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Home of Bill Eiland



DRESSING UP — Since Stanfield students have been reading stories about scarecrows, Kem Fogleman, reading teacher, decided to dress like one. Helping Fogleman read *The Little Scarecrow Boy* are Kolby Burleson, left, and Joel Torres. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Robertson re-elected president...

Marketing plan topic of DCOS board meeting

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

The Development Corporation of Snyder's marketing plan was the focus of its board meeting this morning, but board members were told prospects are slim at this time.

"Our primary duty is to generate leads for manufacturing facilities at the industrial park," said executive director John DeLille.

He went on to say that any leads always start out as suspects and as they develop, become prospects as they become more viable.

"Right now, we are suspect and prospect poor," said DeLille.

DeLille explained that the DCOS does several things to locate prospects, including being a member of a couple of regional organizations — Texas Midwest Community Network and High Ground in the Panhandle.

The executive director said neither had produced the number of leads he had hoped to see by being a member of the groups.

"With our work, we hope to see that increase," said DeLille, who also reported on existing industry relations.

"The DCOS strives to maintain a good relationship with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in hopes of expanding our local facilities," said DeLille, noting he had in the past attended TDCJ board meetings, but none last year.

"We are aware of their activity, however," said DeLille.

"Our involvement with our existing industry is very important," said DeLille.

While no existing industry luncheons were held last fiscal year, DeLille said he expects to resume them this year.

"Our job is not just getting leads, but to do something about them."

The DCOS also uses a direct mail approach to reach prospects.

The board also elected officers and Dayton Robertson will serve another term as president. Roy McQueen was elected vice president and Jeffrey Martin will serve as secretary-treasurer.

The board also agreed to explore the possibility of DCOS employees participating in the city's entire insurance program and joining the city's retirement plan through the Texas Municipal League.

This action was prompted by a question concerning costs of workman's compensation and whether money could be saved by participating in the city's program.

"This will be great and a cost savings to the board," said DeLille.

Financial statements also were approved, as were minutes from the September meeting.

Robertson presided and board members in attendance were McQueen, Martin, Rickey Daniell and James Brown. Also in attendance were Mayor Francene Noah and Roy Baze, chairman emeritus.

THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The trouble with being punctual is that few people are there to notice it."

"Hi Roy, this is 'Uni.' Guess who's coming to dinner on Sunday."

We got that telephone call several times back in the early 1970s. The caller was Eunice McGuire, a Seminole resident with whom we attended church.

Eunice McGuire lived a quiet life on the family's cotton farm east of Seminole, and having her family for Sunday dinner was a special occasion — and she figured worthy of a photo op.

Eunice was the little sister of Preston Smith, a native of Lamesa who became the first governor of Texas from West Texas and a champion in Austin for Texas Tech University. He is credited with creation of the medical school at Tech.

Preston Smith always preferred West Texas to Austin, and he enjoyed coming home to his roots. On one occasion, he pulled us aside and mentioned that one thing he liked about being in West Texas is not being hounded by the capitol press corp.

That was a cue that it wouldn't hurt his feelings if we didn't show up every time that "Sis" alerted us.

On another occasion, we were with a delegation in Austin trying to get a hospital district created in Gaines County. Our group was having breakfast in the old Stephen F. Austin Hotel when Preston Smith showed up.

Lobbyists and legislators alike jumped to their feet, trying to steer the governor to their table for a free breakfast. Like the ultimate politician, the governor worked the room, but spotted folks he knew from West Texas, and pulled up a chair.

Over the years, we would occasionally run into Smith in Lubbock and sometimes in Austin.

A Snyder delegation attended the opening of the prison unit named after him in Lamesa. After a world's record invocation for length, Preston Smith got up and remarked that was the finest prayer he had every heard.

Our last encounter with Preston Smith was about two years ago while waiting to board a plane for Houston when the governor, on his way to Austin, spied somebody he should know.

"I should know you folks," he said, but there was absolutely no reason for him to remember the name.

"Snyder," he beamed. "I signed the legislation that created that junior college down there. That's been a good thing."

"Do you ever see my good friend Harold Lacik? When he was going to Tech, he rented a duplex from us." Harold later confirmed that.

Preston Smith, the movie theatre operator who became state representative, state senator, lieutenant governor and then the 40th governor of Texas, died Saturday in Lubbock at age 91.

West Texas lost a good friend.

SHS drama to debut

Snyder High School drama department will debut Anton Chekhov's *The Three Sisters* at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Ritz Theatre.

Additional performances are set for 7:30 p.m. Saturday and Monday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are $7. For the matinee only, tickets for senior citizens and students are $5. Call 573-8880 to reserve tickets.

Performances set at Ritz Theatre

SHS varsity players are featured in Chekhov's play. The *Three Sisters* takes place over a several-year period in the provincia the Prozorov sisters and their brother Andrei live in.

Director Michael McQuerry says *Three Sisters* "is a window into the human condition. It allows us to examine the complex balance between what we think life should be and what it actually ends up being."

Cast members include Adrian Brooks, Kulygin; Devin Chandler, Natalya Ivanovna; Lacee Early and Corie Hernandez, Olga; Nathan Graves, Ferapont; Jason Hook, Chebutykin; and Paul Jackson, Vershinin.

Others are Lacey Kincaid and Blake Robertson, Irina; Michael Nelson, Andrey; Stephanie Parmer, Masha; Kerissa Shipp, Anfisa; Lance Turner, Fedoti; Brent Tyler, Rhode; and Logan Martin, Solyony.

Members of the crew include Justin Cox, production manager; Jeff Stanfield, stage manager; and Marissa Chaidez, house manager.

Terry Kubena misses top prize by one game

Terry Kubena of 2904 Westridge wound up being only one game away from a perfect score and $250 in last week's SDN Football Contest.

Kubena mis-called only the Washington-Oregon St. game, earning him the $50 first prize.

The tie-breaker procedure was used to choose the second and third place winners, who each had two misses. William E. Johnson of 308 20th St. picked Snyder to win with a total score of 55 points (the actual total was 48 points), giving him the second place $25 prize.

Jo Alyce McMullan of 2804 35th St. also picked Snyder to win and guessed 36 points. She receives the $15 third prize.

Winners will be mailed their checks. Another contest appears in today's edition.

Chamber board grants funds

Three requests for hotel-motel funds totaling $4,200 were granted at Monday's chamber of commerce board meeting.

Directors okayed a $1,000 request from the Scurry County Museum to promote a Grand Ole Opry exhibit to be on display Oct. 30 through Jan. 10.

The next issuance of hotel-motel funds was $1,000 to Company G for its 30th and final reunion to be held Nov. 1 at Martha Ann Woman's Club and Willow Park Inn. K.O. Pitner, the remaining Scurry County survivor of Company G, and Wernette Smith, widow of a member of the company, made the request. Smith said if there are excess funds, the money would be donated to the Scurry County Museum.

The final request was for $2,200 to the chamber to finance broadway production of *Cinderella* at the Ritz Theatre on Dec. 6. There will be a 2 o'clock matinee and a 7:30 p.m. show, all on the same day as the lighted Christmas parade to be held in Towle Park and Santa Claus' visit. Excess monies will be returned to the hotel-motel fund.

Directors earlier had set the deadline for applications for Friday. To date here have been 37 applications submitted for the position after the death of Donna Fowler.

The search committee is made up of chamber directors David Harrell, Mike Thornton, Elois Pruitt and Jeffrey Martin. Other committee members are Bill Dryden, Dayton Robertson, Nancy Smith and Sandra Salinas. The committee will meet Oct. 30 in the boardroom to narrow the list to three to five finalists to be interviewed and voted on by directors.

Following discussion of avenues to replace the 12-year-old office copier, the board agreed to purchase a Xerox copier with a maintenance plan included.

The chamber voted to purchase two 4x8-foot billboards to be placed on the outfield fence of Western Texas College baseball and softball fields. Cost is $225 with a $100 per year maintenance fee.

Salinas, chamber executive assistant, said White Buffalo Festival held Oct. 11 was well attended and chamber members helped with welcoming and manning the admissions booth.

D's Pest Control and Dragon China Buffet were welcomed as new members along with Dolphin Restaurant who previously had its open house and ribbon cutting.

A ribbon cutting was held today for D's Pest Control.

Mike Thornton presided and members attending were Darren Jackson, Anita Talbott, David Harrell, David Boyd, Billy Grimmett, Elliott Cox, Joni Gonzales, Ann Smartt, Greg Williams, Jeffrey Martin and Elois Pruitt. Guests included Dee Blackwell with Xerox, Smith and Pitner.

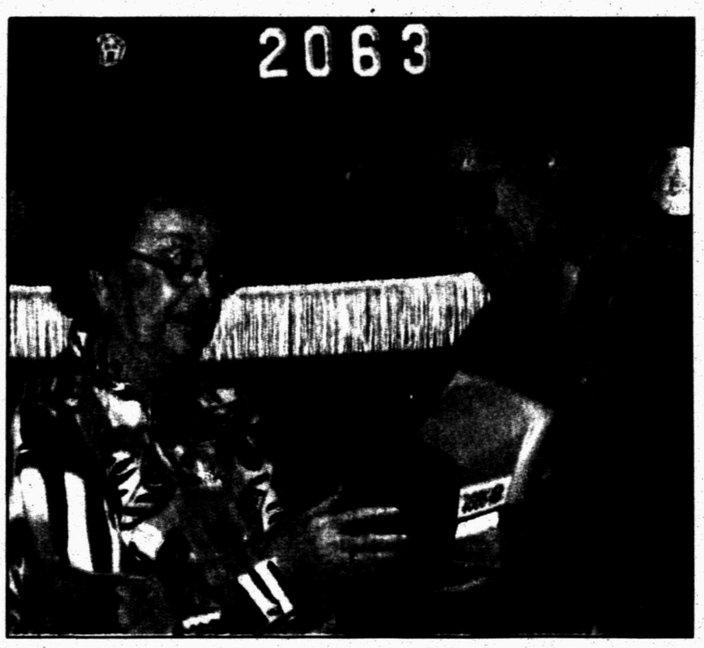
Jury to decide sentence after plea of guilty

A 34-year-old Snyder man has pleaded guilty in 132nd District Court to evading arrest.

