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Home Of Wayne Brown

2 exhibits featured at museum

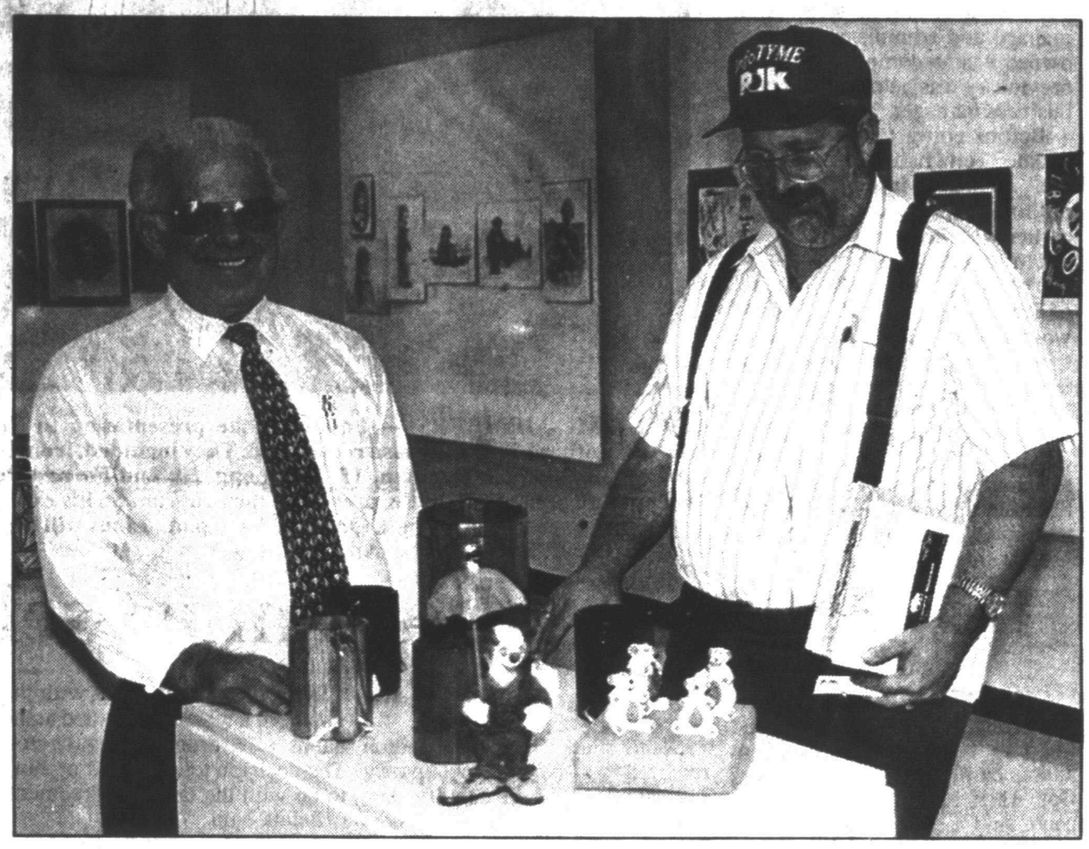
Scurry County Museum has announced two new arts shows for the fall, both of which will open Sunday.

The Texas Watercolor Society's annual traveling display has arrived. The exhibit is comprised of 30 pieces, selected by artist and judge Katherine Chang Liu from 721 entries.

More than 100 pieces of inmate arts and crafts from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Price Daniel Unit make up the second exhibit.

The craft works range from leather, wood carving, matchstick inlay, silver and horsehair jewelry to tissue and oatmeal sculpture. Two-dimensional art employs a wide media, including oil, water, air brush, pencil, charcoal, pastels and acrylics.

The Palette Club and museum will host a public reception from 1:30 until 3 p.m. Sunday. The works will be on display through Oct. 28.



PREVIEW INMATE ART SHOW — Ken Messenheimer of San Angelo, left, and Jerry Brock of Hereford preview two new exhibits which go on display Sunday at Scurry County Museum. A reception is planned from 1:30 to 3 p.m. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Physical therapy project approved by Cogdell board

Cogdell Hospital's board of managers this morning approved renovating a medical office building to make room for its expanding physical therapy department.

Board members unanimously accepted a bid of $165,280 from Knox, Gailey and Meador, Inc. of Lubbock for the work. Also approved was a bid of $16,000 for exterior improvements, making the total renovation project $181,280.

Another $40,000 to $52,000 in equipment and furnishings will be added before the project is completed — hopefully sometime in March of 1998, administrators have said.

The growth of the physical therapy department over the past several years is what has prompted the move, said CEO Jeff Reecer. The renovation will allow the physical therapy department to be housed in a 6,000 square foot area as opposed to the 1,600 square foot area it currently occupies.

The space to be renovated previously held the offices of Drs. James Burleson and Paul Thompson. Dr. W.B. McSpadden continues to have an office there.

When renovated, the new physical therapy department will include occupational therapy, speech therapy, cardiac rehabilitation and the heart gym.

The move will make available space in the emergency room/admitting area, which the board also wants to see renovated in the future.

Asked how utilizing the office space for physical therapy might impact physician recruitment and location of a practice here, Reecer said the hospital still has available to it two unoccupied full-sized office spaces and one smaller office space.

In other action today, the board approved the July financial report, which indicated a net income to the hospital of $82,580. Net income to the hospital for the year stands at $551,330. That compares to $45,781 over the same period in 1996.

Utilization statistics for July showed 603 emergency room visits, 16 newborns, 72 surgeries, 38 endoscopy procedures, 35 cardiac rehab visits, 1,033 home health visits, a long term census of 32 and an average daily census of 11.7.

