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United Way drive extended through Valentine's

Scurry County United Way officials have decided to extend the 1996-97 campaign drive three more weeks.

Funds received to date total $49,481.18, or 68 percent of the goal of $73,000.

"We are not satisfied with 68 percent so we have decided to extend the campaign until Valentine's Day in one last effort to raise funds," said Peggy Vernon, Scurry County United Way vice president. "We need $23,518.82 more to meet our goal."

Vernon said that the percent received by United Way will be the percent each agency receives. If funds stop at 70 percent, the agencies will only receive 70 percent of the funding they need on which to operate.

United Way agencies are Scurry County Boys and Girls Club, Snyder Child Day Care, Noah Project-West, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Scurry County Food Cupboard, the Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse and the American Red Cross.

"Some of these agencies have received several grants recently, but citizens need to know that these grants are for building materials only, and not operating expenses," said Vernon. "These agencies rely on United Way for operating expenses. Please, if you have not already contributed, consider doing so."

Those who wish to donate can call Vernon at 573-3122 or Zola Schlegel at 573-1731 and they will pick up donations. Otherwise, donate in person at Anderson & West, 4208 College Ave., or by mail to P.O. Box 1411 in Snyder.

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Regarding hospital...

Court to hear lease proposal

Scurry County Commissioners Court has called a special meeting for 1:30 p.m. Monday to consider a lease proposal from Community Healthcare Systems, Inc. of Tennessee.

County Judge Ricky Fritz said the special meeting is being held at the request of Community Healthcare Systems. He said it is his understanding that the healthcare management firm wants to present commissioners court with a letter of intent and discuss a due dilligence agreement.

The purpose of the letter is to define the company's intentions regarding a lease of the hospital, said Fritz, who does not anticipate any action being taken at the meeting.

"There's no planned action," he said.

The judge's secretary was in the process of contacting hospital board members Friday afternoon, to inform them of the special meeting.

"I'm sure we'll have hospital board members and some doctors and other Cogdell employees who will attend. I think it will be a good time to ask them (Community Healthcare Systems) some questions," said Fritz.

"I think they can dispel a lot of the rumors that are currently running amok in Scurry County."

Cogdell Hospital has operated under a management contract with St. Mary Hospital in Lubbock for a number of years. The latest contract expired at the first of the year but has continued on a month-to-month basis.

Warehouse expansion set for June

Construction of a 60,000-square foot expansion to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice warehouse in Snyder will begin in June.

TDCJ officials said Friday that the $3.4 million project will be built with the use of inmate labor; consequently there will be no bid-letting.

TDCJ officials said construction is expected to take nine months.

Glen Castlebury, TDCJ spokesman in Austin, said the inmate labor will be supervised by trade and crafts professionals from the free world.

"This is a system we used with great success to build the new facility at Goree (in Huntsville) which we leased to the federal Immigration and Naturalization Service."

Castlebury said purchasing for materials used in the construction will be done through the General Services Commission in Austin.

Of the total addition, 20,00 square feet will be a cold storage area to be set up by the vendor supplying the cold storage units.

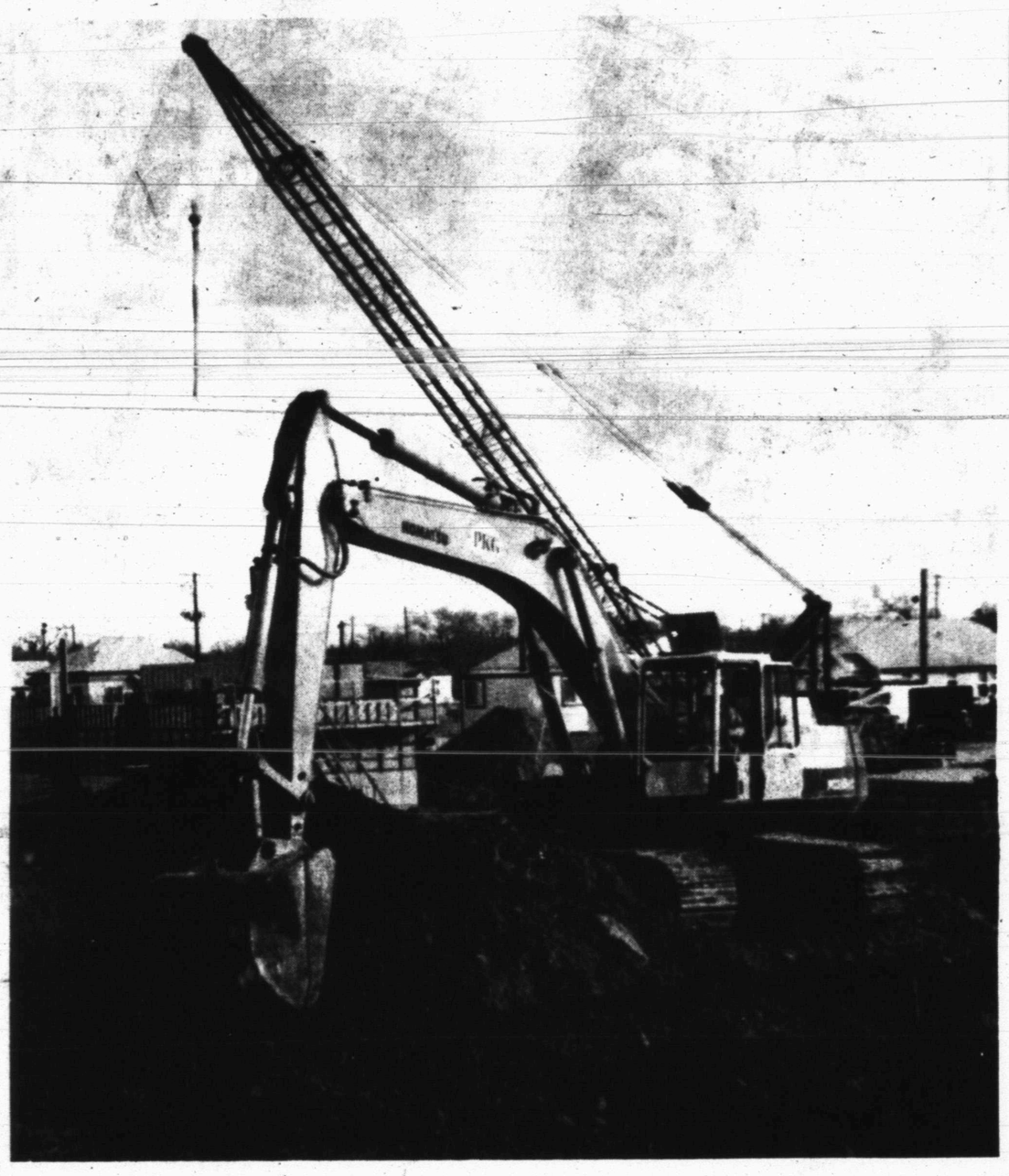
Cost of the building, including cold storage, is $2.4 million. Parking area and lighting is estimated at $322,575 while storage racks and fork lifts will total $696,157.

When added to the present 70,000-square foot facility, it will become the distribution center to supply 21 prison units in West Texas.

Originally built for Wickes Homes, the building was part of the incentive package given the TDCJ in exchange for location of the Price Daniel unit here in 1987.

The warehouse now employs 38 persons, including 25 truck drivers. The new facility will require 13 additional employees and an additional annual payroll of approximately $300,000.

The Windham School regional staff of 15 persons will be displaced by the warehouse staff. TDCJ officials were in Snyder Thursday looking at potential relocation sites.



WATER WORK —Work continues at Snyder's new water plant which will be capable of processing up to five million gallons of water daily when completed late this summer. The new plant will double the amount of water that the present plant, built in 1951, can produce. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Some day pro athletes will be making so much money, some team will soon issue them an unlisted number."

The Presidential Inauguration is over, and now it's time for the Super Bowl. We're having a hard time trying to control our excitement.

The "scaled-down" second Clinton inaugural lasted for only two days - not three. The inaugural committee had 440 paid employees and some 500 volunteers coordinating displays, a parade, formal balls and a show.

One company used as many as 2,000 employees to work on Mall events.

We're looking forward — one of these days — to getting to vote for a guy who simply raises his hands on the capitol steps, says the appropriate words, and then goes inside and gets to work.

A half-million for a inaugural platform seems a little excessive, even in the face of over-paid professional athletes.

Super Bowl XXXI may have less than a super TV audience. Advertising folks expect 11.6 fewer viewers than last year, when 138 million fans tuned in to watch the Dallas Cowboys beat up on the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Ad experts are estimating the TV audience today at 122 million, or some 43 percent of the nation's households with a TV set.

But fewer viewers don't mean cheaper rates for TV spots. In fact, Fox Broadcasting is getting about 9 percent more, or about $1.2 million for a 30-second spot.

Also, a handful of companies are paying as much as $1.3 million for ads appearing during the game's opening minutes.

Spots were purchased before advertisers realized the possibility of two expansion teams making the big game. Ad agencies were relieved when Green Bay and New England, better-known teams, made it to the big game.

Football has always been confusing. Each team has a dozen or more beautiful cheerleaders, but when the team scores a touchdown, the players hug each other.

Low lake level to blame for smelly water

City officials say the water may not look or smell pleasant, but it's safe to drink

By Bill McClellan
Managing Editor

Ask a city resident about his water these days and you're likely to set off a tirade you hadn't bargained for. Nobody, it seems, is happy with the quality of water in Snyder.

Some are living with the problem; others are relying on the bottled version, at least for their drinking needs.

And everybody is concerned about it and wondering what the city is doing about it — and more importantly, wanting to know when the problem will end.

Well, the outlook isn't particularly good. The fact is, the taste and odor problems associated with the water may get worse before they get better. You might not want to drink the stuff. You might not be drinking it now.

One thing you can be sure of though, local officials say, is that the water is safe.

"I'm not happy about how the water tastes and smells," said Darrell Callahan, the city's utilities superintendent. "I take pride in our water. We're very conscious of the problem. We're doing all we can, believe me. But we're limited as to what we can do."

The problem, city officials say, is the low level of water in the city's water source — Lake J.B. Thomas — coupled with a phenomena described as the lake "turning over."

It's not news that the water supply at Lake Thomas is dwindling. Currently, the lake level is only at four percent capacity. What that means is that a lake designed to hold as much as 204,000 acre feet contains just 6,000.

A number of months ago Colorado River Municipal Water District began bringing wells in the city on line to help alleviate the problem. And last December, CRMWD officials began delivering water from O.H. Ivie Reservoir to Lake Thomas.

The problem is compounded by seasonal temperature changes, which affect vegetation that grows naturally on the bottom of lakes. It's the same principal, city officials say, that applies to trees and other vegetation above ground.

As the temperature drops in winter, leaves on trees fall off and vegetation dies. The leaves can be raked up in a lawn, but in lakes and reservoirs, the debris remains suspended in the water. The natural event is referred to as the lake "turning over."

The debris in the lake decom-

See Water, Page 12A

SHS to present 'The Hobbit'

Snyder High School drama department will present "The Hobbit" next Friday and Saturday at Worsham Auditorium.

Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. Tickets $3 per person and will be available at the door.

"This play has become a children's classic over the years," said drama director Jerry Worsham. "But it has something to appeal to every age group."

The cast includes L.S. McClain as Bilbo Baggins, a Hobbit; Ryan Landes as Gandalf, a great wizard; and Mac McCraw as Thorin, leader of the dwarfs.

Others are Joey Steakley and Christina Bullard as dwarfs Kili and Fili; Colby Stoker and Scott Love as dwarfs Oin and Bofur; Andy Parker and Mark Rodriguez as dwarfs Dwalin and Balin; Kade Kubena as the dwarf Bombur; and Kevin Taylor as Gloin, an intellectual dwarf.

Cole Jackson plays the grocery boy while Corey Knipe, Amy Brooks and Matt Billings play trolls Bert, Essie and Tom. Reid Johnson plays Gollum, a slimy creature.

Melanie Gibson plays the elfin queen. Elf guards are Tara Kincaid, Brandi Handcock and Shala Gilliland. And Reid Johnson plays Smaug, the dragon.

Assistant to the director is Eldon Scott.

ASK US

Q—Is there some publication that lists phone numbers for our state legislators?

A—There are several, but one you probably already have is the new Southwestern Bell telephone book. Look on pages 10-11. Government offices are listed on pages 101-103.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 63 degrees; low, 33; 7 a.m. Saturday, 33; no precipitation; total for 1997, .42 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, partly cloudy. Low around 40. SE wind 5-15 mph. Sunday, mostly cloudy, breezy. High 65-70. S wind 15-25 mph.



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TODAY'S THOUGHT

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QUILT DRAWING WINNERS — David and Vinnie Hayes won the quilt drawing held during the Senior Center's Christmas dinner. The couple donated the quilt back to the center to be included in the May Day quilt auction fund-raiser. (Contributed Photo)

Senior Center News

A domino tournament is to begin at 10 a.m. Monday. Bridge players will begin games at 9:30 a.m. and there will also be pool and other table games available.

The Local Yokels are to present a musical program at 11 a.m. Tuesday. 42 will be the featured game of the morning, with play starting at 10 a.m.

Country/western dancing will begin at 7 p.m. Tuesday. Senior citizens who prefer to play dominoes, bridge or other games during the evening are also invited to join the group.

The Golden K Kiwanis Club will hold its weekly luncheon at noon Tuesday.

A birthday party honoring all senior citizens born in January will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday. The Kitchen Band will go to Snyder Healthcare Center for a performance at 11 a.m. Wednesday. The line dancing class will meet at 1:15 p.m.

Bridge begins at 9:30 a.m. Friday and the Sing Along will start at 11:30 a.m.

Valentine's Day is not far away and the election of a Valentine King and Queen is a tradition. The 1997 royalty will be introduced at the noon meal on Feb. 14.

Did not pose

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Antonio Banderas says the bottom line is that he didn't show his bottom — or anything else — in a picture that Playgirl magazine downloaded off the Internet.

The star of "Evita" and "Desperado" said Friday through his publicist that he would never pose nude for any publication.

"It's not him," Robin Baum said. "They are basically misguiding the public."

The photo, showing a man with more than a passing resemblance to Banderas, appears in the February issue of Playgirl with a disclaimer reading: "This photo was taken off the Internet.

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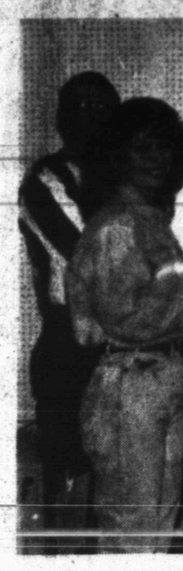
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RIBBON CUTTING HELD — Kathy Raymond, owner of H&R Block located at 2512 Ave. R, was presented a Snyder Chamber of Commerce membership plaque from manager Donna Fowler at a ribbon cutting ceremony Wednesday. Standing in the center of the first row, is Fowler; Mrs. Raymond and her husband, Jeff; and H&R Block employees, Gloria Ortegon, Wernette Smith, Bessie Sherrod, Terri Horn and Kathy Block. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

West Point cadet acquitted of rape

WEST POINT, N.Y. (AP) — A West Point cadet acquitted of raping a female cadet is scheduled to graduate in the spring and become an officer, while his 20-year-old accuser, who sobbed after the verdict was read, remains on medical leave.

It was unclear if the woman, the first to bring rape charges against a fellow cadet since women were admitted 20 years ago, would choose to return to the U.S. Military Academy.

A jury of seven male U.S. Army officers deliberated for five hours Friday before finding cadet James Engelbrecht, 22, of Conroe, Texas, innocent of rape and committing an indecent act.

"It was a fair trial. All the evidence came out," said defense attorney Capt. Arthur Coulter. "She got her day in court, and that was the important part of it all."

The female cadet left the courtroom with her mother and two sisters without speaking to reporters.

"We expected this in a man's world," the woman's mother said.

Engelbrecht had faced life in prison and dismissal from the Army if convicted of raping the woman at a Memorial Day weekend party in New Jersey. He left the campus building where the court martial was held smiling and holding hands with his girlfriend.

"It's like an incredible burden's lifted off of me," said Engelbrecht, who started crying and hugged Coulter after the verdict was read. "It's been on my shoulders for eight months."

He claimed the woman initiated sex. West Point prosecutors, who refused to comment on the verdict, said the woman was too intoxicated to agree to sex.

The trial began Tuesday with the woman testifying that she was "highly intoxicated" at the party, passed out and later awoke in pain to find Engelbrecht raping her.

Engelbrecht said he was sleeping when the woman climbed into bed with him and began kissing him.

Engelbrecht said they briefly had consensual sex. Another cadet testified that he walked into the room and saw the woman straddling him.



PASTOR HONORED — Snyder Church of God recently honored Pastor Vernon Groce for five years of service. He and his wife, Sandy, are shown with the cake. (Contributed Photo)

Church of God honors pastor

The Snyder Church of God recently honored Pastor Vernon Groce for five years of service.

Groce and his wife, Sandy, have one son, Michael. Before coming to Snyder in November of 1991, they pastored in Winnfield, La.

They have also pastored in Oak Grove, La., Beatico, La. San Bruno, Calif., Fontana, Calif. and Seamour, Tx.

Plainview Lions will host supper

PLAINVIEW — Plainview Lions Club will have an all-you-can-eat pancake and sausage supper during the home ballgame with Snyder here on Friday, Jan. 31.

Cost is $4 for adults and $3 for children under age 10. The meal will be held in the Plainview High School cafeteria.

Bored chimps watching TV

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Jane, Schimi and Miki do what most 12-year-olds do when they're stuck inside during the cold winter months: they watch TV.

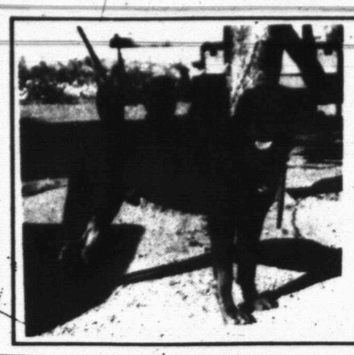
Wildlife programs are one favorite. The trio might even catch a glimpse of relatives — Jane, Schimi and Miki are chimpanzees.

Zoo veterinarian Ewa Zbonikowska prescribed three hours of TV a day after noticing the onset of malaise in November.

"They have ropes, tires, a hammock, tires. We give them old clothes, which they tear apart having lots of fun," Zbonikowska said.

Commercial dropped

NEW YORK (AP) — A Tostitos commercial featuring a bungee jump was pulled from Sunday's Super Bowl telecast after a woman practicing a similar leap for the halftime show hit her head and died.



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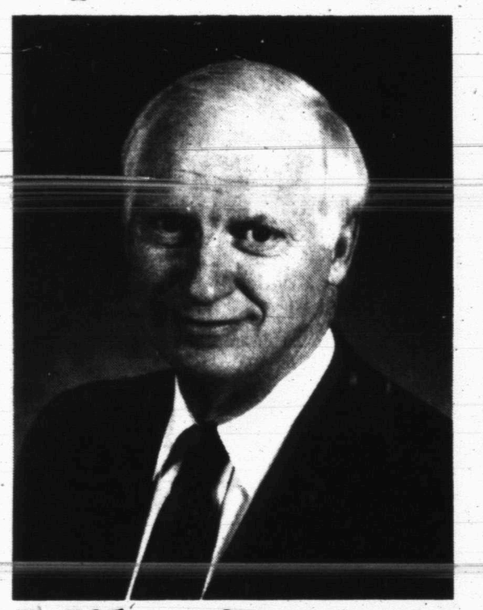
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Tornadoes slam into Alabama and Tennessee: one man killed

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Tornadoes skipped across central Tennessee and Alabama, flattening homes, flipping cars, killing one person and leaving thousands without power this morning.

Some of the worst destruction was in Rutherford County, just southeast of Nashville, where an estimated 75 homes were damaged in one neighborhood Friday. No serious injuries or deaths were reported, but 40 of the houses were extensively damaged.

Rescuers planned to resume a search for possible victims at first light.

"I thought I was dead," said Rita Curtis, whose family was one of about 30 people to spend the night at shelters. "I heard it all go over and I thought we were going to go up."

Ms. Curtis and her son said they felt their house lift up, then set back down on its foundation.

In Tuscaloosa, Ala., Dr. Lyman Findley was killed when a tree limb crashed into the front windshield of the pickup truck he was a passenger in. The retired radiologist, whose age was unavailable, was killed instantly.

Part of Interstate 59 outside the city was closed because power lines were knocked down onto all four lanes of the highway.

Tornadoes touched down in four counties in the middle of Tennessee, emergency officials said. In Murfreesboro, a factory, car dealership, apartment complex and church were damaged.

"It was super-high winds and real noisy," said Brian Clayon, a grocery sacker at a Food Lion in Smyrna that lost its facade and part of its roof. "I saw the funnel cloud go by, but nobody was hurt and that's a miracle. Store buggies were flying around like nothing I've ever seen."

From 5,000 to 8,000 customers were without power and 30 to 40 electric poles were down, the Middle Tennessee Electric Membership Corporation said.

The storms also dropped hail and heavy rain, about 2½ inches near Lobelville, causing the Buffalo River to overflow into low-lying farmland.

In Alabama, a tornado overturned about 50 cars in the parking lot of a Tuscaloosa strip mall, collapsing a drug store's roof and heavily damaging a grocery store. Smashed cars, tree limbs and other debris littered the area, but everyone there apparently escaped injury.

"Given the way that place looks right now, it seems amazing nobody was hurt," said Don Hartley of the Tuscaloosa County Emergency Management Department.

About 30 diners at a Chili's restaurant waited out the storm in a cooler. The power went out for a few minutes, but only a few windows were broken.



COMPLETES COAT DRIVE — The recent St. Mary coat drive concluded with 602 coats donated by Scurry County residents. Pictured as the last coats were taken to the Food Cupboard for distribution were, from left, Melissa and Dave Wickline, owners of Snyder Laundry who cleaned the coats; St. Mary Healthcare Center onsight supervisor Carla Nunley; Pete Garcia, with KSNY who provided a drop off site; and Trinity United Methodist Church pastor Bob Green, representing the Ministerial Alliance, coordinator of the Food Cupboard. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

St. Mary's 'Cure For the Cold' coat drive collected more than 600 coats

St. Mary's 'Cure For the Cold' coat drive collected more than 600 coats.

They have all been distributed through the Scurry County Ministerial Alliance's Food Cupboard.

The coats were donated by the Snyder community.

"It feels nice to be able to help 602 people keep warm," said Carla Nunley, the center's coordinator.

Snyder Laundry, Dry Cleaning and Linen Supply Inc., owned by Davie Wickline, has contributed more than $5,000 in labor and supplies to the community through this coat drive.

"I enjoy being able to help the Snyder community," said Wickline.

After the loss of Snyder Laundry to fire, Wickline continued to clean the coats by shipping them to Better Cleaners in Colorado City. Wickline now has a cleaners established in Snyder Shopping Center.

KSNY FM served as one of the drop-off locations.

The St. Mary Healthcare Center in Snyder is part of a primary care network in 22 communities that St. Mary Hospital in Lubbock is developing throughout West Texas and Eastern New Mexico.

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Financial Focus

Recently, football commentator Frank Gifford said that any team that could stick to its game plan through the first three quarters should be able to enjoy the fourth quarter and win the game.

Some time ago, a friend on the verge of retirement told me he was glad to be playing in the fourth quarter. He had worked hard, planned well and was ready to enjoy a new lifestyle.

Whether you're trying to win a football game or the financial game, you must have a game plan. My friend, a man of modest means, has exceptional discipline when it comes to planning. About 15 years before his anticipated retirement, he sought the help of a professional to develop a plan. He did his homework. He knew where he and his wife wanted to be and how much they needed to invest regularly to get there. All they needed was a "coach" to help them chart the course.

