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Home Of Smoot Bennett

Legends 'jam session' is tonight

The Legends of Western Swing Music Festival is in its second day, and organizers are sending a special invitation to all area music fans to come out and enjoy the music.

"Snyder is such a wonderful community," said Gloria Miers, wife of Dewey Miers of Western Swing Promotions. "And I hope everyone has an opportunity to come out and listen to the music and meet folks from all over the United States."

Miers, who was kept busy Wednesday with the various vendors in the coliseum and her six-month old grandson, emphasized the family entertainment aspect of the event.

"Young, old and older can come out to the coliseum, sit and listen to the music and do the two-step if they please," said Miers.

This is the third year for the event to be held in Snyder, and many people have attended all three years, including Bettye Cole from Tennessee.

"My business card says it all," laughed Cole.

It don't mean a thing if it ain't Western Swing," the card reads.

Cole says she has collected everything she could from the festival in Snyder, and it is all displayed in her music room back home.

"My neighbors probably know as much about Snyder, Texas as some people living here," Cole said.

If you want to know the history of Western Swing, then look up Cole at the Coliseum.

She knows her stuff.

Ted Scanlon and the Desperados were to kick off the festival at noon today, followed by Cowjazz, Tommy Morrell and the Time Warp Cowhands and the Twin Steel Band.

The evening performers include include Scanlon, the Twin Steel Band and Cowjazz.

Festival-goers have a once in a lifetime opportunity tonight as Morrell will direct the "grand jam" beginning around 10:45 p.m.

A dozen or so of the top musicians at the festival will join together to play until midnight.



PEDDLING THEIR WARES — Carolyn Wilson places a piece of Indian jewelry on Debra Price at their booth at the Legends of Western Swing Music Festival at Scurry County Coliseum. The event continues through Saturday night. (SDN Staff Photo)

Today's Schedule

3:00-4:15	Tommy Morrell & The Time Warp Tophands
4:30-5:30	Hal Rugg/Herby Wallace & The Twin Steel Band
5:30-6:40	Dinner Break
6:40-7:50	Ted Scanlon & The Desperados
8:05-9:10	Hal Rugg/Herby Wallace & The Twin Steel Band
9:25-10:30	Cowjazz
10:45-12:00	The Grand Jam Directed By Tommy Morrell

Friday's Schedule

12:00-1:15	Ted Scanlon & The Desperados
1:30-2:45	Clyde Brewer & The Original River Road Boys
3:00-4:10	Leon Rausch-Tommy Allsup & Bob Wills' Texas Playboys
4:30-5:35	Dave Alexander & The Legends of Western Swing
5:35-6:40	Dinner Break
6:40-7:45	Fiddlers Two & Friends
8:00-9:10	Clyde Brewer & The Original River Road Boys
9:25-10:35	Leon Rausch-Tommy Allsup & Bob Wills' Texas Playboys
10:50-12:00	Dave Alexander & The Legends of Western Swing

Audit reveals check due from St. Mary

While Cogdell Hospital's yearly audit report indicates an improvement of almost a quarter of a million dollars in the hospital's operations, the hospital will still receive $156,306 from St. Mary Hospital.

The hospital's three-year contract with St. Mary, effective Jan. 1 of last year, calls for the Lubbock hospital to pay Cogdell one-half of the local hospital's operating losses up to $400,000 — the maximum payment being $200,000.

In figuring the total loss or gain, County Auditor Eddie McHaney said one excludes the county's ad valorem tax money payments to the hospital of $395,000, and disproportionate share payments.

"The contract also calls for the county to pay St. Mary if the hospital makes a profit," McHaney said, adding that the same limits are in effect.

"If the hospital made a profit of over $400,000 the maximum management fee that would have to be paid would be $200,000," said McHaney.

Cogdell CEO Jeff Reecer said St. Mary is aware of the money due the hospital, and that it would probably be paid in June.

"While the commissioners court has reviewed the audit, our board won't do so until our June 25th meeting," said Reecer. "The bill will be presented to St. Mary and we'll probably get the money in July."

"There is certainly no controversy as whether St. Mary owes it. It's written out pretty plainly in the contract," Reecer said.

Reecer also said that the recently completed merger between St. Mary Hospital and Methodist Hospital should result in some long-term benefits for Cogdell.

"Before, we were competing with hospitals that had management contracts with Methodist Hospital, now we will all be working together to provide the best health care possible for the respective communities."

New municipal judge settling in

Newly-appointed municipal court judge Ben Smith keeps a full schedule.

He has served as assistant district attorney in Fisher, Nolan and Mitchell counties since Janurary of 1997, and now has the added responsibilities of the part-time municipal court position.

"My schedule is full, always busy and occasionally hectic," he said.

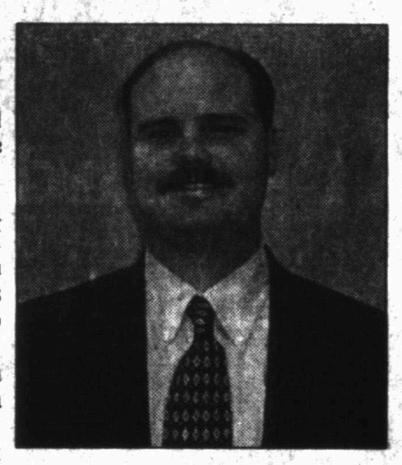
He will hold court every Monday and Wednesday morning as standard practice, along with holding night court the first Tuesday of every month.

A Scurry County native and 1988 graduate of Hermleigh High School, Smith earlier this month was appointed new municipal judge by Snyder City Council following the resignation of Judge Tommie Mills.

"I think the municipal court position is an important position. I think it is a place where you can see that justice is served and that is why I wanted to be a lawyer to begin with."

Smith said he knew in high school that he wanted to be a lawyer.

"There was no big watershed that happened that made me decide to be an attorney, just whenever I was in high school I was interested in right and wrong and had a sense of what was just, and I thought by being an attorney I could fight for the good cause."



Ben Smith

Following his graduation from Texas Tech Law School in 1995, he practiced law in Snyder and was a member of the Cooley and Hartman law firm before becoming the 32nd judicial district's assistant DA.

He said he is very happy to be serving as the new judge.

"I am honored that I can be of service to Snyder and the justice system."

The part-time position will earn Smith $14,400 per year.

Rotan man gets 10-year term for role in drive-by shooting

Twenty-one-year-old Fedencio Ramon of Rotan was sentenced Wednesday to 10 years and a day in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for a December drive-by shooting.

The maximum sentence he could have received was 20 years, while the minimum was two.

The seven-woman, five-man jury deliberated just over two hours before returning the sentence.

He had been found guilty on Tuesday afternoon on charges of firing a handgun at John Christopher Hernandez on Dec. 18 in the 600 block of 25th Street.

Hernandez was not injured in the incident.

Two others are also charged in the shooting. Solatina Maria Flores, 19, and Marcus Lee Rocha, 17, were also indicted a Scurry County grand jury last January.

The defendant's court-appointed attorney was Jeff Davis of Hamlin. District attorney Dana Cooley presented the state's evidence, and District Judge Ernie Armstrong presided.

Storm causes fires

A fast-moving thunderstorm brought little rain and a lot of lightning and high winds to Scurry County late Wednesday evening.

Firemen were kept busy fighting at least two fires that were apparently started by lightning just north of Snyder — staying at the second fire to well after 2 a.m.

Dispatchers at the sheriff's office received calls about power lines being down near Walls Industries and that a tree had blown into the street in the 1200 block of 21st Street.

High winds sent RV owners parked at the Scurry County Coliseum for the Western Swing Festival scurrying to tie everything down.

"Things were blowing around some out there," said Scurry County Chief Deputy Delwyn Davis. Davis also drew dispatch duty Wednesday night and said some of the RV owners were getting concerned about the high winds.

The National Weather Service out of Midland issued a severe thunderstom warning around 9 p.m. for the Lake Thomas area, but officials there said little, if any moisture was recorded.

The only recordable moisture in the area was .15 of an inch three miles northeast of Hermleigh and .10 of an inch in Dermott.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A theory is something that sometimes won't evaporate — even with facts."

Last December, thanks to President Clinton and his environmental point-man and wannabe president Al Gore, the United States was part of the Kyoto Conference in Japan aimed at a reversal of global warming.

The U.S. committed to reducing its emissions of greenhouse gases by seven percent below 1990 levels. That reduction — at major costs to the gross national product — was to be achieved mainly by cutting the combustion of fossil fuels.

While it all sounded planet-friendly, the respected Cato Institute has said that all agreed plans will only reduce planetary warming by a mere 0.19 degees Celsius over the next 50 years.

If the costs of preventing additional warming were to remain constant, the Kyoto-adopted protocol would cost substantially, 12 percent of gross national product per degree of warming prevented each year over the next 50 years.

The Cato Institute concluded, "The Kyoto Protocol will have no discernible effect on global climate. In fact, it is doubtful that the current network of surface thermometers could distinguish a change on the order of .19 degree from normal year-to-year variations. The Kyoto Protocol will result in no demonstrable climate change, but easily demonstrable economic change."

How can that be?

Well, the United States has agreed. But nations responsible for as much as 25 percent of all greenhouse admissions have not committed to the Kyoto reductions.

Nations such as China, India, Australia and the developing Pacific Rim (with the exception of Japan) are not committed to any reductions.

While we may not fully understand all we read about the need and efforts to curb global warming, we do understand this summer's smoke from nearby Mexico.

No matter what good environmental practices we adopt, neighbors have to be willing to do likewise.

It's sort of like spraying your lawn to get rid of dandelions. No matter what you do, if a neighbor lets them flourish — you too, in spite of costly efforts, are gonna have a bumper crop.

ASK US

Q—Where have previous Legends of Western Swing Music Festivals been held?

A—In Texarkana and Canton.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 103 degrees; low, 78; 7 a.m. Thursday, 80; no precipitation; total for 1998, 5.57 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, isolated evening storms. Low, lower 70s. SE wind 5-15 mph. Rain chance: Less than 20%. Friday, isolated afternoon storms. High near 100. S wind 10-20 mph. Rain chance less than 20 percent.



Amanda Rivera
Storm chance

Sunset: 8:51 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:39 a.m.
Of 168 days in 1998, the sun has shone 166 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

I skate to where the puck is going to be, not to where it has been.

Wayne Gretzky

Scurry Co. Museum given CAP grant

The Institute of Museum and Library Sciences (IMLS) and the Heritage Presentation announced Wednesday that the Scurry County Museum has been awarded a 1998 Conservation Assessment Program (CAP) grant.

Through on-site consultation with a professional conservator, the grant will enable the museum to evaluate its current collections care policies, procedures and environmental conditions.

CAP assists museums in making collections care and conservation a fundamental priority of their instutions. Diane Frankel, director of IMLS, says, "I am very proud of all that this program has accomplished. It is a model public-private partnership that increases access to museums' collections across the country.

Larry Reger, president of Heritage Preservation, said, "The Scurry County Museum is joining a growing number of museums throughout the U.S. that are learning to provide better care of the collections so they will be available to future generations."

The Scurry County Museum is located at 6200 College Ave. and presents local historical exhibits and a variety of temporary displays. It is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and closed on Fridays during the summer.

The museum is currently showing exhibitions on: "The Dust Bowl," "Literary East Texas," "The Way Things Were," and "The Nature Photographs of Curtis E. Williams."

