	38 7-16	39¼	+ ¾
CenSoWst	17⅞	17⅝	17 11-16	— 3-16
Chevron	85 7-16	83	85	+ 2 1-16
Citigroup s	57 9-16	55⅝	57 7-16	+ 1¼
Coastal	44½	43¾	44 5-16	— 3-16
CocaCola	49⅝	47⅜	49½	+ 15-16
ColgatePal s	50¾	49¾	50⅜	+ ⅛
ComclMetals	28¼	27 5-16	28¼	+ 13-16
CooperIn	34¼	33½	33 11-16	
DaimlrChry	66 7-16	65⅝	65 15-16	+ ¾
DallSemicn s	40⅜	38 13-16	39 15-16	— 1-16
DeltaAirl	51⅞	50½	51⅞	+ 1½
Dillards Inc	17 5-16	16¾	17⅛	+ 3-16
DowChem	108 7-16	106	108	
DuPont	54 9-16	53⅜	53¾	— ⅞
EastmanChem	43 11-16	43 1-16	43⅜	— 3-16
EstKodak	58½	57⅝	58⅛	+ ⅜
EDS Corp	65⅜	64½	65 1-16	+ 1 13-16
Entergy	19 15-16	19½	19 15-16	
ExxonMobil	76⅞	75⅜	76 9-16	+ 1 11-16
Flowers	13 15-16	13 7-16	13⅞	+ 5-16
FordMotor	44 1-16	42¾	44	+ ¼
GTE Cp	69 7-16	68¼	68 5-16	— 9-16
GenDynam	46 3-16	,,45⅝	46	— 1-16
GenElec	141	138 1-16	141	+ 1-16
GenMills s	35 1-16	34⅛	34⅞	+ 1-16
GenMotors	80 15-16	79⅞	80⅞	— ⅛
GaPacGP s	40 1-16	38 13-16	40 1-16	+ ¼
GlobalMar	22½	21½	22 7-16	+ 1 7-16
Goodrich	28	27 3-16	27 5-16	— 9-16
Goodyear s	24	23	23 11-16	+ ⅜
GtAtlPac	18⅜	17 13-16	18	+ 1-16
Halliburtn	37½	36 9-16	37⅜	+ 1 3-16
Hanson ADS	33¼	32⅝	32⅝	+ ⅝
HarteHanks	21 11-16	21 1-16	21⅛	— 5-16
HomeDepot s	63 13-16	62½	63⅜	— ¼
HoneywellIntl	48	46 15-16	47¾	+ ¼
IBM s	114 7-16	111 15-16	113 15-16	+ 1 3-16
IntlPaper	38 11-16	37 11-16	38 5-16	+ 5-16
JohnsonJn	79¾	78⅛	79 7-16	+ ⅛
K mart	9¾	9 9-16	9 11-16	
Kroger Co s	16⅝	15 13-16	16 9-16	+ ½
Litton	35¼	34⅜	34 9-16	— 7-16
LockheedM	17½	17 1-16	17⅛	—163-256
Lowes Cos	51¼	50⅛	51⅛	+ ¾
Lubys	9⅞	9 13-16	9 13-16	
LucentTech	66⅛	63⅞	65¾	— 1⅛
MayDeptStr	30⅛	29½	30	+ ½
MediaOne	80⅜	78¾	79 13-16	
Medtronic s	53½	51¾	51¾	—1 7-16
Monsanto	46 13-16	45 13-16	46½	+ ⅝
MorganJP	129 9-16	121¾	129¼	+ 5 13-16
Motorola	153⅞	149⅝	153	— 1
NCR Corp	42¾	41¼	42⅜	+ ¼
Navistar	39¾	38¼	39½	+ 1 9-16
Penney JC	15 5-16	15¼	15¼	
PepBoys	6 11-16	6⅜	6½	— ⅛
PepsiCo	34¼	32⅝	34 1-16	+ 13-16
PhelpDodge	52 5-16	50¾	51⅛	— 1½
PhilipPet	42 15-16	41⅞	42 15-16	+ 1⅜
PilgrmPrd B	7¼	7⅛	7¼	+ ⅛
Polaroid	26⅛	25⅛	26 1-16	— ⅛
Praxair	38⅜	37¾	38 3-16	+ 3-16
ProctGamb	57⅜	56 5-16	56⅜	— 1¾
PubS NwMx	15¾	15 7-16	15 9-16	— 3-16
ReliantEngy	23	22½	22⅝	— ⅛
RoyalDut	58 11-16	57 1-16	58 11-16	+ 2¼
SBC Comm	44 11-16	43 15-16	44	— 7-16
SaraLee	17 13-16	17½	17¾	— 1-16
Scripps EW	44⅞	44 7-16	44¾	+ 5-16
SearsRoeb	32½	31 5-16	32 7-16	+ 1 7-16
SherwinW	22⅛	21 13-16	22	+ ⅛
SmithklBchm	67 7-16	66	67	+ 2⅜
SouthernCo	22	21⅝	21¾	
SwstAirl s	20⅛	19¾	20	+ ⅛
SprintFON s	59⅛	58 13-16	59⅛	+ 3-16
SprintPCS s	59⅜	57⅝	57 15-16	—11-16
Sunoco Inc	28 3-16	27⅜	27⅞	+ ⅛
TNP Ent	43⅝	43 9-16	43 9-16	
Tandy s	47 7-16	45 15-16	47⅛	+ 1¼
TempleInland	50¼	48¾	49⅝	— ¼
Texaco	52 7-16	50 15-16	52⅛	+ 11-16
TexInd	34	33 13-16	33 13-16	
TexasInst s	167	161⅞	164	— 3⅛
Tex Util	31	30 9-16	30 15-16	+ ¼
Textron	60 13-16	58⅞	59 11-16	—11-16
TriconGlbR	30⅞	30⅛	30⅜	+ ¼
TrinityInds	23 1-16	22¼	23 1-16	+ 11-16
TritonEngy	35⅛	32½	35	+ 1 9-16
TylerTech	5 7-16	5⅜	5⅜	
US West Inc	70 9-16	69 3-16	69 9-16	— 1
USX-Marathn	24 13-16	24 1-16	24 11-16	+ 9-16
USX-USS	23⅝	22⅞	23⅝	+ ⅜
UnCarbde	53	51 7-16	52⅞	+ 3-16
UnionPacif	38⅜	37¾	38	— ¼
UnitedTech s	56¾	55¼	55 5-16	—13-16
Unocal	28 1-16	27 7-16	28	+ ¼
Venator Grp	8⅜	8⅛	8¼	— ⅛
WalMart	56 3-16	54½	56⅛	+ 1
WellsFargo	39 11-16	37 11-16	39 11-16	+ 1¾
WstnGasRs	16	15⅞	16	
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Colorado governor criticizes Walters' Ramseys' interview