During the day, the couple operated a successful business. My friend also worked a night job, which created additional income that they earmarked for retirement. In addition, he took advantage of every investment benefit offered by his employer—a retirement plan, 401(k) and stock options.

This was a smart move. Having a retirement savings plan is important, even for small-business owners. Too many business owners think they will be able to sell their business at retirement and live off the proceeds. This doesn't always work out due to the business environment and trends in the marketplace.

In addition, the man and his wife invested their business profits, making regular investments and reinvesting dividends. A variety of offer features such as no-cost dividend reinvestment, automatic transfers, professional management and more. This couple chose high-quality growth-and-income mutual funds to meet their particular retirement objectives.

The couple worked their plan with the fervor of a quarterback in a playoff game. There were some minor market corrections when they lost a little yardage, but they never gave up on their game plan.

Last year, they retired. They liquidated the assets of their business, bought a mobile home and now they travel around the country doing volunteer work.

This couple stuck to their game plan, and now they're enjoying the fourth quarter with a definite financial victory.

Astro-graph By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, Jan. 26, 1997

A substantial amount of travel to places you have not visited before is indicated for the year ahead. These jaunts might be short, but they will be packed with pleasant experiences.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today you might become aware of an exciting project. You will make a good addition to the team, so don't hesitate to ask to participate. Aquarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Try to be a good listener today, because the best ideas will come from others. You will be inspired by several different people.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Other people may overlook significant details today, but you will not. For this reason, you will succeed when others fail.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Generally speaking, you should be able to get along well with everyone today, but you will be most comfortable with people who share your philosophy and politics.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you are not able to stretch your budget as far as you would like at this time, this will be a good day for you and your mate to examine it carefully.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) One of your best assets today is your ability to make others feel important. This can be done without flattery or insincerity.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It doesn't look as though you are getting the acknowledgment you deserve for a current project. Do not hesitate to ask for compensation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You will feel rejuvenated today if you can get your mind off mundane matters. Try to participate in activities you enjoy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Information you need can be garnered from others today by asking indirect questions. Associates will talk freely if they are not bullied.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) The little things you say to friends will make a lasting impression today. A few kind words from you will be cherished for a long time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Even though your business acumen will be sharp today, you will not take advantage of your colleagues.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Someone who has moved away will think about you today. You will most likely hear from this person at some time today.

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Your Birthday

Monday, Jan. 27, 1997

In the year ahead, you might be more fortunate than usual. Tips from insiders will enable you to make or save money. However, make sure that your source is credible.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Take a long-range view on any plans you make today for advancing your personal ambitions. Focus on your future after you draw up a new game plan. Major changes are ahead for Aquarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your present needs and expectations will be obvious to someone who is fond of you. He will work behind the scenes to help you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A close companion whom you trust completely might supply you with a fresh viewpoint today. This information will help you to make a major decision.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Do not hesitate to sound off today if you feel you are entitled to acknowledgment or a reward for a recent accomplishment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your charming personality and elegance will attract admirers to you like moths to a flame. Your presence will dominate any gathering you attend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It will be important for everyone in your family to agree on how to handle a sensitive issue. You must find a way for everyone to work together.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Before making a decision today, you must make sure to weigh the pros and cons. Do not worry solely about how much money you will make.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You might obtain something you have wanted for a long time. If it doesn't happen today, it could happen soon.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Usually, it is unwise to let hunches take precedence over logic and reasoning, but today could be an exception. Do not discount your intuition.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you are involved in a secret development, it will be best to avoid discussing it with outsiders today, even with other friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A close friend might tell you something in confidence today. You will have to decide whether or not a second friend should be informed.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Strive to be as imaginative as possible today when dealing with your finances. Good ideas could reap larger rewards than usual.

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KITE DISPLAY — Beth Titus adjusts one of the kites now displayed at the Scurry County Museum. Kites are also on display in various buildings on the Western Texas College campus. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Truck driver says he is father of woman in extortion plot

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A truck driver who is listed as the father of Autumn Jackson does not believe her claim that Bill Cosby is her real dad.

Jerald Jackson said Friday he is the father of Ms. Jackson, 22, who was ordered held Friday in Manhattan on charges of trying to extort $40 million from Cosby by threatening to tell the media she is his illegitimate daughter.

"It would be one hell of a surprise to me" if anyone else turned out to be her father, Jackson, 47, told The Associated Press on Friday.

Jackson, whose name appears on Ms. Jackson's birth certificate, told the (New York) Daily News he would take a blood test to prove his paternity.

Federal prosecutors charge that on the day Cosby's 27-year-old son, Ennis, was shot and killed changing a tire in Los Angeles, Ms. Jackson and Jose Medina, 51, sent a fax to Cosby's representative demanding money.

She and Medina were arrested in Cosby's lawyer's office after allegedly trying to negotiate a payoff. Medina was also ordered held Friday.

Cosby has denied the fatherhood charge. Investigators do not think the alleged extortion attempt was connected to Ennis Cosby's death.

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The Scurry County Museum houses 60 smaller kites.

The International Kite Show was put together by Bill Lockhart, retired chair of the Texas Tech Art Department, and Betty Street, a retired Texas Tech art professor.

The show arrived in Snyder from the Pennzoil Building in Houston.

The museum's segment of the show will be on display until March 24. Other buildings will display the larger kites for a longer period of time.

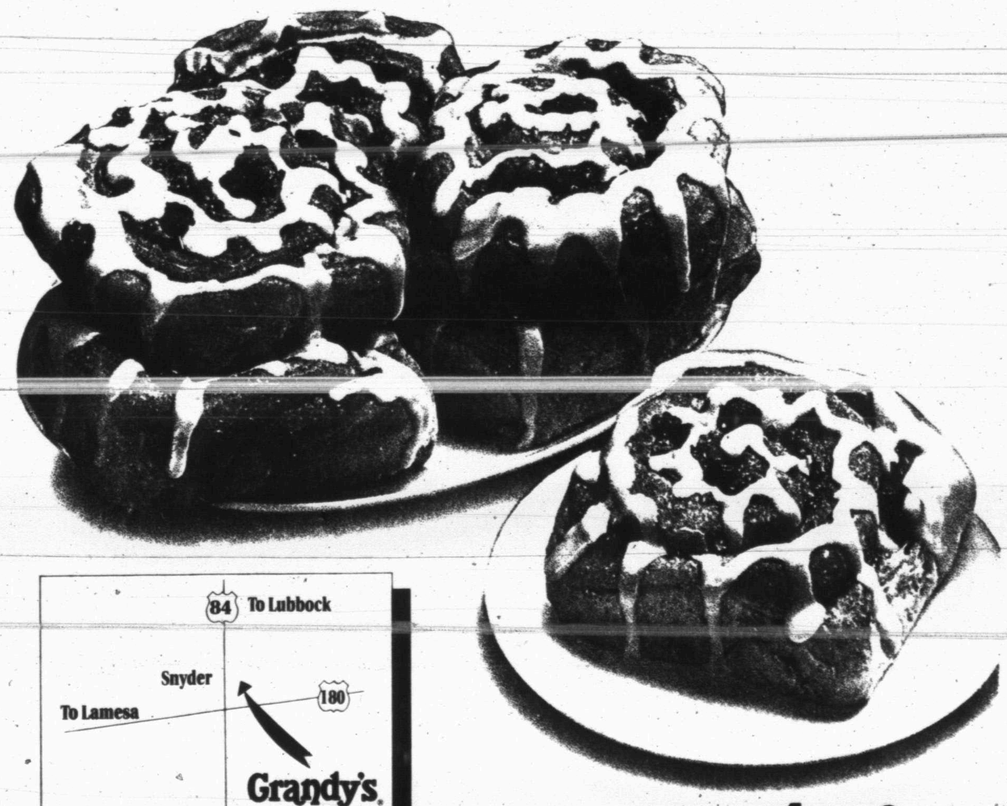
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SPORTS

Lady Tigers find jungle unfriendly

By Jamie Sharp
Sports Editor

WOLFFORTH — It's a jungle — owned by Frenship — where Snyder's Lady Tigers met up a stronger feline Friday night and suffered a 70-34 District 2-4A loss.

Snyder fell to 3-5 in loop play and 16-12 for the season. Frenship improved its district record to 5-3, and its season mark to 19-11.

In the first period, Snyder again fell victim to cold shooting, a problem that has plagued them for their last two games. Snyder managed to shoot only two for nine in the opening quarter.

Frenship's Jennifer Hardy put Frenship on the board first with a free throw. Mandy Hess scored one of the Tigers' two buckets at the 5:37 mark to put the Tigers up 2-1. It would be the Tigers' only lead of the game.

Frenship rattled off eight unanswered points before Tiffany Garza hit Snyder's second bucket to bring the Tigers to within five with 2:35 left to play in the period. Frenship rallied again to score six unanswered points, giving the hosts a 15-4 first-quarter lead.

In the second, Snyder improved its shooting, hitting five of seven. Frenship's Natalee Wilson, one of the area's top scorers, nailed a three to start the quarter. Snyder's Melanie Kidd and Leslie Daniell each scored to bring the score to 22-7 with 3:49 left to play.

Erica Garvin nailed a trey that brought the score to 22-10, but Wilson drained another three to push Frenship ahead, 25-10. Daniell, Shannon Hall and Hess scored three consecutive buckets and Garvin hit a free throw to end the half with Frenship leading, 29-17.

The second half saw Snyder go cold again, allowing Frenship to build its margin. The third period saw both Snyder and Frenship commit a combined total of nine turnovers that led to numerous fast-break opportunities.

Alicia Peoples hit her only two of the night to start the period. Neither team scored for 2:37 before Frenhip's Wilson hit a jumper in the corner that put Frenship up 34-19. The teams went back and forth for the remainder of the period, but since Snyder could not get a defensive stop, Frenship's lead remained 45-26 going into the final quarter.

Snyder hit only three baskets in the fourth, eliminating any chance of a rally. Wilson hit her fourth trey of the night to start the period, putting Frenship up, 49-28. Garvin sank Snyder's first goal, but Frenship answered back, as it had all night, with a three from Melissa Lewis.

Snyder had a chance to cut into the Frenship lead from the charity stripe, but the Tigers hit only one of four.

In the closing seconds of the game, Darla Blackwell nailed a three from the corner, but it was too late.

"We played a good first half," said Coach Rick Archer, "We hustled throughout the game, but we got a little tired late. I'm pleased with how we played, though."

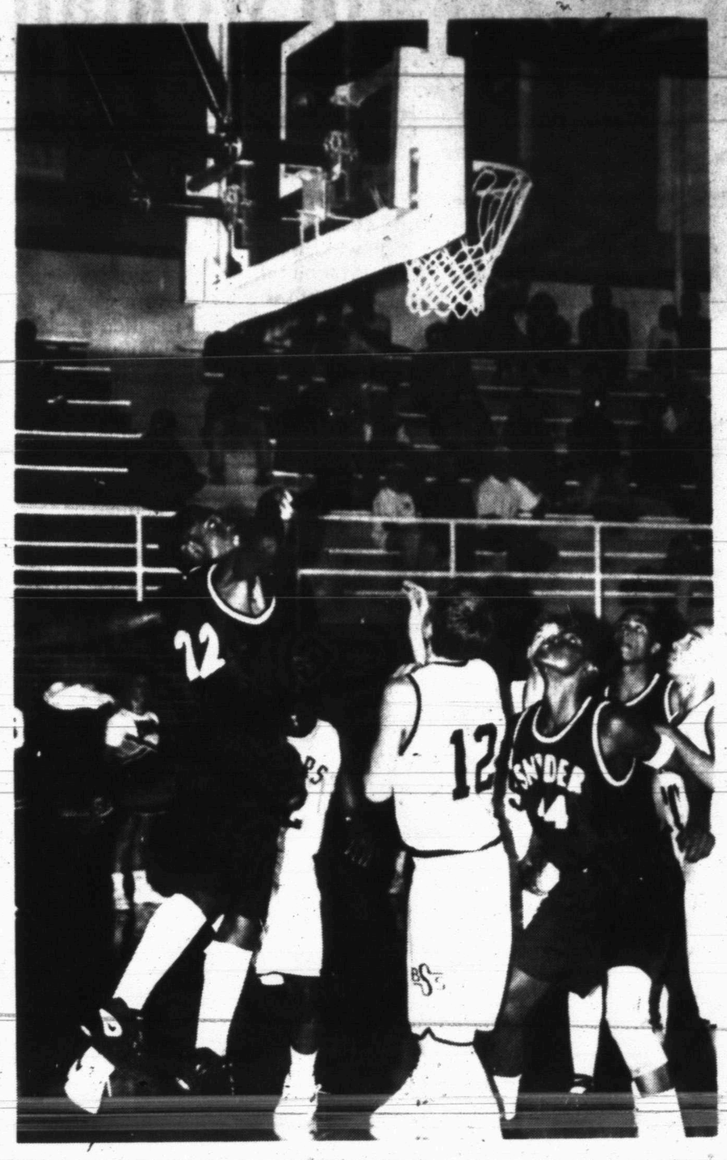
Garvin led the Tiger scoring with 11. Hess followed with six, and Garza nailed five. Blackwell and Daniell each hit three while Peoples, Kidd, and Hall ended the night with two each.

2-4A Glance

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Levelland	8	0	24	2
Plainview	6	2	21	7
Frenship	5	3	19	11
Snyder	3	5	16	12
Lamesa	2	6	10	15
Estacado	0	8	2	23

Friday's Results: Frenship 70, Snyder 34; Plainview 58, Estacado 21; Levelland 65, Lamesa 32.

Friday's Games: Snyder at Frenship; Lamesa at Levelland; Plainview at Estacado.



LAYING IT IN — Snyder's Jeremiah Johnson (22) lays the ball in the bucket in Snyder's 56-52 district win over Frenship Friday night. Shown awaiting the rebound is Jimmy Taylor (44). Taylor finished the night with six points. The Tigers loop tally stands at 4-2. (SDN Staff Photo)

SDN Sports Week

Monday

WTC Lady Westerners host Howard College, 7:30 p.m., Scurry County Coliseum.

Freshmen girls host Lamesa, 6 p.m.

Snyder 7th, 8th girls host Lamesa, 5 and 6 p.m.

Tuesday

SHS Lady Tigers host Estacado, 6:30 p.m. in SHS gym; JV at 5 p.m. in junior high girls' gym.

SHS Tigers host Estacado, 8 p.m.; JV at 5 p.m.

Ira boys and girls varsity host Sands, 6:30 p.m.

Hermleigh boys and girls varsity at Blackwell, 6:30 p.m.; JV at 5:30 p.m.

Thursday

WTC Lady Westerners at Frank Phillips College, 6 p.m.

SHS freshmen A-team host Lamesa, 6:30 p.m.

Friday

SHS Lady Tigers at Plainview, 6:30 p.m.; JV at 5 p.m.

SHS Tigers at Plainview, 8 p.m.; JV at 5 p.m.

Ira boys and girls varsity at Westbrook, 6:30 p.m.

Hermleigh boys and girls varsity host Highland, 6:30 p.m.; JV at 5 p.m.

Saturday

SHS freshmen girls host Abilene Cooper, noon.

SHS freshmen boys A and B teams host Abilene Cooper, 10:30 a.m. and noon.

Tigers again rally in fourth for win

By Jamie Sharp
Sports Editor

WOLFFORTH — Snyder may be developing a trend, waiting until the fourth quarter to put an opponent away. The Tigers did it against Levelland last Tuesday and repeated it Friday, coming away with a 56-52 district win over Frenship.

The Tigers are tied for second in District 2-4A with a 4-2 record, and an 18-10 season tally. Frenship remains winless in district play at 0-6.

The fourth period saw the Tigers awake and tempers flare. Frenship went out in front on consecutive buckets at the 6:45 mark. Rick Henderson responded for the Tigers on consecutive buckets to tie the game at 38 with six minutes left.

Tempers flared at the 5:37 mark when Ramsey Castillo and Duite Welch had words after scrambling for a loose ball. Chris Riggins came off the bench with verbage of his own. A technical was called and Riggins and Welch were ejected.

Frenship sank both charity tosses to put the hosts up by two. With 4:47 remaining, Jimmy Taylor fouled out on a call questioned by Snyder fans. The call seemed to inspire the Snyder Tigers.

Snyder nailed six free throw attempts in a row to move within two, 46-44. But with three minutes left, Matthew Fambro joined Taylor on the bench with his 5th foul.

Snyder took the lead at 47-46 on a Fabre trey with 1:45 remaining. Some free throws and a Henderson jumper put the Tigers up, 53-46, with 36 seconds left. Frenship's Chris Decker nailed a trey to keep Frenship's hopes alive, but Castillo sealed the victory with two free throws with only a tick left.

Snyder had started quickly in the first, but faded late in the period. Taylor began with a steal and a breakaway layup that put the Tigers on the board first. Frenship's Welch hit a jumper that evened the contest, but Snyder nailed its next four shots, putting the Tigers up 9-2 at the 3:55 mark.

Welch ended the Tiger rally with a trey from the corner and a jumper in the lane to bring Frenship within two. Snyder missed its last three attempts, allowing Frenship to take a 17-15 lead at the end of the period.

At the start of the second, Snyder continued to stay cool, but managed to stay in the game with tenacious defense. Fambro blocked Frenship's first shot of the quarter, but Frenship grabbed the rebound and converted for two.

Snyder tied the score at 19 when Henderson nailed consecutive jumpers. Frenship answered back with consecutive jumpers to retain the lead. Fabre broke free and sank a jumper at the buzzer, bringing the Tigers to within three at intermission.

Castillo brought the Tigers to within one to start off the third period. The Tigers then took the lead with 2:54 left to play when Henderson blocked Welch and dished to Riggins who converted for two to put the Tigers up 27-26. After an exchange of baskets, the buzzer sounded with the two teams deadlocked at 33.

Henderson finished with a game high 22, while Castillo bagged 13. Fabre ended with seven and Riggins and Taylor nailed six. Fambro added two.

2-4A Glance

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Estacado	5	1	13	13
Snyder	4	2	18	10
Plainview	4	2	14	12
Levelland	3	3	11	18
Lamesa	2	4	18	8
Frenship	0	6	11	16

Friday's Results: Snyder 56, Frenship 52; Estacado 49, Plainview 44; Levelland 54, Lamesa 53, OT.

Tuesday's Games: Estacado at Snyder, Plainview at Lamea, Frenship at Levelland.

NBA at glance

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Atlantic Division				
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Orlando	19	19	.500	9½
Washington	20	21	.488	10
NewJersey	11	28	.282	18
Boston	9	29	.237	19½
Philadelphia	9	32	.220	21
Central Division				
Chicago	36	5	.878	-
Detroit	29	11	.725	6½
Atlanta	27	12	.692	8
Charlotte	24	17	.585	12
Cleveland	22	18	.550	13½
Indiana	19	20	.487	16
Milwaukee	19	21	.475	16½
Toronto	14	26	.350	21½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Houston	32	10	.762	-
Utah	28	13	.683	3½
Minnesota	19	22	.463	12½
Dallas	13	26	.333	17½
Denver	12	30	.286	20
SanAntonio	11	28	.282	19½
Vancouver	8	35	.186	24½
Pacific Division				
Seattle	30	12	.714	-
L.A.Lakers	30	12	.714	-
Portland	24	18	.571	6
Sacramento	18	24	.429	12
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GoldenState	16	25	.390	13½
Phoenix	15	27	.357	15

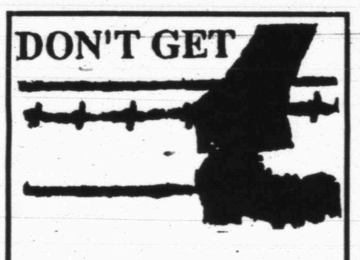
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Orlando 121, Boston 117, OT
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Atlanta 117, Washington 105, OT
Charlotte 113, New York 104, OT
San Antonio 97, Dallas 87
Portland 115, Phoenix 105
L.A. Clippers 114, Denver 111
L.A. Lakers 114, Golden State 97

Saturday's Games

Milwaukee at Indiana, 2 p.m.
Toronto at Chicago, 3:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
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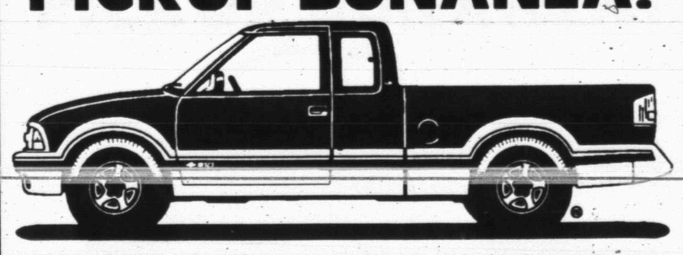
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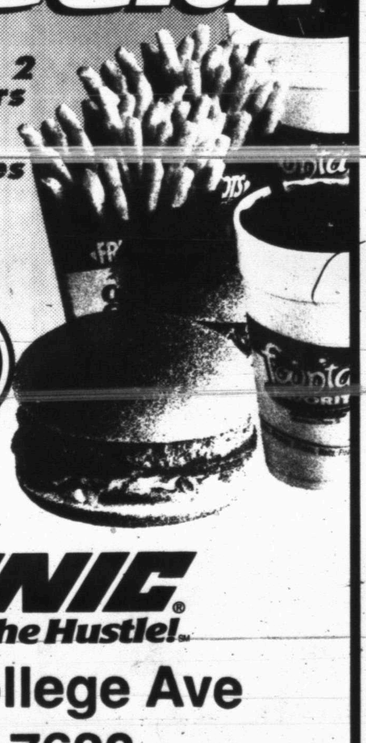
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SPORTS

Pack favored in Super Bowl

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — This Super Bowl comes with a twist.

Woven into the usual plot of an NFC team favored by two touchdowns is an odd central character.

A coach.

"You'd think it's the Packers against Bill Parcells," said Aaron Taylor of the Green Bay Packers, who are trying to bring a title back to Titletown, USA, and extend the NFC's Super Bowl winning streak to 13 games.

"Is he going to suit up or something?"

Actually, quite the opposite.

Parcells is the centerpiece not only because he's the best-known New England Patriot, but also because he's likely to leave the team after the game and return to New York — either as coach of the Jets or as a network analyst. It's a prospective divorce that's had Parcells on the defensive all week.

He is, after all, a coach whose specialty is defense.

Beyond that, it's the same old storyline.

The Packers (13-3) come in as the latest NFC power, pursuing their first championship since Vince Lombardi's last team won the second Super Bowl 29 years ago. They were the preseason favorite to win it all, playing in the spotlight throughout and capturing the NFC title 30-13 over Carolina in a game that rekindled the Lombardi legend at Lambeau Field.

They have Brett Favre, the NFL's MVP for the past two seasons, at quarterback and a defense anchored by Reggie White, in his first Super Bowl after 12 seasons as one of the dominant defensive ends in league history. White has been the rallying point for the Packers — "Win one for Reggie."

Kickoff is 5:18 p.m.

Patriots (11-5) come in as an incarnation of Parcells, much as those early Packers were an incarnation of Lombardi.

There are parallels — Lombardi's coaching career began at St. Cecilia's High School in Englewood, N.J., where Parcells was born. The Vince Lombardi service area on the New Jersey turnpike is three miles from Giants Stadium, where Parcells first made his coaching reputation.