CAP provides funds for a general conservation survey of the museum's collections and sites. Conservation priorities are identified by professional conservators who spend two days surveying the site and three days writing a comprehensive report.

Reports produced by conservators help museums develop long-term plans for improved collection care. The local museum expects to develop a long-range preservation plan for its collections from participating in CAP.

CAP is a one-time award funded by ILMS and administered by Heritage Preservation. IMLS provides a federal support for museums and libraries. IMLS is comprised of the Offices of Museum Services (OMS) and Library Services (OLS).

Congress established IMLS in 1996 through the Museum and Library Services Act which consolidates museum support formerly administered by the Department of Education.

Heritage Preservation, based in Washington, D.C. is the national organization representing conservation and preservation activities in the United States.

CAP was originated in 1990 and has funded over 1,200 museums. For more information about CAP, contact Heritage Preservation at 1730 K St., NM, Suite 566, Washington, D.C. 20006 or 202-625-1495.



OUT IN FRONT — Central's William Greenwood took the lead in this race on play day. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Husband, 'mall-order' bride apply for marriage license

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — David Weinlick and Elizabeth Runze know all about applications — paperwork got them together in the first place.

But now Weinlick, an anthropology student, and Runze, who passed an application process and won his friends' and relatives' approval, are making their marriage official.

The two 28-year-olds tied the knot last week at the Mall of America in Bloomington, but had yet to apply for a marriage license to make it all legal.

The suspense ended Wednesday when they filled out their application. With a five-day waiting period, they expect their marriage to be official early next week.

"It's absolutely wonderful. I must say we're very happy," Weinlick said.

Four years ago, Weinlick said he grew tired of being asked when he was going to get married, so he came up with a stock answer: June 13, 1998.

With the deadline upon him Saturday, friends and relatives interviewed the candidates who learned of the marriage proposal from the Internet and media coverage. About two dozen people were interviewed.

Weinlick met Runze the previous Monday, when she picked up a candidate survey from him and they struck up a short conversation.

They talked further the next day, when she returned with her completed survey that asked about issues such as career goals, hobbies and traits she looks for in a good friend.

A pharmacy student at the University of Minnesota, Runze was selected by a landslide at a bridal candidate mixer Saturday. Weinlick promptly married her.

The couple plans a private ceremony later where they will renew their vows and invite people who could not attend the mall event.

Chickens killed by heat wave

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The heat wave that has fried Texas in recent weeks has killed an estimated 200,000 chickens at poultry farms around Gonzales County in South Texas.

"Turkeys, hens and broilers all got a good lick Sunday," said grower A.M. "Buddy" Lindeman Jr., 65. "It was still. It was hot. The air did not move, and the chickens just couldn't take it even with the fans and misters in the house."

Lindeman, whose "Buddy's Natural Chickens" are found in supermarket coolers around San Antonio, estimates he lost around 18,000 immature birds.

According to various reports, temperatures reached 110 Sunday in Gonzales County, where there are 180 poultry farms.

One poultry grower said this of the dead chickens: "They just melted."

Harold Grauke, lab production manager for Tyson Foods in Gonzales, estimated his loss at around 160,000 birds out of 6 million the company was raising in the area.

"We lost some broilers. The hens and pullets fared OK," Grauke told the San Antonio Express-News, adding that the worst part of the chicken deaths is cleaning up the mess.

"You've got a short period of time to render them or bury them. That's your only choice. You just want to get rid of them," he said.

Grauke said the deaths aren't expected to affect the supply of chicken at supermarkets.

"This loss is not even a drop in the ocean for the industry or for Tyson. No one likes to lose birds, but we sell 35 million a week," he said.

Still, some are worried about the die-off.

Advisers again endorse safety of new fake fat called olestra

RESTON, Va. (AP) — A Food and Drug Administration advisory committee has overwhelmingly reaffirmed the safety of a fake fat used in some chips and crackers.

Fifteen of the 18 members of the food safety advisory board present during the polling Wednesday agreed with the statement that there is a "reasonable certainty of no harm" from olestra. Two members declined to endorse the statement and one member abstained.

The action by the independent experts rejected the contention by the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a consumer advocacy group, that there is a health hazard for people eating snack foods made with olestra.

The group contended that olestra caused gas, bloating, diarrhea and nausea, and that it blocked absorption of some nutrients.

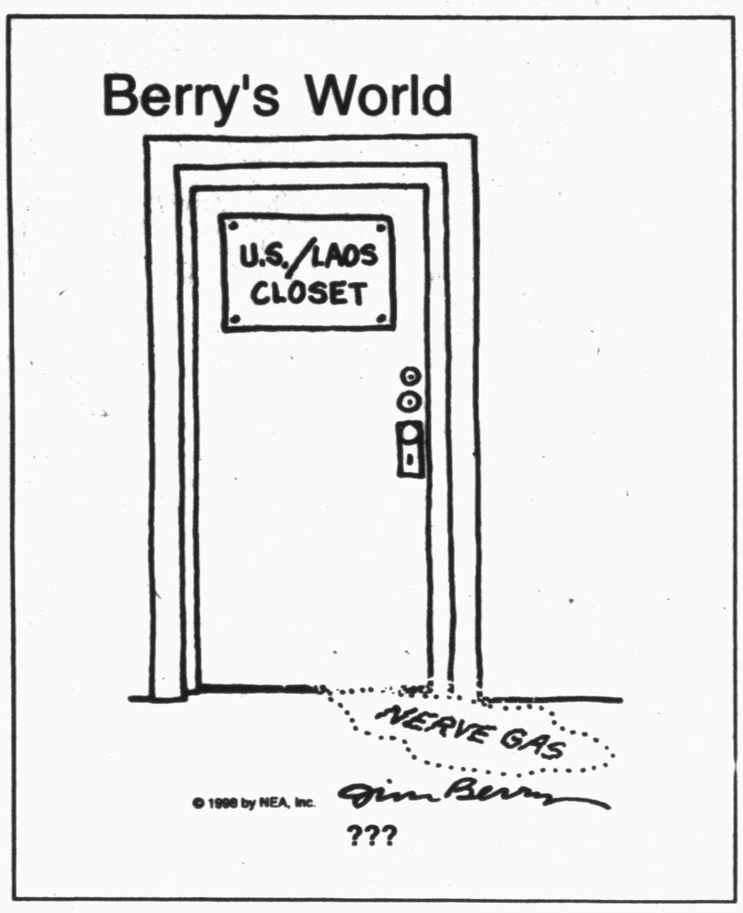
The FDA approved the use of olestra in potato chips and crackers in 1996 but required continued health evaluation studies by Procter & Gamble and potato chip maker Frito-Lay. The advisory board meeting was held to present the results of the studies conducted over the last 30 months.

Olestra is used in some potato and corn chips made by Frito-Lay, Fat Free chips made by Procter & Gamble and in Fat Free Nabisco Crackers.

Members of the advisory board said the new research showed no unexpected digestive problems and no adverse health effects from blocking absorption of food nutrients.

Olestra is a synthetic fat that tastes like real fat, but is formulated not to be absorbed by the body and thus adds no fat to the diet.

Over 2½ days of testimony, the food companies presented results from a series of olestra feeding studies, including one in which subjects ate olestra chips for 168 straight meals. The studies generally showed that gastrointestinal problems were no greater among olestra consumers than among other people.



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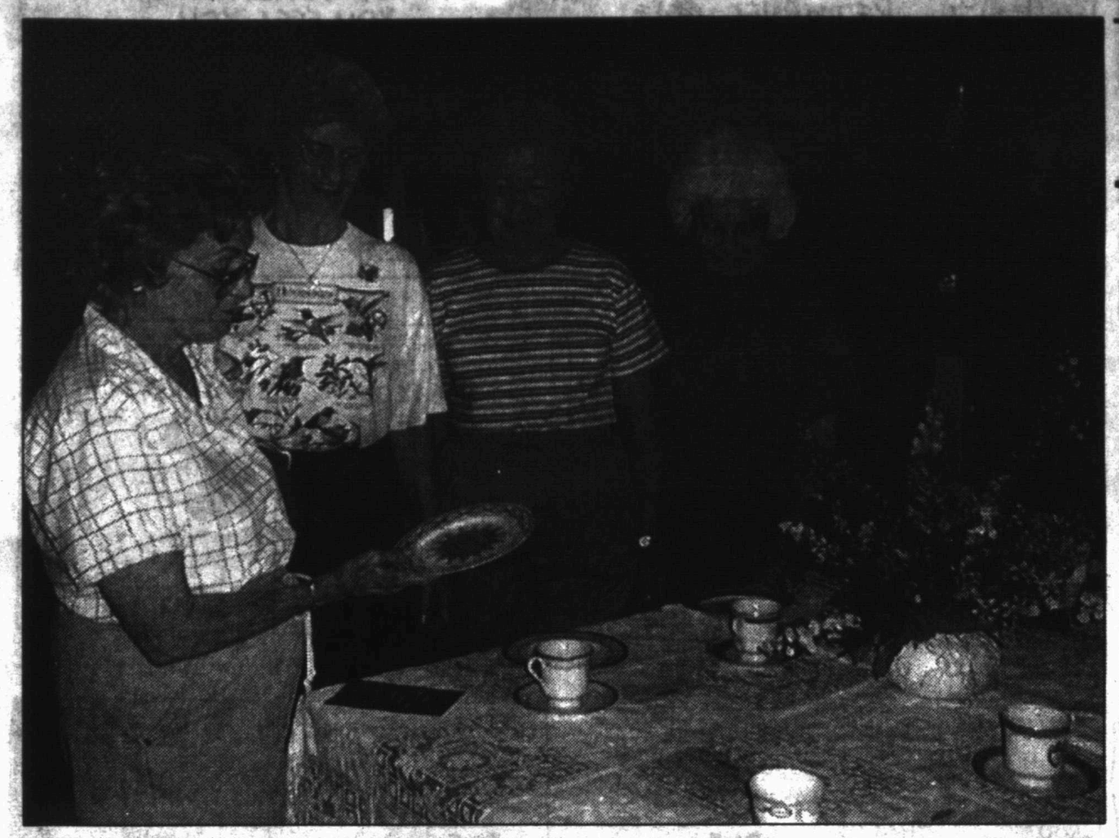
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SWING VISITORS TOUR HOUSE — Connie Fellers of Houston, Mary Helen Bargsley of Austin, Jo Williams of Laceys Spring, Ala., and Mildred Edwards of Tishomingo, Okla., (from left) toured the Cornelius-Dodson House, located on the Scurry County Coliseum grounds, before the Western Swing Festival kicked off Wednesday. Fellers has been attending the festival for 11 years and Bargsley 10 years. The festival has been in Snyder the past three years. The foursome admire Jean Everett's collection of The White House Dessert Collection by Woodmere China. The dining table is set with recreations of plates from Presidents George Washington to Abraham Lincoln. The Dodson House will be open each morning with June McGlaun as docent. The Festival will conclude Saturday at midnight. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Ask Anne & Nan

By Anne B. Adams
and Nancy Nash-Cummings



Herbal tick repellent for pets

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: The ticks are absolutely horrid this spring in New Hampshire. I will not put chemicals on myself or my canine friends. Do you know any herbal concoctions I can make to make it pleasant once again to walk in the fields and woods? — **GRETCHEN RENEE, Canaan, N.H.**

DEAR GRETCHEN: The best way to discourage ticks is to groom your four-footed friends thoroughly before you let them run in the woods or fields. Brush out loose hair and mats so you can get to their skin more easily and dust them with an herbal flea repellent. You can find these repellents at pet stores and natural food stores or make your own. Simply combine one part of each of the following powdered herbs: eucalyptus, rosemary, fennel, yellow dock, wormwood and rue. Store in a shaker-type jar. Apply sparingly to your dog's coat by brushing backwards with your hand and sprinkling it into the base of the hair, especially the neck, back and belly. When your dog returns home, check for ticks.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: Would you be able to advise me where I might buy a small, hand-held wheel-and-dial gadget to use on state maps to determine distances between points? Mileage charts provided on maps are fine — large city to large city. However, if you take a side road and drive about, you are often in a quandary, as not all roads show mileages. With this wee gadget, you merely run it along your route and the total distance is displayed on the dial. — **HAL GROVER, Ocklawaha, Fla.**

DEAR HAL: We remember well the contraption that you describe and we finally found one. It's called a "Map Measure" and is available from Sporty's Preferred Living catalog. It's item #2039L, $15.95 plus $4.95 for shipping. To order call (800) 543-8633 or write Sporty's at Clermont County Airport, Batavia, OH 45103-9747.

