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CMH to address employee needs early next year

Will postpone request to alter sick leave plan

By Bill McClellan
Managing Editor

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board today endorsed a plan to conduct a comprehensive human resources review in the first quarter of 1998.

The move, in essence, puts off a quick decision on employees' request to consider a change in sick leave policy, but does guarantee that the matter will surface early next year.

"We want to maximize our pay package for employees in every way we can," said board chairman Jim Bob Cave. "The first quarter of next year we will try to get down and decide how best to meet their needs."

Jeff Reecer, Cogdell CEO, said funds have been budgeted for the human resources review in the first quarter of 1998. He called the study "imperative."

"We're spending a lot of money on benefits right now and we're still not getting our employees what they want," said Reecer.

Board members opted to wait until next year to address employee needs comprehensively, rather than one proposal at a time. At issue specifically was a request by some employees that Cogdell consider implementing St. Mary Hospital's sick leave policy. Employees there are paid on the first day of sick leave; Cogdell employees are not paid until the second day in each instance.

Reecer said changing policy would cost Cogdell between $40,000 and $70,000.

Bill Weldon, St. Mary vice-president, attended today's meeting and encouraged the board, "Don't just look at benefits, look at how much you would be spending on retention and recruitment."

His point was that it may be less expensive to increase salary or benefits than to recruit and train employees.

After the meeting, Reecer said the early 1998 study will review employee compensation, health and retirement benefits, employee satisfaction and employee-related policies.

Reecer also presented the board with information on the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations' (JCAHO) new Oryx Initiative.

The soon-to-be-implemented initiative is a way of measuring finances, patient care, emergency room care and the like with other hospitals of similar size.

Before the end of the calendar year, Cogdell administrators must select a Performance Measurement System (PMS), to compile that type of data to help prepare the comparisons.

Reecer also presented encouraging news regarding physician recruitment. Administrators are still negotiating with a family physician in Las Cruces, N.M. who seems "very interested" in coming to Snyder, Reecer said.

He also noted contacts with three second-year residents who will be available in the summer of

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Company G back in Snyder

Matney's Raiders return to Snyder for their 24th annual reunion this week.

Members began arriving today, with headquarters set up at Willow Park Inn.

A business meeting, open to the public, will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Saturday's banquet and memorial service is set for 6:30 p.m.

Citizens interested in the history of Company G are invited to visit with the group at Willow Park.



YOU GET MY CANDY! — "What happens if you're not safe trick-or-treating and you get run over?" asked Frankenstein. "You get my candy!" replied third grader Jodi Ascol. In addition to stressing safety notes, Frankenstein (postal employee John Hosey) read ghost stories, in a Halloween decorated mail room, with the excitement of audience participation from third graders. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

It's getting spooky out there

Spook houses, dances, game booths and just plain old trick or treating are in store for Scurry County youth tonight through the weekend.

The Snyder High School drama department, First Baptist Church, Scurry County Courthouse, Snyder Healthcare, Cogdell Hospital and the Hermleigh Senior Class are all offering different events.

—First Baptist Church will stage its annual Fall Festival of Fun from 6 to 8 this evening at the Family Life Center.

The festival is open to children from pre-school to the sixth grade and is free. Children can compete for candy and prizes at 24 booths. A concession stand will be open and door prizes will be given away.

—SHS drama department will hold its annual spook house tonight and Friday at Worsham Auditorium for kids of all ages. Hours are 7 until 9:30 this evening. On Friday, the spooks will be out as soon as the football game is over at Tiger Stadium and will be in a haunting mood until 11:30.

Admission is $3 per person.

—Youngsters are invited to trick or treat Friday evening from 5 until 6 o'clock at Scurry County Courthouse.

Cogdell Long Term Unit at Cogdell Hospital will host trick or treaters from 6-7 p.m. Friday.

—Snyder Healthcare, 5311 Big Spring Highway, will have a spook house from 7 until 9 p.m. Friday.

—Hermleigh Senior Class will be sponsoring a Halloween costume dance in the Hermleigh Gym immediately following Friday's home football game. The dance will last until 1 a.m.

Cost is $3 for those in costume; $4 without.

Friday last day to cast early ballot

Early voting in the Nov. 4 constitutional amendments election ends Friday.

Only 101 people have taken advantage of early voting so far in Scurry County. That's less than one percent of the 10,182 registered voters in Scurry County, although the county clerk said this morning that activity is increasing.

A new law passed by the Legislature and enacted Sept. 1, states that voters must have either their voter registration card or a driver's license or some other identification with a picture on it in order to vote, County Clerk Joan Bunch said.

Early voting takes place from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the county courtroom. Voting on election day, Tuesday, will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at four consolidated precincts.

THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "In the long run the pessimist may be right, but the optimist has a lot better time while making the trip."

Dr. Wilton N. Jones who died last week had a host of friends in Snyder, and Dr. Jones still considered Snyder his 'hometown.'

Dr. Jones came to Snyder right out of the military, establishing a practice here when the effects of the oil boom were still being felt.

We didn't get to know him well, as he left Snyder in 1982. But we do remember him walking the sidelines with the Snyder Tigers — both at home and on the road.

One of Dr. Jones' close friends was the late Bill Hood, who served as superintendent of Snyder schools for many years.

It was while Dr. Jones was on the school board that he made a command decision that many folks still remember. Snyder was playing an important district game, and the doctor told the team a win would result in a school holiday on Monday.

It motivated the Tigers. And as Dr. Jones had decreed — without the knowledge of the school superintendent — Monday indeed was a school holiday.

Dr. Jones and Bill Hood often rode together to Snyder Tiger sporting events, and usually there were some other administrators or board members who went along.

It was customary to play the numbers game to see who would pay for dinner.

Dr. Jones would never look at a menu. No matter who had been assigned the task of picking up the tab, one could always count on the Doc to say, "Bring me the most expensive thing on the menu."

And when Doc Jones had lost — which wasn't often — everybody got even.

When not talking football, Supt. Hood liked to talk about his expertise at fishing — and the first liar didn't stand a chance.

After listening to others' fishing exploits, Hood lamented that the last fish he caught was too small to keep.

"Oh, so you threw him back?" asked one of the listeners.

"Yep."

"Well, how small was it?"

"That fish was so little," replied Hood, "that it only took four of us to get it out of the boat and back in the water."

Couples making most of 44-day trip

By Wade Warren
Staff Writer

A vacation involving 5,500 miles spread over a month and a half probably isn't too unusual for those touring in a recreational vehicle. And in a modern automobile, such a journey certainly isn't uncommon.

But in vintage automobiles, the trip has to be a rarity.

The three couples doing just that — two from Missouri and one from Kansas — were in Snyder Wednesday as they completed the 40th day of their well-planned, 44-day excursion.

"We expect to be home on Sunday," said Ivan Campbell, who is from Buckner, Mo.

Ivan and his wife, Shirley, arrived in Snyder in their 1920 Model T around 1:30 p.m. about the same times as did Bob and Collen Mills of Parkville, Mo., driving a 1914 Model T.

Arriving a little later, and being chided about being tardy because they were "driving an old car," were Gary and Carol Hylton in their 1919 Model T. They reside in Prairie Village, Kan.

The couples are members of a car club in Kansas City organized 25 years ago for the sole purpose of making a Kansas-to-California trip.

"After 25 years, we are the only members to make the trip," said Campbell. "None of the original members of the club ever went."

I guess we decided to go as a means of denying how old we are getting," he said with a laugh.

The trio started their mission on Sept. 20 when they left Kansas City and drove 200 miles to McPherson, near the center of the state.

They finally made it out of Kansas on day three, and spent that in Colorado.

"After our sixth day on the road, we all traveled a little lighter," said Collen Mills. "We stayed at the Hotel Nevada and Gambling Hall in Ely."

The three then traveled to Reno, Lake Tahoe and down the California coast to San Francisco.

They spent 27 days in California, sometimes traveling only 20 to 30 miles a day.

"We weren't in a race," said Hylton.

The three left Snyder early this morning destined for Fort Worth with most of their route being on U.S. Highway 180.

"We've avoided the Interstate all we could," said Campbell.

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SOME TRIP — Three couples making a 44-day trip that is covering some 5,500 miles traveling in vintage automobiles, spent Wednesday night in Snyder. Shown from left, are, Ivan Campbell, Collen Mills, Shirley Campbell, Bob Mills and Gary and Carol Hylton. (SDN Staff Photo)

ASK US

Q—Will the boll weevil eradication program have to be approved again next year?

A—It will have to be approved by producers again if it is to continue. An election for this area will be scheduled sometime in February.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 76 degrees; low, 45; 7 a.m. Thursday, 47; no precipitation; total for 1997, 23.20 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, clear. Low 45-50. Light NW wind. Friday, sunny. High near 80. W wind 10-15 mph.



Erica Munoz
Sunny

Sunset: 5:56 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:59 a.m.
Of 302 days in 1997, the sun has shone 289 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Rule #1: Don't sweat the small stuff. Rule #2: It's all small stuff.