Yes, the Patriots have a good young quarterback in Drew Bledsoe and some other first-rate players such as Curtis Martin, Terry Glenn, Willie McGinest, Ben Coates and Dave Meggett. But the common perception is that they wouldn't be here were it not for Parcells, who won Super Bowls after the 1986 and 1990 seasons with the New York Giants and is only the second coach — Don Shula is the other — to make it to this game with two different franchises.

This time, Parcells has a team that was 6-10 a year ago and started this season 0-2. The Patriots went 11-3 the rest of the way, coming back from a 22-0 deficit against Parcells' old team at Giants Stadium in the final regular-season game to secure a playoff bye.

Then the Patriots beat AFC champion Pittsburgh 28-3 and upstart Jacksonville 20-6 after the Jaguars had shocked Denver, the conference favorite entering the playoffs.

The Patriots have a far more explosive offense than Parcells' old Giants. Glenn set a rookie record with 90 receptions, and Bledsoe bounced back from a season in which he was beset by injuries.

But the hallmark of the late-season run was Parcell's specialty: defense.

In their last seven games, the Patriots allowed only four offensive touchdowns, none in the two playoff games. McGinest became the pass rusher that Parcells was seeking when he drafted him fourth overall in 1994 — his most recent attempt to clone Lawrence Taylor — and a secondary led by safety Willie Clay made big play after big play.

"He doesn't try to tell me I'm the next Lawrence Taylor," McGinest said. "But he sure talks about LT this and LT that to make sure we know that standard he wants us to achieve."

That's a Parcells trademark — he loves to push buttons to motivate his players. He can be Tuna the Tyrant one day (Tuna as in "Charlie the Tuna") and Beloved Bill the next.

"He'll tell you he loves you, then he'll tell you you're gone if you don't shape up," said left guard William Roberts, who has spent 10 of his 13 NFL seasons playing for Parcells.

Parcells even found himself part of the week's most embarrassing moment — a joint appearance with Patriots owner Bob Kraft, who tried to put a happy face on what likely is an imminent divorce. The result: a bad joke about Kraft giving Parcells a 10-year contract to run his paper business, and Parcells pretending he would close Kraft's biggest plant.

Ouch!

By contrast, there is Green Bay's Mike Holmgren, a laid-back Californian who spent 12 years as a high school coach in the San Francisco Bay area. In 1983, Parcells' first year as an NFL head coach, Holmgren was in his second year as quarterbacks coach at Brigham Young, tutoring a player named Steve Young.

"I'm the coaching underdog," Holmgren said when he arrived in New Orleans last Sunday.

Then he put it more graphically.

"If you did one of those check mark things — who gets the edge on offense, defense, special teams — I don't think I'd get the check mark by coach."

Nonetheless, Holmgren is one of the NFL's best coaches in his own right, a man who turned Favre from a wild thing who threw too many interceptions into the best quarterback in the league. Favre had 39 touchdown passes this season after spending 46 days last summer being treated for an addiction to painkillers.

Favre hasn't been as much an attraction this week as his hometown, Kiln, Miss., an hour away from New Orleans on what's known as Mississippi's "Redneck Riviera." For two weeks, reporters have been making pilgrimages there, and on Wednesday, there was a bus tour that attracted 40 people.

Favre showed up on media day wearing sunglasses, following the lead of his backup, Jim McMahon, who as the Chicago Bears' starter 11 years ago, stamped his "punky QB" image on New Orleans. That game, a 46-10 Chicago victory, was the last time the Patriots appeared in a Super Bowl.

If there's one Packer who defines this game, it's White.

He spent his first eight NFL seasons on a talented but underachieving Philadelphia team that never won a playoff game. Green Bay's Keith Jackson and New England's Keith Byars were White's teammates.

Then in 1993 he signed with Green Bay for $17 million over four years.

Little Dribblers

Majors

Celtics 39, Raptors 36
Celtics: Demetris Hom 4, Thomas Vargas 7, Andrew Vargas 10, Clay Williams 14, Taylor Cotton 4. Raptors: Jed Martin 14, Tanner Reed 1, Colby Driggers 5, Chance Greenwood 12, Brad English 2, Andrew Bane 2.

Mavericks 51, T'wolves 32
Mavericks: T.J. Jones 19, Zach Starnes 14, Jeff Fine 9, Colter Williams 8, Bret McClendon 1. T'wolves: Joel Silva 2, Kenneth Fabre 4, Tucker Early 2. Clinton Blume 1. Tyler Kerr 2, Zach Cain 4, Logan Hill 17.

Magic 51, T'wolves 32
Magic: Matt McCormick 11, Tanner Beard 4, Matt Long 2, Brady Reed 20, Henry Dominguez 2, Patrick Alderetti 12. T'wolves: Joel Silva 2, Kenneth Fabre 2, Tucker Early 2, Tyler Kerr 4, Zach Cain 4, Logan Hill 18.

Warriors 44, Spurs
Warriors: Blake Grimmet 14, Kris Hatley 10, Isreal Sosa 2, Isaac Ramon 8, Joshua Pickerel 4, Will Davis 8, Robin Hollingsworth 3. Spurs: Dustin Davenport 6, Alan Gray 2, Stafford Gray 12, Peter Perez 2.

Jazz 50, Pacers 31
Jazz: Shane Kitchens 7, Lee Scott 12, Josh Knox 2, Josh McGaha 6, Josh Mendoza 13. Pacers: Adam Rogers 18, Cody Broker 1, Justin Boyd 6, Jake Barnes 6.

Magic 31, Raptors 13
Magic: Tyler Pollard 2, Matt McCormick 6, Tanner Beard 5, Marcus Villareal 2, Brady Reed 13, Patrick Alderetti 3. Raptors: Jed Martin 1, Colby Driggers 2, Chance Greenwood 8, Andrew Bane 2.

Mavericks 37, Warriors 29
Mavericks: T.J. Jones 6, Zach Starnes 22, Jeff Fine 6, Colter Williams 2, Garick Clayton 1. Warriors: Blake Grimmet 2, Kris Hatley 14, Isaac Ramon 8, Will Davis 5.

Magic 34, Celtics 32
Celtics: Demetris Horn 2, Thomas Vargas 9, Andrew Vargas 8, Clay Williams 9, Taylor Cotton 4. Magic: Tyler Pollard 4, Matt McCormick 5, Tanner Beard 9, Marcus Villareal 4, Brady Reed 2, Patrick Alderetti 8.

Minors

Sonics 59, Heat 15
Sonics: Dustyn Williams 5, Wes Chandler 2, Chance Grantham 1, Chase Luft 17, Marcus Torres 2. Heat: Justin Rios 1, Raymond Valdez 4, Brandon Bragg 8, Thomas Hefner 2.

Lakers 30, Rockets 27
Lakers: Garrett Pinson 10, Jeffrey Gibson 6, Wesley Kellner 14. Rockets: Lico Castillo 27.

Nuggets 29, Bulls 24
Nuggets: Tyler Hogan 4, Zach Garcia 21, Jarrod Fletcher 4. Bulls: Blake Seale 8, Cade Owen 4, Eric Martinez 10, Paul Haines 2.

Knicks 29, Sonics 24
Knicks: Luis Silva 4, Pedro Villa 10, Cade Simpson 11, Jon McClure 2, David Duck 2. Sonics: Dustyn Williams 3, West Chandler 2, Chance Grantham 4, Chase Luft 13, Marcus Torres 2.

Pistons 26, Heat 20
Pistons: Tyler Thompson 4, Brad Richardson 2, Jason Cave 8, Antwoine Jeffrey 4, Cale Lancaster 8. Heat: Raymond Valdez 2, Brandon Bragg 7, Andrew Dupree 2, Bryan Clifton 9.

Nuggets 26, Heat 20
Nuggets: Tyler Hogan 4, Chris Smauley 2, Zach Garcia 12, Jarrod Fletcher 8. Heat: Tyler Driggers 2, Raymond Valdez 4, Brandon Bragg 6, Thomas Hefner 4, Bryan Clifton 4.

Rockets 36, Bulls 30
Rockets: Kasey Krop 2, Lico Castillo 18, Chris Smith 2, Danny Ortegon 2, Barrett Bowlin 12. Bulls: Jay Weaver 12, Austin Lyle 2, Eric Martinez 16.

Lakers 38, Sonics 31
Lakers: Jordan Lollar 22, Garret Pinson 16, Wesley Kellner 20. Sonics: Dustyn Williams 4, Chase Luft 22, Marcus Torres 2, Corbin Clements 2.

College scores

EAST
Boston U. 79, Delaware 72
Drexel 74, Maine 51
Hofstra 67, New Hampshire 54
Manhattan 77, Niagara 58
St. Peter's 58, Fairfield 52
Towson St. 81, Northeastern 59

FAR WEST
Idaho St. 91, CS Northridge 84
Santa Clara 82, San Francisco 67
St. Mary's, Cal. 70, San Diego 63

LOCAL SPORTS BRIEFS

Horseshoe pitchers to meet

The National Horseshoe Pitching Association will meet at 7 Tuesday at the chamber of commerce. Johnny Davenport, a NHPA-sanctioned pitcher, will serve as president. The purpose of the meeting is to elect pitchers and other officers.

Little Dribblers sign-up

Snyder Girls' Little Dribblers will sign-up players from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Feb. 7 and from 9 a.m. until noon Feb. 8 in the West Elementary cafeteria.

Late sign-ups will be accepted from 5:30 to 7-30 p.m. Feb. 14 and from 9 a.m. until noon on Feb. 15. Players must be accompained by an adult and bring a copy of the player's birth certificate. Registration fee is $25.

The league is open to girls ages 8-1, with 8-year-olds in their own division. For more information, call 573-9437 or 573-3951.

Freethrow challenge

C.R. Perez, manager of Lawrence IGA, has challenged Subway owner Tony Scott to a freethrow shooting contest during the halftime of the Snyder Tiger game with Estacado.

The loser will donate $100 to the SHS basketball program and the winner will donate $50.

Donkey basketball

Donkey basketball is scheduled for 7:30 Thursday in the high school gym.

The KneeKnockers (Snyder ISD administration) will challenge the Tail Twisters (junior high teachers and coaches) in the first game.

The second game will feature The Know-It-Alls (SHS seniors) and The Hoofers (SHS Coaches).

The first 150 elementary school students will receive a free donkey ride during intermission. Admission is $5 in advance for adults and high school students and $6 at the door. Junior high, elementary and senior citizens advance tickets are $4 and are $5 at the door.

Cards notch district wins

Both Hermleigh varsity hoop teams scored impressive District 25-A victories over Loraine Friday night, the first loop win for the Cardinals while the Lady Cards are unbeaten in two league outings.

Hermleigh rallied in the final period, scoring 28 points, to give the Cards an 89-77 victory over Loraine.

Hermleigh trailed by three points at halftime, and Loraine held a 62-61 edge going into the final period. While scoring 28 points, the Cards held the visitors to only 15 in the last quarter.

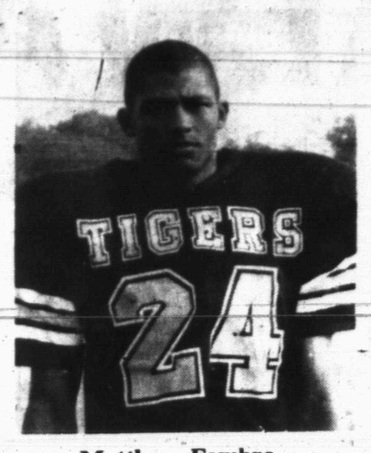
Larry Lambaren got a triple-double by canning 27 points, getting 10 rebounds and being credited with 10 assists. Sophomore Mario Gonzalez hit for 15 while freshman Caleb Callaway and Jason Hernandez were also in double digits with 14. Johnny Garza tossed in eight while T.J. Wood had eight and Ricky Luna put in three. Hermleigh hit 47 percent from the field and 48 percent from the free-throw line.

Hermleigh's season record is now 6-13 and 1-0 in district play.

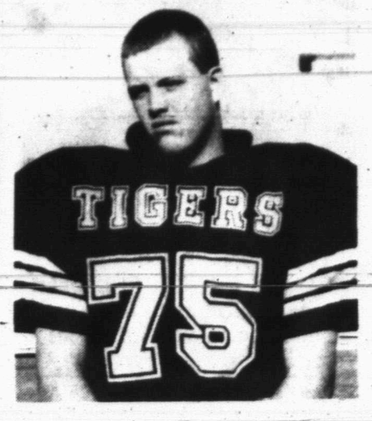
The Lady Cards remained undefeated in District 25-A play with a 71-45 triumph over Loraine.

Hermleigh led the entire game and was paced by Jennifer Roemisch's 24 points. Melissa Brasuel put in 12 and Ester Martinez tossed in 10. Michelle Roemisch and Kelly Gonzalez each hit for nine while Randi Herrington put in three. Kendra Dacus and Brandy Wood both added two.

The Lady Cards' season record is 10-11. Hermleigh continues district play Tuesday night in Highland.



Matthew Fambro



Chris Post

At SMU, UTEP...

Snyder grid pair to play college ball

Two Snyder High School seniors have committed to play college football - Chris Post at Southern Methodist University and Matthew Fambro at the University of Texas at El Paso.

The gridders committed last week and are expected to formally ink with the respective schools on Feb. 5, the first day for college signings.

Both Post and Fambro were offensive and defensive all-district last fall for the Snyder Tigers.

Post, 6-4 and 245 pounds, was a two-way starter for the Tigers and was all-district. He was named all-South Plains as a defensive tackle and was recruited by SMU as a defensive tackle.

Fambro, also 6-4, is 185 pounds and started on offense as a wide receiver and was a starter in the Tigers' defensive secondary. UTEP is looking to use Fambro, who also is a starter on the Tiger basketball team, as a receiver.

"SMU has a good academic program and I really like Dallas and the Western Athletic Conference," Post said.

Post had also visited Oklahoma State University, and was scheduled for a visit to Abilene Christian University, but has since cancelled.

Post said he settled on becoming a Mustang because of the new coaching staff. "I had a good visit with the head coach and the coaching staff, and I really liked my position coach."

Another factor, Post said, was the promise to keep him at the defensive tackle position. Post, who will participate in track and power-lifting this spring, will attend SMU on a full scholarship. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Post.

Fambro said he visited UTEP earlier in the month, and liked the coaches and the campus. He too will attend on a full scholarship. Fambro is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Densell Fambro.

Bowling News

Jack-N-Jill
Standings as of 01/22/97

Team	Won	Lost
House of Anticks	49	27
B.J. Services	49	27
Holcomb	46	30
Rogers Backhoe Service	41	35
Misfits	39½	36½
KSNY	38	34
Buchanan Printing	36½	36½
Ace Hardware	34	342
Landes Home Furn.	32	44

Bowlers of the Week: Jeff Smith 561 (series), Dorothy Matthews 535 (series); Larry Mann 210 (game), Dorothy Matthews 191 (game).
Converted Splits: Tim Moses, 4-7-10; Brenda Meurer 3-10; Shirley Coffey 3-10; Don Johnson 2-7; Daphene Thompson 6-6-10; Roger Batchelor 5-6.

Men's Commercial
League Standings as of 01/21/97

Team	Won	Lost
Blue Sunoco	10	4
Bar-H-Bar	10	4
Levens Gas & Oil	9½	4½
E.D. Walton Const.	9	5
Price Const.	7½	6½
Stephens Office Supply	6½	7½
Whit Parks Auto	5	9
Racers	3½	9½
Reef Chemical	4	10
The Shack	4	10

High Series Scratch: David Hoops 542
High Series Handicap: Bo Lowrance 627.
High Game: David Carroll 192.
High Game Handicap: Billy Glasscock 231.
Splits: Don Johnson 5-10; Lional Crisp 4-5; Wayne Monroney 4-6; Mark Glasscock 2-7; David Carroll 3-10.

Roll-n-Hope
League Standings as of 01/20/97

Team	Won	Lost
Eddins-Walcher	52	28
Fuller Foods	50	30
Lawrence IGA	43	37
Redman	38	42
Should of Beens	37	43
Carousel Arcade	36	44
City National Bank	36	44
J.C. Wells	28	52

High Series Scratch: Ginger Moore 563.
High Series Handicap: Terri Blocker 651.
High Game Scratch: Lynn Maldonado 211.
High Game Handicap: Cara Lindsey 239.
Splits and Special Mentions: Cara Lindsey 2-7; Setsuko Jones 6-7; Terri Blocker 5-6; Leda Beck 4-5; 200 Games: Lynn Maldonado 211 and Cara Lindsey 200; 500 Series: Ginger Moore 563; Cara Lindsey 511; Terri Blocker 504.

Ira drops pair in loop play

GRADY — Ira Bulldog varsity basketball teams are still looking for their first district win after dropping a pair here Friday night.

Grady crushed the Lady Bulldogs 83-39 while the Ira boys fell to Grady, 93-59. The Ira girls own a 9-11 season record while the Bulldogs are 3-15. Both Bulldog squads are 0-2 in District 27-A play.

Terri Robinson led the Lady Bulldogs with 16 points while Jamee Goolsby put in 10.

Leading scorer for the Bulldogs was Logan Daves with 25 points while Richard Wilkins and Jerek Brown each put in 11.

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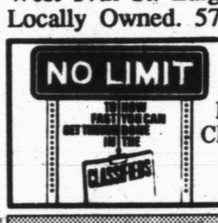
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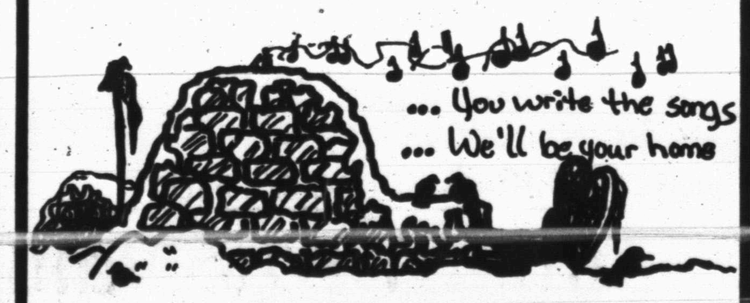
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Area peace officers take 2 into custody

Snyder area peace officers made two arrests late Friday and early Saturday and responded to numerous complaints.

A sheriff's deputy arrested a 30-year-old male at 8:08 p.m. Friday along Round Top Road on two warrants for issuance of a bad check.

Police officers were called to a disturbance in the 200 block of 25th Street at 1:05 a.m. Saturday where they arrested a 22-year-old male for assault, family violence.

Big Country Chevrolet employees contacted police at 5:24 p.m. Friday in reference to a subject taking a demonstrator without permission. An offense report for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was filed.

At 9:01 a.m. Friday, Ruth Smith told police that someone had broken into her residence in the 2300 block of Avenue M. A report for burglary was filed.

At 11:09 p.m. Friday, a subject called 911 and said his brother had drunk too much and could not breathe. Snyder EMS was dispatched and checked on the subject, who refused treatment.

A man contacted police at 6:29 p.m. Friday in reference to a subject receiving death threats from another subject. Police located the person who allegedly made the threats and advised him of the complaint.

A clerk at McD's contacted police at 4:33 p.m. Friday to report that someone had pumped gasoline and failed to pay for it.

Randy Schick contacted police at 1:07 p.m. Friday to report that someone had damaged the windshield on his 1986 Chevrolet Camero. A report for Class B criminal mischief was filed.

E.E. Shifflett contacted police at 10:42 a.m. Friday to report more damage to a vacant residence in the 400 block of North Avenue T. A report was filed.

Deputies were also notified of a subject scratched by a cat at 9:14 a.m.

Burglar escapes private facility

LOCKHART (AP) — The search continued on Saturday for a convicted burglar after his escape from a private jail.

Cecil Comans, 35, had nearly completed serving two concurrent 30-year prison sentences for burglary when he escaped from the Lockhart Unit, about 30 miles south of Austin, a state prison system spokesman said.

"The Lockhart facility is what we call a pre-release for guys who have a real short time left and who really are on their way out of the system," said Larry Fitzgerald, a spokesman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



DEAR ABBY: Your series of columns on "Just Say No" amazed me. I was not aware that there was a shortage of ways to say it.

Any woman over 35 will be able to come up with at least a couple of hundred, since she uses at least one every day. My wife, who shut off intimacy 10 years ago, can furnish you with at least 1,000 suggestions.

Some of her favorites are: It's too late; it's too early; we'll wake the kids; the kids aren't asleep yet; I'm too tired; you're too tired; we just did; I've got a headache, a stomachache, a toothache, a backache ... whatever. I ate too much; I'm hungry; I drank too much; I didn't drink enough; it's too cold; it's too warm; I have to get up early; my legs are sore; my arms are sore; I just had my hair done; I should wash my hair; the bed's too hard; the bed's too soft; let's wait until next weekend; let's wait until next month; let's wait until next year.

I was told that a recent survey concerning sex showed that 90 percent of women over 35 in the USA have no interest in sex, while 96 percent of the men do, and that includes guys over 60.

So we can just forget all this nonsense about females not knowing how to say "No." It's pretty obvious that all of them are experts — so much so that the majority of the male population over 40 is mired in chastity, thanks to a sexless majority of women. Sign me ...

JUST SAY NO, MY FOOT

DEAR JUST: I am inclined to be suspicious when it comes to sex surveys. Those who do often say they don't. And those who don't sometimes say they do.

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DEAR ABBY: The letter in your column from "Caring Grandparents, Nashua, N.H." made me sick to my stomach. They described how their son-in-law would play "tickle-tickle" constantly with their 3-month-old granddaughter.

I was once married to a tickler who used to constantly torture our infant daughter (and me) with tickling games. Unfortunately, I found out that while I was away at work, this sicko was "tickling" my daughter in inappropriate places. She told me when she was a toddler. I confronted him and threw him out immediately. Later during the child abuse investigation, he flunked a lie detector test.

Now after much counseling, my 11-year-old and I have learned that tickling can be a form of abuse and often masks a child abuser in the making.

Be aware: An innocent "game" could be masking something far more harmful that may cause repercussions through the victim's life.

VICTORIA IN L.A.

DEAR VICTORIA: You are to be applauded for listening to

See Abby, Page 12A

Fox optimistic repairs will be completed by game time

As of 6 p.m. Friday, Fox KJTV 34 was still optimistic that it will return to the airwaves by 6 p.m. Saturday,

Fox KJTV 34 experienced a transmission line failure on Wednesday morning at 5 a.m. during routine maintenance. Three tower crews are currently working on replacing the transmission line.

In the event that Fox KJTV 34 does not return to air by noon Sunday, coverage of the Super Bowl pregame will be on UPN 22. UPN 22 can be seen on Snyder Cablevision, Channel 7.

ABC 28 (KMAC) in Lubbock has also agreed to carry the actual Super Bowl game broadcast in the unlikely event that Fox KJTV 34 is unable to complete its repairs by game time.

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City of Snyder
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Candidates for Place 1 (Mitchell and Scurry Counties); Place 3 (Haskell, Jones, and Shackelford Counties) and Place 5 (Callahan and Taylor Counties Except Abilene Independent School District) may file between February 1 and February 20, 1997, either in person at 1850 State Highway 351, Abilene, Texas, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m Monday - Friday, or by certified mail to the executive director, Region XIV Education Service Center, 1850 Highway 35 , Abilene, Texas 79601. There is no filing fee.

Eligibility requirements, further information, and filing forms may be received from Terry A. Harlow, Executive Director, Region 14 Education Service Center.