STUMPED: NEEDLE IN THE HAYSTACK — Mary Jane McNeal writes, "In the early 1960s my son, then 14, asked for a Bulldog Tank for Christmas. It was probably the only time in his early years we substituted another gift. He is now 51 and his tank has become a family joke. He says he's flawed because we never got him his Bulldog Tank. We've looked at flea markets, garage sales, etc. Could you or your readers come up with the manufacturer or a source?" Can anyone come to Mary Jane's rescue?

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I make shell jewelry. I would like to make boxes to put the jewelry in. Have you directions for making boxes? — **J.J., Key West, Fla.**

DEAR J.J.: We do have directions for boxes, thanks to Barbara Courtney of Baton Rouge who got them from her friend Joan Newton of Pine Creek, Ore.

BOXES

Using the dimensions given below, take a square piece of paper. On one side (the side that will become the inside of the box) draw from corner to corner thus marking the center. Fold each of the four corners to this center mark, sharply folding each crease. Now fold each of the four sides in half making a rectangle, and fold this to the center, again sharply creasing. Completely unfold one side rectangle (we will call this the bottom). You will then see perpendicular fold lines on either side. Cut through each side along these lines, but only to the middle 'box.' Next, unfold the opposite side (or top) and cut as before. Fold the exposed ends of the 'top' up and over the left and right sides. As you will see, one flap will need to be tucked under, thus reinforcing and joining the 'top' and 'bottom' sides. Repeat with the 'bottom' side. You may now want to secure the joining flaps inside of the box with a piece of tape, glue or a decorative sticker.

The bottom for the box is completed in the same way. The only difference is that the original piece of paper is cut slightly smaller (1/4 of an inch should be enough).

PAPER DIMENSIONS: 2.66 X FINAL BOX SIZE = SIZE PAPER TO BE USED

8-inch-square paper yields a 3-inch box

21-1/3-inch-square paper yields an 8-inch box

24-inch-square paper yields a 9-inch box

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I would like to purchase knit-type union sleeveless underwear. In the old days, we used to call them BVDs. For years I was able to purchase them through the Sears catalog, but since Sears discontinued their catalog service, I am unable to do so. — **JOSEPH BALSAMELLO, Des Plaines, Ill.**

DEAR JOSEPH: The best price we found for men's sleeveless, knee-length union suits is in the Gohn Bros. circular. This Middlebury, Ind., store has been selling Amish and plain clothing for 94 years. This union suit is item #850, comes in sizes M, L and XL, and costs $9.98 plus $2.70 for UPS shipping or $2.90 for parcel post. To order, send your check or money order to Gohn Bros, Box 111, Middlebury, IN 46540.

Dollars motivate keeping promise

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — Let THEM eat cake. Gov. Gary Johnson swore off sweets before Christmas and losing his willpower now would cost him a bundle.

There's a sweet motivation: Johnson and two top aides are paying $100 apiece into a special fund every month. Whoever is the first to snack on the forbidden food loses his share to the others.

"It's crazy," the governor acknowledged Tuesday.

Apparently it's also irresistible to a self-made millionaire known for his fierce competitiveness. Since the beginning of December, he hasn't had a bite of the off-limits food.

"Not one time," Johnson said. "Not one doughnut. Not one cookie. Not one piece of cake. Not one bowl of ice cream. Not one Coca-Cola."

Also on the list of no-no's: candy, pie, muffins, scones and "the whole chip family."

The contest came to light Tuesday when the 45-year-old Johnson, an accomplished triathlete who works out daily, refused a piece of cake during a ceremony to promote the state lottery.

With $2,100 in the contest kitty after seven months, the piece of cake would have cost him not only his $700 share but the "opportunity value" of being the winner, Johnson said.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 06-18-98
♠ 10 8 5 4
♥ K 8 3 2
♦ 10 7 6
♣ K 10

West
♠ A K
♥ 9 7 6
♦ K Q J
♣ 9 7 4 3 2

East
♠ Q J 9 6 2
♥ 5
♦ 9 8 5 3 2
♣ Q J

South
♠ 7 3
♥ A Q J 10 4
♦ A 4
♣ A 8 6 5

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	2 ♥	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	4 ♥	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ K

A try for game

By Phillip Alder

An action not well understood by many players is the *trial bid*. One of a major (by opener or responder) is raised to two. With a minimum hand, you pass. With a maximum hand, you jump to game. But what do you do with an intermediate hand that is too good to pass yet not good enough to jump straight to game? Enter the trial bid (or game-try, as it is called in some quarters).

You mention a new suit, usually one that is weak, at least three cards in length, and containing two or three losers. Traditional holdings are A-x-x, K-x-x, Q-x-x-x, x-x-x, etc. (If there are two possible suits in which to make a trial bid, normally choose the weaker.)

How does partner react? He is being asked for help in that suit: cards (or shortage) that will stop your side's losing two or three tricks in the trial suit. Great holdings are a void, a singleton, K-x, K-Q-x, A-K-x, etc. Undesirable holdings are J-x-x, Q-x-x, x-x-x, x-x-x-x, etc.

More about this tomorrow. Now, a deal featuring a trial bid.

Despite his minimum count, North should bid game with the good club holding and four trumps.

West cashes the spade king before the ace to show a doubleton. Then he switches to the diamond king.

South wins with the diamond ace, draws one round of trumps from hand, plays a club to dummy's King, returns the club 10 to his ace, ruffs a club with the heart eight, crosses back to hand with a trump, ruffs the last club with the heart king, ruffs a spade high, draws West's last trump, and claims 10 tricks — whew! (Slight variations on this line are possible.)

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Dobson suffers a light stroke

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — James Dobson, whose daily radio program "Focus on the Family" reaches 5 million listeners, was hospitalized after suffering a mild stroke.

Dobson was "resting comfortably while undergoing a series of tests and procedures to better determine his condition," Paul Hetrick, a spokesman for the Christian ministry, said Wednesday.

He said Dobson became ill after returning from a conference in North Carolina and was admitted to a Colorado Springs hospital late Tuesday.



WEDDING SHOWER — Jennifer Tovar, bride-elect of Martin Orosco, was honoree at a wedding shower on June 7 in the community room of Snyder Savings and Loan. Several hostesses decorated tables with the bride's chosen colors of burgundy and mauve. From left are Jo Ann Tovar, mother of the honoree; the honoree; and Irene Orosco, mother of the prospective groom. The couple will marry at 4 p.m. on July 11 in the Snyder Country Club. (Contributed Photo)

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Al-Anon brown bag, open meeting; 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, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

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

Snyder Chapter No. 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th Street; 8 p.m.

New Horizons AA; closed meeting; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 8 p.m.

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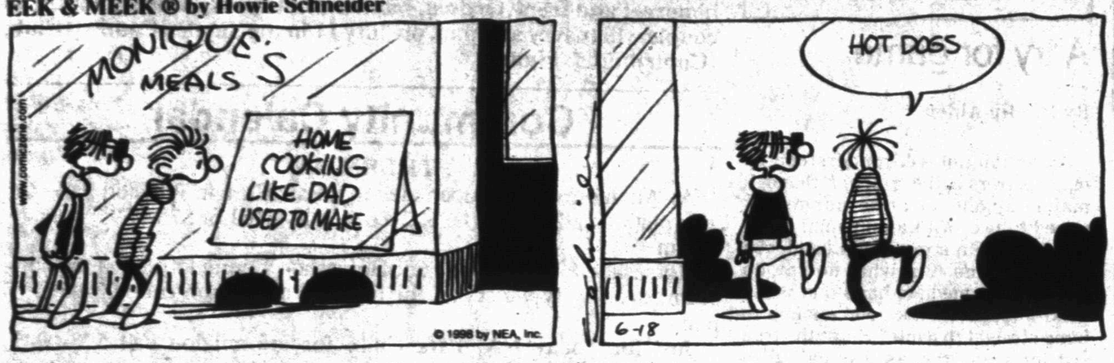
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14 Antiseptic liquid
15 List
16 Card combination
17 Greenland settlement
18 Third mo.
20 Landed
21 Producer Spelling
23 Soldier's weapon
27 Foes
32 Type of column
33 Luxurious fur
34 Hockey or soccer
35 Societal group
36 Meeting
39 Church official
40 Did a puzzle-editor's job
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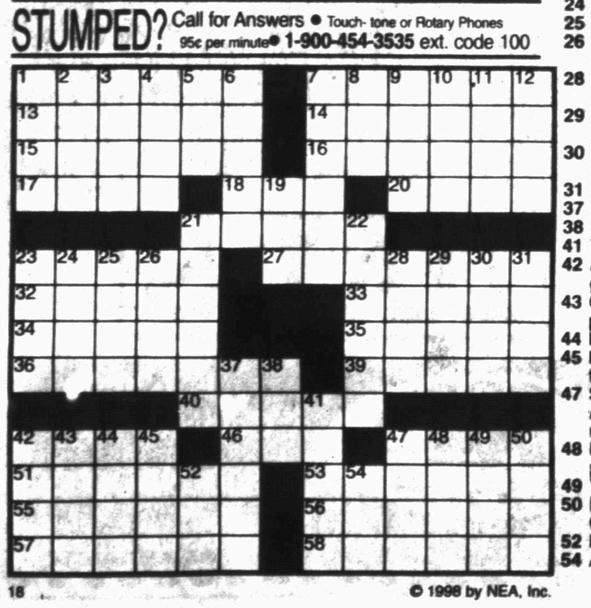
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7 Lemonlike fruit
8 Garden tool
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10 Unit of Iranian currency
11 Hooklike parts
12 Red vegetable
19 Measure of land
21 Smallest ocean
22 Made a home
23 Hissing sound
24 Vatican chief
25 Son of Seth
26 Assumed manner
28 Fertilizer mixture
29 In the same place (abbr.)
30 River in Germany
31 Prophet
37 Most aged
38 Sister
41 Tidal wave
42 Attention-getting sound
43 Garment piece
44 Horse color
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47 South American rodent
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49 Yield
50 River in Germany
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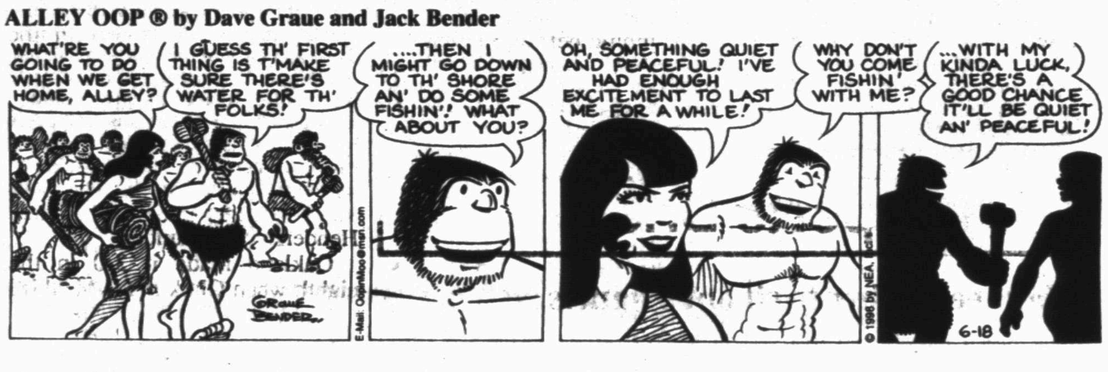
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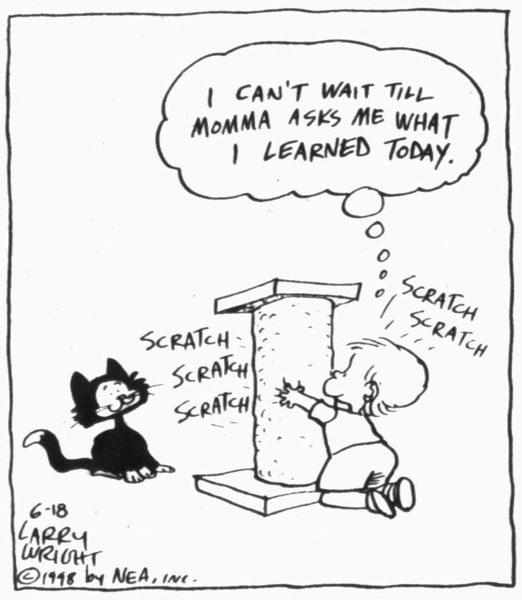
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SPORTS

