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SEMINAR UNDERWAY — Melanie Johnson (standing) of Robert Lee, entering Western Texas College freshman, visits with Student Government Association members Aimee Beam and Jason Campbell during the college's success seminar this morning. WTC will host an identical seminar Thursday. (SDN Staff Photo)

Cogdell board set to approve budget

Cogdell Hospital board of managers will consider approving the hospital's 2001 operating and capital budget when it meets Thursday morning at 8 o'clock.

The board began discussions on the budget last week and was presented with projected expense figures of $14,842,431. The present year's budget has expenditures of $14,209,291.

Hospital controller Selina McGuire said the figures presented to the board reflected the impact of two new doctors to the community – Dr. Clinton Wolboldt and Dr. Kimberly Leighton – and the loss of orthopedic surgeon Dr. Kathleen Weaver.

McGuire said the hospital faces receiving fewer dispro dollars from the federal government due to the balanced budget act, but Scurry County has indicated that its contribution to the budget would return to its historical $395,000, plus any tobacco monies.

The budget presented to the board last week indicated a decrease in salaries, wages and benefits of some $224,000, due to fewer employees.

Realizing the loss of dispro monies, the hospital for the past several months has been looking at ways to cut expenses, McGuire said at last week's meeting.

"Changing laundry vendors saved us 50 percent over our past costs, and taking bids on janitorial supplies has saved us some $22,000," said McGuire.

The hospital is also facing an increase of some 17 percent in group health insurance.

McGuire said the increase would be in the neighborhood of $32,000.

It is expected the hospital will absorb these costs, and not pass them on to the employees.

At last week's meeting, board president Jim Bob Cave said he felt the board had asked hospital employees to absorb all they could in insurance costs.

Also at last week's meeting, McGuire said she is proposing that no merit increases be given to employees in 2001.

One expense that is going up is physician recruitment as the hospital plans an aggressive recruiting year.

In addition to the budget, the board will also consider monthly financial statements and hear a medical staff report from Dr. Bid Cooper.

The board will also consider a lease for software for the hospital's home health agency.

New Cogdell administrator George Parsley will be at the meeting, as will Covenant Health System's president and CEO, Charlie Trimble.

The meeting will be in the hospital's boardroom.

George Parsley

Rescue work continues for 116 Russian sailors

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia asked for help from the West on Wednesday as its own rescuers desperately struggled through swirling sand and strong currents, trying to lower an escape capsule to 116 sailors trapped in a crippled Russian nuclear submarine on the sea bottom.

After resisting foreign offers of assistance for days, Russia on Wednesday asked for help from Britain and Norway, the Russian and British Foreign Ministries said.

Britain had already flown a mini-submarine to Norway in preparation to assist in a rescue effort. Britain's Foreign Office confirmed Wednesday afternoon that Russia had asked for help through the British Embassy in Moscow.

The Russian navy has been making desperate attempts to lower a rescue capsule to the submarine, from which there have been no signs of life since Saturday. Rescuers have had to battle worsening weather in the Barents Sea and high winds and waves that buffeted rescue ships, said navy Capt. Igor Babenko.

Attempts to latch on to one of the cargo hatches of the submarine were being frustrated because the current was rocking the rescue capsule, making it difficult to steer, Babenko said. Rescuers were only able to see a few inches through the muddy water even though they had searchlights, he said.

The submarine is lying at a sharp angle, making any latching operation more difficult.

A rescue capsule was almost lost during an earlier attempt because of the strong currents, said navy spokesman Igor Dygalo, who gave no details.

Deputy Prime Minister Ilya Klebanov said Wednesday there was no sign of life aboard the submarine, but that this did not mean that there were no survivors.

President Vladimir Putin said the situation was critical.

DCOS board sets meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Development Corporation of Snyder will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday.

The board will consider mostly routine matters, but will hold an executive session to consider additional compensation for executive director John DeLille.

The meeting will be in the DCOS boardroom at the American State Bank.

Grand jury indictment jails woman

A woman indicted by the grand jury earlier this month was booked into Scurry County Jail Tuesday.

Maggie Hernandez, 26, who gave an address of 203 11th in Levelland, was transported from Lubbock County to Scurry around 2:45 p.m.

She was indicted for a June 16 offense of forging a check in the amount of $450 on Judson Chapman's Snyder National Bank account.

Motorists are urged to take alternate route

The placing of beams at the bridge over Deep Creek on 37th Street has now been set for Thursday, and the work could cause traffic delays of up to 30 minutes at a time.

The Texas Department of Transportation is urging motorists to choose alternate routes to avoid traveling on 37th Street.

One-way traffic over the bridge will be permitted at times, while other times, it will be stopped altogether.

A recommended alternate route for west-bound traffic is avenue E north to 30th St, then west to College Avenue.

A recommended alternate route for east-bound traffic from College Avenue would be east on 30th St., south on Ave. E to 37th St.

Quick-thinking youth dials 911 after getting snake bit

In a situation that might have sent others into a frenzy, 11-year-old Tyler Everett somehow managed to remain calm and call 911 after being bitten by a rattlesnake outside his country home.

It was June 23 when the Snyder sixth grader was bitten while outside working, some 100 yards from his house. "I was just walking by some weeds and a pile of stuff doing my chores," Tyler said. "I looked down because I felt the sting and I saw his head go down from my hand."

The youth said the snake bit him on the left hand and then curled up.

"I went inside the house, put ice on my hand and called 911."

Tyler and his family live 15 miles southwest of Snyder on F.M. 1606. Sheriff Darren Jackson was the first on the scene and he took the boy to the highway to meet Snyder EMS.

Tyler was treated at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

"Dr. Mark Weaver treated him," Tyler's mom, Pam, said. "He stayed in the emergency room 6½ hours taking the antivenom through an IV."

His hand stayed swollen some three weeks, his mother said.

"The poison just got under the skin and not into the muscle, so he won't have to take any physical therapy," she added. "Dr. Weaver told us the first 12 hours of a snake bite are the most critical. It can affect your organs and heart."

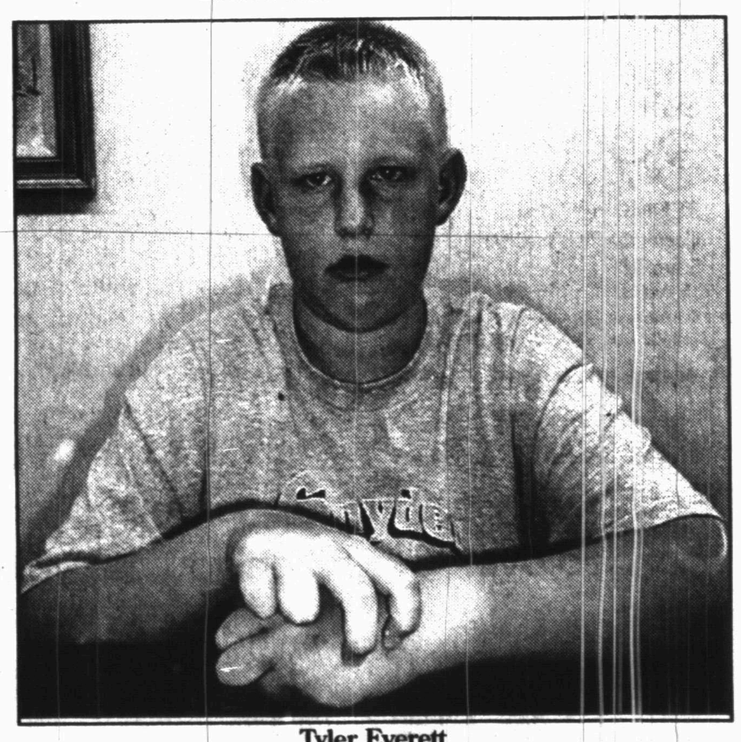
As for the snake, Pam said that the sheriff and a deputy came out but could not locate it.

She said the rattler had to be about five to six feet long because the fang marks were an inch and a quarter apart.

"This is our first rattlesnake to see, but I was talking to the oilfield people and the neighbors and they've killed several."

Tyler said he was nervous and "panicking just a little bit."

"I'm so proud he was able to come in the house and had the sense to call 911," Mrs. Everett said.



Tyler Everett

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "If you want folks eating out of your hands – become a waiter."

They call it the dog days of summer, but we really don't know why.

A little research revealed that the period actually was over three days ago, but you could have fooled us....'cause it's still doggone hot.

Dog days is described as a period marked by lethargy, inactivity or indolence usually associated with discomfort. It occurs when Sirius, the Dog Star, rises about the same time as the sun.

But you have to forget summer and play like it's fall, because school is back in session and the first football kickoff is just 15 days away.

If you sit under the air conditioner long enough, you can come up with some interesting, but mostly useless information like this:

—The citrus soda 7-Up was created in 1929. 7 was selected because the original containers were seven ounces. Up indicated the direction of the bubbles.

—Dentists have recommended that a toothbrush be stored at least six feet away from the toilet to prevent airborne particles resulting from the flush. That should give her a reason to enlarge the bathroom.

—American car horns beep to the tone of F.

—No piece of paper can be folded more than seven times.

—One out of every four Americans has appeared on TV.

—You burn more calories sleeping than you do watching TV. Wonder if that takes into account the trips to the 'fridge?

—Oak trees do not produce acorns until they are at least 50 years old.

—The first product to have a bar code was Wrigley's gum. That's how Big Brother keeps tabs on us. Americans chewed the gum and the bar code automatically was transferred to the individual.

—A Boeing 747's wing span is longer than the Wright brothers' first flight.

—American Airlines saved $40,000 annually by eliminating one olive from each salad served in first class.

—Venus is the only planet that rotates clockwise.

—Apples, not caffeine, are most efficient at waking people up in the morning – especially if they are thrown at you.

—Michael Jordan makes more money from Nike annually than all the Nike factory workers in Malaysia combined.

—Marilyn Monroe had six toes on one foot. We never thought about looking at her feet.

Cooler weather will arrive – maybe.

ASK US

Q—When does dove season open?

A—Friday, Sept. 1. The limit is 15 birds.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 97 degrees; low, 70; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 74; no precipitation; total for 2000, 15.01 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy, slight chance of storms. Low around 70. S wind 5-15 mph. Thursday, mostly cloudy, 20% chance of storms, high near 90, S wind 5-15 mph.

Haydeh Chandler
Mostly Cloudy

Sunset: 8:25 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:12 a.m.
Of 228 days in 2000, the sun has shone 225 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Don't let the fear of striking out hold you back."
— Babe Ruth

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Links between two cases explored

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — For Xiana Fairchild's anguished relatives, an 8-year-old's dramatic escape from an alleged sexual predator has brought something they haven't felt since December: hope.

Hope that there is a connection between the 8-year-old's abduction and the disappearance of 7-year-old Xiana. Hope that they may soon learn what happened to the little girl who vanished on the way to school.

"There are too many coincidences for there not to have been a link," said Stephanie Kahalekulu, Xiana's great-aunt, who has led a search effort to recover the Vallejo girl.

Curtis Dean Anderson, a career criminal with a long history of abusing women and girls, was charged Tuesday with kidnapping and repeatedly sexually assaulting Midsi Sanchez, 8.

In most cases, The Associated Press does not identify victims or alleged victims of sexual assault. In this case, however, the name of the girl has been widely used because of the circumstances of her abduction.

Police haven't disclosed any evidence linking the cases, but circumstantial connections have prompted officers to search every home where Anderson has lived and to reconstruct his movements since he got out of prison, said Vallejo Police Lt. JoAnn West.

"There are a lot of similarities between the two cases," said West. "Right now we are sifting through items in his car and former residences to find any link between this abduction and any previous crimes."

After getting out of prison in November, Anderson briefly drove a taxi for Vallejo City Cab, where Xiana's mother had been a night driver and her boyfriend had worked as a mechanic.

Authorities say Anderson, 39, has a record of arrests for drugs, vandalism, theft and threatening women, spanning 21 years. He has been in and out of prison 10 times in the past 14 years.

Anderson appeared with his hands and feet shackled in court as prosecutors in the Midsi Sanchez case said they would charge him with 11 crimes including kidnapping and a variety of molestation charges.

Midsi was abducted less than a block from her Vallejo home as she returned from school. She spent two nights in a beat-up car with cardboard covering the windows and trash filling the back seat.

On Saturday morning, with her abductor outside the car, Midsi seized the opportunity to rummage through a ring of keys until she found one that set her free.

Anderson's public defender, Mark Roelke, persuaded the judge to delay Anderson's formal arraignment until Friday, so he could review the charges. He declined to comment outside court.