NOTICE DE REGISTRACION PARA
LA JUNTA DIRECTIVE DE
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Candidatos para el Lugar 1 (los condados de Mitchell and Scurry), y para el Lugar 3 (los condados de Haskell, Jones and Shackelford); y para el lugar 5 (los conedados de Callahan and Taylor, menos el distrito escolar de Abilene) pueden registrarse entre las fechas del primiro de febrero hasta el veinte de febrero, 1997, en persona en las oficinas del Region XIV, en calle 1850 State Highway 351, Abilene, Texas, desde las ocho de las manana hasta las cinco de la tarde de Lunes a Viernes: o por carta certificada dirigida al director ejecutivo, Region XIV Education Service Center, 1850 Highway 351, Abilene, Texas 79601. No hay cobro para registrarse.

Mas informacion sobre las formas de registracion, y sobre los reguisitos necesarios para estos puestos pueden ser obtenidos de Terry A. Harlow, el director ejecutivo, Region XIV Education Service Center.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Scurry County Commissioners' Court will open for the **PURCHASE OF FUEL AND BULK OIL** on Monday, February 3, 1997, at 10:00 a.m., during Special Session of the Commissioners' Court. Specifications may be obtained at the County Judge's Office, Scurry County Courthouse, Snyder, Texas 79549.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Scurry County Commissioners' Court will open bid proposals for the **purchase of a CHIPSPREADER**, Monday, February 3, 1997, at 10:00 a.m., during Special Session of the Commissioners' Court. Specification may be obtained at the County Judge's Office, Scurry County Courthouse, Snyder, Texas.

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF SALE

PERSONAL PROPERTY

BY VIRTUE OF CERTAIN ORDER OF SALE ISSUED BY THE CLERK OF THE LYNN COUNTY DISTRICT COURT,ON THE 19TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1996,IN A CERTAIN CAUSE NUMBERED 96-01-05462,WHEREIN THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF O'DONNELL,TEXAS IS PLAINTIFF AND ROGER K. WILLIAMS IS DEFENDANT,IN FAVOR OF SAID PLAINTIFF,FOR THE SUM OF $330,356.25,TOGETHER WITH ALL COSTS OF SUIT,THAT BEING THE AMOUNT OF JUDGEMENT RECOVERED BY THE SAID PLAINTIFF,IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LYNN COUNTY,TAHOKA,TEXAS,ON THE 19TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 1996.I ON THE 23RD DAY OF JANUARY 1997,AT 10:00 A.M.,HAVE LEVIED UPON AND WILL ON THE 4TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 1997 AT 10:00 A.M.,AT THE WILLIAMS FARM LOCATED,7.4 MILES WEST OF THE SCURRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE,WITHIN LEGAL HOURS,PROCEED TO SELL FOR CASH TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER,ALL THE RIGHTS,TITLE,AND INTEREST OF DEFENDANT IN AND TO THE THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY,LEVIED UPON OF DEFENDANT,TO WIT;

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19. SNAPPER RIDING MOWER
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22. WIZARD HAND MOWER
23. JOHN DEERE BATTERY CHARGER
24. COMPRESSOR
25. MISC. TOOLS
26. REFRIGERATOR
27. COUCH
28. TV AND TWO STANDS

THE ABOVE SALE TO BE MADE BY ME TO SATISFY THE ABOVE DESCRIBED JUDGEMENT FOR $330,356.25 DOLLARS IN FAVOR OF PLAINTIFF,TOGETHER WITH THE COSTS OF SAID SUIT,AND THE PROCEEDS APPLIED TO THE SATISFACTION THEREOF.

WITNESS MY HAND THIS 23 RD DAY OF JANUARY 1997.

Darren Jackson
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Federal judge extends banon two people taking office

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A federal judge on Friday extended his injunction barring two Republicans from taking office as sheriff and county commissioner in Val Verde County.

The West Texas voting-rights case has deteriorated into a pitched battle with the hot-button issues of ethnicity, politics and patriotism injected into the mix.

In his ruling, U.S. District Judge Fred Biery lamented the tumult that has resulted in Del Rio since the November election.

"Were there a magic judicial wand, the court would require the residents to be reconciled to live in rapprochement rather than be ravaged by rancor. But there is no such scepter," he wrote.

Texas Rural Legal Aid, which represents thousands of impoverished Texans in South Texas, last year challenged the election outcome. At issue is the use of mail-in ballots and the propriety of out-of-towners voting in local races.

TRLA, which withdrew this week from the controversial lawsuit, contends the election was skewed by the ballots of 800 out-of-town military personnel and their family members.

The mail-in voters, some of whom haven't lived in Val Verde County for two decades, should have received ballots only for federal offices — not for state, county or local races — the plaintiffs contend. Allowing out-of-towners to vote in local elections dilutes the voting strength of residents in the largely Hispanic, traditionally Democrat county, they argue.





WINNERS — Winners of Lang Tire Co.'s December Goodyear jacket giveaway were Fred Rocha, top photo, and Don Jenkins, bottom photo. George Scifres, store manager, is shown congratulating the winners. (Contributed Photos)

Date Book

Jan. 25, 1997

Today is the 25th day of 1997 and the 36th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1890, journalist Nellie Bly completed her journey around the world in under 73 days.

On this day in 1945, Lt. Audie Murphy's battlefield heroism earned him the Medal of Honor.

On this day in 1971, Charles Manson was convicted of the Tate-LaBianca murders.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Robert Burns (1759-1796), poet; W. Somerset Maugham (1874-1965), writer; Virginia Woolf (1882-1941), writer; Eduard Shevardnadze (1928-), Georgian president, is 69; Dinah Manoff (1958-), actress, is 39.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1987, the New York Giants defeated the Denver Broncos 39-20 in Super Bowl XXI.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The beauty of the world has two edges, one of laughter, one of anguish, cutting the heart asunder." — Virginia Woolf

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1837, the northern lights were visible above Burlington, Vt.

SOURCE: 1997 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Jan. 23) and last quarter (Jan. 31).

Jan. 26, 1997

Today is the 26th day of 1997 and the 37th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1788, the first shipload of English convicts arrived in Australia.

On this day in 1837, Michigan became the 26th state in the union.

On this day in 1875, the electric dental drill was patented.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Douglas MacArthur (1880-1964), U.S. Army general; Paul Newman (1925-), actor, is 72; Jules Feiffer (1929-), cartoonist, is 68; Bob Uecker (1935-), baseball player-commentator, is 62; Eddie Van Halen (1957-), guitarist, is 40; Anita Baker (1958-), singer, is 39; Wayne Gretzky (1961-), hockey great, is 36.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1992, the Washington Redskins defeated the Buffalo Bills 37-24 in Super Bowl XXVI.

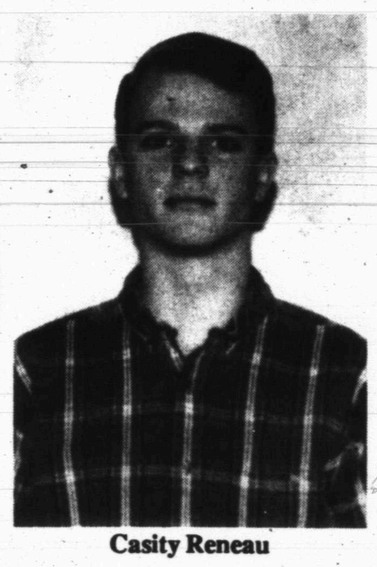
TODAY'S QUOTE: "I still remember the refrain of one of the most popular barracks ballads of that day, which proclaimed most proudly that old soldiers never die; they just fade away. I now close my military career and just fade away." — Douglas MacArthur

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1978, Ohio was lashed by the worst blizzard of the century; it packed 100 mph winds and dumped more than 10 inches of snow.

SOURCE: 1997 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Jan. 23) and last quarter (Jan. 31).

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Casity Reneau

Reneau nominated to Naval Academy

Snyder High School senior Casity Reneau has been nominated to the U.S. Naval Academy, Congressman Charles W. Stenholm (D-TX) has announced.

Reneau, the son of Walter and Kristina Reneau, plays the trumpet at SHS. He also participates in UIL competition in number sense, science and accounting.

He is a member of the National Honor Society, Forensics Club, and the Student Council.

In an SDN article dated October of 1996, Reneau, who will graduate in May, said he wanted to study mechanical engineering following graduation.

Also in 1996, he became an Eagle Scout and attended Boys State.

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TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:
Seventeen (17) days after this publication, the above named Scurry County intends to request the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to release Federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended to be used for the following project:

Project Title or Name: Water Facilities
Contract Number 716791 - Texas Community Development Program
Purpose or Nature of Project: Construction of water well and water lines. Land acquisition
Location of Project: Block Fifty-six (56) of the Hermleigh Town site
Estimate Cost of Project: $249,900

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and accordingly the above named Scurry County has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environment Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reason for such a decision not to prepare such a statement is based upon the fact that all environmental concerns could either be minimized or mitigated.

An Environmental Review Record for the proposed project has been made by Scurry County which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such a statement is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying, upon request, at County Courthouse between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

PUBLIC COMMENTS OF FINDING

All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the County to the address as set forth above. Such written comments must be received at the address specified within sixteen (16) days after this publication. All such comments so received will be considered and the County will not request the release of funds or take any administrative action on the project prior to date specified in the preceding sentence.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

Scurry County will undertake the activities described above with the Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I from its program Year 1994 under grant numbered 716791 from the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The Scurry County is certifying to TDHCA that Ricky Fritz in his official capacity as County Judge, consents to accept the judisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making, and actions and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, Scurry County may use the Block Grant funds, and it will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. TDHCA will accept an objection to its approval only on one or more of the bases and the procedures described in 24 CFR Part 58.75. Objections are to be addressed to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, P.O. Box 13941, Austin, Texas 7811-3941.

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by the TDHCA. No objection received later than thirty-three (33) days after this publication will be considered by the TDHCA.

Ricky Fritz,
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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Obituaries

Amos Marroquin

1939-1997

Amos Rodriguez Marroquin, 57, of Snyder died Thursday, Jan. 23, in Galveston.

Funeral service is set for 10 a.m. Monday in Brownfield's St. Anthony Catholic Church. The Rev. John Casey will officiate and burial will follow in the Brownfield Cemetery under the direction of Burns-Smith Funeral Home.

Born in Floresville, he married Betty Vasquez on Feb. 22, 1970 in Brownfield. Mr. Marroquin was a laborer and a Catholic. He was preceded in death by a son and a daughter.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Marroquin of Snyder; five sons, Amos, Andy, Jaycee, Joe Anthony and Dennis Floyd, all of Snyder; 13 daughters, Patricia Marroquin of New Mexico, JoAnn Rivera of Perryton, Carol Ann Perez of Denver City, Betty Perez of Kansas, Luz Ann Longoria of Snyder, Debbie Soliz of Brady and Manuela Marroquin, Rosie Marroquin, Mary Marroquin, Ruby Marroquin, Laura Marroquin, Victoria Marroquin and Judy Marroquin, all of Snyder; a brother Pete Marroquin of Brownfield; three sisters, Soyla Vasquez of Wellman, Lidia Servantez of Brownfield and Delfina Flores of San Antonio; and 13 grandchildren.

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Virginia Ashley

1920-1997

Graveside service is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in Hillside Memorial Gardens for Virginia Irene Ashley, a former resident of Snyder. The Rev. Larry McAden, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, will officiate.

Mrs. Ashley, 77, of Forsan died Friday, Jan. 24, in Stanton.

Born Jan. 10, 1920 in Haskell, Okla., she married Ray L. Ashley on May 25, 1938 in Oilton, Okla. A homemaker, Mrs. Ashley was a Baptist and did ceramics as a hobby.

Survivors include her husband, Ray Ashley of Forsan; two daughters, Phyllis Hildreath of Big Spring and Nancy Richards of Pittsburg, Calif.; one son, Ray R. Ashley of Austin; nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home.

Mable May

1907-1997

ROSCOE — Funeral service was held Saturday in the First United Methodist Church for Mable May, 89, of Roscoe. The Rev. Charles Addington officiated, and burial followed in the Roscoe Cemetery.

Mrs. May died Thursday, Jan. 23, in Roscoe Healthcare Center.

Born in Robert Lee, she married Otto May on June 28, 1924 in Clyde. She was a homemaker and rancher, and she had lived in Roscoe since 1970. Mrs. May was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Roscoe.

Survivors include a daughter, Bette Pearce of Odessa; three brothers, Morris Ashley and Carl Ashley, both of Snyder, and L.Z. Ashley of Dunn; two sisters, Frances Machen and Modene Johnston, both of Snyder; two grandchildren; and one-great-grandchild.

Water safe to consume

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poses, creating taste and odor problems.

Normally, the problem isn't severe because the amount of water keeps the concentrations low. However, because there is so little water in Lake Thomas, the concentrations are high.

Helping offset that to some degree are the water wells.

"The well field produces about 1.4 million gallons a day. Had we not had the wells, we would probably be in more dire straits," said Callahan.

The city is in the process of constructing a new five million gallon per day water plant, which could eventually help the problem.

One of the seven steps the water is put through to make it drinkable involves a settling basin. Basically, chemicals are applied to the water, which causes the solid materials to sink to the bottom of the basin.

The current water plant, constructed in 1951, contains a settling basin which must be periodically cleaned of sediment. To do this, plant operators store as much water as possible for immediate customer's needs, then shut down the system temporarily.

It usually takes more than one time off-line to clean the basin because it can't be accomplished before the storage supply runs out.

High concentrations of the sediment also have an affect on how the water tastes.

The new plant will have a self-cleaning rake which will continuously clean the basin.

"We hope that will help. We think it should," said Callahan.

What would benefit the water quality most though, is for the lake's watershed to get a lot of rain — bringing the water level back up.

Ironically, that could make the quality of water worse, for a while at least.

"You've got vegetation growing on the lake bed where the water once was. As the lake catches more water, it will cover those plants and they will die and decompose," said Callahan. "Ideally, the lake would rise slowly back to normal and the effect would be spread out over a period of time."

The city's water supply is regulated by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, and has to comply with stringent rules and regulations.

The water supply is subjected to daily laboratory testing to insure it is safe for public consumption

"Our job is to insure the citizens of Snyder have a safe, potable water supply and the public can be assured we are doing that," said Callahan.

"The water may not be pleasant to taste and it may have an odor, but it is safe."

In fact, Callahan pointed out, of the 6,880 municipal water plants inspected by the TNRCC, only 522 carry a "superior" rating. Snyder is one of them.

"Be assured that every effort is being made through the treatment of your water to remove these tastes and odors. Unfortunately, until Lake J.B. Thomas receives a sufficient accumulation of water, we will undoubtedly experience a frequent taste and odor problem of various intensities," Callahan said.

Tom Sizemore arrested

WEST HOLLYWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Tom Sizemore, featured in the current action hit "The Relic," was arrested for investigation of beating his wife, soap opera actress Maeve Anne Quinlan, authorities said.

What's Up?

Union Methodist revival

Union United Methodist Church continues with services at 7 p.m. Saturday and 10:50 a.m. Sunday. The public is invited.

WTC Boosters to meet

Western Texas College Booster Club will meet at noon Monday at Rudy's. The meal is dutch treat. Everyone is invited.

Beans and cornbread supper

Western Texas College Booster Club will sponsor a beans and cornbread supper from 5-7 p.m. Monday in Room A at the coliseum, preceeding the basketball game between the Lady Westerners and Howard College. The cost will be $4 for adults and $2 for 12 and under.

MegaSkills program slated

Parents and volunteers are invited to a MegaSkills program — "The Never Ending Report Card" — at 6:30 p.m. Monday in the Northeast Elementary library. Door prizes, refreshments and childcare will be provided. For information call 574-6012.

FCA area rally

Snyder will host an area rally of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at 7 p.m. Monday in the Worsham Auditorium. Guest speaker will be Alan Lee, a former major league baseball player. Music and games will be provided by Snyder's Michael Howard. Admission is free and everyone is invited.

Bible study video tapes

Bible study video tapes are airing on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. They are followed by a new series titled The Story of the Bible. The program continues at 7 p.m. Monday. The next tape is "The View from the Cross," followed by lesson two in The Story of the Bible: "The Chosen."

Choir booster club to meet

The Choir Booster Club will meet at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the high school choir room.

Class of 1977 sets meeting

The Class of 1977 will have a planning meeting for their 20th reunion at 7:30 p.m. Monday at Reef Chemical. Anyone interesting in helping with the plans is urged to attend. Addresses are needed.

Weather spotting class

George Matthews of the Midland National Weather Service will conduct an annual severe weather spotting class at 7 p.m. Tuesday in council chambers at City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

Genealogical society

Scurry County Genealogocal Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the county library. The program by Jean Smith will be "First Steps to Take in Researching Family." Members are encouraged to attend. Visitors are welcome.

Grief support group

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

Blanket countdown for SHS junior class

There are only five Snyder High School Tiger stadium blankets left. This SHS junior class fund-raiser item may be purchased for $49.50 at Initial Ideas, 1806 26th, during the week from 9:30 to 6 or on Saturday, 10 to 5:30.

Pick 3

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

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(three, zero, nine)

Cash 5

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

1-14-20-24-27

(one, fourteen, twenty, twenty-four, twenty-seven)

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Abby

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your child and taking appropriate steps to protect her.

As I pointed out in my answer to "Caring Grandparents," pediatric specialists say that excessive tickling often results in inappropriate stimulation, and should be discouraged.

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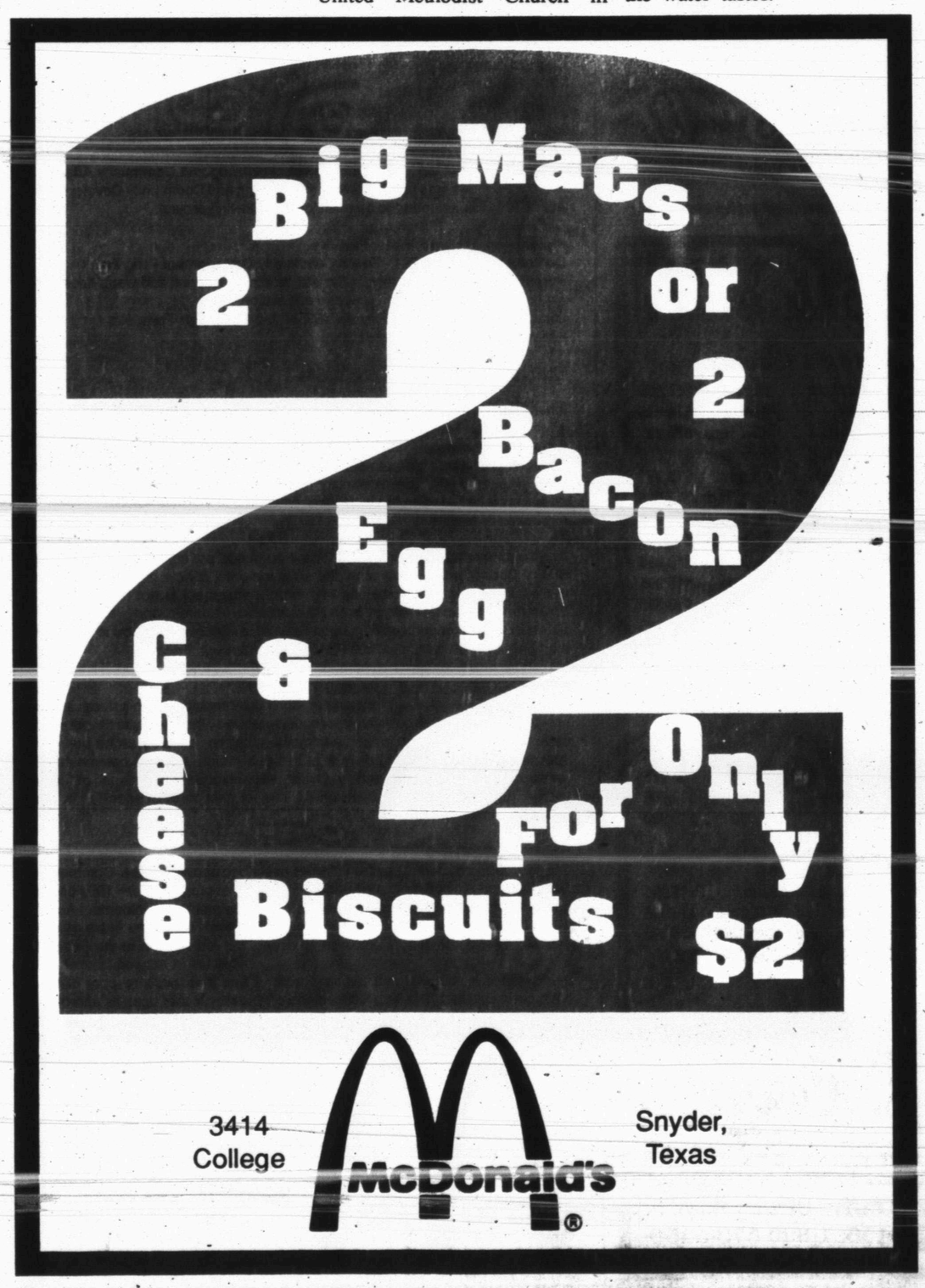
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First VFW commander recalls post home

Scurry County's Memorial Post 8231, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) was organized more than 50 years ago, on Aug. 29, 1946. It was incorporated on Jan. 13, 1948.

Some 100 veterans had joined by the time the organization received its charter.

B.P. "Boe" Moffett was the first commander, serving from 1946-1947. He was recognized last year for his contributions.

Dawson Moreland was elected the first quartermaster.

This week, Moffett and Moreland, both 50-year members, shared some of their memories of the early years of the post home and their wartime experiences.

The location of the VFW post home changed several times, before the home at 1701 Ave. T was built. One home burned to the ground during the early 1950s.

In later years, a women's auxiliary was formed. For a number of years, the VFW and the American Legion met jointly, then decided to separate during the 1960s.

Both organizations continue to have monthly meetings. Next month, the VFW post home will host the District 8 meeting.

Helping the community has always been a priority of the VFW. That policy continues today through donations to projects such as the DARE program.

The post has some 300 members, Moffett said, including six charter members.

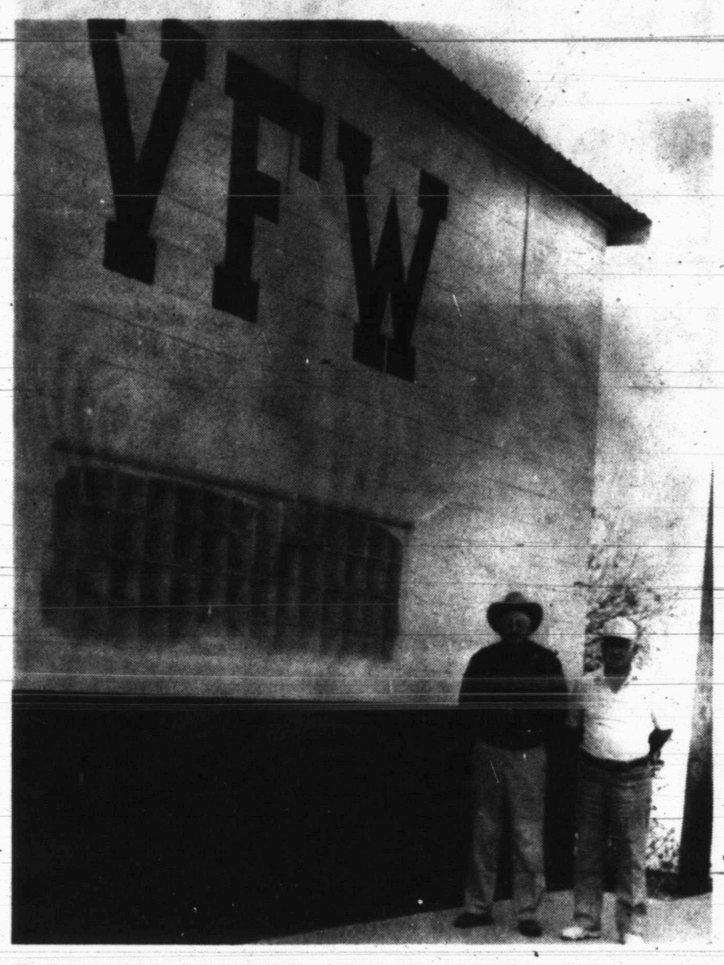
He said the post "had and still has one of the best organizations in Snyder."