Dr. Michael Mantell

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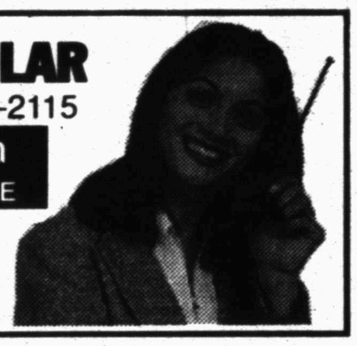
WTC WINNERS — The pumpkin carving contest at Western Texas College was won by freshman Kayla Allen from Roscoe, winning $50 for her creation of a jack-o-lantern face shaped from W-T-C letters. Second place of $25 went to Carmen Zarate, sophomore from Sweetwater. The contest was sponsored by the WTC Student Senate. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Teen loses right foot in shark attack

LIHUE, Hawaii (AP) — A 10-foot tiger shark bit off a teen-age surfer's right foot Tuesday.

Mike Coots, 18, screamed warnings to surfers nearby as he fought off the shark by repeatedly punching it.

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Woman expecting 7 babies; first since '85

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — A woman and her husband awaited the birth of their seven babies — and dozens of doctors were on call around the clock, waiting too.

Hospital officials know of no surviving sets of septuplets in the world, but the family hopes to beat the odds. The 29-year-old expectant mother has been hospitalized for two weeks.

"We're just kind of waiting to see what happens and just trust that God's given us these babies," said the father, Kenny McCaughey, a billing clerk for a car dealership. "It's all in his hands."

The impending births have been a well-kept secret in the McCaugheys' hometown of Carlisle, population 3,200 and about 10 miles southeast of Des Moines. But when word got out Wednesday, Bobbi McCaughey's pregnancy became international news.

There hasn't been a septuplet birth in the United States since 1985. Such pregnancies are rare and serious complications are common.

McCaughey, though, said the four boys and three girls — in their 28th week — were in good condition and he was optimistic they would be born healthy.

"Right now we know that they're all over two pounds, and the doctors have said 28 weeks is a magic line and after 28 weeks their chances of surviving are really, really great," McCaughey said.

Women with multiple fetuses don't typically carry them for a full 40-week gestation period.

"The problem is that there's just a certain amount of volume that the uterus can carry," said Dr. Marie McCormick, a pediatrician at Boston Children's Hospital and a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics section on perinatal pediatrics.

The last set of septuplets born in the United States was in May 1985 in Orange, Calif., to Samuel and Patricia Frustaci. One was stillborn, three died within 19 days of their birth and the remaining three had medical and developmental problems.

In March, the last surviving child from septuplets born two months earlier to a Mexico City woman died of lung failure.

Iowa Methodist Medical Center, where Mrs. McCaughey has been hospitalized since Oct. 15, gave scant details about the pregnancy. Mrs. McCaughey was expected to remain there until the delivery, which her husband said would likely be by Caesarean section.

Mars Pathfinder engineers coming to end of possibilities

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mars Pathfinder isn't showing any signs of life, though it wasn't so long ago the aging robotic patient was breathing new life into the nation's space program.

There's been no audible breath from the lander in about three weeks and it's been even longer since Pathfinder had a conversation with Earth. Controllers admit the prognosis looks grim.

If nothing changes by Tuesday, scientists and engineers will declare victory in the $266 million mission that far outlasted its primary mission — a week for the rover and a month for the lander — and fired up the imagination of a blase American public.

"By the end of the day next Tuesday, we will have exhausted all possibilities," Brian Muirhead, the project manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, said Wednesday.

Mindful of the lander's critical condition, NASA was preparing to end heroic measures to get in touch with Pathfinder. After that, controllers will scale back to weekly or even monthly attempts to talk to the probe that bounced onto the red planet July 4.

Even then, Muirhead will be reluctant to declare the patient dead.

"There's a small chance that it may still be alive and we may hear from it again," he said.

The state of the foot-high, microwave oven-sized Sojourner rover also remained a mystery. Cut off from the lander, it could be circling the lander on autopilot.

"I suspect it's probably just fine, but without the lander communication link it's kind of lost in space," said Muirhead.

Pathfinder became wildly popular back on Earth as it snapped pictures of the craggy martian landscape.

Despite antenna glitches on Earth, a series of computer resets and aging batteries, Pathfinder and the little rover managed to radio home fantastic images: The lander camera snapped 16,000 images. The rover camera took 550 more.

Pathfinder's radar experiments suggested the planet has a crust, a mantle and an iron core, much like Earth. That is significant because a metal core would have been formed in the presence of heat, one of the three critical elements for life, along with water and organic chemicals.

Berry's World



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"Scalpel."

Vote!

Snyder Daily News is presenting the following information prepared by the Free Market Foundation in order for voters to become more knowledgeable about the propositions on the Nov. 4 ballot.

Prop 13

Summary: **Permitting the Texas Tomorrow Fund's (designed to allow parents or grandparents to pay for their children's college education at today's prices) investments to be guarded by a full faith and credit backing.**

For: Texas parents and other investors can be ensured of the commitment to provide opportunities for their children to pursue higher education at affordable prices. In addition, this proposition will protect the fund from being diverted from its original intention.

Against: Taxpayer dollars should not be mandated to protect a private investment fund. As other investment funds, it should only continue as long as it is able to fund itself.

Prop 14

Summary: **Requiring candidates who seek to hold the county office of a constable to meet suitable qualification for the position.**

For: Voters can be assured that a person seeking to hold this position possesses the skills necessary to carry out the job. This amendment ensures minimum requirements of this office are met without relying on statutes.

Against: An earlier opinion of the attorney general's office stated that the legislature was free to set qualifications for constables for statute. This proposition does not make any real changes.

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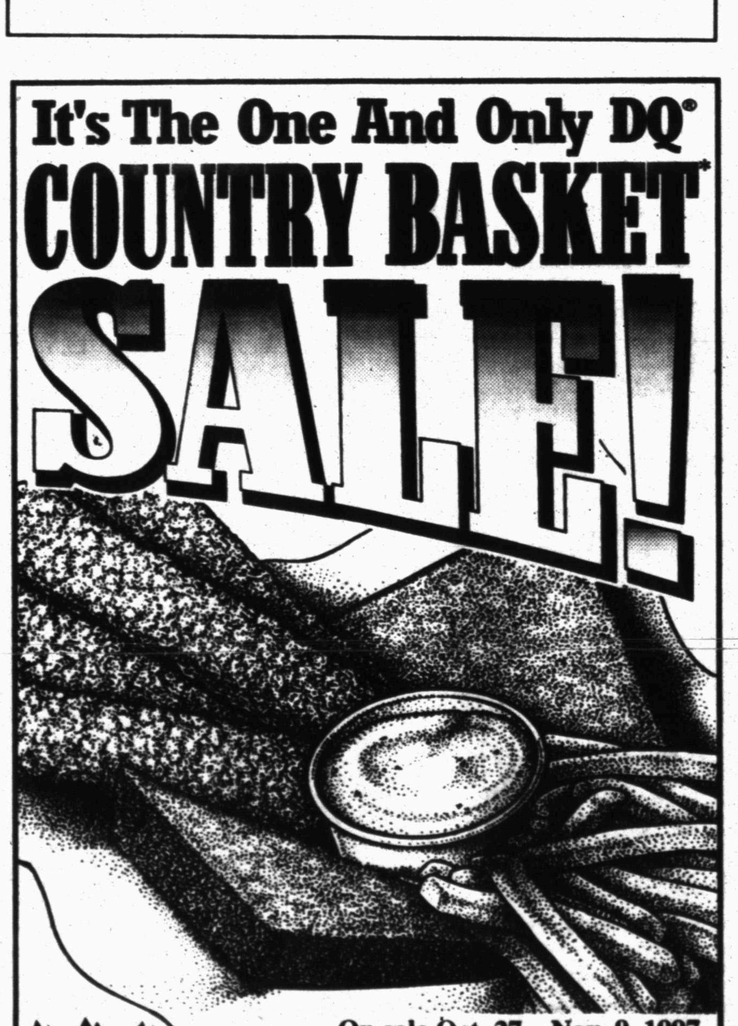
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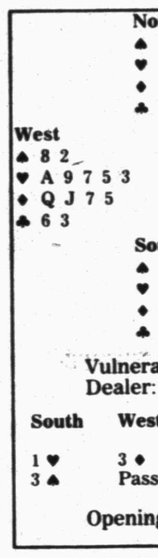