WTC cowgirls cling to lead; Westerners slip to fifth place

RAPID CITY, S.D. — After opening up a 30-point lead in the first round of the National Finals College Rodeo, the Lady Westerners now find themselves in a battle.

The Western Texas College women's team netted only 50 points Wednesday and Weber State notched 70 of its own, trimming the WTC lead to only 10 points.

WTC's men's squad, which was third after opening round competition, slipped into a tie for fifth with Blue Mountain Community College, after garnering only 35.8 points.

Tona Wright, whose time of 12.21 seconds in barrel racing had given her the top spot early on, fell to fourth place after Wednesday's action.

In bareback riding, Kyle Bowers watched as three competitors posted scores of 77 to drop him from first place into fifth.

No other WTC entries managed to crack the top-eight in the standings.

The Lady Westerners have the third and fourth rounds, today and Friday, to extend their lead before the finals of each event begin Saturday.

The WTC women own a 200-190 advantage over Weber State, followed by Lewis-Clark State at 155 and Western Montana at 151.83.

The WTC men will be chasing first-place Panhandle State. PSU extended their margin from 17 points to 50 after notching 155 points on Wednesday. The biggest climb up the standings was made by Dickinson State which posted 195.3 points to jump into second place.

Team Standings

Men—1, Panhandle State, 372 points. 2, Dickinson State Unviersity, 322. 3, of Southern Idaho, 275. 4, West Texas A&M, 255. 5, Southwestern Oklahoma State, 215. 6 (tie), Western Texas, and Blue Mountain Community, 185. 8, Western Montana, 120.

Women—1, Western Texas, 200. 2, Weber State, 190. 3, Lewis-Clark State, 155. 4, Western Montana, 151.83. 5 (tie), Southwestern Oklahoma State and Central Wyoming, 135. 7, Nevada-Las Vegas, 130. 8, South Dakota State, 120.

8-iron nets ace for von Roeder

R.B. von Roeder might want to change his nickname from "Dent" to "Ace."

Using an 8-iron, von Roeder made a hole-in-one Tuesday on the 140-yard sixth hole at Western Texas College during a Men's Golf Association event.

Witnesses to the accomplishment were Bud Pinkerton, Jayson Presley and Dennis Gartman.

Texas continues skid

ARLINGTON (AP) — Kenny Rogers pitched 7 1-3 innings to beat his former team and Oakland took advantage of two errors by Texas first baseman Will Clark for a 3-2 win Wednesday night over the Rangers.

The Athletics have won four straight games.

Rogers (7-3) won for the first time since May 9 and improved his career mark to 3-1 against the Rangers, whom he won 70 games for from 1989-95. The left-hander had been scratched from his scheduled start on Tuesday with stiffness in his back.

He took a shutout into the eighth inning before running into trouble. With one out, Rogers hit Luis Alicea and Roberto Kelly's homer brought the Rangers within 3-2.

Rogers struck out six and walked one. Billy Taylor pitched the ninth for his 13th save.

The slumping Rangers have lost six of seven.

Rogers allowed only one hit in the first four innings before the Rangers put runners on second and third with one out in the fifth. But Rogers retired Fernando Tatis on a foul pop and got Alicea on a grounder to preserve a 2-0 lead.

Oakland scored a run in the first off John Burkett (4-7), who has won only once in his last seven starts.

Ben Grieve reached on Clark's fielding error and went to third on Matt Stairs' single. Mike Blowers then hit an RBI double.

The A's made it 2-0 in the second with the help of another fielding lapse by Clark. Miguel Tejada singled and was forced at second. A.J. Hinch's single moved Christenson to third where he scored ahead of Clark's high throw to the plate on Rickey Henderson's grounder.

Oakland made it 3-0 in the eighth when Clark made his third fielding blunder of the night and second error. Blowers singled and went to third on Tejada's single. Tejada took off for second on a steal attempt, then headed back to first when it appeared that Rodriguez's throw to second would easily beat him.

In the ensuing rundown, Clark had the ball knocked out of his glove by Tejada for an error, allowing Blowers to score from third.

Burkett allowed three runs — one earned — and 11 hits in 7 2-3 innings.



LEAGUE CHAMPIONS — The Astros won the Minor Division of Snyder Little League and begin the County Tournament at 8 tonight against Eastland at Abilene's Western Complex. Members of the Astros are, front row, left to right, Joey Harvey, Manny Aparicio, Raymond Valadez, Chris Gutierrez, Henry Ramos and Jonathan McClure. On the middle row are Andy Garvin, Chance Grantham, John Gomez and Sergio Sarabia. On the back row are coaches David Gutierrez, Simon Gutierrez and Jimmy Gutierrez. Not pictured are Chase Burleson and Arthur Perez. Major Division champions, the Cubs, also start tourney play at 8 tonight against Baird in Albany. (Contributed Photo)

4-run ninth fuels Astros' 6-5 victroy

HOUSTON (AP) — Jeff Bagwell hit a game-tying two-run homer and Brad Ausmus capped the four-run, ninth-inning rally with an RBI single as the Houston Astros beat the St. Louis Cardinals 6-5 Wednesday night.

Mark McGwire hit his major league-leading 32nd homer and drove in his NL-leading 81st run for the Cardinals.

The Astros trailed 5-2 before rallying in the ninth against Jeff Brantley (0-4), who got his fourth blown save in 14 chances.

Craig Biggio led off with a walk, stole second and moved to third on Bill Spiers' bunt single. Derek Bell drove home Biggio with a sacrifice fly, and Bagwell hit Brantley's next pitch over the left-field fence for his 11th homer of the season.

One out later, Carl Everett singled and reached second on right fielder Brian Jordan's error. Curtis King came in and walked Ricky Gutierrez before Ausmus, who went 3-for-4, singled home Everett from second.

C.J. Nitkowski (2-2) pitched a scoreless ninth for the win.

Sports Briefs

Yankee pitcher to sit out 5 games

NEW YORK (AP) — Yankees reliever Mike Stanton was suspended five games by AL president Gene Budig for hitting Baltimore's Eric Davis in the back with a pitch immediately after serving up a home run to Rafael Palmeiro on Monday.

Last month, Orioles reliever Armando Benitez hit Tino Martinez with a fastball after yielding Bernie Williams' home run, sparking an ugly fight that spilled into dugouts at Yankee Stadium.

Budig suspended Benitez eight games, as well as four others who received smaller bans.

Penders takes over at GW

WASHINGTON (AP) — Barring any last-minute hitches, Tom Penders will be introduced today as George Washington University's men's basketball coach.

The school scheduled a 1 p.m. news conference, and a source close to the program who spoke on condition of anonymity said Penders will replace Mike Jarvis, who left a week ago for St. John's.

Penders, 53, was forced to resign in April after 10 years at Texas and a 208-110 record.

MGA night golf

The Men's Golf Association of Western Texas College will hold a night gold tourney Friday beginning at 8:45. Format will be two-man scramble.

Basketball camp

The WTC Super Shooters Basketball Camp will begin Monday and run through Friday. Registration will start Monday at 8 a.m.

Incoming 7-8 grade boys and 7-12 grade girls are eligible. For more information, contact Valery Jackson or Marla Beasley at 573-8511 ext. 286 or 573-1494.

Summer league basketball

All incoming 7-9 grade boys interested in playing summer league basketball should be at Travis Gym on Monday and Thursday evenings at 6 o'clock.

Referees and scorekeepers will be provided. Cost is $20 for the four-week session.

Volleyball camp

Snyder Volleyball Camp for incoming 5th-9th grade girls will be held July 13-16 at the SHS gymnasium.

Cost is $40 per student, which includes a camp T-shirt. Registration deadline is July 9.

For more information, contact SHS head coach Patty Grimmett at 573-9416.

Jr. golf clinic

The WTC Junior Golf Clinic for ages 8-16 will be held July 13-17. Registration is limited to first the 45 entries.

Instruction on swing mechanics, putting, short game and vidoe analysis will be led by WTC pro Rick Kahlich and SHS coaches Matt Glenn and Primo Gonzales.

Cost is $75. To register, call the WTC pro shop at 573-9291.

Volleyball tourney

Entries are being accepted for the annual July 4th Volleyball Tournament. Deadline for registration is July 2.

Format is coed with 8 players per roster. T-shirts and team trophies will be awarded to first, second and third place teams.

For more information, call Luis at 573-4767 after 5 p.m. or Angel at 573-0348.

Committee votes to allow golf carts...

UIL bucks rodeo, cheerleading

AUSTIN (AP) — The state known for the Kilgore Rangerettes and the Texas Cheerleader Hitmom wants nothing to do with cheerleading and drill team as high school sports.

And forget rodeo, too, cowboys.

A University Interscholastic League policy committee Wednesday unanimously rejected making either cheerleading or rodeo as high school sports.

"Rodeo's a great sport," said UIL Athletic Director Charles Breithaupt. "But right now we have sports that focus on hurling objects or bodies through space. Rodeo does that too, but there's an animal involved."

The UIL committee, made up of superintendents from across the state, followed a recommendation by UIL staff that rodeo doesn't fit the profile of sports offered by the league.

When it came to cheerleading and drill team, UIL officials recommended the committee reject the idea because of the subjectivity of tryouts and selection.