NEW YORK (AP) — She's one of the most famous interviewers in television history. But Colorado Gov. Bill Owens doesn't like Barbara Walters' style — and told her so on national TV.

On ABC's "Good Morning America," Owens accused Walters on Monday of going soft in her interview with John and Patsy Ramsey last week. Walters said she resented the governor's comments.

He was on ABC's morning show for his reaction to the interview and Walters was subbing for host Diane Sawyer.

Walters' interview with the parents of JonBenet Ramsey was aired on ABC's "20/20" last week. They have written a book about the slaying of their 6-year-old daughter, suggesting a male intruder killed her in their Boulder, Colo., home.

Owens said that the Ramseys should cooperate more with investigators and quit hiding behind "easy journalism."

"In your interview you had a chance to really follow up," Owens said to Walters. "You had a chance to give America some new information on this case. And yes, they came to you with no preconditions.

"But, you know, they didn't go to Peter Jennings, they didn't go to Tom Brokaw," he said. "They went to you. And I think we should have expected more from that interview."

Walters responded: "I have to say, governor, I rather resent your implication that if they had gone to Peter Jennings or Tom Brokaw, they would have had a tougher interview. I think the interview was relatively tough."

Owens said that the Ramseys should have been forced to talk about whether they have cooperated with the murder investigation and their delay in agreeing to a formal police interrogation.

"They, in fact, misled the American television audience on a number of occasions on Friday night with no follow-up by Miss Walters," he said.

Walters gave Owens a taste of follow-up questions. She asked him three times what new information he had that the Ramseys could have given on the air. Finally, the governor said he would not disclose any new information because he has sworn not to talk about the evidence.

Walters wasn't available to talk about the Owens interview later Monday. Spokeswoman Eileen Murphy said: "It was our feeling that Barbara did a very thorough and probing interview with the Ramseys. We're proud of it and don't think she has anything to apologize for."

Fewer women mine as jobs disappear

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A shift to a new kind of economy may be under way nationwide, but one of the blunt truths of the blue-collar world is still largely unchanged: The last hired means the first fired.

Just ask Jody Hogge of Taylorville, Ill., who in 1978 joined the first wave of American women to go to work in underground mines by joining Peabody Coal Co.'s No. 10 mine near Taylorville.

"When I started at the mine there were more than 1,000 union members working there, and maybe a dozen of them were women," Hogge said recently.

Hogge joined at a good time. Employment in the American coal industry reached its modern-day peak of 260,000 workers in 1979. Since then, the number of miners nationwide has declined steadily, reaching 122,000 workers in 1998, the latest year for which complete figures are available.

Among the casualties is the Coal Employment Project. Begun in 1978, the organization was instrumental in helping many women make the transition into an industry long dominated by men.

"Often, I would be the only woman on a shift," said Cosby Totten of Tazewell, Va., one of the founders of the project.

The project's membership peaked in 1984 at nearly 1,000 people, including women miners, some of their male co-workers and activists from other unions.

By the time the organization disbanded in June of last year, there were only 12 working miners among the 50 attendees.

"With all the coal mining jobs being gone, there are just so few women still working that we couldn't keep it going," said Hogge, who served on the project's board of directors for seven years.

Over the years, the Coal Employment Project eased the transition for many women trying to make their way into a workplace long barred to them. Even in the 1970s, many men still believed it was the worst kind of bad luck for a woman to go underground, a sure bet to cause an explosion or some other disaster.

"Really, the women who went in first had more problems with the men than I did," Hogge said. "Some of the men even thought that women should be paid less for doing the same job."

Hogge was laid off from Peabody's No. 10 mine in 1991, and in 1996 the mine closed down. The decision to disband the project was like losing part of her family, Hogge said.

"CEP started as a network, but it became more like we were sisters," she said. "It was really a support system. When you're out there by yourself, there's just nobody else to talk to."