Jerry Vestal, controller, told the board he is focusing efforts on reducing the hospital's bad debt, which amounts to amost $2 million annually. He will be implementing methods to try and reduce that by 10 percent, or $200,000. Vestal indicated he will go over his plans in more detail during the September board meeting.

Board chairman Jim Bob Cave presided. Board members present were J.B. Tate Jr., Stanley Martin, Jimmy McMillan and E.D. Walton. Dr. Mark Weaver was absent.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "It's impossible to enjoy the thrill of winning if you don't join the race."

Experts say it's a sure sign.

If you go by two given names, you're likely a redneck.

That's hardly a bulletin to native Texans, but there is a book titled "Redneck Baby Names." It's an encyclopedia of sorts for people hoping to bestow or avoid certain names for offsprings. The author says sales are brisk.

Not all redneck names are like Billy Bob. A favorite among the more tender gender is Sissy, sometimes short for Frances or a takeoff of Sister. When Houston lawyer Sissy Farenthold was running for governor a few years back, she learned that nearly everyone had a Sissy or Sis in the family.

Chapters in the book include people named after things like Ford, Fawn and Honey; double names like Joe Bob, Willie Joe, and Billy Ray; and nicknames that are real like Buster, Preacher and Bud.

Redneck is a broader term that what some Texans might think, said the author. Many professional people have redneck handles and characteristics.

The author, Texas native Linda Barth, is from a tiny place called Concrete. She won't admit to any rednecks in her immediate family. "Heck no," she said. "There are members...who would be appalled by the book. A lot of 'em don't even know I wrote it."

When growing up in West Texas, nearly everybody had and used two given names.

When an adult called you both names, it was pretty certain that you had been caught and were in trouble.

In those days, most people also had nicknames. We guess it was a way of getting away from awful sounds like 'Roy Lynn.'

Our nickname came early in the first grade — a takeoff from our last name. It served us well through 12 years of public school. Everybody used the nickname, and there were no negative or shades of meaning in those days.

Ole what's-her-name has called us by that name for over 40 years.

But today when she calls out "Queenie" in a crowd, it does turn heads and attracts some stares.

NATO troops attacked by mobs

BRCKO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Serbs attacked U.S. troops with stones and firebombs today, injuring at least one American in one of NATO's worst confrontations in Bosnia. The peace force fired tear gas and warning shots to disperse the angry crowds.

A U.S. soldier in Brcko had his nose broken by a piece of wood, said NATO spokesman Capt. Edward Griffin. Another NATO soldier — likely an American — was hit in the eye by rocks, a different spokesman said.

Bosnian Serb sources said several U.S. soldiers were wounded in a clash near the eastern village of Celopek, but NATO did not confirm that.

The unrest appeared most serious in northwestern town of Brcko, where NATO helicopters dropped tear gas and fired shots after a crowd attacked a U.N. police station.

NATO said rival Serbs in the town were fighting each other and fire bombs were thrown at U.S. troops.

American and other NATO-led troops had moved into Brcko, Bijeljina and Doboj to "deter the outbreak of violence" after hearing that forces loyal to Bosnian Serb President Biljana Plavsic would try to take control of police stations and the media in Serb-held areas of northern Bosnia.

Plasvic is locked in a power struggle with war crimes suspect Radovan Karadzic. Plavsic, a former Karadzic protege, now accuses him of growing rich through corruption and black market deals.

NATO and international officials back her drive to isolate Karadzic, whom they would like to see stand trial in the U.N. war crimes court in the Netherlands.

Such foreign support has embittered the Karadzic loyalists. The hostility toward the NATO troops today appeared at least partially orchestrated by them, with pro-Karadzic radio stations urging crowds to take to the streets in Brcko and Bijeljina.

Media loyal to Karadzic claimed NATO troops wounded four civilians in Brcko and said 20 people were injured in the rioting. Brcko's shops were shuttered today and men shouted out of speeding cars, waving posters of Karadzic.

The crowd attacked the U.N. police station there, destroying 15 U.N. vehicles and slightly injuring two employees, U.N.spokesman Liam McDowell said.

In Washington, Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Gen. John Shalikashvili said the demonstration in Brcko was "probably something organized" and that American troops "got caught up" in it. He said one American was hurt but the area now "seems fairly quiet."

Brcko is in the part of Serb-held Bosnia patrolled by American troops.

Considered crucial to all sides in Bosnia, Brcko sits astride a narrow Serb-held corridor, the only link between the two halves of Serb territory in Bosnia. It was the site of heavy fighting during the 1992-95 Bosnian war.

The Dayton peace accord that ended the fighting divided Bosnia between the Serbs and a Muslim-Croat federation.

In Bijeljina, witnesses said hundreds of irate residents blockaded the police station with trucks and tractors, apparently to prevent NATO troops from reaching it. The road to Brcko, 25 miles north, was also blocked. NATO-led troops had moved away from the station to avoid a clash.

The Bosnian Serb news agency SRNA quoted Karadzic loyalist Velibor Ostojic as saying that the NATO-led peace force had "started the occupation" of Serb areas on Plavsic's request.

French youth staying with Hedges family

Tanguy Coustaline of Southern France is Snyder's newest Rotary Youth Exchange Student. He is staying with Byron and Brenda Hedges and their son, Jack, a senior at Snyder High School.

Coustaline, also a senior, has only just started the 1997-1998 school year, but he has already noticed that local teachers are "more friendly."

He likes Snyder, a "typical American town," with a "big road in the center and shops on either side."

He has already been introduced to several traditional American dishes.

While Coustaline has visited in Ohio with his parents, his stay in Snyder is his first solo visit to the U.S.

His mother teaches French and his dad owns a water treatment business. An older sister, 20, will be attending school in London.