An eight-woman, four man jury selected Monday afternoon is hearing testimony on the sentencing of Terry Blaine Hildreth of 924 Quail Lane.

Hildreth pleaded guilty to fleeing from Snyder police officer Jason McMillan on July 19. District Judge Ernie Armstrong is presiding.

Prosecutor is district attorney Dana Cooley and defense attorney is Peter Lopez of Sweetwater.



IMPORTANT EQUIPMENT — Fire Marshal Cy Posey explains a thermal imaging camera to Velma Lunsford during an AARP meeting Monday. (SDN Staff Photo)

ASK US

Q-Has anybody expressed interest in leasing Cogdell Hospital?

A-County Judge Rod Waller said Monday that no one is currently interested in a lease arrangement.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Ralph Ramon...

...has been assistant principal at Snyder Junior High School for the past two years. Previously, he taught shop for 10 years and coached at the junior high. He and his wife, Patsy, an R.N. at Cogdell Memorial Hospital, have lived in Snyder for 12 years. They have two sons, Ralph, a junior at college, and Isaac, a senior at SHS. Originally from Lubbock, Snyder was Ramon's first job after graduating from Sul Ross University.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

None of my inventions came by accident. They came by work.
—Thomas Edison

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Mesquite Country Emmaus

Mesquite Country Emmaus will hold a community meeting at 7 tonight at Colonial Hill Baptist Church. Babe chicks will meet at 6 p.m.

Three Sisters at the Ritz

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Antique tractor, equipment club

Scurry County Antique Tractor and Equipment club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at Jack's Road Boring on the Colorado City Hwy. For more information, call 573-4414.

GED pre-registration and testing dates

Mandatory pre-registration for the GED test will be Thursday from 10:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the GED testing center at Western Texas College in Building 7B. Testing will begin at 8 a.m. on Friday. For more information about the GED test, call Betty Thompson at 573-2310, or Emily Hataway at 573-8511, ext. 297, or 574-2112.

Marriage conference

The fall marriage conference, *Love, Romance and Sex: It's All God's Idea*, will be simulcast Friday and Saturday at East Side Church of Christ. Colonial Hill Baptist is co-sponsoring. Friday times are from 6:30-9:30 p.m. and Saturday times are 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tickets are $20 per couple. Reserve by calling 573-3583. Childcare will be available.

Ira chili supper

The Ira senior class will sponsor a chili supper Saturday during the fall festival to be held in the old gym. Meal prices are $3 for adults, $2 for children and children under five are free. The festival begins at 6 p.m. and will conclude at 8:30 p.m.

Fall Festival of Fun

The Fall Festival of Fun for birth through 6th graders is set from 4-6 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center. Games, concession and door prizes are planned. Requested donation, one bag of candy.

Lord's Acre

First United Methodist Church's Lord's Acre is planned for 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at the coliseum. Booths open at 11 a.m. and a barbecue lunch will be served from noon to 1:30 p.m. Activities and games for children are planned. The youth of the church are selling Christian Tee-shirts and Candles from Home Interiors. They are also taking orders for casseroles and pies cooked under the direction of Rany Head. Everyone is welcome.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Using the Bible Like Jesus" followed by "Children are a Heritage of the Lord."

Title I, migrant parent meeting

A meeting for all Title I and migrant parents will be held at 6:30 p.m. next Tuesday at Snyder Junior High School. Region 14 Education Service Center consultants will discuss the Trio program that targets students in grades 6-12 in preparation for college. Childcare will be provided. For additional information, contact Karen Waller at 573-5401 or Dixie Haggard, 574-6078.

Used eyeglasses needed

The Snyder and WTC Lions Clubs, in partnership with the local post office, will pick up used eyeglasses from mailboxes on Friday, Oct. 31. Eyeglasses should be bagged and hung on mailbox.

Gateway needs costumes

Gateway Family Services is in need of used Halloween costumes in all sizes as well as basic arts and craft supplies for children's holiday projects. Donations may be dropped off at the shelter or call 573-1822.

THRiVE simulcast at FBC

THRiVE, a conference for women, will be simulcast from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at the First Baptist Church. Tickets are $35 until Nov. 1. After that they will be $40. Call 573-2631 to reserve tickets. Lunch, snacks and free daycare will be provided. The event will kick off Friday, Nov. 14.

Lord's Supper Church

Lord's Supper Church, 119 36th St. (corner of Ave. B and 36th) will have a spaghetti supper from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday. Tickets are $5 for adults and $3 for children. Call Belinda Lara at 574-2158 or 573-0040 to purchase tickets. The church will also have a fall festival from 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, at the church. Chances are being sold for a DVD player and television. Tickets are $1 each or $5 for six. Call Lara for tickets.

First Baptist support group

First Baptist Church sponsors a support group for people facing difficulties — including cancer, divorce, grief, etc. It meets on the first floor Adult 6 Department at 6:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month.

Cooking classes rescheduled

The county 4-H cooking classes have been rescheduled for Nov. 15 and Dec. 13. The basic cooking workshops are open to girls and boys, 8-18. They will be offered from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the extension office. Call (325) 573-5423 to make reservations.

Home for the holidays

Scurry County's annual home for the holidays, sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension, is set for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, at the First United Methodist Church. Tickets are $8 each and must be reserved by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12. Call 573-5423 to reserve tickets.

United Way packets

United Way packets are now being distributed to businesses and will be picked up by Nov. 21. Packets are bright orange. For more information, call 573-5311.

SJHS yearbooks

Snyder junior high Tiger Times yearbook is on sale through Nov. 25 in room 110. Cost is $16 or students may make an $8 deposit. No extra copies will be ordered.

Reservists getting substandard health care

FORT STEWART, Ga. (AP) — Spc. Joseph Eason came to Fort Stewart for medical treatment in August after leaving Iraq with five metal shards lodged in his lower body from a mortar round.

Eason, a citizen-soldier in the Florida National Guard, says he would prefer to go home and let a civilian physician treat his wounds. But that's not an option as long as he remains on active duty.

Instead, he's spent the past two months living in spartan concrete barracks at Fort Stewart, where he says his treatment has amounted to one doctor appointment, a visit to a physician's assistant and one physical therapy session.

"The medical care here, in my personal opinion, I feel is substandard if any," said Eason, 35, from Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Reports that sick or injured reservists complained of long waits for health care and uncomfortable housing put the Army on the defensive Monday, with post officials saying they're doing the best they can with what they have.

"We're constantly working on improvements," said Col. Joe Barthel, commander of Winn Army Hospital at Fort Stewart.

He acknowledged that the wait for orthopedic procedures is six weeks and "we like to keep that below four weeks. ... Our other surgical services are two to three weeks."

There are 633 National Guard and Army Reserve troops on what the Army calls "medical hold" for treatment of injuries or illnesses at Fort Stewart, with problems ranging from sprained ankles to war wounds.

The citizen-soldiers aren't considered sick enough for hospitalization, so they stay in the same minimal barracks, some without air conditioning or private bathrooms, used by healthy reservists.

If the soldiers get well, they go home when their unit is released from active duty. If they're still waiting for treatment when their units are deactivated, the Army may hold them until they're healed or discharged.

"We want to take care of soldiers and we're not going to send soldiers home broken," Barthel said.

Eason said he's been told it could take another nine months for his discharge to go through.

Spc. Chris Rinchich, an Army Reservist from Myrtle Beach, S.C., says he's waiting for knee surgery after tearing a ligament in his left knee in Kuwait in May. He said he doesn't expect to leave Fort Stewart until next summer.

"It's pending. I'm on a waiting list, I heard," said the 21-year-old Rinchich, who spent last summer in a cement-block barracks without air conditioning.

Col. John Kidd, garrison commander at Fort Stewart, said improvements are being made to the barracks. Window air conditioning units have been added to some and others have gotten new mattresses in the past month.

"They're designed for annual training for the National Guard, so they're fairly bare bones. They're habitable, but there's certainly no frills," he said. "They're not the best that we would like them to have. We would like to do better."

Today's chuckle

Chimp picked wrong time, place to play

STAMFORD, Conn. (AP) — Travis, a 170-pound chimpanzee, can do lots of things humans can: He waters flowers, enjoys a glass of wine, brushes his teeth and even watches baseball on TV.



But one thing Travis apparently has not mastered is sensing the best time for play.

He bolted from a sport utility vehicle driven by his owners Sunday night, commandeered an intersection in the heart of this busy Fairfield County city and held police at bay for a few hours.

Despite the efforts of officers, who arrived in more than a dozen cruisers, the chimp continued playing in the middle of the street, rolling on his back and occasionally charging officers.

"He just wanted to play, but it wasn't the time or place," Sandy Herold, who owns Travis with her husband, Jerry, said Monday.

The chimp, when not closing doors on squad cars to prevent being trapped inside, made occasional runs toward the crowd on all fours.

"He's very strong," Sgt. Richard Phelan said.

Officer finally got the chimp into its owners' car. They pressed their hands against the doors of the SUV to hold the chimp inside.

Travis, who is 9 years old, was sleeping it off Monday.

"He got up and had breakfast and went back to bed. He's tired," Sandy Herold said.

Date Book

Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2003

Today is the 294th day of 2003 and the 29th day of autumn.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1797, the USS Constitution was launched in Boston. The Constitution would go on to earn the nickname "Old Ironsides" during the War of 1812.

On this day in 1861, Union troops were defeated in the Battle of Ball's Bluff, the second major battle of the Civil War.

On this day in 1915, AT&T employees in Paris and Arlington, Va., made the first trans-Atlantic radiotelephone call.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Samuel Coleridge (1772-1834), poet; Alfred Nobel (1833-1896), industrialist, inventor and philanthropist; John Birks "Dizzy" Gillespie (1917-1993), musician; Carrie Fisher (1956-), actress, is 47.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1980, Philadelphia won their first World Series by defeating Kansas City 4-1 in game six.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I don't care much about music. What I like is sounds." — Dizzy Gillespie

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Oct. 18) and new moon (Oct. 25)

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Jimmy Cliff is honored by Jamaica

KINGSTON, Jamaica (AP) — Jamaica honored Jimmy Cliff with the Order of Merit award, one of Jamaica's highest honors, for his work in film and music.