In 13 years underground, she advanced to a skilled position as a shuttle car operator, earning close to $17 an hour plus benefits.

The good pay underground was attractive to women with families to raise, and family issues became one focus of the project. Their activism led to provisions for family leave in many coal industry contracts.

It was a job Hogge, 57, needed as she and her husband struggled to raise seven children. Although no longer a miner, she is still active in the United Mine Workers union, often working as a labor organizer.

Earlier this month, she served as a delegate to the union's constitutional convention in Las Vegas. Her regular work is providing home health care for homebound patients.

She still has to answer certain questions about working underground.

"It seems like I always get asked the same two questions," she said. "Women always want to know, 'Where do you put your purse?' and 'Where do you go to the bathroom?'"

Physicians' empathy can ease depression among caregivers

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — David Grande knows how to heal broken bones, prescribe powerful drugs and perform surgery. Empathy, though, was only touched on briefly at his medical school.

Yet doctors and student physicians like Grande who lend an empathetic ear to caregivers for the terminally ill can make a difference, according to a study published today.

"Doctors who really listen to patients and caregivers and spend time understanding, that lessens the burdens on caregivers. They feel heard. It's a key element to feeling supported," said lead researcher Ezekiel J. Emanuel of the Department of Clinical Bioethics at the National Institutes of Health.

Without doctors' intervention, caregivers to patients with a lot of physical needs were significantly more likely to be depressed, forced to take out loans to pay for health costs and deal with patients considering euthanasia or physician-assisted suicide.

In the study in today's issue of the Philadelphia-based Annals of Internal Medicine, 42 percent of caregivers with non-empathetic doctors reported depressive symptoms, compared to 27 percent of those with an empathetic doctor, the study showed.

Helping doctors empathize could be taught through a more formalized and structured curriculum during medical school, internships and residency trainings, the study said.

Such teachings could make the dying experience more pleasant for everybody, Emanuel said. Caregivers with a good attitude could even make terminally ill patients feel less guilty about the pressures they may put others under.

Better training for doctors may also reduce the chances caregivers will undergo costly medical care for their own depression, he said. Too often, though, doctors aren't trained that way.

"In the later years, there were no role models practicing these things, so it's difficult to expect students to learn it and put those skills in action in their own practice," said Grande, president of the American Medical Student Association in Reston, Va.

Managed-care groups refer patients to community-based organizations that could provide such services without extra costs, said Mohit Ghose, spokesman for the Washington-based American Association of Health Plans, the largest trade group to represent managed care plans.

"But a study like this takes us into that next level of discussion on how to include such benefits in a standard package in taking care of hospice patients," he said.

The study was conducted in six randomly selected cities with 988 terminally ill patients with different illnesses and 893 caregivers.

Previous studies showed that terminal illnesses create high economic burdens, but they did not say why.

On the Net: National Family Caregivers Association: http://www.nfcacares.org
American Association of Health Plans: http://www.ghaa.org/

Fans line up for Oscar night

LOS ANGELES (AP) — They're the best seats — just not in the auditorium. And competition for the bleachers that line the red carpet for the Oscars gets tougher every year.

Sisters Glenice "Babe" Churchill and Sandi Stratton have been claiming a pair of those seats for 31 years. In 1970, they arrived on Oscar day and had no problem getting seats.

This year, they had to show up on Saturday, eight days before the ceremony, just to ensure a place in line for one of the 200 bleacher seats.

By Monday, they had been joined by about 20 people who had pitched tents and supplies of food, clothes and Oscar memorabilia on the sidewalk outside the Shrine Auditorium.

Over the years, Churchill and Stratton have braced the elements and ill health for the opportunity to stargaze before and after Hollywood's most elegant party.

"We've sat through rain, cold, heat, wind, a little bit of everything," said Churchill, 69, a Chino hairdresser. Her 57-year-old sister is a housewife from Escondido.

A few years ago, Churchill came even though she had lost her hair during chemotherapy after cancer surgery. Stratton came the next year despite two broken ribs, she said.

This year, seven younger relatives and friends are helping the sisters hold their spots in line, sleeping in a tent and lounging on an inflatable sofa and chair while the older women go to a nearby motel.

Churchill said her biggest thrill over the years was "seeing Paul Newman and Liz Taylor."

Tina Hernandez publishes a newsletter and runs a Web site for the hardy bunch of bleacher fans. She was taking a break to get a shower Monday, but left her place in line under a friend's guard.

The early bird fans won't be able to claim their bleacher seats until the day of the Oscars, about 11 hours before the stars arrive in their limousines.

"These are the veterans, the four-star generals of the bleacher section," said Chris Bergland, a security officer. "We really don't have any security problems with the bleacher people. They're always cooperative. The first 20 people in line know each other."

Once these diehard fans get in the bleachers, they stay throughout the ceremony, Churchill said, so they can see the stars leave.

But they do get to see the big events occurring inside, she added: "We're taping it."

On the Net: http://www.oscarchatter.freeservers.com

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

See allergist about food reactions

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband has recently been experiencing anaphylactic reactions (hives, wheezing and low blood pressure), presumably to something in his diet. He sits down to a meal and, within an hour, ends up in the emergency room for steroid injections. His symptoms seem to come at random. How can we identify the cause?