Though this is the Hedges family's first experience with hosting a Rotary exchange student, Jack said he likes having a "brother" around, especially since an older sister no longer lives at home.

The two have discovered similar tastes in music and neither likes to get up in the morning, Jack said.



ROTARY EXCHANGE STUDENT — Tanguy Coustaline, left, poses with his new "brother," Jack Hedges. Coustaline, a Rotary Exchange Student from France, is staying with the Bryon Hedges family. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

ASB announces merger with Security State Bank

Lubbock-based American State Bank, which has operated a branch in Snyder since 1984, announced Wednesday afternoon that it would merge with Security State Bank of Abilene.

The merger is subject to regulatory and stockholder approval and is expected to be completed during the first quarter of 1998.

The merger will increase American State Bank's assets to more than $1 billion and a market consisting of 22 banks in 13 West Texas cities — including ASB in Snyder.

American State Bank's assets at the end of last quarter were $796.5 million while Security State Bank has $250 million in assets.

Security State Bank operates four locations in Abilene as well as branches in Big Spring, Early, Comanche, Gorman and Merkel.

When the transaction is completed next year, combined employment will exceed 500.

W.R. Collier, ASB chairman, said he and Ken Burgess, chairman of Security Bank, are longtime friends and share similar banking philosophies.

Just over a year ago, American State purchased three branches from Bank of America Texas in Floydada, Littlefield and Plainview. In November, ASB plans to open a branch in Slaton.

ASK US

Q—What percentage of the Snyder ISD's budget is for transportation?

A—In this school year's budget which trustees approved earlier this month, transportation costs are 3.96 percent of the $17,577,731 budget. Expenditures are tabbed at $696,560.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 92 degrees; low, 65; 7 a.m. Thursday, 67; no preciptation; total for 1997, 21.27 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low near 70. S-SE wind 5-15 mph. Friday, sunny. High, mid 90s. S-SE wind 5-15 mph. Labor Day weekend forecast, fair. Lows near 70. Highs, mid 90s.

Monica DuBois
Mostly sunny

Sunset: 8:12 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:18 a.m.
Of 239 days in 1997, the sun has shone 227 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

For every action, you have to watch out for the unintended consequences.

Steve Zagaris

AUG 28 1997

First director of Alamo fired

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Richard Teitz, who had been the first and only director of the Alamo, has been fired in what a member of the Alamo Board of Management called a "regretful" move.

Teitz, who was hired two years ago, was fired Tuesday by the board.

Chairman Mary Carmack confirmed the firing Wednesday, saying that Teitz was "discharged." She would not elaborate.

"We have had a parting of the ways. It's very regretful. We're very sorry this happened," Carmack said. "We do wish him the very best in future endeavors."

The reason for the firing was confidential, she said.

"We think it's in the best interest of the employee and also of the Alamo to not comment at this time," she added.

Contacted at his home Wednesday night, Teitz said he could not speak to a reporter for the San Antonio Express-News because he was meeting with lawyers.

Teitz was hired in September 1995 at a salary of $55,000 to manage and administer the state-owned Alamo complex, a job that previously was held by the Alamo business manager.

Before going to work for the Alamo, Teitz had been director of the Witte Museum's $17.8 million capital campaign and earlier was director of the Denver Art Museum.

The Daughters of the Republic of Texas, an organization of 6,500 women who trace their ancestry to the Republic of Texas, have been official custodians of the Texas shrine since 1905.

Curtis Tunnell, executive director of the Texas Historical Commission, said Wednesday he has been urging the DRT to leave the management of the Alamo to professionals.



LONG-TIME MEMBERS — Following the presentation to Brud Boren of his 60-year service award, six other Lions were also recognized. They included, from left, Dale Stuard, 35 years; Howard Harrington, 30; Jack Denman, 15; Bob Lang, 10; and Forrest Pendleton, 10. Clark Church, 1997 Snyder High School graduate, presented the program on his experiences in Costa Rico, through the agriculture exchange program. On Sept. 2 at 6 p.m., Lions will begin the annual light bulb sale door-to-door. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Hospital in Lubbock must sell or close

LUBBOCK (AP) — Four years of fewer patients has forced Lubbock's smallest hospital to announce plans to close its doors Oct. 31 if its parent corporation can't find a buyer.

"This is not an easy decision, nor is it one made lightly," South Park chief executive Clint Matthews said Wednesday. "We have been looking at a variety of options over the last year, and unfortunately none has developed."

South Park Hospital, which reported a 7-percent occupancy rate at the 98-bed facility last month, stopped accepting new patients Wednesday.

The hospital recently agreed to a $9.5 million settlement with the family of a woman who died at the hands of a drug-abusing doctor. The decision to close had nothing to do with the lawsuit agreement, officials said.

National health care giant Tenet HealthSystem acquired South Park and 49 other institutions in a January merger. Tenet will host job fairs for the 196 South Park employees who received their 60-day notice Wednesday.

Open positions at Tenet locations nationwide are being posted at the hospital.

Lubbock is dominated by the much larger Methodist and St. Mary hospital systems, which recently announced they are merging. University Medical Center, Lubbock County's public hospital, also dwarfs South Park.

Though South Park enjoys a prominent location in thriving southwest Lubbock, officials said the changing industry left the complex mostly empty.

Berry's World



"Hey, Lieutenant, if we march backwards — like this — maybe we'll feel like we're LEAVIN' instead of GOIN' IN."

