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Home of Lexie Beard

Local citizens honored for community service

Chamber banquet draws good crowd

Several hundred Scurry Countains honored their own during the annual Snyder Chamber of Commerce Banquet, held here Thursday evening.

The 1940s-style event opened with a rousing performance by a mock USO troupe from Ira and closed with some humorous remarks from guest speaker John Sharp, state comptroller.

"This is the first chamber banquet in the last six that I haven't been served turnip greens, and I wanted to thank you for that," Sharp panned.

There were seven major awards presented, and none received more attention than the Education in Excellence Award. It was presented to former educator Elizabeth Jenkins, who spent 43 years as a teacher, 41 of them with the Snyder Independent School District. The crowd stood and applauded as she received the award, which was presented by Snyder ISD Superintendent Gayle Lomax.

Donna Gray, long active in civic affairs and a former chamber board president, received the Sizemore Award, also known as the Gold Coat Award, for volunteerism within the chamber.

The Vestal Award for civic involvement was presented to Ted Crenwelge, farmer and former member of the school board, the hospital board and the Colorado River Municipal Water District board, among others. It was presented by Jerry Vestal, son of the late William Vestal, former mayor.

A husband and wife, Joe and Terry Hefner, received the Winston Award for excellence in agriculture. It was presented by Helen Hatter. Joe Hefner is the Farm Service Agency county executive director. Terry is a soil conservationist with the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Mike Post, plant supervisor for Torch Energy Marketing, Inc., received the McLaughlin Award, for achievement in the oil industry. The award was presented by Mayor David Holt, last year's recipient.

Lawrence IGA #400 received the Business of the Year Award. It was accepted by owner Jack Lawrence and store manager C.R. Perez.

Jeffrey Martin, chamber board president, received the Chamber's Choice Award for volunteerism to the chamber.

The Business, Chamber and Sizemore awards were presented by Donna Fowler, chamber executive director.

Sharp, who took office as the state's chief financial officer in 1991, gave a light-hearted talk, only occasionally speaking in a serious mode. He did speak briefly about the Lone Star card, which has reduced cost, fraud and abuse in the federal food stamp program. He praised Texas Rep. David Counts, who was in attendance, for his efforts in working with Sharp's office.

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NICE TO MEET YOU — State Comptroller John Sharp, left, shakes the hand of retired oil field worker Terry Martin following the annual chamber of commerce banquet Thursday. Sharp was guest speaker at the event. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A radical is merely a conservative out of a job."

Keeping tabs on our neighbors:

Last summer, Midland voters rejected a $110 million bond issue for school improvements.

But less than a year later, Midland residents have given the green light to a $39.5 million bond package. Some 58 percent voted for the issue.

It was the largest bond issue ever approved in Midland, but the vote was the smallest - only 12 percent of eligible voters turned out.

The Sweetwater newspaper reports that the Sweetwater Enterprise for Economic Development Corporation (SEED) is considering hiring a lobbyist to represent them in Austin.

Of particular concern is the future of the Sweetwater campus of Texas State Technical College.

The Vernon Daily Record reports that tuition for out-of-district students will increase $1.50 to $25.50 per semester hour next fall.

The increase in tuition and student fees is expected to generate another $100,000 in revenue.

Walter Buckel, publisher of the Lamesa Press-Reporter, recently observed his 50th wedding anniversary. He revealed the secret of his long and successful marriage.

"The first 10 years, we were so far from our families, we couldn't afford to go back. And the last 40, we had two bathrooms."

James Roberts, in the Andrews County News, has a suggestion for the new Washington B&B.

"Since President Clinton turned the nation's first home into a bed and breakfast for big shot contributors and raised about $10 million for the Democratic National Committee and his re-election campaign, why not turn the asset into a benefit for taxpayers?

"Why not move the first family down the street to the Blair House. Then sell overnight stays at the White House to the 365 high bidders.

"But instead of the money from the high rollers going into political coffers, put the money in the fast-sinking social security fund.

"If we're going to use national assets in the political process, we'd like to bid on spending an evening at Fort Knox."

Wanted man enjoyed dinner, movie with President Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Democratic donor who is wanted in Lebanon on a decade-old embezzlement charge accepted six White House social invitations, including one for dinner and a movie with President Clinton, records show.

Besides five social events for big Democratic donors and the movie night with Clinton, New York businessman Roger Tamraz also met with the top Russian affairs specialist at the National Security Council, according to White House officials.

Tamraz, a U.S. citizen living in New York City, disputes the charges that he embezzled $200 million from a collapsed bank that he headed. Those charges are on file in a magistrate's court in Beirut. He was named in a 1989 Lebanese arrest warrant and another by Interpol, the international police agency.

In an interview today, Tamraz said White House officials had to know of the widely reported charges against him because "I am a very public figure."

Information about the Lebanese arrest warrants is disregarded by governments and businesses because the charges are "politically oriented." "I think people are also mature enough to know where it is coming from and for what reasons," Tamraz said.

White House officials said they did not know about the warrants because the Secret Service only checks to determine if an individual seeking to enter the executive mansion would pose a physical threat to the president.

It was reported in January that Tamraz attended an April 1, 1996 coffee klatch at the White House where he and other Democratic donors sipped coffee with Clinton.

The White House disclosed the additional Tamraz visits after checking records of people cleared for entrance by the Secret Service.

Those records show that Tamraz attended three other White House events for donors sponsored by the Democratic National Committee and a Christmas party, said officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The records show that Clinton attended the events, officials said.

On Sept. 11, 1995, Tamraz attended a reception for business leaders sponsored by the DNC, officials said. Four days later he attended a DNC dinner and on Dec. 13, 1995, a holiday reception, the records show.

At the large gatherings, Tamraz said he had only a brief chance to shake the president's hand and pose for a picture. "When he's there, you hardly see him."

Clinton injures his knee

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — President Clinton tore a tendon in his knee early today after stumbling on the stairs at golfer Greg Norman's home and required surgery.

Doctors described the damage to his right knee as substantial.

Clinton left for Bethesda Naval Hospital where the surgery was scheduled for late this afternoon.

As he left Florida, Clinton flashed a thumbs up and shouted "I feel good" above the roar of Air Force One engines.

His white cast peeking out from the leg of a black jogging suit, Clinton was flanked by two Secret Service agents who helped him onto the plane using a wheelchair ramp.

About 1:20 a.m., Clinton stumbled on a step as he left Norman's home and tore his quadriceps tendon, which connects the upper thigh to the kneecap.

"He remembers his right knee buckling out. He heard a very loud pop," said Navy Capt. Connie Mariano, the president's personal physician.

The president suffered a 50 percent tear of his tendon, requiring surgery to repair.

"It's technically not that difficult to do," said Dr. Joel Cohen, vice president at St. Mary's Hospital. "It's not a major operation, but it's not a minor one."

"You literally drill a hole in the knee cap," Cohen said, to reattach the tendon to the kneecap. If there are no complications, the surgery generally takes about 90 minutes.

The president will be given an epidural or a 'ocal anesthetic during the surgery and will be conscious, the doctors said.

There are no plans to turn presidential powers over to Vice President Al Gore.

Clinton will be in a leg brace and use crutches for from two to six weeks, the doctors said. Physical therapy will begin in three to six weeks and could take up to six months.

The president was given an anti-inflammatory, non-narcotic pain killer called Toradol to ease the painful injury, his doctor said. His leg was put in a temporary cast running from his thigh to his ankle. He was transported to Air Force One in a wheelchair.

Press secretary Mary Ellen Glynn said the president was in good spirits. "He asked for a deck of cards and was playing hearts" with confidante Bruce Lindsey.

Clinton is due to travel to Helsinki to meet with Russian President Boris Yeltsin next Wednesday and Thursday. "It will go on," Clinton said as he left Florida. "You bet."

He said he told Norman, "My handicap was going up by the minute."

First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton is to leave Saturday morning on a two-week trip to Africa with their daughter, Chelsea. Aides said she probably still would go but delay her departure a few hours to be with the president.

Masses flee Albania as chaos spreads

TIRANA, Albania (AP) — Albanian gunmen fired on U.S. and Italian military helicopters ferrying hundreds of foreigners to safety today, and one U.S. helicopter returned fire. The clash prompted U.S. officials to suspend the evacuation — leaving at least 90 Americans still trying to escape the anarchy engulfing this Balkan nation.

Two U.S. Marine helicopters were shot at — one by small-arms fire from the ground and the other by a shoulder-launched SA-7 surface-to-air missile, a Pentagon official said in Washington on condition of anonymity.

Neither Cobra helicopter was hit. The one under attack from small-arms fire returned fire. One Italian helicopter was hit, but there were no injuries, the Italian government said.

Sporadic gunfire, some of it close and intense, was heard today near the compound where U.S. diplomats live and where the evacuations were taking place. Dozens of Marines were on guard, lying on grass lawns with M-16s pointed out toward the high, spiked fence.

"There are a lot of people with weapons and a lot of indiscriminate firing," Marine Col. Emerson Gardner said today on board the USS Nassau, a helicopter carrier in the Adriatic Sea.

"The situation on the ground I call anarchy. Everyone seems to have weapons," he said.

At least 23 people were reported killed and scores wounded in the last day as Albania rapidly descended into chaos. In one city, a mob used a tank to break into a state bank. Hospitals, museums, and government offices were looted and dozens of state vehicles set on fire.

In Tirana, the capital, Americans and other foreigners fled aboard military helicopters guarded by attack helicopters. U.S. forces had taken out 408 people by the time the operation was suspended this afternoon.

Up to 2,000 U.S. citizens were in Albania before the evacuations began, but officials said only 500 had asked to leave.

Desperate Albanians tried get on board the helicopters, but were turned back.

The defense minister who lost his job two weeks ago, Safet Zhulali, his wife and 14-year-old daughter were among 40 Albanians aboard a boat that arrived today in Brindisi.