According to Moffett and Moreland, early meeting sites included the district courthouse, a building where the fire department is located today, and Wolf Park,

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FIRST COMMANDER — B.P. "Boe" Moffett served as the first commander of VFW Post #8231. He is shown with a book listing men from Scurry County who served in World War II and photos of his years of service. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



EARLY VFW MEMBERS — B.P. "Boe" Moffett, right, served as the first commander of VFW Post #8231, and Dawson Moreland was the first quartermaster. They recently shared their memories of the post home and serving during World War II. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Scurry County Folks

by Shirley A. Gorman

Fate allowed local vet to survive war

If not for a twist of fate, Dawson Moreland, 78, might never have survived World War II.

A flight leader for a C-47, Moreland often dropped paratroopers behind enemy lines. It was not unusual for pilots to develop a nervous condition and be temporarily grounded by a doctor.

Another flier took Moreland's place during an engagement. Ironically, that was the man's first flight since taking an ordered medical leave.

When the C-47 was shot down, the crew parachuted, but Moreland's replacement was killed when his chute — the one Moreland would have used had he been there — did not open. The radio operator's chute opened, but he was taken prisoner.

The second C-47 Moreland flew bore the words, "Howdy Stranger," on each side of the nose. He said one of the prisoners of war he transported could barely speak English but he really liked the expression.

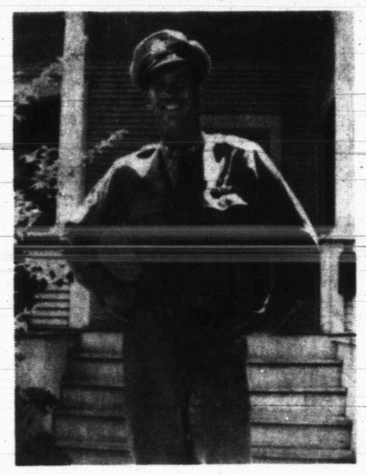
Like others who served during World War II, Moreland joined the National Guard in 1940 because he knew he was going to be drafted.

He was a member of Company G of the 142nd Infantry and later transferred to the Air Corps.

The local guard unit mobilized on Nov. 25, 1940 and trained here for a time before space became available at Camp Bowie in Brownwood.

In 1942, Moreland said they moved to Camp Banding, Fla. Before leaving Texas, Moreland

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CAPTAIN — Capt. Dawson Moreland is shown in front of an Austin home. He served as a flight leader during World War II and was discharged in 1945. (Contributed Photo)

'Boe' Moffett notes World War II service

As World War II loomed, B.P. "Boe" Moffett, 80, entered the service on Jan. 29, 1941, the first to volunteer from Snyder. He did so, he explained, because he knew he was going to be drafted anyway.

He and other volunteers had thought they would just have to serve a year and then be discharged, but it did not turn out that way.

Moffett received infantry basic training at Fort Bliss in El Paso. He then entered the Medical Corps and was assigned to the station hospital at Fort Bliss. Then, early in 1942, Moffett was transferred to the 713 Railway Battalion in Clovis, N.M., which was in the process of being organized.

"Since we were training on the Santa Fe Railroad, we became known as the Santa Fe Battalion," Moffett said.

The battalion was assigned to Europe in December of 1942. They landed in Casablanca, North Africa, after traveling several weeks on a ship, Moffett said.

The battalion served 36 months of overseas service, including Italy, France and Germany, operating trains which carried equipment, soldiers and fuel. Hospital trains carried wounded soldiers.

Like most veterans, Moffett remembers D-Day, the massive offensive which turned the tide of the war in favor of the Allies.

"The prettiest sight I ever saw was the bombers going to Germany," Moffett said. It didn't matter that they woke him up in

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PLANNING FEBRUARY VOWS — Stephen and Lisa Anthony of Oklahoma City and Bobby and Lori Haddox of Eastland, formerly of Ira, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Jenny Anthony and Lee Haddox, both of Oklahoma City. Miss Anthony and Haddox plan to be married on Feb. 15 in Eastland. (Contributed Photo)

Penwomen author articles

The Golden Terrace Community Room was the site for the Jan. 16 meeting of Scurry County Penwomen hosted by Helene Tutt and Val Nesmith.

Jean Everett presided over the meeting. Yvonne Nunn gave the invocation that was followed by members reading their own work. Those writing poems included Mary Westmoreland's "Killer Bees;" Nunn read "Tail of the Rattler" and "Tales of the Night;" Tutt read "Despair" and "Santa's Helper;" Bert Warren "Small Town Cowboy" and "The Outhouse."

Garnett Quiett read a poem, "Child in Autumn," and her article, "I Remember Singing With Nature in Praise to God." Jean Everett read her Haiku.

Guest speaker Bettye Martin McRae from Sweetwater talked on "God Uses Writers to Write His Ways to Share With Others." The definition of a writer, she explained, is someone who has something to say and gets it down on paper. Then he is critiqued before he sends it off to be published, she continued.

"You are losing out if you don't read women's magazines, especially the poetry they use," she said. She also recommended self publishing. Ms McRae owns Bunkhouse Publications and offered to publish Penwomen members' books, and she also suggested August House for publishing.

Marge Smith gave the word of encouragement entitled, "One Day at a Time." Mary Westmoreland won the hostess gift.

The next Penwomen meeting will be on Feb. 20 at the Golden Terrace Community Room, visitors are welcomed.

SCM welcomes board members

Three board members have been welcomed to the Scurry County Museum Board of Trustees. They are Julie Sentell, Maria Patterson and Dr. Carl Dillaha. The trio will serve a three-year term.

Retiring from the board are Dr. Tim Griffin, Mary Streleki and Polly Echols.

Officers for 1997 include James Cave, president; Martha Martin, vice president; Drew Bullard, treasurer; and Laura Jones, secretary.

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Storytime at Scurry County Library will be held for four- and five-year-olds; 1916 23rd Street; 10 a.m.

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Delta Kappa Gamma, Zeta Lambda Chapter; MAWC; 7 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-8971 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-9458, 573-8626 or 573-8929; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers; Trinity Methodist Church (south wing); noon; for more information, call 1-800-359-3131.

American Cancer Society; board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 5 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Dialogue, cancer support group; board room of Cogdell Memoral Hospital; 7 to 8 p.m.

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

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-3956, 573-2101,573-1141 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

Al-Anon meeting (smoke free), noon to 1 p.m., brown bag. Park Club in Winston Park. For information call 573-4203 or 573-5525.

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Eubank at 573-6509.

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

Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349; 10 a.m.

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

Narcotics Anonymous Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 5 p.m.

Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.





Julia and Forrest Lynn Fox (Contributed Photos)

Foxes wed 50 years

On Jan. 22, 1947, Forrest Lynn and Julia Eva Ellis were married in the home of Julia's parents, the late Bertha and Jackson Ellis in the Dunn Community. The late Austin Varner, Church of Christ minister in Snyder, officiated.

The couple met at John Tarleton Agriculture Junior College in Stephenville, and married between semesters. They moved to Sam Houston State Teachers' College where Forrest majored in industrial arts, and Julia studied music and received a teaching certificate. Forrest was a graduate of Bangs High School. Julia attended school at Dunn before the school was destroyed by a tornado and then moved to Ira where she graduated.

Fox served in the European Theatre with the 398th Bombardment Group.

He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Sam Houston State Teacher's College and taught school in Abilene, Fredericksburg, Colorado City and Ira. They also lived in the Dunn area, and now reside at the Ellis' family farm in Ira.

Fox's other occupations include working as a tool dresser on drilling rigs, an oil field gauger, and in the water injection department in the water flood unit.

Mr. and Mrs. Fox are retired and attend the Church of Christ. They have two sons and a daughter-in-law, Ellis Don Fox of Dunn, and Allen Dan and Helen Fox of Seguin; and two grandchildren, Charles Allen Fox and Forrest Todd Fox.

Celebrity tribute to Travolta, Preston

NEW YORK (AP) — Vinnie Barbarino has come a long way from Mr. Kotter's class.

John Travolta will be honored along with actress Kelly Preston by the New York Friars Club, which has been handing out awards since its inception in 1904. The pair will receive the "Man and Woman of the Year" award at the club's annual celebrity tribute on June 13.

Travolta, who played Vinnie on TV's "Welcome Back Kotter" in the '70s, is currently starring in "Michael." Ms. Preston co-stars with Tom Cruise in "Jerry Maguire."

The Friars Club award is an acknowledgement of the impact the pair have had on movies and television.

Past winners include Kirk Douglas, Elizabeth Taylor, Cary Grant, and Diana Ross.

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Scurry County Library News and Views

Scurry County Library provides tax forms as a public service and has on hand a display of various forms, instruction booklets and publications. These materials are free, and are provided for individual use. We ask that businesses supply their own forms.

The tax display is located behind the card catalog, in the adult section.

A book of the more commonly used forms is available for reproduction on the Xerox machine at a cost of 15 cents per page. Some 8-0-0 numbers are available for further information, including how to order additional forms.

The staff is not authorized to provide tax information.

BOOK FEATURE

"Spaceflight," by Valerie Neal

This sweeping panorama of our exploration of space combines fast-paced narrative with stunning color visuals from the National Air and Space Museum.

"Spaceflight" includes more than 350 illustrations, photographs and other artworks. Entertaining and understandable, this information-packed guide will be used again and again.

NEW NON-FICTION

"Sarah the Duchess of York: My Story," by Sarah Ferguson.

"The Atlas of Shipwrecks and Treasure," by Nigel Pickford.

"The Company We Keep," by Douglas H. Chadwick.

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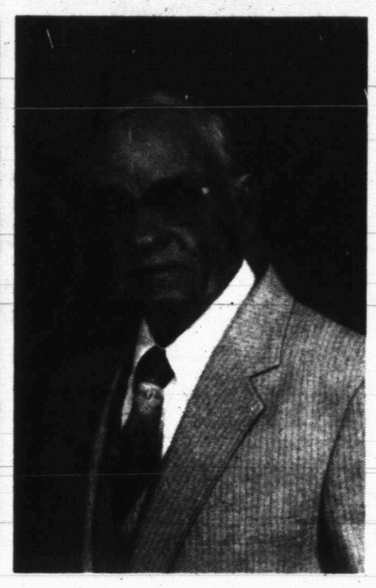
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CLARA AND GLENN TATE
(Contributed Photos)

Mr. and Mrs. Tate to plan quiet celebration for 60th

Glenn Tate and Clara Chambers met in Snyder on Feb. 10, 1936 and were married on Jan. 29, 1937 in the Scurry County Courthouse by P.E. Devenport, JP.

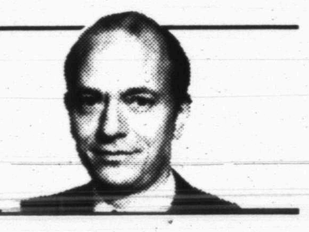
Being involved with rearing two children, they were also active in community service. During the 1950s through the 1970s, Mr. Tate was active in community service. He was a director of Midwest Electric Cooperative of Roby, on the board of the Agricultural Stabilization Conservation Service in Snyder, director of China Grove cotton gin, served on the Hermleigh school board, and was a member of the Hermleigh Cemetery Association. Tate still farms his family's home place near Hermleigh.

Clara worked for J.C. Penney for 20 years. She is into her 27th year as a volunteer for Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. She also volunteers in Snyder nursing homes. A member of several bridge clubs, Clara also helps her daughter at Countryplace, on College Ave.

They have a son, Donald Tate of Hermleigh; a daughter, Glenda Glasscock of Hermleigh; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



Bridge on the internet

As the internet expands, so the amount of bridge on the World Wide Web increases. Every day last October, I followed the World Team Olympiad online. (Though I was pained to discover that I couldn't download the daily bulletins as I don't have a postscript printer. Surely the World Bridge Federation can fix this problem.) Today, though, I wish to highlight the recently opened web site of The Bridge World magazine at http://www.bridgeworld.com.

You will find material for all levels of player, information, single- and double-dummy problems, even a mystery. Pay the site a visit!

This is one of the single-dummy problems. How would you play in four hearts after West has led the diamond ace?

It was generous of the opponents, with 12 diamonds and half the high-card points between them, to stay out of the bidding. Although five diamonds goes one down, that is still cheaper than allowing four hearts to make.

This deal is easy if you've seen the theme before. If East has the club ace, there are no problems. But if West has that card (and you know he has!), you must score three spade tricks without letting East get on play for a fatal club switch.

The answer is to discard a spade from hand at trick one.

Suppose West switches to a spade, which is as good as anything. Win with dummy's king, draw trumps, play a spade to the ace, and take a ruffing spade finesse, discarding a club if East doesn't cover with the queen. Even if West wins the trick, your contract is safe.

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	♥ 9 7 5 3	
	♦ K	
	♣ 7 5 3 2	
West		**East**
♠ 8 7		♠ Q 9 3 2
♥ 2		♥ Q
♦ A J 8 6 4 3		♦ Q 10 9 7 5 2
♣ A Q 10 8		♣ J 9
	South	
	♠ 6 5 4	
	♥ A K J 10 8 6 4	
	♦ ---	
	♣ K 6 4	

North 01-25-97

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		Pass	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ A

School Menus

Snyder

BREAKFAST
Breakfasts are served with milk, juice, assorted cereal and toast.

MONDAY
French Toast w/Syrup

TUESDAY
Sausage Sticks

WEDNESDAY
Donut

THURSDAY
Breakfast Taco

FRIDAY
Biscuit & Gravy

LUNCH
Lunches are served with milk.

MONDAY
Rib Sandwich
Chicken Nuggets
Baked Beans
Corn on the Cob
Pineapple Chunks

TUESDAY
Sausage Pizza
Hamburger
Lettuce & Tomato
French Fries
Cowboy Cookie

WEDNESDAY
Chicken Pot Pie
Ham & Cheese Sandwich
Tossed Salad
Orange

THURSDAY
Enchilada Casserole
Nachos w/Ground Beef
Pinto Beans
Corn Bread
Peaches

FRIDAY
Chicken 'n Pasta
Steak Finger
Baked Potato
French Bread
Fruit Jello

Senior Center Menu

MONDAY
Vegetable Soup
Pimento Cheese Sandwich
Potato Rounds
Dill Pickle
Banana & Strawberries

TUESDAY
Country Fried Steak
Cream Gravy
Steamed Rice
Mixed Vegetables
Tomato Wedges
Coconut Pudding

WEDNESDAY
Chicken Spoonbread
Giblet Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Fried Squash
Tossed Salad
Refrigerator Cheese Dessert

THURSDAY
Baked Ham w/Cherry Sauce
Cooked Cabbage
Tomatoes & Green Beans
Corn Relish
Apricot Cobbler

FRIDAY
Fried Fish
Potatoes Au Gratin
Glazed Carrots
Waldorf Salad
Yellow Cake

Snyder Duplicate Bridge

Fifteen-table Duplicate Bridge Club was played over a three-day period at the Snyder Country Club.

FRIDAY
Six tables were directed by Dot Casey.
1. Mary Bast, Johnye Van Dever,
2. Louise Thompson, Jane Hinton.
3. Pat Floyd, Robbie Floyd.

SUNDAY
Five tables were directed by Jane Hinton.
1. Jane Hinton, Margaret Birdwell.
2. Dora Blakey, Shirley Stewart.
3. Margaret Presswood, Billisue Stuard.

TUESDAY
Four tables were directed by Jane Hinton.
1. Mippie Brownlee, Shirley Stewart.
2. Maribeth Vestal, Barbara Yorgesen.
3. TIE: Dot Casey, Charlie Blakey — Nona Morrison, Billisue Stuard.

Hermleigh

BREAKFAST
Breakfasts are served with milk.

MONDAY
Juice
Buttered Grits
Toast

TUESDAY
Fruit
Pancake Pups

WEDNESDAY
Juice
French Toast/Syrup

FRIDAY
Juice
Kolaches

LUNCH
Lunches are served with milk.

MONDAY
Chicken Fried Steak & Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
English Peas
Hot Rolls
Frozen Fruit Bars

TUESDAY
Lasagna
Whole New Potatoes
Shredded Lettuce
Soft Bread Sticks
Fruit Cup/Whipped Topping

WEDNESDAY
Beef & Cheese Nachos
Ranch Style Beans
Cherry Peppers & Onions
Corn Bread
White Cake/Chocolate Frosting

THURSDAY
Tuna Casserole
Fried Okra
French Fries
Hot Rolls
Fruit Jello

FRIDAY
Vegetable Soup
Toasted Cheese Sandwiches
Relish Cup
Crackers
Chilled Pears

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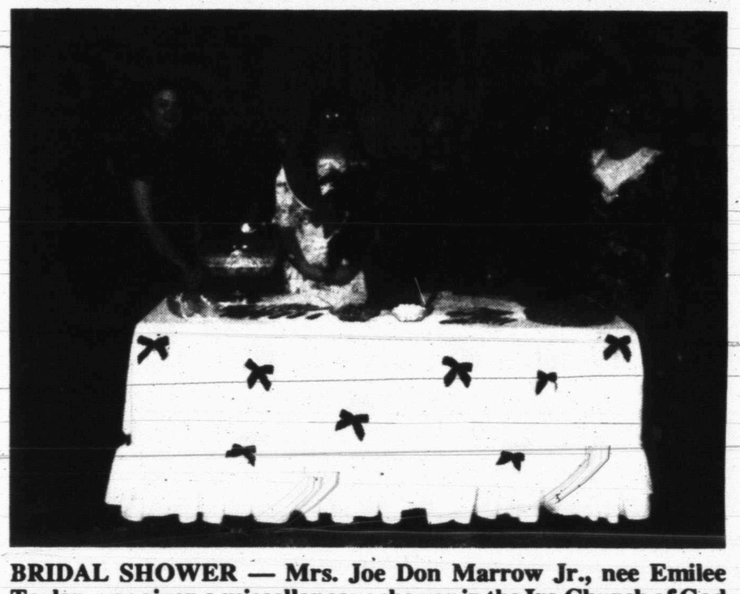
MONDAY
Tacos
Salad
Refried Beans
Crackers
Sheath Cake

TUESDAY
Turkey Roast w/Gravy
Creamed Potatoes
Vegetable Salad
Peaches

WEDNESDAY
Pinto Beans
Spinach
Corn
Corn Bread
Peach Cobbler

THURSDAY
Chicken Fried Steak
Parsley Potatoes
Vegetable Sticks
Rolls
Plain Cookies

FRIDAY
Fish
Cole Slaw
Pork & Beans
Bread
Birthday Cake



BRIDAL SHOWER — Mrs. Joe Don Marrow Jr., nee Emilee Taylor, was given a miscellaneous shower in the Ira Church of God on Dec. 7, 1996 by several hostesses. The couple married on Dec. 14 at the Arrowhead Ranch, the home of the bride's parents, Bob and Kathy Fowler. Pictured from left are Stacey Taylor, sister of the bride; Kathy Fowler, their mother; the honoree; Doris Stokes, maternal grandmother of the bride; Luvenia Fowler, step paternal grandmother of the bride; and Jacque Chorn, paternal grandmother of the bride. (Contributed Photo)

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Jenny Anthony & Lee Haddox
Elaine Whitfill & Mike Bragg
Lisa Duncan & Michael Steadham
Emilee Taylor & Joe Don Marrow, Jr.
Kim Adcock & Mitch Page

Bridal Consultant, Accessories and Rentals

Baby Shower Registry

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MEDICAL CORPS — B.P. "Boe" Moffett served in the Medical Corps during World War II. When this photo was taken, he was a Sgt. Det. Med. Dept. assigned to the station hospital at Fort Bliss. He later served overseas. (Contributed Photo)

VFW memories shared

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which is adjacent to the current post home.

When first established, VFW members met on the second and third Tuesday of each month.

The VFW bought Wolf Park, located at 21st Street and Avenue T, in 1947. Members and their wives remodeled the home. Moffett said there wasn't much outside activity going on at the time but improvements to the park itself included installing lights at the baseball field so that games could be played at night.

Around the later part of 1948 or the early part of 1949, Moffett said the VFW and the American Legion joined together to establish a meeting place for the two organizations.

Joe York donated land located next to Wolf Park to both organizations in 1948. Another building was built close to the VFW home, which subbed for a time as a youth center. That building still stands, according to Moffett.

In 1951, a fire consumed the post home, destroying all the records. The Youth Center then served as a meeting place until a new post home could be established.

The VFW and AL continued to meet together until 1962 when the two organizations decided to go their separate ways, dividing the property.

Moffett recalled that the VFW took the northwest part while the AL took the rest, which it sold.

The Ladies Auxiliary for the VFW was organized on June 4, 1951. Nalta Chapman was the first president.

Moffett credits the auxiliary with helping the VFW with all its activities.

The VFW continued to grow and it and the auxiliary sponsored many activities, Moffett said, including girls and boys ball clubs and Boys and Girls Scouts.

The VFW continues to take part in events such as flag raising ceremonies and the patriotic program at the Senior Center which recognized survivors of Pearl Harbor and other veterans of World War II and other wars.

Moffett said local people from the post and auxiliary held higher commands.

They included Shelby and Gertrude Surratt. Surratt was a department commander and his wife was president of the ladies auxiliary.

Others were Harold Minyard, assistant inspector general; C.C. Allen, all state commander; Harold Spivey, Don Genly, J.P. Ellis and V.L. Buchanan, District 8 commanders.

District 8 auxiliary presidents were Nalta Chapman, Ethel Sowell, Pearl Sellars, Billie Lock, Bonnie Timora and Nell Fowlers.

Husband charged

POTTSTOWN, Pa. (AP) — A cable TV personality known as Mr. Telemart was charged with stabbing his wife to death in an argument that began after she received a dozen roses from someone she had met online.

Raymond B. Stumpf, 54, nearly decapitated his wife with a kitchen knife Monday, then stabbed himself in his arms and abdomen, police said.

Stumpf, the producer-host of a home shopping show seen in Pottstown three times a week, was charged with murder. He was listed in satisfactory condition.

Business Mirror

By John Cunniff
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — Alan Greenspan is widely credited with having an acute insight into the workings of the economy, much as an engineer understands the working parts of a machine.

But what about Greenspan the maestro, the man who delivers his message with the subtle gesture, the delicate phrase, the slightest hint, the pointed remark, and in so doing orchestrates the economy's performance?

Greenspan, as Federal Reserve chairman the most influential person in determining monetary policy, demonstrated his skill anew last week. Sensing growing economic complacency, he dropped the word "inflation."

He didn't make a big issue of it; he couldn't, because his own evidence indicated inflation was under control. But in testifying before Congress, he knew the reminder alone might be sufficient to lessen the possibility.

His quiet mention of the word shouted loudly to the marketplace to watch out for wage pressures, avoid prices increases, seek greater productivity — and don't forget that if you don't, we might raise interest rates.

Greenspan has demonstrated artistry with the spoken word, so his views are studied for inflection, his sentences parsed for hidden meanings. He has command of the important players and the full attention of his audience.

By now, almost everyone understands that the motive is to nudge and implore and entreat rather than to come down harshly with, for example, an interest rate increase that could stop the expansion in its tracks.

Almost nobody doubts the artistry of the maestro, but the music is another thing. As with every public performance, there are critics who do not like what they hear and see. The economy, they say, could produce better music.

