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Home Of Wayne Webster

Admitted to Cogdell Hospital...

Woman located after missing overnight

By Joyce May
SDN Staff Writer

A frantic overnight search for an 80-year-old Alzheimer's patient ended happily this morning when she was located at McDonald's Welding Supply — some 12 blocks from her home.

Irene Wagner apparently wandered away from her 2301 Avenue T residence around 4 p.m. Monday.

She was located at 6:45 this morning wearing only her shoes and panties.

"At some point she had fell in a cactus bed and she took off her nightgown," Christina Wagner, Irene's granddaughter said.

Mrs. Wagner was transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Memorial Hospital's emergency room this morning where she was admitted.

Christina said Mrs. Wagner underwent treatment on one of her legs to clean a deep wound and close it up.

She is expected to stay in the hospital at least overnight.

Irene's husband, Ray, first noticed his wife missing around 4 p.m. Monday.

"He had started mowing the yard and came in and gave her her 3 o'clock pills. He finished mowing about 4 p.m. and came in for a drink and she was gone. That's when he hollered at us," Christina said.

The family requested law enforcement assistance in locating Mrs. Wagner at 5:17 p.m. Monday.

Police Sgt. Terry Luecke said 25 to 30 volunteers with the police department, sheriff's office and Snyder EMS assisted in the search.

This was in addition to several friends, family members and concerned citizens, Christina said.

"Thank you to the town people that helped. A lot of people may say bad things about Snyder, but when you need them, they are there," she said.

According to Christina, Mrs. Wagner was spotted in several areas over the course of the evening including Pro Lube at 23rd and College at 4 p.m., near Primera Iglesia Bautista at 5 p.m., Eckerd's at 7 p.m. and the area of 29th and Avenue L around 8 p.m.

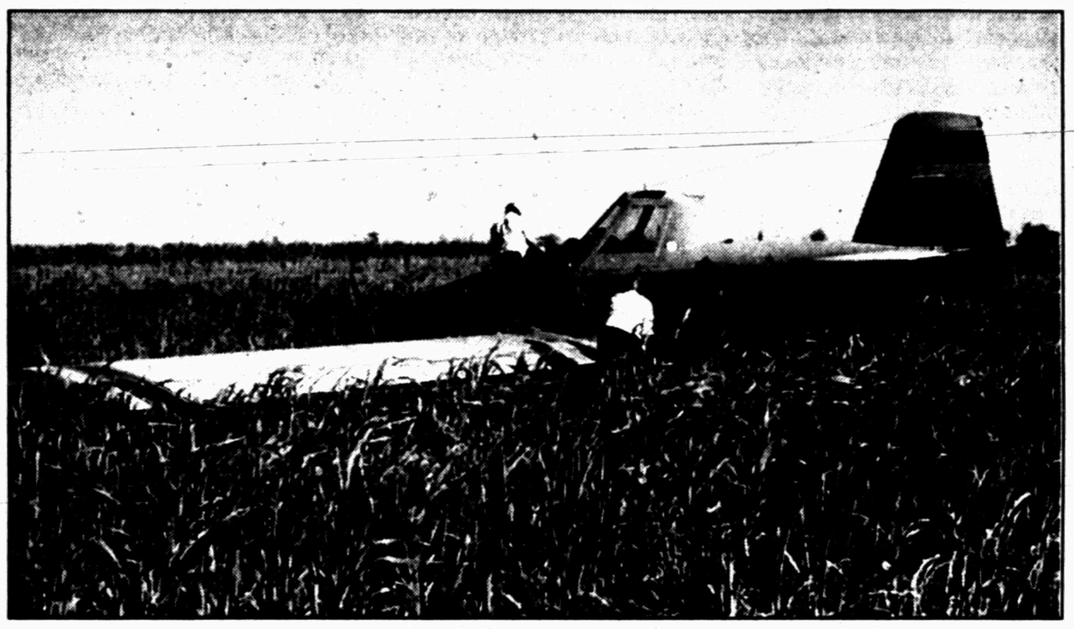
"We searched the area from Avenue U back east to Avenue L and from 37th Street to 8th Street. There had been reports she had been seen in that area so that is where we concentrated our efforts," Sgt. Luecke said.

Searchers were covering the area on foot and walking the creeks. Several were also in vehicles, on motorcycles and on four-wheelers.

The family said they are truly thankful Mrs. Wagner was found safe.

"I would really like to thank David Presley, Dan Hicks and Terry Luecke. They are the ones who kept checking with us," Christina said.

"I would like to thank everyone who helped. I would also like to thank the Church of God members for praying and helping to look. Thank God He brought her home safe."



SAFE LANDING — Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation pilot Carlos Velasquez was not injured when he was forced to make an emergency landing in a field owned by Glenda Glasscock north of Hermleigh this morning. Velasquez was spraying an adjacent field when the engine of the crop dusting plane apparently locked down. (SDN Staff Photo By Joyce May)

Crop duster puts plane down safely in pasture

By Joyce May
SDN Staff Writer

A pilot for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation escaped injury this morning when he made an emergency landing in a field after the engine of his plane apparently locked down.

Carlos Velasquez, 55, who recently moved to Snyder from New Orleans, said he was almost finished spraying a field when the incident happened.

"I was working in the east field and was making my turn to make one more pass to finish that field," the Nicaragua native said. "The plane started making funny noises like something had gone wrong on the inside. It seems the engine locked. Everything happened so quick. It lost power. I had to put it someplace, there was nothing I could do."

That "someplace" ended up being a field owned by Glenda Glasscock located off CR 4102, north of Hermleigh.

Velasquez was not injured, but gave a hearty "sure" when asked if he was scared.

He has been flying for 32 years, 11 years of that in the United States, and has over 20,000 hours flying experience.

"I have never had an accident in my life," he said.

Velasquez moved to the U.S. from Nicaragua 16 years ago.

He said he hated that the mishap occurred. "I'm okay. I hate that this happened. It involves a lot of trouble for everyone. I hope the (Boll Weevil) program doesn't get behind because of this accident. So far we've been doing good."

Velasquez said he was sure the program would send another plane out in a day or two to finish the spraying.

Twenty gallons of Malathion spilled, but Snyder office manager Edward Herrera said, "It is a very safe chemical. No danger."

Malathion is the insecticide used to kill boll weevils.

City's tax rate mulled by council

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

Snyder's City Council gave its initial approval to the city's tax rate for the 1999-2000 fiscal year, but the rate is expected to be lower before the final votes are cast in September.

The rate that was approved Monday night is $.3961 per $100 valuation which reflects a tax increase of less than one percent.

However, the council has been working on a goal of not raising taxes for the coming year.

According to the Scurry County appraisal office, the average homestead in Snyder has increased in value this past year by $2,208 – from $30,850 to $33,058.

The combination of lower mineral values and increased real estate values resulted in the slight tax increase necessary for the city to raise the same amount of money as it did last fiscal year.

Currently, a person paying taxes on a $30,850 home will pay $9.55 more in taxes next year.

However, with the council's pledge not to raise taxes, Mayor Dayton Robertson instructed the city staff to cut some $6,000 from the budget to bring the tax rate in line with the current year's.

The council is expected to see what has been cut when it meets in a called meeting on Monday.

The council did approve the first reading of an ordinance allowing for appropriations for the coming fiscal year that in essence, approved the budget in its present form.

The second reading of the ordinance will be at the council meeting on Sept. 7, and is expected to reflect enough cuts in order for the city to maintain its present tax rate.

In other action Monday evening, the council approved the second reading of an ordinance amending the regulation of electrician licenses.

The change reflects that the city will recognize the Southern Building Code Congress International Standard Electrical Examination as well as the city's own electrical exam to those applying for a electrical journeyman's license.

No action was taken on a request by Jerry Greene to close an alley on Avenue G, bounded by 24th and 25th Streets.

The item is expected to be on the agenda on Monday.

A non-action item actually dominated the discussion during the one-our meeting.

TXU Electric and Gas has requested the Texas Public Utility Commission allow the company to charge $200 for a customer to switch from TXU to another company in dual-certified areas.

District manager for TXU, Daryl Thomas, said only two areas are currently dual-certified in Snyder and they are Towle Park and the industrial park.

Thomas said since the switchover costs have been approved during a committee meeting of the PUC and the company expects state-wide approval by the commission, that action would suffice for the company in Snyder.

Councilman Terry Martin questioned Thomas on what is going to happen when electrical deregulation occurs.

"If it costs a homeowner $200 to switch companies, that will make it difficult for most to switch," said Martin.

Thomas said as it stands now, that statement is true, but he added "There will be many, many other changes that comes with deregulation and this might be one of them."

Robertson presided at the meeting and council members in attendance were Martin, James Ashley, James Jenkins, Vernest Tippens and I.E. Martin.

Absent were Jerry Webb and city manager John Gayle.

Credentials, budget on hospital board agenda

Cogdell Hospital's board of managers will meet at 8 a.m. Wednesday for its monthly meeting.

Dr. James Burleson will present a credentials request from Dr. Richard Hope of Lubbock. Dr. Hope will be replacing Dr. William Radentz and Dr. Leslie Radentz in the hospital's specialty clinic in the practice of dermatology.

The Radentz' move to California necessitates the change.

The board will also consider approving the hospital's 1999-2000 operating budget.

The board will consider a budget of $14,346,325. The current budget is $14,011,860.

Human resource director Barbara Parker will present the annual report on employee performance appraisals and license verifications, and maintenance director Jay Wesson will present bids on new carpet for hallways on the third and fourth floors.

The board will also consider monthly financial reports, including the certification of accounts payable and accounts payable policies.

Ira starts school with exemplary rating from state

Ira ISD will start to school Wednesday morning with an exemplary rating from the Texas Education Agency based on the spring TAAS tests.

This is the second consecutive year the district has received the highest rating possible.

Ira joins 120 other districts across the state with the exemplary rating and five others in Region 14.

Others in the region which attained the exemplary status are Abilene Wylie, Roby, Rotan, Rochester and Rising Star.

Hermleigh ISD achieved recognized status.

Three campuses in the Snyder ISD received exemplary status - Central Elementary, Northeast Elementary and Stanfield Elementary.

Snyder Junior High School, West Elementary and East Elementary received recognized status.

Snyder High School achieved recognized status.

To receive exemplary status, a district must have at least 90 percent of its students pass each subject area of the TAAS, have a dropout rate of one-percent or less, and have an attendance rate of at least 94 percent.

Recognized status requires at least 80 percent of the students passing each subject area of the test, a dropout rate of 3.5 percent or less, and an attendance rate of at least 94 percent.

THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Looks can be deceiving. The dollar bill looks the same today as it did 30 years ago."

That's what we like – a thief with a conscious, or maybe it was just compassion.

A writer in Chicago was the victim of a street robbery.

The bandit took the man's billfold, which contained $250.

Before departing, the writer made a passionate plea.

"Hey, now I'm flat broke. Give me twenty bucks."

The robber complied.

His only regret: not asking for a hundred.

Charm-school dropout?

Read where a psychologist is now author of a best-selling book called "Instant Rapport.'

It is promoted as a how-to manual containing tips on relating to strangers.

The author's recent confrontation with a flight attendant forced the plane to make an emergency landing. The expert on relations blurted out, "Who the blankety-blank do you think you are?"

The Republicans are trying to use the budget surplus to cut taxes. Democrats, led by President Clinton, think that's a bad idea and the prez has vowed to veto it.

Both camps have gone on the offensive, trying a full-scale public relations campaign to win public support.

We were listening to all that the other night and found we were in the company of a cynic. Ole what's-her-name said she didn't trust either side.