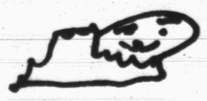
ASK US

Q—What is the minimum time a person must remain in jail after being arrested for public intoxication?
A—Four hours.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Thursday, 86 degrees; low, 36; 7 a.m. Friday, 37; no precipitation; total for 1997, 5.05 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy. Low around 30. NE-E wind 5-15 mph. Saturday, partly cloudy. High 50-55. SE wind increasing to 10-20 mph.



Mark Keller
Partly Cloudy

Sunset: 6:51 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:54 a.m.
Of 73 days in 1997, the sun has shone 64 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The trouble with most of us is that we would rather be ruined by praise than saved by criticism.

-Norman Vincent Peale

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Less forceful airbags will be allowed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Automakers are getting the go-ahead from federal regulators to put less forceful air bags in new vehicles.

Dr. Ricardo Martinez, administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, said Thursday that a rule allowing automakers to install air bags that deploy with 20 percent to 35 percent less force was "imminent."

The announcement could come as soon as today, said government officials, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Air bags inflating at speeds up to 200 mph have been blamed for the deaths of 38 children and 24 adults in low-speed accidents they otherwise should have survived. Most of those killed were not wearing seat belts.

Rep. Frank Wolf, R-Va., chairman of the House Appropriations subcommittee that sets spending for the traffic safety agency, said he was concerned the regulation was coming too late for automakers to make the change for the 1998 model year vehicles.

But Martinez told Wolf at a hearing Thursday that would not happen. "I am fully confident from my conversations with the industry we are on the same page ... and we'll make the '98 date," he said.

Andrew Card, president of the American Automobile Manufacturers Association, said after the hearing that automakers could make the change if the rule came immediately, although the agency was cutting it close.

"You begin to lose the '98 product year at the end of March," Card said.

Vann Wilber of the manufacturers group said automakers were able to stretch production deadlines into March because they had gotten signals from NHTSA that it would approve "depowering" air bags according to a design automakers proposed.

Wilber said if the final rule comes out different from what is expected, it would present difficulties to automakers because they have already made key design decisions.

The debate has been over how to change government testing requirements to allow for less powerful bags and whether less powerful bags could cost the lives of some unbelted adults. The "depowered" bags are intended to reduce the deaths of children from the rapidly deploying safety devices.

Air bags are designed to pass a government test that requires them to cushion a 165-pound unbelted male dummy when a car smashes into a wall at 30 mph.

Domestic automakers want a so-called sled test. That puts a vehicle body on a steel platform and then slams the platform backwards in a fraction of a second to try to replicate the force of a crash. The test does not destroy a car like the current one.

A rival proposal developed inside the agency would change the current test to allow the male dummy's chest to take 80 times the force of gravity instead of the current 60 times.

Automakers say that proposal would allow for less forceful air bags on only about one-third of new vehicles and take up to four years to fully implement.

Also at the hearing Thursday, Martinez asked Congress for $8 million more for air bag research, testing and education projects, including $1 million to investigate air bag deaths or injuries in crashes. "This is my top priority increase for 1998," he said.

Jurors acquit man in '93 murder case

BEAUMONT (AP) — Jurors have acquitted Benjamin Brown in the 1993 capital murder of a key figure in the integration of an all-white public housing development.

The verdict in the slaying of Bill Sampson was handed down Thursday after four hours of deliberations over two days. Brown, 19, was one of four men accused in the slaying.

Simpson, 37, was killed during an attempted robbery in Beaumont less than 12 hours after fleeing a housing project in nearby Vidor. Simpson had been part of a small group of blacks who moved into the all-white apartments as part of a failed integration effort.

The murder was not related to that integration effort, which succeeded after Simpson's death, police said.

Assistant District Attorney Chip Radford said he was not satisfied with the verdict.

"We proved that he was at the scene of the crime, that he had a shirt up over his face and that he hid the weapon after the robbery, and we felt that was enough for a conviction," Radford said.

Brown's attorney, Tom Burbank, said he believes justice was done in the case "though it may be hard to swallow because of the violent nature of the crime."

Juror Betty LeBert said jurors felt there wasn't enough evidence to convict.

"There wasn't any evidence that he had murdered or attempted to rob Bill Simpson. That's the way we all felt," LeBert said.

However, Lydia Washington, who was walking with Simpson when he was shot and killed on Sept. 1, 1993, testified Tuesday that Benjamin Brown shot her.

Capitol Briefs

House member files new parole bill

AUSTIN (AP) — A bill that would toughen parole standards for sex offenders has been filed in the Texas House.

The bill filed Thursday by Rep. Allen Place, D-Gatesville, would allow a sex offender's community supervision to be doubled if a judge determines the person "has not sufficiently demonstrated a commitment to avoid future criminal behavior."

The measure would allow the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to reclassify violent and sex offenders according to the inmate's participation in rehabilitation programs, which could result in the elimination of parole eligibility.

The parole bill is HB2918.

Bill would restrict remedial funding

AUSTIN (AP) — University students would be limited to six state-funded remedial courses, while those at community colleges couldn't take more than nine, under a bill approved by the Texas Senate.

"We're saying to that (university) student if after taking six remediation courses — two English courses, two math courses, two writing courses — you're still not able to perform at the college level, then are we wisely spending our state resources on that student?" said Senate Education Committee Chairman Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, author of the bill.

The bill is meant to give colleges and universities an incentive to put in place remedial programs that work, Bivins said. At community colleges, students couldn't take more than three state-funded remedial courses each in math, reading and writing.

"The interest here is to try to get schools to put the right professors into the remediation classes, and put some emphasis on them, instead of using them today as kind of a dumping ground that will still generate (state) formula funding," Bivins said.

The TASP bill is SB729.

Distribution of state funds studied

AUSTIN (AP) — If the state raises more money to fund public schools it will have to find a new way to distribute the money.

But the distribution system can't simply divide the amount of money by the number of students, a House lawmaker said Thursday.

"Our purpose is not to distribute money, but to educate children," said Rep. Warren Chisum, R-Pampa, and a member of the House Select Committee on Revenue and Public Education Funding. "It costs more to educate some children."

The committee is considering ways to increase the amount of money the state contributes to operate schools and new ways to distribute that money. The committee hopes to find a way to lower local school property taxes by increasing the state's share of the cost.

Of some $38 billion scheduled to be spent on public education from Sept. 1 to Aug. 31, 1999, the state is expected to contribute about $18 billion, or 47 percent.

Rep. Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, and chairman of the committee, is leading work on a plan that would have the state paying up to $34 billion, or 90 percent.

But increasing the state's share would mean a change in the way the money is distributed.

Sadler said one way is to simply divide the $38 billion by the state's nearly 4 million students.

The worksheet can be downloaded from the comptroller's Internet site, http:/www.window.state.tx.us, or can be obtained by phone at (800) 531-5441, extension 34070.

House proposal would abolish UIL

AUSTIN (AP) — A state lawmaker who has disagreed with University Interscholastic League rules in the past wants to abolish the league, which oversees sports and other extracurricular activities in Texas public schools.

Under a bill sponsored by Rep. Ric Williamson, R-Weatherford, the UIL's rulemaking authority would be transferred to the state education commissioner.

The UIL's state executive committee, currently comprised of school administrators, would be replaced with a 12-person advisory committee made up of sports, academic and arts coaches as well as three citizens who have never worked for or represented their school district.

The committee members would be appointed by the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the House and the education commissioner.

Debbie Graves Ratcliffe, a spokeswoman for the Texas Education Agency, said Education Commissioner Mike Moses "has not reviewed the bill, so we won't have any comment at this time."

Williamson said he believes the UIL is currently a private organization that is violating state law by imposing hiring and firing standards on public schools.

"I think the time has come for the people who participate in UIL and state government to make a decision about what UIL is," Williamson said. "Is it a private, not-regulated-by-the-state organization, or is it a state agency? If it is a state agency, it should function as a state agency and follow the law."

UIL Director Bill Farney said, "It would change drastically the structure we have now, which is grassroots. Right now, the rulemaking authority rests with the schools."

Williamson last year testified before the UIL's state executive committee in hopes of changing several rules. His proposals were rejected.

Williamson sought to allow nonschool employees to coach school athletic teams and to allow school coaches to coach their players on teams not associated with the school.

"You look at the budget they operate on and the number of children who participate in their events and it may be the best bargain in America," Joseph said.

When asked if his bill had support, Williamson said, "It's pretty controversial. We'll get a lot of good attention and see where it leads."

The UIL bill is HB2407.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Pain clinic is the best resource

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 65-year-old husband has a problem that has baffled the medical profession here in the Wild West: He suffers constant pain in his right buttock and has been miserable for three years. After seeing a corps of doctors, he was diagnosed with peripheral neuropathy and given pain pills, which he refuses to take because they make him dopey. Now, $3,000 later, we are stuck. What about acupuncture?

DEAR READER: Peripheral neuropathy (a malfunctioning nerve) can be difficult to diagnose and a real challenge to treat. The condition, which causes chronic pain and numbness, can be related to a host of diseases, including diabetes, alcoholism and chronic nerve infection.

Ordinarily, the symptoms are confined to a leg or an arm (hence the designation "peripheral"), not to the buttocks, where pain is commonly the result of a pinched nerve in the spine (a condition called sciatica that is usually diagnosed by special X-rays).

Assuming that your husband has peripheral neuropathy (and I'm not convinced that he has), he should probably be examined and treated in a pain clinic. Such clinics are usually affiliated with large hospitals.

My consultants tell me that there are many forms of therapy for peripheral neuropathy, ranging from antidepressant medication and pain pills to acupuncture, hypnosis and electrical nerve stimulation.

I don't know which method would be suitable for your husband. To a large degree, this would be a trial-and-error decision: The doctors in the pain clinic would try first one treatment, then another, until your husband's pain has been controlled.