Police said they didn't consider Anderson a suspect in Xiana's disappearance Dec. 9, even though Anderson had lived in the area, drove a cab for the same company as Xiana's mother and had just been released from prison.

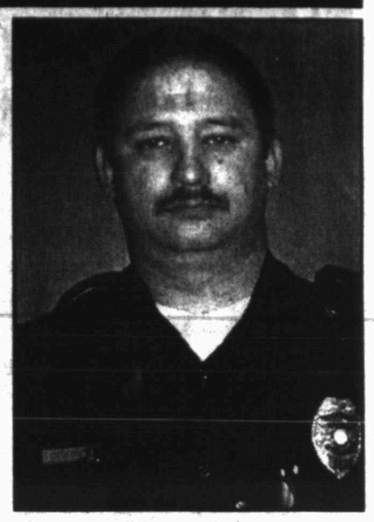
"We focused initially on high-risk registered sex offenders and moved on to examine all registered sex offenders in the area," said West. "If we had been aware of his background and the fact he was in Vallejo at the time, we would've looked at him. We didn't have that information."

There are 300 registered sex offenders in Vallejo, a city of 118,000 about 30 miles northeast of San Francisco, authorities said. About 100 of them live within a mile of Xiana's house.

Police are looking into allegations that Anderson showed up at the searches for both Xiana and Midsi, volunteering to help find them. And Las Vegas police are investigating whether Anderson may have been there Oct. 20, when 7-year-old Karla Rodriguez disappeared.

Anderson gave a San Jose address when he was paroled last year after serving time for kidnapping a woman in 1991. That victim, Dina Stansbury, was tied up at gunpoint and forced to drive to Oregon. She escaped at a rest stop, and like Midsi, jumped into a truck driver's cab.

Anderson was originally paroled in August 1995, after serving roughly half his sentence, but was returned to prison four times thereafter for violating parole. In 1997, he allegedly exposed himself to two children; last April, he allegedly asked a woman at a party to have sex with him, then locked her in a room when she refused.



Sid Brunson

WTC grad is new at SPD

Sid Brunson is now a patrolman for the Snyder Police Department.

He lives in Snyder, but has been working as a corporal for the Big Spring Police Department.

He began his duties locally July 5.

A graduate of Bronte High School, he graduated from Western Texas College in 1989, having earned his associate's degree.

In 1990, he went to work for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice as a correctional officer.

Brunson remained there until 1997 when he entered the police academy. After graduation from the academy, he went to work as a patrolman for Big Spring. He was promoted to the corporal rank in October 1999.

Brunson and his wife, Nancy, have a five-year-old daughter, Elizabeth. She is in kindergarten at Ira. Nancy is an R.N. at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Keys forged at Alamo returned

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A pair of keys to the Alamo, forged nearly 150 years ago by a German blacksmith who set up his first shop at the shrine of Texas independence, have returned to the state.

"It's like they're coming home," Helen Burleson Kelso, president general of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, told the San Antonio Express-News in Wednesday's editions.

The keys, made by John Conrad Beckmann between 1846 and 1856 and handed down through four generations, were donated to the Daughters of the Republic of Texas' Library Tuesday by Beckman's great-granddaughter, Carolyn Beckmann Wells of Newell, W.Va.

"The keys and the donor's family are intertwined with the history of the Alamo and San Antonio," Kelso said.

Before his death on April 12, 1907, Beckman gave the keys to his daughter-in-law, Marie Beckmann, who passed them to her son, Kurt Detman Beckmann. Kurt Beckmann gave the keys to his daughter Carolyn Wells.

"Kurt Beckmann left the legacy of the keys to me, his only child," Wells wrote in a letter to the Daughters. "It is with respect for our heritage that I am donating these keys to the Daughters of the Republic of Texas Library."

Beckman was buried in the Alamo Masonic Cemetery.

Berry's World

Simpson tries to stop TV movie

LOS ANGELES (AP) — O.J. Simpson sent his lawyers to court Tuesday seeking to halt production of the first television movie dealing with his murder trial.

A judge, however, refused to issue a restraining order.

The movie, "American Tragedy," is based on the best-selling book of the same title by Lawrence Schiller and James Willwerth. Simpson said it reveals inside secrets of his defense team and violates his attorney-client privilege.

The lawsuit names Schiller and former Simpson lawyer Robert Kardashian as well as Project 95, the company producing the movie for CBS.

Superior Court Judge David Yaffe set another hearing for Sept. 6 and said he would read the script in the interim to see if it discloses any information not already in the book. By the time the hearing is held, filming on the miniseries is expected to be complete.

Schiller's lawyers said the challenge comes four years too late, that Simpson never pursued litigation when the book was published and that he can't show that the movie will cause him any harm.

Simpson was acquitted of murder in the 1994 slayings of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. He was subsequently found liable for the killings in a civil trial and ordered to pay $33.5 million in damages.

The miniseries, starring actors Christopher Plummer, Ron Silver, Ving Rhames and Bruno Kirby, is being directed by Schiller. The script was written by Pulitzer Prize winner Norman Mailer.

Attorney Gary Bostwick, representing Schiller, said in his brief that Simpson has been threatening to sue since 1996 when the book was published. It was republished in paperback in 1997, but he still took no action.

"Simpson chose to sleep on his purported rights, waiting until defendants were in the middle of filming the multimillion-dollar television miniseries on a tight production schedule to seek extraordinary injunctive relief," the brief said.

Bostwick argued that stopping production would violate free speech rights and cause millions of dollars in damages.

Simpson's lawyers, Adam Belsky and Terry Gross of San Francisco, filed affidavits from eight members of the defense team who claimed they were misled into talking to Schiller during preparation of the book.

They said they were told Schiller was helping Kardashian with a book and that anything they said would not be published unless approved by Simpson. Schiller and Kardashian said they made no such promises.

In his own declaration, Simpson said he sent a letter to all members of his defense team while jurors were deliberating his case in October 1995, warning that communications they had about his trial were privileged.

"No one is permitted to divulge any of our privileged communications unless and until you receive a written authorization signed by me," Simpson stated in the letter, which was quoted in his brief.

Date Book

Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2000
Today is the 229th day of 2000 and the 58th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1858, the first music convention in the United States began in Boston, Mass.

On this day in 1946, the United Nations Conference on International Organization moved to Lake Success, N.Y.

On this day in 1994, Reba McEntire was nominated for six Country Music Association awards.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: George Meany (1894-1980), labor leader; Fess Parker (1925-), actor, is 75; Robert Culp (1930-), actor, is 70; Frank Gifford (1930-), football great-sportscaster, is 70; Eydie Gorme (1932-), singer, is 68; Lesley Ann Warren (1946-), actress, is 54; Madonna (1958-), singer-actress, is 42.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1893, Bill Hawke pitched a no-hitter for Baltimore against Washington. Baltimore won 6-0.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "A good book is the best of friends, the same today and forever." — Martin Farquhar Tupper

TODAY'S MOON: Day after full moon (Aug. 15).

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Woman survives 3 days in wrecked car

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — For three days, 83-year-old Tillie Tooter kept it together.

First, a thicket of mangrove and willow trees cushioned her fall when her Toyota Tercel plummeted 40 feet off an Interstate 595 bridge Saturday.

The trees then kept her car suspended sideways, only inches above a snake- and alligator-infested swamp, saving Tooter from the reptiles and from possibly drowning.

Tooter unbuckled her seat belt and made herself as comfortable as possible. For sustenance, she stuck an aluminum steering wheel cover outside her broken windshield to collect rainwater in the 100 degree heat.

But by Tuesday morning, dehydrated and covered with insect bites, she began to lose hope, and wrote a farewell letter to her family.

That morning, Justin Vannelli, 15, who was collecting trash on the bridge, noticed some of the trees below were mangled. He looked down and saw Tooter's car.

Just over an hour later, Tooter was at Broward General Medical Center, where she was expected to recover. She was listed in serious condition late Tuesday.

"This 83-year-old lady had it all together," Fire-Rescue Division Chief Stephen McInerny said. "That may have made a difference between surviving and dying."

Lt. John Bagnardi, a Florida Highway Patrol spokesman, said investigators believe Tooter's car was struck from behind by a car or truck that didn't stop.

Tooter's ordeal began with a late airline flight.

At 2 a.m. Saturday morning, Tooter's granddaughter, Lori Simms, and Simms' boyfriend arrived at Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport, 31/2 hours late from Newark, N.J.

Simms called her grandmother to say they would rent a car or catch a cab and head to her Pembroke Pines condominium, about 10 miles away.

"She said 'Don't be silly. I'm awake. I'll come get you,'" Simms said.

Tooter never arrived.

Worried, Simms and her boyfriend rented a car and drove to her condo. Tooter wasn't there and they called police.

For three days, Pembroke Pines police officers, assisted by other law enforcement agencies, drove the highways to the airport and checked the nearby lakes and canals. They found nothing.

Tooter told her relatives that her thoughts weren't mostly about herself, but her family and how they were coping.

Number of deaths under scrutiny at 62

DETROIT (AP) — The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is now investigating 62 deaths and 100 injuries that could be linked to the Firestone tires now being recalled.

NHTSA spokeswoman Liz Neblett said Tuesday the agency has received more than 750 complaints about Firestone tires. Most were made after the recall was announced.

Last week, the agency said it was investigating 46 deaths and 80 injuries and had gotten about 270 complaints.

Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. announced a recall last week of all P235/75R15-size radial ATX and ATX II tires, and Wilderness AT tires of the same size made in Decatur, Ill. Most of the 6.5 million 15-inch tires were installed on Ford vehicles, notably the Ford Explorer sport utility.

Most of the reports of tire failure have involved the tread separating from the tire, sometimes at high speed, causing blowouts and rollovers.

Ford and Bridgestone/Firestone have not offered a theory for the failures but have said hot weather plays a role.

John Lampe, executive vice president of Bridgestone/Firestone, said he could not comment on the numbers until he received more information.

"Obviously, as more media attention has been played on this, more claims will become known," he said.

The company said the recall would aim at four states — Arizona, California, Texas and Florida — where Bridgestone/Firestone had received the most complaints.

The majority of the NHTSA complaints also have been received from residents of those four states, an analysis of NHTSA data released Tuesday shows. Florida residents had filed the most complaints, with 164, followed by California residents with 159 and Texas with 131. Arizona, with 30, was the next highest total.

Bridgestone/Firestone said Tuesday it will reimburse customers who had their tires replaced at Firestone dealers before the recall was announced, going back to Jan. 1. It will also reimburse customers up to $100 per tire if they had their tires replaced at non-Firestone dealers between Aug. 9 and Aug. 16.

The company is also running ads Wednesday in more than 40 major newspapers nationwide.

Safety advocates and attorneys Monday urged Ford and Bridgestone/Firestone to widen the recall, saying the same problems reported in the 15-inch tires affect all sizes of the three tire models.

But the two companies said the recall is sufficient.

On the Net:
Bridgestone/Firestone: http://www.bridgestone-firestone.com
Ford Motor Co.: http://www.ford.com
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration: http://www.nhtsa.gov

Profiles of 4 new faces at Snyder ISD

(Editor's Note: Biographical information on the following new SISD personnel was not received in time for the Back to School edition, Aug. 4-5.)

Nancy Jones: Nancy Jones is the new physical education instructor at Central Elementary. She graduated from Angelo State University and has six years teaching experience.

She is married to Kevin Jones and has three children: Emily, a seventh grader, and Audrey and Allen, both fifth graders.

Jenny Hunter: Jenny Hunter is a speech therapist. She has completed 25 hours of clinical observation and 77.5 hours of clinical practicum. She has worked with various clients with different disorders including autism, language, voice and articulation. These clients ranged in age from kindergarten to late twenties.

Hunter graduated from Abilene Christian University in May 1999 with a bachelor of science degree in communication disorders.

Peggy Williams: Peggy Williams is a counselor. The Rotan High School graduate earned a bachelor of science degree from Hardin-Simmons University in 1972 and a masters in education from Sul Koss State University in 1976.

She has worked for Rotan, McCaulley, Frenship and Hobbs school districts. Positions have ranged from coaching girls sports to teaching special education, early childhood, PE, health, English and reading.

Teri Sue Henry: Teri Sue Henry is the volleyball coach at Snyder Junior High School. The Snyder High School graduate attended Western Texas College and graduated from Angelo State University in May.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Personal touch in sex ad gives octogenarian a laugh

DEAR ABBY: Last month, your column carried a letter about people receiving advertisements for weight-loss products with supposedly "personal" Post-It notes attached, advising the recipient to "Try it, it works!" The notes are never signed with more than an initial. I immediately wrote to thank you for running that letter because I received one of those ads two years ago, and it was hurtful.