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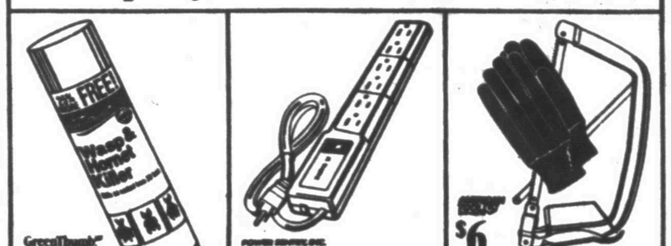
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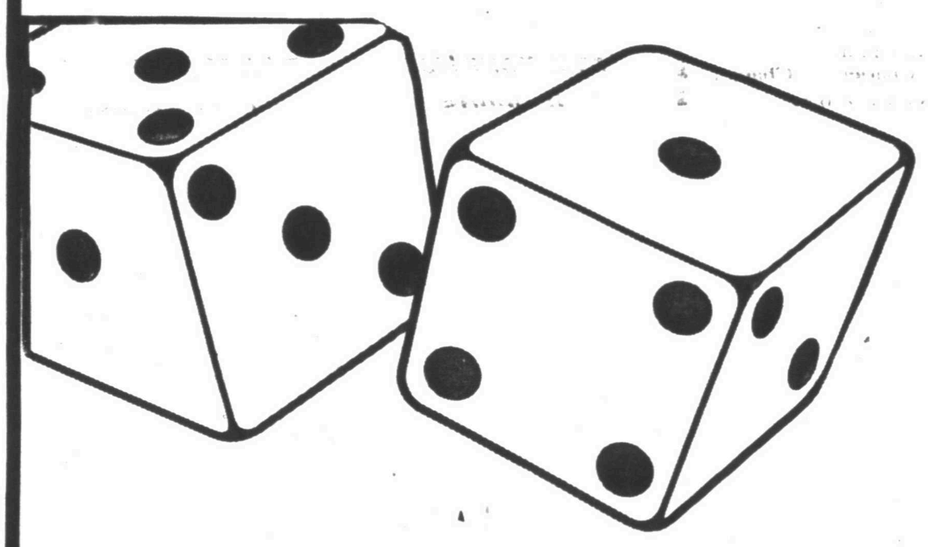
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"JEWEL BOX" QUILT — Pauline Walton is working on a "Jewel Box" king-size quilt that will be given away on Nov. 8 by members of the Scurry County Family and Community Education Clubs. It will be displayed in local banks and at the Scurry County Fair. Tickets for $1 each, or six for $5, may be purchased by members of the Plainview, Patchwork Squares and Stargazers clubs or at McLeod's Jewelers, 3411 Snyder Shopping Center. (Contributed Photo)

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



	North 08-28-97	
	♠ 10 8 7 5 ♥ Q 10 9 ♦ 10 4 ♣ A K Q 10	
West		**East**
♠ J 2 ♥ J 8 7 3 ♦ 8 2 ♣ 9 7 6 4 2		♠ 6 ♥ A 6 5 2 ♦ A K Q 9 5 3 ♣ 8 5
	South ♠ A K Q 9 4 3 ♥ K 4 ♦ J 7 6 ♣ J 3	

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
			1 ♦
1 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ 8

Where does that name come from?

It can be easy to misinterpret the derivation of a place's name. For example, where does the name Buenos Aires come from?

In many sports, when you did something that worked out well but might have backfired badly, it can be said that you had a favorable wind behind you.

Here, South was in four spades. West led the diamond eight. East won with the queen, cashed the ace, and continued with the king, which West ruffed with the spade jack. A heart to East's ace gave the defenders the first four tricks. Did East defend perfectly, or did he have a warm wind wafting behind him?

North's advance of three spades invited game. This interpretation is out of favor in the modern tournament game, where three spades would be pre-emptive and North would have to cue-bid two diamonds to invite game in spades. Yet this deal was played some 20 years ago in Anaheim.

East was lucky. Suppose South has the spade jack and West the heart king. Then, declarer ruffs the third diamond in the dummy, draws trumps, and runs the clubs, claiming an overtrick.

At trick three, East should cash the heart ace and watch West's signal. If West has the king, he plays a high heart, asking for a continuation. But with the given layout, West drops his lowest heart. East reverts to diamonds to defeat the contract.

Buenos Aires isn't so-named because it is full of good airs. When the first Spaniards arrived, they paid tribute to the patron saint of seamen, Santa Maria de los Buenos Aires (Saint Mary of the Good Winds), by naming the area for her.

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Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

FRIDAY, Aug. 15

Five tables, Jane Hinton directed all games.

1. Ena Carroll, Sue Mize.
2. Jane Hinton, Louise Thompson.
3. Billisue Stuard, Monte West.

SUNDAY, Aug. 17

Four tables.

1. Charles Blakey, Jane Hinton.
2. Dot Casey, Louise Thompson.
3. Nona Morrison, J.O. Morrison.

TUESDAY

Four tables.

1. Charlie Blakey, Dot Casey.
2. Rube McKinley, Barbara Yorgesen.
3. Mippy Brownlee, Shirley Stewart.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Husband's Empty Promise Leaves Wife Full of Hurt

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DEAR ABBY: "Mel" and I married two years ago. He was 67 and retired, a widower after 30-plus years of marriage, with two children and four grandchildren. I'm 54, stopped working when I married him, have three children and one grandchild. Mel and I now live in the same house he lived in with his wife.

Before the wedding I asked Mel if we were going to move. I made it clear that I didn't want to stay in his house. He promised we would move. Bottom line: It's been two years and now he says we're not moving. He's happy in this house, comfortable, etc. I once suggested that he let me change things around the house a little. His response: "What for? Everything is in its place. Besides, we're moving anyway."

What shall I do? He does not see things the way I do because he is not hurting emotionally. I have become very frustrated because even if we talk it out the whole day, he'll conveniently "forget" and not do anything about it. Abby, I'm not getting any younger and if I need to get a job, I should try to get one right now.