"It's great to be appreciated by your own," Cliff, 55, said Monday after accepting the medal.

Several of his songs, including "The Harder They Come" and "Many Rivers to Cross," are considered reggae classics.

Cliff, whose real name is James Chambers, also starred in the 1973 film "The Harder They Come."

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LOTTO TEXAS TEXAS LOTTERY

RESULTS

Cash Five
Monday's
Lottery Numbers

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

Winning numbers drawn: 1-10-18-22-35.

Number matching five of five: None.

Matching four of five: 141. Prize: $501.

Matching three of five: 4,642. Prize: $11.

Matching two of five: 47,327. Prize: $2.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Tuesday night.

Pick 3
(Day) 0-8-5
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Saturday, October 25, 2003
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Games
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PORTLAND. Ridgewood School Princ Hirsch may not into a prince, will make her p her pupil public



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BRIDAL SHOWER — Christina Holder, bride-elect of Mark Cave, was honoree at a bridal shower Oct. 19 at the East Side Church of Christ multipurpose building. The couple will marry Dec. 20 in the Trinity United Methodist Church. From left are Ellie Dryden, grandmother of the bride-elect; Jaymee Holder, her step-mother; Jeanenne Holder, her grandmother; Joan Dryden, mother of the bride-elect; the honoree; Lois Cave, mother of the prospective groom; Robin Cave, his sister; and Eilene Cave, his grandmother. (Contributed Photo)

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 10-21-03
♠ K Q J 5 2
♥ A 7 6
♦ K
♣ Q 9 7 6

West
♠ 10 8 7 4 3
♥ 2
♦ 9 7 6 4 2
♣ 8 3

East
♠ 9 6
♥ Q J 10 8 5 3
♦ Q J 10 5
♣ A

South
♠ A
♥ K 9 4
♦ A 8 3
♣ K J 10 5 4 2

Dealer: North
Vulnerable: Neither

South	West	North	East
		1 ♠	2 ♥
3 ♣	Pass	4 ♣	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♦	Pass
6 ♣	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ 2

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Elimination can precede accrual

By Phillip Alder

Elie Wiesel claimed: "Writing is not like painting where you add. It is not what you put on the canvas that the reader sees. Writing is more like a sculpture where you remove, you eliminate in order to make the work visible."

At the bridge table, usually you add up the tricks that you need, but sometimes concentrating on the removal of losers is more important — as here.

If you were South, the declarer in six clubs, what would be your plan after West leads the heart two?

With great controls — aces and kings — it was reasonable for South to Blackwood into the slam. But he might have control-bid (cue-bid) four diamonds to show that first-round control and express slam interest. Here, North would return the compliment with four hearts because he has a good hand.

Given East's two-heart overcall, the opening lead must be a singleton. (West would start with his higher card from a doubleton.) And if West has two low trumps, immediately playing a club would be fatal: East would win with his bare ace and give his partner a heart ruff.

So, South must begin by removing the remaining hearts in his hand.

Declarer, after winning with the heart king (or dummy's heart ace), unblocks his spade ace, plays a diamond to dummy's king, and discards a heart on the spade king. Now comes the spade queen, on which declarer's remaining heart evaporates. Although East ruffs with his club ace and returns a heart, South ruffs high, draws West's trumps, and claims.

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Concert hall dedicated

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The $276 million Walt Disney Concert Hall was dedicated with speeches praising architect Frank Gehry's sweeping design and its potential to heighten the city's cultural profile around the world.

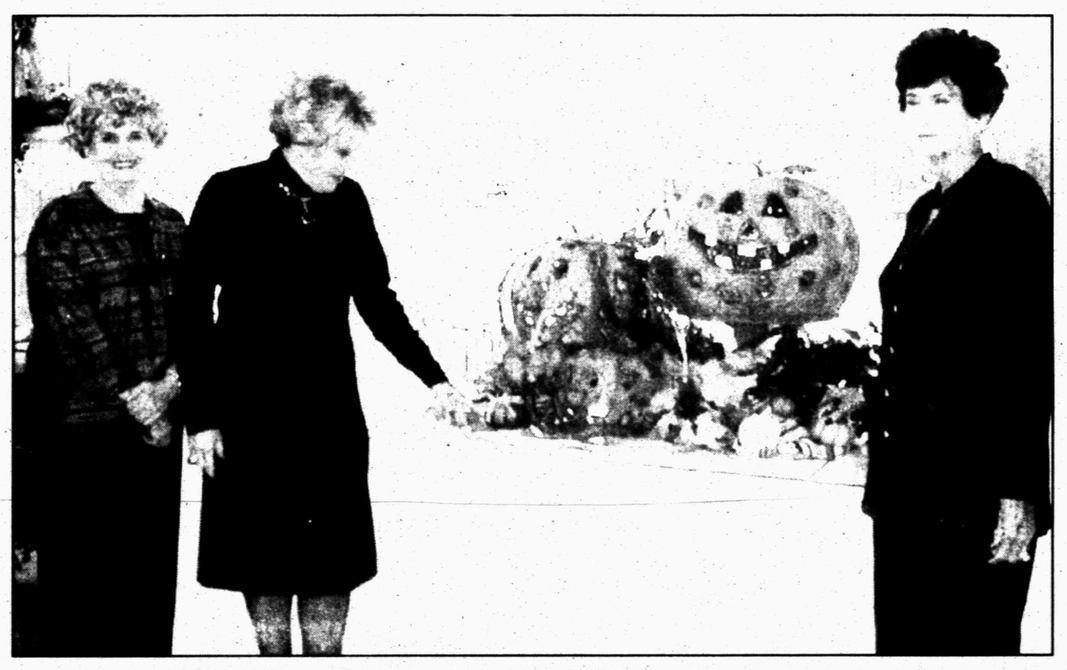
Speakers called the hall a symbol of the city's heritage that could become a top tourist attraction.

"Los Angeles has been a great cultural center," former Mayor Richard Riordan said Monday. "We're no longer La-La Land, right?"

Gehry designed the hall before his acclaimed Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao, Spain.



EXXONMOBIL ISSUES GRANT — Carla Thompson, director of the Senior Center, seated left, accepts an ExxonMobil Foundation matching gift programs grant from Doug White, employee. Volunteers standing from left are Susie White, Cogdell Memorial Hospital employee; Danny Williams, construction foreman for Scurry County; and Vicki Williams, Scurry County Appraisal District employee. Other volunteers included Albert Cannon, Tim Owen, Judy and Tommy Rhone, Tammy and Ross Cornett, June Gholson, Wayne Bethel, Johnny Saenz, Shorty Salinas and Jim Ripley. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)





MAWC STYLE SHOW HELD — Ladies of Scurry County enjoyed a style show and luncheon Saturday at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Chico's of Lubbock and local models, Tara Trevey, Margaret Presswood, Rhonda Sutter, Kim Knipe and Lyn Lancaster, (bottom photo) from left, showed fall, winter and holiday fashions and accessories. In the top photo, Durelle Gorman visits with Margaret Dillaha, MAWC president and master of ceremonies, and Carol Miller, in charge of decorations. MAWC also will sponsor a garage and bake sale Saturday at Towle Park Barn from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A tour of homes is set for Nov. 2 to include unique homes of Nila and David Harrell, 2801 47th; Fran Farmer, 1101 Farmers Lane; Jim and Carrie Richardson, 2708 28th; Clarissa Alaniz, 3504 44th; and Ben and Christy Smith. Tickets are $10 and may be purchased by calling 573-3427.(Staff Photos by Jo Ann Nunley)

Man hits hole-in-one and bowls perfect game in 24 hours

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Hitting a hole-in-one wasn't enough victory for one day. Paul Hughes went on to bowl a perfect 300 game less than 24 hours later.

The 74-year-old retired heating and plumbing business owner sank the hole-in-one on the 149-yard fifth hole at the Pleasant View golf course in Middleton Monday afternoon. He bowled the perfect game at Bowling Green lanes in Middleton Tuesday.

"It's a super feeling," Hughes said.

Ted Donker, director of golf operations at Pleasant View, confirmed that Hughes hit the hole-in-one Monday. Terry Knight, the bowling alley's manager, verified Hughes bowled the perfect game.

"He's got a hand like Paul Bunyan," Knight said. "He probably cut wood for three hours before he came in and did it."

Hughes is no slouch at either sport. His golf handicap is usually around 11, and he also bowls with a dozen seniors every Tuesday morning at Bowling Green.

He prefers golf because it's an outdoor sport, but he thinks bowling a perfect game is a greater accomplishment.

"You need 12 perfect shots," he said.

Principal has to kiss frog during assembly

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Ridgewood Elementary School Principal Arlene Hirsch may not turn her frog into a prince, but kissing it will make her popular among her pupil public.

The head of the Oregon City school will kiss a frog during a special assembly.

Hirsch promised the amphibian smooch if the kids raised $20,000 through the school's annual gift wrap sale.

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers meeting; Colonial Hill Baptist Church; for more information call Kathy at 573-1289 during the evening; weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m.

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

Beginners' AA open meeting; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 573-8268, 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for more information call 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; Trinity United Methodist Church. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

Martha Ann Woman's Club luncheon and game day; serving begins at 11:30 and games of choice will be played throughout the afternoon; the cost is $8.50 and reservations are necessary by 5 p.m. Tuesday.

NA Just For Today, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-1438; 8 p.m.

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Scripture is meant to be used by the followers of Jesus Christ. We find our example in Jesus himself. When confronted with Satan, Jesus quoted Scripture. Matthew 4 and Luke 4 both tell of this event. The Word of Scripture, quoted by Jesus, revealed Satan's temptations for what they were, attempts to turn Jesus away from the will of God. Jesus was led by the Word of Scripture throughout His life. When Jesus came to the end of his life, he came to a choice. Would he accept the humiliating death of crucifixion or not? Matthew 26: 36-56 tells us of the prayers Jesus prayed at this time, struggling with what He knew was coming. In the end, Jesus accepts the cross because that is what the Scriptures say must happen. Matthew 26: 54.