DEAR READER: Although your husband's extreme sensitivity reactions appear to occur at random, I suspect that there is actually a common denominator to his anaphylaxis. Several food additives and preservatives, such as monosodium glutamate and sulfites, may be the problem; or he may simply be allergic to certain foodstuffs, such as wheat.

Your husband should see an allergist. By careful analysis and testing, a specialist should be able to discover the substances to which your husband is reacting. Then your spouse can either avoid these substances or consider undergoing desensitization injections to reduce the severity of his allergies.

I advise him to seek professional help right away, because sooner or later, if he doesn't identify the culprit, your husband may suffer a reaction that could be permanently damaging or even fatal.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 51-year-old daughter, who has been experiencing ankle swelling and fluid in her lungs, was recently diagnosed with membranous glomerulonephritis. What can you tell me about this?

DEAR READER: This serious kidney disease, which is extremely rare in adults, is often associated with other disorders, such as lupus, hepatitis, cancer and bacterial infections. It is marked by abnormal deposits of material within the renal filters, leading to excess protein in the urine, urinary bleeding and anemia that may eventually cause edema (too much fluid in the tissues) and death. Treatment includes steroids and other drugs. Kidney transplants, for severe cases, are not consistently helpful. Your daughter should be under the care of a nephrologist who is familiar with the disease and has access to the most current information regarding therapy.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Kidney Disorders." 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: What causes morning erections?

DEAR READER: Morning erections are common because of stimulation during dreaming, pressure from a full bladder and other unidentified physiological reasons. Such erections are not, in the usual sense, under voluntary control. They occur in the presence of unconscious mechanisms, coupled with warmth, relaxation and lack of fatigue. Men who consider themselves impotent may have morning erections, thereby dispelling the possibility that their erectile dysfunction has a purely physical basis.

Erections are common during sleep, too. If a man fails to have (at least occasional) sleep-erections, he is usually suffering from organic impotence, such as can be seen with diabetes, nerve disorders, circulatory insufficiency and the use of many prescription drugs.

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Men's, women's brains find answers differently

NEW YORK (AP) — Chalk one up for the Y chromosome: According to a new study, guys who get lost can often find their way out of unfamiliar places better than gals.

The findings add a biological counterpart to prior research that indicated men and women tend to use different strategies to navigate. The new work suggest they use different parts of their brains, too.

Researchers scanned the brains of 12 men and 12 women as they tried to escape a three-dimensional virtual-reality maze. The volunteers pushed buttons to move their virtual selves left, right or ahead.

In the real world, that might be like trying to find a specific place in an unfamiliar city, said neurologist Dr. Matthias Riepe of the University of Ulm in Germany.

The men got out of the maze in an average of two minutes and 22 seconds, vs. an average of three minutes and 16 seconds for the women. That fits with previous studies in animals and people that suggest males navigate better in an unfamiliar environment.

The brain scans found that while both sexes used some of the same parts of the brain for the task, there were also some differences. Riepe and colleagues describe the results in the April issue of the journal Nature Neuroscience.

One difference involved the hippocampus, a banana-shaped structure deep in the brain that is crucial for navigation. Just last week, other scientists reported that male London taxi drivers show structural changes in the hippocampus, apparently because of their professional experience.

People have a hippocampus in each side of the brain. Riepe's study found that both sexes used the right hippocampus in negotiating the maze. But only men used the left hippocampus. Conversely, women used an outer part of the brain called the right prefrontal cortex, while men in the study didn't.

That might reflect differences in how men and women handle information about the space around them, Riepe and colleagues said.

Prior work suggests that women rely mostly on landmarks to navigate ("Turn right at the drugstore, then left at the grocery") while men lean toward using geometry, as one would figure from a map ("The museum should be over that way").

The women's activity in the cortex might reflect the effort of keeping landmark cues in mind, while the hippocampus activity in the men might be needed for the geometric approach, the researchers said.

Riepe said his study could not explore whether the brain differences are learned or biologically programmed. But he said he suspects the latter, because they also appear in rats.

Diane Halpern, a psychologist at California State University in San Bernardino and an expert on gender differences in thinking, noted that sex differences in brain activity have been observed for other tasks, such as reading.

So it's not surprising to find another example, she said.

Fire hazards found in Capitol Building

WASHINGTON (AP) — Thousands of people who work in and visit the Capitol complex every day are endangered by untested fire alarms, unprotected stairwells and unattended hazardous materials, a congressional agency said Monday as it issued eight citations for violations and ordered quick fixes.

The Office of Compliance said the violations, all fire hazards, are serious. The architect of the Capitol was told to rectify them quickly.

In particular, it said exit stairwells in the Capitol Building and three surrounding lawmaker office buildings were "unprotected against fire, smoke or toxic fumes, posing an undue danger to the lives and safety of occupants."

The agency's general counsel Gary Green said some of the stairwells have air vents "which exacerbate the smokestack effect" where the stairwells act as chimneys, pulling smoke and fumes into the upper levels.

He said the obligation to test and maintain sprinklers and alarm system has been "almost uniformly disregarded for many years."

Herb Franklin, administrative assistant for the architect's office, which is responsible for congressional buildings and grounds, said "a lot of remedial work has already begun." He said they had discussed the problems cited with the Office of Compliance and "they borrowed our watch to tell us what time it is."

Franklin said the pace of work depends on the budget they get from Congress. An emergency spending bill now moving through Congress would provide $15 million this year to address the fire safety issue.