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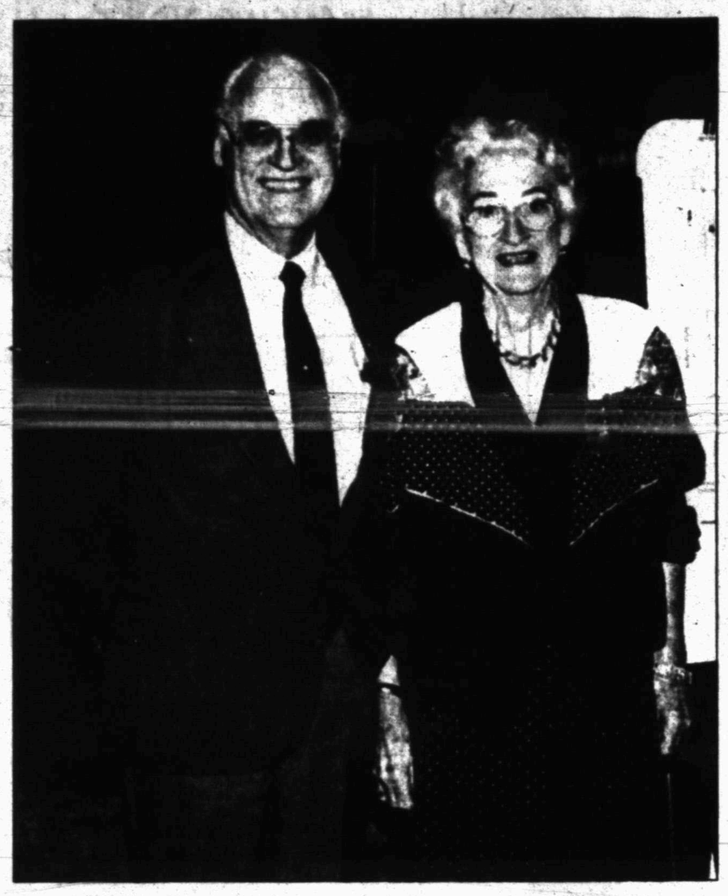


The mor... the night

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TEACHER SOCIETY PROGRAM — Charles Anderson, board president of the Snyder Independent School District, spoke to members of Delta Kappa Gamma Society and Georgene Galloway reviewed the history of schools in Scurry County. DKG meets every third Monday evening at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Mom's Thankful Her Foresight Prevented Injury in Hindsight

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DEAR ABBY: Something happened yesterday that makes me want to stress the importance of bicycle helmets, even on toddlers who ride little ride-on toys. My 2-year-old daughter and 4-year-old son were riding their bikes on our sidewalk when my son accidentally bumped into the back of his sister's bike. The bike slid out from under her and she fell backward, hitting her head on the concrete. Fortunately she was wearing a helmet and was not injured, but I shudder to think what might have happened had she not been wearing one.

I always thought I was a little overprotective making my young children wear helmets when I didn't think they could get seriously injured in a fall from such a small vehicle. But I felt it was a good habit to get into for when they were older.

Now I'm grateful I listened to that "sixth sense" and avoided what could have been a serious head injury. We were lucky we were able to spend the rest of my husband's birthday having fun instead of sitting in the emergency room. I hope this letter will make parents think twice before letting their children, regardless of age, ride without a helmet.

VIRGINIA BRIGGS, LEVITTOWN, PA.

DEAR VIRGINIA: You are a wise and conscientious mother for realizing that an innocent bike ride can be dangerous for children who aren't wearing bicycle helmets. Helmets can prevent an estimated 85 percent of serious head injuries, and greatly reduce the risk of severe brain injury that can result in death. However, even a minor brain injury can lead to problems with learning and memory.

There are many good helmets on the market today. The easiest way to find one that is well made and reliable is to look for the "SNELL" certification sticker. Helmet models carrying that decal have met rigorous standards in tests performed by the Snell Foundation. Based on three decades of research in the United States and England, a Snell-certified helmet is one of the best.

Bicycle helmets save lives. There's no better reason to insist that your child wears one.

P.S. Helmets are also essential safety gear for other sports such as inline skating, etc.

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DEAR ABBY: I've got a big problem. It started when my friend "Raymondo" got a divorce and left for New York with his new wife and his daughter last spring. We kept in touch with them for a while, and Raymondo kept saying he didn't like living up north and he wanted to return.

Finally he left his new wife and returned with his daughter. However, he had no place to live because he has no family here in the United States, and his former wife's family wanted no part of him.

We told Raymondo he could stay with us until he found a job and earned enough money to rent an apartment. A month passed. Two months.

Abby, he is still here with us, using our water and electricity and eating our food. He doesn't pay for anything. How can we tell Raymondo to leave?

FERNANDO IN FLORIDA

DEAR FERNANDO: Tell him in Spanish. If that doesn't work, tell him in English. But whatever language you use, "talk turkey" by making it clear that he has worn out his welcome and he must be out within two weeks. Then stand by your decision.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder



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North 10-30-97
♠ K J 10 3
♥ K 2
♦ A
♣ Q 10 9 5 4 2

West
♠ 8 2
♥ A 9 7 5 3
♦ Q J 7 5
♣ 6 3

East
♠ A 6 4
♥ 6
♦ K 8 6 4 3
♣ K J 8 7

South
♠ Q 9 7 5
♥ Q J 10 8 4
♦ 10 9 2
♣ A

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
			1 ♦
1 ♥	3 ♦	Dbl.	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	All pass

Opening lead: ♦ Q

diamond opening guaranteed at least a five-card suit. After Lesniewski's pre-emptive three diamonds, North's double showed length in the black suits.

After winning trick one with dummy's diamond ace, declarer continued with the spade king, which East ducked. Then came the heart king to West's ace. Now Lesniewski defended brilliantly. Resisting the temptation to give his partner a heart ruff, he continued with his second trump, allowing East to win with the ace and play a third round. With the bad heart and club splits, the declarer could no longer make his contract.

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The morning after the night before

The final bulletin at the Summer Nationals is just a result sheet, put out the morning after the tournament finishes. Its top story was the victory in the Spingold by Grant Baze, Tipton Golias and four Polish champions, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski, Marek Szymanowski and Marcin Lesniewski. In the final, they beat Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Mark Feldman, Alan Sontag, Michael Seamon and Mike Passell, 152-116.

On this deal, both teams played in four spades. For the winners, it was declared by North. Understandably, East led his singleton heart. Also understandably — but fatally — West won with the ace and gave his partner a ruff. Yet now declarer could drive out the spade ace, draw trumps, and claim 10 tricks via one spade, three hearts, one diamond, one club, two diamond ruffs in hand (North) and two club ruffs in the dummy. If West had ducked the first trick to North's king, the contract could have been defeated.

In this auction, Szymanowski's one-

Presbyterian of area meet in local church

Cluster IV of Palo Duro Presbytery Women's Groups met for a Fall Gathering on Oct. 11 in the local Presbyterian Church.

Janet Brown, Enabler of Cluster IV and member of the local church, was chairman for the gathering. Madeline Douglas from Lubbock was keynote speaker.

Attending coordinating members of the Palo Duro Presbyterian organization included Sally Carthel of Abilene, moderator; Jeane Furge from Lubbock, Enabler II; Ellen Little from Wichita Falls and Cynthia Kreiselmier from Wichita Falls, mission opportunities.

The Rev. Nan Swanson, pastor of the local church, conducted the worship and communion service.

Cities being represented were Abilene, Brownwood, Cisco, Stamford, Sweetwater and Snyder.

Dist. VIII garden clubs set meet

The fall convention of District VIII of Texas Garden Clubs Inc. will be held in Del Rio on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7-8, hosted by Cactus Thorn Garden Club and Mignonette Garden Club of Del Rio.

Pre-convention activities begin with registration at 3 p.m. in the lobby of the Ramada Inn, Highway 90 West. A tour of the Whitehead Memorial Museum is set for Friday afternoon, followed by a Dutch Treat Dinner catered by the museum where entertainment is planned.

On Saturday, registration continues with a coffee in the Sun Blossom Room. An executive session begins at 8:30, followed by a business session at 9:30 and ending with a luncheon and program.

Convention chairmen are Louene Milam and LaVerne Foster.

Fall bazaar planned Nov. 8 in Towle Park

Four Family, Community Educational Clubs of Scurry County are sponsoring a fall bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Towle Park Barn.

Pictures will be taken with Santa Claus from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and a silent auction will be held.

There will also be door prizes, a candy store, a baked goods booth and a main attraction — the FCE "Jewel Box" queen-size quilt will be given away at 1 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Holiday Recipes

The holidays always conjure images of that special favorite dish some family member prepared for the holidays.



Remember the special peach cobbler Grandmother made, the fruit salad Aunt Susie always brought, or the special bread Mom would serve?

If you have any of these, or any other favorite recipe or recipes to share with readers for the holidays, send them to Lifestyles Editor, P.O. Box 949, Snyder, Texas 79550.

Typed recipes are preferred, but clearly printed or hand written ones will be accepted. Please include your phone number and we would appreciate a brief statement of the significance.

Deadline for entrys will be Dec. 15, 1996

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

Outreach Health Services giving flu shots; 5305 Trinity Blvd. Suite 1A; cost is $4, for more information call 573-7961; 2 to 5 p.m.