We suppose it is difficult to have confidence in a system that lines up purely on a partisan basis. And unfortunately, it appears that Texas is heading down the same "draw-a-line-in-the-sand" attitude as Washington.

And here's a troubling statistic:

The U.S. Treasury reports that the economic output of the 550 million people in 41 of the poorest nations is less than the net worth of the world's three richest people.

The well-heeled trio includes Microsoft co-founders Bill Gates and Paul Allen, and investor Warren Buffett.

It might just work better than a shouting match:

Two academics from New York have won a patent for a mathematical formula they say makes splitting up easier.

The concept is called Adjusted Winner. The formula gives each party in any dispute – not just marriage – 100 points to spend on items they want.

The algorithm then calculates how to distribute the goods so that everyone ends up spending the same amount.

According to the inventors, parties in a divorce may still have to sell something, but they can buy what they value most, not get just what is financially equal.

ASK US

Q—When will the county hold its first budget workshop?

A—The first budget workshop is scheduled Monday at 10 a.m. during a called meeting.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Monday, 100 degrees; low, 73; 7 a.m. Tuesday, 73; no precipitation; total for 1999, 19.31 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low, lower 70s. SE wind 5-10 mph. Wednesday, mostly sunny. High, upper 90s. SE wind 5-15 mph. Wednesday night, mostly clear. Low, near 70.



CayLea Wood
Sunny

Sunset:
8:25 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:06 a.m.
Of 228 days in 1999, the sun has shone 221 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"So long as there is a little friendship and a desire to help each other, that is sufficient."
—Nathan Bistrizki

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Scores hold steady on ACT test

WASHINGTON (AP) — ACT scores held steady again this year as high school students ended the 1990s with the highest 10-year gain ever in the average score of the key college entrance exam, according to a report released today.

The average composite ACT score for 1999 was 21 of a possible 36 for the 1 million high school students who took the set of tests, formerly known as the American College Testing assessments. The exams measure student skills in English, math, reading and science.

This year's average score is the same as last year when 995,000 students took the test, said the testing organization, based in Iowa City, Iowa. But 10 years ago, in 1989, the nation's average composite score was 20.6.

During the 1960s, national scores decreased on average a full point; in the 1970s, the average score fell an additional 1.3 points.

Scores didn't begin to rise until the '80s, and then by just one-tenth of a point over the decade.

Educators praised the 1990s increases because scores usually decline as test participation rises, but the number of students taking the test has grown by nearly 200,000 since the beginning of the decade.

"This combination of trends — more students preparing for college while achieving higher entrance-exam scores — should be welcomed by those concerned about American education," ACT President Richard L. Ferguson said in a statement.

The ACT report — which also surveys what courses college-bound seniors are taking and what careers they plan — reflects the skills of 36 percent of the nation's estimated 2.3 million high school graduates, and 60 percent of America's entering college freshmen. The test is one of two major entrance examinations. Results from the other, the SAT, will be released later this month.

The ACT is given mainly in Western and Southern states.

Of the states where more than half of graduating seniors take the test, the highest average composite scores were in Wisconsin (22.3), Minnesota (22.1) and Iowa (22). The highest score average overall was in Rhode Island (22.7 with 3 percent high school graduates tested); the lowest scores were in the District of Columbia (18.6, with 13 percent of graduates tested). Mississippi, which had the highest share of ACT test-takers at 82 percent, had the second-lowest average score (18.7).

Ferguson said performance overall is improving because more students took higher-level courses in subjects covered by the ACT. Ten years ago, 46 percent of the test-takers reported preparing themselves for college with the appropriate classes; this year, 63 percent of the test-takers have taken the core courses.

However, the test scores indicate that less than half of students are prepared for college classes. Typically students who score under 16 points on any part of the ACT will need extra help in their freshman year.

Even scores up to 19 suggest a minimal readiness, Ferguson said.

For example, on the ACT English test, 48 percent of students this year scored 21 points or higher, indicating they are ready to do well in college composition courses; 47 percent scored 22 points or higher on the reading test, meaning they will be prepared for entry-level history or psychology courses.

The report also indicates that:

—Few students were choosing to become computer majors even though there is strong job growth in that field and this is the computer-literate generation heading to college, with laptop computers considered essential equipment on many campuses. Just 4 percent of the college-bound graduates picked computer and information science as their first vocational choice, up from 3 percent last year.

—Most students (19.2 percent) prefer health science fields; less than 10 percent want to pursue education despite looming teacher shortages in many districts.

—The gender gap has closed to its closest point ever, but the boys' average score slipped a tenth of a point, from 21.2 to 21.1, while the average score for girls held steady at 20.9.

Poll finds young adults are OK with racial separation, if equal opportunity applies

WASHINGTON (AP) — About half the young adults in a recent poll said racial separation in America is all right "as long as everyone has equal opportunity."

The poll released Monday in Washington by Hamilton College of Clinton, N.Y., found 50.3 percent of respondents said they strongly or somewhat agreed with the statement: "It's OK if the races are basically separate from one another as long as everyone has equal opportunities."

At the same time, 47.3 percent of those polled strongly or somewhat disagreed with the statement.

The poll, co-sponsored by the NAACP and Zogby International, surveyed 1001 randomly selected people ages 18 to 29 over one week in April and had a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Among other poll findings:

—Some 56 percent said the federal government should make sure black people receive fair treatment in jobs.

—About 57 percent agreed that generations of slavery and discrimination have created conditions that make it difficult for blacks to work their way out of the lower class.

—Some 54 percent said it was unlikely the United States would elect a black president in the near future.

GPS receivers may become disoriented

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some campers, hikers and boaters may be late getting home this weekend if they depend only on those handheld electronic location devices.

The time clocks on the popular Global Positioning System will reset to zero at 8 p.m. EDT Saturday, potentially confusing some of the older receiving units.

Originally developed for the military, GPS is also used by airlines, ships and in businesses and has also become popular with recreational boaters and pilots, hikers, campers, hunters and fishermen.

The receivers determine locations by using signals from three or more of the 24 satellites in the system. To do this they need the exact time, and the system determines time by counting the weeks since Jan. 5, 1980 — up to 1,024.

Then they reset to zero and start over.

That's what will happen Saturday.

Unless they have been repaired earlier, some receivers may think it is Jan. 6, 1980, when the clock resets, according to the Transportation Department.

The week counting system helps the satellites account for variations in the Earth's orbit and rotation. Receivers not programmed to handle the rollover could have problems determining location because they would expect the satellites to be in the positions they were in 19 years ago.

Most receivers built since 1993 were designed to handle the rollover. Older ones can be adjusted either through a new computer chip or changes in their software.

The Federal Aviation Administration issued a notice to airlines and pilots in June advising of the pending rollover and urging checks to ensure navigation systems have been adjusted if needed.

The Air Transport Association, which represents the major airlines, says its members are aware of the changeover and expect no problem.

Most likely to have trouble are older, small handheld receivers, said FAA spokeswoman Tammy Jones.

Units that have not been fixed could experience any of several malfunctions:

—Inability to locate satellites, which would result in receiver failure.

—Delays in locating the satellites.

—Appearance of correct functioning while displaying inaccurate positions, times or dates.

"GPS broadcasts do contain sufficient data to ensure that navigation need not be affected" by the rollover, the Coast Guard reports on its Wide World Web site.

The Defense Department says the date changes are not expected to affect the operation the satellites or the Pentagon's ground control center.

Owners of GPS receivers can determine whether their units are able to handle the change by providing the manufacturer model numbers and other details.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Be sure to test drive new doctor

DEAR DR. GOTT: I believe that I must find a doctor whom I can unquestionably trust and with whom I can speak frankly and honestly. How do I find such a physician? I am about to move to another community. Also, how can a patient "discreetly" dispute a doctor's diagnosis, prognosis or recommendations?

DEAR READER: I don't know of any consistently reliable way of finding a good doctor in a new community, except by experience.

I usually recommend that patients check with the hospital in their new locale. And ask around. New friends are often delighted to suggest a physician.

Once you have a name or two, call the doctor for a get-acquainted visit. Size him or her up. Is he honest? Does she talk to you? Is the office attractive and well-organized? Is the staff courteous? What are his billing procedures? Is she in your HMO? How does he feel about heroic life support, house calls and second opinions? Is she the kind of person in whom you can comfortably trust your health — and, by extension, your life?

Do not use a doctor who is not a member of her county or state medical society. Avoid physicians who are "too busy" to answer your questions or who are too arrogant to explain issues in understandable language.

You should not have to be "discreet" in questioning a doctor's diagnosis or treatment. If he won't permit you to be "up front" with him, find another practitioner. Remember, it's not your job to please the doctor; it is his responsibility to serve you. You are, after all, paying him for the privilege of helping you.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: Does stress during pregnancy affect the unborn child?

DEAR READER: Certain chemical stresses during pregnancy can profoundly affect the fetus. These include alcohol, cigarette smoking, many medicines, narcotics, hydrocarbons and poor nutrition.

If, by your question, you mean psychological stresses, the picture is by no means clear. Life-threatening stresses, such as bereavement or war, appear to produce significant consequences in some pregnancies. By and large, however, fetuses are surprisingly hardy, and mothers seem to be more affected than their babies. I advise any expectant mother to avoid stress to the extent she can. Getting help in such situations is preferable to putting up with it passively, and may reduce many of the results of stress for both the woman and her baby. The issue of specific stressors and their effects should, for obvious reasons, be addressed with the woman's obstetrician.

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Date Book

Tuesday, Aug. 17, 1999

Today is the 229th day of 1999 and the 58th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1807, a steam-powered boat constructed by Robert Fulton began a journey up the Hudson from New York City to Albany.

On this day in 1987, Rudolf Hess, the last surviving member of Adolf Hitler's inner circle, died in Berlin.

On this day in 1994, actor David Caruso was replaced by Jimmy Smits ("L.A. Law") on "NYPD Blue."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Davey Crockett (1786-1836), frontiersman-politician; Mae West (1892-1980), actress; Maureen O'Hara (1920-), actress, is 79; Robert De Niro (1943-), actor, is 56; Guillermo Vilas (1952-), tennis star, is 47; Sean Penn (1960-), actor, is 39.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1904, Jesse Tannehill pitched a no-hitter for the Red Sox. Boston defeated the Chicago White Sox 6-0.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Between two evils, I always pick the one I never tried before." — Mae West

TODAY'S MOON: Day before first quarter (Aug. 18).

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Computer mastery now requirement

ARLINGTON (AP) — Computer literacy is now a requirement for incoming students at the University of Texas at Arlington.

University officials are requiring that all incoming students demonstrate computer competence in five areas. They are word processing, spreadsheets, email, the Internet and online research through the school library

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By Phillip Alder

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♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 9 7
♦ 9 8
♣ Q J 10 7 2

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

East
♠ K Q 10 9 6 3
♥ 10 5 2
♦ A 4 3
♣ 5

South
♠ A J 8
♥ 4
♦ Q J 10 5
♣ A K 9 6 4

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	2 ♠ All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 7

First to nine — or five

Three-no-trump contracts usually develop into a race. Can declarer get to nine tricks before the defenders snare five? Well, who should win the sprint in today's deal? West leads the spade seven in answer to his partner's weak-two opening.

Two spades showed some 6-10 high-card points with a decent six-card suit. South was right not to worry about his singleton heart when overcalling two no-trump. (His alternative was to pass.) North's raise was aggressive, but he knew South could place the missing high cards from the bidding.

East held the first trick with his spade queen. Back came a spade to South's jack. Declarer played a diamond to dummy's eight, which won. Now South led a club to his hand, followed by a heart to dummy's queen, which gave him nine tricks: two spades, one heart, one diamond and five clubs. Note that it doesn't help West to win trick three with the diamond king, because he has no spade left to play.