One other thing: He thinks money is everything. But I have proven to him that money is not everything to me by signing a prenuptial agreement wherein I get nothing. However, he always says he will provide for me when he's gone, that I will not go hungry, etc. How can I believe him when he cannot even make good on his word regarding moving?

UNHAPPY IN
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIF.

DEAR UNHAPPY: I am unable to determine from your letter if your husband is "forgetting" because he is selfish or whether it could be the beginning of senile dementia. But I urge you to protect yourself. By all means, find a job. You may need the income. Also, consult an attorney to find out how your husband will provide for you, should anything happen to him, in the aftermath of that prenuptial agreement you signed. I, too, wonder how you can believe his promise to take care of you, since he refuses to follow through about moving.

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DEAR ABBY: I thought the letter from Ruth A. Davis of the U.S. State Department regarding consular officers at embassies abroad was both interesting and informative.

Several years ago, my husband and I were in Italy with another couple when our trunk was broken into. Everything was taken — including my friend's purse containing her and her husband's passports.

Needless to say, it caused us untold problems. We had to change our travel plans to include a visit to the U.S. consulate in Milan. Fortunately, the hotel we had stayed at the prior evening had recorded our passport numbers so we were able to call and obtain the much-needed information. Only then could the embassy quickly issue new passports.

We learned a valuable lesson that you might like to pass on to your readers, Abby. Make a copy of your passport before you leave home and carry it with you while abroad, separate from your original passport.

INFORMED TRAVELER,
ATLANTA

DEAR INFORMED TRAVELER: Thank you for a helpful reminder. Another worthwhile safety measure: Record the numbers of your traveler's checks and keep them separate from the checks, in case of theft.

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Community Calendar

THURSDAY

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

Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; MAWC; 7 p.m.

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Eubank at 573-6509.

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

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

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

49th reunion in Cisco...

McBeth families meet

Seventy-seven descendants gathered for the 50th anniversary of the McBeth reunion. The first was held in Rising Star, and for the last 49 years it has been held in Cisco.

Leslie McBeth of Snyder, who has attended most of the 50 reunions, was the oldest descendant present. He is the son of Aulsy McBeth, one of nine sons of William James McBeth of Rotan.

All of those attending were from Texas and coming from Abilene were Louise McBeth; Sara McBeth; Amber, Bubba, Justin and Shelley Thomas; Sherilyn Hanks; Thurston Carter; Kristi Matt, Kyle and Kaitlin Thaxton; Eric, Janlyn, Hayley and Joshua McBeth; Laura McBeth Thaxton and Lula McBeth Butler.

Those from Cisco included Jerry and Joan McBeth; Kevin, Robbin, Kristian and Katie Hoover; Richard and Sandra Burkett and Vena McBeth Hart.

Others included Rick, Kay and Logan Hopper of Snyder; Loretta Cockran, Sybil McBeth, Lubbock; Herman Carter, Saginaw; Jim Bristow and Larry McBeth, Arlington; Dennis McBeth, Winters; Jeep and Brenda Butler, Carrie B. McBeth, Springtown; Ronnie and Sylvia Hastings, Waxahachie; Ralph and Helen McBeth, Nancy McBeth, San Antonio; Carlos and Teresa McBeth, Buffalo Gap; Harold and Karen McBeth, Plainview; Wayne Bristow, Big Spring; Naomi McBeth Fisher, LaVeren Huffman, Stephanie Reed; Tammy and Karissa Means, Brownwood; David, Cynthia and Seth Hawkins, Irving; Will McBeth, Steve, April, Drew and Major McBeth, Midlothian; Polly McBeth Hewitt, Jani Edwards, Lampasas; Lynda McBeth Fulton, Franklin; Cecilia McBeth Hoover, Franklin; Joe, Lois and Carol McBeth, Andrews; Paula, Tami, Michael and Sarah Norman, Midland;, and Daniell and Chenda Hastings of Carbon.

Kennedys: add one

WASHINGTON (AP) — Michaela Andrea Cuomo is the latest member of the Kennedy clan.

The 8-pound, 12-ounce girl was born Tuesday to Housing and Urban Development Secretary Andrew Cuomo and his wife, Kerry Kennedy Cuomo.

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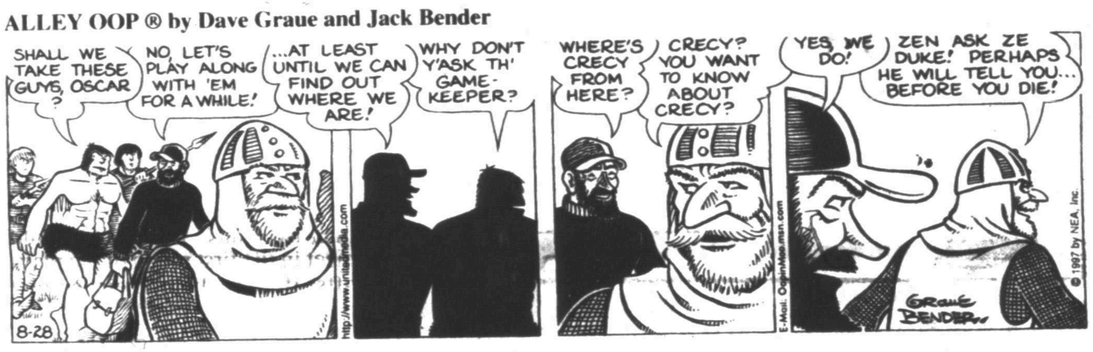


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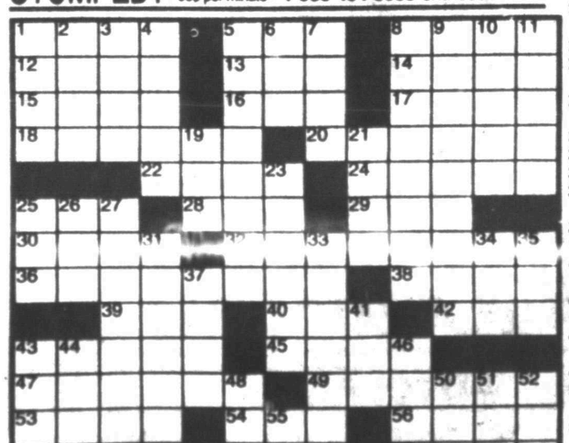
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SPORTS

Oliver wins fifth straight as Rangers blast Brewers

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Darren Oliver says he's the same pitcher he was earlier this season. His record shows something else.