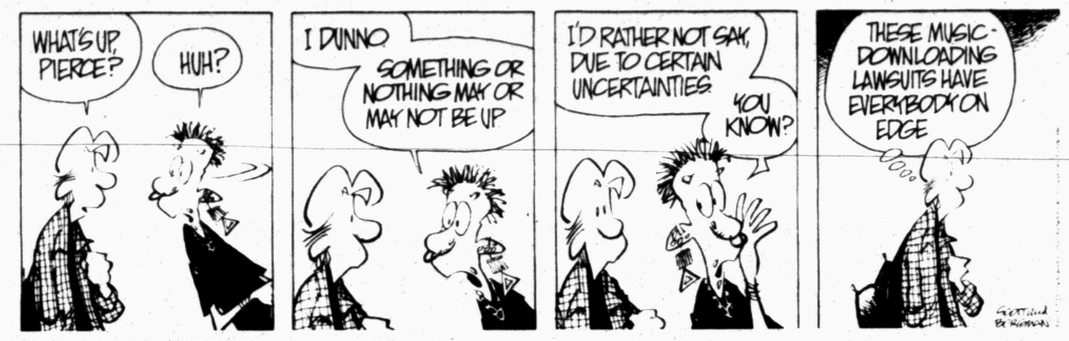
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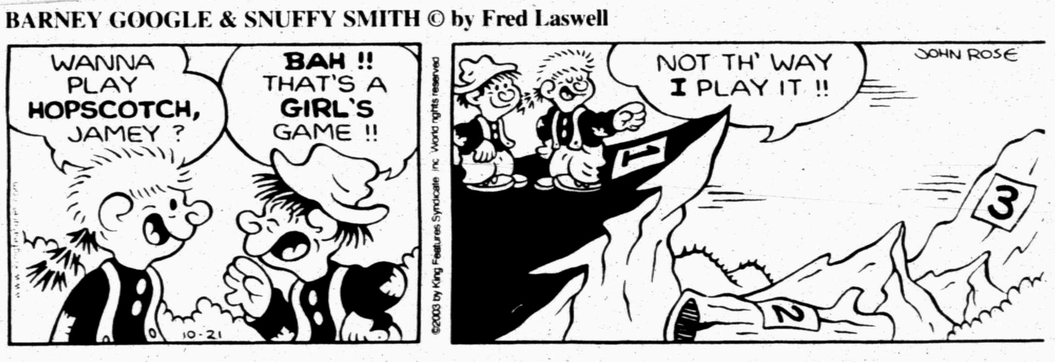
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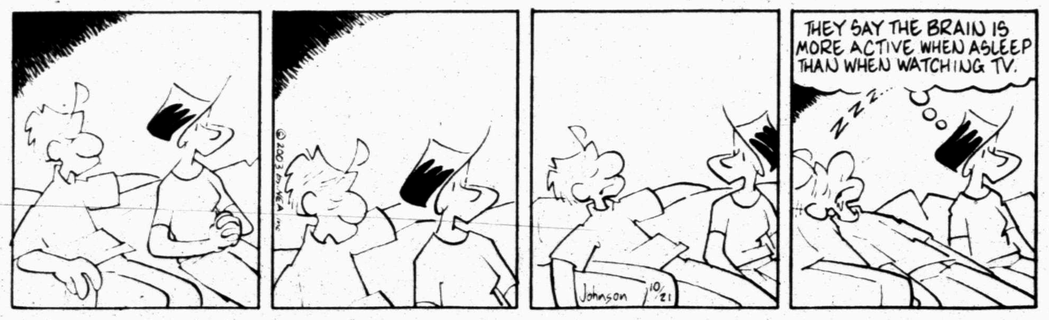
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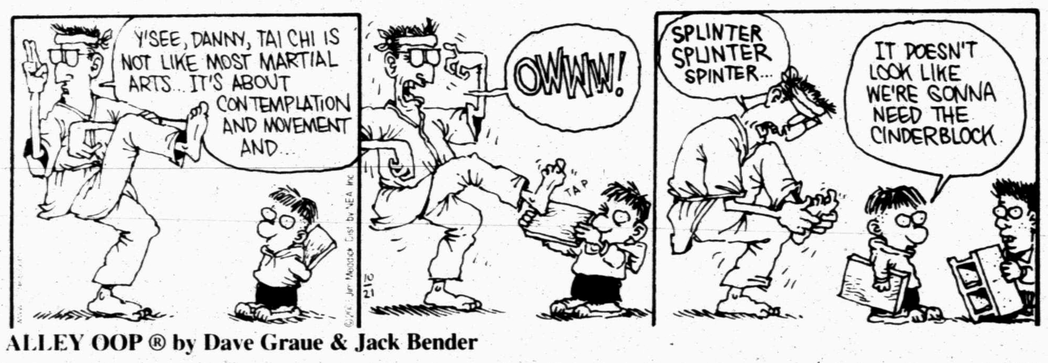
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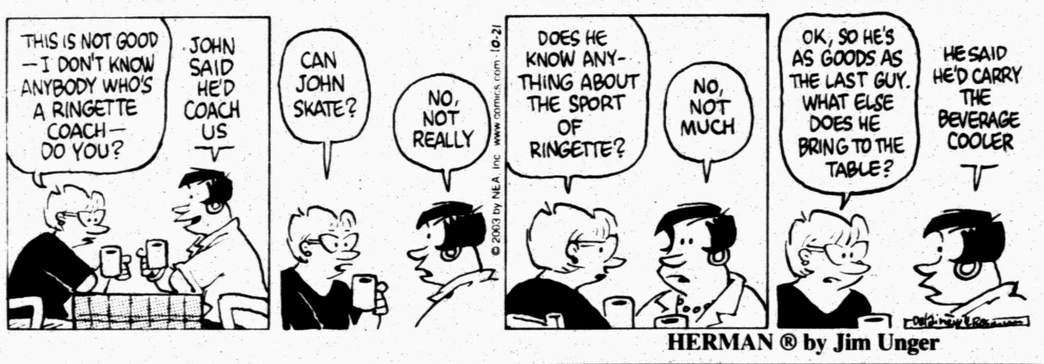
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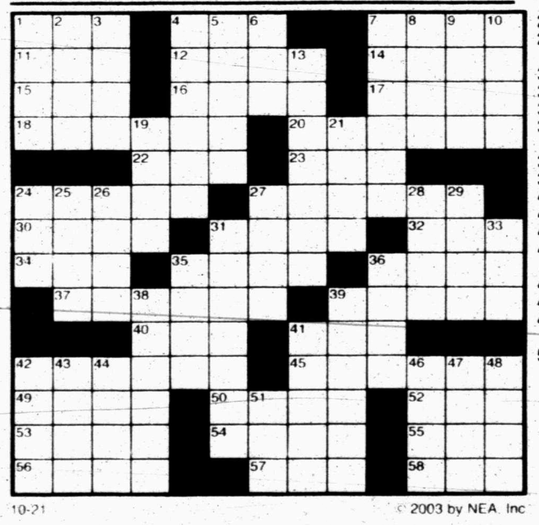
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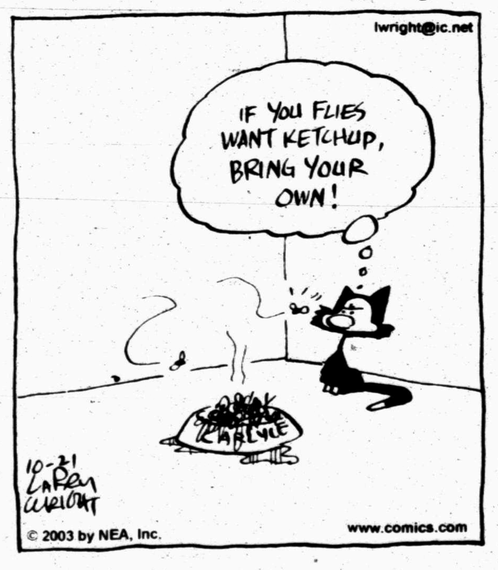
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SPORTS

Series shifts from Bronx to Miami

MIAMI (AP) — The upper deck is ringed with names such as Bob Griese, Larry Csonka and Don Shula. There's a hot tub next to the right-field bullpen and palm trees outside the gates.

Sunglasses scattered in the clubhouse, bottles of Gatorade strewn in the dugout, players in shorts.

OK, so it's not Yankee Stadium.

Clearly, the scene has shifted in this World Series, from baseball's most hallowed park to 2267 Dan Marino Boulevard, the address of Pro Player Stadium.

Not that the Florida Marlins mind at all, going into Game 3 tonight tied at 1 with the New York Yankees. Josh Beckett was to start against New York's Mike Mussina.

"I think our advantage in this park is that people think it's ugly and think it's not a baseball park," Marlins outfielder Jeff Conine said. "But we call it home and we feel like we've got that advantage.

"They always come in and say, 'Oh, the lights are bad' and 'It looks like a football stadium.' I think they just can't get up for playing in a place like this, as compared to a Yankee Stadium or a Camden Yards or a Fenway Park that's got all the history. So I think it definitely works in our advantage that it is kind of a dreary and glum place to play."

The Marlins were one of the majors' best home teams this season. There are shades of October, too — the last time the Series was here, the crowd was going crazy as Edgar Renteria hit a winning single in the bottom of the 11th inning to beat Cleveland in Game 7 in 1997.

Besides, the ballpark isn't that drab. Not with the overwhelming display of orange-and-teal seats, pulsating music and Cuban cuisine.

"This is different," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "We come in here, see the palm trees. It's weird. It really is weird."

Another big difference that should be apparent: The sellout crowd of 65,000 is expected to be split.

"We know everywhere we go, we have our share of fans. We certainly know that there are a lot of transplanted New Yorkers in South Florida," Torre said.

While the Yankees will have a lot of support, the Marlins will have Beckett.

The ace of the Florida staff, he saved the season in the NL championship series. He pitched a two-hit shutout in Game 5 against the Chicago Cubs.

Chiefs hold off Oakland charge, remain unbeaten

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Even in defeat, Marques Tuiasosopo made a monumental stride for the Oakland Raiders.

Forced into the game when MVP Rich Gannon was injured, Tuiasosopo led a stirring rally that fell just short when Tim Brown was tackled on the Kansas City 1 as time expired.

The unbeaten Chiefs escaped with their seventh straight victory Monday night, beating the Raiders 17-10 — but not before a potential shutout turned into a thrilling shootout.

