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Lorber awards dirt work to local firm

Work could begin as early as Monday

By Bill McClellan
Managing Editor

Pad preparation for construction of the Lorber Industries textile plant will begin next week, performed by a local firm that has been awarded the contract.

Michael Gruener, vice president for Lorber, announced Wednesday afternoon that Grimmett Brothers Construction was selected for the dirtwork, parking lot paving and curbing.

"This is exciting, both for us and the community that we are getting this thing kicked off. Although we were very objective in our bid reviews, we share in the community's pride in observing that the first contract to be let on this project was won by a Snyder firm."

By policy, Lorber does not make bids public but Gruener called it "a significant contract."

There has been some delay in getting the project underway, Gruener said, due to Lorber's desire to make sure area contractors were given an opportunity to submit bids on the overall project.

"Essentially, we decided to personally make contact with potential subcontractors in the area to make sure they had an option to get involved. That took up most of the tailend of October.

"After that process, we were able to lock down the entire construction project, come to an agreement with Brown-McKee, and formally commence work on the building."

Brown-McKee, Inc. of Lubbock will be in charge of construction and has designed the 70,000 square foot building which will house Phase I of the project. The building will contain all of the equipment necessary for the spinning process, plus a laboratory, storage, offices, restrooms and an employee canteen.

It is estimated the plant will be capable of processing some 25,000 bales of cotton a year. Over time, Phases II through IV are expected to be added, bringing the facility to 250,000 square feet and capable of processing about 100,000 bales.

On Wednesday, Gruener said it is hoped that machinery can be moved in by late March with some production to begin in June.

No ground-breaking ceremony is planned.

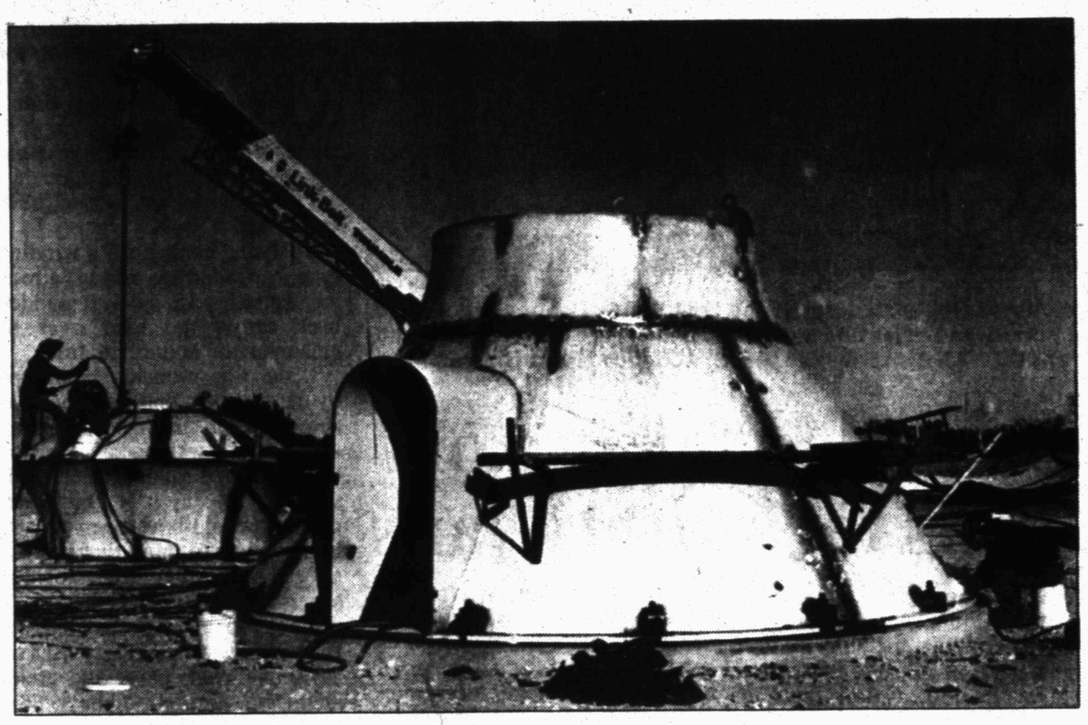
"Our prospective is we have our big ceremonies when we start producing something," said Gruener.

"Right now, we're excited that it is all coming together and pleased that a local firm will be starting us off," Gruener said, speaking of Grimmett Brothers.

"We were very impressed by the efficient manner by which they were able to prepare and submit a competitive bid. When you sit in a room with the folks over at Grimmett Brothers, you feel like you are in the midst of dedicated professionals who are going to get the job done right. Couple that with a competitive bid and you've got a winner.

"Their can-do attitude is an example of the type of people and firms that drew us to Snyder in the first place."

A Grimmett spokesperson this morning said that tentative plans are for the firm to shred weeds on the location Saturday and began moving dirt on Monday.



READY TO RISE — Work on the water tank at SnTx Park I, Snyder's industrial park, began this week as employees of Brown Steel Contractors of Newnan, Ga., started welding the individual pieces together. The tank is scheduled to be completed this spring. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Visits always give pleasure — if not the arrival, then the departure."

School isn't the only place where some unusual answers show up on tests.

Somebody sent us a set of answers given on a Bible knowledge test.

--Noah's wife was Joan of Ark.

--Lot's wife was a pillar of salt by day and a ball of fire by night.

--Moses went to the top of Mount Cyanide to get the Ten Commandents.

--The seventh commandement is "Thou shalt not admit adultery."

--Joshua led the Hebrews in the battle of Geritol.

--Jesus was born because Mary had an immaculate contraption.

--The people who followed Jesus were called the 12 Decibels.

--The epistles were the wives of the apostles.

--One of the opossums was St. Matthew.

--Paul preached acrimony, which is another name for marriage.

--David fought the Finkelsteins, a race of people who lived in biblical times.

--The Jews had trouble throughout their history with unsympathic Genitals.

--A Christian should have only one wife. This is called monotony.

Bosses often frown on employees who waste too much time.

It used to be only in the break room or on the golf course, but today's employers are giving more and more attention to workers to surf the Internet.

Studies indicate that employes may waste as many as two hours a day on computers — visiting questionable sites and even playing video games.

Now there's a guy trying to establish a market niche by catering to slothful workers.

For those who like to surf the Internet during working hours, Tripod Inc.'s web site has a "panic button" for use when the boss comes around.

At the touch of the panic button, the screen suddenly switches to a nominating form for "boss of the year," complete with laudatory comments about the computer user's supervisor.

And a note from Snyder's Rollin Swanson reveals that early November evenings are excellent for star gazing.

Swanson said it's an excellent time to see some very bright planets. Just after sunset, near the crescent moon in the west, is the planet Venus — visible before any stars appear.

As the sky gets darker, the red planet Mars, now rather dim, can be seen just to the west of Venus. High in the sky to the south, Jupiter shines brightly.

And on the eastern horizon is Saturn, also brighter than the brightest star.

Iraq moves sensitive equipment

Claims it took measures in case of a military attack

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Iraq said today it moved sensitive equipment to protect it from American air strikes and blamed the United Nations for the suspension of weapons inspections in the country.

The chief U.N. weapons inspector, Richard Butler, had hoped to get his experts in today to verify whether Iraq had been tampering with surveillance cameras at the sites and removing sensitive equipment.

The inspections were scrubbed after Iraqis refused to admit American members of the team.

"It looks a little bit like, 'the cat's away, the mice will play,'" Butler said today. He also said U-2 surveillance flights, which were suspended this week, would resume Monday.

In a letter to the Security Council, Iraqi Foreign Minister Mohammed Saeed al-Sahhaf acknowledged moving some equipment, but said Baghdad took the action only because it feared a U.S. air strike was imminent.

"Therefore, we have taken some measures, which are precisely to move to distant sites the equipment that may have been subject to military attack," he said.

He said the equipment would be returned to the original location and the United Nations would be allowed to inspect it once any threat of an air strike ends.

"We stress that these equipments will not be used for any proscribed military activity during this period," he said. Al-Sahhaf also said one surveillance camera was damaged Wednesday during an explosion while the Iraq military was testing two short-range missile engines.

Short-range missiles are not banned by the United Nations.

Butler said he considered the situation "very serious" and that the Iraqis had never before tried to block surveillance cameras in such a manner.

"They've turned the lights off and it's pretty hard to take pictures when you've got no lights," Butler told CNN today. "In other places, they've simply obstructed the cameras, put bags over the lenses."

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said Iraq's action "proves our concern about Saddam Hussein's unwillingness to comply with relevant Security Council resolutions is well-placed."

Fast-track bill moves on fast track

WASHINGTON (AP) — At one recent meeting with lawmakers from Florida, Clinton administration officials floated the possibility of backing legislation to require the labeling of fruits and vegetables with their country of origin.

They didn't quite make a flat commitment to support it at the meeting earlier this week, and the issue is unresolved.

But whatever the decision, the discussion in a private office off the House floor is an example of a painstaking effort by the administration — backed by the GOP leadership — to secure passage of controversial trade legislation this week.

"It's hand-to-hand combat," says Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz., a strong supporter of the "fast-track" legislation.

The fast-track bill would permit the president to present trade agreements to Congress for simple yes-or-no votes and deny lawmakers the chance to amend them. Clinton and previous presidents have enjoyed such authority, but it has lapsed. The president wants the authority to negotiate new agreements with South American and Pacific nations.

Clinton has lobbied energetically in recent days, inviting lawmakers to the White House for private persuasion and unveiling a costly new package of assistance for workers harmed by trade deals, estimated to cost $4 billion over five years.

The lobbying campaign intensifies today when several members of the Cabinet visit Capitol Hill. They're likely to get an earful.

Floridians, unhappy with the impact of the North American Free Trade Agreement, are worried about the future of citrus and other crops. Some California lawmakers are unhappy with the way the wine industry has fared under existing international trade structures.

But not everyone has trade on his mind.

In private conversations, a variety of sources say some Republicans want assurances from the GOP leadership that floor action will be scheduled on long-stalled pet legislation.

Others want pledges from the White House that President Clinton won't kill their favorite projects with line-item vetoes, or that previously vetoed projects will be funded in the future. Others want assurances they'll be on the manifest for an appealing overseas trip.

Still other Republicans are pressing for concessions from the White House on contentious issues such as overseas abortions, the census, educational testing and government help for low-income students to attend private schools.

Gramm aide to be here Friday

U.S. Sen Phil Gramm's plan to rebuild Texas' highways will be outlined in a meeting set for 3:45 p.m. Friday in the chamber of commerce office.

Ed Hodges, Gramm's state director, will discuss a proposal to make an extra $2 billion in federal funds available for Texas' highways.

"Heavy traffic is a sure sign of economic growth and opportunity, but it is pounding our major highways into concrete dust," said Gramm. "Too many parts of the main north-south artery in our state, Interstate 35, are parking lots on most days, and virtually every other big highway in Texas is in desperate need of repair and upgrading. We should have started this program 10 years ago, but we can do it today."

The proposal — co-sponsored by U.S. Sens. Robert Byrd, D-West Virginia, John Warner, R-Virginia, and Max Baucus, D-Montana — will direct federal highway authorities to begin using the money collected from the 1993 gasoline tax increase.

The proposal will provide $1.9 billion in added highway funding for Texas. It also creates a $450 million fund to finance such programs as the special NAFTA Highway designations being sought for I-35, the planned I-69 in South and East Texas, and the I-10/I-20 link at El Paso.