The important thing to remember is that he doesn't have to suffer indefinitely. The pain specialists should be able to help him.

DEAR DR. GOTT: In January 1996, my cholesterol was 220. In January of this year, it was 290. Why did it go up? My diet hasn't changed. The only thing different in my life is that I now take Fosamax for osteoporosis.

DEAR READER: Sometimes the cholesterol level rises for no apparent reason. (Of course, it may fall again, too.) Perhaps one of the lab tests was in error. The Fosamax should not affect blood-cholesterol concentrations. I suggest that you repeat the test on a morning prior to eating breakfast.

If your cholesterol is still elevated, your physician will offer advice about bringing it down. He may even prescribe medication, such as Zocor or Mevacor.

In contrast, if the level is normal (below 220 milligrams per deciliter), your cholesterol concentration can simply be monitored with a blood test at intervals determined by your doctor.

To give you more information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Understanding Cholesterol." 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 10145. Be sure to mention the title.

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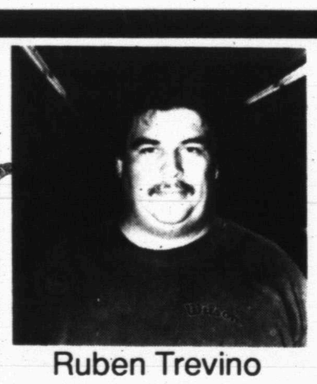
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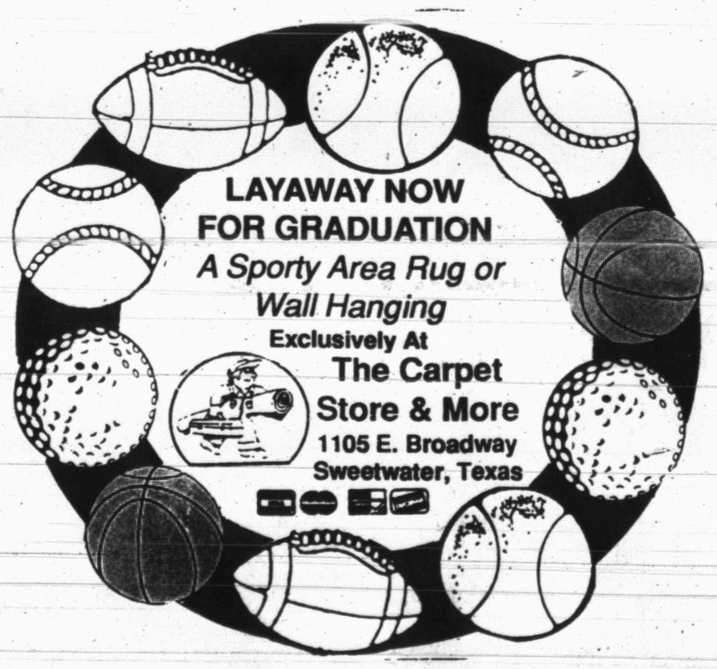
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Community Calendar

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

NA Anonymous; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-3667, 573-1579 or 573-0949; 6 p.m.

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

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

SATURDAY

Morris Shaw School of Defensive Drive course; 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., cost $30; community room of Snyder Savings & Loan, 27th and College Ave.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome; 3 p.m.

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

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

Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

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Stranger's Generosity Ends Couple's Vacation Nightmare

DEAR ABBY: You asked for acts of kindness. Well, here is mine:

In June of last year, my husband and I went to Germany and Austria on vacation. While we were in Austria, my husband stumbled and fell, breaking his hip, which required hospitalization and surgery. I remained by his side in the recovery room until I was asked to leave at 1 a.m. I have never felt so alone.

The next morning, the bad luck continued. In my haste to get back to the hospital, I accidentally locked our hotel room key and the car keys in the trunk of our rented car. When I finally located a locksmith, he charged $103 to unlock the trunk because it was on a Saturday.

My husband spent the next two weeks in the hospital in Salzburg, recovering enough to withstand the 14-hour flight back to our home.

When my husband was finally discharged, the hospital demanded payment in cash, as did the ambulance company. The airline also insisted on cash to pay for the upgrade in seats necessary to make my husband comfortable on our flight home. We had prepaid for our vacation and didn't have a great deal of cash with us, so I had to go from bank to bank to get cash advances from our credit cards. It was difficult because on one day the computer would process the transaction, but the next day for some reason, it wouldn't — "trouble on the phone lines," we were told. The language barrier made things doubly difficult.

It was in Frankfurt, Germany, however, where the real trouble occurred. My husband, who was in a wheelchair, had to wait for me around the corner down a long hallway while I tried in vain to pay for the upgrade with our credit cards. I argued, pleaded and begged to see an airline representative or someone from the American Embassy, but the ticket agent wouldn't budge. I feared we were stranded.

As luck would have it, a gentleman standing in the next line turned and asked me what the trouble was.

I told him how we couldn't get home after all the difficulty we'd been through. He opened his wallet, then handed me 50 $100 bills! My mouth hung open in total shock. He took my name and address, gave me his business card, and went on his way.

Out of possibly 6 billion people on this planet, what were my chances of a Good Samaritan with that much cash standing next to me offering that kind of help? I believe the stranger was an angel in disguise.

I want to thank him publicly. His name is Charan Kumar. Your readers might like to know that there are still some very kind and generous people in this world.

JUDY PRINCE, FRESNO, CALIF.

DEAR JUDY PRINCE: Your letter is a dandy day-brightener. Thanks for a valuable addition to this column!

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DEAR ABBY: I have been thinking about writing to you for a long time to share a memory about my mother, who lived to be 93 years old.

She spent the last seven years of her life with my husband and me. Every morning we had breakfast together and read the newspaper. Our favorite column was "Dear Abby."

One morning I glanced up and saw a small curl of smoke rising from the section of the newspaper she was reading. I thought, "Abby must have a hot article in her column today!"

The source of the smoke soon became apparent. Mother's eyesight was poor, and she was using a magnifying glass to read. The sun was shining through the window and the angle was just right for the rays to pass through the magnifying glass onto the paper. She was so engrossed in your column that at first she didn't notice the heat was burning a hole in the newspaper!

Needless to say, I corrected the problem immediately.

MAY FREISINGER, MISSION VIEJO, CALIF.

DEAR MAY: I've taken a lot of heat for some of the letters I've printed, but nothing like what you've described. Thanks for sharing the memory.

New guidelines vindicate young kisser

WASHINGTON (AP) — You must remember this. A kiss is sometimes just a kiss. Especially when it comes from a friendly first-grader and the target is a classmate.

So says the Education Department in new guidelines aimed at helping school officials figure out what is sexual harassment and what is not.

In the case of Johnathan Prevette, the first-grader who was punished last year for kissing a girl at school, it was not harassment.

"He's very happy. He said, 'See I told them I was just trying to be friends,'" his mother, Mrs. Prevette, said this morning. "It makes everything we went through and everything we fought for worth it. Maybe other children won't have to go through this."

The guidelines, published Thursday, call upon the "judgment and common sense" of school officials when fighting harassment. The department told officials to consider the alleged offender's age.

"The factors in the guidance confirm that a kiss on the cheek by a first-grader does not constitute sexual harassment," the department said, mentioning the case but not Johnathan's name.

"In order to give rise to a complaint ... sexual harassment must be sufficiently severe, persistent or pervasive that it adversely affects a student's education or creates a hostile or abusive educational environment," the guidelines said. "For a one-time incident to rise to the level of harassment, it must be severe."

Johnathan was separated from his class at Southwest Elementary School in Lexington, N.C., for a day and banned from an ice cream party after kissing a classmate in September 1996.

The case drew worldwide attention — and ridicule for schools nervous about the strings attached to federal aid. The guidelines attempted to clarify some real situations besides Johnathan's.

"A high school athletic coach hugging a student who made a goal or a kindergarten teacher's consoling hug for a child with a skinned knee will not be considered sexual harassment," the guidelines said.

"A teacher's repeatedly hugging and putting his or her arms around students under inappropriate circumstances" could be.

Students who tell gay or lesbian students they are not welcome at a cafeteria table are not sexually harassing them under federal law. Male students who target lesbian students for sexual advances would be harassing them.

A creative writing class in which students read classic works or student works that are sexually derogatory would be protected under the First Amendment to the Constitution.

A group of male students that targeted a female student on her bus ride home, making sexual comments about her body or following her home, could not be protected.

Reusing devices spreads illness

ATLANTA (AP) — Hepatitis B broke out at a New York City hospital and an Ohio nursing home after nurses who drew blood from the patients reused devices for pricking their fingers, the government said.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention did not identify the facilities but said at least 11 people were infected in Ohio and 14 in New York last year.

The nurses changed lancets between patients but not the end caps on the spring-loaded devices, and it was the caps that were found to be contaminated, the CDC said Thursday. The cap, which rests on the patient's finger while the skin is pricked, was supposedly designed for reuse.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Saturday, March 15, 1997

In the year ahead you might form a practical alliance with a member of the opposite sex for a commercial purpose. You will be comfortable friends, but romance isn't in the picture.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You will be an enjoyable person to be around today, provided everyone is willing to do things your way. If the situation changes, so might your personality. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your suggestions to your superiors might not win you accolades today, especially if they attack authority. Tread carefully.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you think a walk through the mall will induce you to spend more money today, it would be wise to stay home working on your budget instead.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) In an enjoyable competition, fire your best shot today, but don't get too serious about being no.1. If you do, it could ruin the fun for everyone.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If obligations and responsibilities are neglected today, you might have to start paying the piper sooner than you think.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you are in need of a favor today, be extremely selective about whom you go to for assistance. The wrong benefactor might tie some strings to his or her offer.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) This could be one of those days when everything you do rubs some people the wrong way. In your zeal to achieve your objectives, don't kick others in the shins.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Co-workers will resent it if you behave too arrogantly around them today. State your suggestions in such a way that they feel they are part of the team.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Despite warnings from your better judgment today, you might still do something unwise that could cost you both tangibly and intangibly.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Strive to be as tolerant and considerate of your immediate family today as you are with some of your better friends, even if you feel they may not deserve it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A problem you may have at work today is your own doing, yet you might try to cast a portion of the blame off on innocent associates.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Be extra prudent in the management of your resources today or else you might foolishly squander dollars that you'll need for a practical purpose later.