Architect of the Capitol Alan Hantman has told Congress fire safety work is complicated by the historic nature of the buildings and the reluctance of lawmakers and their staffs to evacuate their workspace for major renovations.

Green agreed that the architect had responded to past complaints including 1998 citations for improper storage of flammable liquids. But he said that since then inspectors have found hazardous chemicals in other work areas of the Capitol, including cylinders containing high levels of carbon monoxide gas that had not been tested for leakage since 1964 and "pose a deadly risk of releasing colorless, odorless toxic gas."

He said these chemicals were removed after they were found, but there is still a need for better employee training.

The citations are similar to those issued to private industry by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, except they don't carry a fine. The citations allege that the architect violated the Congressional Accountability Act, which was passed five years ago to force Congress to comply with many health and safety laws imposed on the rest of the country.

In a January report on fire safety in congressional buildings, the compliance office found "the overall level of fire safety to be far below that of most other American office buildings of similar size and age."

The architect's office was ordered to install fire-rated doors by Sept. 30 where feasible and submit alternatives for other areas to the compliance office by Sept. 30, 2001.

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1984 "Amadeus"
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1987 "The Last Emperor"
1988 "Rain Man"
1989 "Driving Miss Daisy"
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1991 "The Silence of the Lambs"
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1993 "Schindler's List"
1994 "Forrest Gump"
1995 "Braveheart"
1996 "The English Patient"
1997 "Titanic"
1998 "Shakespeare in Love"

BEST ACTOR
1984 F. Murray Abraham, "Amadeus"
1985 William Hurt, "Kiss of the Spider Woman"
1986 Paul Newman, "The Color of Money"
1987 Michael Douglas, "Wall Street"
1988 Dustin Hoffman, "Rain Man"
1989 Daniel Day-Lewis, "My Left Foot"
1990 Jeremy Irons, "Reversal of Fortune"
1991 Anthony Hopkins, "The Silence of the Lambs"
1992 Al Pacino, "Scent of a Woman"
1993 Tom Hanks, "Philadelphia"
1994 Tom Hanks, "Forrest Gump"
1995 Nicolas Cage, "Leaving Las Vegas"
1996 Geoffrey Rush, "Shine"
1997 Jack Nicholson, "As Good As It Gets"
1998 Roberto Benigni, "Life Is Beautiful"

BEST ACTRESS
1984 Sally Field, "Places in the Heart"
1985 Geraldine Page, "The Trip to Bountiful"
1986 Marlee Matlin, "Children of a Lesser God"
1987 Cher, "Moonstruck"
1988 Jodie Foster, "The Accused"
1989 Jessica Tandy, "Driving Miss Daisy"
1990 Kathy Bates, "Misery"
1991 Jodie Foster, "The Silence of the Lambs"
1992 Emma Thompson, "Howards End"
1993 Holly Hunter, "The Piano"
1994 Jessica Lange, "Blue Sky"
1995 Susan Sarandon, "Dead Man Walking"
1996 Frances McDormand, "Fargo"
1997 Helen Hunt, "As Good As It Gets"
1998 Gwyneth Paltrow, "Shakespeare in Love"

BEST PICTURE
☐ "American Beauty"
☐ "The Cider House Rules"
☐ "The Green Mile"
☐ "The Insider"
☐ "The Sixth Sense"

BEST ACTOR
☐ Russell Crowe "The Insider"
☐ Richard Farnsworth "The Straight Story"
☐ Sean Penn "Sweet and Lowdown"
☐ Kevin Spacey "American Beauty"
☐ Denzel Washington "The Hurricane"

BEST ACTRESS
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☐ Meryl Streep "Music of the Heart"
☐ Hilary Swank "Boys Don't Cry"

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☐ Tom Cruise "Magnolia"
☐ Michael Clarke Duncan "The Green Mile"
☐ Jude Law "The Talented Mr. Ripley"
☐ Haley Joel Osment "The Sixth Sense"

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS
☐ Toni Collette "The Sixth Sense"
☐ Angelina Jolie "Girl, Interrupted"
☐ Catherine Keener "Being John Malkovich"
☐ Samantha Morton "Sweet and Lowdown"
☐ Chloe Sevigny "Boys Don't Cry"

BEST DIRECTOR
☐ Lasse Hallstrom "The Cider House Rules"
☐ Spike Jonze "Being John Malkovich"
☐ Michael Mann "The Insider"
☐ Sam Mendes "American Beauty"
☐ M. Night Shyamalan "The Sixth Sense"

Date Book

Tuesday, March 21, 2000
Today is the 81st day of 2000 and the second day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1871, Henry M. Stanley set out on a journey to Africa to locate a missing Scottish missionary, David Livingstone.

On this day in 1965, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. led civil rights demonstrators on a 54-mile walk from Selma to Montgomery, Ala.

On this day in 1990, Namibia won its independence from South Africa.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750), composer; Benito Juarez (1806-1872), Mexican revolutionary leader; Florenz Ziegfeld (1869-1932), producer; Phyllis McGinley (1905-1978), poet; Peter Brook (1925-), director, is 75; Timothy Dalton (1946-), actor, is 54; Matthew Broderick (1962-), actor, is 38.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1982, golfer Jerry Pate won the Tournament Players championship.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "A book is like a piece of rope; it takes on meaning only in connection with the things it holds together." — Norman Cousins

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (March 19) and last quarter (March 27).