Would you believe yet another one of those ads arrived in the mail yesterday? This time it is for a product that will purportedly ignite a man's sexual performance, but the Post-It was omitted. Written in ballpoint pen in the margin was the same little message, signed with the initial "R." Am I supposed to know who "R" is?

What makes this latest mailing laughable is that I am an 86-year-old single woman who has been without a mate for almost 12 years. What do I need this for?

The advertisement featured a picture of a man who is supposed to be a doctor, and a California postmark — but, of course, no return address. So much for this "amazing formula ... a magical combination of the world's most potent and scientifically documented male sexual restorers."

Dare I hope that you can give this topic more publicity so these ridiculous ads will stop? — **CONCERNED IN MASSACHUSETTS**

DEAR CONCERNED: Thank you for sending me the ad. The text reminded me of a bodice-ripper novel. What a hoot!

Things that seem too good to be true often are too good to be true. Therefore, I don't recommend "miracle" products. I don't know whether this one will work or not; however, the one thing that product is sure to "inflate" is the manufacturer's bank balance.

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DEAR ABBY: My wife of 57 years, who suffered from Alzheimer's disease, is gone now. I was her caretaker until the day before she passed away. Sometimes she would do things that made me angry and I would raise my voice to her. I knew she was not responsible for her actions.

How I wish that instead of raising my voice, I had given her a big hug and told her, "It's all right." I will regret to my dying day that I didn't show her more love and compassion.

Abby, had I known then how I would feel now, I would have hugged her from the time she woke up until she went to sleep. I would like to tell all those who have a partner or a loved one who is incapacitated to love them and adore them even if they don't appear to respond to your love. Please don't wait until it's too late. — **BROKENHEARTED HUSBAND**

DEAR BROKENHEARTED: Caring for a loved one who cannot give back is bound to try anyone's patience. You are only human with limited emotional resources, and that you occasionally raised your voice is not unforgivable. Please forgive yourself. I'm sure your love overshadowed your lapses. You showed her your love by caring for her steadfastly and apparently lovingly.

Today, it is understood that full-time caregiving can stress people to the breaking point, and caregivers are encouraged to take a break now and then to replenish their souls. Caregivers can be more effective if they can get away for a rest. Services to caregivers are available; the Alzheimer's Association is an excellent resource.

Perhaps others who are now in the situation you were in could benefit from your experience. You might consider volunteering with your local Alzheimer's group.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Aug. 17, 2000

Situations that start off on a sour note should not be readily written off in the year ahead. Some interesting twists could occur where you'll end up the winner when you see things through.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Spending time with some of your closest friends today will make this a memorable day. What you have in common and can share with one another will refurbish each other's spirits. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) The time is ripe to move on an endeavor you have already thought through thoroughly. This holds true for any project for which you're well-prepared to launch.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You can work hand in glove with another today by first being certain that you completely agree to how and in what order you want things done. Lay the ground rules first.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Any resolution you make to yourself today has excellent changes of being fulfilled, especially if it pertains to things that affect your work or income.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) There are a couple of friends who could play favorable roles in your life today. Sharing time together will prove to be very beneficial for all involved.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Any constructive measures you take on behalf of loved ones today will be welcomed and well-received, particularly if someone is currently a bit insecure.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) The optimism you feel concerning a project that is quite large in scope is justified, so don't let anyone discourage you today from taking part in it. Good things could come from the involvement.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Upon review, you may begin to appreciate the potential of a material opportunity that might not sound too exciting at first glance. Analyze its worth today.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Because you're likely to be the first to show concern today for the needs of others, people will jump on your bandwagon quicker than they would that of anybody else's.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Hang your hat on older or more mature individuals who possess a sober and practical outlook if you hope to get something important accomplished today. They'll come through for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You possess a talent today for turning negative developments into something positive and hopeful. Use this tremendous asset to overcome any obstacle in your life at this time.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It'll be plain old-fashioned hard work that makes an important arrangement go off as planned today. Lady Luck might help adjust the variables, but you'll be credited with laying the foundation.

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ACLU files lawsuit

DETROIT (AP) — The American Civil Liberties Union is suing a school district, saying a locker-room strip search of students for money reported missing from a student's wallet was unconstitutional.

The ACLU, which filed suit Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Ann Arbor, is representing six Whitmore Lake High School students, ages 15 to 18, said Michael J. Steinberg, the group's state legal director.

The lawsuit contends that the students' Fourth Amendment rights against unreasonable search and seizure were violated, as well as their rights to due process of law.

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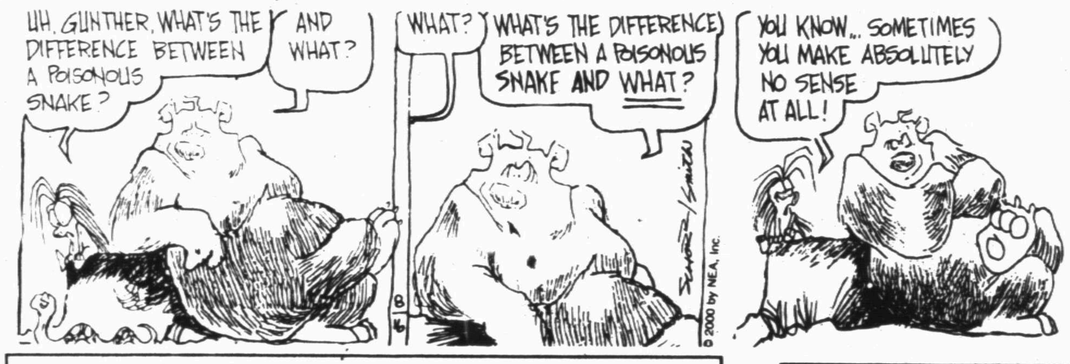

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ACROSS

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7 Savage
12 Type of burner
13 Coat of a mammal
14 Trent Lott's group
15 — Brothers Band
16 Singing sound
17 Diminutive suffix
18 Speed meas.
21 African mammal
23 Fem. title
26 "Now — — me down to sleep"
28 Carbine
29 "Alley —"
30 T of TV
31 Aperture
33 Destroyed
36 Small buffalo
37 Enzyme ending
38 Opera role
40 Part of a ship
41 Guided
42 Lariat
44 "Mayday!"
45 Dance step
46 Golf expert
48 Put out, prior to surgery
51 Not susceptible to infection
55 Timid
56 Cause
57 Oriental
58 Gofer's task

DOWN

1 Nonprofit TV
2 Take to court
3 Ms. Landers
4 Future LL.Bs.' exam
5 Paris subway
6 Moves about furtively
7 "La Dolce Vita" director
8 "Vogue" competitor
9 Male sheep
10 Eastern title
11 Bernstein, for short
13 Poor person
18 Type of valve
19 Be agreeable to
20 Cut in two
22 In disagreement (2 wds.)
23 Des —, Iowa
24 Over-decorated
25 Talks
27 Cry of affirmation
32 Fashion
34 Jelly
35 Rubbed out
39 Have hopes
43 Abalone found in the Channel Islands
45 Daddy
47 Actor Sharif
48 RR depot
49 Ume' kin
50 "Agnus —"
52 Land of the free (abbr.)
53 Pierre's refusal
54 Conclusion

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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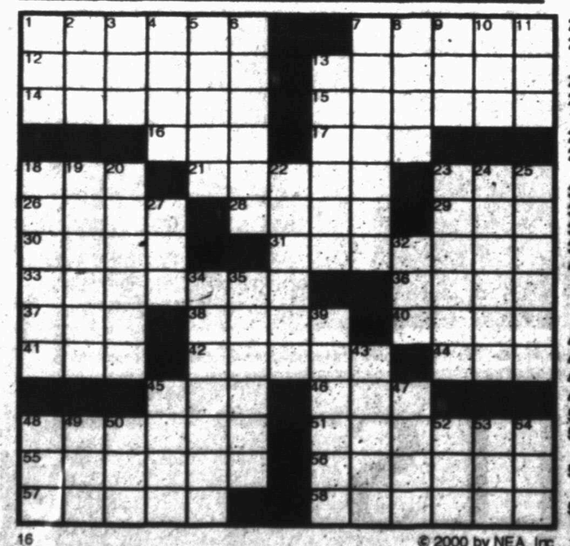

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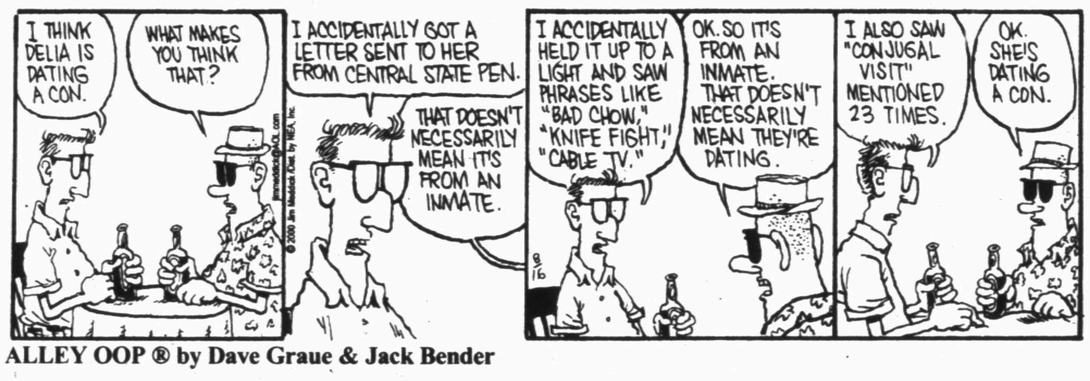

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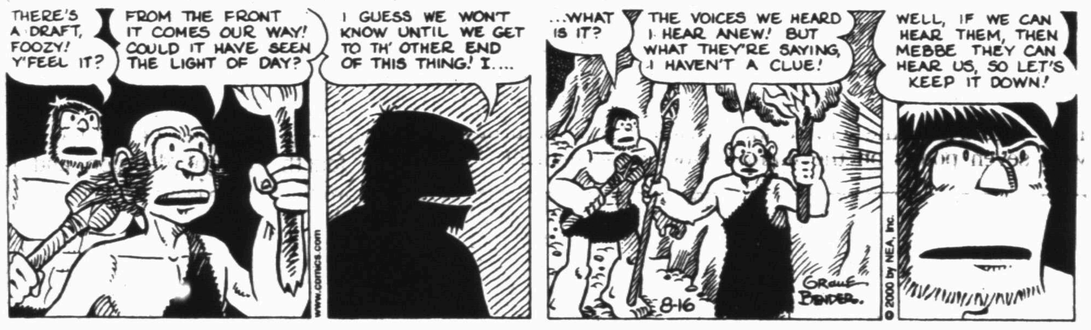

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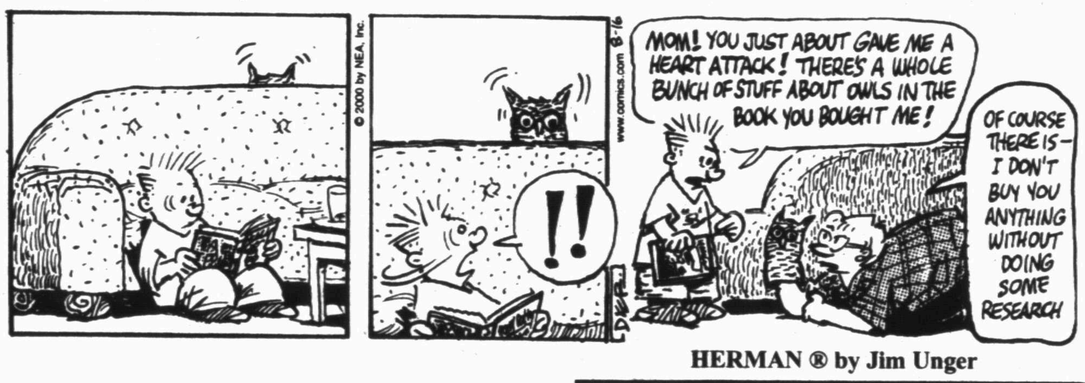

Snyder Daily News Comics

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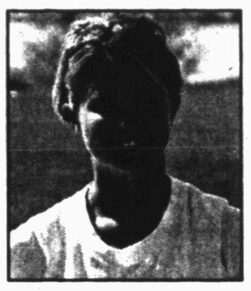
SPORTS

Reed will tee it up for McMurry team


Randi Reed

After helping lead the Snyder Lady Tigers to four consecutive appearances in the state golf tournament appearances, Randi Reed now takes her talents to the collegiate level.