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Date Book

March 14, 1997

Today is the 73rd day of 1997 and the 84th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1794, Eli Whitney received a patent on the cotton gin.

On this day in 1862, Union troops took New Berne, N.C.

On this day in 1964, Jack Ruby was found guilty of the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Lucy Hobbs Taylor (1867-1910), dentist-rights activist; Albert Einstein (1879-1955), physicist; Frank Borman (1928-), astronaut-airline executive, is 69; Michael Caine (1933-), actor, is 64; Quincy Jones (1933-), musician-composer, is 64; Wes Unseld (1946-), basketball player-coach, is 51; Billy Crystal (1947-), comedian-actor, is 50; Kirby Puckett (1961-), baseball player, is 36.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1963, Guy Rogers of San Francisco passed out 28 assists in a National Basketball League game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The unleashed power of the atom has changed everything save our modes of thinking, and we thus drift toward unparalleled catastrophes." — Albert Einstein

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1959, a snow storm caused 15-foot drifts in northeast Iowa.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day before first quarter.

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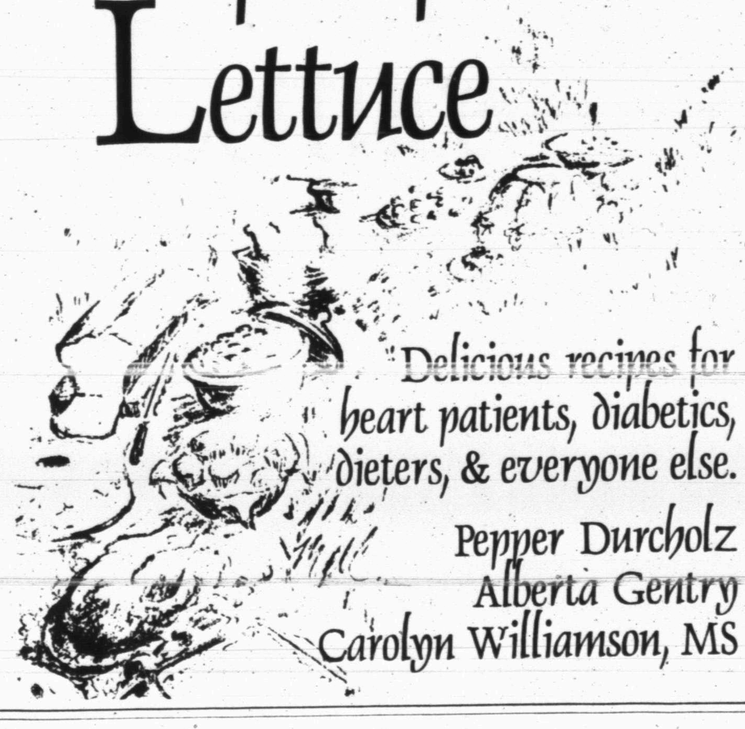
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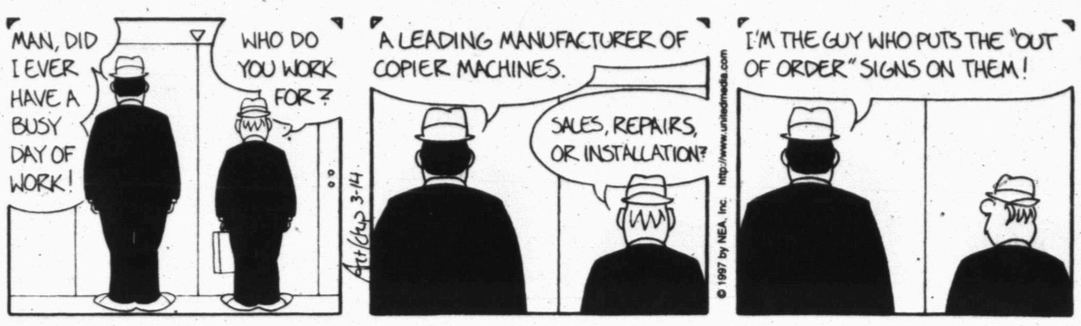
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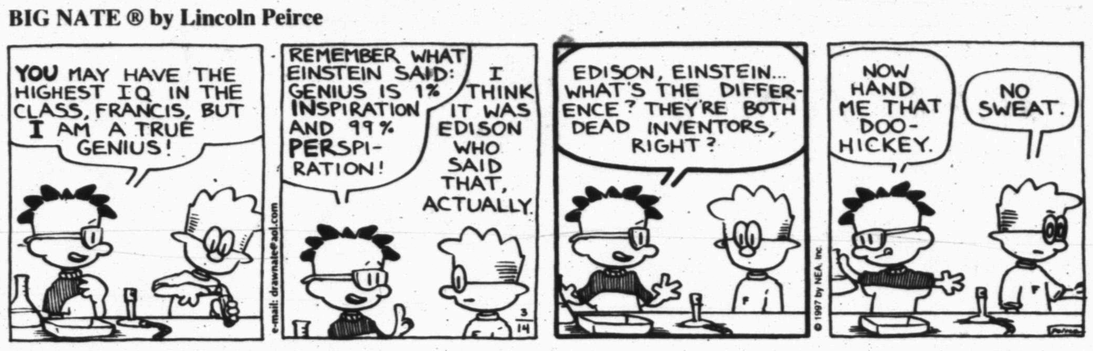
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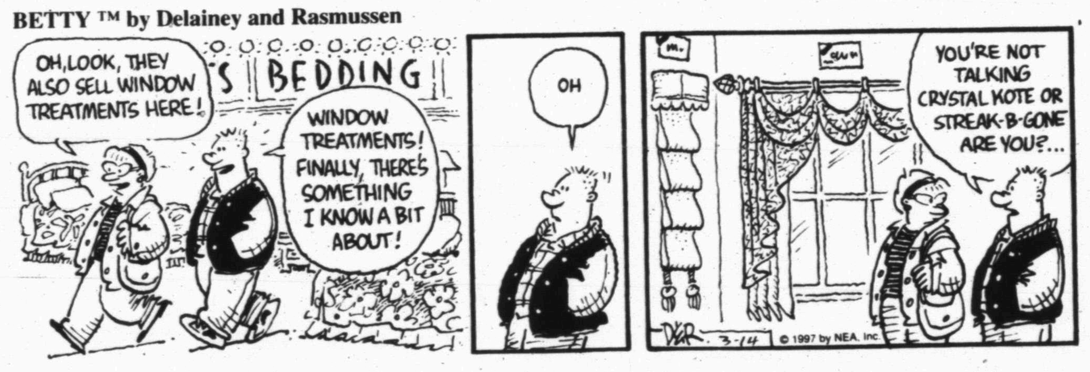
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20 Acted like a villain
22 Mrs. Peron
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25 Evil
29 Adjust the clock
33 Actress Arden
34 She played Carla
36 Nap
37 Unless (Lat.)
39 Safecracker (sl.)
41 — Tin Tin (movie dog)
42 Legal decree
44 Retiree's income
46 Sup
48 Bounce or skip
49 Jump from a plane (2 wds.)
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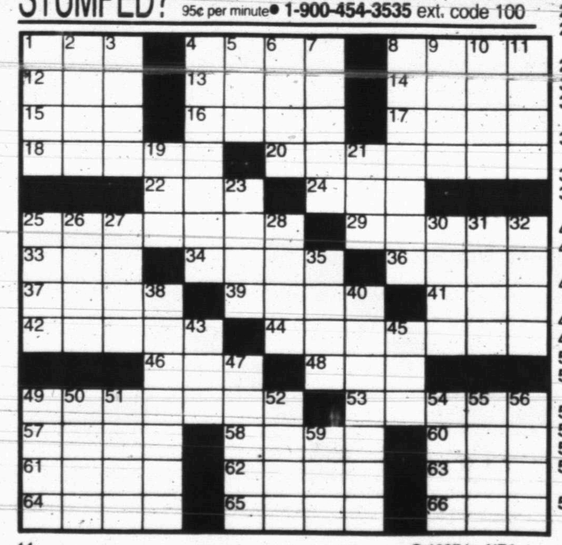
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19 Sty
21 Hearing organ
23 Pale
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26 Enthusiastic
27 Bandleader Arnaz
28 Ooze
30 Spore cases
31 Singer — Pinza
32 Between Ky. and Miss.
35 Got older
38 Reykjavik's country
40 Biting
43 Chinese philosophy
45 64-Across, e.g.
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55 Cash drawer
56 End of week abbr.
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
NewYork	47	17	.734	—
Miami	46	17	.730	½
Orlando	34	28	.548	12
Washington	29	33	.468	17
NewJersey	18	44	.290	28
Philadelphia	16	46	.258	30
Boston	12	52	.188	35

Central Division

x-Chicago	55	8	.873	—
Detroit	46	17	.730	9
Atlanta	43	20	.683	12
Charlotte	41	22	.651	14
Cleveland	34	28	.548	20½
Indiana	30	32	.484	24½
Milwaukee	26	36	.419	28¼
Toronto	23	40	.365	32

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Utah	46	17	.730	—
Houston	43	21	.672	3½
Minnesota	31	31	.500	14½
Dallas	21	41	.339	24½
Denver	18	45	.286	28
SanAntonio	15	47	.242	30½
Vancouver	11	54	.169	36

Pacific Division

Seattle	44	18	.710	—
L.A.Lakers	42	20	.677	2
Portland	36	28	.563	9
Sacramento	28	36	.438	17
L.A.Clippers	26	35	.426	17½
Phoenix	25	38	.397	19½
GoldenState	24	39	.381	20½

x-clinched playoff spot

Wednesday's Games

Utah 117, New Jersey 102
Chicago 108, Philadelphia 104
Washington 104, Vancouver 82
Indiana 92, Atlanta 82
Orlando 96, Houston 95
L.A. Lakers 109, Golden State 101

Thursday's Games

Seattle 108, Minnesota 92
Dallas 109, Boston 107
Detroit 102, Denver 82
Phoenix 112, L.A. Clippers 96
Toronto 103, Sacramento 96
Golden State 101, Cleveland 95, OT

Friday's Games

Chicago at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Boston at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Portland, 10 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Toronto at Golden State, 2 p.m.
Charlotte at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Utah at Washington, 6:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Denver, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

Sunday's Games

New Jersey at New York, 1 p.m.
Houston at Miami, 1 p.m.
Indiana at Milwaukee, 1:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Orlando, 2 p.m.
Boston at Minnesota 2:30 p.m.
Seattle at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Portland at L.A. Clippers, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Sacramento, 8 p.m.
Toronto at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m.