Bonnie Northcutt, UIL policy director, said she receives some 1,200 calls a year from angry parents who say their child was unfairly excluded as a cheerleader or drill team member.

The parents rant about everything from the tryouts to lack of adequate uniforms to flatter their child, she said.

"I tell them it's not a UIL program, but they still want to ventilate," Ms. Northcutt said.

Ms. Northcutt told committee members that cheerleading and drill team are "very controversial, emotional, time-consuming problem areas at the public schools. It's a serious problem, and one we may want to continue to run from."

Pat Pringle, an associate commissioner of the Texas Education Agency, said: "I don't know of any school in the state that has been able to conduct a fair tryout procedure. Oral surgery would be less painful than cheerleader elections."

Support for making cheerleading and drill team high school sports came from a handful of parents who submitted their request in writing and didn't testify.

The rodeo proposal came from J. Herman Smith, superintendent of Angleton Independent School District.

"Thirty-seven other states do this. I find it real strange that in Texas, where cattle and rodeo are most associated, we can't come up with a way to make this a UIL sport," Smith said.

"I think you all realize rodeo may be the oldest sport in this country when you go back to the cattle drives."

Breithaupt said concerns about rodeo include who would be responsible for providing the livestock, where the events would be held, insurance liability and the amateur rule.

Many young rodeo participants now win cash and prizes for competition, something they couldn't do if rodeo were made a UIL event.

"I'm not sure the kids would even want to compete in rodeo as a UIL sport," Breithaupt said. "They win things like diamond-studded belt buckles, cash and saddles in independent competition. They would lose out on those opportunities."

The committee also approved a rewrite of its guidelines to allow golfers who suffer from a disability to use a cart in competition.

Breithaupt called it the "Casey Martin Rule," after the professional golfer who successfully sued to use a cart in competition because of a degenerative disease affecting his leg.

"Carts could not be used by someone with a hamstring pull," said Dewey Helmcamp, an assistant attorney general who represents the UIL. "We're talking about a congenital defect like Casey Martin has."

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East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	49	22	.690	-
NewYork	38	28	.576	8½
Philadelphia	34	34	.500	13½
Montreal	27	42	.391	21
Florida	21	49	.300	27½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	43	27	.614	-
Chicago	40	30	.571	3
Milwaukee	35	33	.515	7
Pittsburgh	34	37	.479	9½
St.Louis	33	36	.479	9½
Cincinnati	30	42	.417	14

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
SanDiego	46	25	.648	-
SanFrancisco	43	29	.597	3½
LosAngeles	34	36	.486	11½
Colorado	30	42	.417	16½
Arizona	24	47	.338	22

Wednesday's Games

Philadelphia 3, Pittsburgh 1
Milwaukee 6, Chicago Cubs 5
San Francisco 6, Colorado 3
Arizona 4, Cincinnati 1
Montreal 5, N.Y. Mets 4
Atlanta 6, Florida 2
Houston 6, St. Louis 5
San Diego 3, Los Angeles 2, 12 innings

Thursday's Games

Arizona (Anderson 4-6) at Cincinnati (Klingenbeck 1-1), 12:35 p.m.
Florida (Dempster 0-2) at Atlanta (Glavine 9-2), 1:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Portugal 2-1) at Chicago Cubs (Gonzalez 5-5), 2:20 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Yoshii 4-2) at Montreal (Vasquez 1-6), 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Schmidt 8-3) at Milwaukee (Juden 6-5), 8:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Bottenfield 1-3) at Houston (Reynolds 7-4), 8:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Mlicki 2-4) at Colorado (Wright 5-6), 9:05 p.m.
San Diego (Hamilton 5-7) at San Francisco (Gardner 5-3), 10:05 p.m.

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
NewYork	48	16	.750	-
Boston	41	27	.603	9
Baltimore	34	37	.479	17½
Toronto	34	37	.479	17½
TampaBay	30	39	.435	20½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	39	29	.574	-
Minnesota	32	37	.464	7½
Chicago	28	41	.406	11½
KansasCity	27	42	.391	12½
Detroit	26	41	.388	12½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Anaheim	41	28	.594	-
Texas	40	30	.571	1½
Oakland	32	37	.464	9
Seattle	29	42	.408	13

Wednesday's Games

Boston 12, Chicago White Sox 5
Detroit 6, Minnesota 2
Kansas City 4, Cleveland 3
Tampa Bay 2, Toronto 1
N.Y. Yankees 5, Baltimore 3
Oakland 3, Texas 2
Anaheim 4, Seattle 2

Thursday's Games

Oakland (Candiotti 4-8) at Texas (Sele 9-4), 2:35 p.m.
Kansas City (Rapp 5-6) at Detroit (Thompson 5-6), 7:05 p.m
N.Y. Yankees (Hernandez 2-0) at Cleveland (Nagy 7-3), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Lowe 0-5) at Tampa Bay (Springer 2-10), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Carpenter 2-2) at Baltimore (Johns 2-1), 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Tewksbury 3-8) at Chicago White Sox (Sirotka 7-6), 8:05 p.m.
Seattle (Moyer 4-6) at Anaheim (Washburn 2-0), 10:05 p.m.

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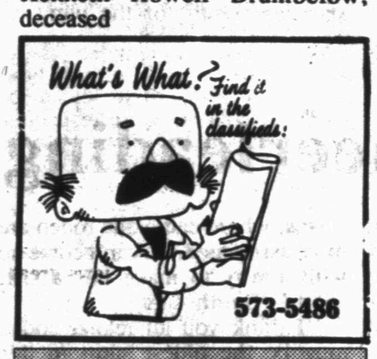
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Texas Workforce Commission
1902 37th Street
Snyder, Texas 79549

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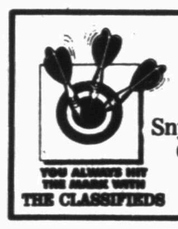
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Appealing .78A 3-2-CP $48T
Rndtop 2 Plots 16.4/12.1 Ac
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Shirley Drum 573-1550
Ford Spikes 573-6602

Two arrests are reported

Activity was light for area peace officers over the past 24 hours, with one arrest yesterday and one early this morning.

Officers took a 25-year-old male into custody at 10:16 a.m. Wednesday at the municipal court to lay out fines for public intoxication and traffic tickets.

At 3:36 this morning, a subject called 911 in reference to his girlfriend locking him out of his residence at the Eastridge Apartments. Officers arrested the 29-year-old male at 3:55 a.m. at the scene for public intoxication.

In other activity, at 7:25 a.m. Wednesday an employee at Century Fuels requested an attempt to locate on an aqua blue car that left the store without paying for $5 worth of gasoline.

At 4:26 p.m., Charles Doty at the school bus barn called and reported criminal mischief done to buses involving fire extinguishers being set off. An offense report was filed.

An offense report for burglary of a building was filed at 1:33 this morning following a report from Virginia Molinar that some property was missing from her residence at 1009 28th.

Births

John and Amanda Baez of Snyder announce the birth of their daughter, Kelsi Zoe, on May 16 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Grandparents are John and Mae Gutierrez of Snyder and Blaz and Lidia Baez of Knox City.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Alicia Bowlin, Judy Brown, Estella Rios, Andrea Browning, Janie Dever, Maria Herrera, Jonathan Mireles of Hermleigh and Ina Pesina.

DISMISSALS: Brady Williams, Patsy Benitez and baby boy, Andrea Browning, Norma Lofton and Sarah Martin.

CENSUS: 38 (Med., Surg.-10, Long-term Care-25, OB-2, Nursery-1).

Friend lands plane after pilot dies

MOUNT COMFORT, Ind. (AP) — An 81-year-old man with no flying experience had to land a single-engine plane after his friend died at the controls.

Robert Kupferschmid and his friend Wesley Sickle, 52, were returning from Muncie to the Indianapolis Metropolitan Airport on Wednesday afternoon when Sickle suddenly released his grip on the controls, flailed his arms in the air and fell over.

"The plane started nosing to the ground," Kupferschmid said. "I managed to pull the yoke up, I got on the radio and asked for help."

Mike Bowen, a pilot of 15 years, responded to the call. He was flying his Cherokee Piper airplane about 20 miles away, doing aerial surveys of gas lines for Citizens Gas and Coke Utility.

Bowen's charts indicated that the closest place to land was Mount Comfort Airport, a public facility with two landing strips just east of Indianapolis.

As he listened to the steady stream of instructions, Kupferschmid monitored the altimeter on the Cessna 172 single-propeller plane, keeping it about 2,000 feet.

"I described to him what I do every day," said Bowen. "He was concerned, but he never sounded frantic."

Emergency crews were called to the airport, figuring a crash was imminent, airport manager Bob Barrons said.

From his cockpit, Bowen gave instruction on climbing, steering and — the scariest part of all — descending.

"They told me what to do, what gauge to look at," Kupferschmid said. "The controllers, they did a wonderful job."

Another pilot, Eddie Merchant, was flying to Mount Comfort from Kokomo. He and Bowen flanked behind Kupferschmid's airplane and guided it to the runway.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Can hiatal hernia be treated?

DEAR DR. GOTT: I suffer from a hiatal hernia, associated with severe gastro-esophageal reflux that causes me to have unremitting heartburn, chest pain and gas. Intensive medical therapy has been useless. What can I do for relief?

DEAR READER: Reflux refers to the backwash of irritating stomach acid into the esophagus, leading to the very symptoms you mentioned. The condition is frequently — but not always — a consequence of hiatal hernia, which is a relaxation of the ring of muscle that normally prevents reflux.

This condition can be serious if it causes Barrett's esophagus — premalignant changes in the cells lining the esophagus.

In most instances, reflux can be controlled with antacids and medicines such as Prilosec that reduce the formation of gastric acid. Nonetheless, if medical treatment is ineffective, the situation may have to be corrected with surgery.

Fortunately, the procedure is relatively easy and carries about a 98 percent success rate. Called "laparoscopic fundoplication," the operation is performed through a tube, so scarring is minimal.

To reconstruct a suitable barrier between the stomach and the esophagus, the surgeon wraps the upper portion of the stomach around the lower esophagus and sutures (or staples) it in place. This creates a "flutter valve": As the stomach distends during a meal, it compresses the esophagus, thereby preventing reflux.

The operation usually takes less than an hour and is surprisingly free of side effects. Unlike standard abdominal surgery, laparoscopic fundoplication requires only a 24-hour hospital stay and limitation of activity for less than a week. (Major abdominal surgery usually results in up to eight weeks of recovery time.) While fundoplication is not widely performed in the United States, it shows great promise and might be just the solution for which you are searching.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: I take calcium supplements to ward off osteoporosis. Will this calcium build up in my arteries and cause blockage?

DEAR READER: No, it won't. Arterial calcium deposits naturally accompany the aging process and are not influenced by the use of calcium supplements. In fact, most authorities urge senior citizens to take extra calcium to help deter osteoporosis.