Lamesa man scheduled to be executed

A Lamesa man, convicted in the March 1989 rape and murder of a 68-year-old woman, is scheduled for execution by lethal injection at 6 p.m. today.

Aaron Lee Fuller, 30, has been on death row for almost eight years. He was convicted in 1990 of raping and strangling Loretta Christine Stephens.

According to trial testimony, Fuller was on parole from a burglary conviction when he broke into Stephens' home, tied her hands and feet with telephone cord, then beat, raped and strangled her. He wrapped her in a bedspread and dumped her body in tall weeds off of U.S. 87 eight miles north of Lamesa.

Fuller tried to implicate a 17-year-old man in the murder but prosecutors and a jury later decided the teen-ager was not involved.

ASK US

Q—In Wednesday's SDN Column, ticket prices for the Brad Maule performance were mentioned. Are they available locally?

A—Yes. You can get them at Bar H Bar Family Outfitters. The show is at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Holiday Inn Country Villa in Midland.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 71 degrees; low, 38; 7 a.m. Thursday, 40; no precipitation; total for 1997, 23.30 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low around 40. Light SE wind. Friday, partly cloudy. High, lower 70s. S wind 5-15 mph.



Cheryl Massey
Partly cloudy

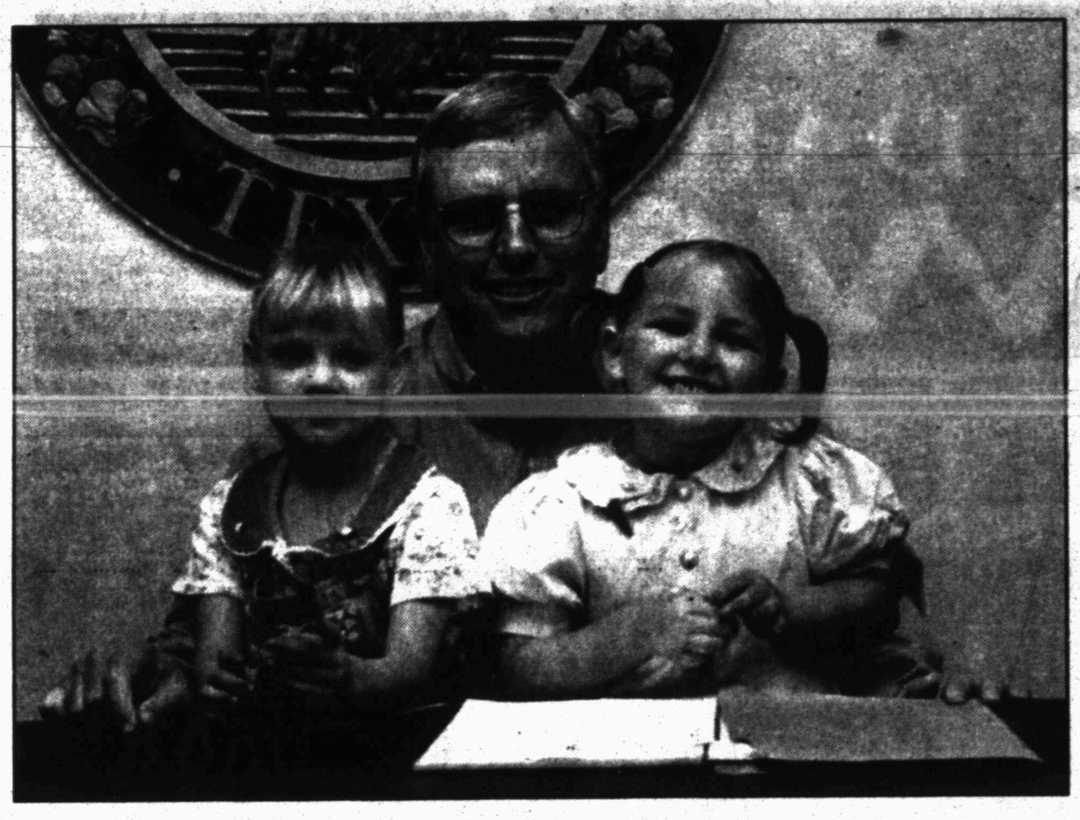
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Of 309 days in 1997, the sun has shone 296 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Between saying and doing, many a pair of shoes is worn out.

Italian Proverb

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BUDDY POPPY GIRLS — Mayor David Holt is shown with the 1997 Buddy Poppy Girls Shehala Essery, left, and Ashley Browning. American Legion and auxiliary members are distributing Buddy Poppies in conjunction with Veterans Day. All donations will benefit wounded veterans. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Report: plan stalled for use of force standards for county jails

CLUTE (AP) — A proposed statewide policy governing guards' use of force in county jails and privately run prisons appears stalled after drawing the ire of Texas sheriffs, according to The Brazosport Facts.

The plan proposed by Jack Crump, executive director of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards, would require sheriffs and operators of privately run prisons to draft their own policies on the use of force against inmates.

But Crump, who made the proposal after viewing a 1996 videotape of alleged abuses at a jail in Brazoria County, told the newspaper this week he doubted it would succeed after most sheriffs he contacted opposed the idea.

"I am not optimistic based upon the comments I have received," said Crump, who is scheduled to make his final recommendation on the issue at next month's meeting of the nine-member jail commission.

"It's fair to say a majority of those have been negative comments," he said. " ... It will have an impact on my recommendation. I have to understand that ultimately, any standard is only as good as it is acceptable by the user."

Sheriffs contend Crump's proposal is a knee-jerk reaction to alleged Brazoria County abuses that do not reflect jail conditions as a whole across the state.

Doctor and trooper testify air bag would have saved woman

LACONIA, N.H. (AP) — The medical examiner who declared Rebecca Anne Tebbetts dead after a 1991 car crash said her life could have been saved by an air bag — equipment her 2-year-old car didn't have.

However, Dr. John Bentwood conceded that he had no way of knowing that for sure.

Tebbetts' family is suing the Ford Motor Co. for $2.7 million, saying her 1988 Escort was defectively designed because it lacked a driver-side air bag — which it wasn't required to have at the time.

Ford said the technology didn't exist then to put air bags in compact cars, and the 18-year-old woman was driving too fast anyway for an air bag to have saved her.

Tebbetts' car ran off a winding road in Holderness and hit a rock ledge on May 15, 1991. It skidded back across the road over an embankment and hit a tree.

"She was probably restrained by the seat belt, but not enough to keep her from striking the steering wheel," Bentwood, Grafton County's medical examiner, testified Wednesday. "I think her chances would have been greatly improved and I think that it probably is more likely than not that she would have survived."

No autopsy was performed, but Bentwood testified that bruises on Tebbetts' head, chest and abdomen led him to believe she slammed into the steering wheel and died of internal injuries.

He conceded under cross-examination, however, that despite his belief that an air bag would have helped, there was no way of knowing.

The state police sergeant who investigated the crash expressed the same opinion.

Sgt. Kevin Hamilton testified that he has seen some accidents in which air bags saved lives and he has survived one himself. He said he believes an air bag would have saved Tebbetts.

Hamilton also said his first report overestimated how fast Tebbetts was driving. He said he changed the estimated speed from between 35 mph and 50 mph to between 30 mph and 40 mph after seeing computer models of the crash done by experts hired by the family's lawyers.

Ford lawyers suggested that the models are flawed because the data used to make them was inaccurate.

Federal safety standards in 1991 did not require air bags in the model Tebbetts was driving.

Woman dies, dozens sickened after meal at Maryland church

CHAPTICO, Md. (AP) — Charles Mattingly Jr. and his wife Mary Loretta had long enjoyed the annual fall dinner at Our Lady of the Wayside Church. Mrs. Mattingly, in fact, used to help organize it.

But after spending $28 Sunday for two meals that included turkey, stuffed ham, fried oysters and sweet potatoes, the 77-year-old Mattingly and his 76-year-old wife have suffered chills, diarrhea and headaches.

An elderly neighbor who also dined at the church has died of salmonella poisoning and officials are investigating whether two more deaths are related. Of 1,400 people who ate food at the church dinner, at least 143 have become sick.

"I don't know what this is going to do to the dinner," Mattingly said. "We always got very high praise for what a wonderful dinner we had."

An autopsy was pending on the woman who died. Her name was not released.

The death was caused by salmonella, said Tori Leonard, spokeswoman for the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The source had not been determined, but she said meat, poultry and eggs carry the bacteria.

The Rev. John Stack said he had not heard whether the woman died from eating the dinner.

"I am in shock just like anyone else," Stack said.

At least four bus loads of people from churches and retirement communities in Silver Spring and Baltimore attended. Chaptico is 65 miles south of Baltimore.

Some diners told health officials they brought friends and family from North Carolina and California with them.

Financial aid program to air on Monday night

The U.S. Department of Education is presenting students and parents the opportunity to learn the most up-to-date information about federal student financial aid.

On Monday, from 7-7:45 p.m., U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley will host a live, interactive teleconference called, "Financial Aid Night." This program will be televised locally on Channel 36.

For students considering college or other forms of postsecondary education, "Financial Aid Night" will present information needed to apply for federal student aid. Top experts will take phone calls from downlink sites during the program. Questions may be faxed (202-401-0689) in advance, and the deadline is 4 p.m. Friday.

The program will include:

—How to obtain and complete the "Free Application for Federal Student Aid" (FAFA), the document that determines eligibility for about 70 percent of federal student financial assistance.

—An overview of the major student financial assistance programs that are available at most schools, including federal Pell Grants, Stafford Loans, PLUS Loans, Consolidation Loans, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (FSEOGs), Federal Work Study (FWS) and the Federal Perkins Loans.

—Information on the most recent changes to the tax law, from tax cut savings to savings incentives, that benefit students and their families.

—How the AmeriCorps program provides full-time educational awards in return for work in community service.

—Ideas for obtaining scholarships, community organizations and other sources.

The FAFSAs will be available in the Snyder High School counseling office in December. The applications may not be mailed until after January 1, 1998, but it is very important to mail them as soon as possible after the first of the year.

Information about the income of both parents is needed to complete the FAFSA; therefore, parents and seniors are encouraged to prepare the 1997 income tax returns early.

Datebook

Nov. 6, 1997

Today is the 310th day of 1997 and the 47th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1913, Mohandas Gandhi was arrested while leading a march of Indian miners in South Africa.

On this day in 1947, "Meet the Press" premiered on NBC-TV.

On this day in 1991, the last of the oil fires ignited during the Gulf War was extinguished.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: John Philip Sousa (1854-1932), bandmaster-composer; Ignace Jan Paderewski (1860-1941), composer-Polish patriot; James Naismith (1861-1939), educator-inventor; Walter Johnson (1887-1946), baseball great; James Jones (1921-1977), novelist; Mike Nichols (1931-), director, is 66; Sally Field (1946-), actress, is 51; Maria Shriver (1955-), broadcast journalist, is 42.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1993, Evander Holyfield won back the heavyweight title from Riddick Bowe.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "He makes no friend who never made a foe." — Lord Tennyson

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1977, heavy rains in northern Georgia washed out 18 bridges in Madison County.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day before first quarter.

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A Bright Spot In Our Hometown...



Harry Krenek, WTC President

It's been said that there is no limit on what can be accomplished if people don't worry about who gets the credit.

That idea may best describe Dr. Harry Krenek, recipient of November's Hometown Spirit Award.