Lowly Mavs rout Celtics

Mavericks 109, Celtics 107

DALLAS (AP) — Two-game winning streaks aren't usually cause for celebration. When you're the Dallas Mavericks, two in a row is good enough reason for hugs and high-fives.

The Mavericks got a season-high 31 points from Shawn Bradley and 27 points from Michael Finley in a 109-107 decision over the Boston Celtics on Thursday night.

Dallas also beat the New York Knicks on Tuesday night, then nearly lost to the team with the second-worst record in the NBA two nights later.

"Tonight was really a big win for us," Bradley said. "We had a great game against New York, but if we didn't follow it up with a strong performance, it would have been wasted. Collectively we just wouldn't let this game go."

Bradley blocked a potential game-tying shot with 3.3 seconds left after Finley's steal and dunk with 9.8 seconds left gave the Mavericks a two-point lead. Rookie Antoine Walker was victimized twice in the final seconds; his shot was blocked by Bradley and he had the ball stolen by Finley. Walker also had a shot at the the buzzer, but his 3-point attempt bounced off the rim.

"Michael Finley made a great play and Bradley is tough out there," said Walker, who finished with 10 points and 17 rebounds, but went 3-for-17 from the field. "Even so, we had a chance to win the game."

Rookie Erick Strickland scored 16 points and A.C. Green had 11 points and 11 rebounds as the Mavericks won their second game in a row for only the fifth time this season.

Seconds before his key steal, Finley was beaten on the boards when he failed to box out Walker. But Walker's layup was blocked by Bradley, and Finley stole the ball from Walker following a chase for a loose ball.



COLLISION AT THE PLATE — Snyder's John Border attempts to stop a Brownfield baserunner from scoring, but the ball pops loose. Snyder won 3-2 over Brownfield and 9-0 over Littlefield. The Tigers play tonight at 7 against Sweetwater or Fort Stockton at Moffett Field. (Photo by Jamie Sharp)

Janzen leads Honda Classic

CORAL SPRINGS, Fla. (AP) — Colin Montgomerie, like a true Scot, loves playing golf in the wind.

Montgomerie finished the first round of the Honda Classic Thursday in the wind and rain, proud of his 4-under-par 68, but worried that a passing storm would take the gusting winds with it.

"I don't mean to be awkward when I say I hope it picks up again," the Scot said with a smile. "Let's hope for the same throughout the day so it will be fair."

Not to worry.

The wind almost always blows hard in south Florida in the spring.

The leader board after Thursday's first round reflected players who have experience handling it.

Lee Janzen, who won the Players Championship in 1995 in 30 mph wind gusts, and Hawaiian Open winner Paul Stankowski shared the lead with a 5-under-par 67 in blustery conditions that guarded pins and led to a lot of second-guessing.

THE ROAD TO THE FINAL FOUR

NCAA tourney

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EAST REGIONAL
First Round
At Lawrence Joel Coliseum
Winston-Salem, N.C.
Thursday, March 13

California 55, Princeton 52
Villanova 101, Long Island University 91
North Carolina 82, Fairfield 74
Colorado 80, Indiana 62

At Pittsburgh Civic Arena
Pittsburgh
Friday, March 14

Wisconsin (18-9) vs. Texas (16-11), 12:15 p.m.
South Carolina (24-7) vs. Coppin State (21-8), 30 minutes after previous game
New Mexico (24-7) vs. Old Dominion (22-10), 7:40 p.m.
Louisville (23-8) vs. Massachusetts (19-13), 30 minutes after previous game

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL
First Round
At The Pyramid
Memphis, Tenn.
Thursday, March 13

Kansas 78, Jackson State 64
Purdue 83, Rhode Island 76, OT
College of Charleston 75, Maryland 66
Arizona 65, South Alabama 57

At Charlotte Coliseum
Charlotte, N.C.
Friday, March 14

Georgia (24-8) vs. Tennessee-Chattanooga (22-10), 12:30 p.m.
Illinois (21-9) vs. Southern California (17-10), 30 minutes after previous game
Marquette (22-8) vs. Providence (21-11), 7:40 p.m.
Duke (23-8) vs. Murray State (20-9), 30 minutes after previous game

MIDWEST REGIONAL
First Round
At The Palace of Auburn Hills
Auburn Hills, Mich.
Thursday, March 13

Cincinnati 86, Butler 69
Iowa State 69, Illinois State 57
Xavier, Ohio 80, Vanderbilt 68
UCLA 109, Charleston Southern 75

At Kemper Arena
Kansas City, Mo.
Friday, March 14

Clemson (21-9) vs. Miami, Ohio (21-8), 12:25 p.m.
Tulsa (23-9) vs. Boston University (25-4), 30 minutes after previous game
Mississippi (20-8) vs. Temple (19-10), 7:50 p.m.
Minnesota (27-3) vs. Southwest Texas State (16-12), 30 minutes after previous game

WEST REGIONAL
First Round
At The Huntsman Center
Salt Lake City
Thursday, March 13

Boston College 73, Valparaiso 66
St. Joseph's 75, Pacific 65
Kentucky 92, Montana 54
Iowa 73, Virginia 60

At The McKale Center
Tucson, Ariz.
Friday, March 14

North Carolina Charlotte (21-8) vs. Georgetown (20-9), 2:42 p.m.
Utah (26-3) vs. Navy (20-8), 30 minutes after previous game
Wake Forest (23-6) vs. St. Mary's, Calif. (23-7), 7:55 p.m.
Stanford (20-7) vs. Oklahoma (19-10), 30 minutes after previous game

San Antonio to host Big 12 championship game

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Add another big-time college athletic event to the Alamo City's calendar.

The Alamodome has been selected as the site for the Big 12's football championship game between North and South divisions on Saturday, Dec. 6.

"We're excited about giving football fans in this region a chance to see one of the nation's premiere championship games," said commissioner Steve Hatchell during his Thursday announcement.

"We have been pleased with the bids we received from a number of cities for the game and we are really happy about the 1997 site. San Antonio offers a great atmosphere, many local attractions and a fine facility in the Alamodome."

The TWA Dome in St. Louis hosted the first game between Texas and Nebraska and fell short of capacity although it produced $500,000 in additional revenue for conference schools. Texas won 37-27.

That site fell in Big 12 North territory. The second game will be squarely on South land.

Houston and St. Louis also submitted bids for the game.

Missouri's Joe Castiglione, the Big 12 director of athletics chairman, said "the directors liked the idea of moving the championship to different geographical sites to offer increased exposure in new areas for the Big 12. We were very pleased with the support and the reception we had in the inaugural game in St. Louis last December."

Capacity in the Alamodome is 65,000. ABC will televise the event, which is sponsored by Dr Pepper.

Donnie Duncan, Big 12 senior associate commissioner, said the game "is a showcase for Big 12 football as well as college football nationally."

"I don't know that I can pinpoint one reason why San Antonio was chosen," Duncan said. "But I do know that San Antonio has a really good image throughout the Big 12. San Antonio was a known going in."

The Alamodome will be the site of next weekend's NCAA Midwest Regional men's basketball tournament. Next spring, the Alamodome will host the NCAA men's Final Four.

Bob Coleman, head of the local organizing committee, said "we are delighted to be furthering our partnership with the Big 12 Conference."

Tickets will range from $10 to $75, compared to $40 and $60 in St. Louis. Big 12 and city officials worked to ensure an easier ticket.

"We wanted to make it reasonable for students so that if three or four of them want to get in a car and come down, there will be a ticket price they can afford," Duncan said.

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In semifinals...

Snyder wins two in tourney Thursday

The Snyder Tiger varsity baseball team won two games Thursday to put them two games away from a championship at the Snyder Baseball Tournament.

Snyder dropped Brownfield 3-2 and Littlefield 9-0.

In the Tigers' first game, Snyder was ahead 1-0 in the third, but an overthrow and an error gave Brownfield a 2-1 lead.

The Tigers redeemed themselves in the sixth on a David Smith sacrifice fly that scored Kyle Beck to put Snyder up for good.

Snyder had no trouble with the Littlefield Wildcats in the second game, winning 9-0 in the fifth inning.

The tournament is using an eight-run rule, and since the Tigers were up by nine, the game ended.

Patrick Cumbie scored the win on the mound, fanning an impressive 13 and giving up only two hits. Cumbie also had a triple that scored three runs in the first inning.

Other scores Thursday--Andrews 13, Seminole 2; Roosevelt 3, Abilene Wylie 2; Huntington 2, Big Spring 5; Sweetwater 9, Denver City 5; Colorado City 2, Fort Stockton 8; Lubbock Christian 0, Andrews 13.

Snyder is in the semifinals awaiting the winner of the Sweetwater-Fort Stockton game that was scheduled for this morning. Snyder plays tonight at 7 at Moffett Field.