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

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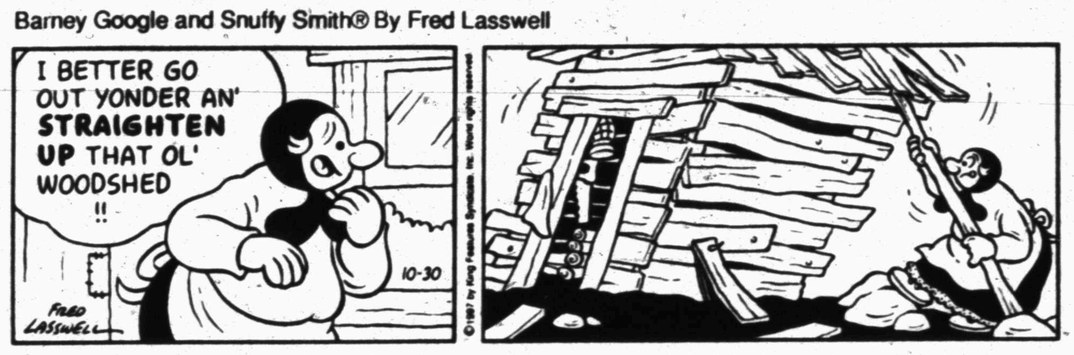
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8 Actor Danny —
12 Language suffix
13 Get a salary
14 Happily — after
15 Do or —
16 Chanciness
18 Cruel person
20 Over there
21 Loch — monster
23 Asian country
27 Frightening
30 Three-part story
32 Variety of cabbage
33 Not of the clergy
34 Child's card game
35 Superlative suffix
36 Rip
37 Actress Moore
38 Saturday and Sunday
40 Glacier ice
41 Middle Eastern nation
42 Pivot
44 IRS worker, perhaps
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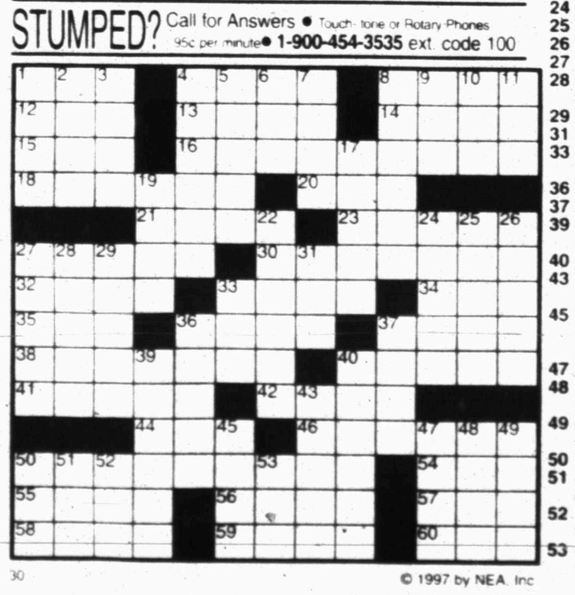
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11 Hesitation sounds
17 Type of column
19 Concerning (2 wds.)
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26 Type of poem
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31 Disencumber
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37 Judge
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40 Most certain
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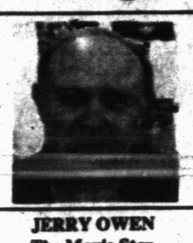
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Floyd	Last Week 15-5	Overall	.656%
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Drennan	Last Week 11-9	Overall	.619%
Trujillo	Last Week 11-9	Over all	.538%

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Iowa St. at Kansas	Kansas	Kansas	Kansas	Iowa St	Kansas	Kansas
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Oakland at Carolina	Oakland	Oakland	Carolina	Oakland	Oakland	Oakland

Grimmett reaches 300 through dedication to sport and athletes

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

One look at Patty Grimmett's office will tell a person two things.

The first, that she cares deeply about the sport of volleyball is most evident by the newest addition to her collection of memorabilia — last week's gameball from her 300th career victory.

And the second, that she cares deeply about her athletes is displayed all around the room in team pictures, candid photos and letters from past players.

Maybe the only thing left to wonder is, which one — the sport or her athletes — has driven her to accomplish last week's milestone.

Grimmett, now in her 10th season as the Lady Tigers' head volleyball coach, notched her first career victory in 1979 as Snyder's freshman coach. She had 285 wins coming into this year and on Oct. 21 at Lubbock Estacado, she chalked up No. 300 — to the fanfare of only herself, her assistant and her players.

Grimmett hadn't told her team about the approaching milestone, for fear that it would add undue pressure. If not for the research of assistant coach Carmen Bohannon, who didn't spill the beans until after the match, nobody would have known about it.

"I didn't want the girls to feel any pressure that they had to win



for me," Grimmett said. "We were trying to make the playoffs and I wanted them to be focused on the match."

As always, she was thinking about the sport and her athletes before herself. And it worked.

The Lady Tigers have made it to the postseason and are preparing to face Canyon Randall on Saturday in the bi-district round of the playoffs.

But that's nothing new to Grimmett. In all her seasons on the bench for Snyder, the Lady Tigers have placed lower than third in district only once, with five runner-up finishes and one district championship.

So which victory stands out most in Patty Grimmett's mind?

"It is probably beating Lamesa in '95 for first place," she remembers. "We were tied at the end of district and we beat them in a playoff in Big Spring for the championship.

"We went on to become bi-district and area champs that year, but it was beating Lamesa for the title that is probably most memorable."

Grimmett attributes her coaching success to three things — her athletes, Carmen Bohannon and Joyce Elrod.

Elrod was the Lady Tigers' head coach when Grimmett started in Snyder.

Grimmett had been hired at the junior high, not SHS, and was in charge of track and gymnastics, not volleyball.

"I officiated some matches that year at the high school," Grimmett recalls. "I knew then that what I really wanted was to be at SHS and coach volleyball.

"I had played in college, but never coached it. Joyce taught me everything I know about coaching volleyball," she adds while glancing at a plaque on the wall which contains a picture of Elrod and her after Snyder's 1981 state championship.

But if she gained all of her knowledge from her former mentor, then her current assistant, Carmen Bohannon, is the person who helps her keep it all in line.

"Bohannon...," Grimmett remarks, as she pauses for the right words to say, "is, well, great. She's the one that ran after the gameball the other night and she does such a terrific job with the JV, that it makes my job a lot easier."

So Elrod gave her the tools, Bohannon helps her take care of them and her players use them to the best of their abilities.

"The kids I've had in this program have just been tremendous," Grimmett states. "Just like this year, we started off kind of slow, but the girls have worked hard to get here.

"They've all been good kids who were dedicated to volleyball, everyone that I've had. And I think that says a lot about the city of Snyder."

Although 300 career victories is a wonderful accomplishment, there is still something that the Lady Tigers' leading lady desires.

"I want to win a state championship as head coach," she claims. "I was there as an assistant (to head coach Penny Bane) in '85, but I want to earn that ring myself."

And based on past performance, she has as much of a chance as anybody to do just that.

"I'll stay in coaching as long as it's fun and as long as the kids will have me," she says. "I love the sport and I just hope the kids that I coach can learn something about volleyball and about themselves in life."

As for which has driven her to succeed — the sport or her athletes — the truth is, there probably isn't an answer.

Because to Patty Grimmett, the athletes are the sport. And from the looks of her office walls, her kids are learning a lot about both.

LOCAL SPORTS SCHEDULE

Today

Football

Snyder 7th A & B at Lamesa, 5 p.m.
Lamesa at Snyder 8th, 5 & 6:30.
Snyder 9th at Lamesa, 6:30.
Snyder JV at Plainview, 6 p.m.

Friday

Football

Plainview at Snyder, 7:30.
Loraine at Ira, 7:30.
Westbrook at Hermleigh, 7:30.
Borden County at Highland, 7:30.

Basketball

Howard at WTC, 7 p.m.

Tennis

Snyder at Region I tournament, Lubbock.

Saturday

Volleyball

Snyder vs. Canyon Randall, bi-district playoff, Lubbock Monterey gym, 6 p.m.

Tennis

Snyder at Region I tournament, Lubbock.

Tiger tennis team ready for regional tournament

State-ranked and undefeated in district feels pretty good for the Snyder High School tennis team.

But what the Tigers want now is a victory at the regional tournament.

Snyder breezed through district play with a perfect 5-0 record and now travels to Lubbock for the Region I tournament Friday and Saturday.

"It felt good to win district," said Snyder coach Chad Redwine. "We knew we were the favorite coming into this year and going 5-0 helped solidify our ranking."

The draw meeting will be held tonight, in which each coach gets to make his case for being seeded in the top four and a vote will then be taken.

The top four teams will be placed, guaranteeing them they won't face a No. 1 or 2 seed. The remaining teams will then be randomly drawn and matched against the others.

"We have a pretty good chance to be in the top four," Redwine stated. "But you never know how some coaches are going to see things."

Competition will begin Friday morning and continue that afternoon. By the end of Friday's action, only four teams will remain.

The regional semi-finals will be held Saturday morning, with the finals in the afternoon. That means a team must win four matches in a row over two days in order to advance to the state tournament in Austin on Nov. 7.

"The level of play is so much higher once you get to regionals," Redwine remarked. "But we were here last year, and the kids know a little more about what to expect. They know they have to play every match tough and they can do it."

Golf season ends with Tour Championship

HOUSTON (AP) — A long golf season comes to an end this weekend at the $4 million Tour Championship at the very long Champions Golf Club.

"It seems like you are always hitting 4-, 5- and 6-irons into greens," Greg Norman said Wednesday about the par-71, 7,220-yard Champions course.

"Outside of St. Andrews, these are the largest set of greens I've ever seen. Whoever lag-putts the best is going to win," he said. "There will be a lot of 100-foot putts."