Reed, who graduated from SHS last May, has committed to play golf at McMurry University in Abilene.

Reed was a four-time all-district and all-region selection as a Lady Tiger, and was twice named to the all-state team.

Randi is the daughter of John and Stacy Reed.

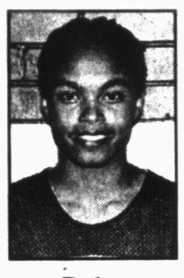
In volleyball season opener...

Lady Tigers fall to Abilene High

The Snyder Lady Tigers came charging out of the gate Tuesday night, but seemed to run out of gas about halfway to the finish line.

Snyder saw an initial 6-1 lead evaporate in the sweltering heat of the SHS gym, as Abilene High rolled to a 15-11, 15-5 victory in the volleyball season opener for both teams.

The Lady Tigers controlled the action early on, with senior veterans Kameron Kallemeyn and Ashley Delce registering kills, and varsity newcomer Kate Wright serving up an ace.


Delce

But following the initial spurt, Snyder's offense gradually declined, allowing Abilene to post the last five points of Game 1.

"We started strong, then we stopped giving them any offense," said Snyder coach Patty Grimmett. "We gave them a bunch of free balls that they did a good job of turning into offense.

"Abilene's setter deserves a lot of credit. She did a great job, and we never seemed to know where she was going with the ball. We didn't adjust to some of their plays, and our block was slow in getting over."

Grimmett

Snyder's offensive woes continued in the second game. The Lady Tigers tallied only three kills and two blocks, as the Lady Eagles scored the final 11 points to close out the match.

"We made a lot of errors tonight," said Grimmett. "But it's early in the season, and now is the time to work these things out. We didn't have a very good practice on Monday, and I told the girls that if they didn't perform in practice, then they wouldn't be able to do it during a game. I think they saw that tonight."

Kallemeyn's six service points paced the squad, while Delce accounted for a team-high six kills and three blocks.

"A match like this shows us what we need to work on," remarked Grimmett. "I wanted to get a look at certain people in certain positions, and I didn't get to see everybody, but this weekend's tournament will be a good chance to get everybody in there and see who fits at which spot."

The Lady Tigers will be in action Friday and Saturday at the Bev Ball Tournament in Abilene.

Abilene High 15, Snyder 11

Snyder service points: Eicke and Webb, 3; Kallemeyn and Geiger, 2; Wright, 1. **Kills:** Delce, 4; Kallemeyn, Geiger and Mackey, 1. **Blocks:** Delce, 2; Voss, 1.

Abilene High 15, Snyder 5

Snyder service points: Kallemeyn, 3; Mackey, 2. **Kills:** Delce, 2; Voss, 1. **Blocks:** Delce and Geiger, 1.

Lima, Astros buck Pirates, 5-4

HOUSTON (AP) — Jose Lima was helped by home runs, rather than just being hurt by them.

Lima recovered from a shaky start and Jeff Bagwell and Daryle Ward hit consecutive homers as the Houston Astros beat the Pittsburgh Pirates 5-4 Tuesday night.

Lima (5-14) gave up a home run to Adrian Brown leading off the game, and Brian Giles hit a solo shot later in the first inning. Lima has allowed a major league-leading 38 homers, extending his team record.

But Lima held the Pirates to only one more run in the next five innings to win for the fourth time in his last five decisions dating back to July 9.

"He was dodging bullets out there all night," manager Larry Dierker said of Lima's performance. "When I lifted him for a pinch-hitter, I didn't do it so much to add offense as I just thought it was time to change pitchers."

Lima gave up three runs and seven hits. He has permitted 116 earned runs this season, tied with Dierker (1970) and Jerry Reuss (1973) for the most in a year in team history.

"A win is a win no matter what," Lima said. "When they pick up the paper in the morning, a 'W' will be by my name.

"I felt pretty good at first but after I gave up the home runs, I just told myself that if I wanted a chance to win this game, I couldn't le them score any more," he said.

Lima had no arguments when Dierker lifted him.

"The way things have been going this year, it probably was better to come out then than to stay in and possibly give up another run," he said. "I don't get mad anymore. I did that once earlier and I just needed to get that out of my system."

Pirates manager Gene Lamont didn't see anything wrong with Lima's performance.

"Lima threw fine once he got the lead," Lamont said. "Probably the most important thing to do is shut them down the inning after you get the lead and he did that."

Kris Benson (8-10) lost his fourth straight decision and is winless in his last seven starts. He lasted 6 1-3 innings and gave up four runs on six hits and five walks.

"They're a hot hitting team right now and it's hard to keep them down," Benson said.

JV drops opening match

After rallying for a 15-13 win in the first game of its match on Tuesday, Snyder dropped the next two games, 15-2, 15-3, to fall to Abilene High in the junior varsity season opener at the SHS gym.

Dara Chambers paced the Lady Tigers from the service line with seven points on the night, while Amber Alexander and Leticia Martinez added three apiece.

Aaryn Stewart and Chaelyn Robinson served up two points each, with Lori Chesser, Shelly Fisk and Loryn Brown posting one apiece.

Snyder will be in action again Friday and Saturday at the Odessa tournament.

In search of fifth major title, Woods prepares Valhalla's test

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Tiger Woods has won three of the last four major championships, including runaway victories in the U.S. and British Opens.

Imagine what he might have done if he had prepared properly.

"As time goes on, I will probably get a little bit more of a grasp of how to prepare myself for these," Woods said Tuesday after breaking away from a massive gallery that followed him during a practice round for this week's PGA Championship.

"Each year I have gotten better at getting ready and peaking for majors," he said. "It's just a matter of learning a little bit more."

Woods began to prepare his defense of the title he won last year at Medinah by traipsing Valhalla Golf Club with friend and neighbor Mark O'Meara. After spending four hours playing in 90-degree temperatures and high humidity, he said his game was rounding into shape.

"I'm not quite there yet, but you don't want to exactly be right on Tuesday," Woods said. "I felt like my game is progressing day to day and it's nice to feel that. From here on out, I'll kind of touch it up a little bit, get more of a feel of the golf course and the greens and the chipping areas and locations — where I need to put the ball with the correct spin and things like that — more course management."

Many critics of the course have said that Woods will annihilate Valhalla, which surrendered record scores when Mark Brooks edged Kenny Perry to win the 1996 PGA Championship. Woods didn't turn pro until after that tournament and had never played the course until last week.

Some believe the course is long enough to challenge even Woods and the biggest hitters.

"I think this golf course lets a few more people into the field," Loren Roberts said. "A lot more people have a chance to do well here this week because of the nature of the golf course. There are a lot of holes that Tiger and a lot of guys will be laying up on. I think everybody is in the game this week."

Hosting its second major in its 14-year existence, the course has matured in the four years. Officials also tinkered with it in spots to make it less forgiving of an errant shot.

"The rough is higher than I recall in '96 and I think that that is going to keep the scores from going too low because around the greens it's almost impossible to get up and down," said Phil Mickelson, who has finished in the top four in his last two tournaments.

Freshmen top Abilene High

Snyder's freshman volleyball squad opened its season with a convincing victory Tuesday night, knocking off Abilene High in straight games, 15-12, 15-12.

Desiree Braziel served up six points to pace the Lady Tigers in Game 1. Sharday McKinney posted four service points, with Dominique Braziel adding three. Erin Burleson and Misha Wofford tallied one point apiece.

In Game 2, Kelsi Johnson and Kelby Drum led the way from the service line with four points each, while Dominique Braziel registered three. Missy Vasquez notched two points, and Burleson and Beth Clements chipped in one apiece.

Snyder will be in action again at 11 a.m. Saturday when it hosts Bronte and Colorado City.

Snyder squad wins tourney

Ten Snyder cagers teamed up over the weekend to capture the 12-under girls' title of the Irons Junior High Back to School Tournament in Lubbock.

Featuring several players from the Little Dribblers national championship squad, Snyder edged out the Seagraves-Lubbock team, 49-48, in the title game.

Sequoya Powell and Sirena Medrano poured in 10 points apiece in the finals.

The championship win came on the heels of a 50-48 loss to the same Seagraves-Lubbock squad in the second round.

Snyder opened the tournament with a 61-45 victory over Frenship.

Snyder 61, Frenship 45

Snyder: Sequoya Powell, 20; Sirena Medrano, 11; Breanna Talavera, 9; Shaela Thompson, 7; Glyn Wright, 5; Jessica Taylor, 4; Teddi Crenwelge, 3; Erica Little, 2.

Seagraves-Lubbock 50, Snyder 48

Snyder: Powell, 14; Medrano, 8; Talavera, 6; Wright and Thompson, 5; Terann Ragland, 4; Little, Crenwelge and Emily Jones, 2.

Snyder 49, Seagraves-Lubbock 48

Snyder: Powell and Medrano 10; Talavera and Thompson, 7; Ragland, 6; Jones, Crenwelge, Taylor and Little, 2; Wright, 1.

Sports Briefs

Meet the Bulldogs

Ira High School's "Meet the Bulldogs" will take place at 7 p.m. Thursday at Bulldog stadium. There will be an introduction of the players, and an intrasquad scrimmage. Ice cream will be served. Cost of admission is a towel or bar of soap.

Watermelon Bowl

The Watermelon Bowl, Snyder's annual intrasquad football scrimmage, will be held at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Travis Field. Snyder Booster Club will sell concessions and T-shirts.

Meet the Tigers

Meet the Tigers will be held at 6:30 p.m. Monday at Tiger Stadium. All junior high and high school football players, managers, coaches and cheerleaders will be introduced. Hamburgers and sausage wraps will be sold for $4 a plate, including chips and a drink.

WTC golf tourney

Western Texas College will host an ABCD Scramble at 8:30 a.m. Saturday. Cost is $20 per player. To register, call the WTC pro shop at 573-9291.

Boys Club registration

Sign-ups are being taken for the Boys and Girls Club football, volleyball and cheerleading.

WGA playday

Snyder County Club Women's Golf Association will hold its weekly play day at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Format will be a flag tournament.

Horseshoe pitching

Snyder Slingers Horseshoe Club has league play at 7 p.m. Thursdays at the courts adjacent to the coliseum. For more information, call T.C. Nunn at 573-6710 or Terry Duncan at 573-5589.

Men's blowout partnership

The 12th annual Blowout Partnership will be held Aug. 25-27 at Snyder Country Club. The field will be limited to 60 teams, pre-flighted by combined handicap. A practice round will be held Aug. 25. Saturday's format will be scramble, and Sunday's will be lowball. Entry fee is $310 per team. Deadline to register is Friday. For more information, call the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

Duval withdraws from event

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — David Duval was forced to withdraw from the PGA Championship because of back problems that have plagued him for two months. He was replaced in the field by Craig Stadler.

Agassi back on track

WASHINGTON (AP) — Top-seeded Andre Agassi overwhelmed Fernando Meligeni 6-2, 6-1 to advance to the third round at the Legg Mason Tennis Classic.

Alex Corretja also advanced to the third round with a 7-5, 6-3 victory over Kevin Kim. Eighth-seeded Dominik Hrbaty was the only upset victim of the day, losing 4-6, 6-4, 6-3 to Wayne Arthurs.

No. 3 Nicolas Kiefer advanced to the third round, beating Guillermo Coria 4-6, 6-3, 6-2. No. 16 Paul Goldstein defeated Julien Boutter 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.