Chiefs coach Dick Vermeil watched with a mixture of concern and fascination as Tuiasosopo led the Raiders to 10 points in a surprising fourth-quarter charge.

While coaching at UCLA, Vermeil recruited Tuiasosopo's father, Manu, who played defensive line for the Bruins and went on to an NFL career.

"I knew him before he was born," Vermeil said. "I'm happy to see him doing well. I'd just (rather) have him do it against somebody else."

Trent Green passed for 206 yards for Kansas City, which tied a franchise record for consecutive wins. But the Chiefs had to overcome Tuiasosopo, who had thrown just six passes all season before taking over in the second half.

"I just try to go out and work hard in practice and play hard so guys know I can fight with them," Tuiasosopo said. "We would have liked to get this win and move forward. It's too bad."

In the final 1:47, Tuiasosopo marched the Raiders (2-5) from their own 6 to the Kansas City goal line on a drive featuring two catches by Jerry Rice and a huge 35-yard reception by Jerry Porter. Oakland even tried a fake spike to get in the end zone, but the game ended when Jerome Woods and Greg Wesley tackled Brown on a catch at the 1 while time ran out.

"I guess he just sparked a fire in them, but we put it out just in time," Woods said. "He was eyeballing Tim Brown the whole time. I thought that if I just make a tackle and don't worry about a pick he's never going to get into the end zone."

Gannon bruised his right shoulder in the final minute of the second quarter, then spent the second half on the sidelines nursing the injury that came from two sacks by Shawn Barber and several other hard hits.

Tuiasosopo, a third-year pro, had just 69 yards passing in his entire career, but was 16-of-28 for 224 yards in the second half. The Raiders had 243 fourth-quarter yards after gaining only 114 in the first three.

"Tui wrote his name here today," Porter said. "I'm not surprised. He's been sitting and waiting for the opportunity to present itself."

Priest Holmes ran for 123 yards for the Chiefs, including a 2-yard touchdown run with 4:57 left after Phillip Buchanon muffed a punt return deep in Oakland territory. The score gave Kansas City a 17-3 lead — but Tuiasosopo was just getting started.

The Chiefs gave Vermeil a win in his first appearance on Monday night as a head coach since his Philadelphia Eagles played in Miami in 1981. Vermeil has seen a similar last-second tackle before: his St. Louis Rams won the Super Bowl four years ago when Mike Jones tackled Tennessee's Kevin Dyson on the 1 as time ran out.

For the Chiefs, this win took some of the sting out of an embarrassing 24-0 loss in Oakland last Dec. 28, the first time in 88 meetings between the former AFL foes that the Raiders shut them out.

That game, played in a steady downpour, gave Oakland the top seed for the AFC playoffs, as well as a much-needed bye, and eliminated the Chiefs from making the postseason for the fifth straight year.

How different things are this year. Despite the spirited fourth-quarter rally, the Raiders are reeling one year after winning the AFC championship.

The Chiefs remain one of two unbeaten teams in the NFL this season along with Minnesota (6-0).

Tuiasosopo led the Raiders to the Kansas City 8 midway through the fourth quarter, but Oakland settled for a 27-yard field goal by Sebastian Janikowski. The kick kept the Raiders from being shut out for the first time since Dec. 7, 1997.

UIL rejects fourth district playoff team

AUSTIN (AP) — High school sports playoffs in Texas will remain unchanged after the University Interscholastic League's Legislative Council found Monday that the majority of schools were against sending a fourth team from each district to the postseason.

The UIL conducted a survey across the state which showed that 65 percent of those who responded were against adding a fourth playoff team and thus took no action on the subject.

With the current playoff format, three teams from each district advance in classes 2A-5A. The first-place team gets a first-round bye in all sports except football.

The playoffs in football are split into two divisions in 2A-5A, with the biggest schools playing in Division I and the rest competing in Division II.

Only the district champions advanced to the playoffs until 1982 when schools voted to allow the second place team into the playoffs. The three team per district playoff system was introduced in 5A in 1990.

Schools will be surveyed this spring on whether to allow the top three finishers in the district track meet to advance to the regional meet and whether to change the softball playoff format.

SJHS spikers close out season with win

The Snyder Junior High volleyball teams closed out their seasons Monday, with both eighth-grade clubs scoring resounding victories over Colorado City.

The Gold squad got 13 points from Destinee Neagle and five each from Cecelie Slaughter and Crystal Brown in a 25-8, 25-22 victory over the junior Lady Wolves.

Audrey Jones posted nine points and Devin Davidson added seven as the Black team handled their counterparts from Colorado City, 25-12, 26-24.

Mayra Estrada, Angela Almanza and Jessica DeLeon added four each for the winners.

"Both teams played great. The girls had a successful season and improved a lot," coach Bradi Johnson said. "I am very proud of each one of them."

The seventh-graders also topped the Lady Wolves, with the Black team needing three games to get the win.

Colorado City won the first game, 25-14, despite an ace and six points from Brenna Fletcher.

Snyder rolled to a 25-6 victory in the second game, riding 19 service points from Chassidy Pittman, before closing it out in the tiebreaker, 15-7.

Shaquita Sneed tallied five points and Jessica Bilderback added four in the final game.

The Gold squad swept C-City, 25-5, 25-14.

Kailea Shaw had 16 points, two of them aces, in the match, and Stephanie Rodriguez notched 12 for the junior Lady Tigers. Ashlee Wallace posted six points in the clinching game.

"The girls had a great season and worked really hard. I am very proud of them," coach Halea Huestis said.

Area Sports Calendar

TODAY

Volleyball: Snyder varsity, JV and freshmen at Lamesa, 5:30 p.m.
Tennis: Sweetwater at Snyder, 3:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Football: Snyder JV vs. Seminole, 7 p.m.
Snyder frosh vs. Seminole, 5 p.m.
Snyder junior high at Seminole, 5:30 p.m.
Borden County junior high at Dawson, 5:30 p.m.
Borden County JV at Dawson, 7 p.m.
Ira junior high at Loraine, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY

Football: Snyder at Seminole, 7:30 p.m.
Loraine at Ira, 7:30 p.m.
Hermleigh at Trent, 7:30 p.m.
Dawson at Borden County, 7:30 p.m.
Golf: SHS girls JV and varsity in Abilene.

SATURDAY

Tennis: Vernon at Snyder, 9 a.m.
Volleyball: Snyder freshmen, JV and varsity vs. Brownfield, 1 p.m.
Cross country: Snyder at Seminole, district meet.
Golf: SHS girls JV and varsity at Abilene.

Sports Briefs

City tournament

Scurry County Golf Course will host the annual city tournament Saturday and Sunday. Cost is $20 per person with three divisions: open, senior and super senior. Tee-off is 1 p.m. both days. Contact Rick Mammolite at 573-7101 at the pro shop to register.

Police seek charges against Yankees

BOSTON (AP) — Police have decided to seek assault and battery charges against Yankees reliever Jeff Nelson and right fielder Karim Garcia for a bullpen brawl with a Red Sox employee.

Paul Williams, a grounds keeper at Fenway Park, contends the two Yankees attacked him for cheering for the Red Sox while he was working in the bullpen during an Oct. 11 game. The Yankees have said Williams provoked them.

Sorenstam, Price inducted into golf Hall of Fame

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. (AP) — Annika Sorenstam was inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame. Sorenstam is the first foreign-born player to get into the Hall of Fame through the LPGA Tour. She was inducted along with Nick Price, Japanese pioneer Chako Higuchi and the late Leo Diegel, a two-time PGA champion.

Snyder girls take 4th at cross-country meet

Candace Chandler and Terann Ragland finished in eighth and ninth respectively at the Midland cross-country meet Saturday, as the Snyder girls team took fourth place.

Snyder was the only school to represent 3A in the meet, which fielded roughly 60 runners in each division.

Chandler crossed the finish line in 14:50, while Ragland finished in 14:53, as both earned medals for the girls, who ended up fourth out of seven teams. The other six teams were from 4A and 5A schools.

"The times were a little slower, but the course was longer than normal," cross-country coach Todd Pollard said. "So, they were pretty good times."

Also running for Snyder were Tamara Taylor, 17:04; Destiny Proctor, 17:15; Erin Burleson, 17:37; Casey Gregory, 17:40 and Glyn Wright, 19:17.

Arthur Hernandez paced the boys with a time of 20:43. Joseph Ynguanzo posted a 21:18 and Jeremy Torrez crossed the line in 22:35.

World Series

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(FOX)
Saturday, Oct. 18
Florida 3, N.Y. Yankees 2
Sunday, Oct. 19
N.Y. Yankees 6, Florida 1, series tied 1-1
Today, Oct. 21
N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 17-8) at Florida (Beckett 9-8), 7:32 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 22
N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 17-9) at Florida (Pavano 12-13), 7:24 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 23
N.Y. Yankees (Wells 15-7) at Florida (Undecided), 7:24 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 25
Florida at N.Y. Yankees, 6:55 p.m., if necessary
Sunday, Oct. 26
Florida at N.Y. Yankees, 7 p.m. EST, if necessary

JV golfers 9th at San Angelo

The junior varsity boys golf team placed ninth Monday at the San Angelo Country Club.

Matt Schoolcraft led the group with a 92, while Ryne Trout fired a 103.

Seth Cooper and John Whitworth finished a shot apart, with Cooper carding a 108 and Whitworth shooting a 109, as the team posted a total of 412.

Jordan Payne added a 113.

The JV will be in Lubbock Nov. 4.

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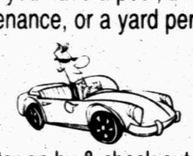
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New cardinals installed by pope

VATICAN CITY (AP) — His health failing, Pope John Paul II added 30 names to the list of his possible successors today, installing a diverse collection of cardinals in a consistory some say may be his last.

In a ritual-filled ceremony on the steps of St. Peter's Basilica, the 83-year-old pope was giving the new "princes of the church" their red hats and declaring them members of the elite band of churchmen who will elect the next pope.

"We don't know whether that will be in one month or five years," said Scottish Archbishop Keith O'Brien, one of the new cardinals. "But that's really the priority for cardinals."

The pope's increasing frailty, on display during a rigorous week of ceremonies surrounding his 25th anniversary, added poignancy to today's consistory.