Player of the Year honors are all but wrapped up, but the money title will still be on the line for the tournament, which starts today.

If putting is the name of the game, Jim Furyk, Brad Faxon and Phil Mickelson should make a run at the title. If it is strong iron play, Tom Lehman could very well defend his title, or Scott Hoch could slip in.

One player with a real advantage is Steve Elkington, who has been a member of Champions Golf Club for 10 years. The hottest player coming into the Tour Championship is David Duval, who won his last two starts.

Most likely the winner will be a guy who gets on a roll early and uses that momentum to carry himself through the end-of-the-season blahs and onward to a big check.

"You've got to have your whole game here this week," Ernie Els said.

Perhaps, more importantly, whomever wins needs to have his whole mind here this week. That player seems difficult to find at the end of a full season of golf.

"It's been a long year," Tiger Woods said. "I've been playing tournament golf for 10 months and that's the first time I've ever done that. I'm ready to put the stick up for a while."

A lot of people — even those used to the grind of the PGA Tour — seem to feel that way.

A year ago, this tournament loomed as a spirited showdown for Player of the Year honors among Lehman, Mickelson and Mark Brooks that was won by Lehman in a runaway.

This time, Woods has that award wrapped up.

About all that can happen here, except for the top 30 players on the PGA Tour money list fattening their bank accounts a little more — the winner gets $720,000 and last place gets $64,000 — is that Justin Leonard and Davis Love III have a chance to overtake Woods for the money title.

"It certainly is a pretty big tournament for us money-wise," Els said, putting the Tour Championship into perspective among golf's major championships.

Even the PGA Tour stole the spotlight from its own event by announcing three new tournaments in the World Golf Championships series for 1999, each of which will have a purse of at least $4 million.

The events — a match-play tournament in February, an invitational in August and a World Stroke-Play Championship in November, all starting in 1999 — are sort of like the Tour Championship in that they mean that those players who already have made a lot of money will make a lot more.

"It's great for the top-50 players in the world," Els said. "It was sort of inevitable. Golf right now is at a very high profile."

This Tour Championship at the Champions Golf Course could use a little bit of that high profile. Even the cool, damp weather added a gloom to an event that carried the feeling of a tournament players wanted to put behind them so they could put away the clubs and get out the fishing pole.

NHL STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	7	4	1	15	41	31
Philadelphia	7	5	1	15	38	34
NewJersey	6	4	0	12	30	21
N.Y.Rangers	3	5	5	11	31	34
N.Y.Islanders	4	5	2	10	31	28
Florida	3	5	3	9	23	33
TampaBay	2	9	2	6	23	43

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Ottawa	7	3	3	17	41	31
Pittsburgh	7	5	2	16	39	35
Boston	7	4	1	15	35	30
Montreal	6	4	2	14	33	25
Carolina	3	7	3	9	31	41
Buffalo	3	7	2	8	28	40

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	10	1	2	22	51	25
St.Louis	10	2	1	21	46	27
Dallas	9	4	1	19	43	31
Phoenix	5	4	2	12	36	31
Toronto	3	6	2	8	24	34
Chicago	3	10	0	6	19	37

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	7	2	4	18	44	33
Anaheim	4	4	4	12	26	31
LosAngeles	4	5	4	12	41	39
Edmonton	5	6	1	11	26	38
SanJose	4	8	0	8	31	39
Vancouver	3	7	2	8	26	35
Calgary	2	8	2	6	31	42

Wednesday's Games
N.Y. Islanders 5, Montreal 2
St. Louis 3, Philadelphia 2
Dallas 4, Washington 3
Ottawa 5, Tampa Bay 2
Detroit 4, San Jose 3
Chicago 3, Vancouver 0
Edmonton 3, Phoenix 2

Thursday's Games
Anaheim at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at N.Y. Islanders, 6:30 p.m.
Vancouver at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Ottawa at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Colorado at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Calgary, 8 p.m.

Friday's Games
Buffalo at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 6:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
San Jose at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.

Expect the unexpected when Dallas battles San Francisco

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys are struggling and the San Francisco 49ers are on a roll.

Come Sunday, when the teams meet, none of that will matter, insists 49ers safety Merton Hanks.

"You look at their personnel, you look at what they bring to the table, you just automatically assume they should be doing better," Hanks said Wednesday. "Everybody's kind of looking for them to bust out. We're just trying to make sure it's not against us."

Hanks pointed to the outcome of the last two meetings between the Cowboys (4-4) and 49ers (7-1) to underscore his point.

In 1995, the 49ers were given virtually no chance to beat the surging Cowboys, but backup quarterback Elvis Grbac hit Jerry Rice with an 81-yard touchdown pass on the second play of the game and San Francisco pulled away for a 38-20 victory at Texas Stadium.

Last year, Dallas appeared on the brink of falling out of playoff contention, but rallied for a 20-17 overtime win at San Francisco to turn its season around.

"Rest assured, they will play their best game of the season and we must as well," San Francisco coach Steve Mariucci said. "We're going with the premise that they are a heck of a team in the red zone and that Troy Aikman is going to be hot. We've got to be ready for their best shot."

San Francisco cornerback Rod Woodson noted the Cowboys have lost their four games by a total of 12 points.

"They're 4-4, but they're probably the best 4-4 team in the NFL," Woodson said. "I think we know and everybody else knows that they're way better than that."

Still, it hasn't worked out that way for the Cowboys, who have lost three of their last four games. The NFC West-leading 49ers have won seven straight.

"They're not scoring a lot of points right now and they've struggled in the red zone, but they've still got bigtime firepower offensively," defensive coordinator John Marshall said. "We haven't seen any kind of big change or panicking by them. They're still runnin, the same stuff."

And the Cowboys still have Aikman, Emmitt Smith and Michael Irvin, but they're not enjoying the kind of offensive success that helped them to three Super Bowl wins in the 1990s.

Dallas ranks 19th in offense and is next-to-last in touchdowns scored from inside the opposition's 20, reaching the end zone just nine times in 32 possessions (28 percent).

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Friday's Games
Indiana at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Boston, 7 p.m.
New York at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Golden State at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Denver, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Seattle at Portland, 9 p.m.
Utah at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.
Dallas at Vancouver, 9:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games
Golden State at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Miami at Washington, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Denver at Utah, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Sacramento at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Portland at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Detroit at New York, 6 p.m.
Orlando at Boston, 6 p.m.
Houston at Sacramento, 8 p.m.

Monday's Games
Charlotte at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Utah, 8 p.m.

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The City of Snyder is accepting bids for the purchase of a 1998 motor grader. This will be used at the City's landfill. The bids will be accepted until Friday, November 14, 1997 at 3:00 p.m. The City of Snyder reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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To those indebted to, or holding claims against the Estate of WILLIAM FRANKLIN WEAVER, SR., deceased, Probate Case Number 5,393:

The undersigned, having been duly appointed Independent Executrix of the Estate of William Franklin Weaver, Sr., deceased, late of Scurry County, Texas, by RICKY FRITZ, Judge of the County Court of said county, on the 28th day of October, 1997, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said Estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said Estate to present them to Margaret Tipton Weaver 3008 34th Street, Snyder, Tx. 79549, within the time prescribed by law.

Excecuted this 28th day of October, 1997.

(s) Margaret Tipton Weaver
Independent Executrix
of the Estate of
William Franklin Weaver, Sr., deceased

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Star Wars, myth and reality, joining hands in new exhibit

WASHINGTON (AP) — Twenty years after "Star Wars" launched a modern mythology, the National Air and Space Museum is offering Americans a chance to walk into that world "a long time ago in a galaxy far, far away."

Villain Darth Vader's seven-foot bulk looms in the new year-long exhibit, where visitors can view the mystical Yoda, the costumes of hero Luke Skywalker and Princess Leia, little R2-D2 and the egotistical C-3PO.

Moviemaker George Lucas was on hand to preview the show, which opens Friday, and said the next chapter in the saga has been filmed and could be released within 18 months.

"Star Wars: The Magic of Myth," includes original props, models, costumes, characters and artwork from the three-film trilogy that took young Skywalker on the classic hero's journey from callow youth with a call to adventure to maturity and leadership — a trip Lucas designed to parallel Joseph Campbell's book "The Hero with a Thousand Faces."

"Imagination is what makes reality happen," said Mary Henderson, author of the companion book for the exhibit. Star Wars focuses on characters set long ago and far away, "but whose lives are as near as the next heartbeat."

Like many ancient heroes, Skywalker is a farm lad yearning for adventure when heralds come to him with a mission — in this case androids with word that Princess Leia is a prisoner of the evil Empire.

Obi-Wan Kenobi takes on the role of Merlin, adviser to the young hero, training him and presenting him with his father's sword, much as Siegfried reforged his father's sword or King Arthur drew the magic sword from the stone.

Luke descends into the underworld of strange people and forces at the cantina and like Gilgamesh and Ulysses, he needs hero partners and finds his in the adventurer Han Solo and his sidekick Chewbacca.

In the cantina and throughout the movie aliens take many forms, but unlike most science fiction, not all are threatening or evil.

Lucas said that was intentional, to make people realize that no matter how different someone is, he or she deserves respect and some can even be loved.