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Wednesday, March 22, 2000
Although your earning abilities will be substantially enhanced in the year ahead, so will your extravagant urges. Keep the latter in check in order to come out on the plus side of the ledger.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you're asked to go a bit overboard for someone you love today, don't hold back on showing how much you care, but if being too generous will send you into debt, that is another story. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper. P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You're a welcome addition to any gathering today because you know how to enjoy yourself and add zest to the affair. However, let others shine their light a bit also.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It's okay to have grandiose ideas so long as they are practical and have a chance of being accomplished. Otherwise, dreams and wishes should be left to sleeping and birthday cakes.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Social plans could misfire today if they encompass people who don't necessarily get along or are from diverse groups. Stick to a small, compatible bunch.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Others probably will come through for you today in helping to defray some of the expenses of an undertaking in which they're involved, but only up to a point. Think realistically.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) When it comes to getting along with others today, perhaps your emotions will steer you in a better direction than will your logic and reasoning. Let compassion rule.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You possess possibilities for acquisition, but not because of any luck. It will only happen in situations where you have truly earned the rewards.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) It won't be because you're antisocial today that things could go amiss when involved with others. It will occur if you show a lack of consideration for the other guy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Normally you're Johnny-on-the-spot when it comes to getting done what needs to be done, but today this fine quality might only be operative where your family is concerned.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) The vast inventory of knowledge you possess is impressive and usually commands applause. Today, however, you might be smarter to make modesty your largest presentation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you take opportunities that surround you for granted today, they'll count for nothing. This will be especially true for you in career oriented situations.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Charm and wit might be your best friends today, since your thinking cap might not be on too straight at this time. Get all the facts first should you get involved in something serious.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Ex-worker sought in car wash slayings

IRVING (AP) — Police searched today for a former car wash employee suspected of fatally shooting five co-workers and critically wounding a sixth just three days after he was fired from the shop.

"We haven't seen anything this gruesome, this vicious in quite some time," police spokesman David Tull said Monday.

The suspect, Robert Wayne Harris, 28, was fired Friday by Mi-T-Fine Car Wash after he was arrested for allegedly exposing himself to two women at the business.

Police said they received numerous tips from people who reported seeing a man matching Harris's description, but there had been no arrest.

"It's going to take calls like this to find him," Tull said.

Police said robbery was a motive; all of the victims' wallets were missing.

Dennis Lee, 48; Rhoda Wheeler, 45; and Augustin Villasenor, 36, died at the scene. Villasenor's brother, Benjamin, 32, and Roberto Jimenez Jr., 17, died later at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas. Octavio Ramos, 36, was in critical condition today at Parkland. All six were car wash employees, police said.

Officers told The Dallas Morning News that Harris is also a suspect in the disappearance of Sandra Gaye Scott, an Irving woman who was last seen near the car wash Nov. 29. Her vehicle was found Dec. 3.

There is a "strong connection" between the suspect and Scott's disappearance, Irving police Lt. Tim Kelly told the newspaper. Asked about the newspaper's report today, Tull said only that detectives interviewed Harris about Scott's disappearance, but "There was not any information that would lead us to take any action against him."

Federal judge today refuses to block Cuban boy's return

MIAMI (AP) — A federal judge today refused to block efforts to return 6-year-old Elian Gonzalez to Cuba, saying only the U.S. attorney general can grant political asylum to keep the boy in the United States.

U.S. District Judge K. Michael Moore's ruling dismissed the lawsuit filed by Elian's great-uncle, Lazaro Gonzalez, who wants to keep Elian against the wishes of the boy's father in Cuba.

"Determination to grant asylum is a matter within the discretion of the attorney general," Moore wrote. The 50-page ruling came 12 days after Moore held a hearing on the case.

Telephone calls to the Gonzalez family home this morning were not answered, but Roger Bernstein, an attorney for Lazaro Gonzalez, said last week his client would appeal if the judge threw out the lawsuit.

The next step would likely be a petition for an emergency stay from the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta. If a stay was granted, the appeal would go before a three-judge panel of the appeals court.

In Washington, Justice Department spokeswoman Carole Florman said: "We are in the process of reviewing Judge Moore's decision after which we will begin an orderly process to reunite Elian and his father."

She refused to comment further, including whether the department had a target date for returning the boy to his father, Juan Miguel Gonzalez. Justice Department officials don't want to do anything to tramautize the child.

Obituaries

Roy McCloskey

1910-2000

Roy Jacob McCloskey, longtime Snyder businessman, died Tuesday, March 22, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Service for Mr. McCloskey, 89, will be held at 10 a.m. Friday in the First Baptist Church. Dr. Marty Akins, pastor, will officiate and burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Roy McCloskey

Born on Oct. 5, 1910 in Blackwell, Okla., the eldest son of Thomas P. and Mary Hannah McCloskey, he was a 1935 graduate of Arkansas State University with a bachelor of science in education. Mr. McCloskey taught school in Missouri.

He joined the Navy in 1941 and served in the African and European Theaters, specializing in codes and ciphers for the naval area of the Mediterranean Sea. He later served as a district training area officer of Great Lakes, New Orleans and Abilene. He retired as Naval Commander and was a life member of the Naval Reserve.

Moving to Snyder in 1956, he was the agent for the first State Farm Insurance Company in Scurry County. He retired in January, 1995 after serving 40 years.