As a result, the current roster of cardinals is considered to be the list of possible popes, since cardinals largely choose from among themselves for the top job in the Roman Catholic Church.

John Paul himself didn't read out the names of the new cardinals, leaving it to an aide. In the few prayers he did deliver, the pontiff slurred his words, symptoms of the Parkinson's disease which has made it difficult for him to speak.

Today's ceremony brought to 194 the active members of the College of Cardinals, although only 135 of them are under age 80 and thus eligible to vote in a conclave. Of those 135, John Paul has named all but five.

Yet picking the next pope from among them is anyone's guess, since the group is still large and geographically diverse.

"It's funny, nobody is whispering 'he'll be the next man,'" said Cardinal Lubomyr Husar of Ukraine. "Nobody has arisen as a personality."

In fact, the college has gotten so large that cardinals wore tags with their names and home dioceses during meetings at the Vatican last week.

Certainly, there are a handful of contenders, or "papabili," including one of the new cardinals: Italy's Angelo Scalo. He's the patriarch of Venice — a position that produced three popes in the 20th century.

The new candidates come from around the world, from Australia to Zagreb, Vietnam to Venice, and on the whole follow John Paul's conservative bent.

O'Brien, however, made waves a few weeks ago when he suggested that celibacy and contraception should be up for discussion. Current church teaching requires celibacy for priests and bans contraception.

At a news conference Monday, O'Brien stressed that he merely meant that he would participate in a discussion of those topics if it arose, but that he fully obeyed John Paul's teachings.

"When a decision is made, I accept," he said.

O'Brien is the third Scottish cardinal since the Reformation. Ghana is getting its first with Peter Kodwo Appiah Turkson, the archbishop of Cape Coast. And the new Indian cardinal, Ranchi Archbishop Telesphore Placidus Toppo, is the first tribal cardinal.

"The Holy Father always looks around to make sure that every part of the human race within the church is recognized in the College of Cardinals," observed Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, archbishop of Washington, D.C. "And he's accomplished it really well."

Indeed, under John Paul the college has gotten more international and less Italian, although Europe as a whole still is the largest bloc, followed by the Latin Americans.

The Polish-born John Paul broke 455 years of Italian dominance of the papacy when he was elected pope in 1978.

Man survives plunge over Niagara Falls

NIAGARA FALLS, Ontario (AP) — A man survived a plunge over Niagara Falls with only the clothes on his back, witnesses said.

Witnesses described seeing the man float by Monday in the swift Niagara River, go head-first over the churning 180-foot waterfall and then pull himself out of the water onto rocks below.

"He just looked calm. He just was gliding by so fast. I was in shock really that I saw a person go by," Brenda McMullen told WIVB-TV in Buffalo.

Water rushes over the falls at a rate of 150,000 gallons per second.

"I saw him disappear over the edge of the falls," McMullen's husband, Terry McMullen, said. The Columbus, Ohio, tourists snapped photographs afterward, showing the man dressed in street clothes, apparently lying on the shoreline at the base of the Canadian Horseshoe Falls.

"The guy just basically jumped in the Falls," said witness Diedre Love, of Largo, Md., who was at the Falls with her husband to celebrate their first wedding anniversary. "I saw him go over. He didn't yell or anything."

Video shown by the Buffalo television station showed officers walking from the scene with a shirtless man in handcuffs and a blanket covering his face.

"At this point, there does not appear to be any evidence of foul play," the Niagara Parks Police said in written statement.

Officers would not release the man's name nor would they comment on why the man went over the Falls. He did not appear to have serious injuries as he was led away.

Lynda Satelmajer, of Brampton, Ontario, said she and her family watched the man as he prepared to get in the water and then watched him go over the Falls, all in smiles.

"He seemed a bit edgy, kind of jumping around," she said. "He walked over to where we were standing and he jumped and slid down on his backside and went over the brink."

"It was really freaky, actually. He was smiling."

Parks Police said emergency crews responded to a report of a man going over the Canadian falls around 12:45 p.m. Rescuers descended the gorge in a tourist elevator to an observation deck and reached him from there.

He was taken to Greater Niagara General Hospital for treatment, said police.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Vitamin side effects can be bizarre

DEAR DR. GOTT: I just had to write to let you know how much your column has helped me.

For the past two years, I've struggled ineffectively with profound fatigue; at times, I literally could not get out of bed in the morning. Moreover, I had an irregular heartbeat that I thought was the cause of my problem. My doctor told me that my heart was probably not functioning to its full capacity. She prescribed propranolol, which slowed my pulse to 40 beats a minute. I felt worse, so I stopped the drug.

Then I read your response to a reader who wondered about the dangers of high-dose vitamin E. You mentioned that vitamin E can cause fatigue and an irregular pulse. I had been taking 1000 IU of E, so I cut back to 60 IU, which is included in my regular multivitamin pill. Within a few weeks, the fatigue had lifted and my pulse was regular and strong. I'm due to see my doctor next month and I can't wait to share my experience with her. Thanks to your advice, I am a new woman.

DEAR READER: On occasion, people do experience unusual and rare idiosyncratic reactions to drugs, vitamin supplements and herbal remedies. Such appears to be your case. Thank you for your compliment. I am glad I could help you. The issue you raised certainly emphasizes what I have stated many times: patients must tell their physicians of any drugs, herbals or supplements they are taking. And it never hurts to discontinue or reduce such compounds in the presence of unexplained symptoms.

I don't mean this to critique your doctor, but I believe she should have tested you with a cardiogram, a cardiac ultrasound and — possibly — a Holter monitor and a stress test before she shared her impression that your heart was not functioning to its full capacity. This type of serious diagnosis must be supported by appropriate cardiac testing. In addition, when your pulse rate fell from the medication, she might have properly chosen to refer you to a cardiologist for a second opinion.

In any case, I'm sure she will welcome your comments (and improvement) as continuing medication education, and you can bet that she will question future patients with fatigue and pulse irregularities about their vitamin consumption.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Herbs and Healing Fads." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What is the proper pronunciation of your name? Gott like in "hot," or "goat"? Or in French, "go"?

DEAR READER: I'm hot. It's English, not German or French.

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Locked stairwell doors, evacuation order stir debate

CHICAGO (AP) — A fire that killed six people in a downtown high-rise has officials debating whether the blaze was handled properly by emergency crews and whether the government building was adequately fireproofed.

Safety experts said a lack of sprinklers above the ground floor, doors to stairwells that automatically locked and hindered fleeing workers, and confusion among the workers all contributed to the loss of life.

Despite regular fire drills, survivors of the Friday evening blaze in a supply room of the Cook County administration building said an evacuation order led to chaos. Had workers stayed where they were, they might not have died. There was no agreement who issued the order.

"There were so many things that went wrong here," Cook County Public Guardian Patrick Murphy said Monday.

"It was a very small fire. It was a contained fire," he added. "No one should have died."

While Murphy demanded an independent investigation, city officials said they would get to the bottom of things on their own.

Fire Commissioner James Joyce, who said his department did not order the evacuation, maintained that workers would have been safer had they stayed in their offices.

A spokeswoman for 69 West Washington Management — comprising the building's two private managers — said the company does not know who ordered the evacuation.

A spokeswoman for the 69 West Washington Management Co. — comprising the building's two private managers, U.S. Equities Asset Management and East Lake Management — said the company does not know who gave the evacuation order.

Soon after the fire was discovered on the 12th floor, workers were told to leave the 35-story building. But some workers met firefighters in the stairwell who ordered them back upstairs — where they found that stairwell doors had locked automatically.

The victims died while searching for an unlocked door from the smoky stairwell.

"I think it's a wake-up call," said Jim O'Neil of Northeast Security, who oversees fire safety for about 15 high-rise buildings in the Boston area. "What I'm seeing here is general confusion."

Besides the lack of sprinklers and the stairwell doors that automatically locked, safety experts pointed to the lack of pressurized stairwells, which are designed to keep smoke from entering.

"Buildings have to have very defined fire evacuation plans," said Howard Safir, former New York City fire commissioner and now head of a security consulting firm. "Then they have to have the technology that goes along with it, like pressurized stairwells, like smart locks that don't lock people in stairwells."

The building was not required to have sprinklers above the ground floor because it was built before the city code required them.

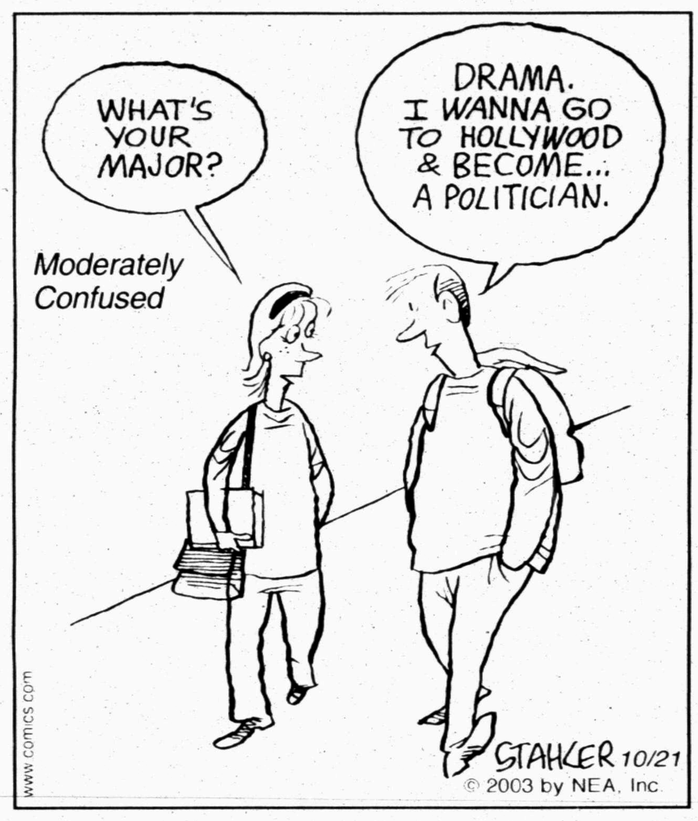
Safir said there has never been a high-rise fire in a New York City building with sprinklers that was not put out by them. But, he said, proper training of high-rise residents is probably the most important factor in saving lives.