No. 6 Byron Black was a 6-3, 6-4 winner over Davide Sanguinetti, No. 10 David Prinosil beat Martin Damm 6-3, 6-3, and 11th-seeded Andrew Ilie beat Ronald Agenor 3-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Major League Baseball

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	73	46	.613	—
New York	71	48	.597	2
Florida	60	59	.504	13
Montreal	51	64	.443	20
Philadelphia	50	68	.424	22½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	65	54	.546	—
Cincinnati	59	59	500	5½
Chicago	54	64	.458	10½
Milwaukee	50	69	.420	15
Pittsburgh	49	69	.415	15½
Houston	47	73	.392	18½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	66	51	.564	—
Arizona	66	53	.555	1
Los Angeles	60	58	.508	6½
Colorado	59	60	.496	8
San Diego	57	63	.475	10½

Tuesday's Games

St. Louis 4, Chicago Cubs 2
N.Y. Mets 7, Colorado 5, 1st game
N.Y. Mets 4, Colorado 3, 2nd game
San Francisco 9, Montreal 7
Florida 7, Los Angeles 3
Arizona 11, Philadelphia 6
Atlanta 3, San Diego 1
Milwaukee 2, Cincinnati 1, 10 innings
Houston 5, Pittsburgh 4

Wednesday's Games

Arizona (Reynoso 9-7) at Philadelphia (Chen 6-1), 1:05 p.m.
San Diego (Eaton 4-2) at Atlanta (Millwood 7-8), 1:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Kile 13-8) at Chicago Cubs (Tapani 8-8), 2:20 p.m.
San Francisco (Gardner 7-6) at Montreal (Hermanson 8-10), 7:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Park 11-8) at Florida (Burnett 1-3), 7:05 p.m.
Colorado (Bohanon 6-8) at N.Y. Mets (Rusch 8-9), 7:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Bell 5-6) at Milwaukee (D'Amico 8-4), 8:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Serafini 1-1) at Houston (Elarton 12-4), 8:05 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Colorado at N.Y. Mets, 1:10 p.m.
San Francisco at Montreal, 1:35 p.m.
Only games scheduled

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	65	50	.565	—
Boston	60	55	.522	5
Toronto	61	60	.504	7
Baltimore	52	66	.441	14½
Tampa Bay	52	66	.441	14½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	71	48	.597	—
Cleveland	61	55	.526	8½
Detroit	57	61	.483	13½
Kansas City	54	64	.458	16½
Minnesota	55	66	.455	17
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	69	51	.575	—
Oakland	64	54	.542	4
Anaheim	62	57	.521	6½
Texas	54	63	.462	13½

Tuesday's Games

Chicago White Sox 14, Baltimore 4
Anaheim 8, Toronto 4
Tampa Bay 3, Boston 1
Minnesota 6, Kansas City 2
N.Y. Yankees 10, Texas 2
Detroit 9, Seattle 0
Oakland 5, Cleveland 3

Wednesday's Games

Anaheim (Schoeneweis 6-6), at Toronto (Trachsel 6-11), 12:35 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Rupe 4-4) at Boston (Arrojo 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Hernandez 8-9) at Texas (Sikorski 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Parque 9-4) at Baltimore (Mussina 7-12), 7:35 p.m.
Kansas City (Meadows 1-0) at Minnesota (Romero 2-1), 8:05 p.m.
Detroit (Weaver 7-10) at Seattle (Halama 10-6), 10:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Finley 9-9) at Oakland (Heredia 13-8), 10:35 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Kansas City (Reichert 6-6) at Minnesota (Re
N.Y. Yankees (Neagle 2-3), 7:05 p.m.
Texas (Helling 14-8) at Boston (Wakefield 6-7), 7:05 p.m.

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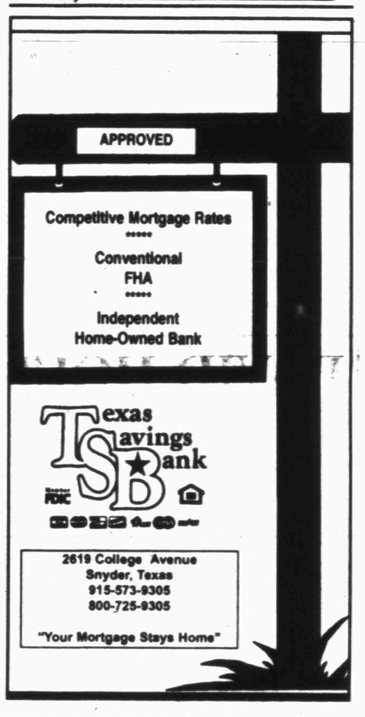

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DEAR DR. BLONZ: I found out two weeks ago that I am seven weeks pregnant with my second child. I had no idea that I was pregnant, as I have irregular periods. At the time, I had been drinking wine almost every night with dinner. I have a good diet, and I drank no more than two glasses per day. However, I am concerned about whether or not this will affect my unborn child. Also, several people have told me that they had a glass of wine every day during their pregnancies and that nothing happened to their babies. A friend of mine recently told me that her doctor said that a glass of wine once in a while during her pregnancy wouldn't do any harm. How could someone know if that is safe, considering that "once in a while" can differ from person to person? Please clarify this mess for me. Thank you in advance. — D.T., Chicago, Ill.

Dear D.T.: First, let me offer my congratulations on your pregnancy. The question of whether your wine consumption might have an effect on your child is difficult to answer with any degree of certainty. We simply don't know. What we have are research and statistical tables that have found an association between the level of alcohol consumption and the subsequent occurrence of problems for the developing child.

That being said, please understand that you are not the first woman to find out that she became pregnant while engaging in a healthful lifestyle that includes a moderate consumption of wine. It is not an uncommon circumstance, so don't let it wrack you with guilt. A moderate intake (an average of about one drink per day with a meal) does not appear to be associated with any harm to the health of the unborn child or mother. Having had the alcohol with food is important.

We need to acknowledge, however, that an excess of alcohol is definitely bad. It is also important to point out that alcohol is not essential for your child's good health. Of all the times in life, pregnancy is not the time to take risks, even if they are small ones. I recommend that you talk about these issues with your OB/GYN, and consider tapering off your wine consumption. It is always best to err on the side of safety.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I read your answers faithfully and find them interesting and very helpful. Recently, in an answer to a question about a product called Ostivone, you stated that soybean research found that soy protein in the diet tends to lower the risk of osteoporosis (as well as heart disease), and that this might be due to the fact that soy protein has lower amounts of certain sulfur-containing amino acids than meat protein does. Does this mean that sulfur increases the risk of osteoporosis? And, could taking MSM (methyl-sulfonylmethane) supplements possibly cause damage to the bones? Thank you for your great articles. I feel that I can trust the information in them. — L.A., Independence, Mo.

Dear L.A.: Thank you for your kind comments. The connection between sulfur-containing amino acids and osteoporosis is as follows: The body cannot store excess dietary protein to any appreciable degree, so whenever we eat more protein than the body needs, the excess gets changed into an energy compound (fat or carbohydrate). As a part of this process, the "amino" portions of the amino acids that make up the protein need to be removed and eliminated from the body.

Sulfur-containing amino acids tend to break down into "acid" compounds when they are metabolized, and it requires a positive ion to accompany these breakdown products, as they exit the body through the urine. The positive ions used for escorts tend to be potassium, sodium and calcium. The bloodstream's calcium level tends to be closely regulated, and, if it were to drop, the body would release parathyroid hormones, which, in effect, take calcium from the bones to raise the concentration to the desired level.

The upshot of it all is that ingesting more protein than is necessary, particularly those types of proteins that are high in sulfur-containing amino acids, can drain some of the calcium from the body. Soy protein has lower levels of sulfur-containing amino acids than meat. I don't think the same phenomenon would be going on with MSM, particularly because, with MSM, you are only taking milligram amounts, whereas with protein we are talking about grams.

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

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NUTRITION

ED BLONZ, PH.D.

Man uses cellular phone to summon rescuers to crash

IRONWOOD, Mich. (AP) — A plane crashed on a riverbank in a remote area, and a survivor was able to summon rescuers by calling 911 on his cell phone and telling an emergency dispatcher that he could hear flowing water nearby.

Two men were killed and two others injured in the crash late Monday of a private jet that was hit by lightning during a flight from Brainerd, Minn., to Flint.

The plane's pilot had notified officials that the lightning knocked out the plane's electronics and he was going to make an emergency landing at Gogebic Municipal Airport.

Then controllers lost contact with him. Emergency crews started a search operation but were forced to suspend it because of bad weather.

The break in the case came Tuesday morning when one of the survivors, George Peck, dialed 911 and was connected to the Iron County, Wis., Sheriff's Department. Gogebic County, which borders Wisconsin in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, does not have 911 service.

Authorities had no way of identifying where the 911 call was coming from, even which county Peck was calling from.

"We were very lucky. The dispatcher did a great job keeping the survivor on the phone and trying to gather information about their possible whereabouts," Iron County Sheriff Robert Bruneau said. He said Peck "was able to tell the dispatcher that he heard running water and let him know when he heard sirens or helicopters nearby."

Officials discovered the wreckage on the Black River riverbank north of Bessemer. The site is in a heavily wooded area just south of Lake Superior. There are no roads within a couple of miles.

The plane belonged to Flint businessman Don Williamson, who said the four people on the plane were two employees of his, plus the pilot and co-pilot.

The two employees, Peck, 44, and William Singletary, 55, were airlifted by a Coast Guard helicopter to Grandview Hospital. They were listed in stable condition Wednesday. The two pilots, who were killed, were identified as Chase Osborn, 60, and Brian Champagne, 53.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp s	33⅜	32⅝	33	1-16— 3-16
AT&T Corp	32½	31 9-16	31	15-16 + 13-16
Albertsons	30 15-16	30⅛	30⅞	+ ½
Alltel	61 7-16	55¾	56	11-16— 5⅞
AmerOnline s	55 9-16	54 9-16	55	7-16 + ¾
AmEl Pw	35⅝	35¼	35	9-16 + ¼
AndarkPtr	58 11-16	58 5-16	58½	+ 1-32
ATMOS Egy	22¾	22⅜	22⅝	
Aviall	5½	5 7-16	5½	
BP Amoco s	55 5-16	54¾	55⅛	+ 1 1-16
BakerHughes	38 3-16	37 3-16	38⅛	+ 7-16
Bank of Amer	54 11-16	54	54⅛	— 3-16
BellSouth	38 5-16	37⅝	37	13-16
Beth Steel	4 3-16	4 1-16	4⅛	+ 1-16
BurlNoSFe	24⅞	24 5-16	24⅜	— ½
Caterpillar	38 13-16	38 7-16	38¾	+ 3-32
Chevron	84⅜	83⅝	84¼	+ 1 7-16
Citigroup	74 13-16	73⅝	73	13-16— ⅛
Coastal	67 3-16	66 9-16	66⅞	— ⅛
CocaCola	61⅜	59 11-16	59¾	— 2¼
ColgatePal	54¼	53⅝	53⅞	— ⅛
ComclMetals	28¾	28¾	28¾	
CooperIn	35⅜	35⅛	35	3-16
DaimlrChry	56 3-16	55 13-16	56	1-16
DallSemicn s	36⅞	35⅝	36	11-16 + 1 3-16
DeltaAirl	51 5-16	50⅞	51⅛	— 5-16
Dillards Inc	14½	13 15-16	13	15-16— 7-16
DowChem s	29 3-16	28 9-16	28¾	+ ⅛
DuPont	49⅞	49½	49¾	⅛
EastmanChem	46⅛	45 13-16	45	15-16 + 3-16
EstKodak	63 11-16	62 15-16	63	9-16 + 11-16
EDS Corp	49¼	48⅜	49⅛	— 3-16
Entergy	31⅝	31⅛	31⅜	+ ⅛
ExxonMobil	82 9-16	81⅝	82	1-16 + ¾
Flowers	21 5-16	21 1-16	21¼	+ 1-16
GenDynam	60 15-16	60 1-16	60⅜	— ⅞
GenElec s	57¼	56¾	56	13-16— 5-16
GenMills s	34⅝	34 3-16	34	3-16— 5-16
GenMotors	64 7-16	63⅜	64¼	+ 11-16
GaPacGP	28 15-16	28¼	28	9-16
GlobalMar	32 3-16	31 5-16	32	3-16 + ½
Goodrich	37½	37⅛	37¼	— 3-16
Goodyear s	23 3-16	22¾	22⅞	— ¾
GtAtlPac	15⅛	14 13-16	15	1-16 + ⅛
Halliburtn	52⅞	50⅝	52⅞	+ 1 7-16
Hanson ADS	29⅞	29 11-16	29⅞	+ 3-16
HarteHanks	25½	25	25⅜	+ ¼
HomeDepot s	52¼	50 1-16	50	3-16—3 9-16
HoneywellIntl	35¼	34⅞	35	— 3-16
IBM	122 15-16	121	121⅝	⅜
IntlPaper	34 13-16	34⅜	34⅜	+ ⅛
JohnsonJn	97½	96¾	97	5-16 + 1 3-16
K mart	7⅛	6 13-16	6	15-16— 1-16
Kroger Co	21	20¾	21	+ ¼
Lifton	54 7-16	53 15-16	53	15-16— ½
LockheedM	28½	27¾	27	15-16— ⅞
Lowes Cos	46⅛	44⅛	44	7-16—2 1-16
Lubys	7⅞	7⅞	7⅞	⅛
LucentTech	43 7-16	42 3-16	43¼	+ 1⅛
MayDeptStr	23½	23 1-16	23	5-16— 1-16
Medtronic s	54¾	54	54⅝	+ ⅞
MorganJP	146 15-16	145⅛	145⅜	—1 5-16
Motorola s	37⅛	35⅜	37⅛	+ 1⅛
NCR Corp	35 3-16	34⅝	35	+ 9-16
Navistar	37⅞	36 1-16	37¾	+ ⅝
Penney JC	16 1-16	15 11-16	15	11-16—13-16
PepBoys	5 3-16	5⅛	5	3-16
PepsiCo	44½	42⅝	43	—2 15-16
Pharmacia	58½	56⅜	57	13-16 + 1
PhelpDodge	44⅛	43 9-16	43¾	+ ⅛
PhilipPet	57¼	56 11-16	57¼	+ ½
PilgrmPrd B	6 15-16	6 15-16	6	15-16
Polaroid	17¾	17⅝	17	11-16— 1-16
Praxair	44 5-16	43 13-16	44	5-16 + ⅜
ProctGamb	62 3-16	61¼	62⅛	+ 1-16
PubS NwMx	21 9-16	21⅛	21	7-16— 3-16
RadioShack	65 13-16	60¾	60¾	—5 5-16
ReliantEngy	37 7-16	37	37⅛	— 1-16
RoyalDut	60⅞	60½	60	11-16— 5-16
SBC Comm	42⅝	42¼	42¼	+ ¼
SaraLee	19	18 9-16	18⅝	
Scripps EW	51 5-16	50¾	51¼	+ 11-16
SearsRoeb	31 1-16	30⅜	31	+ 11-16
SherwinW	23¾	23½	23	9-16— 3-16
SmithkdBchm	66 7-16	65 11-16	66	5-16 + 1
SouthernCo	27 13-16	27⅜	27	13-16 + ¼
SwstAirl	24 3-16	23⅞	23⅞	— ⅛
SprintFON	35¾	34 13-16	34	15-16— ⅝
SprintPCS s	52⅝	51¼	51¼	— ⅜
Sunoco Inc	26 13-16	26 9-16	26	13-16 + 3-16
TXU Corp	35⅝	35¼	35	9-16 + 3-16
TempleInland	46⅜	46	46	+ 1-16
Texaco	51 11-16	51 1-16	51⅝	+ ½
TexInd	34 15-16	34⅝	34¾	
TexasInst s	68½	66 11-16	67⅞	+ 2⅛
Textron	59 5-16	58 11-16	58¾	— 7-16
TriconGlbR	29 13-16	29½	29	11-16— 3-16
TrinityInds	18 11-16	18 9-16	18	9-16— 1-16
TritonEngy	45 13-16	44 11-16	45	13-16 + ¾
TylerTech	1 15-16	1 15-16	1	15-16 + 1-16
USX-Marathn	26 15-16	26 11-16	26⅞	+ 5-16
USX-USS	18 1-16	17 9-16	17⅞	+ ⅛
UnCarbde	45 1-16	44¼	44⅜	+ ¼
UnionPacif	43⅝	43⅜	43⅜	— 3-16
UnitedTech	61⅛	60 5-16	60	5-16 + ¼
Unocal	33 9-16	33 1-16	33	7-16 + ⅜
Venator Grp	16½	16 1-16	16	3-16 + ⅛
VerizonComm	41 15-16	41 5-16	41½	— ½
WalMart	50⅞	49 7-16	49⅞	— 1⅞
WellsFargo	44⅞	44¼	44⅜	— 1-16
WstnGasRs	21 3-16	20⅞	21⅛	+ ⅛
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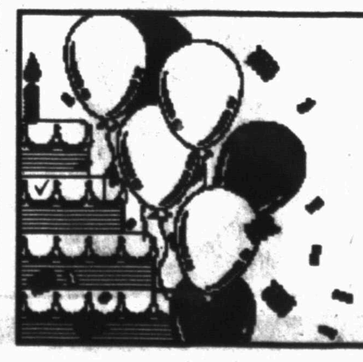
Xerox Cp	16⅝	16 5-16	16½	+ ⅜