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	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp s	80¾	79¾	80	5-16— ⅛
AT&T Corp	62 13-16	62 3-16	62 5-16	—11-16
AirTouch	52⅛	51 13-16	52 3-16+	5-16
Albertsons	52¾	51¾	52¼—	5-16
AlldSignal s	42	41 3-16	41⅞+	⅛
Alltel	42 9-16	41 9-16	41⅝—	7-16
AmOnline s	95⅜	93⅛	94½+	⅜
AmStoress	24 7-16	24¼	24⅜—	⅛
Ameritech s	45¼	44⅜	44⅜—	5-16
Amoco s	43 5-16	42¾	42⅞—	⅜
AndarkPtr	65⅜	64⅛	64¼—	⅜
Armcolnc	6 1-16	6	6 1-16+	1-16
AtlRichfld	80 3-16	79¼	79 3-16—	1⅛
ATMOS Egy	29 13-16	29¼	29½—	7-16
BakerHughes	34 15-16	34¼	34 5-16—	9-16
BellAtl	95 13-16	95	95⅛+	9-16
BellAtlwi	47 15-16	47 13-16	47 15-16+	⅛
BellSouth	67¾	67¼	67⅜—	⅛
BethSteel	12 9-16	12⅜	12 7-16+	1-16
BritPet	86½	85¼	86	—1 13-16
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CBS Corp	31¼	31⅛	31 13-16+	7-16
Caterpillar	54	53 7-16	53 7-16—	⅛
CenSoWst	27¼	27 3-16	27⅛+	3-16
Chevron	83 11-16	82 1-16	82⅜—	1 5-16
Chrysler	54 9-16	53¾	54	—1 1-16
Coastal	68¾	68 1-16	68¼—	⅛
CocaCola	81¼	80¾	80⅞+	9-16
ColgatePalm	90⅝	89¼	90 9-16+	⅛
ComclMetals	30⅜	30 7-32	30⅜+	⅛
CooperIn	62 9-16	62 7-16	62 9-16—	1-16
CyprusAmax	13 15-16	13 11-16	13¾—	3-16
DallSemicn	30⅛	30 1-16	30⅛+	9-16
DeltaAirl	126	125⅛	126 +	⅛
Dillards Inc	40⅛	39 11-16	39⅝—	11-16
DowChem	97⅞	97⅛	97 7-16—	⅛
DresserInd	42⅞	41¾	41⅞—	⅛
DuPont	75⅝	75 1-16	75⅛+	15-16
EastmanChem	64½	63⅜	64 5-16+	⅛
EstKodak	68 3-16	67 7-16	68 3-16+	1-16
EDS Corp	35⅝	34⅞	35⅛+	⅛
Entergy	28½	28¼	28 7-16+	5-16
Exxon	70 15-16	69⅞	70 5-16—	11-16
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Flowers	22⅞	22¼	22¼—	⅛
FordMotor s	54 11-16	54 1-16	54 11-16+	⅛
GTE Cp	57 7-16	56 15-16	57¼—	⅛
GenDynam s	45	44 1-16	44⅝—	⅜
GenElec	87⅞	87 3-16	87 13-16+	⅛
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GlobalMar	19 11-16	18⅝	18 13-16—	⅜
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LucentTech s	75⅝	74 5-16	74 13-16+	3-16
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Mobils	77⅛	76⅛	77 5-16—	⅛
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US West Inc	49⅝	49	49¼—	⅜
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USX-USS	34	33⅜	33¾—	1-16
UnCarbde	49¼	48 9-16	49 1-16+	⅜
UnionPacif	45⅝	44¾	45⅛—	⅛
UnitedTech	89½	88¼	89⅝+	⅛
Unocal	37 7-16	36⅜	36⅝—	11-16
Venator Grp	19 9-16	19⅛	19 7-16—	⅜
WalMart	58⅜	57¾	57 15-16—	⅛
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WinnDixie	45 11-16	45¼	45 11-16+	½
Xerox Corp	97	94⅜	95 1-16—	⅛

Italian ski village rejects $2 million offer from firms

NEW YORK (AP) — Leaders of the Italian village where 20 people died when a low-flying Marine Corps jet cut a gondola cable have rejected an offer of $2 million in compensation because they viewed it as a bribe.

"We were offended. They showed up in our valley, full of dollars and made a mess," said Werner Pichler, a hotel operator in the village of Cavalese and head of a committee representing victims. "It is not a question of dollars, it is a question of justice."

A delegation of U.S. business leaders made the offer on May 17.

Speaking at a news conference Wednesday, Pichler said town leaders felt they were being pressured to keep silent, and both the victims' committee and the mayor turned the offer down.

Pichler, speaking through an interpreter, said the business delegation included George B. Griffin, the U.S. consul in Milan, and representatives of several companies with interests in northern Italy.

A State Department official in Washington said Griffin rejects allegations that businesses were seeking anything in return for the money.

Griffin also denied Pichler's allegation that town leaders were pressured to stay away from legal proceedings this month in the United States against four Marine fliers involved in the accident, said the State Department official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Pichler said the compensation offer carried the implicit message that "it is best not to come to America, and if you do, don't speak about the case."

"There was no quid pro quo so openly expressed, but it was clear that they meant that," he said. He said the businesses stressed that good U.S.-Italian relations shouldn't be threatened.

Meanwhile on Wednesday, a U.S. House panel approved $20 million for damages from the tragedy. The money could go to rebuild or replace the cable car system and toward any reparations that are later paid to individuals.

Pichler spoke at a news conference arranged by Citizen Soldier, a private advocacy group concerned with military human rights issues.



PASSING THE BUCKET — Luz Alvarez, left, passes the bucket to Ashley Blevins during field day fun at Snyder Junior High School. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Stalker receives 25 years

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Jonathan Norman kept diaries about Steven Spielberg's films and family, stockpiled sex toys and made repeated attempts to break into the director's sprawling estate.

All this, prosecutors claimed, with the intention of playing out his sexual fantasy to rape Spielberg in front of his wife, actress Kate Capshaw.

Spielberg's stalker was sentenced Wednesday to 25 years to life in prison, after the director told the judge: "If he's out on the street, I will live in fear."

This is the dark side of being a celebrity. Just ask Madonna, David Letterman, Michael J. Fox or Sharon Gless — all victims of stalkers.

At least they survived.

John Lennon was killed by a deranged fan outside his New York City apartment; Tejano star Selena was murdered by her former fan club president at a Texas motel. "My Sister Sam" star Rebecca Schaeffer was shot to death on her doorstep in 1989 by a man who hired a detective to get her Los Angeles address.

Schaeffer's murder and others prompted California in 1990 to become the first state to make stalking a crime.

"She wasn't aware she was being stalked until it was too late," Deputy District Attorney Rhonda Saunders told a judge Wednesday in urging the maximum sentence for Norman, convicted of one count of felony stalking.

"It was quite obvious he was not going to stop on his own," she said.

Superior Court Judge Steven Suzukawa did impose the maximum sentence allowed under the "three strikes" law that increases penalties for repeat offenders. He called Norman "obsessive and frightening" and "a danger to society."

Norman was arrested July 11 after twice attempting to enter Spielberg's Pacific Palisades home.

Police said Norman had lists of Spielberg's family members and associates and brought with him handcuffs, duct tape and a razor knife. The prosecutor called the equipment a "rape kit."

Norman's lawyer claimed his client meant no harm to Spielberg and was under a methamphetamine-induced psychosis when he concocted the bizarre plot to invade Spielberg's home, hold him and his family hostage, and rape the director.

Spielberg and his family were in Europe at the time of the break-in attempts.

The director of "Jaws" and "Schindler's List" told the judge he lives in fear of the defendant.

Defense lawyer Charles Kreindler said he will appeal on grounds that the stalking statute does not apply in this case.

Au pair returns home, but civil lawsuit hangs over her

BOSTON (AP) — British au pair Louise Woodward is free and finally back home in England. But she has a lingering connection to the United States: a civil lawsuit and a judge's order limiting what she can do with her money.

A federal judge on Wednesday said the parents of Matthew Eappen had a strong wrongful-death case against Ms. Woodward and issued a temporary injunction prohibiting her from spending any money she earns from selling her story.

"We're going to do everything we can to ensure Louise Woodward does not become a millionaire because she killed an 8-month-old baby," said Frederic Ellis, the lawyer for Sunil and Deborah Eappen.

The order by U.S. District Judge William Young also applies to Ms. Woodward's parents and anyone representing her. Young said he could extend or repeal the injunction after 12 days.

Neither Ms. Woodward nor the Eappens were in court Wednesday. Upon arriving in Manchester, England, today, Ms. Woodward vehemently denied having any plans to charge money for interviews.

"Contrary to any rumors and any speculation that I've heard, I've not sold my story," she said. Ms. Woodward added that she will do an interview with the British Broadcasting Corp., but she said she will not be paid for it.

Judge Young said the Eappens had a "strong case and a reasonable likelihood of success" in winning damages from Ms. Woodward, who was convicted by a jury of second-degree murder in October. Ten days later, a trial judge reduced that verdict to manslaughter and freed her after 279 days in jail. On Tuesday, the state's highest court affirmed that decision.

Young ordered Ms. Woodward to report any money-making deals to the court and to the Eappens. He also ordered her not to spend any money she earns until the trial, scheduled for Oct. 5.

Anthony Doniger, Ms. Woodward's lawyer, said the judge's order infringes on her free speech rights.

The Eappens are seeking $75,000 in compensatory damages and unspecified punitive damages. They have said any money they are awarded will go to a foundation in their son's name.

If the Eappens are successful, it still may be difficult to enforce a civil ruling against Ms. Woodward in England.

State prosecutor to begin investigating Linda Tripp

BALTIMORE (AP) — The Maryland state prosecutor is going ahead with an investigation of whether Linda Tripp broke the law by secretly taping telephone conversations with Monica Lewinsky, The (Baltimore) Sun reported today.

Stephen Montanarelli had been expected to make the decision after Whitewater special prosecutor Kenneth Starr finished his inquiry into the Lewinsky matter.

But he will begin his inquiry now because he is frustrated by the slow pace of Starr's probe, the newspaper said, quoting Tripp's attorneys.

Joseph Murtha and Anthony Zaccagnini, Tripp's Baltimore lawyers, met with Montanarelli last week in an effort to persuade him not to investigate the Columbia, Md., woman, the newspaper said.

Montanarelli, who investigates official misconduct, denied being subjected to political pressure.

"The reason you have a state prosecutor is you can't be pressured." he said. "I don't run for election. I've been here 14 years. This job is the most insulated from politics."

Tripp, a Pentagon employee and a former colleague of Lewinsky, taped hours of conversations in which the former White House intern described a relationship with the president.

Clinton has denied any sexual involvement with Lewinsky.

In January, Tripp gave Starr the tapes. She made the recordings secretly at her home at the urging of her friend Lucianne Goldberg, a New York literary agent.

In Maryland, it's illegal to tape a phone conversation with someone without the consent of both parties, but the offender must have knowledge that the taping was illegal.

Tripp's lawyers have maintained that their client wasn't aware of the wiretap law when she was taping the Lewinsky conversations.

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Statute of limitations expires on woman who was maimed

FORT WORTH (AP) — Unless law officers get a last-minute break in a woman's maiming, whoever rammed a boat into the victim's craft on Lake Lewisville will go free.

The statute of limitations expires today in the case that involved questioning Chicago Bulls star Dennis Rodman and hundreds of others over a three-year investigation.

Stephanie Booker was left permanently scarred in the collision after midnight on June 18, 1995, in a no-wake zone near Pier 121 Marina.

Ms. Booker, now 35, of Carrollton has since had 17 surgeries to receive new lips, teeth, skin and a new nose.