Some people who were inside the building during the fire said that despite regular fire drills, there was confusion during the evacuation. Murphy also said workers were told during the drills that the stairwells would be safe.

Murphy called for an independent investigation, saying city and county officials had already made up their minds that the situation had been handled properly.

"People want answers," Chicago Mayor Richard Daley acknowledged.

Joyce said the fire department's investigation was continuing.



Florida Senate mulls bill to restore feeding tube

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Florida House lawmakers stepped into the contentious battle over the fate of a brain-damaged woman slowly starving to death, voting the governor new powers to restore her feeding tube.

The Florida Senate scheduled a vote today on a House-passed bill to let Gov. Jeb Bush intervene in the case of Terri Schiavo, one of the nation's longest and most bitter euthanasia cases.

Schiavo has been at the center of a court battle between her parents, Bob and Mary Schindler, and her husband, Michael Schiavo. The parents want Terri Schiavo to live, and her husband says she would rather die.

The Florida Supreme Court has twice refused to hear the case, and it also has been rejected for review by the U.S. Supreme Court. Last week, a Florida appeals court again refused to block removal of the tube.

The House measure would give the state's governor 15 days to order a feeding tube to be reinserted in cases like Schiavo's. The governor's power would be limited to cases where a person has left no living will, is in a persistent vegetative state, has had nutrition and hydration tubes removed and where a family member has challenged the removal.

Bush said in a statement earlier Monday that lawmakers understand the "unique and tragic circumstances of Ms. Schiavo's case, and I am hopeful the Legislature will pass a bill immediately."

The House voted 68-23 for the bill late Monday. The Senate Rules Committee planned to take the bill up this morning, with the full Senate scheduling a vote by early evening.

George Felos, attorney for Michael Schiavo, said he thinks the legislation would be unconstitutional. He said it is Terri Schiavo's right under the Florida Constitution to not be kept alive artificially.

Court-appointed doctors have described the 39-year-old woman as being in a vegetative state, caused when her heart stopped in 1990 from a suspected chemical imbalance. Her feeding tube was removed Wednesday.

Doctor said she will die in a week to 10 days without the tube.

Schiavo's family members believe she is capable of learning how to eat and drink on her own and say she has shown signs of trying to communicate and could be rehabilitated. Michael Schiavo says he is carrying out his wife's wishes that she not be kept alive artificially.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Woman's past prevents man from looking to the future

DEAR ABBY: My girlfriend, "Tina," and I have been dating for six months. For the most part, things are pretty good. However, she has been more promiscuous in the past than I would like in a partner.

I understand people can change and that we should live in the present rather than dwell on the past. However, I can't forget Tina's past sex life, and at times I find myself consumed by it. I don't want this to affect our relationship, but it does. Can you offer some advice? — **RUMINATING IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

DEAR RUMINATING: Only this: If your girlfriend's past is always going to be an issue for you, it's only fair that you go your separate ways before you waste any more time with each other. No one can change the past, and Tina has the right to be with a man who does not dwell on hers.

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DEAR ABBY: I would like to address the concerns of "Soldier's Wife in Colorado." She's the woman who said her husband refused to accept a stateside job and "can't wait" to go into combat and leave behind her and their three young children.

Abby, I am a colonel in the U.S. Army with 25 years of service. I don't think her husband wishes to go into combat. I expect that he recognizes that it's his duty to go when called. He, like all others, has fears about going, but works to overcome them. He signed the contract and took the Oath of Enlistment, swearing to defend our nation. Our nation depends on us to go when ordered.

Most military families are suffering the same stresses that she is. She must be strong for her family's sake. They could benefit from some marriage counseling, too. I wish them well. — **COLONEL IN THE U.S. ARMY**

DEAR COLONEL: I, too, wish them well. My heart grows heavy when I listen to the nightly news reports of military casualties. I can only imagine how the loved ones of deployed military members must feel. One effective coping mechanism is to band together for mutual support. **Read on:**

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for making your readers aware of the fears and heartaches that soldiers and family members experience. Most soldiers want to make the country safe for their families and strive for peace.

Rapid mobilization, deployment, or even simple temporary duty doesn't have to create unnecessary hardship. There is strength in numbers. Please inform families of U.S. Army members about the Army Family Team Building (AFTB) at their local military installation or online at www.armyfamilyteambuilding.org.

There are many members to share with, and help for spouses and members of the military in dealing with the emotions they are experiencing. AFTB was created to help answer questions about the Army and military service, and to give support to families and other interested parties. — **CARING HEART IN MONMOUTH, N.J.**

DEAR CARING HEART: Bless you for reaching out to help families facing the stress of separation. I hope my readers will avail themselves of the resource you have recommended.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2003

It could be those very involvements that are unique or different that work out remarkably well for you in the year ahead. Use your imagination to step out in front of the crowd when engaged in a venture or enterprise.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Be sure that everything you say or do today is constructive and encouraging, because without realizing it, you will have a greater influence over your peers.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — You are now entering a cycle where a number of your secret ambitions can be fulfilled. Put forth your best effort today so that your dreams and wishes can materialize.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Challenging situations will not intimidate you today. Instead, they'll serve as a catalyst to awaken your ingenuity and resourcefulness at this time. You won't get caught napping.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today it is quite possible for you to be exposed to two separate money-making developments. Each will require prompt action on your behalf, however, if they are to materialize.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Your associates may require time to ponder proposals made today, but not you. You should be able to know in a flash whether something is good or bad. You can trust your judgment.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Do not discount any money-making ideas you may get today, even if they sound a bit outlandish to others. Those who evaluate your judgment may lack your foresight.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — An enterprise that is very important to you can be successfully promoted today, not only because of what you know, but because of who you know as well.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Chance will play a major role today in determining the outcome of a very personal matter that has been bothering you. A sudden turnaround in circumstances may be responsible for resolving it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Someone you meet for the first time today will be extremely impressed with you. This is good news, because this person is in a position to help you out in many ways in the future.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Unusual tides are stirring in your favor today where financial situations are concerned. You could end up profiting from something that hasn't been recognized by others as yet.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Engaging in activities that are fun and different today will refresh your outlook and attitude. It'll help put you in a more positive frame of mind for a number of days ahead.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Gains will come much easier for you today if you first think of what you can do that would benefit others as well. You'll profit from all the residuals that spill over.

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Dems, White House joust over deficit

WASHINGTON (AP) — New Bush administration figures that show a record $374.2 billion deficit for the federal budget year that just ended prove that the president's economic policies have shoved the country in the wrong direction, Democrats say.

White House officials and their Republican congressional allies counter that the numbers show just the opposite: The economy is on the mend, even as deficit still has further up to go.

The political fencing, barely a year before the next presidential and congressional elections, came as the White House's Office of Management and Budget announced the final 2003 deficit figure Monday.

Because the figures were lower than the White House's July projection of $455 billion, administration officials cited it as evidence that their attempts to fortify the weak economy were working.

"The improvement in our budget picture since our forecast last July is an encouraging sign that the economic recovery is gaining momentum," said Joshua Bolten, President Bush's budget director.

Echoing that, Treasury Secretary John Snow said, "Today's budget numbers reinforce the indications we have seen for some months now that the economy is well on the path to recovery."

Bolten conceded, however, that worse fiscal numbers are on the horizon, estimating the gap for the new year "will likely exceed $500 billion, even with the strengthening economy."

That could become a political hazard for Bush and congressional Republicans. With federal budget years running through Sept. 30, next year's figure will be ready just weeks before Election Day 2004.

Democrats mocked the administration's sunny interpretation. They noted that last year's red ink was more than twice 2002's $158 billion, and surpassed the $290 billion record set in 1992.

"I'm somewhat amused to see them say they thought that was good news," said Sen. Kent Conrad of North Dakota, top Democrat on the Senate Budget Committee.

Some Democrats have accused the White House of purposely padding its deficit forecast last July to lay the groundwork for casting the final budget numbers as good news. Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., raised that question anew on Monday.

"We need to find out what kind of shenanigans caused the estimate to be so off, whether OMB deliberately estimated high numbers so everybody could jump for joy this week," Hollings wrote in a letter to Senate Budget Committee Chairman Don Nickles, R-Okla., requesting hearings on the inaccuracy of the administration's July projection.

Republicans have blamed the deficits on the recession and on the costs of opposing international terror. On Monday, Nickles called the new numbers encouraging, "a sign that the president's economic plan is beginning to have an impact."

About one-third of the improvement since the July estimate was because the government collected $26 billion more than the White House projected, for a total of $1.782 trillion.

The White House in July had assumed a $15 billion drop in tax collections because of "revenue uncertainty." The drop never occurred.

1st stage of surgery for Filipino boys joined at head goes 'smoothly'

By The Associated Press

Surgeons in New York City took their first look inside the skulls of Filipino boys joined at the tops of their heads and said they found nothing to dissuade them from continuing with a months long separation process.

The 18-month-old twins, Carl and Clarence Aguirre, endured Monday's operation well, the doctors said.

"We were mainly looking at crossover between the blood vessels," said Dr. James Goodrich, who led a team of 20 in the 51/2-hour operation at the children's hospital of Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx. "We did not find much, and that's a very good sign. There were no surprises."

It was the first of at least three planned operations.

Goodrich removed a piece of skull bone to expose the upper surface of each boy's head and give doctors a view of their brains and blood vessels.

"It's like a window," he said in describing the procedure last week.

The doctors had seen three-dimensional models, video simulations and scores of MRI scans, but the skull opening gave them their first real look at the area that is likely to occupy their attention until Christmas.

Using tiny titanium plates and screws, the skull was reassembled, and then Dr. David Staffenberg inserted two inflatable "tissue expanders" under the twins' scalps to gradually stretch their skin so there will be enough to cover their heads when they are separated.

The doctors also divided a few superficial veins, said hospital spokeswoman Pamela Adkins.

Staffenberg said, "Everything went absolutely smoothly."

The boys, still joined, will be given a couple of weeks to heal and adapt before the next operation. The agenda for that surgery will be determined by how the boys react to Monday's procedure.

The most difficult surgery will involve the sagittal sinus, a major vein that drains blood from the brain to the heart. The boys have only one, and the doctors plan to assign it to one twin and reroute other veins to replace it in his brother.