HAPPY BIRTHDAY WILLIE
From the SDN GANG

Suicide strikes family again

DENVER (AP) — A man who started an organization to fight suicide after his youngest son killed himself has lost another son to suicide.

Jamon Franklin, 31, was found dead Tuesday of an apparent suicide in a car in the garage of the family's home.

"I don't know why he did it," said Les Franklin, founder of Shaka Franklin Foundation for Youth. "I'm really confused because I've tried so hard.

"I know I've helped a lot of young people, but if you can't help your family, if you can't help yourself, then what's the use?"

Les Franklin and wife Marianne returned home from breakfast and found Jamon dead in the back seat of the car. He apparently suffered carbon monoxide poisoning.

No suicide note was found.

Jamon Franklin headed a program that teaches inner-city black children how to skate and play hockey. He had graduated this summer from Morehouse University in Atlanta.

Les Franklin, 57, is a former IBM executive and director of Gov. Roy Romer's Governor's Training Program.

His son Shaka, a high school football star, committed suicide in 1990 at age 16.

Scurry County Country

Ag chemical conference is set Aug. 30

LUBBOCK — West Texas agriculture producers and agribusiness people can update their chemical use and application skills and learn more about state and federal regulations, irrigation, conservation tillage and the future of agriculture and ag legislation Aug. 30 at the 48th annual West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Conference in the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

On-site registration over coffee and donuts begins at 7 a.m. and costs $70 per person. Preregistration costs $50 per person, but must be postmarked by Aug. 18. Advance registration should be sent to: WTACI, care of Ricky Kuntz Flagg Fertilizer, Rt. 4, 42A, Dimmitt, TX 79027.

The general conference session runs from 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m., and will include presentations on conservation tillage, laws and regulations, the federal Food Quality Protection Act, and irrigation scheduling. Morning keynote speakers are: Rep. Larry Combest, Update on Texas Agriculture; and William Lapp, ConAgra, Inc., Mega-Trends in Food and Agriculture: Changes and Changes in Coming Years. More than 400 producers, chemical dealers and agribusiness people are expected to attend.

Participants can earn up to 5-1/4 continuing education units (CEUs) required by the Texas Department of Agriculture for certification of commercial and non-commercial pesticide applicators, or several CCA education units.

The conference is sponsored by the West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute (WTACI), an organization of scientists, educators, industry representatives and agribusiness leaders. The institute has sponsored-conducted research and educational programs focusing on safe ag chemical use since 1953.

The noon luncheon will feature presentation of WTACI awards and college scholarships totaling more than $8,000. Election of new officers will also take place at the luncheon.

The afternoon general session begins at 3:15 p.m. and will feature concurrent educational sessions on weed control and herbicides; peanut, corn and cotton insect control; and peanut and cotton diseases presented by Extension specialists, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station scientists and Texas Tech University and industry representatives.

The weed control session will focus on control programs, new herbicide, weed identification and symptoms of herbicide damage. Topics in the insect session are peanut insect control, managing cotton insects, and an overview of corn insects. The plant disease session will key on peanut diseases, cotton seedling diseases and a cotton disease workshop.

Concurrent afternoon session will begin at 3:15 p.m. and wrap up around 4:55 p.m. Business meetings, closing remarks, CEU-CCA certificates and session evaluation will be the order of business after these sessions close.

Groups who plan to attend can receive a reduced hotel rate for the conference if reservations are secured by Friday. Call the Four Points Hotel in Lubbock at 806-747-0171 or 800-323-3535 and ask for the Ag Chem group rate.

For more information on the WTACI conference, call Sherry Smith at 806-746-6010.

Diversified

By Greg Gruben, County Extension Agent

Home Water Treatment Units: Fast Facts
Part 1

Whenever you turn on the tap at home, you may wonder if chemicals or particles are affecting the taste or appearance of your drinking water. You may even worry about harmful organisms, like bacteria, or chemical pollutants, like pesticides or industrial solvents.

If you suspect a problem with your drinking water, you may have thought about buying a home water treatment unit. In part I of this series of articles we will discuss how to know if you need a unit and what types of units are available.

You may ask, "How do I know if I need a unit?"

Consumers get their drinking water primarily from two sources: public water supplies and private wells.

Under the Safe Drinking Water Act, all public water supplies must meet the drinking water standards set by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Some states have even more stringent standards. For information about the quality of your quality of your public drinking water, contact your local water utility office.

In contrast, private well owners are subject only to state and local laws, and they are responsible for the quality of water from their wells. Most well water is safe; however, some may need treatment. For help with possible drinking water problems in a private well, contact your local health department.

If you want to have your water analyzed, use a state approved testing laboratory. To find out where you can get a list of state certified labs, call the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791 or contact the Scurry County Extension Office for more information on water samples testing at 915-573-5423. A water well screening event is in the works for September 19-20. The screening will test for nitrates and bacteria. Please watch for future articles about this event.

If you discover problems with your drinking water, you may want to hire a competent water-quality contractor to help you select the appropriate water treatment unit.

The next obvious question is, "What kinds of units are available?"

That question will be answered next week in Part II of the series. If you have any questions, please call the Extension office at 573-5423.

Suit accuses Albertsons of discrimination

AUSTIN (AP) — A former Albertsons Inc. employee who says she was warned not to speak Spanish in front of customers per store policy has filed a lawsuit against the grocery store chain.

In her lawsuit, Irma Rodriguez alleges racial discrimination and a pattern of verbal abuse. The 29-year-old Mexican national, now living in Austin, claims store managers mocked her when she tried to speak English and threatened to fire her if she spoke Spanish.

Markets

Colorado City

The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 681 head of cattle for the Saturday, Aug. 12, sale. Compared to last week: Feeder steers were steady to $2 lower. Slaughter cows and bulls were steady. Bred cows were and pairs were steady. Trading was active and demand good.

Feeder steers:
200-300: 126-134
300-400: 124-137
400-500: 106-113
500-600: 90-93
600-700: 83.50-87
700-800: 79.25-85
Feeder heifers:
200-300: 110-110.50
300-400: 89.97.50
400-500: 93-95.50
500-600: 82.50-85.50
600-700: 79-84.50
700-800: 67-50-72
Replacement cows:
Young bred cows: 600-610
Aged cows: 500-590
Pairs: 720-900
Aged pairs: 675-730
Slaughter cows: High yielding: 42.25-45
Slaughter bulls: High dressing: 54.50-56.25

Lubbock

The Lubbock Stockyards, Inc. had a run of 691 head of cattle for the Thursday, Aug. 10, sale. Cows were steady. Yearlings wre $1 to $3 better. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows
(High dressing — cutters — utilities: 40-45
Canner and low cutters: 33-40
Slaughter bulls: 46-54
Feeder steers — choice:
300-400: 100-125
400-500: 90-110
500-600: 85-95
600-700: 84-90
700-800: 80-86
Feeder heifers:
300-400: 95-110
400-500: 85-100
500-600: 85-92
600-700: 83-87
700-800: 75-81
Feeder Bulls — good and choice:
500-600: 85-95
700-800: 70-80
Cow and calf pairs:
Good: 700-900
Grade: 550-650
Springers: 425-650
Baby calves: 100-200
Doodlers: 175-250

Graham

Graham Livestock Comm., Inc. had a run of 2,375 head of cattle for the Monday, Aug. 14, sale. Calves, packer cows and bulls were steady. Cows were steady. Steers were steady. Heifers were $1 higher. Market was active and demand good.

Representative Sales
Georgia Hunter, Eastland
Black WF Steer, 380 lbs. @ $112
Black Heifer, 375 lbs. $110
Fred Carver, Benjamin
3 Young Open Cows, 935 lbs. @ $53
Fat Cows, 935 lbs. @ $53
Callahan Land & Cattle, Putnam
Black Steer, 375 lbs. $95.50
Black Heifer, 415 lbs. $97
Levi Kirk, Jacksboro
Bred Black Cow, 1,285 lbs. @ $630
Bred Black Cow, 1,200 lbs. @ $570
Pico Drilling Co., Breckenridge
4 thin Grazing Cows, 870 lbs., @ $37.50
3 thin Grazing Cows, 901 lbs. @ $38.50
Thriftway, Olney
2 Red Bulls 505lbs., @ $90
3 Red Bulls, 475 lbs., @ $85
Leland Bachman, Throckmorton
CNR Cow, 965 lbs. @ $39.50
Fat Cow, 1,310 lbs., @ $37.50
Roland Maxey, Jacksboro
Black WT Steer, 480 lbs., @ $88
Black WF Steer, 750 lbs., @$81
Clara Bernstein, Abilene
2 Black Steers 270 lbs. @ $132.50
Jesse Hailey, Weatherford
3 Black Heifers, 515 lbs. @ $90
Alex Pacheco, Mineral Wells
WF Bull, 965 lbs. @ $59

FACES FROM THE PAST

Do You Know These Faces? If You Do **ENTER!!!** You Don't Have To Know Them All!
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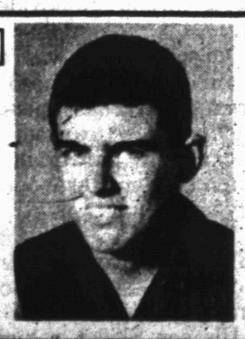
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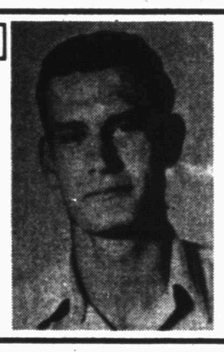
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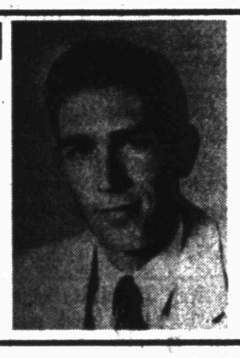
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In each advertisement you will find a face from the past. Identify the faces on the entry blank opposite the name of the sponsoring business. **Bring or mail the entry blank to the Snyder Daily News, 3600 College Ave. PO Box 949, Snyder, Texas 79550.** The deadline for entering is 5 pm Monday before the next contest appears on Wednesday. The weekly winner will be drawn from all the correct entries. Employees of the SDN are not eligible to enter.