Let's return to trick one. West's lead of the spade seven marks South with the A-J-8 (or A-J-8-4, but then the contract is probably impregnable). When an opponent has two tricks in the suit you are trying to establish, give him one of them as quickly as possible. East must play the spade nine, forcing South to win with his jack. South leads a diamond, but West should go in immediately with the king. If you are trying to set up partner's suit, take an early trick to return that suit. A second spade establishes four winners for East while he still has the diamond ace as an entry. Now the contract is history.

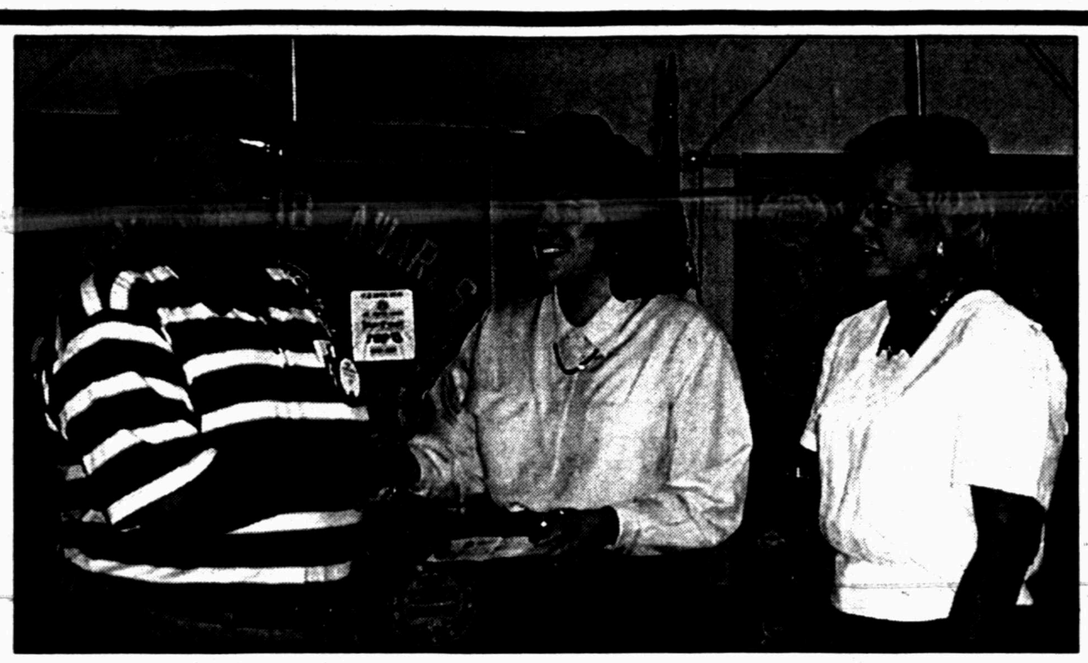
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Clarification

Louie and Judy Vaughan also attended the reunion of the late William Parker and Margaret Thompson held July 31 at the Union Community Center with 54 attending.



The $100,000 bill, with Woodrow Wilson's portrait on the front, was printed only for use in transactions between the Federal Reserve System and the Treasury Department.



DONATIONS FOR FIREWORKS — Lions Club president Bill Overhulser presented a $1,500 check to chamber of commerce secretary Sandra Barbosa and coliseum secretary Linda Sellars to help pay for fireworks for the Fourth of July celebration. The Pride of Texas Carnival from Beeville donated $500. Lions Club meets each Tuesday at noon at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Ask Anne & Nan

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Nash-Cummings



Keeping mice out of the car

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I have a real problem and hope you can help me. I have a '92 Toyota Camry which is a wonderful home for mice. I just had to pay a big fee to have the car demoused. The mechanics said that this car is an easy target for rodents. I am afraid that while driving, a mouse may try to climb up my leg. When the mice aren't in residence, there is a nasty smell in the car. Right now the car is in good shape — no mice and no smell. How do I keep it this way? — **BARBARA RIST, Rutland, Vt.**

DEAR BARBARA: We were intrigued by your comment that Toyotas are an easy target for mice, so we called up Howe Motors in Claremont, N.H., a local Toyota dealership. Dave, a member of the service department, said, "We don't know what the design flaw is, but it's true we clean a lot of rodent debris out of these cars." He noted that the heater boxes are a favorite nesting place for mice. Nan and her husband have an old station wagon that stays at their beach house. Once a mama rat moved in and had her litter. Nan is terrified of rats. One ran across her husband's shoulder, and he leapt out of the car when it had barely stopped. Now, they always leave several packets of rat poison in the stored car.

Dave said this isn't a good idea because the poison can get blown around when the heater is on. (Nan's house is in a temperate climate and the heater is NEVER on.) If you keep your car in a garage, trap the mice in the garage before they get into your car. We found a trap that doesn't kill the mice; it lures them through a top hatch and allows you to release them via a sliding door in the bottom. It's in the Real Goods catalog (item number 54-1140); a set of two traps sells for $12.95 plus shipping. To order, call (800) 762-7325.

Back to Dave — he told us the one thing that makes cars smelly is this: If they sit for a long time, mold can grow in the air conditioning system and create an unpleasant smell. Other than not letting your car sit a long time, we can't tell you how to prevent this mysterious smell, but to get rid of it in the future, spray X-O Odor Eliminator into all the vents and hoses leading into the interior of the car. X-O is available from F.H. Gillingham and Sons (800 344-6668) in Woodstock, Vt. A 4-ounce bottle (item XON) is $4.95 plus shipping.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: My daughter has heard that Fuller's Earth is good for acne. Do you know where it could be purchased or how it would be used? — **ANONYMOUS, Davenport, Neb.**

DEAR ANONYMOUS: We checked with Dr. Champion at Champion's Pharmacy at 2369 Elvis Presley Blvd., Memphis, TN, 38106 (800 936-6662), and he carries Fuller's Earth. The 12-ounce size is $9.99 plus $3.25 for shipping and handling. According to Dr. Champion, you should mix the Fuller's Earth with water to make a masque.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I poured the remainder of a bottle of red wine into a crystal decanter. Later, I emptied the decanter and discovered a red residue coating the glass solidly wherever the wine touched. I've tried detergent and vinegar with no luck. What do you suggest I use to remove this stain? — **BETTY G., Pasadena, Calif.**

DEAR BETTY: We have a couple of suggestions. if you have denture-cleaning tablets, you could try popping one of those into the decanter with some water. If that doesn't work, there's our old standby remedy — dishwasher soap, such as Electrosol. Put a little in the decanter, add hot water and let it sit awhile. This should remove the red residue.

Write to "Ask Anne & Nan" at P.O. Box 240, Hartland, VT 05048. Questions of general interest will appear in the column. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

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DO IT & DIET

World's Best Diet Aid—Water?

(NAPS)—By drinking in some facts about the benefits of water, you may learn more about successfully losing weight and staying fit.

Research indicates that drinking at least eight, eight-ounce glasses of water a day can help with weight loss. Water can also contribute to the success of any exercise program, since dehydration cause fatigue—and many people who are too tired to exercise, don't realize they are dehydrated.

According to the National Center for Nutrition and Dietetics, water speeds weight loss by suppressing the appetite naturally and helping the body metabolize stored fat. Drinking more water also helps eliminate water retention.

"A common complaint of women trying to lose weight is water retention, so they don't drink water. Yet, when your body senses it is dehydrated, it holds onto every drop. The result is greater water retention," said Christine Palumbo, RD, and member of the Sierra Springs Good Health Advisory Board. "When you drink enough water, the body releases excess water and helps prevent the bloating that is the primary symptom of water retention."

Stay clear of beverages with caffeine, warns Palumbo, because caffeine acts as a diuretic, robbing the body of water, while sugared drinks contribute to weight gain.

Drinking more water also fits into getting fit. According to the textbook, Exercise Physiology, when athletes are dehydrated by just 4 percent, performance drops by 22 percent. The solution is to drink plenty of water, but don't wait till you're thirsty.

"Thirst is an imprecise indicator of dehydration. By the time you are thirsty, you are already dehydrated," said Lawrence Ross, M.D.

It's recommended that active adults drink two-thirds of an ounce of water daily for each pound of body weight.

Although sports drinks are useful for prolonged and strenuous exercise, the American College of Sports Medicine says they don't offer any performance advantage over plain water for exercise lasting less than an hour.

Other water and health information is available through the Sierra Springs web site at www.water.com.



Christine Palumbo, RD, says: Drink water on a regular basis. By the time you are thirsty, you are already dehydrated.

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers; Trinity United Methodist Church, 5200 Trinity Blvd.; for more information call for Nathalie at 573-0015; 5 p.m. weigh-in.

Plainview Family Community Education Club (FCE); 2 p.m.

Just for Today NA, closed meeting; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8010; 6 p.m.

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

New Horizons 12 & 12, closed meeting; Park Club; 7 p.m.

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-4203, 573-8018 p.m.

THURSDAY

Al-Anon brown bag; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; noon to 1 p.m.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; horseshoe courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 7 p.m.

Just For Today NA; Park Club; for information call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th St.; 7:30 p.m.

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

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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FOOD HANDLER SEMINAR

On Wednesday, August 18, 1999, the Scurry County Health Unit will be sponsoring a Food Handler Seminar. The class will be held in Room A at the Scurry County Coliseum. The morning class will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and the afternoon class will be from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Both classes will cover the same material so you can attend one or the other.

Tony Hiller, Retail Foods Investigator with the Texas Dept. of Health located in Abilene, will be our speaker for the seminar. We strongly urge owners, managers, or other persons in charge of any and all food establishments to attend. We will address the New Texas Food Establishment Rules, the New County Ordinance regarding these rules, and the New Inspection Forms. The Rule Book will be on sale at the Seminar for $5 and according to the New County Ordinance it will be mandatory in Scurry County for each establishment to have this on site.

Please make every effort to attend or send a substitute. This is probably one of the most important seminars we have sponsored in regard to Food Establishment Rules and Food Safety. See you there!

Cindy Nix
Scurry County Food Service Inspector

GOOD NEWS

By Wayne Horton

CRUMBS

A loaf of bread fell from a car and tumbled out on the pavement. Three sparrows swooped down and began fighting over one of the crumbs which had broken off the loaf. One bird finally gained control of the crumb and flew away with the others in close pursuit. A series of aerial maneuvers followed until the crumb was consumed by one of the birds.

Now the strange thing about this episode is that the loaf was untouched by the battling birds. Only the crumbs seemed worth the fight. What a blessing they would have had if they'd been less greedy. And what a blessing they could have been to the little ones in their nest.

People are much like these birds. We quarrel over trivial matters - and can't wait to tell the bad we know about another - and so we miss out on the bigger prizes like being a blessing to someone else.

There will always be difference of opinion and belief. And there should always be kindness and charity even to those who have done us wrong or with whom we disagree.

We mustn't see ourselves as mature in our walk with God while we continue to destroy others with our words and actions.

"I do not say to you forgive up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven." Jesus said it and therefore we better leave His kids alone!