Dr. Krenek, president of Western Texas College, is one of the community's quiet, but effective workers.

Without fanfare is how he rose from history instructor to college president. One of WTC's original faculty members, Dr. Krenek taught history full-time until 1982 when he was named dean of instruction.

In 1986, after three years as dean, the board of trustees chose him to become president of the community college because of his "nuts and bolts" approach to leadership.

History and teaching remain his first love, although administrative duties leave little time for research and classroom.

Western Texas College's mission as a community college is evident in the change that has occurred during his 11 years as president.

While traditional college-transfer courses remain the core of the institution, WTC has responded to the demands for community service and workforce education.

When community projects surface, community leaders can count on the support of WTC resources. Dr. Krenek and WTC were instrumental in the prison effort and again the college is playing a vital role in the Lorber Industries project.

WTC has also administered the Senior Citizens Center in Snyder, and Dr. Krenek has been active over the years with the advisory board.

Dr. Krenek was recipient of the Vestal Award for community service in 1991. A former chamber of commerce director, he is a member of the chamber's Gold Coat organization.

Other areas of community involvement include the Scurry County Historical Commission, Historic Scurry County Inc. and the Scurry County Museum. He is the author of two books and numerous published articles.

During the last legislative session, Dr. Krenek served as legislative liaison representing the community colleges' presidents association.

A graduate of Elgin High School where he was an all-state running back, he attended the University of Texas on a football scholarship. He earned his bachelor of science degree from Howard Payne University and his master of arts degree from Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.

He earned his Ph.D degree from Texas Tech University. He taught high school history at Aransas County High school from 1963-67 and was then history instructor at Sul Ross State University. While working on his doctoral degree, he was a part-time history instructor at Tech.

Dr. Krenek's wife, Marsha, is a science teacher at Snyder Junior High. The Kreneks have two sons. Dan, 28, is married and employed by the Dallas Morning News. David, 21, is a senior at Angelo State University.

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

Company of Women International, Prophetic Voice to the Nations, for mature Christian women; Union Community Center; bring a dish for pot luck meal; 6 p.m.

Deep Creek Chapter of ABWA; The Shack; 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointments; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

NA Anonymous; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-3667, 573-1579 or 573-0949; 6 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 573-8929; 8 p.m., open meeting (last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting, pot luck at 7 p.m.).

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

SATURDAY

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 7 p.m.

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'Grace Under Fire' airs again Nov. 25

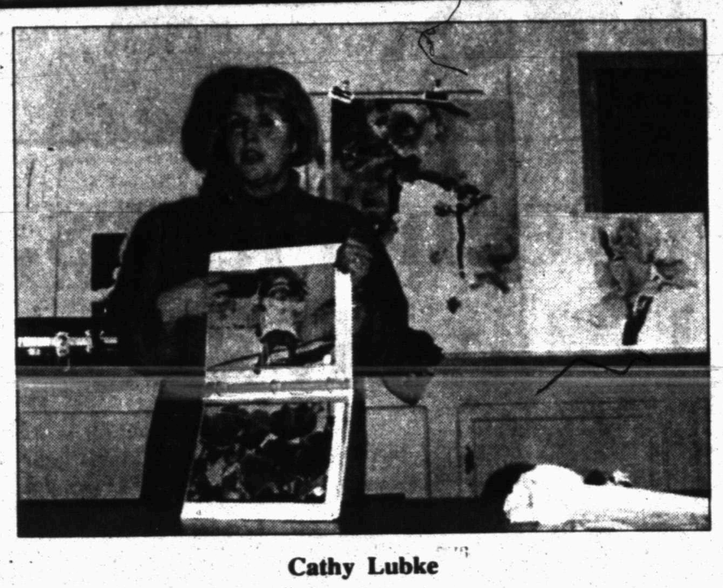
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The struggling sitcom starring Brett Butler was left off ABC's fall lineup but kept in production. Now the network says the show will be plugged into the Tuesday night lineup, a vacancy left by the cancellation of "Over the Top" after three episodes.

"Grace Under Fire" will begin airing Nov. 25.

Dan Aykroyd's series, "Soul Man," will shift to the Tuesday slot left empty by the demise of "Over the Top," which starred Tim Curry as a struggling actor.

"Hiller and Diller," the struggling freshman sitcom starring Kevin Nealon and Richard Lewis, has also been sent on vacation for the rest of the November sweeps, a period when ratings are used to set local advertising rates.



Cathy Lubke

Cathy Lubke gives watercolor instruction to Palette members

Cathy Lubke, a native of Burkett and an active painter since 1979, gave a demonstration at the Palette Club in the terminal building at Winston Field.

Producing works in an impressionistic style inspired by her native Texas landscape and the American Southwest, Cathy started painting in San Angelo with watercolorist Vernell Leach and has studied with such nationally known artists as Frank Webb, Judy Betts, Barbara Nechis and Michael Atkinson.

A graduate of Angelo State University, Cathy is a member of the Texas Watercolor Society, Watercolor West, Southwestern Watercolor Society and others.

She has won numerous awards and her work is displayed in public and private collections throughout the United States. She has conducted many workshops for adults and children.

Hostess for the session was Evelyn Mebane.

Palette Club meets at Winston Field Airport on the second and fourth Thursdays from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Watercolorist Jo Beth Gilliam of Lubbock will present the program at the Nov. 11 meeting.

Palette Club officers include Evelyn Mebane, vice-president; LaVerne Lee, secretary; Nettie Faye Gardner, treasurer; and Lois Burney, parliamentarian.

Mobile home wrecked by deer

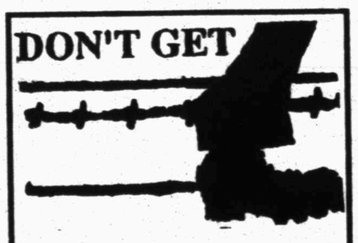
GLENDALE, Ark. (AP) — Don't be fooled by Bambi's seemingly innocent demeanor. Just ask Richard Harris about the damage a doe can inflict.

He found out the hard way when his mobile home got wrecked by a deer that bounded through the window. Harris said this week he figures the animal was spooked by barking dogs.

While Harris and his wife, Lynn, were running errands Saturday, the deer careened across the dining room table, crashed through sheet rock into the laundry room and wound up in the master bedroom. It bounced high enough on the bed to put holes in the ceiling.

"We just thank goodness no one was home, especially our grandbaby," Harris said. "Those wild animals can go crazy when they're enclosed."

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♣ Q 3

West
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♥ Q 9 6 4
♦ A 10 6 3
♣ 8 2

East
♠ 6 4
♥ K 10
♦ 7 4
♣ A K J 10 9 6 5

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

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
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Dbl.	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ 8

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By Phillip Alder

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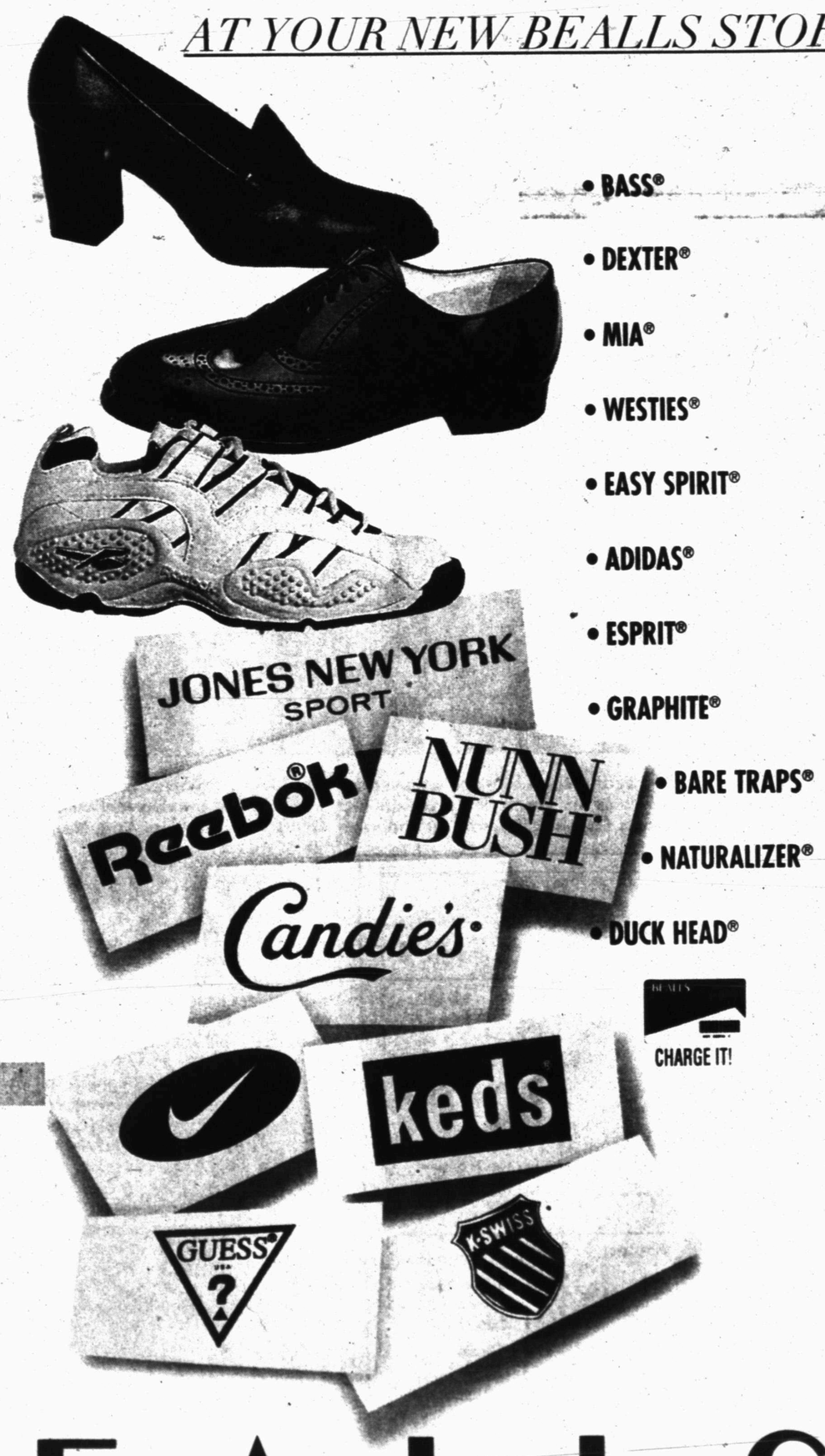
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SPORTS

District 2-4A finale between Tigers, Lobos will decide final playoff spot

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

Friday night's game is for all the marbles.

The Snyder Tigers travel to face the Levelland Lobos at 7:30 Friday in the District 2-4A season finale.

Snyder is currently 2-2 in district play and 2-7 overall, while Levelland is 1-3, 3-6. After Friday night's contest, one team will advance into the postseason and the other will stay at home.

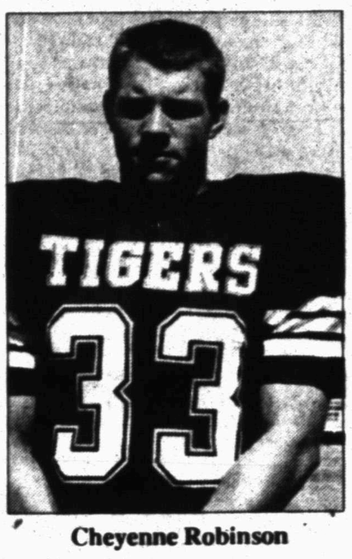
District recap

The Tigers opened district play with a 52-8 trouncing of Lamesa, before dropping its next two contests to Frenship and Estacado by an average of less than six points.