Last week's photos: 1.Darren Brooks 2.Deana Underwood 3.Dewayne Williamson 4.Jerry Bowen 5. Lisa Franklin 6.Marika Sitton 7. Robert Elliott 8.Shane Sullivan 9. Sheri Sturdivant 10. Patricia Gregory

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Democrats to ratify Gore nomination

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Al Gore, the Democrat-in-chief now, is telling voters "you ain't seen nothing yet" as he seeks to take over President Clinton's lease on the White House with a promise to lead America to even better times.

With the ritual roll call of states, the Democratic National Convention ratifies Gore's presidential nomination Wednesday night.

First, Sen. Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut was being installed as Gore's vice presidential running mate, and delivering his acceptance speech as the first Jew ever to run on the national ticket of a major party.

Lieberman said in an interview with The Associated Press that his aim in the speech was to introduce himself to the American people, to talk about "the Al Gore that I know and I think a lot of Americans still don't know" and to warn that a Republican victory would turn the nation away from "the positive course that it's on."

He said his Orthodox Judaism will keep him from campaigning on Saturdays and on three Jewish holidays in the weeks before the Nov. 7 election. "I'm just going to do what I've always done and work extra hard on the days that I'm campaigning," he said. Lieberman said Gore "doesn't want me to vary from my traditional practices and I won't."

He said his faith would not affect his handling of Middle East matters, because the record shows "that I've obviously supported the U.S. position" when American policy diverges from that of Israel.

"My first and only loyalty is to the United States of America," he said.

Convicted killer to be executed tonight

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A murder case that began with a 79-cent purchase made more than 21 years ago could come to a close with the execution of the convicted killer.

John Satterwhite, 53, on Wednesday faced lethal injection for the fatal shooting of a convenience store clerk during a robbery.

His execution would be the third of six scheduled for this month in Texas and the 29th this year in the nation's most active capital punishment state. At least 10 other death row inmates have lethal injections set through the end of 2000, which could wind up a record year for executions in Texas, topping the 37 condemned prisoners put to death in 1997.

In June, the U.S. Supreme Court refused to review Satterwhite's case. His attorney, Lewin Plunkett, said this week no 11th-hour legal appeals were anticipated.

Satterwhite already had been arrested eight times and been in prison for burglary and robbery by assault when he was charged with the March 12, 1979, killing of Mary Francis Davis, 54, after walking into the Lone Star Ice and Food Store in San Antonio under the guise of buying a pack of cigarettes and a soft drink.

Satterwhite's punishment has attracted none of the attention that drew the hundreds of protesters and media to Huntsville in June for the lethal injection of convicted killer Gary Graham. Graham's claims of innocence and an unfair trial spotlighted Texas as the nation's execution capital and support of the death penalty by Gov. George W. Bush, the Republican presidential nominee.

Elsewhere in Texas, new DNA tests led to freedom Tuesday for one inmate but failed to clear another who had won a reprieve from Bush in June.

Roy Wayne Criner, 35, was released after a decade behind bars when DNA showed he did not commit the rape for which he was sent to prison. Bush is expected to pardon him.

But a judge immediately set a new execution date of Sept. 27 for Ricky Nolen McGinn, a convicted child rapist and killer. McGinn had already eaten what was to have been his last meal and was just 18 minutes away from a lethal injection on June 1 when Bush granted a 30-day reprieve to allow time for new DNA testing.

Bush had never before granted a death row inmate a reprieve. During his more than five years in office, 139 inmates have been put to death.

Bush said Tuesday that he granted the reprieve because it was important to "help determine the defendant's guilt or innocence of the rape charge," which was the basis of the death sentence.

Elderly Palestinian man dies in botched Israeli army event

SURDA, West Bank (AP) — Israeli soldiers shot and killed a 70-year-old Palestinian before dawn Wednesday after the man opened fire from the roof of his home, apparently believing the soldiers were burglars.

The victim, Mahmoud Abdullah, a U.S. citizen, was critically wounded by a shot in the head, said his son Hisham, a journalist with the Agence France-Presse news agency.

Israeli officers kept medics from reaching the wounded man for more than an hour, Hisham Abdullah said. The elder Abdullah died in an ambulance en route to the hospital, relatives said.

"It was really a nightmare," the son said. "They (Israeli troops) prevented anyone from reaching the house. For them it was war. I tried to talk them but they wouldn't stop shooting."

The Israeli army commander in the area, Col. Gal Hirsch, said troops had to conduct searches and make sure no gunmen were hiding before allowing medics into the Abdullah home. He said he did not know how much time passed before Abdullah received medical treatment.

The shooting occurred around 3 a.m. in Surda, a village north of the West Bank town of Ramallah. At the time, soldiers were walking through Surda as part of a military operation, the army said, but refused to provide details.

At one point, Mahmoud Abdullah heard noises and shouted, "Who's there?" before opening fire, Hisham Abdullah said. The father had been afraid of thieves ever since his home was broken into last year, Abdullah said.

Hirsch denied Mahmoud Abdullah had called out before he shot several times.

The soldiers returned fire and shot Mahmoud Abdullah in the head. Hirsch said the troops were taken by surprise by the shooting.

Hirsch said a neighbor carrying something ran to the front door at one point and soldiers suspected he was a gunman. Soldiers shouted, "Stop, stand still, this is the Israeli army," but the neighbor kept moving and soldiers began firing at the house, Hirsch said.

The front of the house was riddled with bullets, including nine that struck the front door. On the roof, reporters saw a large pool of blood. Soldiers searched the house and found the pistol Abdullah had fired with.

The army said the Abdullah home had not been the target of the military operation.

"There's no doubt it was something that looked to the soldiers like a terror attack because it was the middle of the night and there was shooting," Hirsch said. "I have no doubt that this was the right action for them to do."

The men in the Abdullah family were taken to an Israeli army base after the shooting and detained for questioning.

Woman reports damaged vehicle

• ***Criminal mischief***

Tracy Toland contacted officers at 5:54 p.m. Tuesday to report an incident that allegedly occurred last month outside of the cinema at the Snyder Shopping Center.

Toland told officers that between 7 and 9:30 p.m. on July 21 someone ripped the cloth top and scratched the mirror of her 1999 Mitsubishi Eclipse. Damage was estimated at around $1,200.

• ***Shots fired***

Officers were called to the 2300 block of 30th Street at 7:33 p.m. Tuesday to a report of shots being fired in the area. Police observed an older model pickup backfire as it left the area.

• ***Family violence***

A report for family violence was taken at 9:30 p.m. Tuesday.

• ***Accident***

A two-vehicle accident occurred at 12:12 p.m. Tuesday in the 2500 block of College. Involved were a 1990 Ford F-350 pickup driven by Lavada Stephens Hall, 70, of 1904 17th and a 1991 Chevrolet C-1500 pickup driven by Robert Reyes, 41, of 3002 39th Street.

• ***Fires***

Snyder Fire Department responded to a fire five miles west of Ira on FM 1606 at 1:41 p.m. Tuesday. Approximately 20 acres of pastureland burned. Six firefighters and three trucks responded.

At 6:15 p.m., the department was called out 10 miles south of Ira on Highway 350. Cotton bales on a flatbed trailer were on fire.

Howard County volunteer firefighters assisted. There were seven firefighters and two trucks to respond.

Obituaries

Nell C. Clayton

1927-2000

Services are pending for Nell C. Clayton, 72, of Snyder at Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Mrs. Clayton died Tuesday, Aug. 15, in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock following a brief illness.

The Rev. Miller Robinson, interim pastor at First Baptist Church, and Ken Andress, chaplain with Hospice of the Big Country, will officiate.

Born on Oct. 8, 1927 in Scurry County, she married Jimmy "Hoss" Clayton on Aug. 11, 1945 in Yoakum County. Mrs. Clayton was a member of the First Baptist Church and the Caring Friends Sunday School Class. Mrs. Clayton was a retired custodian of First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother.

Survivors include her husband, Jimmy "Hoss" Clayton of Snyder; two sons, James Clayton of Kermit and Danny Clayton of Dallas; a brother, Don Howard Lee of Wister, Okla.; nine grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Hilaria Almanza

1926-2000

ODESSA – Hilaria Medrano Almanza, a native of Fisher County, died Monday, Aug. 14, at her home in Odessa.

Mass for Mrs. Almanza, 73, was set for 10 a.m. today in the Holy Redeemer Catholic Church with the Rev. James Bridges officiating. Burial was to follow in Sunset Memorial Gardens under the direction of Odessa Funeral Home.

Born Dec. 6, 1926 in Hobbs, Tex., she graduated from Hobbs High School and attended Odessa College. She married Pedro Almanza on June 10, 1944 in Rotan.

Mrs. Almanza operated La Villita Café in downtown Odessa for 11 years, retiring in 1989. She was a member of the Medical Center Hospital auxiliary and taught Mexican food cooking at Odessa College. Two weeks prior to her death, she participated in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life.

Survivors include her husband, Pedro Almanza of Odessa; two sons, Pete Almanza and Benny Almanza, both of Odessa; three daughters, Linda Aguirre, Geneva Ybarra and Evelyn Garcia, all of Odessa; four bothers, Ramon Medrano of Odessa, Cayetano Medrano of Snyder, and Ben and Marcos Medrano, both of Hobbs; three sisters, Ruth Gonzales of Odessa, Pauline Gonzales of Stamford and Natividad Lopez of Abilene; 11 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

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Births

Leticia Anna and Macario R. Rivera Jr. announce the birth of their son, Macario Alberto Rivera III, weighing eight pounds and 8 ¾ ounces. Macario was born at 3:02 p.m. on Aug. 13 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He was welcomed home by a sister, Isabel Mercedes Rivera.

Grandparents are Frank and Alicia Fuentes of Snyder and Macario Sr. and Vivian Rivera of Ira.

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

JP trial cancelled

The jury trial for JP court set for 8:30 a.m. Thursday has been cancelled.

Gateway board meeting

Gateway Family Services will have a corporate board meeting at noon Thursday at Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Retirement reception

A retirement reception to honor Jaime Roemisch, an employee of First American Bank since 1980, will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday at the bank.

FBC worship service

The First Baptist Church Sunday morning worship service airs at 3 p.m. every Thursday on TV Channel 2.

Ira hamburger supper

Ira School will have a hamburger supper from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday at the cafeteria. The cost is $4 per ticket. Open house and Meet the Bulldogs will follow. All proceeds benefit the senior class of 2001.

'Taste' tickets available

Tickets are available at the door for Taste of Scurry County set for 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church's Family Life Center.

Hermleigh hamburger supper

The Hermleigh cheerleaders will host a hamburger supper from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the high school cafeteria. Meet the coaches and the junior high and high school football players. The meal includes hamburger, chips, pinto beans, dessert and drink. The cost is $5 per plate.

Girl Scout registration

All levels of Girl Scouts will register from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Girl Scout Hut, 2501 35th St. For more information, call Carla Seale at 574-8004 or Jo Ann Cearley at 573-3926.

Northeast Elementary cookbooks

Copies of the Northeast Elementary millennium cookbook are still available for $7. Call Diane Arnold at 573-2159, or Libby Whitworth at 573-6870.

Fish fry

New Hope Baptist Church, 3305 Ave. L, will have a Fish Fry starting at 11:30 a.m. Saturday. Plates are $6 for adults and $3 for children under 12.