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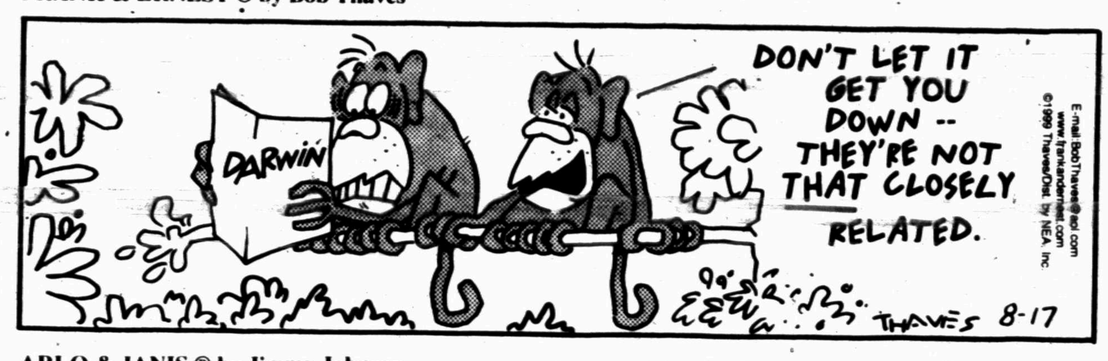
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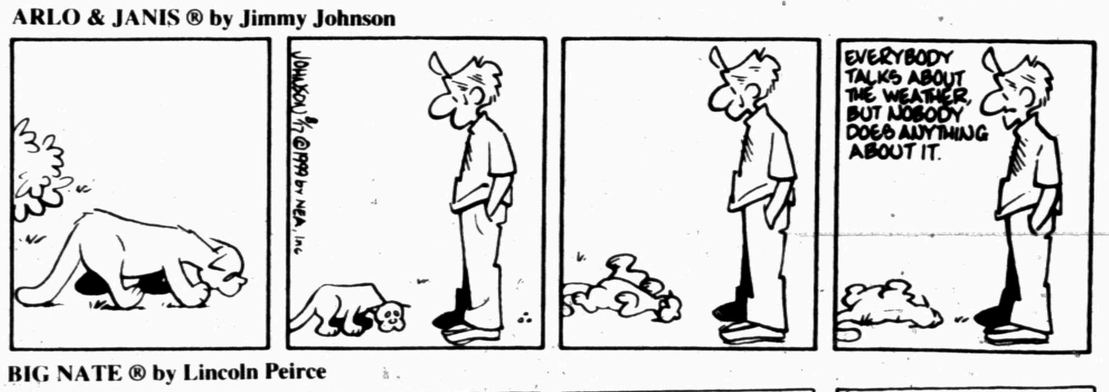
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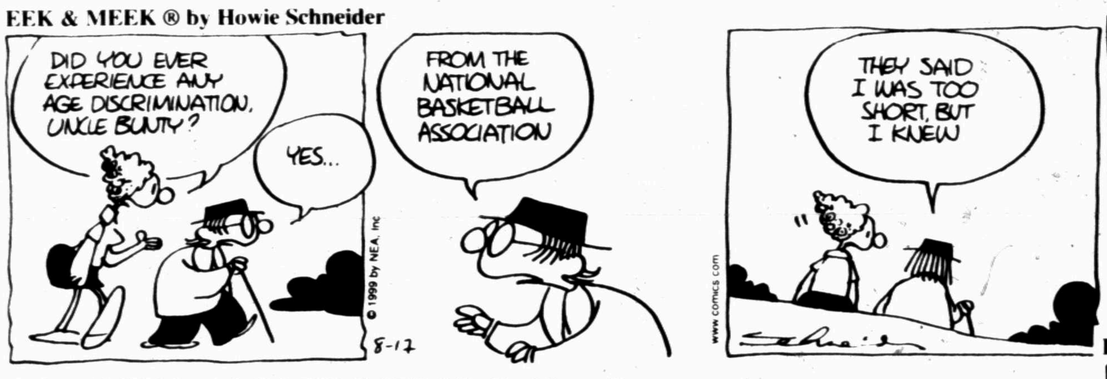
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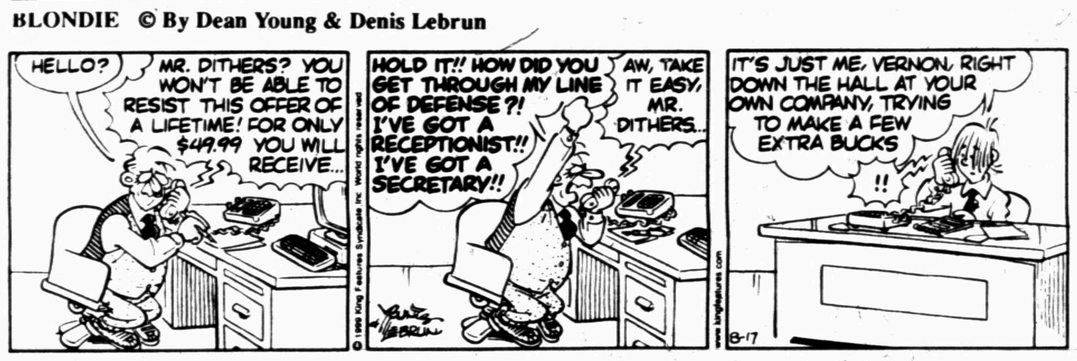


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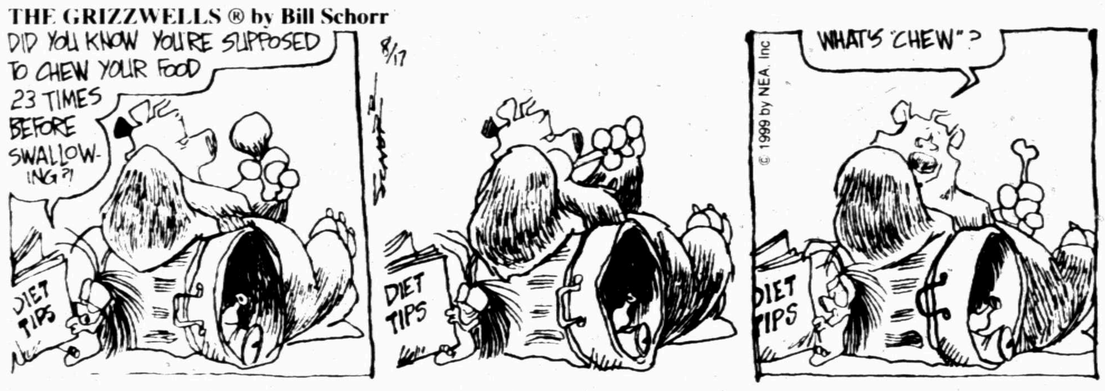
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32 Rare gas
33 Type of surgery
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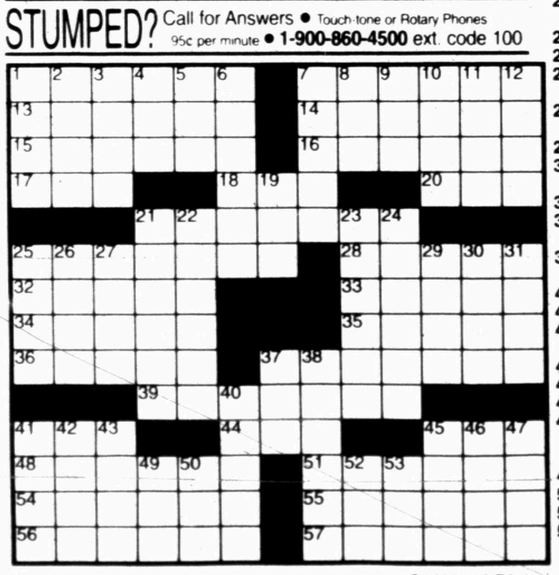
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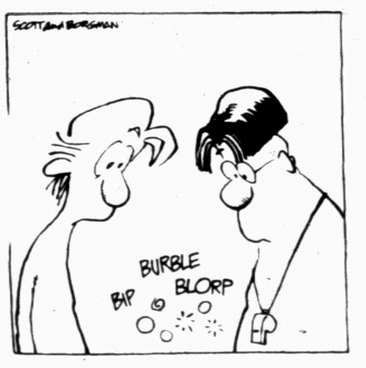
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Barney: Chicken noodle.

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SPORTS

Following successful kidney transplant...

Elliott should return to NBA

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Doctors say Sean Elliott's dream of returning to the NBA after kidney transplant surgery is in the realm of possibility after a successful operation.

Although the 31-year-old Elliott will be on medication the rest of his life, his doctors said he should be able to return to a normal life, maybe even basketball. The NBA season starts in November.

"It's clearly unprecedented, but he's a very motivated individual," said Dr. Francis Wright, the surgeon who performed the transplant surgery Monday at Methodist Specialty and Transplant Hospital.

"I'm certainly not going to be the one who tells him he can't play basketball again," Wright said.

Elliott, a 10-year NBA veteran and starting forward on the San Antonio Spurs championship team, could leave the hospital within a week and start his workout regimen within the next two months if he's up to it, Wright said.

Doctors have said it will take 2-3 months before they'll know if he can play again.

"We recommend some limitation on activity for six to eight weeks to allow the incision to heal properly," Wright said.

Elliott was in stable condition after Monday's surgery and was expected to be moved out of intensive care into a regular recovery room by today.

The Spurs are thinking only of Elliott's recovery and are not worried about his return to the court, coach Gregg Popovich said.

"None of us gives a damn about basketball right now," Popovich said. "If he never played another game, as long as he had his health and the rest of his life, that would be fine. We go forward as if he's not going to be playing for us."

Elliott received the kidney from his 32-year-old brother, Noel.

Urologist Sammy Vick, who removed Noel's left kidney, said Noel might be able to go home in 3-5 days.

Wright said Noel matched five of the six antigen markers.

"It should be an extremely good transplant for Sean," Wright said. "His brother is a better-than-average match. ... That bodes well, in particular, for the long-term results of the transplant."

Doctors left Elliott's two kidneys in place while inserting the donor organ on his right side, down in the pelvis area near the bladder, Wright said.

Most kidney transplant recipients don't require removal of the original organs unless there is a threat of some kind of infection, Wright said.

"The (new) kidney's functioning well," Wright said. "Sean had no problems at all and Noel had no problems."

"His own kidneys are still functional to some extent in that they are still producing some urine and water volume, but are not capable of carrying out the normal filtration functions."

Noel Elliot was in a regular recovery room and could be released from the hospital within the week. He should be able to live a normal life with the one kidney, Wright said.

Elliott's agent, Armando Rios, said Elliott met with his brother and other members of his family Sunday night before the operation.

"There was a little fear in Sean with everything going on," Rios said. "The family is very, very close."

In a statement released by the hospital, Noel said: "I am both honored and glad that can be here for my brother in his time of need. ... My brother has always been there for me and I will always be here for him. The Lord is with us."

Elliott needed a transplant because of a condition that slows the kidneys, preventing them from properly filtering waste from the blood. The cause of the disease — focal segmental glomerular sclerosis — is not clear.

Elliott announced last month, a few weeks after the Spurs won the NBA championship, that he was in need of a transplant.

He has had kidney problems since June 1993, when he was diagnosed with a kidney infection while with the Detroit Pistons. A trade to the Houston Rockets in 1994 fell through because of a failed physical stemming from the kidney problem.

Had there not been a family match, Elliott would have been placed on a transplant waiting list.

An estimated 62,000 Americans are awaiting a heart, lung, liver, kidney or pancreas. Last year, 4,000 people died before they could get the organ they needed.

Crenshaw fills final spots for Ryder Cup

MEDINAH, Ill. (AP) — The team is filled, and a week of controversy over. Now the real fun begins for Ben Crenshaw and his U.S. Ryder Cup squad.

If Crenshaw thought a week of bickering and posturing that left him looking weary and harried was tough, he knows the upcoming ones will be even tougher.

"I'll still be losing a lot of sleep this month," Crenshaw said.