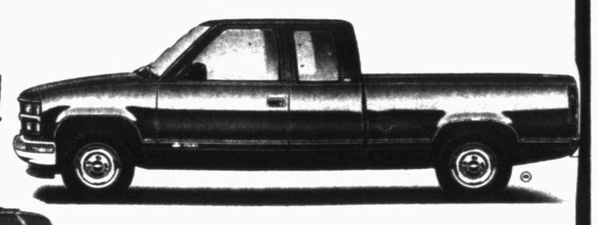
She takes 50 pills a day to fight the swelling and to kill the pain, which she describes as feeling like her face is covered with fire ants, according to her attorney, Larry Rolle.

Mike Ramon, a Denton County deputy sheriff who has worked full-time on the case since the wreck, has waded through more than 2,000 tips, interviewed hundreds of potential suspects and sent divers to the lake bottom twice to search for clues.

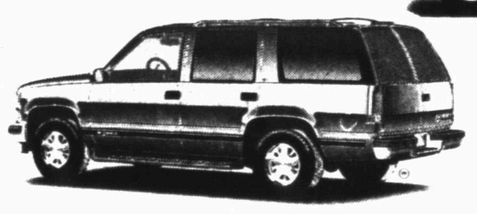
The victim and others have undergone hypnosis to aid their description of the assailant.

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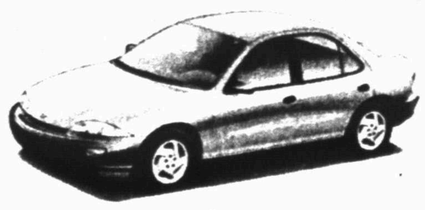
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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Doctor Says Chronic Fatigue Is Not All in Sufferers' Heads

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DEAR ABBY: Dr. Eugene Schoenfeld recently said in your column that most psychiatrists deny that chronic fatigue is a "real disease." I write to offer a different opinion, shared by a growing number of physicians who have studied the scientific literature on chronic fatigue syndrome — which now numbers several thousand research articles.

There is no evidence of any psychiatric disorder in a sizable number of patients with this illness. However, in laboratory tests, there is evidence of abnormalities in the brain and immune system of many of these patients. The immune system abnormalities, fortunately, do not seem to make patients vulnerable to infections. I highlight those studies in an article published in the Journal of the American Medical Association in October 1997.

We still do not understand the cause of chronic fatigue syndrome, but studies around the world show that the illness involves real changes in the bodies of many patients. It is not, as Dr. Schoenfeld seems to believe, "all in their heads."

ANTHONY L. KOMAROFF, M.D.,
PROFESSOR OF MEDICINE,
HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL

DEAR DR. KOMAROFF: Thank you for sharing your professional opinion with me, and for offering other physicians a reliable source of information about chronic fatigue and immune dysfunction syndrome. I am pleased that advances in understanding this disease have been made. I know my readers will be also.

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DEAR ABBY: I am responding to "Feeling Worthless in New Hampshire," who wrote that her husband didn't value her because he brings in the money while she stays home managing the household and caring for the children.

As a child and as a teen-ager, I watched my mother care for my siblings and me and didn't think anything of it. Now the tide has turned. Because of an injury, I remain at home while my wife works. I had never realized how exhausting it can be to handle everything at home. I have a newfound respect for all women who remain at home while the "man of the house" works, not to mention those women who work and manage their homes, too. Even though my wife is tired after a day at the office, she pitches in around the house far more than I did when I was working on the outside. I wonder how many men come home and consider giving their wives a break by helping out.

"Worthless" should be proud that she manages one of the most important "corporations" in the world — the family. My hat is off to all stay-at-home mothers. I now have more respect for them and for what I took for granted all those years.

STAY-AT-HOME DAD

DEAR DAD: My hat is also off to them, and to *you* as well, for saying so!

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DEAR ABBY: There are a few words in our wonderful language that irritate me, and I would think your many readers have their pet peeve words as well. Why don't you take a reader survey on the subject? Maybe I'm not the only one whose blood pressure goes up from certain words.

For starters, here's a short, homemade poem:

There are words in English that irk us all,
From me you'll get no quibbling.
And the one that drives me up a wall
Is when a kid is called a "sibling."

CHARLES F. YARHAM,
ROCKY RIVER, OHIO

DEAR CHARLES: Cute! Readers?

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'Key' research may help to fight AIDS

NEW YORK (AP) — Scientists have figured out the 3-D shape of the "key" used by the AIDS virus to open cells for infection, a long-awaited advance that could speed the development of drugs and perhaps a vaccine.

One researcher called the work published today a "tour de force."

The "key" is a complex protein called gp120 that sticks out of HIV in dozens of spikes. The new work exposes new information about its potential vulnerabilities and defenses against the immune system.

"Before we were blind, now we're sighted," said Dr. Joseph Sodroski of the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, one of the researchers. "We can see what the defenses of this virus are, and that allows us to focus on a logical approach to penetrate those defenses.

"Is that approach going to work? Well, we don't know ... There's no way of predicting how soon any of this structural information will lead to better drugs and vaccines. But there's no question we're better off now than we were before."

The work is reported in today's issue of the journal Nature and Friday's issue of Science by Sodroski, Wayne Hendrickson of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute and Columbia University in New York and other scientists.

One scientist not involved with the work, John Moore of the Aaron Diamond AIDS Research Center in New York, called the work the most important AIDS paper published this year.

"It's a tour de force," said another observer, Dani Bolognesi of the Duke University Medical Center. "We've been waiting to see the structure of this molecule for many years."

The researchers overcame technical difficulties that hindered prior attempts, he said.

Bolognesi said the work will be very important for developing vaccines and drugs that block infection. Such drugs, in combination with current medications, would help infected people by shutting down the spread of the virus within their bodies.

The gp120 spikes on the AIDS virus allow infections by binding to two protein sites, one after the other, on the surface of a cell. That essentially unlocks the cell for the virus to enter.

The first site, called CD4, displays a chemical finger that fits precisely into a hole on gp120. The new work reveals details of that hole, which might allow scientists to design drugs to essentially plug it and so prevent infection.

The results also exposed other sites on gp120 that are crucial for infection; those might be targets for an interfering molecule.

Vaccines are designed to train the immune system to attack germs, and the new work reveals details on the defenses gp120 uses to evade effective attack. Since gp120 is the main part of HIV that the immune system notices, understanding its defenses could be crucial for vaccine development.

One trick is that certain parts of gp120 vary greatly from strain to strain. These variable regions are like decoys — if the immune system raises antibodies to attack one version of them, the antibodies will be useless against a different strain in the same person.

The new work should help scientists develop vaccines to focus the immune system's attention on other parts of gp120 that are identical in all strains, Sodroski said. The parts are the ones HIV needs to bind to cells for infection.

More than 30 million people worldwide have the AIDS virus and about 16,000 new victims are infected every day, the United Nations said in November.

Man indicted on murder charges

LUBBOCK (AP) — A man has been indicted on charges he smothered a baby whose death was misdiagnosed by a pathologist accused of botching and falsifying dozens of autopsy reports in the 1980s.

Discredited pathologist Ralph Erdmann had ruled that the 14-month-old boy died of pneumonia in 1989.

But a grand jury on Wednesday indicted David Earl Johnson Jr., 36, the former live-in boyfriend of the baby's mother, on charges he smothered Anthony Lynn Culifer with a pillow because he couldn't stop him from crying.

Witnesses came forward in February claiming the baby had been killed, prompting officials to exhume the body for a second autopsy. Prosecutor Terry McEachern said the baby's autopsy was one of many Erdmann mishandled.

"Even almost a decade later, there were clear signs of physical injury and facial injury that are consistent with smothering," McEachern said. "This was not pneumonia."

Erdmann pleaded no contest in 1994 to six felonies tied to falsified evidence and botched autopsies. He surrendered his medical license and was sentenced to 10 years of probation.

Johnson is serving a six-month sentence for assaulting a police officer and was scheduled to be released next month. He is being held on $500,000 bond on the murder charge and faces life in prison if convicted.

Hospitals told to report all deaths

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal government will start requiring hospitals to report every death to local organizations that approach families about organ transplants.

The rule announced Wednesday shifts responsibility to identify medically suitable donors from hospitals to the local organ procurement organizations. For the first time, it also requires that people who approach families to request consent have special training in organ donation.

Hospitals generally oppose the new rule but must abide by it to continue receiving payments from Medicare.

"In too many cases today, we are missing opportunities to save people simply because families are never contacted and donation is never even considered as an option," Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala said.

Experts estimate that 12,000 to 15,000 people die each year from whom organs could be used, but there were fewer than 5,500 donors in 1997. A 1996 study found about half the families asked to donate organs said yes.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Friday, June 19, 1998

In the year ahead, you might be subjected to changes you initially resent. As they become more comfortable, however, you'll view them as advantages.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Think for yourself instead of letting others impose their ideas on you today. You know what's good for you and what isn't. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that'll govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A risky-yet-endearing friend may catch you off guard today by asking to borrow something you'd rather not lend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You may not make good decisions under pressure today, so stall for time if someone starts to lean on you for a commitment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) First thoughts might not be your best ones today, even if you think they're clever. Don't endow them with more credit than they deserve.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) This is one of those days when friends could do things that press your patience to the limit. Keep your temper in check and don't react in a manner you might regret.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) There could be a price to pay today if you're insistent on having everything your way. This mode of behavior will disenchant your allies.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Weigh your words with considerable care today, or you might blurt out something difficult to retract.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Unfortunately, your luck may not extend to speculative situations today, even though you might feel it will. Don't gamble on something foolish.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Extreme tolerance will be required in your relationships today. Hold your temper in check, even if someone deserves its sting.

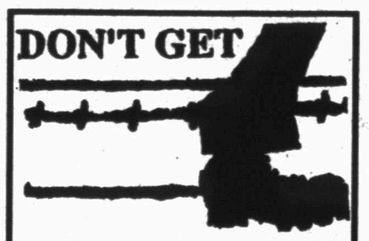
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your attention span is poor today, and could cause a mistake at work. Be especially attentive when using hazardous tools.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Pursuits that cost a pretty penny could give you the least amount of fun today. Seek pastimes you won't have to put on a credit card.

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Three killed, four injured in train wreck

PORTAGE, Ind. (AP) — A Chicago-bound commuter train slammed into a tractor-trailer carrying large steel coils early today, hurling one of the coils into a rail car. Three passengers were killed and four others injured.

The two-car South Shore Railroad train was reportedly going 75 mph when it hit the rear of the tandem-trailer rig at around 4:30 a.m. The impact dislodged a 20-ton coil, which smashed into the front car's passenger compartment.

"All the lights went out. The impact was tremendous. There was no warning at all in the second car," said passenger John Madden, who had just caught the train at its previous stop.

After the impact, the train dragged the truck for about 20 seconds before it came to a stop, Madden said. Sparks were flying as the train, powered by electric lines, moved along the track.

"It's horrible. There's quite a bit of debris," said Officer Philip Rochon of the Ogden Dunes Police Department.

Railroad spokesman John Parsons said three passengers killed included an employee of the railroad, but the train's two crew members, an engineer and a conductor, were not injured. He said he believed all three who died were riding in the front car of the two-car train, which carried only about 20 passengers.

"The impact dislodged a steel coil that the truck was carrying. The steel coil penetrated the passenger compartment of the train, and that's what caused fatalities," Parsons said.

The identities of those killed were not immediately released.

Two male passengers were taken to St. Mary's Medical Center in Hobart. One man was in fair condition, while the second was treated and released, said Marlena Lagina.