Car wash

Our Lady of Guadalupe Queen candidate Bonnie Pesina is holding a car wash starting at 10 a.m. Saturday at United.

Class of '60 reunion

The SHS Class of 1960 will hold its 40th reunion this weekend. There will be an ice cream social at 7 p.m. Friday at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Saturday, there will be a 10 a.m. brunch at MAWC and a 7 p.m. dinner and dance at Snyder Country Club with music by Hwy 208. For information, call Patsy Hart at 573-8060.

Polar reunion

The Polar reunion will be held at noon Sunday. Bring a covered dish.

Bible study tapes

Bible study tapes air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Overcoming Temptation by Understanding Temptation," followed by "Be Ye Reconciled to God."

Snyder FFA booster club

The Snyder FFA booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the SHS ag building. Officers will be elected and fund-raisers will be discussed. A work day at the school farm will also be scheduled. Membership is not limited to parents. Ex-students, friends and others are invited.

Cancer board meeting

The board of the Scurry County unit of the American Cancer Society will meet at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the board room at Cogdell Hospital.

GED exams

GED exams will be administered Friday, Aug. 25. at Western Texas College. For more information, call Emily Hataway at 574-2112, or Molly Kattes at 573-2919.

Chamber banquet

Fiddlin' Frenchie Burke will be the featured enterainter at the Snyder chamber banquet Saturday, Aug. 26. Tickets are $12.50 for adults and $7 for children and are on sale at the chamber office. Serving begins at 6:30 p.m.

Northside Baptist revival

A revival begins Sunday, Aug. 27, and continues through Sept. 3 at Northside Baptist Church, 1909 16th Street. Evangelist is Harley Higginbotham of Hugo, Okla., with special music by the Higginbotham Family. Sunday services are at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. and weekday services are at 7 p.m.

Pyron homecoming

The Pyron Homecoming will be held Saturday, Sept. 2, at the Inadale Community Center. Registration will begin at 1 p.m. and the evening meal will be served at 7 p.m. The meal will be catered at $7 per plate. Reservations need to be made and the meal must be paid for by Tuesday. Contact Mrs. Viola Stirl, 13652 FM 644, Loraine, 79532-3110.

Dieciseis parade

Anyone wishing to participated in the Dieciseis parade sponsored by Our Lady of Guadalupe Church can call Lucy Garcia at 573-5996.

Pick 3

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

4-0-1

Cash Five

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

8-10-11-21-39

N. Sea crude oil price hits highest level

LONDON (AP) — Oil prices in London surged Tuesday to their highest levels since the Persian Gulf War, with traders blaming low U.S. inventories of crude and concerns that the world's largest producer, Saudi Arabia, has curbed production.

September contracts for North Sea Brent crude rose $1.32 a barrel to an intraday high of $32.80 on the International Petroleum Exchange before falling to $32.39 in late trading.

Its high for the day was the highest for Brent since it reached $32.90 a barrel in November 1990, on the eve of Operation Desert Storm.

In the United States, benchmark West Texas Intermediate finished trading at $31.67 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, down 27 cents from Monday's close. That was still below its peak of $34.37 a barrel reached in March.

Prices surged early on due to dwindling crude oil inventories in the United States, but they experienced a late downturn ahead of the release of new inventory data from the American Petroleum Institute.

Data from the API, released after trading ended, showed U.S. oil stocks rose 7.4 million barrels to 286.4 million barrels for the week ending August 11, more than double expectations.

Saudi Arabia is the only OPEC member with significant capacity for pumping additional crude. Prices fell sharply last month when the country announced it was boosting output beyond its agreed quota.

However, traders are now being offered fewer barrels of Saudi crude, and many believe the Saudis have reconsidered their aggressive production strategy.

Oil ministers from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries are meeting Sept. 10 in Vienna, Austria, to set production quotas for the autumn.

"Coming into the OPEC meeting in September, it appears they (the Saudis) are tightening up their production limits so that they'll be in compliance," said Lawrence Eagles, head of commodity research at London brokerage GNI Ltd.

Traders said they saw little impact on prices from Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez's diplomatic visits to fellow OPEC heads of state. Chavez has repeatedly expressed an interest in keeping oil prices firm.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 08-16-00
♠ A 4 2
♥ 8 7 5
♦ 8 2
♣ A K Q 4 2

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

East
♠ J 9
♥ 9 6 3
♦ J 7 6 5 3
♣ J 10 8

South
♠ 8 7
♥ K J 10 4
♦ A K Q
♣ 9 7 6 5

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

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

Opening lead: ♠ K

Thursday, Aug. 17, 2000

From over the Herring Pond

By Phillip Alder

Although the number of fish in it has dwindled appallingly, the Atlantic Ocean is still known as the Herring Pond in certain quarters. On the other side of it lie the British Isles, about whose residents an unknown 19th-century wag wrote, "An Englishman is never happy unless he is miserable; a Scotsman is never at home but when he is abroad; an Irishman is never at peace but when he's fighting."

This deal features a peaceful scrap between two Irishmen during the 1965 Killarney Congress. How should the play proceed in six spades after West leads the club nine?

Four clubs is Gerber, asking for aces.

Declarer starts with 11 sure tricks: six spades, two hearts, one diamond and two clubs. Among the several chances for number 12 are: the club queen might appear in the first three rounds; West could have the diamond ace; declarer can find the heart queen.

After winning with the club king and drawing trumps, the declarer, Jack Kelly, played a diamond to the queen. If East wins this trick and returns a diamond, declarer will pitch his third diamond on the club ace, ruff a club to try to drop the queen, then be forced to guess the hearts. Yet East, David Cohen, ducked as if he had never heard of the diamond ace.

However, Kelly continued carefully. He discarded a diamond, not a heart, on the club ace, ruffed a club, and tried another diamond. Yet when East captured dummy's king with the ace and continued with the diamond jack, Kelly ruffed. Then he played West for the heart queen to make the slam.

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Justice Dept. awards $7 million in grants to help clear test backlog

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department awarded more than $7 million in grants Tuesday to seven states to begin clearing a large blacklog of DNA genetic samples obtained from convicted criminals but never analyzed.

The grants from the department's National Institute of Justice will allow these states to analyze 145,783 backlogged samples, out of a nationwide backlog that a national commission recently estimated at 750,000 unanalyzed samples. The money also will pay for entering the analysis results on the FBI's Combined DNA Index System (CODIS), a computer network that allows comparisons with samples in other states.

The DNA from convicts can be compared with DNA found on evidence at crime scene and has helped convict, and in some cases clear, suspects. Like fingerprints, DNA genetic material is specific to each individual.

The seven states also will use the money to enter DNA analyses of evidence from unsolved crimes to CODIS.

"In many cases, investigators are working hard to solve cases where a perpetrator has been apprehended for another crime and is already incarcerated," said Julie Samuels, acting institute director. "These grants will help link cases to convicted offenders and help investigators devote their energy to cases where the perpetrator is still at large and a threat to the community."

Last year, the National Commission on the Future of DNA Evidence recommended that the Justice Department help states analyze existing DNA samples that had not been analyzed or entered into CODIS.

California, Florida, Minnesota, New York, Pennsylvania, Texas and Washington will share the first $7 million. The department expects to distribute another $7 million soon to 14 additional states to work on their backlogs.

"Increasing law enforcement's ability to use DNA evidence in the fight against crime makes sense and, ultimately, gets violent offenders off our streets," said Attorney General Janet Reno.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Gott continues to endorse mammography

DEAR DR. GOTT: I can't believe that you endorse mammography. Isn't it bad enough that a woman should be afraid of cancer without the additional burden and embarrassment of being half-dressed during the exam and experiencing the humiliation of having her breasts mashed in a machine?

DEAR READER: To my knowledge, no medical test — with the possible exception of a routine urine analysis — is free of discomfort or risk, inconvenience or expense. This is just the way life is. Therefore, as with medications, the doctor and the patient must agree on whether the benefits of the test outweigh the disadvantages.

For example, most doctors would be delighted to order an annual screening chest X-ray on every man, woman and child. At first glance, the risks appear minimal and the benefits, in theory, could be handsome. Incidentally, years ago, routine chest X-rays were considered to be a necessary part of any periodic health examination.

In the past few years, we physicians have learned to temper our enthusiasm for a number of reasons: The expense of millions of yearly chest -rays would be unconscionable, the cumulative effects of radiation are harmful (even though the risks of a single chest film are negligible), and only an infinitesimal percentage of people would have abnormal chest X-rays. Thus, the cost/benefit ratio (as well as the risk/benefit ratio) makes frequent, routine chest X-ray examinations inappropriate.

This is not the case with mammography, an X-ray test to identify unsuspected breast cancer. This type of malignancy is a major cause of death and disability among middle-aged women. Moreover, many studies have proven that early detection (before a breast growth can be felt) usually enables doctors to cure the cancer (by surgery) before it has had a chance to spread. Therefore, annual mammography in women over 45 is considered good preventive medicine and sound medical practice. The risks, discomfort and expense are more than balanced by the benefit of early detection.

To increase the accuracy of mammography, the breasts are purposely compressed by the X-ray machine. This technique is admittedly uncomfortable, but it flattens the breast tissue, enabling the radiologist to see abnormalities more clearly. The procedure should not be seriously painful. If it is, I advise women to complain and insist on proper technique.

No one wants cancer. Fear of malignancy is a very real, universal feeling. However, to avoid a cancer-detecting test because it doesn't appeal to you is irrational.

I agree that it's embarrassing to be looked at, examined, poked, prodded and squished when you're half-dressed. Nonetheless, given the potential benefits of mammography, these experiences seem a small price to pay.

Because you obviously have reservations about the test, I urge you to meet with your doctor to air your concerns. If the physician believes that breast X-rays are appropriate for you, perhaps he or she will alert the mammography technician to take special care to minimize your discomfort. But please don't simply ignore this situation; it's too important an issue for women's health. To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Breast Cancer and Disorders." 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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THANKS FOR VISITING SNYDER DAILY NEWS ONLINE!!!!

Just found out you are now online. Congratulations! I have been waiting a long time for this. You made my day.
Greetings to all the wonderful folks in my hometown.
Bryan Boss
bospan@epix.net

Hey...looks good. Nice to see SDN on line, may actually put Snyder on the map.
Thanks...
Ginger

I was raised in Snyder. My parents were Colon and Christine Killgo. Although they are both gone, I still have friends in Snyder. I miss Snyder, living in Houston. But NOW with your online site I can keep abreast of all the latest news!!!! Thanks so much. It is appreciated.
Theresa Killgo Morgan

hoorah!!! thanks bro. mcqueen for the paper website from your coffee drinkin' buddy in abilene tx== thanks again -- have a great day. ==don harless

Gracias por informarnos aobre esta manera
John Quiros

Thanks for the Snyder Daily News on line. Keep up the good work. Maybe soon the City and County can also get on line as other cities around Snyder.
Carl Nunn

Roy, Wade and the rest of the SDN bunch,
I got the link from Britt Canada this morning and was thrilled to see you entering the electronic age! After living in Scurry County for 22 years, I have certainly missed the news from the area since moving to Comanche. I look forward to checking out your site on a regular basis and catching up on all my friends via this tool.
Best wishes,
Rick Howard

Congratulations on getting the SDN online! I'm out of town visiting my folks, and it's great to be able to keep in touch with Snyder. Thanks for making it possible.
David Brown

Yeah, it's about time you went online. I moved from Snyder in '92 and have been online for over a year now. I've been waiting for SDN to go online and have been asked by other past Snyder residents if SDN had a website. Now we can keep up, I emailed all my friends.
Thank you.... :-)
Terri Glasscock Stanley

The online edition is a great idea. Keep it up!
Hamp Yearwood

I am pleased to see the Snyder Paper Online! I am the county coordinator to the TEXAS GenWeb site for Scurry County. I am adding a link to your page.
Thanks
Charlene Beatty Beauchamp

Thank you for this service, I enjoyed it.
Carol McCowen

Hello;
I am in Varsailles, Ky and my dear Mother lives in Abilene. She is thinking of moving to Snyder to be near her sister, Margie Brown. I am hoping to find her a place to live. Both are retired and enjoy each others company.
I appreciate you having the newspaper online. It helps a son, help his Mom. Perhaps I can get her a comfortable home. Just wanted to say thanks.
Sincerely me
Don Creacy

Welcome to the net. I will use this everyday, and am very glad to see you on the net. Someone in Lubbock asked me earlier this week if I thought Snyder was growing, this confirms my answer when I told them yes. Thanks again for bringing the news online.
Bert Crisp

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