The hero's search is at its midpoint as "The Empire Strikes Back" opens, sending Luke on a symbolic journey through Hell when he is attacked by a huge Wampa on the icebound planet Hoth, later to escape and learn from mystical Yoda in the sacred grove.

By the third film, "Return of the Jedi," Luke has mastered extraordinary powers but still must destroy the monster, a rancor, and confront his father, Darth Vader — the classic conflict of good and evil.

The exhibit details both the mythical connections and the extraordinary sources of inspiration ranging from the American West to Japanese Samurai, Flash Gordon and Buck Rogers to German military uniforms and the feminine hero.

The clubs carried by Tusken Raiders are copies of an ancient Fijian war club, the exhibition shows, while the long skiff weapon carried by Lando Calrissian is based on the Lochaber, a medieval Scottish pole arm.

Vader's uniform, which originally was based on a German military helmet and Medieval plague mask, later evolved to resemble the mempo mask and Kabuto helmet from the Japanese feudal period.

Lucas said his new movie — he declined to give the title — is set 20 years before the Star Wars trilogy and forms chapter one in a new three-part saga leading up to the original Star Wars.

Perhaps after 30 or 40 years, Lucas commented, he will complete all nine chapters he has conceived for this modern myth.

People wanting to plan a trip to the Star Wars exhibit can obtain advance tickets for $2.25 each at ProTix outlets in Waxie Maxie and Record and Tape Traders stores or by calling 1-800-529-2440. There is an additional $1 charge per order for telephone sales. Timed, same-day tickets are available at the museum free starting at 9:45 a.m. daily, and officials say they expect those to be quickly exhausted.

Husband pleads guilty to murder

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (AP) — A man accused of murdering his attorney-wife for insurance money because of big debts, some racked up at an expensive strip club, abruptly pleaded guilty this morning.

Craig Rabinowitz pleading to charges of first-degree murder, theft by deception and deceptive business practices, saying he wanted to spare his family the pain of a trial. He was immediately sentenced to life in prison without possibility of parole.

Until today, Rabinowitz had alleged that someone else entered their home in Lower Merion Township strangled his 29-year-old wife, Stefanie, in a bathtub April 29. She died just a few days before their baby's first birthday.

Police determined Rabinowitz held massive debts and his wife held a $1.8 million insurance policy.

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AlldSignal s	36	11-16	35⅞	36⅜ — ⅛
Alltel	35	11-16	35⅛	35 7-16 — ⅜
AmerOnline	79	11-16	76	77⅛ — ⅜
AmStoress	25	11-16	25	25 7-16 — ⅛
Ameritech	65⅛	64	1-16	64 11-16 — 5-16
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Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Psoriasis can cause painful arthritis

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have psoriasis. I also have very painful joints, which my doctor is unable to explain or treat effectively. Are the two related?

DEAR READER: Definitely. Psoriatic arthritis is a recognized complication of this common skin disease. The reasons for this are unknown. Also, it's unclear why some patients with psoriasis suffer from severe arthritis, while other psoriatic patients do not.

In general, the treatment for this affliction is the same as that for other forms of arthritis: Anti-inflammatory pain medications (Motrin, Voltaren, Lodine, and others). In addition, methotrexate, an anti-metabolite, often helps the pain AND the skin lesions in psoriatic arthritis.

Ask your doctor to refer you to a rheumatologist, a specialist in arthritis, who should be able to prescribe appropriate therapy to relieve your discomfort.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am 71 years old. For the past few months, I've noticed black-and-blue areas that just appear in various places on my body. I'm not taking any medicine and feel well, but these purple areas are embarrassing.

DEAR READER: I believe that you are describing a condition called "spontaneous bruising," the appearance of bruises without significant injury or trauma.

Ordinarily, this symptom is a red flag for doctors, because it may reflect a serious blood disorder, such as leukemia. Fortunately, this is not always the case; vitamin deficiencies and low platelet (blood cell) counts can also cause bruising. Further, we all tend to bruise more easily as we age and our skin becomes thinner.

The problem you have is probably due to an abnormality in the speed with which your blood clots. Therefore, you need to be examined by your doctor and have several blood tests to check your clotting factors, as well as the blood cells themselves. Don't delay. If left untreated, this clotting deficiency might worsen, leading to internal hemorrhage.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have diverticulosis. Can I eat raisins?

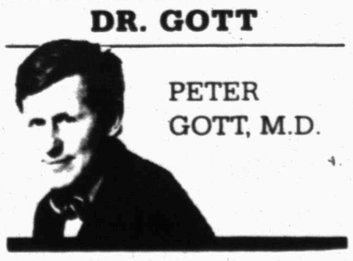
DEAR READER: Sure. Diverticulosis is a common condition marked by tiny sacs that form in the intestinal lining. Occasionally, these sacs can become inflamed and cause diverticulitis.

Traditionally, doctors have prohibited such patients from eating roughage and fruits with small seeds, the theory being that such indigestible seeds could cause diverticulitis.

This prohibition is unnecessary for most patients. You should exercise moderation in eating raisins, but I wouldn't restrict these or any other fruit in your diet.

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Fired director says lottery sales problems are fixable

AUSTIN (AP) — Former Lottery Executive Director Lawrence Littwin says he's a loose cannon the Texas Lottery Commission couldn't afford to keep around.

Littwin, hired in June, said his willingness to criticize Gov. George W. Bush, state lawmakers and GTECH, the lottery's main contractor, all contributed to his firing Wednesday.

The three-member lottery commission would not talk about why it dismissed Littwin. It also placed bingo director Marc Garcia on administrative leave.

"This commission should resign," Littwin said. "They are doing a disservice to the players, the taxpayers and the people who work here for a living.

"They certainly aren't standing up for the lottery. They aren't standing up to the Legislature."

In a roughly hour-long interview with news reporters, Littwin laid out events as he saw them during his brief tenure.

He said he came to Texas to help get new bids for lottery services now performed by GTECH. The lottery commission decided before hiring Littwin, and after months of investigating GTECH, to solicit new bids in hopes of getting a better deal.

But Littwin questions the commission's commitment to replacing GTECH, which recently got a five-year extension on its original five-year deal.

He suggested the commission wanted to go through the bidding process to prove it did the right thing by extending GTECH's deal.

But then he was hired, and the search for new bidders gained some credibility, Littwin said.

Meanwhile, Bush was trying to pass a tax cut and needed extra state revenues to do so, Littwin claims.

He said lawmakers' decision to cut lottery advertising and overall prizes was a response to Bush's needs.

"That's absurd," Bush's spokeswoman Karen Hughes said. "That is an interesting observation from someone who never raised that during his tenure and then raises it the day he's fired."

Prize cuts, mostly in instant tickets, are just being phased in. But lottery financial director James Renn said players already think deep cuts are in place. That's led to recent sales slumps threatening overall lottery sales and revenues.

Littwin said games on sale still have prizes in the 60 percent to 65 percent range. To get that down to the 53 percent lawmakers dictated, games later this year will have to pay 40 percent to 45 percent.

"The Legislature, in its infinite wisdom, has ordained that the public will buy these tickets," Littwin said.

Littwin also said as part of an audit of GTECH, he reviewed campaign finance reports for dozens of lawmakers. The investigation did not target the legislators, but sought to ensure that neither GTECH nor its officers were breaking state law by contributing, he said.

That put Littwin out of step with some lawmakers.

So, faced with a man willing to anger the governor, already in trouble with lawmakers and threatening GTECH, the commission buckled, he said.

"I think they came to the conclusion early on that I wasn't going to be controlled," Littwin said. "These are things anyone at the lottery would say if they weren't afraid."

Amid his harsh words, Littwin said employees at the lottery commission are working hard despite being hamstrung by lawmakers and an inadequate commission.

He added that sales problems can be fixed, but said it would take a special legislative session.

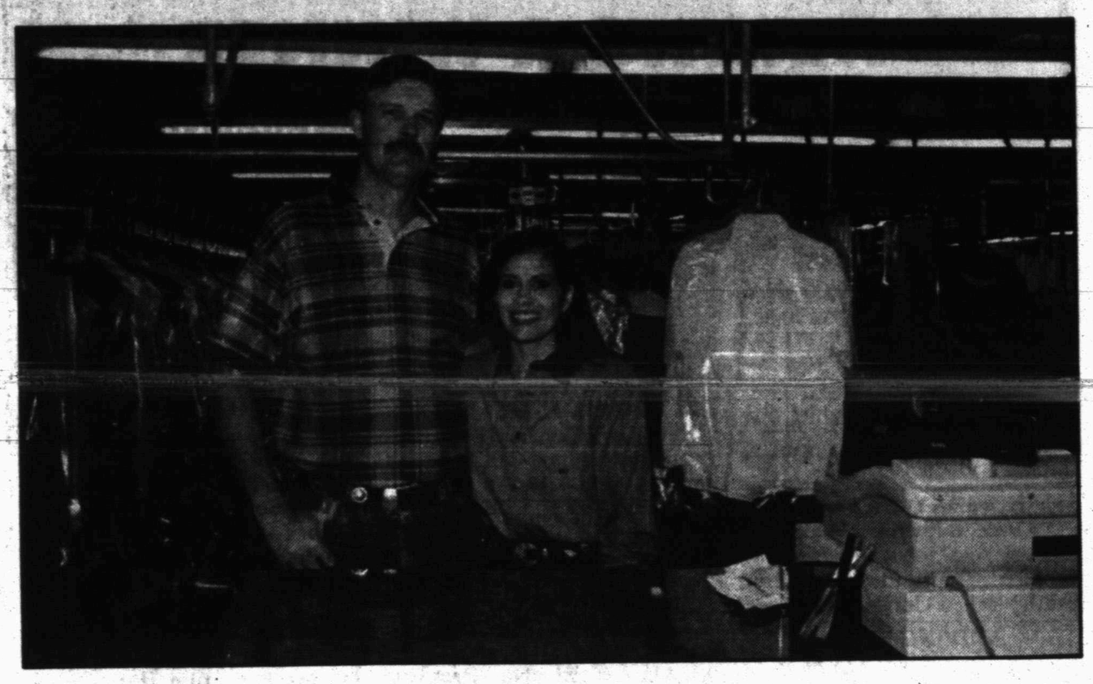
Lawmakers, Littwin said, need to pass a bill "to let this lottery operate; give it back its advertising money."