To them, the most discordant and destructive note is the fear of inflation — yes, as personified by Alan Greenspan — which, they say, has caused Americans to underestimate the economy's potential.

Between 1960 and 1988, the economy averaged growth of 3.2 percent a year, but since then it has lagged closer to 2 percent, notwithstanding the roughly 3 percent performance of late.

That might not seem like much difference, but in the 1990s a slower growth rate has cost the economy billions of dollars, or enough to eliminate the budget deficit and pay for important infrastructure improvements.

A study for the nonprofit Institute for Policy Innovation by Fiscal Associates, a consulting firm operated by former Treasury economists, shows the enormous impact made by just a 1 percentage point difference.

If the economy were to grow at 3.5 percent while population grew at 1 percent, the study showed, living standards would double in 30 years. If held to 2.5 percent it

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MEMENTOES — Dawson Moreland displays some of his mementoes of World War II. He holds a silk map which was part of the escape kit all pilots carried. He also has several books and all of the paperwork of his years of service. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Moreland shares memories

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said he had taken and passed the written test for becoming a pilot but had flunked the physical examination because he had a deviated septum. That injury to his nose had been caused by a baseball.

He underwent surgery in Florida and upon returning to Texas — San Angelo — passed the physical exam and transferred to the Army Air Corps.

Moreland did not know it at the time, but he could have taken the test while he was still in Florida.

Moreland said he wanted to become a pilot because he had varicose veins in both legs and had not wanted to march in the infantry.

Cadet training followed at several locations, including Montgomery, Ala. Pre-flight instruction was at Bennetsville, N.C. He moved to Macon, Ga. for primary training and received his wings at Valdosta, Ga.

Upon completion of all training, Moreland was assigned to the B-24 unit at Smyma, Tenn. Just before he arrived, he said a man had died in an accident every day for three weeks.

"My interest in the B-24s fell," Moreland said. After flying 60 hours in the aircraft, Moreland said he was through with the B-24s.

He was transferred to Austin where he began to fly the C-47s.

In February of 1944, Moreland was sent overseas, arriving in Bottesford, England, near Nottingham. He said he and the others engaged in "transition flying" and training due to the weather, which consisted of cold and "pea-soup" fog.

He was later sent to Exeter for more transition flying.

On June 6, 1944, he became part of D-Day, the massive offensive which turned the tide of war in favor of the Allies.

Combat missions included Central Europe, Southern and Northern France, Normandy, Rome-Arno, Rhineland and Ardennes. Moreland said he either carried supplies, gasoline, or dropped paratroopers behind enemy lines.

At other times, he also picked up wounded soldiers and either flew them to the coast or back to England.

Moreland was a flight leader. Once, while crossing the Rhine River, the company commander was ill so Moreland said he had to fly his plane. "I felt uncomfortable because I was flying with a different crew," he said.

Moreland said they all flew with escape kits but he never had to use his. The kit consisted of a silk map of the territory he was flying over, money and a first aid kit.

"I was always very particular with my planes because I sure did want them to bring me back," Moreland said.

For his war service, Moreland received the Distinguished Unit badge, EAME Ribbon with seven Battle Stars and air medal with three oak leaf clusters.

He also received a letter of commendation dated Feb. 1, 1944.

Moreland returned to the U.S. in 1945 and was discharged on Dec. 21. He was a captain by then.

After being discharged, Moreland returned to Snyder. He later organized the local National Guard, the 112th Cavalry, but only stayed in about a year because he flunked the physical.

Back in Snyder following the war, he worked for a time for a brother-in-law in his produce business. He also worked for a filling station and for Snyder National Bank for three years. He then went to work for Snyder's post office which was then located on the south side of the square.

"I started working two hours a day and within three weeks had to ask for time off to get my hair cut," Moreland said. He later became acting postmaster.

He was later promoted to postmaster. He said the late Sen. George Mahon arranged for him to take a non-competing civil service exam because he was a veteran.

He remained postmaster until taking early retirement on June 30, 1972.

By then, Moreland already owned Snyder Trailer Sales and he wanted to help his wife, Alma, who was running the business. When they learned she had leukemia, Moreland said he sold the business in 1975 in order to have more time to spend with her.

Alma died on June 24, 1987. He later married Ruth Kee on Oct. 1, 1988.

Moreland has three children, seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

A son, Henry Keith Moreland of DeSoto, is a pilot for American Airlines.

Another son, Max Dwain, is the postmaster at Peralta, N.M.

A daughter, Charlottee Sue Bowlin, lives in Abilene.

Moreland came to Scurry County from Runnells County in 1928.

To face court-martial

HURLBURT FIELD, Fla. (AP) — An Air Force colonel was ordered Thursday to face a court-martial on charges of sexually harassing a female officer who accused him of kissing and fondling her.

Col. David C. Rauhecker, a 25-year veteran and one of the highest-ranking officers at this Florida Panhandle base, also will be tried on charges of fraternization by dating an enlisted woman, and conduct unbecoming an officer, a military judge recommended.

If convicted, Rauhecker could face up to 11 years in prison, dismissal and loss of pay and benefits.



FLIGHT LEADER — Dawson Moreland had to dress in warm gear as he flew C-47s during World War II. Flying conditions were very cold fog was thick like "pea soup." (Contributed Photo)

Fines upheld

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — A federal judge upheld contempt of court fines against two bankers acquitted on Whitewater-related charges last year.

Herby Branscum Jr. and Robert M. Hill were each fined $77,000 for not complying with subpoenas — $1,000 per day for each of 77 days they refused to turn over documents involving allegedly improper contributions to Bill Clinton's gubernatorial and presidential campaigns.

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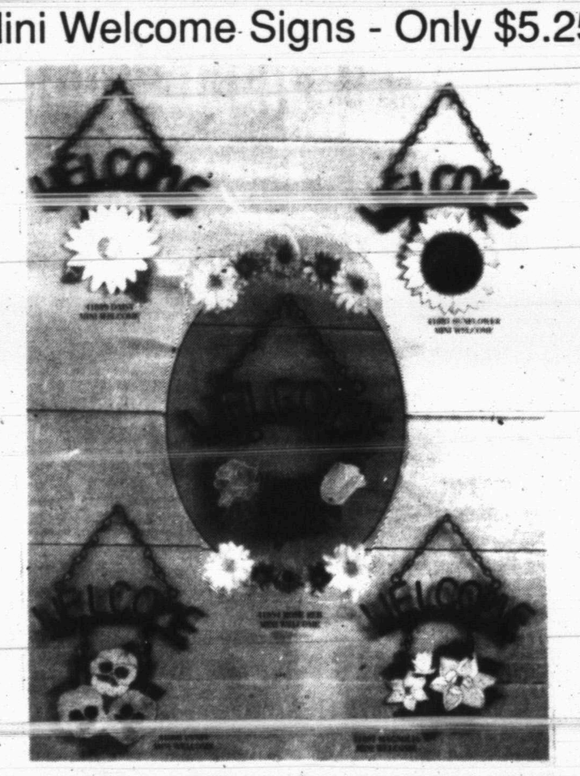
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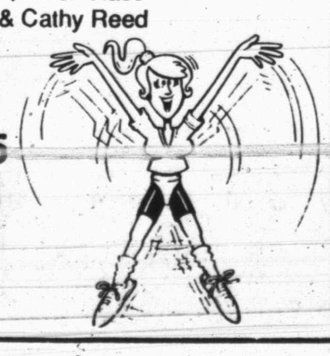
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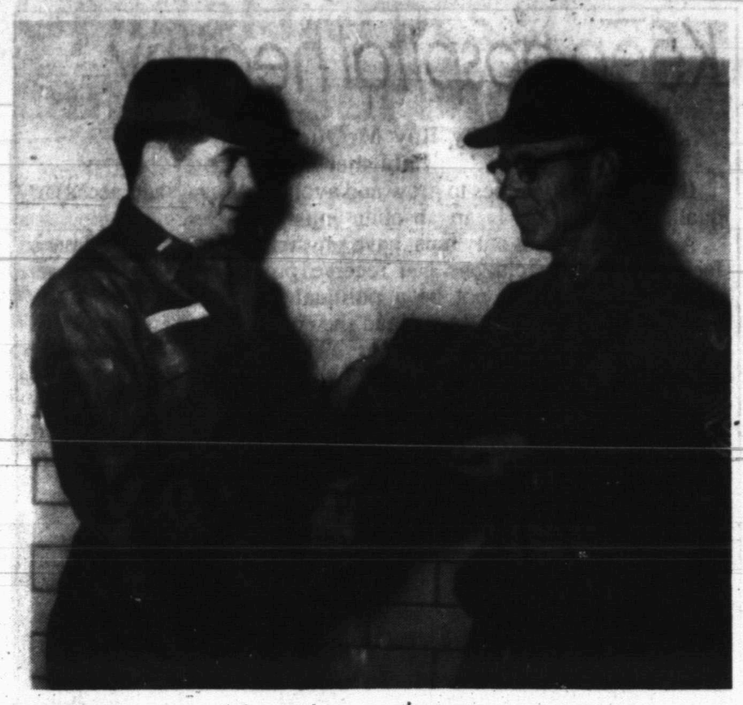
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RETIRED — When this photo was taken during the 1960s, 1st Lt. Tommy Ivison congratulated 1st Sgt. P.B. "Boe" Moffett on his retirement from the National Guard after 21 years service. Battery B of Snyder presented Moffett a plaque in appreciation for his service. (SDN Staff Photo)

Moffett war years retold

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the wee hours of the morning.

When Italy was liberated, Moffett said, "We ran the trains into Rome." They were also the first train to arrive in Paris. The battalion finally ended up in Stuttgart and Ludwigshafen, Germany during the war and after it ended.

Following the end of the war, Moffett said some soldiers were sent back to the U.S right away while others had to wait. He came home in late 1945. He was a staff sergeant when he was discharged.

He had earned several campaign ribbons and battle stars during his service.

Decorations included European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre medal with five bronze stars, the American Defense Medal and the good conduct medal.

Moffett joined the National Guard in 1948 after he was discharged from the Army. He served 16 years, retiring as a 1st Sgt. He had advanced through the ranks from platoon sergeant to squad leader to first sergeant.

While in the Guard, he said he drilled for two weeks every summer, receiving greater pay for that period. He also drilled one Sunday a month.

A native of Snyder, Moffett was born Dec. 16, 1916. Named Bishop P., he came to be called by the nickname "Boe."

In 1935, he said he joined the CCSs of Civilian Conservation Corp following high school graduation. During that time, he said he helped build roads and parks.

After two years, he returned to Snyder where he went to work for the city, doing whatever needed to be done. After two years, he joined the service.

After returning to Snyder, Moffett worked a variety of jobs including ones at Burton-Lingo Lumber Co., Clark Lumber Co., and the Rainbow Market.

He went to work for Western Company in 1951, in the midst of the oil boom. His new job kept him so busy, including out-of-town work, that Moffett said he could no longer be an active member in the VFW.

He retired from Western Co. after 34 years.

Moffett and his wife, Marie (Sumruld), were married on Sept. 12, 1941.

They have three children and three grandchildren. A son, Ferris Keith Moffett of Lubbock, is retired from the U.S. Air Force.

A daughter, Arettus Sullivan, lives in Odessa. Another daughter, Barbara Moffett, lives in Abilene.

South Texas saddle shop returns to roots

FLORESVILLE — A saddle shop which opened its doors about the turn of the century here and moved later to San Antonio is returning to its roots by reopening in the downtown area here.

Carvajal Saddlery Co. will occupy a building only a block from where the owners' uncle, Frank Vela, opened his saddlery company about 1900, continuing a family tradition.

Oscar Jr. and Ernest Carvajal recently reopened their business in Floresville after more than 35 years in San Antonio.

Vela hired his nephew, Oscar Carvajal Sr., in 1920, and taught him the skills of working with leather and making handmade saddles. Oscar and Ernest learned from their father.

When Carvajal Sr. purchased the Ben Varga Saddlery Co. on South Flores Street in San Antonio in 1960, both sons went to work for their father, who renamed the business, Carvajal Saddlery.

They branched out from saddles and made leather goods for San Antonio law enforcement officers such as Sam Browne Belts, holsters, handcuff cases and shoulder holsters, grabbing about 95 percent of the business.

The Carvajals soon moved into military equipment, such as belts, harnesses, equipment for pilot's headgears and even helicopter blade tie-downs.

Their craftsmanship spread by word of mouth until they were making saddles for the rich and famous in the U.S., as well as in many foreign countries.

Saddles and other equipment from the Carvajal shop have gone to Rex Allen, Steve McQueen, Patrick Swayze and family members of Floresville native, John Connally.

A saddle ordered by John Wayne was presented to Princess Margaret when the famous actor visited Great Britain for the grand opening for the movie, "The Alamo."

"There are not that many people still making saddles, and even fewer who do it the way we do it. We handcut all the leather, handstitch, handlace, even handtool," Oscar Carvajal explained.

"One of our saddles should last from 75 to 100 years with minimal care," he said.

Carvajal said the secret to a good saddle is starting out with a good tree, or the foundation on which all saddles are made. They are constructed of bull hide.

"Making trees is a craft all its own. We buy all ours which are made in Wyoming or Utah," he said.

Oscar said it takes about a week of continuous work to complete a good saddle, but he prefers to work on several at a time to increase production.

"Our saddles are made the same way they were 150 years ago. The styles have changed, but not the workmanship," Carvajal stressed.

He recalled he once had a wealthy Japanese businessman who came in his store while he was in San Antonio and bought everything in the building, saddles, tack, equipment and chaps.

Asked if the Japanese like American Western-style saddles or do they have another preference, Oscar laughed and answered, "Oh, they want the Western style. They wouldn't have anything else."

The Carvajals are now finishing saddles which have been ordered from Japan, Canada, Mexico, and many points in South America.

Rodeo riding troop celebrates tradition

FORT WORTH — If Ginger Rogers had a tough job dancing in high heels, backward, imagine the artistry of eight women, weighted down by 14 yards of lacy fabric, galloping through a rodeo arena, sidesaddle.

Las Zapatistas, a troupe of riders who perform with a blur of speed and the whirl of burgundy skirts, are prancing into the limelight as a centerpiece of the 101st Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show and Rodeo.

During 30 rodeo performances, Las Zapatistas, who range in age from 15 to 30, bring two forgotten strands of the wild West to center stage — sidesaddle travel and south-of-the-border horsemanship.

"It's a very big privilege to show your heritage all over the U.S.," said Brenda Trejo, 22, a psychology major at the University of Texas-El Paso. "Maybe the Mexicans watching us will get nostalgic over their roots."

Named for the wives and daughters who accompanied the armies of the Mexican revolutionary leader Emiliano Zapata, Las Zapatistas race about the arena, in straight lines, diagonal lines and intersecting lines that catch the audience's collective breath.

"It's a beautiful art, a romantic art, a fading art," said the act's producer, Jerry Diaz, a champion trick rider and roper whose performance follows Las Zapatistas during halftime at the rodeo. "I guarantee you some of the little girls in the stands will see this and want to know what it feels like to ride sidesaddle.

"They make it look so easy, but anything is dangerous on horseback," Diaz said. "It's very dangerous going sidesaddle at full tilt. I call it 'la flor,' the flower of the rodeo."

Rodeo, a Spanish word, originated in Mexico with "charro" cowboys competing at events that tested their skills with horses and cattle. Female drill team competitions, called "escaramuza," evolved in the 1930s. Mexican ranch women, already skilled at vaulting pasture fences and assisting at cattle roundups, choreographed their movements for sport.

Developed in Italy in the 16th century for Catherine de Medici, the sidesaddle was used by proper women who dared not wear pants or show any hint of derriere. To straddle a horse implied immodesty. And macho cultures assumed that women lacked the strength to maneuver a horse with a kick of the spurs.

Atop a sidesaddle, a female could conceal her unmentionables with layers of skirts. But with both her legs dangling on the horse's left side, she needed a switch cut from a tree to tap the horse's right flank. She perfected skill at the reins and an incredible sense of balance.

"You control your upper body with your legs," Trejo said. "Your upper body controls your balance. About 90 percent of the routine is the horse."

Las Zapatistas perform in "Adelita" dresses — ruffled costumes that suggest the dress of turn-of-the-century Mexican peasant women.

Blanca Cano, 30, of Las Cruces, N.M., who is both a rider and team instructor, designed the dresses. Each outfit requires 12 to 14 yards of cotton, 100 yards of ribbon and 50 yards of lace. And that's just the outer garment.

The women wear petticoats, pantaloons and white leather boots, called "jalisience," with uppers imprinted with the outline of a horseshoe, for tradition and good luck.

To ride sidesaddle, the left boot slips into a short stirrup. The right leg hooks around the saddle horn, which is positioned off center and curved to hold the rider's thigh comfortably and securely.

Cano and most of her teammates took up sidesaddle riding and the drill team art of escaramuza because their fathers and brothers are charros who compete on the Mexican rodeo circuit. Las Zapatistas have been the reigning U.S. National Escaramuza Champions since 1994.

They arrived in Fort Worth after three performances at the annual Denver Stock Show. In Fort Worth they are booked for 30 back-to-back performances in 17 days, more than they've ever done at one stretch. They will move on next month to perform in Tucson, Ariz.

The youngest of the eight riders is Elizabeth Yanez, a 10th-grader from El Paso. Her married sister, Leticia Arellano, 21, also rides with the team. Ms. Arellano said the exercise is getting her back in shape after the birth four months ago of her first child.

Rider Norma Montes, 27, is an El Paso social worker. Cecilia Parga, 22, is a college student from Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. Also from Mexico is Liliana Romero, 24, who runs an auto parts business in Jimenez, Chihuahua. Norma Gandara, 27, is a civilian employee with the New Mexico Army National Guard, and Brenda Trejo, 22, of Fabens, 30 miles east of El Paso, is a college senior and clerk in a western wear store.

Stock Show director Abel Sanchez said he was proud to have a Hispanic act at the center of the rodeo.

"The Western cowboy has dominated the movies and the novels. The vaquero has not been emphasized," he said.

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would take 50 years.

That's one side of the story. The other side features the destruction that can be wreaked by out-of-control inflation and the efforts to bring it under control.

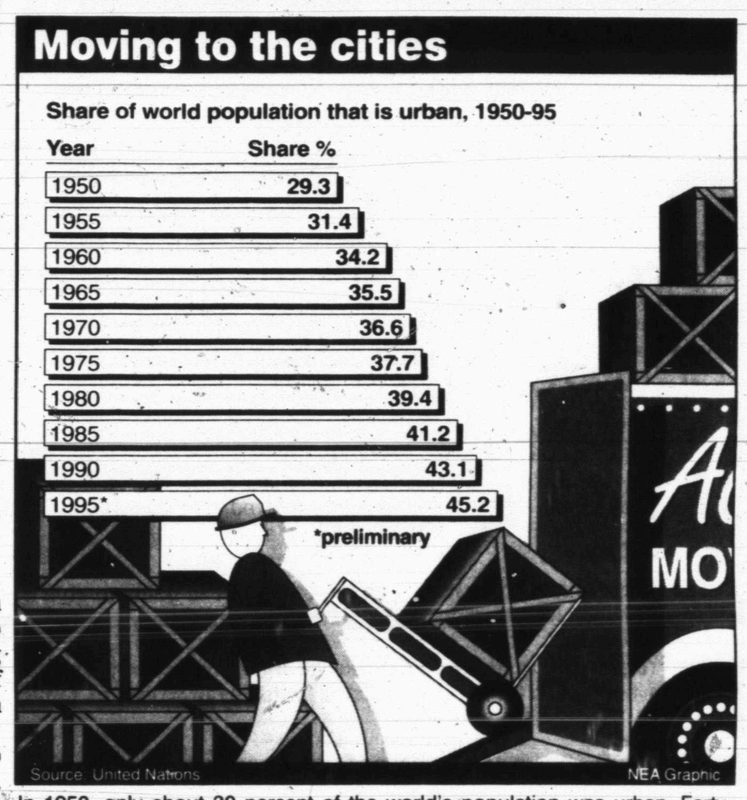
The Fed is concerned that an economy straining beyond its capacity — that is, beyond the ability of its work force, the capacity of its plants and the availability of capital — could send the economy up in the smoke of inflation.

It happened not too long ago. Between 1974 and 1981 the rise in the Consumer Price Index ran into double digits four times, stealing the buying power of millions of American savers. It was theft on an unprecedented scale.

Rather than concentrating so much on inflation, the critics say, the country should be freeing its economy to grow by cutting regulations, lowering taxes, encouraging investment and spurring entrepreneurial activities.

In such a way, the critics say, the economy can be enlarged to accommodate faster growth without the strains. Living standards can be raised and Uncle Sam can obtain more revenues to help close the budget gap.

But even critics concede that within its parameters and goals (critics would describe them as "limited"), the Fed's public policy is conducted with subtle artistry by its chief, Alan Greenspan.



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Letters to the Editor

Shout with joy

Dear Editor:

One month ago this week, we wept with fear during the traumatic experience of our son, Wesley. Now we shout with joy the outcome of his ordeal.

I would like to amplify the praise that has already been extended to all those involved. I would like to emphasize this appreciation to those in our community.

Without a Grandmother's knowledge of CPR, without an EMS' quick response, and without an emergency room's expert diagnosis, our Wesley would not be with us today.

I would like to publicly commend Perry Westmoreland and his team at Snyder EMS. No one could have matched their timeliness, their expertise, and their professionalism.

In addition, Dr. James Burleson and the emergency room staff at Cogdell Memorial Hospital deserve acknowledgement for their proficiency in Wesley's diagnosis and in establishing a plan of action.

We are truly blessed to live in a county in which such an emphasis is placed on health care. Too many times, issues such as these are reduced to numbers on a financial statement.

The number for which I am most grateful of today is twelve. That will be Wesley's age on his next birthday. Thanks to the expertise of medical professionals, the prayers of a community, and the Loving Hand of the Lord, he will have the opportunity to see it.

I extend thanks to everyone on behalf of Kris, Brady, the Grahams, the Combests, the Murphys and, of course, Wesley.

With love,
Ben Murphy
Snyder

Thorough evaluation a must

Dear Editor:

News that the commissioners court is considering the possibility of the sale of Cogdell Memorial Hospital to a private business group has troubled many citizens of Scurry County. We have entertained many questions from our patients regarding this issue. Hospital employees, too, are concerned about their long-term career stability.

As a medical staff, we realize this is a difficult time for all hospital entities and particularly for hospitals in small towns. All options for providing medical care for the citizens of this county should be carefully considered. Nevertheless, we feel it would be ill-advised for the commissioners court to promote the idea that the sale of the hospital would benefit the citizens of this county based on the perceived tax benefits alone.

We realize that the commissioners court has the statutory authority to sell or lease the hospital. However, we believe that the hospital board and hospital administration have far more expertise as to whether a sale or lease of the hospital would benefit both hospital operations and the patients who use this facility.

We hope that any serious consideration of a sale or lease of Cogdell Memorial Hospital would be first given careful and thorough evaluation by the hospital board, the medical staff, employees of the hospital, and especially, the citizens of the community. Any other approach to the decision would be unwise.

Sincerely,
(s) Gary A. Nussey, M.D.
Paul Thompson, M.D.
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New DNR info is explained

Dear Editor:

Snyder EMS recently presented information concerning a new change in the law regarding Out Of Hospital (OOH) Do Not resuscitate (DNR) procedures that apply to all out of hospital health care providers.

The letter prompted numerous questions to our office requesting specific information about specific cases. As you might expect, our follow-up this week with offices at the state level has led to additional information, and a better understanding of the information first delivered to EMS, which we attempted to pass along to the public.