Oliver gave up one run in seven innings Wednesday in a 7-1 victory over the Milwaukee Brewers that ended a three-game losing streak and pushed his record to 11-10. Oliver has won five straight decisions and is 8-1 in his last 11 starts.

"I'm not doing anything different," said Oliver, who gave up six hits, struck out five and walked four. "I'm just going out there and being competitive. I don't think I'm doing anything different.

Rusty Greer, who led off the third inning with his 23rd home run to ignite a three run outburst that gave the Rangers a 6-1 lead, said the Rangers feel comfortable with Oliver on the mound because of the way he is pitching.

"He's a go-to guy," Greer said. "Hopefully he'll keep doing what he's doing. He's given us quality starts and is throwing the ball well. If we can just score some runs for him, he can do the rest."

Oliver's performance was all the more impressive because it came after Tuesday night's slugfest, when the Brewers won 11-10 in 12 innings and the teams combined for 39 hits.

"That guy on the mound for the other team, he threw pretty well," said Jack Voigt, whose first-inning homer, his seventh, gave the Brewers their only run. After that Oliver and Danny Patterson shut down the Brewers.

The loss dropped them 3½ games behind AL Central-leading Cleveland, and manager Phil Garner was disappointed with his club's lack of desire after a big victory.

"We should have come out with blood in our eyes," he said.

But Voigt said the Brewers have to forget about both games in their off day today. The club returns to interleague play Friday night at home against the Pittsburgh Pirates.

"You can't get too high or low," he said. "We have to win every game we can at this point. The next 10-14 days are big for us."

Steve Woodard (3-3) gave up six runs and eight hits in three-plus innings, leaving because of a strained muscle in his side. It was not known if he will have to be sidelined, but losing him would hurt the Brewers' chances of catching Cleveland for the division title.

Texas took a 3-1 lead in the second on Benji Gil's RBI single and Tom Goodwin's two-run double. Texas added three runs in the third on Greer's 23rd homer, Fernando Tatis' run-scoring groundout and Alex Diaz's RBI double.

Jim Leyritz singled in the final run in the seventh.

Bagwell homers in 13th, lifting Astros to victory

ATLANTA (AP) — Jeff Bagwell hit a two-out, two-run homer in the 13th inning and the Houston Astros defeated the Atlanta Braves 6-4 Wednesday night, the second straight extra-inning game between the NL division leaders.

Bagwell's 35th homer came off Paul Byrd (3-3) after Craig Biggio was hit by a pitch.

"Our guys looked like they battled through the Battle of the Bulge," said Dierker, the Astros' rookie manager.

The previous night, Houston rallied from a 6-0 deficit, but lost 7-6 in the 11th on Javy Lopez's homer. This time, Lopez made the final out, striking out with two runners on against Jose Lima.

John Hudek (1-2) picked up the win and Jose Lima got two outs for his second save. The game ended at 12:38 a.m. EDT and included a 30-minute rain delay in the 11th.

Trailing 3-1, the Astros scored two runs in the ninth against Braves relief ace Mark Wohlers, who squandered Greg Maddux's chance to become the NL's first 18-game winner.

Then came a wild 11th inning.

Derek Bell had an RBI single to give Houston a 4-3 lead before the game was delayed by a sudden rainstorm.

In the bottom half, Greg Colbrunn evened the score again with a two-out, full-count double into the left-field corner, scoring Danny Bautista all the way from first base.

All 10 games between the Braves and Astros this season have been decided by no more than two runs. The teams would meet in the first round of the playoffs if they hold their current positions.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	81	51	.614	-
Florida	77	54	.588	3½
NewYork	71	61	.538	10
Montreal	65	66	.496	15½
Philadelphia	49	80	.380	30½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	70	62	.530	-
Pittsburgh	67	67	.500	4
St.Louis	60	72	.455	10
Cincinnati	58	73	.443	11½
Chicago	53	80	.398	17½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
LosAngeles	75	59	.560	-
SanFrancisco	73	60	.549	1½
Colorado	64	70	.478	11
SanDiego	62	72	.463	13

Wednesday's Games

Philadelphia 7, San Diego 6, 12 innings
Los Angeles 9, Pittsburgh 5
N.Y. Mets 15, San Francisco 6
Florida 4, Chicago Cubs 3
Colorado 7, Cincinnati 5
Houston 6, Atlanta 4, 13 innings
St. Louis 4, Montreal 3