Lady Tigers win two, JV wins one in tourney

The varsity Lady Tigers won two of three and the JV dropped two in the Canyon Reef Spring Break Classic at Cates Field Thursday.

The varsity fell 8-1 to Clyde in their first game, but Snyder rebounded to win their next two, 3-1 and 19-2.

In the Lady Tiger's first game against Clyde, Snyder had only one hit, a Starla Davis single. Clyde belted 11 hits.

Snyder's second game saw the Lady Tigers take a 3-1 win over San Angelo Lake View.

Amy Ricks went two for two with a double, Starla Davis went two for two and Brittany Drummond hit two for three.

Snyder's final game of the day was a 19-2 rout of the Godley Lady Wildcats.

The Lady Tigers ripped 20 hits including triples from CeCe Valadez and Amanda Huff. Valadez and Huff also smacked doubles.

The JV was not as successful, losing both its games Thursday.

In the first, the JV Lady Tigers fell, 5-2, to the Colorado City Lady Wolves. Brady Johnson hit a double and K.K. McClain hit a double and a single.

In their second game, the JV lost 8-4 to Lubbock Monterey. Randy Haggard hit two singles and Johnson ripped a double.

This morning, the JV Lady Tigers scored their first win of the tournament with a 9-4 victory over Lubbock Monterey.

K.K. McClain ripped a triple and a single, Courtney Rinehart hit a triple and a double and Brady Johnson hit a double.

Other scores from Thursday--Abilene High 10, Big Spring 0; Lubbock Monterey 8, Colorado City 4; Hermleigh 4, Abilene High JV 3; Abilene High 5, Breckenridge 1; Hawley 8, Van Alstyne 2; Midland Christian 1, Breckenridge 0; Lubbock High 4, Abilene JV 1; Lubbock Coronado 6, El Paso Eastwood 4; Hawley 7, Coahoma 1; Midland Christian 2, Big Spring 0.

The varsity squad is 2-1 in pool play and the JV is 0-2.The varsity was scheduled to play El Paso Eastwood this morning and the JV was scheduled to take on Monahans. The JV will begin bracket play this afternoon and the varsity will start bracket play Saturday.

Transactions

BASEBALL
American League

NEW YORK YANKEES—Assigned RHP Rafael Medina, RHP Danny Rios, C Mike Figga, INF Tim Barker, INF Clay Bellinger, INF Ivan Cruz, INF Andy Fox, INF Gabby Martinez and OF Ricky Ledee to their minor-league camp.

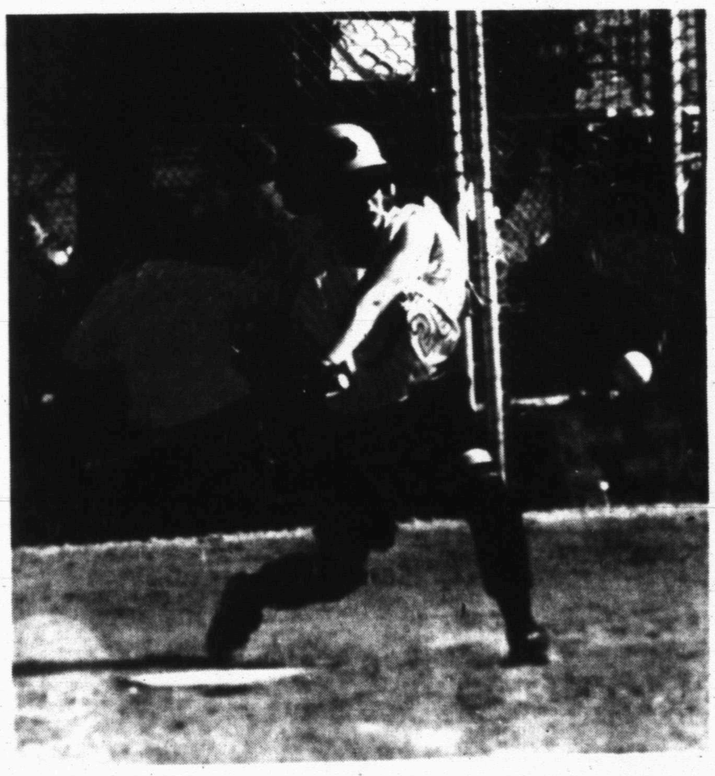
National League

FLORIDA MARLINS—Optioned RHP Livan Hernandez, RHP Andy Larkin, RHP Antonio Alfonseca, LHP Bryan Ward and OF Todd Dunwoody to Charlotte of the International League. Assigned RHP Joe Norris, C Hector Kuilan, C John Roskos, INF Chris Clapinski, INF Brian Daubach and OF Marquis Riley to their minor-league camp.

MONTREAL EXPOS—Released INF Geronimo Pena and OF Milt Cuyler.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Released RHP Steve Parris. Assigned RHP Jose Pett and RHP Scott Taylor to their minor-league camp.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Optioned INF Mike Gulan and C Elieser Marrero to Louisville of the American Association, INF Luis Ordaz, P Blake Stein and Curtis King to Arkansas of the Texas League and OF Miguel Mejia to Prince William of the Carolina League. Assigned P Tom McGraw, P Braden Looper and INF Tom Nevers to their minor-league camp.



SWING AWAY — Snyder's Shea Seaton swings at a pitch in the Lady Tigers' 3-2 win over San Angelo Lake View Thursday. Snyder is 2-1 in pool play and will begin bracket play Saturday. (Photo by Jamie Sharp)

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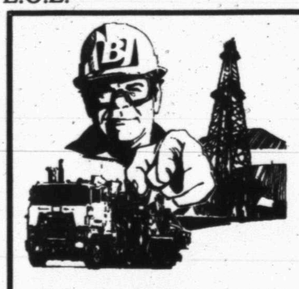
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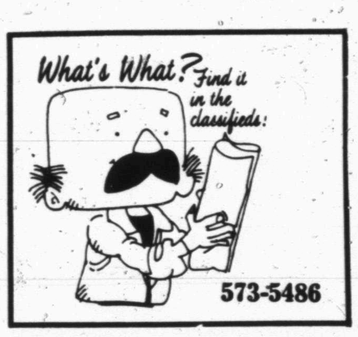
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At 1:56 p.m., deputies arrested an 18-year-old male in the 300 block of 35th Street for misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

At 12:41 this morning, officers arrested a 37-year-old female at Coliseum Drive and Avenue E for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated. A 43-year-old female who was a passenger in the vehicle was arrested for public intoxication.

An offense report for Class C assault by threats was filed at 7:50 p.m. in reference to an assault in the 3600 block of College Avenue.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 03-14-97
♠ K Q 6
♥ 10 5 4
♦ J 8 6 3
♣ A 8 3

West
♠ 10 8 2
♥ A 8 7 6 3
♦ K
♣ J 7 6 4

East
♠ 9 7 5 4
♥ K 2
♦ 7 5 4 2
♣ Q 10 9

South
♠ A J 3
♥ Q J 9
♦ A Q 10 9
♣ K 5 2

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ 6

Polishing in paces

By Phillip Alder

Do you feel your no-trump play could do with some work? If so, a reasonable place to start is "Step-by-Step: Card Play in No-Trumps" by Robert Berthe and Norbert Lebely. It was originally published in 1980 in France, and an English edition appeared the next year. Now it has been republished by Batsford.

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SDN Staff Photos By Jo Ann Nunley



EDUCATION EXCELLENCE AWARD — Elizabeth Jenkins, longtime educator, received the Education Excellence Award from Gayle Lomax, SISD superintendent.



SIZEMORE AWARD — Donna Gray, right, received the Sizemore Award from Donna Fowler, chamber executive director.



McLAUGHLIN AWARD — Mike Post, left, received the McLaughlin Award from last year's recipient, David Holt.



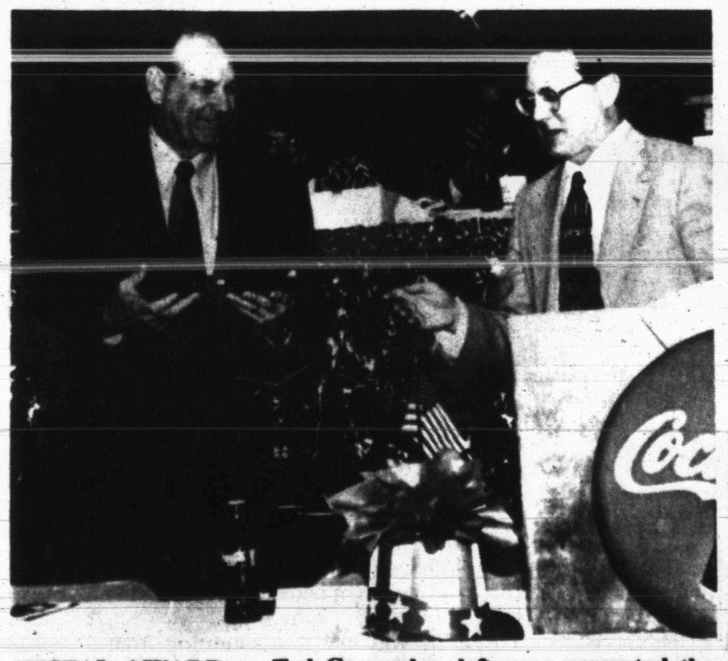
WINSTON AWARD — Joe and Terry Hefner received the Winston Award, presented by Helen Hatter, the granddaughter of Wade Winston.



CHAMBER'S CHOICE AWARD — Jeffrey Martin, chamber president, received the Chamber's Choice Award from Chamber Executive Director Donna Fowler.



BUSINESS AWARD — Lawrence IGA 400 received the Business Award, accepted by owner Jack Lawrence, left, and manager C.R. Perez. It was presented by Donna Fowler.



VESTAL AWARD — Ted Crenwelge, left, was presented the Vestal Award by Jerry Vestal.