Crenshaw's picks of Tom Lehman and Steve Pate to complete the Ryder Cup team that meets Europe on Sept. 24-26 said a lot about the kind of player he wants on the American team that will try to break a losing streak dating back to 1995.

"I'm sick and tired of losing," Lehman said. "I feel an urgency to get it right this time."

Precisely the type of attitude Crenshaw was looking for when he named Lehman to the team Monday.

It's an attitude shared by Pate, somewhat of a surprise selection as Crenshaw's second captain's pick.

"He's a very fierce competitor who will walk through a wall for you if you ask him to," Crenshaw said.

If Crenshaw was looking for a certain type of player to add to a team split apart during the PGA Championship by bickering over Ryder Cup play, he got it in Lehman and Pate, who don't figure to be complaining much about the $5,000 stipends they get for the cup.

Now, if he can only get Tiger Woods, David Duval, Mark O'Meara and Phil Mickelson to keep quiet, he has a chance at a unified team.

With the team now complete, Crenshaw believes the healing process has also begun.

"This thing is behind us," Crenshaw said. "Regardless of what happened this week and how it happened, we have to be a team. Boston is right around the corner. Unification is a big part of this, and it's done."

Crenshaw will try to unify the team further when team members gather Aug. 30 at The Country Club in Brookline, Mass., for a day of practice on the course that will host the matches Sept. 24-26.

Woods and O'Meara won't be there — they had prior commitments — but the rest of the Ryder Cup squad will get together to try and figure out the course in advance of the matches with the Europeans.

Crenshaw said both Woods and O'Meara have promised to get to the course and play it on their own before the matches.

"The practice session is very important," Crenshaw said. "This is a very special place we are playing."

Lehman, who has a 3-2-2 record while playing on the 1995 and 1997 teams that lost the cup, predicted a team headed by Woods and Duval and featuring the likes of Payne Stewart, Davis Love III and Phil Mickelson will be formidable.

"It's a pretty stacked team from top to bottom," Lehman said. "If we can all get focused in the right direction, we'll be tough to beat."

Crenshaw agreed, saying his toughest job will be deciding how to pair his players in the matches that precede the singles matches on Sunday.

"I'm going to have an extremely difficult process of partnering these guys," he said. "It's a very well rounded team."

Rangers snap Tribe's streak with 13-5 rout

CLEVELAND (AP) — Some managers despise making the walk from the dugout to the mound to pull a starting pitcher or rescue a reliever on the ropes.

Johnny Oates isn't one of them.

"I don't hesitate to go to the bullpen," the Texas manager said. "They are our strength, so why not play that card?"

Oates used three relievers after removing starter Rick Helling, and they combined for five innings of shutout ball as the Rangers snapped Cleveland's six-game winning streak Monday night with a 13-5 rout of the Indians.

Rafael Palmeiro, making a rare pinch-hitting appearance, hit a three-run homer, and Ivan Rodriguez homered twice for Texas.

Palmeiro was kept out of the starting lineup because of a sore right knee. But pinch-hitting for the second time this season, he connected for his 31st homer in Texas' five-run seventh as the Rangers rallied to beat the Indians in a possible postseason preview between division leaders.

"I went into the back to see if I could hit, and before I took a swing I heard I was on deck," Palmeiro said. "I wasn't warmed up, so I just went out to see what I could do."

Royce Clayton and Mark McLemore also homered for the Rangers, who posted their 34th come-from-behind victory.

Rodriguez, who homered twice on Sunday in Chicago, hit a solo homer in the first and connected for a two-run shot, his 28th, in the ninth.

"I'm not looking for home runs," he said. "They're just coming."

Mike Munoz (2-1) got the win in relief. Texas' relievers have given up just two runs in their last 24 innings.

"The biggest ingredient to a playoff team is the bullpen," Palmeiro said. "Usually, playoff games are tight and the bullpen that dominates will prevail. I think our bullpen gives us an edge."

Richie Sexson had three RBIs for Cleveland, which hadn't been beaten so soundly since a 21-1 loss in New York on July 24.

"When we end a winning streak, we just don't end it, we blow it right out of the water," Indians manager Mike Hargrove said.

Carlos Baerga had two singles and brought some energy to bored Cleveland fans, but the Indians' bullpen couldn't hold a one-run lead for starter Dave Burba.

Baerga, a three-time All-Star second baseman with the Indians from 1990-96, was reacquired on Monday from San Diego to provide veteran experience and exuberance.

Freeman inks $42 million deal with GB

By The Associated Press

Antonio Freeman had a payday unlike any other wide receiver.

Freeman signed a seven-year, $42 million contract with the Green Bay Packers on Monday, making him the highest-paid receiver in the NFL.

Freeman's agent, Joel Segal, told The Associated Press the deal also includes a $10 million signing bonus, the largest ever for a wide receiver, and second-highest in team history. The Packers gave quarterback Brett Favre a $12 million bonus in 1997.

"It was everything I hoped and dreamed," Freeman said. "I'm just happy to be a Green Bay Packer for a long, long time to come. I love it here, and I always wanted to be here."

The contract includes two voidable years, meaning the All-Pro wideout can opt out of the deal after five seasons. The contract is contingent on Freeman playing in 25 percent of the Packers' offensive plays in any season.

Freeman set career highs with 84 catches for 14 touchdowns and a league-best 1,424 yards, despite breaking his jaw late in the year.

Astros' pitching shuts down Brewers

HOUSTON (AP) — Billy Wagner at his best overmatched the Milwaukee Brewers.

Wagner struck out the side on 10 pitches to preserve a two-hit shutout as Houston defeated the Brewers 2-0 Monday night.

"Once you get over 96 (mph), it's pretty impressive, but he throws dominating heat. He makes the game a joke sometimes when he throws that hard," Milwaukee catcher Dave Nilsson said. "Tonight was one of those nights."

Wagner picked up his first save since July 27.

"A few people have told me that was the best they've seen me pitch," Wagner said. "I was pumped. I just went in and let it go with everything. I gave them all fastballs with everything I had."

Milwaukee manager Jim Lefebvre said he has never seen Wagner pitch better. "Three of his last four pitches were 100 miles per hour. That's impressive. What a weapon."

Wagner's dominating inning followed an impressive eight-plus innings by Jose Lima, who allowed a walk to open the ninth, which brought in Wagner.

Lima (16-7) struck out four and walked three to win at home for the first time since June 12. He left reluctantly after walking Rich Becker to open the ninth, snapping a string of 15 straight outs.

"It feels pretty good to be the stopper," said Lima, who won for only the second time in his last seven starts. "I've been reading that I've been walking too many guys lately, and that I've given up a lot of runs lately. I hope this puts a zipper to all of that."

Lima is 8-0 with a 1.60 ERA in 10 games against the Brewers.

The Brewers did not have a runner reach third base, and only two made it as far as second.

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Boston	66	52	.559	6½
Toronto	65	56	.537	9
Baltimore	51	66	.436	21
Tampa Bay	51	68	.429	22

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	72	45	.615	—
Chicago	55	62	.470	17
Minnesota	50	66	.431	21½
Kansas City	47	70	.402	25
Detroit	46	72	.390	26½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	70	49	.588	—
Oakland	64	54	.542	5½
Seattle	58	60	.492	11½
Anaheim	48	69	.410	21

Monday's Games

Tampa Bay 9, Detroit 1
New York 2, Minnesota 0
Texas 13, Cleveland 5
Boston 6, Oakland 5
Seattle 7, Toronto 5
Chicago 6, Anaheim 1

Tuesday's Games

Oakland (Heredia 9-5) at Boston (Saberhagen 9-4), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Abbott 3-0) at Toronto (Hentgen 7-9), 7:05 p.m.
Texas (Sele 12-7) at Cleveland (Langston 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Witt 7-8) at Detroit (Mlicki 7-10), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Mays 5-4) at Baltimore (Mussina 14-7), 7:35 p.m.
Kansas City (Rosado 7-9) at New York (O.Hernandez 12-7), 7:35 p.m.
Anaheim (Sparks 5-9) at Chicago (Navarro 7-10), 8:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Seattle (Fr.Garcia 11-7) at Toronto (Wells 11-7), 1:05 p.m.
Oakland (Appier 12-9) at Boston (Rapp 4-5), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Hawkins 8-9) at Baltimore (Erickson 8-10), 7:05 p.m.
Texas (Burkett 3-6) at Cleveland (Nagy 13-7), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Witt 7-8) at Detroit (Mlicki 7-10), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Reichert 1-1) at New York (Pettitte 10-8), 7:35 p.m.
Anaheim (Belcher 5-7) at Chicago (Baldwin 6-11), 8:05 p.m.

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East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	73	47	.608	—
New York	73	47	.608	—
Philadelphia	63	55	.534	9
Florida	49	70	.412	23½
Montreal	48	70	.407	24

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	69	47	.595	—
Houston	71	49	.592	—
St. Louis	61	59	.508	10
Pittsburgh	59	59	.500	11
Milwaukee	54	62	.466	15
Chicago	51	66	.436	18½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	68	51	.571	—
San Francisco	60	58	.508	7½
San Diego	54	65	.454	14
Los Angeles	53	66	.445	15
Colorado	52	68	.433	16½

Monday's Games

Cincinnati 9, Pittsburgh 2
Houston 2, Milwaukee 0
St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 3
Atlanta 14, Colorado 6
Arizona 10, Chicago 3
New York 4, San Diego 3, 10 innings
San Francisco 7, Montreal 4
Florida 7, Los Angeles 5

Tuesday's Games

Montreal (Hermanson 5-11) at San Francisco (Estes 7-7), 4:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Schmidt 10-8) at Cincinnati (Villone 6-4), 7:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Eldred 1-5) at Houston (Elarton 6-3), 8:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Shumaker 0-1) at St. Louis (Stephenson 3-0), 8:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Mulholland 7-6) at Colorado (Wright 0-2), 9:05 p.m.
Chicago (Lorraine 1-0) at Arizona (Anderson 4-2), 10:05 p.m.
New York (Leiter 10-7) at San Diego (W.Williams 5-11), 10:05 p.m.
Florida (Burnett 0-0) at Los Angeles (Judd 1-0), 10:10 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Atlanta (Millwood 13-7) at Colorado (Bohanon 10-10), 3:05 p.m.
Montreal (Vasquez 6-5) at San Francisco (Ortiz 13-8), 3:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Cordova 7-5) at Cincinnati (Tomko 4-5), 7:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Nomo 10-5) at Houston (Hampton 16-3), 8:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Ogea 6-11) at St. Louis (Bottenfield 16-5), 8:10 p.m.
Chicago (Tapani 6-10) at Arizona (Benes 7-11), 10:05 p.m.
Florida (Meadows 10-11) at Los Angeles (Dreifort 9-12), 10:35 p.m.
New York (Yoshii 7-8) at San Diego (Boehringer 6-5), 10:35 p.m.

NFL Preseason

Thursday's Games

Baltimore 10, Philadelphia 7
San Francisco 31, San Diego 24

Friday's Games

Atlanta 35, Detroit 31
Jacksonville 35, Carolina 10
New Orleans 26, Miami 14
Washington 20, New England 14
Pittsburgh 30, Chicago 23
N.Y. Giants 36, Minnesota 21

Saturday's Games

Green Bay 27, N.Y. Jets 16
Indianapolis 20, Cincinnati 17
Tampa Bay 30, Cleveland 3
Denver 38, Arizona 7
Buffalo 24, Seattle 10

Sunday's Games

Oakland 10, Dallas 3
Kansas City 22, Tennessee 20

Thursday, Aug. 19

Seattle at San Francisco, 8 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 20

Cincinnati at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Jets, 7:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Carolina, 8 p.m.
Buffalo at Washington, 8 p.m.
Tennessee at Arizona, 10 p.m.