Ms. Hughes said the governor has no intentions of calling a special session.

Littwin said waiting until 1999 to restore the prize payout to an overall level of about 57 percent will mean two full years of "asking people to buy tickets that payout 45 percent."

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Attorneys and AG haggling about child support interest

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Attorneys representing custodial parents seeking to collect interest on back child support say it's "criminal" for the attorney general's office to be fighting their efforts.

San Antonio attorneys Steve Sinkin and Richard Orsinger, who filed a class-action lawsuit last year, said Wednesday that roughly 2 million children from 500,000 families in Texas are owed up to $5 billion in interest on back child support that the state has failed to collect.

Attorney General Dan Morales' office is fighting their efforts, saying that state law prohibits attempts to collect interest on back child support in cases prior to 1991.

"They want to go back to 1985 and reopen all cases where there may have been past due child support," said Ron Dusek, a spokesman for the attorney general's office.

"Legally, that can't be done."

Dusek said as of May 1996 the attorney general's office began adding on interest to arrearages dating to 1991 and is actively collecting those overdue balances.

Sinkin, however, said there are numerous legal opinions stating that interest on back child support can be collected "going back to the date of delinquency."

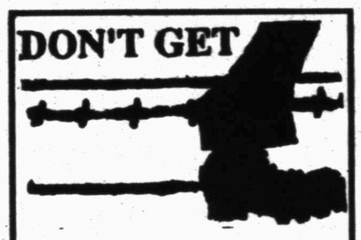
"If you are a 30-year-old child and you didn't get your child support, you can try to collect it," Sinkin said. "There's no statute of limitations."

During a court hearing Wednesday, District Judge John Gabriel ruled in favor of the San Antonio attorneys, saying that they can have access to the names and addresses of custodial parents in Texas.

Morales' office had contended that information was privileged.

Sinkin and Orsinger also asked that a special master be appointed to handle the dispute. They asked Gabriel to appoint former Attorney General Jim Mattox.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

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Two significant but unrelated interests may dominate a large portion of your attention in the year ahead. In order to take full advantage of both, it's best to treat them separately.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Do not be in too much of a hurry to finalize an important arrangement today. In your haste, you might not get as good a deal as you could if you're patient. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that will govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 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.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) When socializing with friends today, don't monopolize the conversation. Give everyone a chance to participate and enjoy themselves.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Forego trying to impress your companions by being lavish with your resources today. Your extravagance now might have you wanting later.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today you may be too insistent upon having others do what you want to do. Make your presentation, but back off graciously if you are outvoted.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Avoid reading derogatory meanings into the comments of others today. If not, you might end up with wounded feelings when no malice was intended.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) It is best to be a trifle cynical today regarding proposals brought to you by people you don't know too well. Follow your instincts.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Try to avoid any competitions today. If you get involved in a challenge, don't make winning so important that you lower your standards to do so.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Some of your stronger views could offend your audience today. If you see that your words are antagonizing your listeners, back off and change the subject.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Try not to make material requests of others today, even from people who owe you favors. Do the best you can with available resources.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Take care that you're not thrown into the middle of a dispute between two warring factions today. You don't want to be considered a traitor by either party.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may be inclined to make an impulsive promise today that you won't be able to fulfill. Do not assume the obligation if you can't deliver the goods.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Have fun and enjoy yourself today, but don't overexert your budget or overindulge yourself physically. You could be out of step in both venues.

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STATEMENT OF CONDITION

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ASSETS

	Thousands of dollars
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:	
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	3,238
Interest-bearing balances	0
Held-to-maturity securities	29,355
Available-for-sale securities	31,671
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	8,690
Loans and lease financing receivables:	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	28,263
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	349
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	0
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve	27,914
Trading assets	0
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	704
Other real estate owned	11
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	0
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	0
Intangible assets	35
Other assets	1,335
Total assets	102,903

LIABILITIES

Deposits:	
In domestic offices	90,290
Noninterest-bearing	16,183
Interest-bearing	74,067
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	0
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury	0
Trading liabilities	0
Other borrowed money (includes mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases):	
With a remaining maturity of one year or less	0
With a remaining maturity of more than one year through three years	0
With a remaining maturity of more than three years	0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	0
Subordinated notes and debentures	0
Other liabilities	1,831
Total liabilities	92,071

EQUITY CAPITAL

Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	0
Common stock	1,500
Surplus	1,500
Undivided profits and capital reserves	7,806
Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities	(54)
Total equity capital	10,832
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, and equity capital	102,903

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Zemin defends human rights record

WASHINGTON (AP) — Addressing his toughest critics, Chinese President Jiang Zemin defended his human rights record today and extended a hand of friendship to Congress. The meetings came a day after Jiang and President Clinton sparred over differences but ended their talks as "old friends."

Since China opened to the world in the 1970s, "the Chinese people have enjoyed a much better life, and it has intensified efforts to improve democracy and the legal system," Jiang told about 50 lawmakers at a breakfast in an ornate Capitol room. He urged "vigorous efforts in improving and developing China-U.S. relations."

Leaders of both houses in Congress — the Senate majority and minority leaders, Trent Lott, R-Miss., and Tom Daschle, D-S.D., and House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., and the minority leader, Dick Gephardt, D-Mo. — also had a private session with the Chinese president.

Although several lawmakers toasted Jiang at Wednesday night's White House state dinner, like Clinton, they didn't mince words with him today.

"We do not believe that freedom is limited by geography or by history," Lott said. "We believe that all men and women should be able to live, work and speak free from governmental interference."

Jiang was not met by protesters at Capitol Hill. On Wednesday, more than 1,000 shouted anti-China, pro-Tibet and pro-Taiwan slogans across from the White House.

FBI informant: McLaren wanted missile to use against Gov. Bush

ALPINE (AP) — Separatist Richard McLaren tried to buy anti-tank weapons and a missile for use against authorities and even discussed shooting down Gov. George W. Bush's plane, an FBI informant says.

McLaren negotiated with the informant, who was posing as an arms dealer, before and during his Republic of Texas group's armed standoff with state troopers, informant Robert Stewart testified Wednesday at McLaren's organized crime trial.

An increasingly agitated McLaren, who is acting as his own attorney, denied the allegation and used cross-examination to attack the statements Stewart attributed to him.

"I wasn't saying, 'Hey, I need this bomb to blow up this building,' " McLaren said during one tense exchange. "Did I ever say that to you?"

Responded Stewart: "The facility (discussed as a target) would be like the plane that the governor was flying in ... That was discussed."

McLaren and his chief aide, Robert Otto, are being tried on charges of engaging in organized criminal activity for allegedly plotting to kidnap two people who lived near Republic members in the Davis Mountains Resort, a rural community 175 miles southeast of El Paso.

The April 27 abduction, carried out by three of McLaren's followers, sparked the weeklong standoff that ended May 3 when the group agreed to lay down its weapons.

If convicted, McLaren and Otto could face up to life in prison and a $10,000 fine.

Stewart's testimony provided a dramatic climax to the trial's third day.

Stewart said he first made contact with McLaren while posing as a member of the separatist group, which believes Texas is still an independent nation, at a meeting about 18 months ago at the resort outside Fort Davis.

The informant wasn't specifically investigating McLaren when they met but instead was gathering information on anyone "that was oriented to violence," particularly militia-type groups, Stewart testified.

Obituaries



Rev. A.B. Lightfoot

Rev. Lightfoot

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CONROE — A.B. "Augustus" Lightfoot, former pastor of Snyder's First Baptist Church, died this morning, Oct. 30, in Conroe.

Funeral service for Rev. Lightfoot, 80, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Mims Baptist Church with the Rev. Gene Kendrick officiating.

Entombment will follow in the Mausoleum of the Cross in the Conroe Memorial Cemetery. Cashner Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Born Aug. 10, 1917 in Santa Anna, Rev. Lightfoot was pastor of Snyder's First Baptist Church from 1962-69. He also served as pastor of the Crescent Park Baptist Church in Odessa and First Baptist of Big Lake. He also served as vice president of Howard Payne University in Brownwood and was an evangelist for 30 years.