While all out of hospital providers are affected, I will address only Emergency Medical Services involvement in this new law.

OOH DNRs (the official new program) are desired, and strongly recommended to be adopted by everyone, even those in facilities such as nursing homes. We were initially informed that only the OOH DNR program could be used for the recognition and withholding of treatment to those patients diagnosed with terminal conditions, who desire to initiate a DNR order.

Previous information provided, was and is still true and correct, "without the physicial involvement of the EMS Medical Director," who has the authority to say when, how, and if EMS is to honor other types of existing advance directives (primarily referencing nursing home facilities).

In regards to nursing home residents with existing advanced directives, the EMS Medical Director (physician in charge of ambulance services treatment protocols) may authorize EMS to honor existing physician directives with regards to extent of treatment, or withholding treatment in the case of DNRs. Our medical director has opted to get involved, and allowed Snyder EMS to honor pre-established written doctor's orders that direct EMS care, with regards to DNR orders, when the patient has other advanced directives on file at the nursing facility.

For those residing at their personal residence, the new OOH DNR program described in the previous letter to the editor will be required in order for EMS to honor the wishes of persons who do not desire resuscitation attempts.

As noted earlier, unfortunately, EMS can no longer honor the wishes of family members, living wills, or even instructions of those with power of attorney for health care, in the absence of the official OOH DNR form. When persons who do not desire to be resuscitated reach that critical time, EMS strongly recommends that family and care givers not involve EMS, thereby eliminating our legal duty to respond and treat.

We will continue to assist you in any way we can, to prepare your family in the fashion determined by you. Our office will assist in answering questions to the best of our ability, or we can put you in contact with the TDH officials in Austin.

Sincerely,
Perry Westmoreland
Snyder EMS Inc.

Keep hospital healthy

By Roy McQueen
Publisher

If a community hopes to grow and avoid decline, ready access to quality health care is an absolute must.

A community not only must have physicians, it must also have a facility in which citizens can receive professional health care.

A hospital should not be a political football.

While we can generally applaud the concept of trying to reduce taxes, we believe the idea to lease or sell the hospital is ill-conceived and ill-timed. In the long run, it would be false economy.

The hospital doesn't need fixing...it's not broken.

In the past 10 years, the county-owned Cogdell Memorial Hospital has made substantial progress in both the quality and level of care and in operating efficiency.

While Texas leads the nation in hospital closures, Cogdell Hospital's board of managers has postured Cogdell as one of the strongest rural hospitals in the state.

A major step was taken in 1988 when the Cogdell Hospital board affiliated with Lubbock's St. Mary Hospital. From the beginning, it was a one-sided agreement — all tilted in Scurry County's favor.

St. Mary's help early on was invaluable — information, consulting on various problems and in doctor recruitment. There is no doubt in our mind that St. Mary helped Snyder keep open a hospital that is vital to our community's future.

Doctors are the key. No county judge, no commissioner, no hospital board member, no hospital administrator and no nurse can admit a patient or order a procedure to be performed in a hospital.

Without doctors, any hospital is dead. County leaders need to listen to the medical staff which unanimously believes that local control of the hospital is important.

The commissioners court has two functions with regard to the hospital. It appoints the board of managers. The board of managers is just that. It is not an advisory board.

Secondly, the commissioners court considers any tax support. While it is true that the hospital has budgeted just under $400,000 for operations in 1997, an argument can be made that the hospital actually subsidizes county operations by absorbing indigent and other non-paying users of the hospital.

The commissioners court has now done its job by appointing the board, so it's time to let the board do its job. The court, by law, does not have veto power over board decisions.

With regard to the current $395,000 tax subsidy, that is a cost of about $60 for a person living in a $100,000 home or about $30 for someone in a $50,000 home. While we think that's a bargain, we would, nonetheless urge the hospital board to consider moving toward eliminating the tax subsidy. We think its reasonable and possible over a period of time to have the hospital in a self-supporting position. It would certainly eliminate a lot of politics.

The Cogdell board has had a contract renewal laying on the table for months. The contract is fair. St. Mary will share in any hospital operational loss or profit up to $200,000. Operational profit excludes any tax funding or disproportionate share funding from the federal government.

Talk of a possible sale or lease has placed a cloud of uncertainty over the entire medical community, and it has adversely affected employee morale.

We believe it is in the best interest of Snyder and Scurry County citizens that the hospital board move quickly and consider renewal of the proposed three-year contract with St. Mary.

Term limits, lottery and power of the vote

Bill McClellan

One of the great things about having a job like this is that every now and then you can just unwind a bit and give your opinion about something.

You didn't ask, and you may not even care, but I'm going to give it anyway. The issues are term limits and dedicating lottery profits to public education.

They're both pretty high-profile issues. Both have received a lot of media coverage, and in the case of term limits, have passed in some states.

For my two cents worth, neither of those measures are necessary. Take the idea to earmark lottery profits toward education, for instance.

You might be interested in knowing that the lottery doesn't generate enough money to pay for education in Texas.

In fact, lottery-funds don't even come close. Get this...

The lottery is expected to bring in about $2.7 billion over the next two years — about five percent of all state revenues. Education, on the other hand, accounts for a whopping 64.6 percent of the state's expenses.

Currently, lottery proceeds are placed into the state's general revenue fund along with taxes and fees. Legislators, in making up the budget, appropriate so much for education, so much for health and human services, government business, employee payroll and so on.

Dedicating the relatively small amount of lottery revenue towards education *sounds* good and *looks* good — it might even make us *feel* good. But it doesn't change anything.

Nor does it add more monies to fund education, which already relies on other sources such as tax dollars.

And on the issue of limiting the number of terms a legislator can serve...

I understand taxpayers' frustrations over what they perceive as politicians who aren't responsible. I agree that it appears the system corrupts some good-intentioned legislators. But we already have a system of term limits in place.

It's a *much* better system than demanding that a legislator leave office after six or eight or 12 years.

The system we have is called voting, and it's an extremely simple process that leaves the voter in control.

If you don't like the job your senator or congressman is doing, vote him out. Get rid of him.

Ahh, but if you *like* the job he or she is doing then you can vote 'em in again and again and again.

It's the best way to get rid of the unresponsive, self-serving legislators, while keeping the good ones working for you at the same time.

The key word is vote.

Which brings me to a phone call relayed to me a week or so ago.

Here's the question from the caller: If the majority of people affected by the school calendar are students, then why aren't the students and/or their parents allowed to vote on the calendar?

I supposed it might be a good idea to send questionnaires home with students, seeking some input from parents on the question of a school calendar.

However, the reason we have elected boards is so that we don't have to be bothered with day-to-day oversight of education, operations, government and healthcare.

Imagine if every entity in Scurry County had a public vote on every issue? We'd be at the polls daily. Election costs would take half our taxes.

Years and years and years ago, people got together and decided it would be best to select representatives whose job it would be to do those things for us. The people could chose their representatives by vote. And if these representatives didn't do as the citizens asked, they could be voted out.

The system is still in place today. Unfortunately, it's not used by very many people. Too many of us are apathetic. Politics bore us. Or we feel we can't make a difference.

It won't be long before elections roll around again in Scurry County. Among others, we'll be selecting trustees for school boards and representatives to serve on our city council.

And our state legislature will be considering a lot of issues — perhaps a new form of tax to offset property tax, for one — and these issues will be critical to our future.

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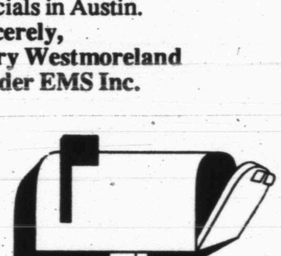
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Making sure line stays unbroken

Deanie Francis Mills

It's such a strange thing when you are diddly-bopping your way through life, minding your own business, and then one day you wake up and realize that there are actually some people in this world who think of you as a mentor.

In my business, it's especially weird, because many writers established successful careers in some other field over a period of years, retired, then tried their hands at writing. So when they turn to me for guidance and advice, they are not necessarily younger than me; in fact, they may be a few years older. And I'm thinking, "What're ya askin' ME for? Don't you know what an idiot I am?"

For sure, you don't think of yourself as being all that helpful. You have a Rolodex full of contacts you extend toward them, bruises and old healed fractures from fighting it out in the trenches that taught you a thing or two about survival, and a head full of trivia on dos and don'ts about the business that you can share. It's just spooky when you look up and realize ... that someone is actually LISTENING.

Last year I was invited to give a speech before the North Texas Private Investigators Association. This was a room full of wizened old ex-cops and ex-spooks and ex-feds and ex-everything else, who now did what they'd once done for the government for themselves. A tough crowd, if there ever was one. Yet when I was introduced, my host told the group, "This gal has contacts you would KILL for."

I glanced around and thought, "Who, ME?"

Well, okay, there was that Secret Service agent out in Virginia, that fed down in Houston, that forensics instructor out at Quantico, that cop who works gangs over in South Central L.A., and the retired NYPD cop who took down various and sundry organized crime figures in his city. And half a dozen best-selling authors. And ... all right, I admit it, maybe I do know a few things.

I have an author friend who is retired from the gold mining business. He did quite well, thank you very much, but it has sure been a struggle, this breaking into New York publishing. We talk now and then on the phone and I do what I can to buck him up and help him out, because I know how hard he works and how persistent he has been, and I admire that.

Over the years, he's given me some presents that any girl would treasure, like, the human skull which sets on the corner of my desk, and the antique photo of the cowboy about to be hanged with a note on the back from my friend saying, "This is for when you think YOU'RE having a bad day."

But last week, this guy really outdid himself. He sent me one of the late FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover's propaganda books called, "On Communism."

Signed by the author. With one of his old business cards attached. It had only a name, "Mr. J. Edgar Hoover." No affiliation, logo, address, or phone. And the "Mr." was crossed out by the same pen which autographed the book.

I was dumbstruck.

"Aw, it was no big deal," he said. "I picked it up in a rare books store. I thought you would appreciate it."

"It's too much!" I protested. "You gotta at least let me pay for it!"

"I wouldn't hear of it," he insisted. "You've done so much for me."

That's when I realized that all those little Sunday afternoon long-distance phone calls we'd shared had meant far more to him than I had realized. Not in any romantic sense — we are both happily married to long-time spouses — but in a professional one.

Writing is a lonely, frustrating, terrifying way of life. You live contract to contract, deal to deal. Your income depends wholly upon your imagination. Think about that. If you're out of ideas ... you're out of money.

It takes years to gain a beachhead in this business, years of rejection and dead ends and worry while you scramble to keep afloat. Nobody in your family or immediate group of friends has any idea what you are up against, just how hard it is, or just how ferociously you desire to make it.

Sometimes all you've got to cling to is a friendly voice saying, "Hey, if I can do it, believe me, you can too."

I remember when best-selling author Dean Koontz provided me with that friendly voice — that lifeline to sanity. And now I am doing it for others. Online and over the phone, I am probably approached for help from wannabe writers at least half a dozen times a week. Most of the time, they have no idea where to even begin.

Nobody really sets out to be a mentor. You don't claw your way up the success ladder preening along the way and thinking how good you look to all the little people bunched together down below. While you're hanging in there, someone reaches up a hand to you; you grasp it and give them a tug while they gain their footing. And they throw their arms around your neck and weep with gratitude for something which seemed to you like such a small gesture.

Until you remember how precarious was your own grip, not so very long ago.

Not everybody hangs in there for the long haul. The vast, overwhelming majority let go and jump down, too tired and sore to go on. The ones who stay are not always even the ones you championed; you'll be surprised, in fact, at who hangs in there and who falls away. You don't always extend that hand because you like them, you do it because someone else did it for you.

Sometimes you become fast friends, like me and my goldminer pal, and sometimes you don't. But mentoring isn't about friendship. It's about giving back, and about making sure that that human line down the ladder remains unbroken.

Genital herpes sores can help spread HIV

WASHINGTON (AP) — AIDS-infected people who also have genital herpes are especially likely to pass HIV to others, and now doctors know why: Herpes sores churn out large amounts of the AIDS virus.

That discovery, made at the University of Washington, also suggests that wider use of herpes-fighting drugs could offer a new strategy for curbing AIDS.

Almost since the start of the AIDS epidemic, doctors have noticed a close link between AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases, including herpes. About two-thirds of people infected with HIV also carry herpes simplex virus type 2, the genital herpes virus.

While many suspect that the virus increases the chances of both catching and spreading HIV through sex, there has been little firm evidence of the actual biological role that the herpes virus plays in AIDS.

The latest research shows for the first time that herpes sores contain high levels of HIV, and this probably makes the virus especially easy to spread sexually.

"We think this is important in the transmission of AIDS," said Dr. Timothy Schacker, the study's principal author. "If you control herpes, that may be a way of reducing the transmission of HIV."

Schacker, who is now at the University of Minnesota, presented his findings Thursday at the Fourth Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections.

Syphilis, chancroid and other sexually transmitted diseases besides herpes all seem to be linked with HIV. One reason may be that people who catch these infections have a lot of risky, unprotected sex, which also puts them at increased risk of HIV.

But experts have long suspected that the genital sores created by these infections also make it easier for the AIDS virus to find a way into the body.

The latest work supports the theory that herpes — and perhaps other sexually related diseases — also make people more likely to spread AIDS to others.

"This gives a biological basis for explaining the increased transmission, beyond more frequent sexual encounters," said Dr. Brooks Jackson of Johns Hopkins University.

In their study, doctors enrolled 12 men who were infected with both HIV and genital herpes and took swabs from their sores during repeated flair ups. They were able to find the AIDS virus in 23 of the 24 episodes they checked, and half of them contained at least 5,000 copies of the virus per sample.

Schacker said treating with acyclovir — one of three herpes drugs now on the market — appears to make the HIV go away at the same time that it heals up the genital sores.

Simply avoiding sex while having herpes sores may not be enough to prevent the spread of AIDS. Sores are often too small to see easily, and they may exist in places where they go unnoticed, such as inside the rectum.

Experts also know that people may still be able to spread genital herpes when they are completely free of visible sores. Schacker said a next step of the research will be checking whether HIV is ever present when the sores have gone away.

The latest research suggests that HIV-infected blood cells are attracted to the herpes sores, where they release loads of virus. What is still unclear is whether herpes flair ups somehow trigger the body to manufacture more AIDS virus.

Tax Update

By The Associated Press

Taxable income examples listed below

WASHINGTON (AP) — For most people, totaling their taxable income is easy. Most of it comes from wages or salary.

It's determining the taxability of the rest that can give taxpayers fits. The general rule is that income is taxable, unless the law specifically says it's not.

There are some new wrinkles for 1996. Congress retroactively reinstated the exclusion for employer-paid tuition. And it took away the exclusion for punitive damages paid on account of physical injury or sickness.

IRS Publication 525 has the details, but here are some broad guidelines on what's taxable and what's not:

— SALARY OR WAGES: You bet it's taxable. Your employer must provide a Form W-2, showing salary and tax withheld, by the end of January. If you have more than one employer, add the figures in box 1 of each W-2 and attach a copy of each to your tax return.

— INTEREST AND DIVIDENDS: Almost all interest is taxable, including interest on savings accounts, certificates of deposit, bonds, life insurance dividends left with the insurance company and loans you made. Interest on state and local government securities is exempt, as is — for most taxpayers — interest from Series EE savings bonds bought after 1989 and redeemed to pay for education.

Banks and other interest payers should send you Form 1099-INT; corporations and others paying dividends should send Form 1099-DIV.

Consult Publication 550 or, for mutual fund income, Publication 564.

— CAPITAL GAINS: Gains on the sale of personal and investment property such as real estate, stocks, bonds, artwork, antiques and other collectibles are taxable at a maximum rate of 28 percent.

You can subtract capital losses on investment property such as an apartment building — but not personal property such as your principal home — from capital gains. If you have more losses than gains, you can subtract up to $3,000 from your other income ($1,500 if married filing separately) and must carry forward the rest of the loss for deduction in future years. You probably will have to fill out a Schedule D. Publication 544 has more information.

Special rules provide for the deferral or exclusion of some of the profit from the sale of your principal home under certain circumstances. Publication 523 explains.

— BUSINESS INCOME: If you operate a business as a sole proprietorship, you'll have to file a Schedule C or the simpler Schedule C-EZ. The simpler form is for sole proprietorships, who haven't used the home office deduction and who have expenses of $2,500 or less (up from $2,000 the previous year) and no net loss. Other requirements are listed on the form. The requirement that the business have no more than $25,000 in gross receipts has been dropped.

— SOCIAL SECURITY: Depending on your income, up to 85 percent of your benefits could be taxed. At least some of your benefits will be subject to tax if your other income plus half your Social Security benefits totaled more than $32,000 (married filing jointly) or more than $25,000 (single).

If you received Social Security benefits you should receive Form SSA-1099. IRS Notice 703, included with the form, has a worksheet to help you figure if you owe tax. Publication 915 has more information.

Starting this year, you can have taxes withheld from Social Security benefits by sending a completed Form W-4V to the Social Security Administration.

— PENSIONS: If only your employer — and not you — contributed to your pension plan while working, then payments from the plan generally are taxable. If you paid part of the cost, then you are not taxed on the part of your pension that represents a return of your contribution.

You should receive Form 1099-R outlining payments from pensions, Individual Retirement Accounts, annuities and profit-sharing plans. A new formula for figuring the taxable and non-taxable portions applies to pensions and annuities that started Nov. 19, 1996, and after.

Publication 575 provides details. Publication 721 is for federal civil service retirees and Publication 590 covers IRAs.

— EMPLOYEE BENEFITS: Most common fringe benefits, such as health insurance, group life insurance (up to $50,000 in coverage) and child-care benefits (up to $5,000) aren't taxable.

But country club memberships and the value of a company car provided for personal use are taxable, as are severance pay and cash bonuses. Reimbursement for some moving expenses is taxable. See Publication 521.

The value of employer-provided parking in excess of $165 a month (up from $160 in 1995) and the value of other transportation benefits, such as a mass transit pass in excess of $65 a month are taxable.

Congress repealed the exclusion for the first $5,000 of employer-provided death benefits for people dying after Aug. 20, 1996.

Any taxable fringe benefit should be listed on your W-2.

— EMPLOYER-PAID TUITION: Congress restored the $5,250 exclusion for employer-paid tuition, which had lapsed after 1994. If you paid taxes on this benefit for 1995, your employer should issue a new W-2 for that year and you can file an amended return, Form 1040X, for a refund. For 1996, employer-paid tuition is excludable for undergraduate and graduate-level courses begun by June 30. After that, it's excludable only for undergraduate tuition.

— LEGAL DAMAGES: Compensatory damages for physical injury and illness are exempt. But punitive damages for physical injury and sickness are taxable. All damages — both compensatory and punitive — for non-physical injuries, such as job discrimination, are taxable. Damages for emotional distress caused by a physical injury or sickness are exempt. But they're taxable when due to a non-physical cause, except for amounts paid for medical care attributable to the distress.

— TAX REFUNDS: Federal refunds aren't taxable. But refunds of state and local taxes previously deducted from federal income are taxable. If you used the standard deduction previously, rather than itemizing, then your state or local tax refund isn't taxable.

— SCHOLARSHIPS: Degree candidates don't have to pay taxes on scholarships for tuition, fees and books. But teaching and research grants are taxable, as is reimbursement of room and board. See Publication 520.

— TIPS: All tips are taxable. Tips of $20 or more a month received while working for a single employer are subject to withholding and should be reported to the employer. A daily record of tips can be kept on Form 4070-A included in Publication 1244. Publication 531 has more information.

— BARTERING: Barter income is taxable. If you were a member of a formal barter exchange, you should receive a Form 1099-B noting the value of barter income you received last year.

— UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION. Fully taxable, including benefits paid from a dues-financed union fund. You can have taxes withheld from unemployment compensation by completing a Form W-4V and giving it to the payer.

— LIFE INSURANCE. A life insurance payout on the death of the insured person is not subject to

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Public Records

New Vehicle Registrations.

Electric Submersible Pumps, 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Carl and Bonnie Foree, 1997 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

R.B. and Delores Jenkins, 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Glesby-Mzrks Corp., 1997 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Autoland.

E.D. Walton, 1997 Jeep from Snyder Chrysler.

Winslow S. Hill, 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Gordon Crawford, 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Brad A. Fenter, 1996 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Steve Babcock, dba Babcock's Slick Wireline, 1997 Chevrolet truck from Big Country Autoland.

Knott Farms Inc., 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Wilson Motors, 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Tommy Holland, 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Karen Elam, 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Shelley F. Smith, 1997 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Autoland.

Marriage License

Douglass Wayne Hall and Laura Marie Alexander, both of Snyder.

Thurman Ray Shultz of Lubbock and Buena Lee Jackson of Snyder.

Filed in District Court

Archer Daniels Midland Company, dba Paymaster Gin of Snyder, vs. Norwest Bank, N.A., application for writ of garnishment.

A.A. Price Jr. vs. M.L. Duke, Mark L. Duke, Norma Duke, Consolidated Tool and Supply Inc. and Duke and Price Energy Co. Inc., suit for damages.

Action in District Court

B&F Well Service vs. MEC Energy Corp., MEC Energy No. 2, MEC Energy No. 1, MEC Resources, OSR Oil and Gas Corp. and M.Keith Hahn, individually, partial default judgment for plaintiff.

In the marriage of Johnny Ray Sutter and Rhonda Renee Sutter, divorce granted.

Deed Records

Elwanda M. Nachlinger to Lindabeth Stewart Autrey, tract one being a tract out of the southeast one-quarter of Section 133, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being an 87 x 110-foot tract out of the southeast one-quarter of Section 133, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Aberto C. Zamora to Toby Zamora, all of Lot 7 in Block 8 of the Coyles Subdivision out of Block 12 of the Cody Heights Addition.

Lawrence and Maggie Barnes to Lawayne Fagan, 100.2 acres in Section 11, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Lawrence and Maggie Barnes to Lewayne Fagan, 99.44 acres in Section 12, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Charles William and Janice Ann Harrell to Kathy Harrell Voss, an undivided one-sixth interest in all of Section 75, Block 2, H&TC survey, save and except 5.5 acres out of the southeast corner.

Charles William and Janice Ann Harrell to Vance Voss, an individed one-sixth interest in all of Section 75, Block 2, H&TC survey, save and except 5.5 acres out of the southeast corner.

Charles William and Janice Ann Harrell to Kathy Harrell Voss, custodian for Katie Ann Voss, an undivided one-sixth interest in all of Section 75, Block 2, H&TC survey, save and except 5.5 acres out of the southeast corner.

Charles William and Janice Ann Harrell to Becky Harrell Hale, an undivided one-sixth interest in Section 101, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Charles William and Janice Ann Harrell to Jimmy Van Hale, an undivided one-sixth interest in Section 101, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Charles William and Janice Ann Harrell to Becky Harrell Hale, custodian for Garrett Harrell Hale, all of Section 101, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Howard and Eloise Smith to Bennie Hellums, all of the southwest one-half of the east one-half of Lot 1 in Block 19 of the T.N. Nunn Addition.