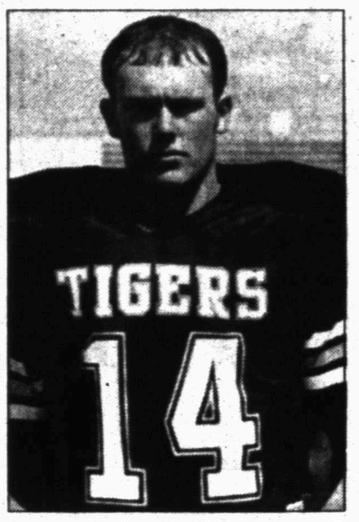
Snyder got back on track a week ago, crushing Plainview 38-8 and keeping the Tigers' playoff hopes alive.

The Lobos have suffered blowout losses at the hands of Estacado and Frenship, while narrowly falling to Plainview.

Levelland's only 2-4A victory came three weeks ago, a 19-7 win over Lamesa.



Cheyenne Robinson



Chad Carter

Levelland's offense vs. Snyder's defense

The Lobos feature a balanced offensive attack, which is averaging 209 yards per contest.

Leading Levelland on the ground is Eric Cooper. The senior RB has gained 795 yards on 163 carries this season.

But the Lobos aren't afraid to put the ball in the air, either.

Levelland QB Zach Taylor has attempted 136 passes in nine games. However, the senior has only completed 30 of those for 536 yards and nine interceptions.

"They like to put the ball in the air," Snyder coach David Baugh said. "They have a bunch of different formations and routes and they like to throw to their great big tight end."

Taylor's favorite target is 6'6" junior TE Jordan McFerrin.

But the Lobos might not find much to howl about on Friday, as Snyder is still sporting the district's second-rated defense.

In 2-4A action, the Tigers are surrendering less than 12 points per contest.

Snyder's offense vs. Levelland's defense

Snyder will be hoping its offensive performance from a week ago carries over to Friday night.

Against Plainview, the Tigers rolled up 290 yards on the ground and averaged 6.5 yards per offensive play.

The rushing attack was once again led by Cheyenne Robinson. The junior TB scampered for 107 yards on 20 carries.

But Snyder also showed it had some other backs that could step up when called upon.

John Border racked up 62 yards on only nine carries and John McHaney toted the ball twice for 41 more.

Snyder, which busted out for 38 points last week, will face a Lobo defense which has surrendered 204 points on the season.

The Tigers haven't put the ball in the air near as much as Levelland, but average only three passing yards less per contest than the Lobos.

Senior signal caller Chad Carter has been successful on 41 percent of his attempts, compared to 21 percent for Taylor.

Snyder back-up Justin McNair has also shown the ability to complete passes. The junior is 6 of 18 for 176 yards and a touchdown in relief of Carter.

Other notes

A Snyder victory guarantees the Tigers a spot in the playoffs.

A three-way tie for the postseason berth between Snyder, Levelland and Plainview is still possible, should the Lobos top the Tigers and the Bulldogs beat 0-9 Lamesa.

The tiebreaker for third place would be positive points between the three teams.

Currently Levelland is -2, by virtue of its 14-12 loss to Plainview. Snyder is +14, the maximum allowed in a single game, due to its 38-8 trouncing of the Bulldogs. Plainview is -12, having already faced both teams.

If the teams finish in a three-way tie at 2-3, then Levelland would need to win by more than seven points to knock Snyder from the playoff picture.

Statistical Matchup

The Snyder Tigers (2-2, 2-7) travel to face the Levelland Lobos (1-3, 3-6) at 7:30 Friday night in the season finale of District 2-4A. Here's a look at how the two teams match-up statistically.

OFFENSE	Sny	Lev
Rush	1393	1237
Pass	611	646
Total	2004	1883
Avg	223	209
Points	155	82

DEFENSE	Sny	Lev
Rush	1430	1681
Pass	663	650
Total	2093	2331
Avg	233	259
Points Allowed	168	204

INDIVIDUAL RUSHING

Player, Team	Car	Yds
Robinson, Sny	170	911
Cooper, Lev	163	795

INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING

Player, Team	Yds	Rec
Hodges, Sny	177	18
Cisneros, Lev	161	17

INDIVIDUAL PASSING

Player, Tm	Com	Att	Int	TD	Yds
Taylor, Lev	30	136	9	3	536
Carter, Sny	41	96	4	1	407
McNair, Sny	6	18	1	1	176

SNYDER RECAP

Opponent	Site	Res	Score
Andrews	away	L	42-0
Sweetwater	home	L	27-7
Wylie	away	L	7-3
Big Spring	home	L	20-14
Lake View	home	L	25-21
Lamesa	away	W	52-8
Frenship	home	L	12-10
Estacado	away	L	19-10
Plainview	home	W	38-8

LEVELLAND RECAP

Opponent	Site	Res	Score
Caprock	home	L	21-0
Canyon	home	W	30-9
Slaton	away	W	10-7
Andrews	away	L	28-8
Big Spring	away	L	40-0
Estacado	home	L	41-0
Lamesa	away	W	19-7
Plainview	home	L	14-12
Frenship	away	L	37-3

Distractions are nothing new to Cowboys

IRVING (AP) — What would the running soap opera at Valley Ranch be without a good "Barry Switzer is going to be fired" rumor?

"We're always under the microscope," veteran Bill Bates said Wednesday. "We're pretty much used to it."

Said guard Nate Newtown: "We need a good distraction. Distractions get us going. We thrive on them."

Owner Jerry Jones shot down the latest report concerning Switzer, who, according to The Washington Post, likely will be replaced next week by director of scouting Larry Lacewell.

"It shows you how bad sources can be," Jones said while the Cowboys, 4-5 and off to their worst start since 1990, tried to prepare for Sunday's game against Arizona in Texas Stadium. "Barry's job is secure. We're going to ride through these rough times and we're going to ride with Barry Switzer."

The Dallas Morning News today quoted a source as saying Switzer was almost fired after a loss to the Washington Redskins three weeks ago.

The source told the newspaper that Jones considered replacing Switzer on an interim basis with special teams coach Joe Avezzano.

Avezzano, however, expressed surprise when told of the source's statement.

The reports of Switzer's dismissal followed a heated discussion after Sunday's 17-10 loss to San Francisco between Switzer and quarterback Troy Aikman, and a New York Times report last week that the Dallas coach stayed up until 4 a.m. partying and then bragging about it.

Cowboys public relations director Rich Dalrymple responded to the reports this way:

"That would be taking a difficult situation, turning it upside down, and then turning it upside down again. It's not something Jerry is going to do."

Lacewell, a former assistant under Switzer and also a head coach at Arkansas State, responded with a laugh.

"That's crazy," he said. "I'm trying to find players, not coach them. It's ridiculous. I'd be shocked if something like that happened."

Jones said he would study the coaching situation after the season. Switzer has won one Super Bowl in his four years as head coach.

The players tried to ignore the sideshow and get ready for a team that upset them in the second game of the season.

"We feel we can win Sunday and get back in the race," said running back Emmitt Smith, whose status is questionable with a groin pull.



LADIES GOLF OFFICERS — Leading the ladies golf association at the Snyder Country Club this year are Gwen Sealy, president; Anita Talbott, first vice president; Cynthia Jackson, second vice president; Dolores Jones, secretary; Lou Keeble, treasurer; Colleen Duke, reporter; and Peggy Hardin, parliamentarian. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

DISTRICT 2-AAAA STANDINGS

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Estacado	4	0	8	1
Frenship	4	0	6	3
Snyder	2	2	2	7
Levelland	1	3	3	6
Plainview	1	3	2	7
Lamesa	0	4	0	9

Tonight's game: Frenship at Estacado.

Friday's games: Snyder at Levelland; Lamesa at Plainview.

SNYDER WGA RESULTS

Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club October awards

Oct. 7, fairway everywhere: Cynthia Jackson, low gross, 41; Becky Knipe, low net, 31; Donna Stehley and Becky Knipe, low putters, 14.

Oct. 14, queen of the hill playoff: Anita Talbott, low gross, 89; Finnie Seale, low net, 72; Peggy Hardin, low putter, 27. Non-qualifying winners: Donna Stehley, low gross, 107; Dolores Jones, low net, 81, chip-in.

Oct. 21, play the pro: Esther Guelker, Norma Thompson, Colleen Duke and Dolores Jones, winners; Norma Thompson and Colleen Duke, low putters, 30; Norma Thompson, chip-in.

Oct. 28, blind partners: Donna Stehley and Dolores Jones, 143; Norma Thompson, low putter, 26.

Nov. 4, least putts: Anita Talbott, 15.

Yearly awards

President: Peggy Hardin

Ringer tournament: Colleen Duke, most improved, 34 strokes; Anita Talbott and Cynthia Jackson, low score, 64.

Eagle: Cynthia Jackson.

Most birdies: Cynthia Jackson.

Low putters: Cynthia Jackson, A flight; Becky Knipe, B flight; Colleen Duke, C flight.

Stars for pars: Cynthia Jackson, A flight; Stacy Reed, Anita Talbott, Suzy Reed and Finnie Seale, completed all pars; Peggy Hardin, B flight; Colleen Duke, C flight.

Most improved player: Esther Guelker, 4 strokes; Stacy Reed, percent of improvement.

Queen of the hill: Anita Talbott, low gross, 89; Finnie Seale, low net, 72.

Mavs suffer first loss to Hornets

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Glen Rice scored 28 points and Dell Curry 23 as the Charlotte Hornets defeated Dallas 110-103 on Wednesday night, spoiling the Mavericks' bid for their best start ever.

Rice, who averaged 33 points in two games against the Mavericks last season, hit 12 of 21 field-goal attempts this time. Curry made his first five shots on the way to an 8-of-13 night, helping the Hornets to 51 percent shooting.

Khalid Reeves scored 24 and Michael Finley had 20 for Dallas, which was trying to match the 1995-96 Mavericks by winning the first four games.

Dallas, coming off a victory over Vancouver one night earlier, lost steam in the second half against Charlotte after shooting 57 percent in the first two quarters. The Mavericks shot 30 percent in the third quarter and wound up at 47 percent.

Rice, the NBA's most accurate 3-point shooter last season, opened this year with an 0-for-7 skid that ended when he hit one with 24 seconds left in the third quarter.

The basket started a 14-7 run that gave Charlotte its biggest lead to that stage, 93-83 with 8:12 remaining.

The closest Dallas got the rest of the way was 104-102 on a 3-pointer by Reeves with 46 seconds left, but the Hornets sealed it by making all six of their free throws in the last 35 seconds.

Curry powered a 17-8 run midway through the second quarter that broke a 38-38 tie and put the Hornets ahead to stay. He hit all five of his shots, including three 3-pointers, and scored 13 in the surge.