Survivors include his wife, Rose Lightfoot of Conroe; two sons and daughters-in-law, Stanley and Barbara Lightfoot of Oklahoma City and Richard and Patricia Lightfoot of Newberg, Ore.; a stepson and his wife, Ernest and Lori Hunter of Bancroft, W. Va.; a sister, Louis Oden of Waco; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family suggest memorials to the A.B. and Rose Lightfoot Scholarship Fund in care of Howard Payne University.

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All three said motorists have been extremely friendly and thoughtful throughout the trip.

"Well, there was that one trucker in California who must have been in a big hurry," said Coleen Mills. "He was the only one who wanted us out of the way in a hurry."

They said paved shoulder highways, such as Highway 180, are ideal for their travel.

"We just ease over on the shoulder, keep on going and wave as the people pass," said Mills.

The Model Ts have had a minimum of trouble. The 1919 automobile had transmission woes in Lake Tahoe — a problem they fixed themselves in the parking lot of the hotel.

"It took us from around 10 in the morning until around 6:30 p.m.," Campbell said with a grin. "But you have to remember, there are a lot of distractions there."

In Napa Valley, Calif., one of the vehicles had to have a head gasket replaced, but it was the price of gasoline there that brought the most comments from the six.

"Almost two dollars a gallon," they said.

The couples spent the remainder of Wednesday afternoon sightseeing around Snyder.

"Where are the antique stores?" they asked.

Theft of services reported by firm

Local law enforcement personnel handled a number of calls Wednesday, including three theft of services from the same business.

James DeLaRosa at 10:59 a.m. reported the theft of services from Tire Time Rentals. Three separate reports were filed.

In other activity Wednesday, a complaint for harassing telephone calls was made at 11:49 a.m.

A person told officers at 6:07 p.m. that a subject was taking water from her residence in the 700 block of 30th Street without her permission. The person was contacted and advised of the complaint.

A woman found a backpack in her front yard in the 800 block of 26th Street and notified officers. The owner was later located and the backpack returned to a residence in the 2800 block of Avenue C.

A report of prowlers at the Southern Electric yard on North College Ave. was made at 9:57 p.m. after two males were seen climbing the fence.

A report of possible prowlers was made at 11:20 p.m. from the 800 block of 25th Street.

Dispatchers also received four reports of dogs running loose and an emu at large.

Officers investigated a minor four-vehicle accident at 7:50 p.m. Tuesday in the 2300 block of 41st Street. Involved were a 1992 Ford pickup driven by Tommy Gordon of 2093 S. Business 84 and three parked and unoccupied vehicles. These vehicles were a 1989 Ford belonging to Neva Huddleston of 2304 41st St., a 1980 Chevrolet pickup belonging to W.W. Sumruld of 1387 N. Business 84 and a 1989 Chevrolet pickup belonging to Kerry Grahame of 1622 Voss Lane.

Cogdell

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Cogdell has budgeted some $275,000 in disproportionate share monies for 1997-98 but Reecer told the board that the hospital could receive as much as $1,265,000 — or almost $1 million more than expected.

Board members approved the financial summary, which indicated a net income in September of $93,186. Net income for the year is $581,185. Utilization statistics for the month indicated 11.9 average daily census, 30.8 long-term census, 51 endoscopy procedures, 94 surgeries, 6 newborns and 620 emergency room visits.

In other business, Teresa Graves, R.N. and director of nurses, told the board she is resigning effective Jan. 12.

All board members were present, to include Cave, E.D. Walton, J.B. Tate Jr., Stanley Martin, Jimmy McMillan and Dr. Mark Weaver.

Critics fail to shake NASA scientists' belief in Mars life

WASHINGTON (AP) — A blizzard of criticism over the last 15 months has not shaken the belief of NASA researchers that microbes may have lived billions of years ago inside a rock that was on the surface of Mars.

Everett Gibson, co-leader of NASA's Mars meteorite team, said Wednesday that other scientists are beginning to side with the conclusion that primitive bacteria may have lived inside the Martian rock. Although there has been no absolute proof of life, new studies are strengthening the evidence, he said.

"We have not found a smoking gun that says, 'yes, there is life,' but we have found a chain of evidence that can be interpreted that way," Gibson said in a speech to the National Space Society. "The evidence is going 60 to 70 percent in our favor. We feel stronger about it now than when we wrote the first paper."

He said some powerful new evidence supporting the life-on-Mars idea will appear in two scientific journals within the next few months, but he declined to give details.

In August 1996, Gibson and other NASA researchers reported they had found what could be traces of microscopic life in a rock that had come from Mars. The traces included chemicals that could have been made by living organisms and fossilized shapes that resemble bacteria.

The NASA team said the most logical explanation for the findings was that Martian microbes lived inside the rock when it was on the surface of Mars billions of years ago. The rock, known as ALH84001, landed on Earth thousands of years ago and was found in Antarctica.

Since the NASA announcement, Gibson and his colleagues have been the targets of scathing comment from some other scientists. But still other experts have agreed with the findings.

"We feel that we have very strong answers for all of the criticism," said Gibson. "And we are getting support from other laboratories. That support is growing."

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Oct. 28-Eric Clifton, Clayton Foster of Colorado City, Eloise Massey, Bertha White.

DISMISSALS: Oct. 28-Jose Lara, Gina Lunsford.

CENSUS: 45 (Med, Surg.-12, Long-term Care-29, OB-2, Nursery-2).

Births

Colton Newman announces the arrival of his sister, Cenna Mae Lane. She was born Oct. 28 at 4:54 p.m. to David Lane and Kimberly White.

Maternal grandparents are Gary and Gloria Cato and maternal great-grandparents are Gerrel and Rosie Bigham. Paternal grandmother is Blanche Lane and paternal great-grandmother is Faye Bruns.

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Hoops Club meeting

Snyder Girls Hoops Club will meet at 7 this evening in the high school student center.

RVOS Lodge to meet here

RVOS Lodge 203 will meet at 7 tonight at Snyder Savings and Loan.

Trinity United Methodist revival

Trinity United Methodist Church is hosting a revival through Friday featuring John Sheasby. Services begin at 7 p.m.

Sheasby and his wife, Beverly, are conducting Bible study at noon daily. The noon meal is brown bag with drinks furnished.

Free WTC game admission

Any child under the age of 12 who attends the Lady Westerners' basketball game at the coliseum Friday night in costume will be admitted free, if accompanied by a parent. Tip-off is at 7 o'clock.

Outreach flu shots

Outreach Health Services will be giving flu shots from 2-5 p.m. Friday at 5305 Trinity Blvd. Suite 1A for $4. For information, call 573-7961.

Senior recognition night

Snyder senior football players, managers, trainers and cheerleaders will be recognized along with their parents or guardians at the last home football game Friday. Parents are asked to be on the track in front of the pressbox no later than 7:05 p.m. so that the presentation may begin promptly at 7:10.

PTK garage sale

Phi Theta Kappa, WTC's international honor society, will hold a garage sale starting at 8 a.m. Saturday at 304 36th Place. All money raised will be used toward the Nashville trip.

Grace Lutheran annual bazaar

Grace Lutheran Church Women's Group autumn bazaar is from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the church, 5500 College Avenue, near Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Bible study tapes on TV

Bible study video tapes run weekly on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. The next tape, "Pleasing God," will air at 7 p.m. Monday.

Snyder FFA boosters

Snyder FFA Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the ag building.

Blood pressure clinic

Total Home Health Care of Post will have a free blood pressure clinic at the Fluvanna Cafe from 9-10 a.m. Tuesday.

Adult basic education

Adult basic education classes are underway at Western Texas College for those seeking their GEDs.

Classes on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays are held from 8-11 a.m.

ESL (English as a Second Language) and GED courses are offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-8:30 p.m. ESL classes are only offered at night. For more information, call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Tiger Times on sale

The 1997-1998 Tiger Times Yearbook is on sale. To order, pay the full amount of $14 or a deposit of $7 and the balance of $7 when yearbooks arrive in the spring. No extra copies will be ordered; anyone wanting a yearbook must order early.

Orders will be accepted through Nov. 14 in Room 113 or the office. Checks should be payable to Snyder Junior High School.

Tiger banners for sale

Snyder Girls Hoops Club is selling Tiger banners for $25. Call 573-1769 or 573-4283. They will deliver.

Museum seeks items for angel display

Scurry County Museum needs angel related items to display Nov. 20-Jan. 5. These may include angel pictures, calendars, statues, jewelry, craft objects, even clothes with angel motifs on them. Call 573-6107 for more details.

Church rummage & bake sale

St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church will have a rummage and bake sale in the parish hall from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 8. Donations will be accepted from 2-5 p.m. Nov. 3-6. Call 573-8824 for more information.

Bush staffer due here

Phil Sims, citizens' liaison for Gov. George Bush, will be in Snyder Nov. 12. A public reception will be held from 4:30 to 5 p.m. at the chamber of commerce.

Pick 3

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

3-6-0

Lotto Texas

By The Associated Press

No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 12-18-19-20-31-37

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $18 million.