Two other people were taken to Porter Memorial Hospital in Valparaiso, where one was treated and released and the other was being treated in the emergency room, spokeswoman Karen Wheele said.

It was not clear why the truck had stopped on the South Shore tracks, Parsons said. The accident scene was outside the entrance to a National Steel Corp. mill along U.S. 12 in Portage. Two sets of two railroad tracks, spaced a little ways apart, run parallel to the highway.

Attempt to revive tobacco issue fails

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Democratic effort to attach tobacco legislation to an appropriations bill was rejected by the Senate today as the minority party continued to portray Republicans as being in league with cigarette companies.

"We will not let the issue die," Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle said, hours after Congress' first national tobacco policy perished on procedural votes. He tried to revive the legislation this morning by tying it to an energy appropriations bill but was rebuffed, 54-44.

"RJR has merged with the GOP," Daschle said. "They don't want to have a vote on this."

President Clinton also pledged to keep the issue alive in Congress and in this fall's election campaign, declaring, "I don't intend to stop fighting for this."

Daschle pledged: "We are going to continue this fight in whatever vehicle, whatever form, whatever opportunity we have."

Wrapping up an unrelated Rose Garden announcement this morning, Clinton seized yet another opportunity to lash out at Republicans for killing the legislation. "It's dead today; it may not be dead tomorrow," he said. "I've never quit on anything this important in my life and I don't intend to stop now. There are too many futures riding on it and I think, in the end, we will prevail."

The death of the bill sponsored by Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., instantly became a campaign issue. Voters in November "won't like what they see, Clinton predicted Wednesday, after a round of calls to senators failed to save the legislation.

"Big tobacco owns the Republican party and they've just proven it again," said Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa.

McCain blamed cigarette makers, who waged a $40 million advertising campaign against the bill. "They're the big winners today," he said on ABC's "Good Morning America."

"More importantly, the children of America lost, because today 3,000 children will start smoking and a thousand of them will die early," McCain said.

Republicans countered that the bill essentially killed itself after numerous amendments bloated it beyond its original focus — to curb teen smoking.

"We've lost sight of the original noble cause of just dealing with teen-age smoking and drug abuse," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss.

"It frankly wasn't fixable," said Assistant Majority Leader Don Nickles, R-Okla. "This bill was a crummy effort at raising taxes."

McCain's bill would have raised at least $516 billion over 25 years.

219-209 vote...

House approves eliminating much of the tax code by 2003

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tearing the tax code out by its roots, once a sure-fire Republican applause line, is a step closer to reality.

The House voted 219-209 Wednesday to eliminate much of the current tax code by 2003, as long as Congress passes a simplified system by July 4, 2002. Social Security payroll taxes would continue.

The margin of approval was 59 votes short of the number needed to override a likely presidential veto.

The bill faces a difficult future, since the Senate's main tax writer expressed "serious concerns about sunsetting the tax code without an alternative in place."

"We need to reach a consensus on reforming the tax code, and unfortunately, we are not there yet — even within our own party," Senate Finance Chairman William Roth, R-Del., said in a statement. "Let's not put the cart before the horse."

C. Clinton Stretch, tax policy director for Deloitte & Touche, said the political impact of Roth's statement was clear. "The code is not going to get sunsetted this year," he said.

Substantial support remained even in the Senate, however. On April 2, the Senate passed a similar scrap-the-tax plan, although it was only advisory. Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., is on record saying he would bring up a similar bill this year.

"We will then be able to see who is serious about replacing our rat's nest tax code and who wants to defend the current tax system," Lott said in February.

President Clinton promised he was "going to do my best to beat it."

"Because if you voted to get rid of it without saying what the replacement was, you would put individual Americans and families in an uncertain position about their investments and health insurance," Clinton said. His advisers are strongly recommending a veto, a position held by several major tax experts who echoed Clinton's view that the idea, if adopted, would create dramatic uncertainty among taxpayers.

28 become ill; bacteria gets blamed

EAU CLAIRE, Wis. (AP) — Health officials warned against eating cheese curds, which are blamed for transmitting the E. coli bacteria and making 28 people ill.

About a dozen victims had to be hospitalized because of the outbreak in western Wisconsin.

In a news release Wednesday, health officials said it appeared the outbreak was confined to Chippewa and Eau Claire counties. They advised anyone in those counties who has bought cheese curds since the beginning of this month not to eat them.

Cheese curds are made from the curd, or the solid part of milk, that is separated from the liquid whey in the cheese-making process.

A specific brand name was not identified.

Those experiencing any symptoms of the illness were advised to consult a physician. The symptoms of the bacteria are mild to severe diarrhea and abdominal cramps.

The strain of E. coli involved affects as many as 20,000 Americans a year and kills 500, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

U.S. tries to boost Asian markets

NEW YORK (AP) — The United States' attempt to rescue the yen boosted Asian markets, but U.S. stock prices were little changed this morning and European markets fell amid skepticism about Asia's economic prospects.

"The problems haven't been solved yet," said Jeremy Batstone, a strategist at NatWest Stockbrokers in London.

Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto acknowledged as much, saying in a news conference that Japan's troubled economy will get back on track with help from a government stimulus plan.

Hashimoto also pledged to come up with a plan to solve the bad loan crisis at Japan's banks.

"Japan has fallen into a state of excessive lack of confidence," Hashimoto said, just before he planned to meet with a delegation of U.S. finance officials. "These are very hard times."

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 9.97 points at 8,819.49 in early trading.

Shares initially rose modestly on the London Stock Exchange, Europe's biggest equity market, but the blue-chip Financial Times-Stock Exchange 100-share index reversed course into negative territory.

The "footsie" was down by 61.6 points, or 1 percent, at 5,771.1 by mid-afternoon.

The pattern was similar across continental Europe. Big markets in Paris and Frankfurt showed losses in the afternoon — as did smaller ones in Milan, Amsterdam, Stockholm and Zurich.

The sober dealings in the United States and Europe marked a blunt contrast to Asia's euphoria. Asian traders today pushed the blue-chip Nikkei index in Tokyo up by 4.4 percent.

BCD meets

In a 30-minute noon meeting on Wednesday, Board of County Development members accepted the minutes of the March 26 meeting and approved the financial report.

Members also discussed touring the Lorber Industries facility, but did not set an exact date for the tour.

They also made plans to tour the Learning Resource Center at Western Texas College when they meet again on Sept. 16.

Obituaries

Rev. Porterfield

1906-1998

Mrs. Porterfield

1915-1998

SLATON — Funeral service for the Rev. W.L. Porterfield and his wife, Illa Bess, was set for 2 p.m. today in the Trinity Evangelical Methodist Church.

Graveside service is set for 11 a.m. Friday in the City of Burleson Cemetery.

Rev. Porterfield, 92, died Monday, June 15, in Slaton Care Center. Mrs. Porterfield, 83, died Wednesday, June 17, at her home in Slaton.

Born March 18, 1906 in Rising Star, Rev. Porterfield was a retired Methodist minister. He had pastored churches in Blackwell, Amarillo, Gruver, Canadian, Post, Anson, Port Arthur and Oxford, Miss. He had also served as chaplain of the Big Spring State Hospital.

Born March 8, 1915 in Burleson, Mrs. Porterfield was a registered nurse and church pianist.

The Porterfields were married on June 6, 1937 in Snyder.

Survivors include a son, Hody Porterfield of Amarillo; four daughters, Ann Haire of Slaton, Bettye Bates of Amarillo and Welda Miller and Pattie Hill, both of Dallas; 19 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

Rev. Porterfield was also survived by two brothers, Bruce Porterfield of Westminster, Calif. and A. H. Porterfield of Lamesa; and a sister, Bettye Teague of Big Spring.

Mrs. Porterfield's survivors also include a brother, Gene Gordon of Fort Worth; and a sister, Mariam Garrett of Fort Worth.

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events WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

First Baptist VBS

Vacation Bible School at First Baptist Church ends Friday for children who have completed kindergarten to the 6th grade. The final day's activities begin at 9 a.m.

Cub Scout push mobile races

Snyder Cub Scouts are having push mobile races at 7 p.m. Friday in the parking lot of the First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

Sports Challenge dance

Sports Challenge will sponsor a country and western dance from 8 p.m. to midnight Friday at Towle Park Barn. Admission is $3 per person or $5 per couple. There will be door prizes and a concession.

Cogdell planning session

Cogdell Hospital board of managers and administration will hold a stragetic planning session starting at 6 p.m. Friday at the Embassy Suites in Abilene. The meeting will continue Saturday morning, concluding about noon.

Benefit bake sale

A bake sale is planned from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at Wal-Mart to benefit Tiffany Sneed, a cancer patient.

FBC church-wide sale

First Baptist Church will have a church-wide sale from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday in the Family Life Center. Sale items will feature arts and crafts, baked goods, garage sale items plus works by Snyder artist Myrtle Joiner. Proceeds will be used to send a group of volunteers to Africa to teach Bible School.

SHS Class of 1958

The class of 1958 will meet at Snyder National Bank's community room at 3 p.m. Sunday to plan the 40th class reunion. For information, contact Janelle Pollard at 573-9076 or Barbara McCormick at 573-9962.

Church of Nazarene film

Snyder's First Church of Nazarene will present the film, "I Just Saw Jesus," from 6-7 p.m. the next three Sundays. The church, located on the Colorado City Highway, invites the public to attend.

Bible study tapes airing

Bible study video tapes are airing weekly on cable TV Channel 2. The next set of tapes, "God's Deliverance," followed by "As Time Goes By," will begin at 7 p.m. Monday.

Recycle day in Snyder

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission is offering free disposal of empty plastic pesticide containers, used motor oil, oil filters and lead acid batteries from 8 a.m. until noon Tuesday at Farmer's Co-Op Gin on the Roby Highway.

Get-acquainted reception

A reception in honor of Jerry Stapp, new general manager of Midwest Electric Cooperative, will be held at 10 a.m. next Thursday at the DCOS offices in the American State Bank building. The reception is sponsored by DCOS, the chamber of commerce and the city of Snyder.

Lucky 13 Dance

Lucky 13 Rush Dance will be held from 8 p.m. until midnight next Thursday in Towle Park Barn. Everyone is welcome. Admission is $3 per person and $5 for a couple.

God, Country celebration

Snyder's annual "God and Country Celebration" will be held at 6 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at the First Baptist Church. Speakers include State Rep. David Counts and State Sen. Tom Haywood.

VFW needs vets for float

Snyder's VFW wants to find men and women who served during World Wars I and II, Korean, Vietnam and Desert Storm wars to ride on its July Fourth float. If you would like to participate call Bob Sealy, 573-3456; Valton Buchanan, 573-6542; Beal Turney, 573-1934; or Bob Moffett, 573-5684, before June 25.

New programs at FBC

First Baptist Church announces two new programs: King's Kids Preschool on Mondays and Wednesdays and Mother's Day Out on Fridays. Extended care is available. Register now for the 1998-99 school year. For more information, call 573-7401.

Oil photographs needed

Old photographs of oil scenes or events in Scurry County are wanted by the Scurry County Museum in conjunction with an Oil Appreciation Day observance on Oct. 17. The photographs will be copied and returned.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
4-7-5

Lotto Texas

By The Associated Press

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

The ticket would have been worth an estimated $4 million.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 8-31-35-37-49-50.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $7 million.

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