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STANDINGS

Floyd	Last Week 12-8	Overall .650%	
Cypert	Last Week 13-7	Overall .628%	
Owen	Last Week 14-6	Overall .706%	
Rodriguez	Last Week 12-8	Overall .611%	
Drennan	Last Week 12-8	Overall .617%	
Trujillo	Last Week 12-8	Over all .544%	

Snyder at Levelland	WALT FLOYD Roe's Furniture	MARK CYPERT Bell-Cypert-Seale	JERRY OWEN The Movie Stop	CHON RODRIGUEZ Spanish Inn	ERIC DRENNAN SDN Sports Editor	RUDY TRUJILLO Rudy's Restaurant
Lamesa at Plainview	Snyder	Snyder	Snyder	Snyder	Snyder	Snyder
Ira at Borden County	Plainview	Plainview	Plainview	Plainview	Plainview	Lamesa
Hermleigh at Loraine	Borden County	Ira	Borden County	Ira	Borden County	Ira
Highland at Westbrook	Hermleigh	Hermleigh	Hermleigh	Hermleigh	Hermleigh	Hermleigh
Texas Tech at Texas	Highland	Westbrook	Highland	Highland	Highland	Westbrook
Oklahoma St. at Oklahoma	Texas Tech	Texas Tech	Texas	Texas Tech	Texas Tech	Texas Tech
Colorado at Iowa St.	Oklahoma St	Oklahoma St	Oklahoma St	Oklahoma St	Oklahoma St	Oklahoma
Kansas at Kansas St.	Colorado	Colorado	Colorado	Colorado	Colorado	Colorado
Army at Air Force	Kansas St	Kansas St	Kansas St	Kansas St	Kansas St	Kansas
Florida St. at North Carolina	Air Force	Air Force	Air Force	Air Force	Air Force	Air Force
LSU at Alabama	Florida St	Florida St	Florida St	Florida St	Florida St	North Carolina
Michigan at Penn St.	LSU	LSU	LSU	LSU	LSU	Alabama
Michigan St. at Purdue	Penn St	Penn St	Penn St	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan
Arizona at Dallas	Michigan St	Purdue	Michigan St	Purdue	Purdue	Purdue
NY Jets at Miami	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas
NY Giants at Tennessee	Miami	NY Jets	Miami	Miami	NY Jets	Miami
Cincinnati at Indianapolis	NY Giants	NY Giants	Tennessee	NY Giants	Tennessee	NY Giants
Seattle at San Diego	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Indianapolis
Kansas City at Jacksonville	Seattle	Seattle	Seattle	Seattle	Seattle	San Diego
	Kansas City	Jacksonville	Jacksonville	Jacksonville	Jacksonville	Jacksonville

Nieuwendyk gets hat trick in Stars' win

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Mike Modano still centers the Dallas Stars' No. 1 line, but he better watch out for Joe Nieuwendyk.

Nieuwendyk had his first hat trick in more than two years to lead the streaking Stars to a 5-2 win over the Pittsburgh Penguins on Wednesday night.

The No. 2 line of Nieuwendyk and wingers Pat Verbeek and Benoit Hogue is rapidly moving up on coach Ken Hitchcock's popularity chart.

"That line is a dynamic line for us right now," Hitchcock said. "Not only are they solid offensively, they're solid defensively, too."

That formula has led to seven-game point-scoring streaks by Nieuwendyk and Verbeek.

Modano, the NHL player of the month for October, has just one goal in his last nine games. But Nieuwendyk said it doesn't matter who's No. 1 or 2.

"We have two lines going pretty well right now and that's good," Nieuwendyk said.

Brewers become newest NL team due to reallignment

NEW YORK (AP) — The Milwaukee Brewers culminated the 10-month realignment debate by becoming the first major league baseball team to switch leagues this century.

The Brewers will move from the AL to the NL next season, a shift approved Wednesday by baseball's ruling executive council. Milwaukee, which had been in the AL Central, will play in a six-team NL Central. It leaves the NL with 16 teams and the AL with 14.

"I think it's a wonderful thing for baseball," said home-run king Hank Aaron, who started his career with the Milwaukee Braves in 1954 and ended it with the Brewers in 1976. "It's a great day for Milwaukee."

There was no announcement after the 45-minute conference call among nine executive council members. Three council members, who spoke on the condition they not be identified, confirmed the decision was made. One said the vote was unanimous.

The official announcement was scheduled for 5 p.m. EDT today at a news conference in Milwaukee.

Owners gave the council permission to make the final decision when they approved a one-team realignment in a telephone vote Oct. 15. While Kansas City was given first choice to switch, the Royals preferred to stay in the AL.

Milwaukee, the team owned by acting commissioner Bud Selig, had said it would move to the NL in the event Kansas City declined.

While Milwaukee has been an American League town since the Seattle Pilots moved there prior to the 1970 season and became the Brewers, its first experience in major league baseball was as an NL city. The Braves moved from Boston and played in Milwaukee from 1953 to 1965 before moving to Atlanta.

"Milwaukee's first identification was with the National League," said Aaron, who played with the Braves for 21 seasons before joining the Brewers. "Nothing against the AL. They won a championship there (1982). But we won a World Series (1957)."

Selig, reached at his home in Milwaukee, refused to even confirm the council call took place.

The expansion Tampa Bay Devil Rays will join the AL East and the Detroit Tigers will shift to the AL Central. The NL Central will become baseball's largest division with six teams.

"You got five other teams to contend with, as opposed to four or three," Houston Astros president Tal Smith said. "But I don't think it's that big a deal."

A baseball team shifting leagues would have been inconceivable until just a few years ago. While the NL formed in 1876, the AL began as a challenger in 1900.

They signed an agreement in January 1903 not to raid each other's players, but the two were staunch competitors for decades —not even willing to share office space in the same building until 1984.

Most financial distinctions between the leagues disappeared with the owners' revenue-sharing agreement in March 1996. Last season, the teams began interleague play.

While the switch is unprecedented for baseball, it has happened in other sports.

SDN Sports Week

Today

Football

Snyder 9th at Levelland, 6:30.
Levelland at Snyder JV, 6 p.m.

Basketball

WTC at Trinity Valley, Athens, 7 p.m.

Rodeo

WTC at Texas Tech.

Friday

Football

Snyder at Levelland, 7:30.
Ira at Borden County, 7:30.
Hermleigh at Loraine, 7:30.

Basketball

WTC at Seward County, Athens, TBA.

Rodeo

WTC at Texas Tech.

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WTC at Texas Tech.

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NewYork	2	1	.667	1
Washington	2	2	.500	1½
Boston	1	3	.250	2½
Orlando	1	3	.250	2½
Philadelphia	0	3	.000	3

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	4	0	1.000	-
Chicago	3	1	.750	1
Milwaukee	2	1	.667	1½
Charlotte	2	2	.500	2
Detroit	2	2	.500	2
Indiana	2	2	.500	2
Cleveland	1	2	.333	2½
Toronto	1	2	.333	2½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	3	1	.750	-
Houston	3	1	.750	-
SanAntonio	3	1	.750	-
Minnesota	2	1	.667	½
Utah	1	3	.250	2
Vancouver	1	3	.250	2
Denver	0	3	.000	2½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A.Lakers	2	0	1.000	-
Phoenix	2	0	1.000	-
Portland	2	1	.667	½
Seattle	2	1	.667	½
L.A.Clippers	0	3	.000	2½
Sacramento	0	3	.000	2½
GoldenState	0	4	.000	3

Wednesday's Games

Miami 90, Boston 74
Indiana 99, Detroit 87
New Jersey 112, Golden State 96
Atlanta 93, Philadelphia 88
Charlotte 110, Dallas 103
Chicago 94, Orlando 81
San Antonio 87, Vancouver 79
Houston 124, L.A. Clippers 110

Thursday's Games

Seattle at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

Friday's Games

Cleveland at Boston, 6 p.m.
Seattle at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Miami at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Washington, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Orlando at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Portland at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Denver, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
New York at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.

1997-98 Lady Westerner Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Nov. 6	Trinity Valley	Athens	7 p.m.
Nov. 7	Seward County	Athens	TBA
Nov. 12	Weatherford	Weatherford	6 p.m.
Nov. 18	Cisco	Home	6 p.m.
Nov. 20-21	Howard Classic	Big Spring	6 p.m.
Nov. 24	Wayland JV	Plainview	5 p.m.
Dec. 5	Blinn	Brenham	6 p.m.
Dec. 12-13	Pizza Hut Classic	Liberal, Kan.	TBA
Jan. 2	Central Arizona	Odessa	6 p.m.
Jan. 5-7	SAWBC Clasiic	Waco	TBA
Jan. 12	*New Mexico	Home	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 15	*Howard	Big Spring	5:50 p.m.
Jan. 19	*Clarendon	Home	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 22	*Frank Phillips	Borger	5:50 p.m.
Jan. 26	*Odessa	Home	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 29	*South Plains	Levelland	5:50 p.m.
Feb. 2	*Midland	Midland	5:50 p.m.
Feb. 5	*New Maxico	Hobbs	5:50 p.m.
Feb. 9	*Howard	Home	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 12	*Clarendon	Clarendon	5:50 p.m.
Feb. 16	*Frank Phillips	Home	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 19	*Odessa	Odessa	5:50 p.m.
Feb. 23	*South Plains	Home	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 26	*Midland	Home	7:30 p.m.
Mar. 3-5	Region V Tourney	Midland	TBA
Mar. 17-21	NJCAA Tourney	Salina, Kan.	TBA

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Washington	8	5	2	18	46	37
N.Y.Islanders	6	5	3	15	44	37
N.Y.Rangers	4	6	6	14	40	43
Florida	3	8	3	9	30	46
TampaBay	2	10	2	6	25	48

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
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Boston	9	5	1	19	41	35
Ottawa	8	4	3	19	47	36
Pittsburgh	8	7	2	18	49	49
Carolina	5	8	3	13	41	48
Buffalo	5	7	2	12	35	45

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	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	11	3	2	24	57	36
St.Louis	11	3	2	24	51	34
Dallas	10	5	2	22	55	42
Phoenix	6	6	2	14	43	40
Toronto	4	7	3	11	29	42
Chicago	5	10	0	10	27	41

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	7	3	6	20	51	42
Anaheim	6	5	4	16	37	37
LosAngeles	6	6	4	16	51	44
Edmonton	5	7	3	13	33	47
SanJose	4	10	1	9	34	46
Calgary	3	10	3	9	42	54
Vancouver	3	11	2	8	37	57

Wednesday's Games

Dallas 5, Pittsburgh 2
Carolina 3, Detroit 1
Montreal 4, Phoenix 2
Edmonton 4, N.Y. Islanders 4, tie
New Jersey 4, Florida 2
N.Y. Rangers 4, Colorado 2
Toronto 4, Calgary 3

Lady Westerners face top-ranked Trinity Valley

The Lady Westerners will be looking to post their first win of the season tonight, when they take on Trinity Valley in Athens.

After dropping its opener to Howard, 70-41, WTC used improved shooting to play Cisco close before falling 80-70.

Trinity Valley is currently ranked No. 1 in the nation and WTC coach Valery Jackson said she might employ more zone defense to combat Trinity's height.

"We will probably use a modified 2-3 zone against Trinity," Jackson stated. "Even though our man-to-man defense has been stronger in the first two games, we need to be able to play good zone because they have so much height."

Trinity features six players over six-feet tall, including a 6'7" and two 6'4" inside players.

The Lady Westerners will remain in Athens to face 1996 top-five finisher Seward County of Kansas, on Friday.

WTC then travels to face Weatherford on Wednesday, before returning to Scurry County Coliseum Nov. 18 for a rematch with Cisco.