ENTERTAINMENT — A group from Ira entertained with music, songs and dances from the 1940s at the Snyder Chamber of Commerce banquet.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Thousands attend funerals of slain girls

BEIT SHEMESH, Israel (AP) — Weeping and crying out the names of the dead, thousands attended the funerals of seven Israeli schoolgirls shot and killed by a Jordanian soldier on their field trip to the Jordan River "Island of Peace."

Classmates of the victims gathered today at the Fierst School in Beit Shemesh, sobbing at their desks and hugging each other on hallway benches as they studied newspaper photographs of the slain students. About 1,000 students prayed together before splitting into small groups for counseling by social workers and psychologists.

"The most important thing is to be together," teacher Zohara Menzigi said.

The shooting on the island of Naharayim, 55 miles northeast of Tel Aviv, came at a time of crisis between Israel and Jordan over the impasse in Israel's peace process with the Palestinians.

At one of the funerals Thursday, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said the massacre would not frighten Israel into easing control of war-won land — defying a warning by King Hussein of Jordan just days before that such a stand could bring violence.

"If someone thinks that the murder of little girls will defeat this people he doesn't know (us)," Netanyahu declared at a cemetery in the central Israeli town of Beit Shemesh.

"If someone thinks he will break our spirit and that we will give up ... our holy land and our eternal capital, he doesn't know the great strength in every person around me here."

Wailing, mourners placed pebbles on the fresh graves of four eighth-graders, in accordance with Jewish tradition.

"Keren, where are you?" the family of junior high student Keren Cohen shouted.

"Adi, the beautiful," others cried, calling out for a bright-eyed, red-cheeked child. Family members said the girl was fluent in sign language, and served as her deaf parents' main link to the world.

The gunman, army driver Lance Cpl. Ahmed Mousa Daqamseh, 28, had psychological problems and Jordanian military police found tranquilizers in his possession, his father, Mousa, said today.

"He was always secluded and he looked always sad and lonely," the elder Daqamseh said.

A high school dropout from the village of Ibdir, the gunman was drafted 12 years ago, his family said. He had two sons and a daughter.

Thursday morning, Daqamseh sat in an army jeep at an outpost on Naharayim, a manmade island that Israel returned to Jordan under their 1994 peace treaty and is a popular tourist spot for Israelis. A sign at the entrance reads "Island of Peace."

Sometime after 11 a.m., an Israeli bus filled with about 40 eighth-grade girls from the Fierst School pulled up on the grassy hill. The girls filed out to take in the sweeping view of the Jordan River valley.

Senate, Clinton disagree over Mexico's anti-drug war effort

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional efforts to toughen Mexico's anti-drug programs now move to the Senate, where a proposed bipartisan resolution would let President Clinton's seal of approval stand after the House voted to give Mexico 90 days to reform.

The House voted 251-175 Thursday to overturn Clinton's declaration of Mexico as fully cooperative in the anti-drug war unless the country takes specific steps against illegal drugs.

The bill to decertify Mexico and mark it as uncooperative would keep Clinton's power to waive sanctions normally triggered by decertification.

The vote brought sharp responses from Clinton and Mexico.

Clinton said it would make it more difficult for Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo to work with U.S. officials against "the scourge of drugs." Mexico's foreign ministry said it would boost drug traffickers.

Zedillo, in Japan for a state visit, accused U.S. lawmakers of "seeking pretexts in order not to confront a problem which has become very serious in their own country ... they are looking for someone to put the blame on."

House supporters hailed the resolution as a necessary step to show dissatisfaction with Mexico and to protect Americans from drugs.

The key issue, said Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, is whether Congress "is going to demonstrate a resolve to save not only our children but the children of Mexico as well from what can only be described as the horrors of drug trafficking."

In the Senate, lawmakers from both parties raised concerns that overturning Clinton's certification of Mexico would hurt relations with a close neighbor, possibly harm Mexico's economy and hinder the anti-drug effort in both countries.

Banquet

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The comptroller said that the biggest failing of government is "We forget who our customers are."

He said state government should be operated like a business, cutting back when times are lean, and making adjustments as needed.

Still, he noted, the only difference between a conservative and a liberal politician is that "both will spend every dime, but conservatives will feel bad about it."

Holt was the master of ceremonies and Tony Wofford presented the opening prayer.

Obituaries

Rhonda Hester

1952-1997

Services are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for Rhonda Hester of Snyder who died Wednesday morning in an automobile accident. Mrs. Hester was 45.

She was born on Feb. 13, 1952 in Snyder. Mrs. Hester was an employee of A&M Composites in Coahoma.

Survivors include her husband, Ron Hester of Snyder; one daughter, Damona Goss of San Angelo; two stepchildren, Angie Morris and Justin Hester, both of Snyder; her mother, Evelyn Windham of Menard; a sister, Rosie Comer of Big Spring; and a brother, Randy Lawson of Menard.

Luella Stoker

1909-1997

Luella B. Stoker, former longtime Snyder resident, died Thursday, March 13 in Shannon Memorial Hospital. Service has been set for 10 a.m. Saturday at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Snyder Cemetery.

Mrs. Stoker was born on Feb. 27, 1909 in Snyder and lived in Snyder until she moved to San Angelo in 1984. She was preceded in death by her husband of 64 years, Guy Stoker; and her daughter, Martha Huddleston.

Survivors include a son, Richard Lee Stoker of Snyder; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Florence Shaw

1925-1997

LUBBOCK — A memorial service was held at 10:30 a.m. today in Greenlawn Church of Christ in Lubbock for Florence Obriant Shaw, former Snyder resident. She was 71.

Mrs. Shaw died Tuesday, March 11 at her residence in Wolfforth.

She was born in Sandusky, Ohio. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

She reared her children in Snyder, moving to Clovis, N.M., where she retired in 1991 as a dispatch clerk for the Santa Fe Railroad Company.

Mrs. Shaw was preceded in death by a granddaughter in 1987.