WNBA Glance

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	W	L	Pct	GB
x-New York	16	13	.552	—
Charlotte	15	16	.484	2
Detroit	13	16	.448	3
Orlando	13	16	.448	3
Washington	12	18	.400	4½
Cleveland	6	24	.200	10½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Houston	24	5	.828	—
x-Sacramento	19	11	.633	5½
Los Angeles	18	11	.621	6
Minnesota	14	15	.483	10
Phoenix	14	15	.483	10
Utah	13	17	.433	11½

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Monday's Games

Minnesota 57, Cleveland 50
Houston 80, Utah 71
Los Angeles 76, Charlotte 65

Tuesday's Games

Washington at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Detroit at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

SDN Sports Briefs

SISD sports tickets

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AT&T Corp s	49¾	49	5-16 49¾+	7-16
Albertsons	51	15-16	51 3-16	51 11-16— ¼
AlldSignal	63¾		63 7-16	63¾+ ⅜
Alltel	70¾	70	3-16 70	3-16— ¼
AmOnline s	97⅛		95⅝ 95	9-16+ ⅜
Ameritech	72¾	71	15-16 72¼+	⅜
AndarkPtr	36¾	35	13-16 36	— ⅜
ArmcoInc	6	13-16	6¾ 6¾—	1-16
AtlRichfld	93	91	13-16 92	3-16— 7-16
ATMOS Egy	25	24¾	24 15-16—	1-16
Aviall	13	11-16	13¾ 13¾—	⅜
BP Amoco	118⅛	117¾	117 15-16—	¾
BakerHughes	34¼	34	3-16 34	9-16+ ⅛
Bank of Amer	64¾	63¾	64 1-16+1	9-16
BellAtl	64¼	64	3-16 64	7-16— 3-16
BellSouth s	49	1-16	48¼ 48	9-16— 5-16
BethSteel	8		7-16 8¼	8 3-16
BurlNoSFe	30	7-16	29 15-16	30 1-16— 7-16
CBS Corp	45	7-16	45 1-16	45⅜+ 7-16
Caterpillar	63		61 11-16	62¼— 3-16
CenSoWst	21	9-16	21¾ 21⅞—	¼
Chevron	96¼		94¾ 94	9-16—1 5-16
Citigroup s	48	3-16	47⅛ 47⅛+1	9-16
Coastal	41¾		41 7-16	41⅞— ⅛
CocaCola	59	13-16	59⅛ 59	9-16+ 3-16
ColgatePal s	49¾		49¼ 49	7-16— ¼
ComclMetals	33	7-16	33¼ 33⅛—	⅛
CooperIn	56¼	55	13-16 55	15-16— 1-16
CyprusAmax	14		13¾ 13	15-16— 3-16
DaimlrChry n	77⅛		77¼ 77¼+	¼
DallSemicn	49¾		49¼ 49¼—	½
DeltaAirl s	53	11-16	52 3-16	52½—15-16
Dillards Inc	29	15-16	29¾ 29⅜—	⅜
DowChem	129	7-16	128 3-16	128¼+ ¼
DuPont			72 71⅞	71½— ½
EastmanChem	51¾		51 1-16	51 7-16+ ⅜
EstKodak	72	15-16	71 9-16	72 11-16+1 11-16
EDS Corp	58	5-16	57 3-16	57 3-16+ 1-16
Entergy	29	1-16	28 15-16	29 + 3-16
Exxon	81¾	80	15-16	81⅛— 7-16
Flowers	15½		15¼ 15	7-16+ 1-16
FordMotor			49 15-16	4949 + ⅜
GTE Cp	75⅝		75¼ 75	5-16— 3-16
GenDynam	62⅛		61 1-16	61⅛— ½
GenElec	111	11-16	109 15-16	111¼+1 7-16
GenMills	83½		83 1-16	83⅜+ 9-16
GenMotors			62¾	6262¾+11-16
GaPacGP s	47	13-16	47 1-16	47⅛+1 1-16
GlobalMar	18¾		17¾ 18⅜+	9-16
Goodrich			40 39⅝	39½— 3-16
Goodyear s	56	15-16	55 11-16	55¾—1 3-16
GtAtlPac	35¾		35 7-16	35 11-16+ 1-16
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Hanson ADS	44	13-16	44½ 44½—	1 3-16
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IBM s	128	9-16	126¾ 127	9-16+ 3-16
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Lowes Cos	50		49¾ 49	13-16+ 9-16
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Tandy s	46¼	45	7-16 45¾+	5-16
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Tenneco	21	15-16	21½ 21¾—	3-16
Texaco	65¼	64	64 1-16—	13-16
TexInd	36	7-16	35 13-16	35 13-16— ¾
TexasInst s			76 74⅜	75 — ¾
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Wide-scale Y2K problems unlikely on Internet

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Internet's decentralized structure makes it difficult to know precisely how the millions of computers connected to it will fare because of the Year 2000 technology problem, some of the Internet's top computer experts say.

But that architecture — a collection of interconnected but mostly independent computer networks — also means data traffic will be able to bypass any local Y2K failures, such as those caused by power outages.

"We're not likely to see major global outages at all," said Vint Cerf, an MCI WorldCom Inc. executive who co-invented the common "TCP/IP" language of the Internet.

White House officials were meeting today with experts from the Internet community, including a trade group for Internet providers, to discuss the impact of Y2K on consumers using the Internet.

"The core structures of the Internet are expected to be in good shape," said Jack Gribben, a spokesman for the President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion, which organized the meeting. But he cautioned: "The Internet is a vast enterprise with a large number of service providers and interconnected networks."

Cerf, MCI's senior vice president for Internet architecture and technology, predicted "a series of little annoying problems that will bug us for most of January."

The Internet and its kindred technologies rely on computers and software owned by people and companies worldwide mostly without any supervision. That makes it difficult to predict how the vast computer network will operate in January, when it is feared that some computers won't be able to correctly identify the new year 2000.

"The Internet is about a million autonomous networks and about 50 million autonomous computers," said Tony Rutkowski, an early Internet pioneer. "The question becomes which of those many millions of networks and computers will have problems."

Part of the problem has been gathering information about the Internet's preparations: Unlike some industries, there is no single organization in charge and little regulatory oversight by governments.

Don Heath, president of the Virginia-based Internet Society, said the Internet won't have serious problems systemwide.

"It's just not going to happen," Heath said. "The whole Y2K thing is an absolute yawn. I am so unconcerned about it that it's hard to build a fire under me at all."

But some of the Internet's biggest companies are issuing dire-sounding warnings to shareholders. Network Solutions Inc., which controls two of the 13 central computers that coordinate the world's Web addresses, cautioned against "a failure of or interruption to normal business" if it doesn't prepare adequately.

The other 11 computers, called "root servers," are largely run by volunteers at universities and other organizations worldwide.

"We have no responsibility for, nor control over, other Internet domain name server operators that are critical to the efficient operation of the Internet," the company said in a recent filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission. "We do not know whether such domain name server operators have hardware, software or firmware that is Year 2000 compliant."

Cerf predicted the root servers will be fine: "The people who run those root servers have been very responsible in regards to upgrades to the software," he said.

America Online, the world's largest Internet provider with more than 17 million customers, also warned in a recent SEC filing that Y2K problems "could result in interruptions in the work of its employees, the inability of members and customers to access the company's online services and Web sites or errors and defects in the Netscape products."

Appeals Court: Life term not too harsh

NEW YORK (AP) — A life prison term for a radical Islamic cleric accused of plotting with a band of terrorists to blow up New York landmarks and kill Egypt's president is not too harsh, a federal appeals court ruled.

"To plan the waging of war against the United States is manifestly a grievous assault on the American people, meriting extremely serious punishment," the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said Monday in upholding the sentences for Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman and nine of his followers.

The sheik and a second defendant were sentenced to life in prison while the rest received sentences ranging from 30 years to 57 years.

Although not the first ruling to uphold the constitutionality of a Civil War-era seditious conspiracy law, Monday's decision demonstrated how the law can be used to prosecute terrorists. The law makes it illegal to plan to wage war against the government.

"When one considers the huge scale of death and destruction contemplated by the defendants as part of their war against the United States, those sentences are neither plainly unreasonable ... nor unjust," the court said.

Abdeen Jabara, a lawyer who has worked on the Egyptian cleric's case, said Monday it was too early to comment on the ruling.

The appeals court also rejected a defense argument that the sheik was merely prosecuted for preaching or exercising his First Amendment rights.

Abdel-Rahman was prosecuted because he sought to solicit or persuade others to commit violent crimes, the appeals court said.

The court said the evidence against Abdel-Rahman showed he crossed the line beyond expression of unpopular ideas by telling one defendant to carry out an assassination and another that it was his duty to bomb the United Nations.

"It remains fundamental that while the state may not criminalize the expression of views, it may nonetheless outlaw encouragement, inducement or conspiracy to take violent action," the court said.

The blind, 61-year-old cleric was sentenced in 1995 to life in prison without parole. Also sentenced to life was El Sayyid Nosair, who was convicted in connection with the 1990 assassination of Jewish Defense League founder Rabbi Meir Kahane.

The trial focused on Kahane's death and on a 1993 plot to assassinate Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and blow up the United Nations, FBI headquarters and two tunnels and a bridge connecting New Jersey to Manhattan.

Nutrition by Ed Blonz, Ph.D.

Low-carb diet may work for some

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I am personally offended by the fact that you have trashed the low-carbohydrate diet. This type of put-down seems to be the rage these days, with articles appearing all over the national media. All that I can tell you is that it works, and continues to work for me — and it has been doing so for three years now. There are others I know who have had equal if not greater success. — F.S., via e-mail

Dear F.S.: I try to judge each issue on its own merits, and I regret that you took such offense my concerns about the low carbohydrate diet. I must admit that I've been quite impressed, over the years, with those who have been successful on a low-carbohydrate diet. This being said, though, it is extremely difficult to assess what these successes mean because I have no real handle on the numbers who have tried it and failed.

Where excess weight is concerned, I encourage individuals to work through a hierarchy of possibilities until they find something that works — and the concept of something "working" will differ from individual to individual. Of all the approaches to the problems of weight, low-carbing, while on the list, is not number one. I would not tell someone who was succeeding to stop, but at the same time, I think that there are other avenues that might be attempted before telling someone that they can no longer have carbohydrates. I continue to learn, though, and I will attempt to keep an open mind. A basic premise in all this is my fervent support for the concept that one can be healthy and overweight at the same time. I wish you continued success.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I was wondering if you have any suggestions for coffee creamers. How do coffee creamers compare with half-and-half? I now use Coffeemate Lite (about 1-1/2 tbs. per cup) but have a feeling that it's not good, health-wise. I've tried low-fat milk, whole milk and half-and-half, and don't like the taste as much. Do you think the "fat-free" creamers are any better nutritionally, or can you suggest any other alternatives? — J.B., Newark, N.J.

DEAR J.B.: One and one-half tablespoons of either half-and-half or a standard cream substitute contains 30 calories and 2.5 grams of fat. One difference between the two is that the half-and-half contains approximately 8 milligrams of cholesterol and the cream substitute does not. These substitutes products came into prominence in the era when one's intake of dietary cholesterol was thought to be a key concern for those at high risk for heart disease. We have since learned that there are other factors involved, and dietary cholesterol is only a minor player. Eight milligrams of cholesterol isn't much in the scheme of things anyway.

I would definitely stay away from standard coffee creamers because they rely on partially hydrogenated vegetable oil as their primary ingredient (listed either first or second on the ingredient list). I also would avoid frozen desserts made from this concoction.