WTC rodeo teams ready for Lubbock

The Western Texas College rodeo teams will be looking to finish off the fall season on a good note, when they begin the 48th annual Texas Tech Intercollegiate Rodeo tonight in Lubbock.

Westerner coach Greg Rhodes, in his first season at WTC, has seen his women's team notch two first-place finishes already this season, while the men's team has shown steady improvement throught the fall schedule.

Tonight's action will begin at 7:30, with performances Friday and Saturday also at 7:30.

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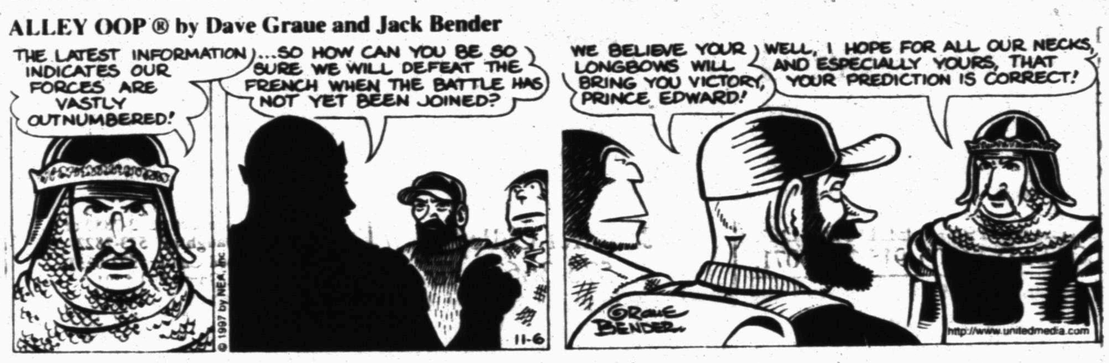


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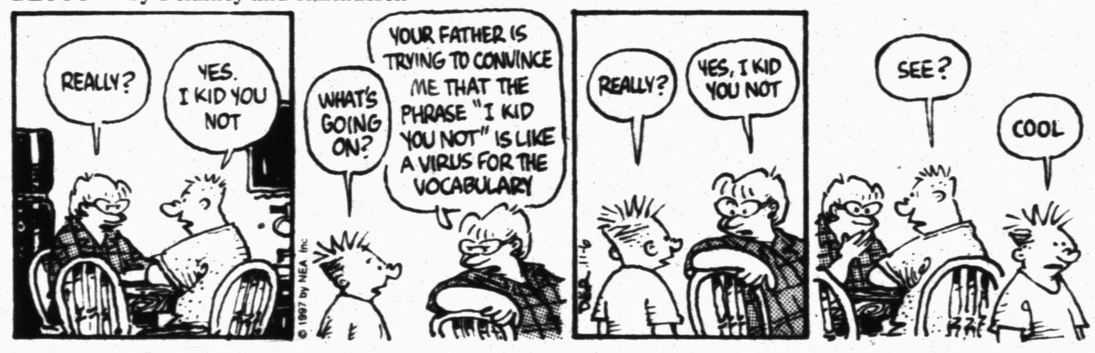
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14 Fib
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17 Airline info
18 Closes tightly
19 Less cloudy
21 Anklet
23 Act like a shrew
24 Actor Gulager
27 Foundation
29 Baseballer Nolan —
32 Large arteries
34 Parallelograms
36 Actor Redford
37 President Reagan
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46 Shows plainly
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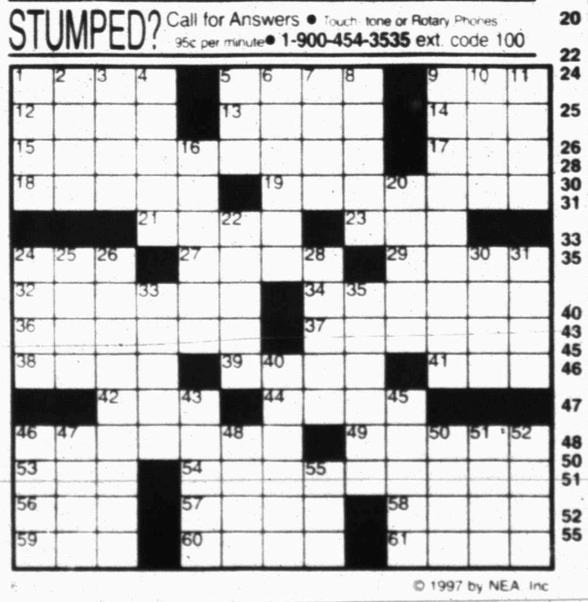
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6 Building materials
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8 Out of bed
9 Parson or minister
10 Ceremony
11 Calendar period
16 Line on a map
20 Producer Spelling
22 Social rank
24 Astronomer Sagan
25 Writer Anita —
26 Cities
28 Blunder
30 Skillful
31 Nest of pheasants
33 Dakota Indian
35 College-traveler's lodging
40 Light color
43 The real —
45 Authority
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47 Baseball's — Blue
48 Roof edge
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AirTouch	40 15-16	39 15-16	40 1-16— 1
Albertsons	39 11-16	38⅝	39⅛+ 1
AlliedSignal s	36⅝	36 1-16	36⅛— ⅛
Allstl	36⅝	36 3-16	36⅜— 3-16
AmerOnline	86⅛	84	84⅜— ⅛
AmStores	27⅛	26 27-32	27⅛+ 9-16
Ameritech	65⅝	64 13-16	65⅜— ⅛
Amoco	91⅛	90⅝	90⅝— 1
AnalogDv	75⅝	74 13-16	74 13-16— ⅛
Ameoline	6 3-16	6	6 1-16— 1-16
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ATMOS Egy	25 5-16	24⅝	25 — 5-16
Avnll	13 7-16	13⅜	13⅜+ 1-16
BakerHughes	49⅝	48 5-16	48⅜— ⅛
BellAtl	81 7-16	80 9-16	80⅝—1 5-16
BellSouth	49 1-16	48 5-16	48 7-16— ⅛
BethSteel	11⅝	11 3-16	11⅜
BritPet s	86⅜	86 5-16	86 9-16— ⅛
BurlNoSFe	95	94⅛	94 7-16— ⅛
Caterpillar s	53 1-16	52 13-16	52⅝— 5-16
CenSoWst	21⅛	20⅝	20⅝— ⅛
Chevron	84⅛	83 11-16	84 3-16— 9-16
Chrysler	35	3-16	34⅝ 35 1-16
Coastal	60	3-16 59	11-16 60⅛+ ⅛
CocaCola	57⅛	57 5-16	57 7-16— 3-16
ColgatePalm s	65	7-16 64⅛	64⅜— ⅛
ComclMetals	32	31⅞	32 — ⅛
Conpndn	53⅛	52⅝	52⅝— ⅛
CyprusAmax	20	15-16 20⅛	20⅛— 3-16
DalSemico	52	11-16 52	7-16 52 7-16— ⅛
DeltaAirl	104	5-16 103	9-16 104 1-16—13-16
DigitalEq	53	1-16 52⅝	52 9-16— ⅜
Dillards Inc	41⅛	40 9-16	40⅝+ 1-16
DowChem	91⅝	90⅜	91 5-16+ 1-16
Dreamfld	44⅝	44⅛	44⅛— 7-16
DuPont s	57	15-16 57	9-16 57⅜— 5-16
EastmanChem	59⅜	58⅜	59 5-16— ⅛
EstKodak	63⅜	62⅝	63 5-16+ ⅛
EDS Corp	38	11-16 38⅛	38⅜+ ⅛
Entergy	24⅛	24⅛	24⅛— ⅛
Exxon s	62	60 15-16	61⅛— ⅜
FstBkSan	17	5-16 17	5-16 17 5-16
Flowers s	19	7-16 19	5-16 19 5-16— ⅛
FordMotor	46	7-16 46	46 1-16— ⅛
GTE Cp	43⅜	42⅞	42⅞— ⅛
GenDynam	82	81 9-16	82 — 3-16
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GenMills	67⅞	67¼	67⅝— ⅛
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Goodyear s	65⅛	65⅛	65⅛— ⅜
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HarteHanks	35⅝	35	13-16 35 13-16— 1-16
HomeDepot s	57	7-16 56	15-16 57 1-16— 5-16
HoustonInds	22⅛	22⅛	22⅛— ⅛
IBM s	103	3-16 101⅛	101⅜— ⅛
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Lowes Cos	42⅝	41¾	42 1-16—11-16
Lubys	19	15-16 19⅜	19⅜— ⅛
LucentTech	86	84⅜	85⅜+ 3-16
MayDeptStrs	55	11-16 55⅜	55⅜+ 5-16
Medtronic s	47⅞	46 13-16	47⅜— 3-16
Mobils	74	73⅛	73⅝—13-16
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MorganJP	115⅞	115	115 9-16— ⅜
Motorola	64⅛	62 13-16	63⅜—1 1-16
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SherwinW s	28⅜	28	3-16 28⅛+ 1-16
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Births

Bobby and Virginia Grimes announce the birth of their daughter, Sydney, weighing seven pounds. She was born at 1:46 a.m. on Nov. 5 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Friday, Nov. 7, 1997

In the year ahead, your greatest gains could come from situations that seem unusual to others. You, however, will recognize their value and not be influenced by outside opinions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) It is probable today that only small sums will accumulate in your profit column, due to your inclination to be penny wise and pound foolish. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that will govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Friends and family members will find you a comfortable person to be around today, provided they are in accord with your wishes.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Do a favor out of the goodness of your heart today. Your deed will lose its luster if you make the recipient feel indebted to you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today, you could do a good turn and jeopardize a relationship in the process. Deliberate carefully before loaning something valuable to a pal.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be aware of the odds at all times today. You could be overmatched in a competition if you think you have more clout than you actually do.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Improper management of your duties could preface future complications. What you sweep under the rug now might swirl out as a dust devil later.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) This should be an enjoyable day for you, provided you don't saddle yourself with someone who always expects you to solve his or her problems.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Suggestions you feel are reasonable might be rejected by your peers today. If you try to build a case, it will only make things worse.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Co-workers might be harder than usual to get along with today, so be careful not to inject discord into the relationships. It could light a fuse.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A disagreement might arise today pertaining to the way a joint venture will be proportioned. You may feel like the injured party.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Accept loved ones for what they are today, because they won't tolerate you trying to make them over into your image. Honor their independence.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today, you may lose your gift for tactful speech and you could say something about another that would be difficult to retract later.

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Berry's World



Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Is it risky to drink coffee?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've read that coffee can cause cancer, heart disease and osteoporosis. Is this true? I'd hate to give up my two cups in the morning.

DEAR READER: These claims about coffee have been refuted, according to a report in the July issue of the Mayo Clinic Health Letter.

While there is a "limited" risk of cancer from coffee, the association has been detected only in people who drink an extraordinary amount each day.

Moreover, the Harvard Nurses' Health Study (of more than 120,000 women) failed to find a relation between coffee-consumption and heart attacks.

Huge amounts of coffee do cause the body to lose calcium, thereby — in theory — worsening osteoporosis. However, for moderate drinkers, this is not a problem.

As with other things in life, moderation is the key. When used appropriately, coffee is a safe beverage that healthy people can enjoy without fear or guilt.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband has a puzzling problem that my friends insist is not unique. At age 46, he is ordinarily very loving and caring. However, about every three months, he becomes a bear — argumentative, stubborn and unreasonable — and he places the blame on me for his surly behavior! Could this be a chemical imbalance? How about male menopause?