Mr. McCloskey was active in church and civic affairs. Having a 44-year perfect attendance record, he served as Kiwanis Lieutenant Governor of District 22 in 1966-67 and 1989-90.

Mr. McCloskey was a member of the Snyder Masonic Lodge 706, Snyder Shrine Club, Scottish Rite, the Suez Temple and the American Legion Post 0181.

A longtime member of the First Baptist Church, Mr. McCloskey was a charter member of the CITA Bible Class. He was also a co-founder of the Snyder Goodfellows.

He married Opal Alexander in 1941. She preceded him in death in 1970. He married Elizabeth Odom on March 17, 1974.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth McCloskey of the home; two daughters and a son-in-law, Rozanne Stark of Atlanta, Ga., and Beth and Weldon Harris of Lee's Summit, Mo.; a son and daughter-in-law, John and Robbie Odom of Floydada; a brother, Thomas McCloskey of Winnemucca, Nev.; seven grandchildren, Julie Childress of Independence, Mo., Kevin Harris of Lee's Summit, Mo., David Stark of New York City, Thomas Stark of Atlanta, Ga., John Patrick Odom, Nicole Maureen Odom and Brian C. Odom, all of Floydada; two nephews; and one niece.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church in Snyder, the building fund at Floydada Baptist Church or favorite charity.

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Mrs. Hunnicutt

1901-2000

Juanita Hunnicutt, longtime Fluvanna resident, died Monday, March 20, in Snyder Oaks Care Center following a lengthy illness.

Service for Mrs. Hunnicutt, 98, is set for 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Don Campbell, minister of Fluvanna Church of Christ, and the Rev. Nan Swanson, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Fluvanna Cemetery.

Born March 31, 1901 in Belton, she was married to Charlie Hunnicutt who died on Aug. 4, 1990. Living in Scurry County since 1907, she was a homemaker and a member of the Fluvanna Church of Christ.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Sam and Eleanor Hunnicutt of Fluvanna; a brother, Virg Wills of Snyder; a sister, Saluda Arnett of Burleson; three grandsons, Jimmy Hunnicutt of Midland, Sammy Hunnicutt and Tim Hunnicutt, both of Big Spring; three great-grandchildren, Colin Hunnicutt, Mary Kate Hunnicutt and Jake Hunnicutt.

The family suggests memorial to the Borden County EMS, Gail, 79738.

Mattie Smartt

1909-2000

ABILENE – Funeral service for Mattie Fae Nichols Smartt is set for 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at North's Funeral Home Chapel in Abilene. Burial will follow in Elmwood Memorial Park.

Mrs. Smartt, 90, died Monday, March 20, in Northern Oaks Nursing Home in Abilene.

Born Nov. 6, 1909 in Winters to Jack M. and Mamie Davis Nichols, she was a graduate of Winters High School and Sul Ross College in Alpine.

She married Britton Smart on July 3, 1928 in Abilene. He preceded her in death.

Except for two years in Dalhart, Mrs. Smartt lived all her married life in Abilene. She was employed by J.C. Penney Company and Thornton's Department Store for many years.

She was a member of the Lois Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church and a member of the Hendrick Memorial Hospital Ladies' Auxiliary. She and her late husband also served as chaperons for many Hardin-Simmons University student mission trips to the Glorietta Baptist Encampment in New Mexico.

Mrs. Smartt was also preceded in death by a son, Jack Britton Smartt; a grandson, David Smartt; her parents; and six brothers and sisters.

Survivors include a son and his wife, Jimmy Lee and Betty Smartt of Mineola; a daughter-in-law, Ann Smartt of Snyder; five grandchildren and their spouses, Randy and Becky Smartt of Flower Mound, Jimmy Lee and Kathy Smartt of Sour Lake, Timmy and Michelle Smartt of San Antonio; DeeDee and Greg Wallace of Johnson City and Andrew Smartt of Dallas; 12 great-grandchildren, Casey, Justin, Jonathan, Jordan, Jesse, Jimmy Lee III, Alan, Trish and Brittany Smartt, and Danny, Nancy and Jack Wallace; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 6 to 7:30 this evening at North's Funeral Home, North 3rd and Orange Streets. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations to a favorite charity.

Albert Smith

1909-2000

WEATHERFORD – Albert C. Smith, 90, died Sunday, March 19, at his home in Weatherford.

Graveside service for Mr. Smith is set for 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in the Gunsight Cemetery in Breckenridge. The Rev. John D. Erwin will officiate and arrangements are under the direction of White's Funeral Home.

Born Nov. 20, 1909 in Titus County, Mr. Smith was a longtime resident of Dallas. He moved to Parker County after 34 years of public school administration.

A member of the Weatherford First Baptist Church, he was active in founding the Retired Teachers Association in Parker County and he was active in the Senior Service Center and the Pecan Valley MHMR.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, J.D. and Donna Smith of Parker County and formerly of Snyder; two grandchildren, Jon Alan Smith of Lubbock and Pamela Smith Erwin of Stamford; and two great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Scholarship Fund of the First Baptist Church in Weatherford.

Felony charge, PI lands two in jail

Two subjects were taken into custody Monday, one on a felony charge.

William Blake Sescil, 27, of 414 Marlboro in Lubbock was arrested at the adult probation office at 10:57 a.m. on a felony warrant for motion to revoke probation. His original charge was for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

A charge of public intoxication landed a 30-year-old man in jail Tuesday afternoon. Officers arrested him at 5:04 in the 4400 block of Avenue U.