The "lite" coffee creamers are an improvement, containing 15 calories and .75 grams of fat; a similar serving of the fat-free version contains 15 calories with no fat. As you reduce the fat, there is some sacrifice in taste, but aside from the partially hydrogenated oils, the ingredients are not considered unhealthful or dangerous.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: Does pressure cooking vegetables deplete vitamins tremendously? — B.S., San Diego

DEAR B.S.: All forms of cooking deplete nutrients to some degree. The actual nutrient losses during cooking depends on a number of factors, including temperature, cooking time, type of food, size of the food pieces and whether and how much water used. With all these variables, the amount of loss will vary with the type of nutrient.

Water will deplete some of the water-soluble vitamins, but only if the cooking water is discarded. Heat, regardless of its source, can affect the fat-soluble vitamins, vitamin C and thiamine. The most stable of the nutrients are the minerals, and unless a large amount of water is used with food that has a small particle size, and the water is discarded, these nutrients will remain in the finished product.

Because cooking in a pressure cooker typically uses less water and shorter cooking times, more of the nutrients remain.

Send questions to: "On Nutrition," Ed Blonz, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. For e-mail, address inquiries to: ed@blonz.com. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

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NUTRITION



ED BLONZ, PH.D.

3 survive plane crash near Aspen

ASPEN, Colo. (AP) — Three people suffered only minor injuries when their single-engine plane crashed on Independence Pass shortly after taking off from the Aspen airport.

Rescuers were already on Independence Pass Monday morning, searching for a drowning victim in the Roaring Fork River when the plane flew less than 100 feet over their heads.

Pitkin County Sheriff's deputies raced up the pass and found the three people standing at the trailhead of the Lost Man Trail.

The Federal Aviation Administration said the plane was en route to Sugar Land, Texas, near Houston. The plane is registered to Robin Clearman of Sugar Land.

"To see the three of them standing there, it was amazing. The plane was completely destroyed," said Deputy Tom Grady. "They were stunned, too."

"They hit at 11,500 (feet) and they were trying to (clear) the hump at 12,500 (feet)," Grady said. "They just didn't have to juice to make it over the top."

Names of the pilot and two passengers were not released.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Wednesday, August 18, 1999

Through your logical handling of a downward trend that might have been plaguing you, you can turn things around in the year ahead that'll bring about a number of favorable changes.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You're emphasis today might be on transforming what is outmoded in your mind into something useful. A problem could arise when you discover it is still valuable to someone else. Leo, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Should someone tell you something in the strictest confidence today, make certain you do not reveal it to anyone else, even a person you think you can trust.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It's good you can dwell along lines that do not limit your thinking to traditional concepts today. However, check things out with others before you attempt to put anything into action.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) So long as they don't step on anyone else's toes, bright ideas you get today pertaining to ways you can further your career can be implemented.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Valuable knowledge can be garnered today through all types of interaction with others. The important thing to keep in mind is helpful insights can even come through losses.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Just because something did not work for another doesn't mean it will not work for you. Do not be unduly influenced by the failure or others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Everything can be ironed out today if you discuss important issues with someone with whom you've been at odds in a manner that is not judgmental or finger pointing.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Although you may not get rich today, there are good opportunities around you at work where you can feather your nest to make things a little softer, especially if you don't exclude others.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Because what you say today will have a strong influence over your peers, you must be exceptionally careful. Don't introduce anything negative into a relationship.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Don't be so quick to prejudge someone negatively and act before you know where she or he is coming from. You could be pleasantly surprised by the support this person is giving you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Seek out companions today whose thinking is more in line with yours, especially when in work related situations. Nothing will be accomplished with those whose views differ from yours.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) The squeaky wheel is likely to be the one who gets the attention today, but be careful when you speak up that you do so in an unoffensive manner or what you get might be an ax instead of oil.

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Florida begins statewide school voucher program

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — Parents and nuns beamed as the nation's first statewide school voucher program took effect, but opponents derided its debut as a violation of the principle of separation of church and state.

"One child getting a better education makes our world a little bit better," said Sister Robert Ann, principal of St. Michael Interparochial School, where 20 of the state's 58 voucher students began classes on Monday. "And if they have a little bit of religion, all the better."

The program, launched Monday at four Roman Catholic schools and a private school, allows students in Florida's worst public schools to receive vouchers of up to $3,389 a year to pay for a private or parochial school education at taxpayer expense.

Under a law championed by Republican Gov. Jeb Bush, only children in schools deemed failures by the state are eligible. So far, student test scores have labeled only two schools, both in Pensacola, as failing. Florida has 2 million public school students.

"I've had other children attend the public school system and right now, academically, they're having some really hard times," said Brenda McShane, whose 6-year-old daughter Brenisha has begun classes at Montessori Early School.

But while voucher supporters declared Monday a historic day, opponents of what Bush calls "opportunity scholarships" contend the program violates the constitutional principle of separation of church and state.

Lawsuits challenging the program have been filed by the NAACP, Americans United for Separation of Church and State, teachers unions and others.

Under the program, voucher funds are taken from public education. Parents who participate do not have to pay the difference between the voucher amount and the tuition the private schools charge. Private schools that charge more must absorb the costs.

Only five private schools have agreed to take voucher students. Some administrators are afraid of lowering academic standards, and others want to see how the program works the first year.

Smaller voucher programs are in effect in other cities, including Milwaukee and Cleveland.

Voucher students must attend religion classes and Mass with their classmates regardless of their religion, said Sister Mary Caplice, superintendent of Pensacola's Catholic schools.

Although she is a Methodist, Mary Smith decided to enroll her children, first-grader Antonio Held, 7, and fifth-grader Angela Atwood, 10, at St. John the Evangelist Catholic School.

"I believe if they put prayer back in school that they'll see a change," she said.

At St. Michael, boys in dark slacks and girls in plaid skirts gathered on Monday morning for the daily flag-raising and prayer to the school's patron saint, the voucher students indistinguishable from other classmates.

Teachers have not been told which students are on vouchers, said St. Michael's principal, Sister Robert Ann.

"They're more interested in saying, 'Here's my new children, what can I do to help them read and write and spell and do everything well?'" she said.

New campaign targets school violence

WASHINGTON (AP) — "I'm afraid to go to high school," a worried grammar school boy says in President Clinton's new public service announcement that urges parents to talk to their children about violence. "It scares me," says another.

The president and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton today presented three frank back-to-school messages in the aftermath of shooting sprees in high schools in Colorado and Georgia and copycat threats and violence that followed in schools nationwide.

The messages, to debut Wednesday on major broadcast and cable television networks, include a toll-free number to call for a free booklet on how to talk to children, especially those aged 8 to 12, about safety and the dangers of weapons and of gang violence. Similar radio ads are to begin airing later this month.

One TV ad begins with a school bell ringing and elementary school children discussing a boy whose neck turned red when he was choked in a school fight. It ends with Clinton saying: "Our children need our help to deal with tough issues like violence. Please talk with your kids."

In between, students chat about knives in book bags and their personal safety at school.

"There was this kid that was like 17. He came to school with a gun," a young boy says while sitting in a schoolyard swing.

"We didn't know if it was fake or real," a classmate adds.

The ads are being privately funded by the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, an independent health care philanthropy based in Menlo Park, Calif., and Children Now, an independent advocacy group for children in Oakland, Calif.

"This is not the kind of issue that our parents had to deal with," says Lois Salisbury, president of Children Now. "We know from all of our research that parents do seek this kind of guidance. They welcome it and it gives them the support they need to talk with their kids."

The ads are an outgrowth of a White House strategy session on children, violence and responsibility in May that followed the April 20 shootings at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo. Two students wearing black trenchcoats killed 12 classmates and a teacher and injured 23 others before committing suicide at the school.

A month later, a student wounded six of this high school classmates during a shooting spree at Heritage High School in Conyers, Ga. Other shootings have occurred in Mississippi, Kentucky, Arkansas and Oregon.

Antioxidants possible fighter of rare illness

WASHINGTON (AP) — Animal research suggests doctors might look to antioxidants to help fight a rare but lethal inherited disease that puts most child sufferers in wheelchairs by their teens and kills them by their 20s.

The new research is only in mice, not in people, but it indicates that a buildup of damage from destructive molecules called "free radicals" may help fuel the deadly disease called ataxia-telangiectasia — pronounced Ay-TACK-see-uh Teh-LAN-jick-TAY-sha — and better known as A-T.

The A-T Children's Project, a patient advocacy group that helps fund A-T research, considers the finding a strong enough lead that it will gather antioxidant experts in November to determine which substances should be tested as possible A-T treatments.

"Now we have absolutely no treatment for this brutal disease," said project director Brad Margus, who has two sons with A-T. The new research "gives us impetus to proceed with pursuing the most ... powerful antioxidants we can try, first on mice and hopefully on children with the disease."

A-T's first signs are an unsteady gait, slurred speech and poor muscle coordination in young children. Eventually, children lose all motor control. A-T also weakens their immune systems. Patients usually die in their 20s of cancer or infections.

About 500 American children have A-T, which worldwide strikes about one in every 40,000 children.

The genetic defect that causes A-T was discovered in 1995, but that discovery has not yet led to treatments.

The new research, from California's Salk Institute for Biological Studies, suggests the gene defect leaves A-T patients without protection against damage from the free radicals that may kill their brain cells.

Everybody experiences this so-called oxidative damage from free radicals, byproducts of metabolism that attack cells. Most people's bodies can counter and repair oxidative damage, helped by antioxidants like vitamins C and E. But sometimes free radicals go out of control, causing or contributing to cancer, Alzheimer's and other diseases.

Salk lead researcher Dr. Carrolee Barlow bred mice with the A-T gene defect and examined cells from the cerebellum, the brain region that controls movement.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Women in Dating Pool Have Their Own Way of Swimming

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR READERS: Yesterday I printed responses from male readers to the letter from "20-Something in L.A." listing her contemporary rules for dating. Today we'll sample some of the feedback I received from women. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I take exception to the dating guidelines offered by "20-Something in L.A." I see no reason why a gainfully employed adult should expect her date to pick up the tab for everything. Moreover, a young woman who lets her date pay for everything may well have a hard time refusing to "repay" her date with sex. Take it from a woman with a few more years of dating experience. Play fair and play safe.

CARRYING MY OWN WEIGHT IN PORTLAND

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DEAR ABBY: Here are a couple of additions to the dating guidelines for females:

Return his call even if you don't want to go out with him. It is rude and poor manners not to. If you don't want to go out with him, tell him so. Better to be honest than to get his hopes up and make him chase you.

If he breaks up with you for someone else, don't automatically blame her. It might be a blessing in disguise. There are lots of other fish in the sea, and hope the next one will realize what he has and hang on.

Be careful. Even though you may think you know someone, you might not. Respect yourself enough to insist he gets "tested" before you have sex. It could save your life. There are enough surprises in dating; eliminate at least one.

Also, my friends and I have discovered that the time when you are least likely to be looking for love is when it finds you.

20-SOMETHING IN KANSAS

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DEAR ABBY: May I add my own 2 cents? Remember that men can smell desperation. If you are still reeling from a broken heart, take time off before re-entering the dating pool. Second, remember that sex does not equal love. Do not mistake one for the other.

JENNIE G. IN MISSOURI

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DEAR ABBY: I think the dating guidelines from "20-Something" are tacky and old-fashioned. I have never depended on a man for money, and it's worked out fine for me. When I date, we always split the costs. If I'm broke, I'll ask my date for a loan, and I always pay him back. If he offers to pay, I gently refuse. If he persists, I accept the offer as a gift.