DEAR READER: I agree that a chemical imbalance could contribute to your husband's "dual personality" — but not in the way that you suspect.

Male menopause was, for years, the classic cop-out for men behaving badly. Like women who became periodically moody and irritable after the change of life, men were believed to suffer from a parallel disturbance in hormone levels.

Sorry, guys, it just isn't so.

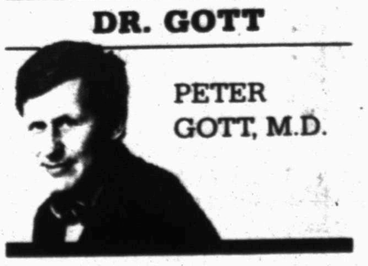
As men age, their levels of testosterone fall, leading to a host of predictable consequences, including impotence, osteoporosis, loss of interest in sex, reduction in muscle development, and — often — depression. However, rude and abusive behavior is not customarily part of the syndrome. As much as we males would prefer to blame our hormones (or lack of them!), that excuse won't do. We have to take responsibility for our actions and attitudes.

When you address this issue with your husband, make sure that you emphasize that he is not "crazy"; rather, he should seek help in handling the mood changes which you find so distressing.

To give you more information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Mental and Emotional Illness." 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.

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PETER GOTT, M.D.

Solar flare expected to have little effect

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new giant solar flare is expected to have only minor effects on Earth, scientists say.

A solar flare is a strong release of energy, occurring this time in the southwest corner of the sun.

The eruption, several times larger than the size of the Earth, was detected early Tuesday morning by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Space Environment Center in Boulder, Colo.

Forecasters at the center expect the Earth's magnetic field to be affected over the next few days, peaking Friday.

Such a so-called geomagnetic storm can produce northern lights displays visible in the northern parts of the United States.

The NOAA forecasters say power systems probably will experience only isolated effects. However, satellites could develop electrical charging, which can result in arcing between parts of the satellite.

The largest of these types of storms can cause communication problems with satellites and affect their orbit.

A massive solar flare in March 1989 knocked out the electrical system in all of Quebec and destroyed a large power transformer in New Jersey. That flare produced a geomagnetic storm five times greater than the current one is predicted to be.

After long outage, people mad at utility

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Utility lineman Frank Murcek, working another 16-hour day, was stringing a primary line when a woman drove up and unloaded a string of obscenities.

She wanted heat and lights — now.

Murcek tried to explain. The line was down. It was dangerous. And, besides, restoring the primary line was a first step in getting power back for thousands.

"She said, 'I'm tired of listening to your excuses' and drove off," Murcek said.

Curses, threats and even bribes were all too familiar for exhausted utility workers this week as the worst power outage in Omaha's history dragged on for 11 days before electricity was restored to all Wednesday.

In one neighborhood, residents surrounded a utility truck and refused to let it go. Security guards tagged along to safeguard another crew. The powerless offered cookies and pizzas to crews; Murcek was offered $100 to hook up one home.

"They're very hostile right now," line technician T.J. Croft said on one of the last days of the outage.

At least 130,000 of the 272,000 utility customers in Nebraska's largest city were plunged into darkness in the wee hours of Oct. 26 when a tree-slamming, power line-snapping storm swept through the region.

The extended outage turned into outrage at the city's utility company.

Customers criticized the Omaha Public Power District for underestimating the problem and creating false hopes of a quick recovery.

"Management should have analyzed the problem sooner, faster and more accurately," said Don Holst, who was without power for six days. He called for a change in management.

As the last darkened lights flickered on, the power district announced Wednesday that it would hire a consulting firm to analyze how its crews responded and help find ways to improve.

"To date, our emergency planning has been based on the worst storms we've ever experienced," said John Green, chairman of the utility's board. "But this storm far exceeded anything we've ever seen."

The wait for power wasn't as long in Lincoln, the state capital 50 miles away. Crews for the Lincoln Electric System received a spaghetti dinner from grateful customers after the utility restored all of its 30,000 powerless customers by Monday morning.

"We have some work to do to restore the faith of some in the community," acknowledged OPPD President Fred Petersen. "We'll do that by doing what we have done in the past and what we will do in the future — providing good service."

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Wife's Game Plan for In-Law Requires Husband on Her Side

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DEAR ABBY: After reading her letter about her mother-in-law, I have heartfelt sympathy for "Charlotte in North Carolina." However, I think that your advice that she should start looking for another man for her mother-in-law was unrealistic. The chances of her finding a man who would put up with a witch like her mother-in-law are pretty slim. I have the same mother-in-law problem, so here's my advice to Charlotte:

Your mother-in-law will never accept you, understand you or listen to you, so don't hold your breath waiting for her to see the light. If she's anything like mine, she uses guilt like a master manipulator. She'll turn on the tears on spout outright lies to get her way.

Tearing your family apart for her own selfish needs is heartless. However, as much as you want to blame your mother-in-law, your husband is the one to blame. Only he can put "Mommie Dearest" in her place.

At first, my husband thought I was too sensitive to his mother's indirect insults. However, once he took notice of them, he began to understand my feelings.

Charlotte, discuss your mother-in-law's comments with your husband while they're still fresh. Point out situations where she's interfering with family time. Always remember that she's his mother and the children's grandmother, and she deserves respect even when you don't get hers in return. You can learn to play the game.

Granted, you'll never get rid of the old battle-ax, but it helps if your husband is on your side to counter her attacks. Perhaps one day she'll get the hint and get a life of her own.

KEEPING THE PEACE,
TERRE HAUTE, IND.

DEAR KEEPING THE PEACE: I am printing your letter in its entirety with the hope that it will provide a blueprint for "Charlotte" to follow. I can think of few relationships as emotionally charged as those between daughters-in-law and mothers-in-law.

P.S. I'm one of the lucky ones. I love my mother-in-law! Rose Phillips, take a bow.

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DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend took me to a party where I felt really out of place. A woman he knew was there, and my boyfriend sat and talked to her for hours. I sat by myself. Fortunately, my brother-in-law was also a guest, so when he saw I had been deserted, he more or less entertained me. When food was served, I looked up and saw my boyfriend leading this woman to a porch where they could sit and talk some more, while I again sat by myself.

Later that night, I told him he was rude and inconsiderate. Was I wrong?

PARTY BLUES
IN RICHMOND, VA.

DEAR PARTY BLUES: No, you were not wrong. Your boyfriend was rude and inconsiderate — and if you are still with him, you are foolish. You can do better.

Next time around, try to find a boyfriend as sensitive and considerate as your brother-in-law, and you'll have yourself a winner.

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DEAR READERS: A man went into a fortune-teller's shop and waited for a reading. The fortune-teller gazed into the crystal ball and said, "You will be poor and unhappy until you are 45 years old."

"Then what will happen?" asked the man.

The fortune-teller replied, "Then you'll get used to it."

Thank you, Anonymous Reader, for sending this to me. I think it's a hoot.

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Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Before the United States Navy was created, presidents George Washington and John Adams had to pay protection money to Mediterranean pirates.

The state flower of New York is the rose.

Separatists speak of revolution in prison

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Two convicted separatists say the United States is headed for revolution over the very issues that pushed them into an armed standoff with hundreds of police officers.

Republic of Texas leader Richard McLaren and associate Robert "White Eagle" Otto made the comments Wednesday after being flown from Alpine to Huntsville to start serving prison terms.

McLaren was sentenced to 99 years and fined $10,000 and Otto was sentenced to 50 years and fined $10,000 Tuesday for conspiring with three other Republic of Texas members to kidnap two of their neighbors in remote Jeff Davis County in far West Texas.

McLaren said he and his group have attempted to bring about change through peaceful means, but if those efforts fail, armed insurrection could erupt independently in West Texas, Michigan, Ohio or Florida.

"We're going to save a lot of lives in the long run. There are a lot of people with guns out there," McLaren told the Huntsville Item.

"We're trying to avert a civil war. It's close."

The kidnapping triggered an armed standoff between the Republic members and more than 300 officers.

The two were flown to Huntsville because of distance from Alpine and the notoriety of the case, officials said.

Otto said Joe Rowe and his wife, Margaret, were kidnapped because "Mr. McLaren was not willing to submit to their authority."

Republic members contend the U.S. annexation of Texas in 1845 was illegal and that Texas remains an independent nation whose citizens are not subject to state laws.

San Antonio rapist draws 2 concurrent life sentences

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A man suspected by authorities of being the "Southeast Side rapist" was sentenced to life in prison Wednesday for the rape and robbery of a 51-year-old woman.

James Welch, 37, received the maximum possible punishment after his conviction in the December attack.

Welch was identified by four other alleged victims — aged 11 to 74 — who testified during the eight-day trial that Welch attacked them in their homes since last year.

Genetic evidence linked Welch to all five rapes.

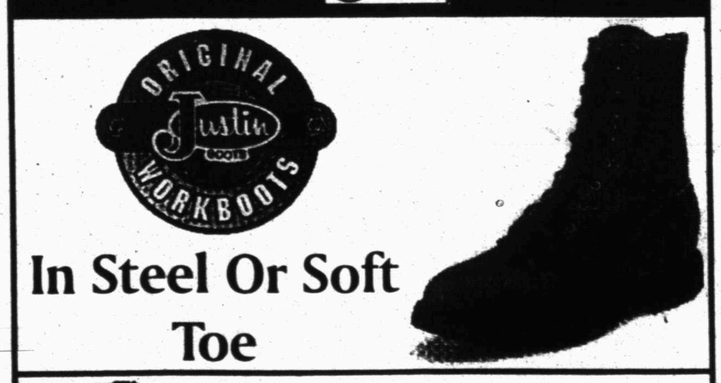
"This man terrorized a 10-block neighborhood for months," prosecutor Melissa Fischer told jurors Wednesday.

"The entire Southeast Side neighborhood was terrified. This case deserves the maximum punishment."

Welch stared straight ahead as he was sentenced to two concurrent life sentences. He won't be eligible for parole for at least 30 years.

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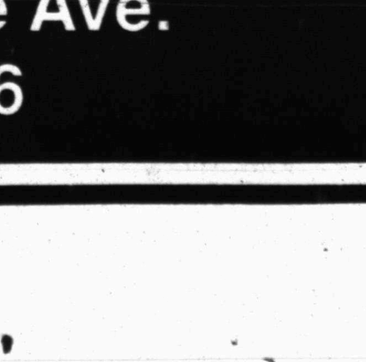
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Mir's crew installs new solar panel

MOSCOW (AP) — Power aboard the battered Mir space station was back to nearly full force today after two Russian cosmonauts installed a new solar panel in a grueling six-hour spacewalk.

The repair mission went down to the wire as the cosmonauts mounted the panel on the outside of the Kvant module, but had difficulty unfolding it as the scheduled end of their spacewalk approached.

Vladimir Solovyov, head of mission control, called the operation a success, thanking the Russian-American crew for their efforts to get Mir shipshape after a string of mishaps left the station limping through space with limited power for months.

"We congratulate you and thank you very, very much. Thanks a lot, you have done a very good job," a happy Solovyov said.

The crew quickly connected the new panel and reported its power output had doubled, Solovyov said.

"Now we have enough power to cover the needs of all equipment in full," he told journalists.

But there were some anxious moments at the end of today's mission.