Survivors include two sons, Rocky B. Shaw of Lubbock and Buddy Shaw of Farmington, N.M.; a daughter, Debbie Haggard of Las Vegas, Nev.; a brother, John T. Obriant of Unionville, Conn.; a sister, Meave Carriker of Dothan, Ala.; a sister-in-law, Dorothy Taylor of Snyder; three cousins of Snyder, Eleanor Burns, Wanda Bennett and Larry Hooper; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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AirTouch	26⅛	25⅝	25⅞	+ ⅛
Albertsons	36⅛	35⅞	36	+ ⅛
AlldSignal	73⅛	72⅝	73⅛	+1⅛
Alltel	34	33⅞	34	
AmerOnline	45	43⅜	43⅝	— ⅛
AmStores	44¾	44¼	44⅜	+ ⅛
Ameritech	62⅛	61⅛	61⅜	+ ⅛
Amoco	87⅞	87⅛	87⅜	+ ⅛
AndarkPtr	56⅝	56⅜	56⅜	+1⅛
ArmcoInc	3⅜	3⅜	3⅜	— ⅛
AtlRichfld	125⅜	125⅛	125⅜	+ ⅛
ATMOS Egy	24⅝	24⅜	24⅝	
Aviall	10⅞	10⅝	10⅞	
BakerHughes	37⅜	37¼	37⅜	+ ⅛
BellAtl	63⅜	63¼	63⅜	+ ⅛
BellSouth	43⅜	42⅞	43⅛	+ ⅛
BethSteel	8⅜	8⅜	8⅜	+ ⅛
BritPet	133⅜	132⅛	133⅛	+1⅛
BurlNoSFe	82⅝	82⅛	82⅛	
Caterpillar	80⅜	79⅝	80⅜	+ ⅛
CenSoWst	23⅛	23	23⅛	
Chevron	67⅞	66⅝	67⅛	+1
Chrysler s	31⅜	31	31⅛	+ ⅛
Coastal	47⅛	46¼	47⅛	+1⅛
CocaColas	60⅜	59⅛	59⅛	— ⅛
ColgatePalm	109	108⅛	108⅜	+ ⅛
ComclMetals	29⅝	29⅛	29⅜	
CooperIn	46⅝	46⅜	46⅝	
CyprusAmax	24⅛	23⅞	24	+ ⅛
DallSemicn	26⅝	26⅛	26⅜	+ ⅛
DeltaAird	86	85⅞	85⅞	+ ⅛
DigitalEq	30⅛	29⅜	29⅜	+ ⅛
Dillard	32	31⅝	31⅜	+ ⅛
DowChem	84⅜	83⅜	84⅛	+ ⅛
DresserInd	30⅜	30⅛	30⅜	+ ⅛
DuPont	112⅝	111⅛	112⅝	+1⅜
EastmanChem	55⅞	55⅛	55⅞	+ ⅛
EstKodak	89⅛	87⅞	87⅝	—1⅝
EDS Corp	44⅛	43⅜	44	— ⅜
Enserch	21⅞	21⅛	21⅜	+ ⅛
Entergy	25⅝	25⅛	25⅝	
Exxon	101⅛	100⅛	101⅛	+1⅛
Exxonwi	51⅛	50⅝	51⅛	+ ⅛
FstBksAm	10⅝	10⅝	10⅝	
Flowers	24⅜	24⅛	24⅛	— ⅛
FordMotor	32⅜	31⅞	32	+ ⅛
GTE Cp	45⅞	45⅛	45⅜	+ ⅛
GenDynam	66⅜	65⅝	66⅛	+ ⅛
GenElec	104⅛	103⅜	103⅜	+ ⅛
GenMills	63⅛	62⅝	63	+ ⅛
GenMotors	57⅞	57⅜	57⅜	+ ⅛
GaPacif	77¼	76⅞	76⅝	— ⅛
GlobalMar	21⅛	20⅝	21⅛	+ ⅛
Goodrich	40⅛	39⅝	40⅛	+ ⅛
Goodyear s	53⅛	53⅛	53⅛	+ ⅛
GtAtlPac	27⅞	27⅜	27⅛	+ ⅛
Haliburtn	69¼	68⅝	69	+ ⅛
Hanson ADS n	23⅞	23⅞	23⅛	+ ⅛
HarteHanks	29⅛	28⅝	28⅛	+ ⅛
HomeDepot	58	57⅛	57⅛	+ ⅛
HoustonInds	21⅛	21⅛	21⅛	+ ⅛
IBM	144⅛	143¼	143⅛	+ ⅛
IntlPaper	42⅛	42⅛	42⅛	— ⅛
JohnsnJn s	59⅛	58⅝	58⅝	— ⅛
K mart	12⅝	12⅜	12⅜	— ⅛
Kroger	55⅞	54¼	55⅛	+1⅛
Litton	41⅛	40⅛	41⅛	+1
LockhdMart	85⅛	85	85⅛	+ ⅛
Lowes Cos	38⅞	38⅛	38⅛	+1⅛
Lubys	20	19⅝	19⅝	— ⅛
LucentTech n	55⅜	54¼	54⅛	—1⅛
MayDeptStrs	48⅝	48	48⅛	+ ⅛
Medtronic	65⅜	64⅛	64⅜	— ⅛
Mobil	131⅛	129⅝	131⅛	+1⅛
Monsanto s	40⅝	40⅛	40⅛	+1
Motorola	56⅜	56	56⅛	+ ⅛
NCR Corp n	37⅛	36⅝	36⅝	+ ⅛
NationsBk s	60⅛	59⅝	59⅛	+ ⅛
Navistar	9⅜	9⅜	9⅜	+ ⅛
NoramEngy	15		14⅞	14⅞
Norwest	50⅛	50	50	+ ⅜
Nynex	47⅞	47⅛	47⅛	+ ⅛
OryxEngy	19⅛	19⅛	19⅛	+ ⅛
PacTelesis	39⅜	39	39⅛	+ ⅛
PanEnergy	43⅛	43	43⅛	+ ⅛
Penney JC	49⅞	49⅜	49⅜	— ⅛
Pennzoil	52⅜	52⅛	52⅛	+ ⅛
PepBoys	33⅞	33⅛	33⅜	+ ⅛
PepsiCo s	31⅞	31⅜	31⅜	+ ⅛
PhelpDodge	76¼	76	76⅛	+ ⅛
PhilipPet	40⅝	40⅛	40⅛	+ ⅛
PilgrmPrd	10	10	10	
Polaroid	41⅞	41⅜	41⅛	+ ⅛
Praxair	49⅞	49⅛	49⅜	— ⅛
ProctGamble	123⅛	122	123⅜	+2⅛
PubSNwMx	17⅜	17⅛	17⅜	+ ⅛
RoyalDutch	176⅛	174⅛	175⅛	+3
SBC Comm	54⅞	54⅛	54½	+ ⅛
SaraLee	39⅝	39¼	39¼	
SearsRoeb	56	54⅞	54⅞	— ⅛
SherwinW	55⅞	55⅜	55⅛	+ ⅛
SnthBchADS	74⅛	73⅛	74⅜	+1⅜
SouthernCo	21⅜	21⅛	21⅜	+ ⅛
SwstAirlines	23⅛	23⅛	23⅛	+ ⅛
Sprint	43⅞	42⅞	43⅛	+ ⅛
SunCo	28	27⅞	27⅞	+ ⅛
TNP Ent	24⅛	24	24	
Tandy	52⅜	52⅛	52⅜	— ⅛
TempleInl	55⅜	55⅛	55⅛	— ⅛
Tenneco	40	39⅝	39⅝	+ ⅛
Texaco	101⅛	99⅞	101⅛	+ ⅛
TexasInds	27⅛	27⅛	27⅛	
TexasInst	85⅞	84⅛	85⅛	+1⅜
TexUtil	36⅞	36⅜	36⅜	— ⅛
Textron	103	101⅜	103	+1⅜
Travelers s	53⅜	52⅜	53⅛	+ ⅛
TrinityInds	32⅛	32⅛	32⅛	+ ⅛
TritonEngy	39⅜	38⅜	39⅛	+ ⅛
Tyler	1⅜	1⅜	1⅜	
US WestCm	34	33⅜	33⅛	+ ⅛
USWstMda	19⅜	19⅛	19⅛	+ ⅛
USX Delhi	14	14	14	— ⅛
USX-Marathn	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛	+ ⅛
USX-USS	29⅛	29⅛	29⅛	+ ⅛
UnCarbde	48⅜	47⅞	48⅛	+1⅛
UnPac s	60⅝	59⅝	60⅛	+ ⅛
UnitedTech s	77⅛	75⅞	77⅛	+2
Unocal	39⅛	38⅜	39	+ ⅛
WalMart	29	28⅛	28⅛	— ⅛
WstnGasRs	18⅞	18⅜	18⅞	
WestghEl	19⅛	18⅜	19⅛	+ ⅛
WinnDixie	32⅜	32¼	32½	+ ⅜
Woolworth	22⅜	22¼	22¼	
XeroxCp s	61⅛	60⅜	61½	+ ⅛
ZenithE	10	9⅞	10	+ ⅛

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Frances Sanders, Snyder Healthcare Center; Martha Schiebel, P.O. Box 1; Richard Morris, 1254 N. Ave. R.

DISMISSALS: Annie Chaney, Gayla Whiteley, Mikki Clinkinbeard, Dellene Leatherwood.

CENSUS: 50 (Med., Surg.-11, Long-term Care-38, OB-1).

Births

Paul and Gina Jones announce the birth of their daughter, Sabrina Dawn, at 10:45 a.m. on March 12 in Big Spring. She weighed seven pounds, 13 ounces and was welcomed home by a sister, Lesa.

Grandparents are Kenneth and Jan Pierce, and Wallace and Barbara Jones, all of Snyder. Great-grandmother is Mildred Wilson of Snyder.

Mike and Stacey Meek of Garden City are parents of a son, Joshua Michael. Weighing nine pounds, he was born at 12:20 p.m. on March 12 in the Women's and Children's Clinic in San Angelo.

Richard and Renee Logston of Snyder and Charlie and Norma Meek of Sylvester are grandparents.

What's Up?

Hamburger fund-raiser

A hamburger lunch and supper is planned Friday and Saturday at Moffett Field, as a fund-raiser for the Snyder High School baseball program. The event is sponsored by the booster club.

AARP chapter to meet

The local AARP chapter will meet at noon Monday in the Senior Center. Cogdell Hospital administrators Jeff Reecer and Jerry Vestal will be the guest speakers. A board meeting will follow the program.

Bible study video tapes

Bible study video tapes are airing on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. They are followed by a new series titled "Hope for Life's Journey." The fourth Bible tape, "The Providentially," will air at 7 p.m. Monday. It will be followed by "When God Went to Prison."

Satellite town meeting

Snyder citizens are invited to participate in a satellite town meeting on "School-to-Work Opportunities: Workplaces as Learning Environments" on Tuesday at 7 p.m. on Channel 32. Viewers can call the program using a toll-free number to ask U.S. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley questions.

Grief support group

The grief support group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the First Presbyterian Church.

Hermleigh Booster Club

Hermleigh Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the high school.

Boys & Girls Club meeting

The Boys & Girls Club board will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the club, 1500 28th Street. Agenda items include summer fund-raising events, employee salaries, building renovations, adding additional board members and United Way. Visitors are welcome.

Ministerial Alliance to meet

The Ministerial Alliance will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday at Rudy's.

Senior Swimnastics

Senior Swimnastics is held each Tuesday and Thursday at the Western Texas College pool from 2:15-3:45 p.m.

Free tax help provided

An AARP tax aide is available Wednesdays at the Senior Center from 9 a.m. until noon and 1-3 p.m. to help middle and low income older taxpayers prepare their personal income taxes. For information, call 573-4035 or 573-3822.

Wildflower tours available

Scurry County Museum will be conducting wildflower tours from April 7-30. Tours should be scheduled at least five days in advance by calling 573-6107. The tours will be given by Western Texas College botany students.

Skate Night planned

Snyder Noon Kiwanis will sponsor Skate Night from 6-9 p.m. Saturday, March 22, at Scurry County Coliseum. Admission is $2 for skaters and $1 for spectators. Concessions will be available. All ages are welcome. Bring your own skates.

Art and writing contest

Area schools are invited to participate in the 11th annual Texas Wildflower Program at Scurry County Museum. The program will feature creative art and writing. Projects will be accepted March 24-27. The display will open April 7 and close May 9. For information, call 573-6107.

SNS needs financial help

Snyder Neighbors Sharing, which repairs homes of persons over 65 or disabled, is in need of donations for the April 26 workday. Donations can be mailed to SNS, P.O. Box 541, Snyder, or dropped off at Sam Robertson's Insurance or the West Elementary School office.

Adult education classes

GED and ESL classes are available at Western Texas College. Times are 8-11 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday and 6-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact the college continuing education department for more information.

Ira gospel singing

Ira First Baptist, Church of God, Church of Christ and United Methodist are hosting a community singing at the Ira School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 29. Call Judy Smallwood at 573-5785 or Linda Darnell at 573-9527 to have your group placed on the program. Everyone is invited.

Pick 3

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

0-5-4

(zero, five, four)

Cash 5

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 9-10-16-31-37.

Number matching five of five: two.

Prize per winnner: $79,462.

Winning ticket(s) sold in: Dallas, Seminole.

Matching four of five: 366. Prize: $652.

Matching three of five: 13,291. Prize: $30.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Friday night.

President of Israel injured in fall

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli President Ezer Weizman broke his left wrist and thigh today when he tripped and fell as he stepped out of a helicopter.

The accident occurred as Weizman was returning from a visit to northern Israel to see four girls wounded Thursday in a shooting spree by a Jordanian soldier on the Israeli-Jordanian border.