Thursday's Games

Florida (Brown 12-8) at Chicago Cubs (Clark 10-7), 2:20 p.m.
Anaheim (Dickson 13-5) at San Diego (Menhart 0-2), 5:05 p.m.
Houston (Kile 17-3) at Atlanta (Neagle 17-3), 7:40 p.m.
Montreal (Paniagua 0-1) at St. Louis (An.Benes 8-7), 8:05 p.m.
Seattle (Olivares 6-8) at Colorado (Astacio 7-9), 9:05 p.m.
Oakland (Rigby 0-5) at Los Angeles (Nomo 12-10), 10:05 p.m.
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Montreal (Perez 11-10) at N.Y. Yankees (Gooden 7-4), 7:35 p.m.
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American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	84	45	.651	-
NewYork	78	53	.595	7
Boston	67	67	.500	19½
Toronto	64	67	.489	21
Detroit	61	71	.462	24½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	68	61	.527	-
Milwaukee	66	66	.500	3½
Chicago	65	67	.492	4½
Minnesota	54	77	.412	15
KansasCity	53	76	.411	15

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	74	59	.556	-
Anaheim	72	61	.541	2
Texas	63	70	.474	11
Oakland	53	80	.398	21

Wednesday's Games

Texas 7, Milwaukee 1
Boston 9, Seattle 5
Baltimore 7, Kansas City 3
Toronto 13, Chicago White Sox 2
Minnesota 2, Detroit 0
Cleveland 10, Anaheim 4
Oakland 8, N.Y. Yankees 7

Thursday's Games

Chicago White Sox (Navarro 9-12) at Toronto Clemens 20-4), 12:35 p.m.
Kansas City (Rosado 8-10) at Baltimore Mussina 13-5), 3:05 p.m.
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Sunday's Games

Arizona at Cincinnati, noon
Atlanta at Detroit, noon
Dallas at Pittsburgh, noon
Indianapolis at Miami, noon
Minnesota at Buffalo, noon
New Orleans at St. Louis, noon
Oakland at Tennessee, noon
Philadelphia at New York Giants, noon
San Diego at New England, noon
Jacksonville at Baltimore, 3 p.m.
Kansas City at Denver, 3 p.m.
New York Jets at Seattle, 3 p.m.
San Francisco at Tampa Bay, 3 p.m.
Washington at Carolina, 8 p.m.

Monday's Game

Chicago at Green Bay, 9 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 7

Buffalo at New York Jets, noon
Carolina at Atlanta, noon
Cincinnati at Baltimore, noon
Tennessee at Miami, noon
Minnesota at Chicago, noon
New England at Indianapolis, noon
San Diego at New Orleans, noon
San Francisco at St. Louis, noon
Tampa Bay at Detroit, noon
Washington at Pittsburgh, noon
Denver at Seattle, 3 p.m.
Green Bay at Philadelphia, 3 p.m.
New York Giants at Jacksonville, 3 p.m.
Dallas at Arizona, 7 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 8

Kansas City at Oakland, 8 p.m.

Manning to start Heisman chase against Red Raiders

By Richard Rosenblatt
AP Football Writer

Your turn, Peyton.

Peyton Manning, eager to start his final season, gets that chance Saturday when the Heisman Trophy favorite leads No. 5 Tennessee against Texas Tech before a sellout crowd of more than 102,000 at Neyland Stadium.

"It's an exciting time," Manning said. "It's what I've been waiting for for a long time. It seems like the offseason was getting longer and longer and longer. Practices intensify, everybody's got a little skip in their step."

Two other Heisman contenders played in last week's Kickoff Classic, with Syracuse quarterback Donovan McNabb excelling and Wisconsin tailback Ron Dayne falling back in the pack.

But Manning, who opted to stay in school rather than turn pro, is college football's brightest star. Last year, the 6-foot-5, 222-pound son of Archie Manning saw his Heisman chances disappear with four first-half interceptions in a 35-29 loss to Florida, but still threw for 3,287 yards and 20 touchdowns in '96.

The Volunteers return 14 starters, including wide receiver Marcus Nash, a veteran offensive line and Leonard Little, who opens at middle linebacker.

The Red Raiders, meanwhile, saw Byron Hanspard opt for the NFL and are still looking for an I-back to complement quarterback Zebbie Lethridge (1,686 yards, 11 TDs). The depth chart lists four freshmen, with 5-10, 184-pounder Rickey Hunter the early favorite to get the call from coach Spike Dykes.

But Dykes' chief concern is dealing with Manning, especially after it was reported Wednesday that cornerback Tony Darden and linebacker Eric Butler would be suspended for the game because of an ongoing NCAA investigation.

"It's a tough chore because Peyton Manning is in a class by himself," Dykes said. "Our defense has to keep us in the game. We can't give up big plays. We have to play consistent."

The Red Raiders allowed only 18.6 points per game last season, but will be hard-pressed to sidetrack Manning & Co.

... Texas Tech (plus 22) at No. 5 Tennessee ... TENNESSEE 42-13.

Southern Mississippi (plus 27½) at No. 2 Florida

Does it really matter who the quarterback is? Doug Johnson will do just fine ... FLORIDA 49-13.

Akron (plus 56) at No. 6 Nebraska

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Wyoming (plus 29½) at No. 9 Ohio State (Thursday night)

Buckeyes co-QBs Stanley Jackson and Joe Germaine have a field day in spoiling Dana Dimmel's coaching debut ... OHIO STATE 49-10.

North Carolina State (plus 25) at No. 13 Syracuse

McNabb keeps pace in the Heisman race ... SYRACUSE 42-14.

No. 14 Miami (minus 14) at Baylor

'Canes coach Butch Davis hopes QB Ryan Clement is the real thing ... MIAMI 31-14.

Houston (plus 17) at No. 16 Alabama (in Birmingham)

Mike DuBose's coaching debut is a success (it better be) ... ALABAMA 31-10.

Others: WEST VIRGINIA (minus 16) 31, Marshall 24; KENTUCKY (plus 3) 28, Louisville 24; UCLA (plus 1) 33, WASHINGTON STATE 31.

Tigers have final scrimmage before non-district play

The Snyder Tigers will try to follow up a strong performance last week in the Brownwood scrimmage, with another good outing tonight.