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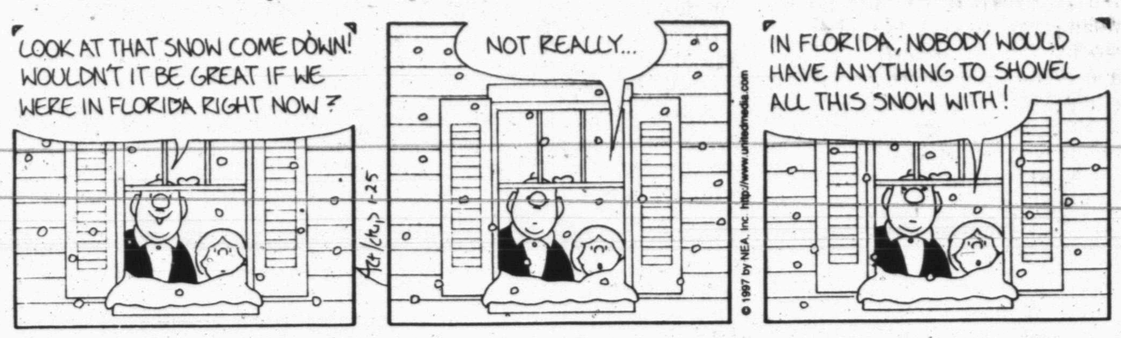
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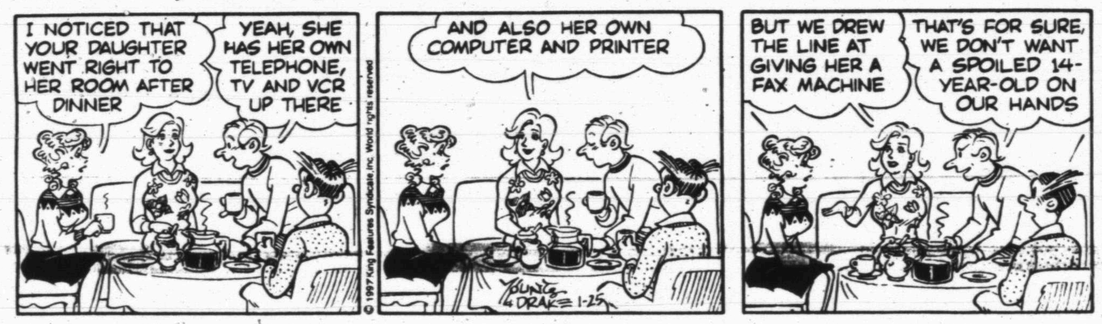
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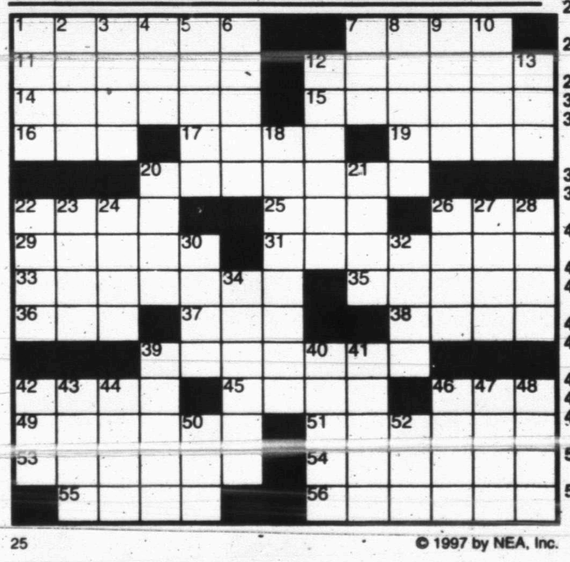
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Cancer experts split over early mammograms

BETHESDA, Md. (AP) — Women confused about whether to start having mammograms at age 40 are being advised by cancer experts to ask their doctors to help determine their risk of breast cancer.

In a move that outraged the American Cancer Society, advisers to the National Cancer Institute concluded Thursday that "each woman should decide for herself" whether to start having mammograms during her 40s.

"We are disappointed," said the society's Robert Smith. "We shouldn't underestimate the influence this report may have."

The experts agreed that mammograms starting at age 50 are vital, cutting breast cancer deaths by about 30 percent.

But NCI Director Richard Klausner convened the panel to decide whether to reverse a 1993 government decision that there was insufficient scientific evidence to justify testing younger women.

The two days of debate convinced Klausner that mammograms in the 40s can cut breast cancer deaths — and in an unprecedented move, he announced that he disagreed with and was surprised by the conclusions of his own advisers.

He will take the debate to the presidentially appointed National Cancer Advisory Board next month.

"It is a difficult problem," Klausner said. But "my own view is that ... there is a benefit in terms of mortality."

The American Cancer Society recommends mammograms every year or two starting at age 40. But because the NCI does not recommend annual mammograms until age 50, thousands of women hear conflicting opinions from doctors and struggle to get insurance payments for earlier testing.

Klausner sought to settle the controversy in the wake of new research, including a study of women in Sweden suggesting that mammograms during women's 40s cut breast cancer deaths by 44 percent.

But the NCI panel debated dozens of studies and concluded mammograms showed no mortality benefit until women in their 40s had been followed for 10 years — raising questions of whether testing early in the decade or later was responsible.

The panel wound up advising doctors to simply help patients weigh whether the expense and the possibility of being frightened by benign tumors or lulled into a false sense of security are worth the possible benefit.

But it did unanimously recommend that insurance and managed-care companies pay for mammograms for any 40-year-old.

"We are not saying there's no benefit; we're just saying the benefit might be small and might not occur until late," said panelist Dr. Leslie Laufman, a Columbus, Ohio, oncologist.

Breast cancer strikes about 180,000 American women each year, and is expected to kill 44,000 this year — about 10 percent of them under age 50.

Why not err on the side of caution? In addition to mammograms' cost — $40 to $150 — as many as 90 percent of the abnormalities they uncover are benign.

To be sure, women often undergo stressful, somewhat painful further testing.

Still, federal surveys show 63 percent of women in their 40s have had a mammogram in the last two years.

For a confused 40-year-old, the report "is going to give her misinformation," said Dr. Stephen Feig of Thomas Jefferson University. He reported in December that annual mammograms could cut breast cancer deaths by some 35 percent among women in their 40s.

Feig accused the panel of "ignoring important data."

But some panelists wrote that 2,500 women in their 40s would need regular mammograms to extend just one life.

However, the panel acknowledged few studies have been done on mammograms among black Americans, who get breast cancer in their 40s as often as white women, but have a 50 percent higher chance of dying from it.

Mammograms are not perfect, NCI's Klausner cautioned. They miss about 15 percent of cancers, and they are less sensitive in younger women.

They also are uncovering more tiny tumors that do not always become life-threatening. Many experts think these women are overtreated, but there is no way to tell in advance who will be endangered.

Still, "I am concerned that women are not given ... all the evidence they actually need" from his panel's report, said Klausner, whose institute could issue consumer-friendly guidelines.

Despite the panel's report, two members who are practicing physicians acknowledged they would recommend mammograms for patients in their 40s.

Deadline nears to claim reparations

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. citizens who survived Nazi concentration camps during World War II have only one month left to claim reparations or they will lose forever their right to be compensated by the German government.

"There is no way to truly compensate anyone who lived through these horrors, but if you are a survivor, please come forward. We are racing against time," Attorney General Janet Reno told her weekly news conference Thursday. "If you know a survivor, please tell him or her about the program."

Those who have claims must file with the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, a Justice Department agency, by Feb. 23.

Under a 1995 agreement with Germany, the program covers people who were U.S. citizens at the time they were imprisoned in Nazi concentration camps or under comparable conditions.

But relatives of deceased camp survivors, U.S. soldiers held in prisoner of war camps known as stalags, and internees subjected to forced labor only are not eligible for payments, said Delissa Ridgway, commission chairperson.

Since Reno announced the program last June, 250 Americans have filed claims, Ridgway said. But the government does not know how many U.S. citizens were held in the camps.

"There were Americans in Auschwitz, Dachau, Buchenwald, all the concentration camps," Mitchell Bard, author of the 1994 book "Forgotten Victims: The Abandonment of Americans in Hitler's Camps," said in an interview. "It's safe to say there were hundreds and probably more than 1,000 altogether."

The agreement negotiated by the State Department is flawed, Bard said, because it does not compensate the surviving relatives of Americans who were killed in the Nazi concentration camps or have died since their release. In addition, the agreement excludes "most of 5,000 Americans in internment camps and it leaves some situations murky," Bard said.

For example, he said 350 American soldiers captured at the Battle of the Bulge, including 100 Jews, were sent to a stalag and then transferred to the Berga slave labor camp to build an underground factory.

"They were starved and mistreated and worked alongside civilian workers from Buchenwald so they ought to be covered under the 'comparable conditions' provisions although Berga was a labor camp," Bard said. "Twenty percent of them died at that camp or in the forced march to it."

Ridgway said U.S. legislation requires her panel to verify all claims.

Some claimants have documentation, she said, but usually her panel works with the International Red Cross tracing service to search extensive captured Nazi records.

The millions of Nazi records are not computerized and not organized by nationality, Ridgway said. "In many cases they do not accurately reflect the nationality. There are people ... born in Czechoslovakia to an American citizen, who therefore have a claim to U.S. citizenship, but the Nazi regime did not recognize them as U.S. citizens."

In September, the State Department will present all verified claims to Germany when it begins negotiating with Germany over the amount of the reparation payment.

Ridgway said the Feb. 23 deadline was chosen because the verification research is so time-consuming that six months will be required to have the claims ready for the September negotiations with the Germans.

In 1995, Dauchau and Auschwitz survivor Hugo Princz and what legal sources have said was a group of 10 other U.S. survivors split a $2.1 million settlement from Germany.

Ridgway said Princz' 40-year battle in U.S. courts and Congress for reparations produced his settlement and the 1995 agreement with Germany covering all other survivors and might be a guide to how much claimants could anticipate.

Citizens may obtain claim forms and information by writing: Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, Washington, D.C. 20579, calling 202-616-6975 or faxing 202-616-6993.

Hingham couple auction Super Bowl tickets to help son-in-law

HINGHAM, Mass. (AP) — For New England Patriots fans like the Morlinos — season ticket holders for 31 years, Pats planter on the mantel, team schedule on the refrigerator — winning the chance to buy tickets in the Super Bowl lottery was like, well, winning the lottery.

But landing seats 1 and 2 in section 109, row 18 of the Superdome was just the beginning of Gerrie and Frank Morlino's good fortune.

The couple decided to auction their tickets to the highest bidder to raise money for their son-in-law, Raphael Wolkenfeld, who was paralyzed and brain-damaged by a mystery seizure just three months after his wedding.

"In less than five minutes, their entire lives changed," Gerrie Morlino said.

The 1994 seizure left Raphael, who is now 34, thrashing and choking, then comatose for more than a year. In an instant his wife, Nancy, was transformed from new bride into nurse.

"They have no idea what caused it," Mrs. Morlino said. "They only know it wasn't an aneurysm and it wasn't a tumor. He was a perfectly healthy young man."

The Morlinos had hoped the ticket auction would raise enough money to fix Raphael's teeth, which chipped when he pitched forward in the tub as his wife bathed him. Cosmetics aren't the problem. The family worries the jagged edges could cut Raphael's lips and tongue and impair his already slow speech for which he is undergoing therapy.

Raphael — "Raphy" for short — has re-learned about a dozen words since his seizure. No one knows how much the further he will progress.

"It's hard, to say the least," Nancy Wolkenfeld, 32, said in a telephone interview Tuesday from her Los Angeles home. Without the emotional and financial support of her family and her husband's, "I probably would not be able to do it," she said.

The Super Bowl tickets drew a high bid of $5,600 from Bill Comer of Rockland, Mass. But the story doesn't end there.

The Morlinos heard from orthodontists willing to fix Raphael's teeth for free, and a pharmacist and others with offers of new wheelchairs to replace the current one battered by wear.

"People with no interest in the tickets just want to send a contribution," Frank Morlino said.

And then on Tuesday came a second pair of Super Bowl tickets, a surprise gift from an anonymous donor, to go to the second-highest bidder.

That bidder was Dan Philbrick of Dover, N.H., and he had a condition: He'd buy the tickets for $2,500 apiece, but the Morlinos had to use them.

"The father has been a fan a lot longer than I have. I'm a fair-weather fan," Philbrick said. "When you look at the troubles the boy has, it's a pleasure to be on my side, to make somebody's day or maybe two people's day."

"It's been amazing," Frank Morlino said. "I didn't expect anything like this to just mushroom from a small concept."

The Morlinos had planned to go to New Orleans even after deciding to part with their own tickets. The plane reservations had already been bought. They just expected to cheer on Drew Bledsoe and company on television at the home of a friend.

The turn of events has been overwhelming.

"People are amazing," Nancy Wolkenfeld said. "These are total strangers. ... That's unbelievable."

The Morlinos, loyal to the Patriots through the 2-14 seasons, the horizontal downpours inside Foxboro Stadium and the traffic clogs outside, are the kind of fans a team should be grateful for. But the Morlinos see it the other way around.

"If they hadn't won, it wouldn't have gone this far," Frank Morlino said. "I guess I owe them."

Tax tips

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income tax, although estate taxes may apply. Starting with 1997 returns, terminally ill people can receive accelerated death benefits or sell their life insurance policies, tax free.

— GAMBLING WINNINGS: Lottery prizes and other gambling winnings are taxable. Itemizers may deduct gambling losses up to the total of winnings.

— OTHER TAXABLE INCOME: Sick pay (it should already be accounted for on your W-2), alimony, illegal income, canceled debts, fees for serving as a juror or election official, hobby income, and most rent.

Payments for freelance and part-time consulting work are taxable. You may also need to file a Schedule SE to pay additional Social Security and Medicare taxes and a Schedule C or C-EZ. Consult Publication 533.

— NON-TAXABLE INCOME: child support payments, welfare, gifts, inheritances, accident and health insurance proceeds, veteran's benefits, and workman's compensation for job-related illness or injury.

Kissing a frog

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Kermit should be so lucky. Alicia Silverstone gets up close and personal with a frog in her latest video, which denounces animal dissections.

Ms. Silverstone, a spokeswoman for People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, unveiled her new clip Wednesday and urged students and teachers at Beverly Hills High not to cut up frogs, cats, pigs and worms in biology classes.

The 30-second video is dominated by close-ups of the 20-year-old actress caressing and even licking a frog.

Hermleigh

Semester awards

A Honor Roll

Second grade: Michael Barrera, Alicia Culp, K'Leigh Jackson, Megan Kariainen, Chris Gaddis.

Third grade: Robby Anderson, Samantha Berry, Crystal Bridges, Alana Culp, Danni Webb, Johanathon McClure, Summer White.

Fourth grade: Megan Lee.

Fifth grade: Valerie West, Dustin Williamson, Justin Williamson.

Sixth grade: Terrel Culp, Lauren Lee.

Seventh grade: none.

Eighth grade: none.

Ninth grade: Randi Herrington, Jared Higgins,

Tenth grade: none.

Eleventh grade: none.

Twelfth grade: Misty Perry, Anna Tahkapaa.

A-B Honor Roll

Second grade: Kelvin Doggett, Nicholas Eaton, Kristi Jones, Brittany Kelley, Brian Molina.

Third grade: Scotty Arellano, Dylyn Richards, Frank Smith, Georgianna Smith, Crystal Berrones.

Fourth grade: James Coonrod, Shae Rinehart, Misty Ritch, Karl Smith.

Fifth grade: Amanda Bayer, Courtney Bridges, Toni Jackson.

Sixth grade: Josh Duhaime, Misty McClure, Clarissa Sauceda.

Seventh grade: Christina Arellano, Lacy Doggett, Rocky Glover, Chris Lee, Julie Mireles, Kendra Nachlinger, Jeremy Roemisch, Sabrina Terry.

Eighth grade: Amber Hardin, Billy Lambaren.

Ninth grade: Caleb Callaway, Tina Chandler, Kendra Dacus, Joey Garza, Brandy Wood.

Tenth grade: Jennifer Roemisch.

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Universities eye downtowns as solution to space problems

BOSTON (AP) — When Emerson College sophomore Marty Thornley needed a place to live, he did not want to pay the high rents of off-campus apartments.

So Emerson offered him a dorm room a few subway stops from school near the city's so-called Combat Zone, a run-down area known for its peep shows, strip clubs and prostitutes.

"It's cheaper to live here than anywhere else near the school," said Thornley, 20. "I just don't go out too much alone at night."

Under pressure from students tired of paying high rents for crowded off-campus apartments, more and more urban colleges are building dorms in borderline inner-city retail and office districts where real estate is inexpensive and available.

"You can buy a building that's not in very good shape for much less money in areas like these," said Pam Afifi, spokeswoman for the Savannah (Ga.) College of Art and Design.

A renovated downtown hotel served as the art school's new dorm for 300 students. In Boston, Emerson found an 11-story building for 750 of its students near an area where bookstores are not known for the classics.

Another Boston college, Suffolk University, took an aged building in the city's retail district — away from the school's exclusive Beacon Hill neighborhood — and turned it into a 400-student dorm for $15 million.

Compare that to Boston University, which is planning a new dorm on land it owns for an estimated $55 million.

The student housing crunch is especially acute in Boston, where colleges have 85,000 resident students but dorm rooms for only 18,000.

Boston University is so strapped it leases 300 rooms from a nearby college and rents more rooms from a motel. With apartment rents rising as much as 14 percent a year, dorm vacancies have become fewer.

But developing in low-rent areas cost less for a reason. Crime is often one.

To handle security concerns, Emerson College moved the headquarters of its public safety department to a prominent corner of its new dorm. Uniformed officers are plainly visible behind a plate-glass window.

The areas may not stay low-rent for long.

College students who take the plunge into run-down neighborhoods often attract businesses that would have stayed out otherwise. Convenience stores, clubs, coffee shops pop up, and with them the value of property.

"It's the difference between something that was deserted and something that's alive, with people coming and going at all hours, as students like to do," Ms. Afifi said.

The same is happening in downtown Providence, R.I., according to Johnson & Wales University.

The culinary school built a dormitory for 500 students on a vacant lot in a declining retail district, brightening the dingy area with street lights. Some credit it with spearheading a downtown renaissance.

Georgia State University is hoping for the same thing. It just opened dorms for 2,000 students in a decaying neighborhood of public housing.

"It has tended to be a 9-to-5 downtown, and what we're hoping is that with our students living there, that they will support more nightlife, more restaurants," said university spokeswoman Dori Taratoot.

Packers' cheerleaders will get to perform at Sunday's game

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — The Green Bay Packers' volunteer cheerleaders thought they were going to be left out of the big ball. Then their fairy godmothers got them an invitation and a charter flight to New Orleans.

"I never thought I was going to the Super Bowl. Really. It is a chance of a lifetime," Cindy Kochanski, 18, said Thursday as the squad began its trip. "The Packers haven't gone for 29 years. Who knows when they are going to go again?"

The cheerleaders — actually the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay squad — aren't paid for cheering on Green Bay's Lambeau Field, which is often frozen.

"We are a college squad. We are not professionals," 19-year-old Cathy Grabowski said. "We do this for fun."

The 13-member squad, which includes some men, is seldom seen on television and not even listed in the Packers' programs. It usually doesn't travel to road games but had hoped that the Super Bowl would be an exception.

When the Packers earned a spot in the championship game, the squad heard nothing. To make matters worse, the company producing the halftime show hired high school dancers from the Green Bay area to play the Packers cheerleaders.

"We were a little disappointed initially. But we certainly understood," coach Ann Rodrian said.

The students said they felt like Cinderellas kept home from the ball.

"I always hoped that they would ask us," Ms. Kochanski said. "But it wasn't like a guarantee we would go to it."

The National Football League had said the squad would be left out because they were not affiliated with the league. But then came the news stories and the angry reaction from Packer fans, so NFL officials found a way to get the cheerleaders into the game.

The students will get their chance to tumble and flip on the carpet of the climate-controlled New Orleans Superdome on Sunday, when the Packers play the New England Patriots in front of a national TV audience of about 140 million people, and millions of others worldwide.

The squad had planned a 20-hour bus trip to New Orleans, but fans donated seats on a charter flight that arrived Thursday night. The cheerleaders were sent off with $500 from students at a middle school named after Packers coaching great Vince Lombardi.

Immigrant advocates get funds first

WASHINGTON (AP) — Immigrant advocates are among the groups sharing the first portion of the $50 million that a billionaire philanthropist has pledged for legal immigrants denied access to food stamps and other welfare benefits under a new law.

George Soros' Emma Lazarus Fund announced Thursday its award of $11.8 million to 22 advocacy groups, including Hispanic, Asian, Catholic and Jewish organizations.

Much of the money will be used to help immigrants become U.S. citizens, with groups getting money to offer English classes, civics education, legal help and preparation for citizenship interviews.

In announcing his gift last fall, Soros recalled a time in his life when he required government help. While working as a railroad porter in England after World War II, the Hungarian-born Soros turned to the government subsidized health care system for treatment after a job injury.

The financier, who became a U.S. citizen in the 1960s, has termed "mean-spirited" the welfare bill signed into law by President Clinton last year.

Under the law, some 900,000 of the more than 9.6 million noncitizens living legally in the United States eventually will lose their food stamps, officials estimate. An additional 500,000 elderly or disabled immigrants could lose Supplemental Security Income benefits.

Clinton has said he will propose using about $13 billion this year to restore social benefits to certain noncitizens.

Soros' creation of the Emma Lazarus Fund — named after the poet whose words "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free" are inscribed on the Statue of Liberty — sparked a swift response.

More than 1,700 people called Soros' Open Society Institute, which operates the Lazarus Fund, seeking information. Of those callers, more than 400 grant applicants were considered.

The next grants will be announced in the spring.

The biggest recipients so far are the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, with $3 million; the Fund for New Citizens, $2.5 million; National Council of La Raza, $1 million; and National Immigration Law Center, $1 million.

La Raza will funnel its share to some of its 210 affiliated community based groups for naturalization programs, said Cecilia Munoz, the group's deputy vice president.

"We are going to target hard-to-reach populations like farm workers and the elderly," she said.

The Open Society Institute can be reached at (212) 887-0152.

Frank, Dean & Sammy reunite on film

NEW YORK (AP) — Frank, Dean and Sammy are together again — at least on film.

Footage of the only known TV performance by Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Sammy Davis, Jr. together has been discovered and donated to the Museum of Television & Radio.

The 1965 benefit performance for a St. Louis halfway house was telecast via closed circuit to a handful of movie theaters. The footage was found in a secretary's closet at Dismas House.

The museum plans screenings of the program in New York City and Los Angeles in April.

Drug trafficker sentenced to 40 years in Mexico

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The head of a criminal gang known as "Los Texas" has been sentenced to 40 years in prison for drug and weapons crimes, the federal attorney general's office reported Thursday.

A judge in Guadalajara imposed the sentence this week on Arturo Martinez Herrera, known as "El Texas." The decision overturned a lower court ruling last year that imposed only two years. In Mexico, prosecutors can appeal for longer sentences.

The agency said Martinez headed a drug trafficking group based in Nuevo Laredo.

Federal police investigating property he owned in Nuevo Laredo in July 1994 found cocaine, marijuana and firearms and an arrest warrant was issued for him. He was arrested the following month.



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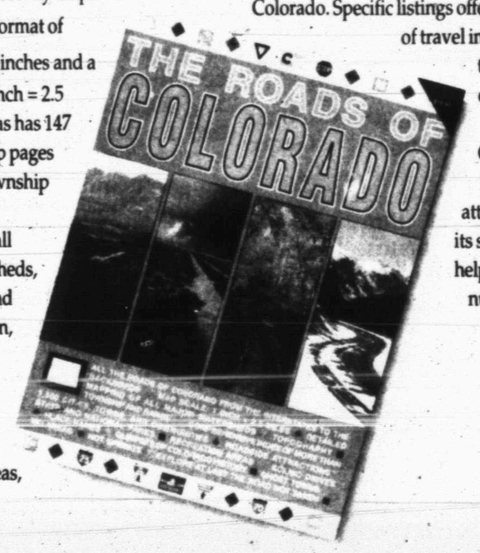
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