Abby, I do not need anyone to help me with my coat or open doors for me. At 24, I'm old enough to dress myself and strong enough to open doors. I do, however, agree with the sex guideline. If a man can't accept the fact that his date isn't interested in having sex, he should be mature enough to call it quits.

24 IN MASSACHUSETTS

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DEAR ABBY: It annoys me that there are women in this world thinking up rules for how to relate to men. I would like to believe that I can think for myself and so can the man I'm dating. I'm an individual with individual ideas and desires. Will the men who read her list of rules conform? *I hope not!*

If "20-Something" doesn't want to pay, she should have enough guts to say so up front instead of making a list of rules and expressing her disappointment in men who don't follow them.

Abby, it horrifies me to imagine a world in which everyone acts the same and has the same ideas about how to live. Diversity is essential for human survival.

24 IN SAN FRANCISCO

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Who or what is really first in your life? Is the true answer family, business, school, money, television, athletics, or recreation? Can you honestly say Christ is your LORD? If He is, you will exhibit that Lordship by being totally surrendered to His commands in all areas of life. The fact that God is first must be evident in our activities in church, family, business, school, and community. Regardless of the circumstances, we must always be Christ-centered and cross-dominated. Only then can we say, "God is first." Jesus said, "But first seek His kingdom and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added to you" **(Matthew 6:33, NASB).**

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Obituaries

Daisy Rinehart

1917-1999

BROWNFIELD – Daisy Rinehart, a former resident of Snyder, died Sunday, Aug. 15, in Brownfield.

Funeral service for Mrs. Rinehart, 82, was set for 3 p.m. today in the Brownfield Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Robert Berry officiating. Burial was to follow in the Terry County Memorial Cemetery.

Born Feb. 25, 1917 in Munday, she married Dirl Rinehart in 1934 in Sweetwater. He died Jan. 9, 1957.

She was reared in Snyder and attended school in Snyder, moving to Brownfield in 1948. She was a member of the Assembly of God.

Survivors include a son, Robert Rinehart of Lubbock; three daughters, Melba Copelin of Odessa, Delma Hall of Lubbock and Pat Valentine of Brownfield; three brothers, D.W. Johnson of Snyder, Ed Johnson and Monroe Johnson, both of Huntsville, Ark.; 12 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

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Hundreds die in earthquake

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — The worst recorded earthquake to hit western Turkey killed at least 1,100 people and injured thousands today, destroying buildings and cutting off power and water to millions living along the heavily populated Bosporus Strait.

By late afternoon, the crisis center at the prime minister's office had tallied 1,169 dead and 5,550 injured. The death toll, based on the number of bodies that have reached hospital morgues, was expected to rise.

Private NTV television said 160 sailors were reported dead in the collapse of two navy buildings in the town of Golcuk. Authorities said at least 156 people were killed in Istanbul, where 3,721 were injured, the semi-official Anatolia news agency said.

The quake struck at 3 a.m. local time (8 p.m. EDT Monday), catching most people asleep. The lucky ones ran into the street in panic, others were crushed in the rubble.

Many fled their homes in night clothes and without shoes. Later, they walked through the glass-strewn streets with cloth wrapped around their feet.

Dozens of buildings and highway overpasses collapsed in Istanbul, state TV said.

Chamber directors OK funds for train

Snyder Chamber of Commerce directors okayed $495 for some of the materials to paint the Roscoe, Snyder & Pacific engine located in Towle Park, and plans also were discussed for the upcoming chamber banquet set for 6:30 p.m. Aug. 31 at the coliseum.

Donna Fowler, chamber manager, announced the guest speaker will be Speaker of the House Pete Laney of Hale Center. Entertainment will be junior high choir students of Marcia Dennis; and Junior Leadership students will seat guests.

Tickets are $6.50 for a child and $12.50 for an adult. Tables may be reserved for companies, organizations, etc.

Over 300 tickets have been purchased for the banquet with a Hawaiian theme. Following the approval of the minutes and the financial statements, Fowler reviewed the proposed budget for the chamber and coliseum. She said it is substantially the same as last year's with an adjustment of funds from the projects that weren't totally used to the projects that fell short last year.

The chamber and coliseum proposed budgets increased $2,000 each and were accepted by the board. The commissioner's court and the city council will both receive copies of the budget.

Rickey Daniell, owner of Arrow Construction, donated labor and some supplies to paint the locomotive by Kiddie Park Kenny Miller donated half the cost of repainting the sign.

Other events on slate for the chamber or to be held at the coliseum include the Scurry County Fair, Sept. 16-17; Y2K Town Hall meeting, Sept. 28 at 6:30 p.m.; Jorden Circus, Sept. 29; White Buffalo Festival, Oct. 1-2; Law Enforcement Banquet hosted by Rep. David Counts, Oct. 18; school elementaries' fall festival, Oct. 23; TxDot Safety Award Banquet, Oct. 29; Lord's Acre, Nov. 13; an arts and craft show, Dec. 4-5; and the Lighted Christmas Parade in December.

Attending were president Trent Driggers, Keith Hackfeld, Sheriff Darren Jackson, Mike Thornton, Helen McLeod, Elois Pruitt, Paula McWilliams, Dr. Marty Akins and staff members Fowler and Sandra Barbosa.

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Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The CITY OF SNYDER will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll by .30 percent. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on AUGUST 24, 1999 at 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL.

FOR the proposal:
AGAINST the proposal: *(names of members of governing body and how each voted)*
PRESENT and not voting:
ABSENT:

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average residence homestead value	$ 32,875	$ 33,058
General exemptions available (amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	$ 0	$ 0
Average taxable value	$ 32,875	$ 33,058
Tax rate	.3935 /$100	.3961/$100 (proposed)
Tax	$ 129.36	$ 130.94 (proposed)

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would INCREASE **by $** 1.58 **or** 1.22 **percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would** INCREASE **by $** .0026 **per $100 of taxable value or** .66 **percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.**

Criminal Justice Mandate (for counties):
The _____ County Auditor certifies that _____ County has spent $_____ in the previous 12 months beginning _____, _____, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. _____ County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Man gets probation for two burglaries

A 28-year-old Snyder man was assessed two probated sentences following guilty pleas entered in 132nd District Court.

Markus Lynn Callahan of 124 20th Place pleaded guilty to burglary of a habitation and burglary of a building.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong sentenced Callahan to 10 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for 10 years, for the burglary of a home owned by David Lyle on April 9.

In addition, Callahan was fined $750, must serve 30 days in the Scurry County Jail work program and participate in a court-approved treatment program. Restitution of $432 was ordered.

Callahan also pleaded guilty to the April 8 burglary of a building owned by Consolidated Tool. He was sentenced to two years in a state jail facility, probated for five years. He was also fined $250 and must make $3,908 in restitution.

The two sentences will be serve concurrently.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Aug. 16- Paula Brown, Mikki Clinkinbeard, Christine Hoyle, Andrew White and Beverly Valentine.

DISMISSALS: Odyne Jones, Wayne Monroney, James Turner, Marvin Applin, Betty Hildreth and William Stevens.

CENSUS: LTC, 23; Med III, 5; OB, 3; NS, 3

Births

Randall and Linda Thomas of Lubbock announce the birth of their daughter, Kateland Daniell, at 6 a.m. on Aug. 11 in University Medical Center. She weighed six pounds, 12 ounces.

A brother, Jerimiah, and great-grandparents Gene and Lewie Thomas and Una Orms welcomed her.

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Bobby and Mikki Clinkinbeard of Snyder are parents of an eight-pound daughter born at 8:26 a.m. on Aug. 16 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Personal, Professional Service
BELL CYPERT-SEALE FUNERAL HOME
3101 College Ave. 573-5454

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Faith Baptist revival slated

Faith Baptist Church, 208 37th St., is conducting at 7 nightly through Wednesday featuring Evangelist Monty Martin.

Youth football, volleyball

Signup for youth football and volleyball, as well as for cheerleaders, continues today through Friday at the Boys and Girls Club. Participants must be ages 9-12 by Aug. 31. A fee of $25 and birth certificate is required. Parents must accompany the child. Football uniforms will be issued at time of signup. Call 573-3344 for more information.

Immunization clinic

An immunization clinic at the Scurry County Health Center is being held today.

SHS booster club

The Snyder High School football booster club will meet at 7 this evening in the Student Center.

Model Airplane Club

The Snyder Model Airplane Club will meet at 7 tonight at the club flying field, located south of 30th Street on Deep creek. Visitors and guests are welcome.

Food handler seminar

The Scurry County Health Unit will sponsor a food handler seminar in Room A at the Scurry County Coliseum. Interested persons may attend the morning class from 9:30 to 11:30 or the afternoon class from 2 to 4 p.m.

Lone Wolf Cemetery Association

The Lone Wolf Cemetery Association will hold a meeting at 9 a.m. Thursday at the cemetery.

Church of Nazarene revival

First Church of Nazarene will hold a revival Thursday through Sunday. Weeknight services begin at 7 p.m. and the Sunday service is set for 10:45 a.m. and will be followed by lunch on the grounds. Keith and Peggy Hatter are the evangelists.

School supplies needed

Snyder ISD and the Scurry County welfare board are seeking donations for school supplies for needy children. Boxes are set up at Wal-Mart, United and Lawrence IGA. For more information, call Mary Ann Juarez at 574-6012.

Joy School

Joy School at East Side Church of Christ is now state licensed and will be open five days a week. The school is for ages 18 months to pre-kindergarten. Parents may choose days wanted. Call 573-3554 for 575-1138 for more information.

Sonshine School

Registration for Sonshine School at 37th Street Church of Christ is being held for pre-school through age five. Classes begins Thursday. For more information call the church office at 573-0154 or Lora Lord at 573-1700.

King's Kids registration

First Baptist Church is registering for King's Kids, ages 1-5, and for Mothers' Day Out, six months to five years old. Call 573-2631 for more information.

Children's Day Out

Children's Day Out, a Tuesday-Thursday child care program at First United Methodist Church, has begun, but spaces are available for two and three year olds. Call 573-4770.

Cub Scout rally

There will be a rally for Cub Scouts at 7 a.m. Aug. 24 at West Elementary. Scouts will then met at 9 a.m. in the WTC parking lot to pick up litter on CR 400. 0Cub Scouts are for boys first grade (seven years old) through the fifth grade. For more information, call James Garvin at 573-3310.

Fair booths available

Food and vendor booths are available for the Scurry County Fair to be held Sept. 16-18 in the Scurry County Coliseum. Costs vary, depending on size and type. For more information, call Sandra Barboza at the chamber, 573-3558.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery: 2-4-19-22-27

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3-2-5

Two weekend runaways are located Monday by officers

Officers located two young boys Monday who had been reported as runaways over the weekend.

The children, ages nine and seven, were located at 10:01 a.m. Monday at 25th Street and Avenue E and returned to their parents.

Child Protective Services was notified.

The boys' father reported at 11:41 p.m. Sunday that the pair had not returned home.

Officers are investigating two incidents involving vehicle burglaries reported Monday.

David Thompson notified officers at 7:03 p.m. that someone had taken a gas blower and gas from his pickup while it was parked in the Wal-Mart parking lot. An offense report was submitted for burglary of a vehicle.

At 8:36 p.m., Raul Rodriguez reported the theft of two amplifiers. An offense report for burglary of a vehicle was filed.

An officer was requested at 1801 15th Street at 10:04 a.m. in reference to someone stealing car keys from Angie Gonzales. An offense report was submitted for Class C theft.

Connie Romero reported to officers at 6:36 p.m. that someone had tried to gain entry into her residence. An offense report was filed for Class C criminal mischief.

An offense report for Class C assault/family violence was filed at 1:14 a.m. today.