American astronaut David Wolf, working from inside the Mir, pressed the buttons to make the panel unfold, but it opened only halfway. It took several more tries, and some tugging from the cosmonauts, before the panel opened fully.

The Russian duo of Anatoly Solovyov and Pavel Vinogradov then returned safely to the Mir, space officials said. The two were very tired and lost up to 3 pounds each during the mission, they said.

The Mir's power supply is now close to its original level. Eight of 10 solar panels are working normally. The ninth is operating, but at less than full capacity, and one was damaged beyond repair in a June crash with a cargo ship.

The accident knocked out four solar panels and cut the Mir's power supply almost by half. The crew has been working steadily to increase energy levels ever since.

Solovyov, the world's most experienced spacewalker, and Vinogradov removed an old solar panel on Monday, and Thursday's effort was the second stage of the operation.

"It's clear that (Solovyov) has done this kind of work before," said Wolf, who filmed the cosmonauts from inside the Mir.

As they headed out into space today, the cosmonauts said they found a white residue, like powder or salt, on the edge of the hatch.

Ground controllers were trying to figure out the nature of the mystery substance.

Five jailed by officers

Five people were booked into Scurry County jail Wednesday, including two who had been arrested in other towns and were transported back to Snyder on warrants.

A 19-year-old male was transported from Houston and booked into the jail at 4:45 p.m. on a misdemeanor warrant to revoke his probation on an original charge of driving while intoxicated.

A 38-year-old male, who had been arrested in Lubbock, was booked into the jail at 5 p.m. on an outstanding misdemeanor warrant to revoke his probation for failure to pay child support.

Other arrests Wednesday included a 39-year-old male taken into custody at 8:30 a.m. at the sheriff's office on a Taylor County warrant for failure to appear at a hearing for enforcement of child support.

Officers arrested two people at 9:02 p.m. in the 3400 block of College Avenue for public intoxication. Jailed were a 41-year-old male and a 21-year-old male.

In other activity Wednesday, an officer was requested at the College Park Apartments at 6:48 a.m. by Hanna Magdaleno in reference to a window being broken out of her pickup.

Donna Mills requested an officer at Cogdell Hospital at 9:04 a.m. to report the theft of some money. The money was recovered and no offense report was made.

A deputy was requested at Rip Griffin's at 4:43 p.m. as a transient was asking customers for money. The 43-year-old man was advised of the complaint.

Defense team alleges improper influence by top Army general

FORT BELVOIR, Va. (AP) — Attorneys for Army Sgt. Maj. Gene McKinney say they will base his defense against 20 charges of sexual misconduct in part on claims that the Army's most senior general improperly influenced the case.

At a pre-trial hearing Wednesday at this Army post south of Washington, Charles Gittins, McKinney's civilian attorney, argued for the release of a vast array of documents and records that he said would support his claim of improper influence by Gen. Dennis Reimer, the Army chief of staff.

Gittins also made clear that the McKinney defense also would be built on an assertion that the Army singled him out for prosecution because of his status as an enlisted soldier, while general officers who faced similar accusations in the past have been permitted to retire without being prosecuted.

"He is being prosecuted based on his status," Gittins told the military judge, Col. Ferdinand Clervi.

Clervi did not rule on all of Gittins' requests for information from the prosecution. The hearing was resuming today.

McKinney is scheduled to stand trial in January.

On Wednesday, Gittins submitted to the judge a document he said listed past examples of Army generals accused of sexual misconduct who were allowed to retire by the secretary of the Army instead of being prosecuted. Gittins did not discuss details of the document and Clervi said he would not make it public.

Obituaries

J.D. Row

1914-1997

J.D. Row, 83, died at 11:04 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5, at his home in Snyder after a lengthy illness.

Service for Mr. Row is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Charles Day and the Rev. Gary Hubbard will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born Nov. 1, 1914 in Gouldbusk, Tex., he married Ella Mae Machen on Sept. 22, 1934 in Gouldbusk. They recently celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary.

Mr. Row was a farmer and rancher and a retired carpenter.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Lawanna Vincent; and by two sons, Jerrell Wayne Row and Jackie Lynn Row; eight brothers; and five sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Ella Mae Row of Snyder; a daughter, Betty Ivone Gilbert of Denton; a son, Terry Row of Hermleigh; a sister, Angie Reasoner of Manteca, Calif.; 13 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Scarborough

1901-1997

Funeral service for Mrs. Coy Scarborough, 96, is set for 10 a.m. Saturday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Bill Merritt of Brownwood will officiate. Interment will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Scarborough, a former resident of Snyder, died Tuesday, Nov. 4, at her daughter's home in Ardmore, Okla.

A longtime Snyder resident, Mrs. Scarborough was a homemaker and a 50-year member of Northside Baptist Church in Snyder. She had moved to Ada, Okla., in 1990 to live in a Baptist Retirement Center and was a member of the Ada Missionary Baptist Church.

Born Jan. 6, 1901 in Hope, Ark., she married William Hardy Scarborough on Nov. 29, 1925 in Hermleigh. He died in 1978.

She was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister.

Survivors include three daughters, Dana Whitson of Ardmore, Daphne Harrison of Denver City, and Mary Edith Greene of San Francisco; two sons, Hollis Scarborough of Lamesa and Reginald Scarborough of Texarkana, Tex.; a sister, Opal Edwards of New Braunfels; 10 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

'Eddie' Kenney

1926-1997

Funeral service for E.H. "Eddie" Kenney, 71, is set for 10 a.m. Friday in the First Assembly of God Church. The Rev. Ed Fugate, pastor, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Kenney, a longtime Snyder resident, died Tuesday, Nov. 4, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Born May 23, 1926 in Wetumka, Okla., he married Janie Melchor on Feb. 22, 1960 in Odessa.

Mr. Kenney was a salesman for York Trucking.

Mr. Kenney was preceded in death by a brother and a sister.

Survivors include his wife, Janie Kenney of Snyder; two daughters, Mary Ford and Debra Medrano, both of Snyder; three sons, David Kenney and Billy Blevins, both of Snyder, and Homer Kenney of Avenger; a sister, Louise Bullard of Longview; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Dale Geer

1906-1997

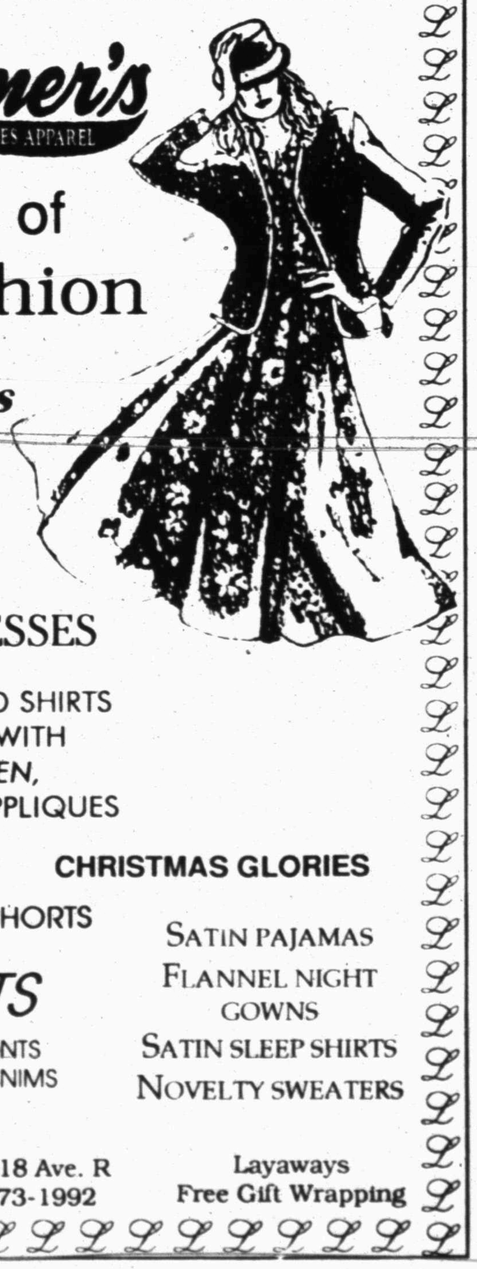
Funeral service for Mrs. Dale Geer, 91, was held today in the Colorado City First Baptist Church. Burial was to follow in Snyder's Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Geer died Sunday, Nov. 2, in Sweetwater.

Born Dec. 31, 1906 in Gorman, she married Arthur Lee "Buck" Geer on June 21, 1929 in Loraine. He died in 1985.

Mrs. Geer had lived in Colorado City since 1917 and was a retired Colorado City ISD teacher. She was a member of the Eastern Star and the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Jan Winn of Las Cruces, N.M., and Dixie Carolyn Helfer of Slidell, La.; a sister, Willie Faye Baumgarten of Schulenburg; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.



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Heritage Village exhibits

Special exhibits at Heritage Village during the holidays will be a nativity collection at the Cornelius-Dodson House and collections of cookie jars and a cookie tree at the Dermott School. Anyone having a nativity scene, cookie jars or cookie cutters to share is asked to call Millie Sentell at 573-0538 or bring the items to the Dodson House from 2-5 p.m. Friday. The house will be open to the public.

Golden K garage sale

The Golden K Kiwanis Club will conduct its super garage sale from 1 to 5 p.m. Friday and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the Snyder Senior Center. Donated items will be accepted.

Barbecue dinners offered

Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church, 3401 Ave. M, is offering barbecue ribs and chicken with all the trimmings Saturday, beginning at 11 a.m. Call 573-8006 for delivery. Cost is $5 for one meat, $7 for two meats.

Car wash and bake sale

Students raising funds for the annual trip to Washington, D.C. will hold a car wash and bake sale at Wal-Mart Saturday, beginning at 11 a.m.

Church rummage & bake sale

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

Fall bazaar planned

Four Family Community Educational Clubs of Scurry County will hold a fall bazaar from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Towle Park Barn. Pictures will be taken with Santa Claus from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and a silent auction will be held. There will be door prizes, a candy store, baked goods and a queen-sized quilt will be given away.

Christmas fund-raiser

Snyder High School Spanish Club is taking orders for fresh Christmas garlands, wreaths and swags. Orders will be taken through Monday. Greenery will be delivered the week of Dec. 1. Call 573-6301 for more information.

Bible study tapes on TV

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

American Legion sets breakfast

American Legion Post 181 will serve breakfast from 6-10 a.m. and a barbecue dinner from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Veterans Day. All veterans and their families are invited. Those attending are asked to bring a dessert.

Bush staffer due here

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

CHH open house

The public is invited to attend open house at Cogdell Home Health, 1800 Cogdell Blvd., from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Wednesday in celebration of National Home Care Month.

Dallas Holm concert

First Baptist Church will host Dallas Holm in a Face of Mercy concert at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 17. A $3 donation is requested at the door and those attending are asked to bring a canned good or non-perishable food item to help feed the needy.

Poinsettia sale begins

Snyder High School choir members are taking orders for their annual poinsettia sale. The plants will arrive at the high school on Dec. 1 and students will deliver them that week. The plants come in three colors: white, red and red with white spots. They are $10 each, to be paid at the time of delivery.

Tiger banners for sale

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

Museum seeks items for angel display

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

Pick 3

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

5-4-0

(five, four, zero)

Lotto Texas

By The Associated Press

One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated $10 million.

The ticket was sold in: Hurst.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 10-12-20-25-30-31

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $10 million.