Goodrich said he decided against one marathon separation operation to help the boys adapt slowly to rerouted circulation systems and to avoid lengthy anesthesia and the risk of major blood loss. It was blood loss that killed two Iranian sisters who underwent separation surgery in Singapore in July.

Sexual assualt remains under investigation

- ***Sexual assault***

The sexual assault in Snyder of a nine-year-old female that was reported Sunday from University Medical Center in Lubbock remains under investigation.

- ***Thefts***

Officers filed a report for Class A theft early Monday morning as a pickup tailgate had been stolen from Wilson Motors.

A man contacted officers Monday reporting that someone had possibly been using his driver license numbers on checks.

- ***Family disturbance***

An offense report was filed for family violence Monday night as a man and woman were involved in a disturbance.

- ***Arrest***

A 24-year-old female was arrested Monday afternoon for driving with license suspended.

- ***Gas drive off***

A clerk at Town & Country East reported a gas drive off for $20.

- ***Found items***

A man reported he had found some hand dollies in the intersection of 37th Street and College Avenue.

- ***Loose animals***

Deputies were notified of five cows loose on FM 1606 Monday morning, and two horses running loose on CR 362. Also, a report of a bulldog running loose was made around 2 p.m. in the 800 block of Alamo Dr.

- ***Barking dogs***

A complaint about barking dogs was made at 9:50 p.m. from the 800 block of 27th St.

Obituaries

Fred Murphy

1927-2003

Fred Relton Murphy died Tuesday, Oct. 21, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

Service for Mr. Murphy, 76, is set for 2 p.m. Thursday at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home with his brother, Jack Murphy of Houston, officiating. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Murphy was born on Sept. 29, 1927 in Dodson, Iowa, and married Modez Turner on Oct. 28, 1950 in St. Joseph, La. He was a retired plant operator for R.E. Smith and was a Baptist.

Survivors also include his wife, Modez Murphy of Snyder; four daughters, Debra Obrien of Midland, Brenda Crawford of Abilene, Jerri Riley of Snyder and Terri Sherick of Junction; a son, Fred Murphy of Fairfax, Va.; a sister, Valerie Brown of St. Joseph, La.; 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Stephen Cook

1965-2003

SWEETWATER — Stephen Douglas Cook, father of Darrell Keith Cook of Snyder, died Sunday, Oct. 18, from injuries in an auto accident in Katy.

Service for Mr. Cook, 38, is set for 10 a.m. Thursday in the Littlefield Primitive Baptist Church. Elders Clem Cook, Cleveland Bass and Hulan Bass will officiate. Burial will follow in the Amherst Cemetery in Amherst under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home in Sweetwater.

Born on March 17, 1965 in Houston, he was a 1983 graduate of Westbrook High School. Mr. Cook had lived in Katy for six months and was employed by Universal Forest Products. He had previously lived in Kyle, and was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Samantha Lee Cook in 1997; a brother, Danny Cook; and infant twin brothers, Andy and Randy Cook.

Survivors include another son, Paden Douglas Cook of Red Rock; his parents, Allen and Lona Mae Cook of Amherst; two brothers, David Allen Cook of Fort Worth and Timothy Russell of Abilene; one sister, Gayla May Gale of Littlefield; his grandmother, May Belle Cook of Mt. Park, Okla.

Visitation will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Littlefield Primitive Baptist Church.

Larry Adkins

1945-2003

BIG SPRING — Larry James Adkins, the brother of David Adkins of Snyder, died Sunday, Oct. 19, in a Midland hospital.

Funeral service for Mr. Adkins, 58, was set for 10 a.m. today in the Trinity Baptist Church with Drs. Randy Cotton and Claude Cravens officiating. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

Born Feb. 18, 1946 in Big Spring, he was reared in the Lomax community and graduated from Stanton High School. A graduate of West Texas State University, he served as a first lieutenant with the 1st Air Cavalry Division in Vietnam.

He married Lila Adkins on April 7, 1974 in Big Spring. Mr. Adkins farmed for more than 30 years and taught at Big Spring High School for three years. He was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Lila Adkins of Big Spring; two sons, Leslie Adkins of Houston and Landon Adkins of Lubbock; a daughter, Larissa Adkins of Big Spring; his parents, Lawrence and Evelyn Adkins of Stanton; another brother, Bob Adkins of Lomax; two sisters, Molly Madison of Stanton and DeeDee Colwell of Seattle, Wash.

Edwin Pinson

1927-2003

SAN ANGELO — Edwin Harold Pinson, the father of Edwin Harold "Eddie" Pinson Jr. of Snyder, died Monday, Oct. 20, at his home in San Angelo.

Funeral service for Mr. Pinson, 76, is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens with Dr. Kyle Reese officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Johnson's Funeral Home.

Born July 10, 1927 in Evant, he was owner and operator of Mid-West Feedyard in San Angelo.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Anna Lois Pinson; a stepdaughter, Judy Sykes Howard; and a stepson, Mike Evans.

He married Frances Crownover on Nov. 7, 1986.

Survivors also include his wife, Frances Pinson of San Angelo; three daughters, Marsha Halfmann of San Angelo, Marilyn Edwards and Cathy Bredemeyer of Odessa; a sister, Mary Earle Childress of San Angelo; two stepsons, Jerre Sykes of Houston and Neil Sykes of Corpus Christi; a daughter-in-law, Jenny Pinson of Snyder; eight grandchildren; and 10 stepgrandchildren.

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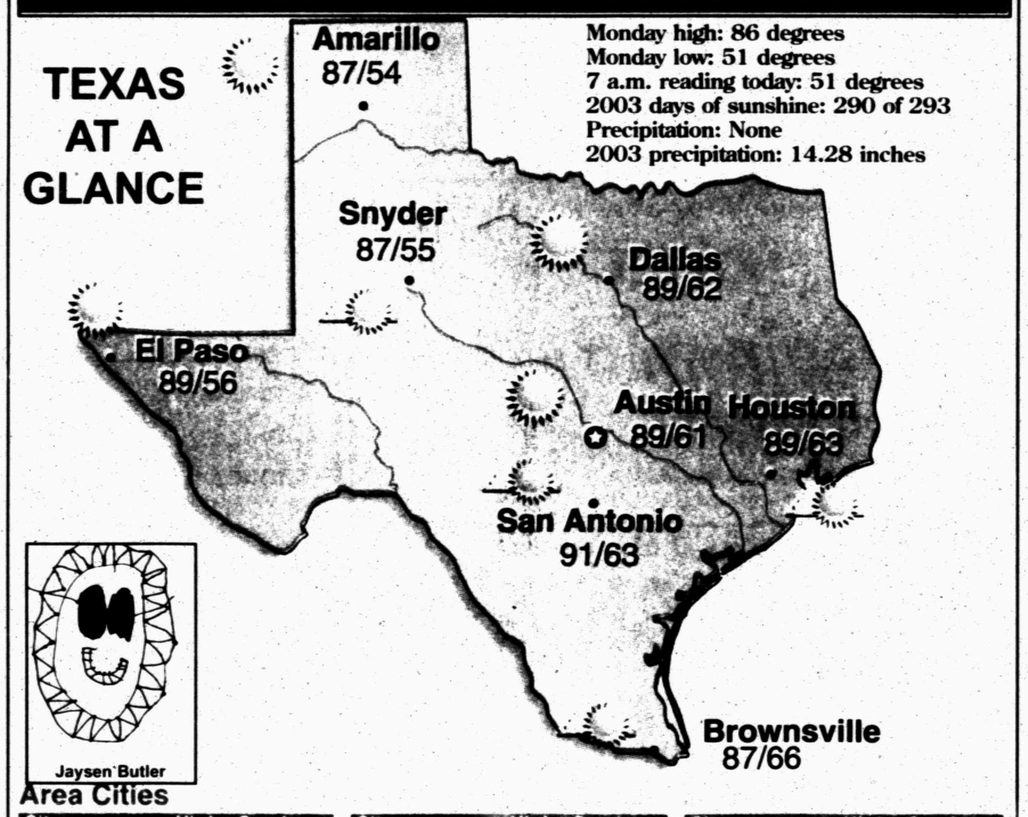
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Generally sunny. Continued warm. High 87F. Winds N at 5 to 10 mph.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the mid 50s.	Plenty of sun. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 50s.
Sunrise 7:53 AM, Sunset 7:03 PM	Sunrise 7:54 AM, Sunset 7:02 PM	Sunrise 7:54 AM, Sunset 7:01 PM

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Abilene	88	59	sunny	El Paso	89	56	sunny	Midland	87	57	sunny
Amarillo	87	54	sunny	Fort Stockton	86	57	sunny	Raymondville	89	63	mst sunny
Austin	89	61	sunny	Gainesville	88	57	sunny	Rosenberg	90	62	sunny
Beaumont	87	61	sunny	Greenville	88	58	sunny	San Antonio	91	63	mst sunny
Brownsville	87	66	mst sunny	Houston	89	63	mst sunny	San Marcos	90	61	sunny
Brownwood	90	59	sunny	Kingsville	90	64	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	88	57	sunny
Corpus Christi	89	66	mst sunny	Livingston	87	58	sunny	Sweetwater	88	58	mst sunny
Corsicana	89	60	sunny	Longview	86	58	sunny	Tyler	88	58	sunny
Dallas	89	62	sunny	Lubbock	88	54	sunny	Weatherford	88	57	sunny
Del Rio	89	64	sunny	Lufkin	87	58	sunny	Wichita Falls	90	56	sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	71	45	sunny	Houston	89	63	mst sunny	Phoenix	103	71	sunny
Boston	50	37	cloudy	Los Angeles	86	64	mst sunny	San Francisco	69	55	pt sunny
Chicago	59	40	pt sunny	Miami	86	69	mst sunny	Seattle	61	50	rain
Dallas	89	62	sunny	Minneapolis	64	40	sunny	St. Louis	72	48	sunny
Denver	82	49	mst sunny	New York	55	41	pt sunny	Washington, DC	60	41	pt sunny

Moon Phases

Last	New	First	Full
Oct 18	Oct 25	Nov 1	Nov 9

UV Index

Wed 10/22	Thu 10/23	Fri 10/24
Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 — 11

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