In other activity, Gene Groce contacted deputies at 2:15 p.m. in reference to a burglary at 7861 North Hwy. 84. A sewing machine and a go-cart were reported taken. An offense report for burglary of a building was submitted.

At 5:55 p.m., an offense report was taken for a dog scratch. The dog was impounded for observation.

A report for Class C assault was taken at 6:27 p.m.

Officers worked a two-vehicle mishap at 2:47 p.m. in the Golden Corral parking lot. Involved were a 1999 Chevrolet Tahoe driven by Helen Feinsod of 1501 East Coliseum Drive and a parked, unattended 1992 Dodge Spirit owned by Amanda Holloway of 3901 Eastridge.

Department of Public Safety trooper Terry Snyder investigated a one-vehicle accident early Saturday morning some four miles southwest of Ira on Hwy. 350. Involved was a 1979 Freightliner driven by Kenyatta Leary, 23, of 3601 Andrews Hwy. in Midland.

The truck is owned by Dowell Schlumberger and was northbound on Hwy. 350 when the incident occurred.

According to DPS reports, Leary drove off the right side of the road, overcorrected and then overturned.

He was not injured.

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Calvary Baptist revival

A revival at Calvary Baptist Church, 2405 35th St., today and Wednesday. Services are at 7 p.m. and feature Clark Bosher of Arlington, nationally-known evangelist. A nursery will be provided and the public is invited.

Fellowcraft degree work

Scurry County Masonic Lodge #706 will work in the Fellowcraft degree at 7 this evening.

4-H horse club

The Scurry County 4-H horse club will meet at 7 tonight at East Elementary.

'Inhalants: The Silent Epidemic'

"Inhalants: The Silent Epidemic" will air at 5 p.m. Wednesday and Friday on Channel 2. The film is sponsored by Cox Communications and Snyder CADA. "A Parents' Guide to Preventing Inhalant Abuse" is available at the CADA office, 2513 College Ave. Call 573-1141 or come by for a free copy.

Diabetes support group

The Diabetes Support group will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday in Cogdell Memorial Hospital cafeteria.

Free tax help

There is free tax help for low income and elderly people each Wednesday at the Snyder Senior Center by an IRS-trained counselor. Times are from 9 a.m. until noon and 1-3 p.m. Call 573-4035 or 573-3822 for additional information.

FBC worship service

The First Baptist Church Sunday morning worship service airs at 3 p.m. each Thursday on TV Channel 2.

Gold Coat luncheon

The Chamber of Commerce Gold Coat luncheon will be Friday at noon at Golden Corral.

Eighth grade party

The end of school party planning committee for SJHS eighth graders will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday at 2211 41st St. All eighth grade parents are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Gaylan Mason at 573-7125.

American Diabetes Association Walk

The American Diabetes Association Walk for East Elementary's fourth graders is scheduled Friday. Christi Smith, PE instructor, asks everyone to "help the students with this worthy cause." For more information, contact Smith at 573-1769.

LCU chorus

Lubbock Christian University's Praise! Chorus will perform at 7 p.m. Saturday at East Side Church of Christ. Allison Bowden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Bowden, and Jenise Judah, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Judah, are members of the LCU chorus. The concert is free and open to the public.

MAWC luncheon

Martha Ann Woman's Club will host a luncheon Sunday starting at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are $8 for adults and $4 for children six and under. For reservations call 573,3427, 573-6443 or 573-6717.

SHS reunion meeting

SHS classes of 1943-45 will have a class reunion planning meeting at 3 p.m. next Tuesday at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. For more information, call 573-5149.

Immunization clinic

Scurry County Health unit next immunization clinic is March 30. Thursdays dates in April are the 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th. Hours are 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-4 p.m.

Annual sausage festival

St. Elizabeth Sausage Festival is set for Sunday, April 9, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Parish Center. Tickets are available at the door for $6 for adults and take-outs, and $3 for children under 12. The sausage dinner with all the trimmings is all-you-can eat. The festival will also have game booths, raffles and a country store. Sausage sold by the pound is $2.75 uncooked and $3.75 cooked.

Golden K fish fry

The Golden K Kiwanis will host a fish fry from 11 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 9, at the Senior Citizens Center. Plates, including carryouts, are $6.50 each. Children under six may eat free.

Building fund sale

Lighthouse Assembly of God Church is accepting items of any kind for its building fund sale. The church will pick up items. Call 573-5124 or 573-2947.

1990 SHS reunion

The 1990 senior class of SHS is planning a 10-year reunion in July. If you are a graduate, or have contact with a graduate, contact Anne Osborn @Echostar.com, or call Jennifer Pate at 915-223-9110 in San Angelo, or contact Shelley LaRoux at 574-1826, or mail information to 3209 40th St.

WTC planetarium shows

The planetarium at WTC is available for spring offering of star shows. Presentations will be held on Fridays by special arrangements. Shows are by reservation only and there is no charge. Shows are available to fit any age group. For reservations call 573-8511, Ext. 312.

Snyder Neighbors Sharing

SNS is in need of workers and monetary donations for the April 29 work day. For more information, contact Thomas Fogleman at 573-3538, or Sam Robertson at 573-4053.

Pick 3

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

1-4-0

Cash Five

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