Snyder will have its final scrimmage tonight in Slaton. The freshmen and junior varsity are scheduled for 5, with the varsity begining at 7:30.

In their first scrimmage, the Tigers held state-ranked Brownwood to only a single score.

Tonight, Snyder will be looking to get its offense going, after not moving the ball against a stingy Lion defense.

The Tigers' non-district competition kicks off Sept. 5 in Andrews, followed by the first home game Sept. 12 against Sweetwater.

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Entry fee is $150 per team including a mulligan and the top three finishers of each flight will receive prize money.

For more information contact the WTC pro shop at 573-9291.

Friday swingers and senior golf tourney

The Womens' Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will host the Western Lone Star Senior Ladies' Golf Tournament Sept. 7-11.

Also, this week the WGA will have a Friday mixed couples tournament at 5:30.

Youth football and volleyball

Sign-ups for Scurry County Boys and Girls Club football, volleyball and cheerleading will be held Sept. 2-5 at the club.

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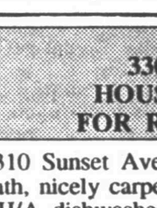
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Pledge's drinking death gives a lesson in alcohol's dangers

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Each fall, Louisiana State University holds a seminar to warn students about the effects of alcohol on the body and explain the college's policy on drinking.

Two dozen students attended the program Wednesday night, nearly two days after classmate Benjamin Wynne drank himself to death — a more palpable lesson than any workshop about the hazards of too much alcohol.

"I think students will think twice when they go out," Jacob Braud, 20, of New Orleans, said as he left the seminar. "They know now there's a point when too much is too much.

"This is a horrible thing that has happened and it will affect this campus for some time."

Wynne, 20, of Covington, La., died early Tuesday of alcohol poisoning after an evening spent celebrating fraternity pledge week. Preliminary autopsy results showed he had a blood alcohol content of 0.588 percent — nearly six times the legal limit for automobile drivers in Louisana.

To reach that blood alcohol level, Wynne would have had to consume more than two dozen drinks, according to officials at the state Alcoholic Beverage Control board.

Funeral services were held Wednesday in Metairie, outside New Orleans.

His death left the campus shaken. Braud was one of the few students at the voluntary seminar who would talk to reporters afterward. Many fraternity houses posted signs saying they would not talk to the media.

During the seminar, university officials said no policy could have prevented Wynne's death — only people could.

"People are going to do dumb things and we need to rely on others to stop us," said Tom Risch, dean of students. "I've talked to (Wynne's) family. What keeps ringing in my ears is the parents's plea: 'Please, please, please do what you can to make sure our son didn't die in vain.' We have got to take care of each other."

The state's legal drinking age is 21. The university and the state plan to investigate how Wynne got alcohol.

"This young man made a mistake. We all make mistakes. He paid dearly for it," said John Kennedy, secretary of the state Department of Revenue and Taxation, which oversees the alcohol control board. "If someone assisted him in making that mistake and broke the law, they're going to answer for it."

LSU's chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, which Wynne had pledged, has been suspended by its national chapter. The fraternity has 130 members and pledges at LSU.

Warning labels will be added to diet drugs

BOSTON (AP) — Dr. Michael Hamilton discovered a heart murmur in one of his fen-phen diet pill patients after the Mayo Clinic reported similar problems.

"I don't know if it was always there, whether I hadn't listened carefully enough that first day, whether the air conditioner noise made it difficult to hear," said Hamilton, an obesity expert at Duke University.

Despite the same uncertainties among other doctors, regulators who discovered dozens more suspicious cases are taking precautions. The Food and Drug Administration on Wednesday ordered prescriptions of fen-phen and another popular diet drug, Redux, to warn about possible heart valve damage.

Doctors at the Mayo Clinic reported seven weeks ago that 24 women appeared to develop bad valves after taking fen-phen, the appetite suppressants used by millions to lose weight.

Fen-phen is a combination of the prescription drugs fenfluramine and phentermine. Both drugs are approved by the FDA for short-term use in dieting, although not specifically in combination.

The FDA asked physicians to report any other patients, and that search turned up 58 additional cases among fen-phen users, all but two of them in women. The FDA described its latest findings in today's New England Journal of Medicine.

How many of the cases were actually caused by the medicines is unclear. Some doctors wondered whether newly vigilant physicians might be hearing heart murmurs — the telltale sound of bad valves — that have been there all along.

Computer class has limited space

Limited space is still available in a new computer course begun this fall by the Electronic Office Technology Department at Western Texas College.

The class, CIM132 (microcomputer/word processing), will have its first meeting Wednesday from 4-6:20 p.m.

To enroll, students must first contact instructor Joann Snider at 573-8511, ext 217.

The class will cover the software programs Microsoft, Word and Excel.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



How serious is myelofibrosis?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband has to receive 2 pints of blood every two to three weeks because of myelofibrosis. How prevalent is this disease and what is the prognosis?

DEAR READER: Idiopathic myelofibrosis (IMF) is a chronic disease, usually of unknown cause, marked by fibrosis (withering) of the bone marrow, anemia and enlargement of the spleen. Probably as a reaction to bone-marrow failure, alternative sites of blood-cell formation appear in the liver and spleen.

IMF is often called agnogenic myeloid metaplasia; it can be a consequence of tuberculosis, X-ray poisoning, polycythemia vera (excess red blood cells), leukemia and other cancers. The disease is unusual but not rare.

Prognosis is guarded; although treatment of the underlying disease (infection, cancer, etc.) may arrest the symptoms of fatigue and weight loss, many cases of IMF do not respond satisfactorily to therapy. Blood transfusions may temporarily alleviate the anemia. However, there is no standard treatment.

To give you more information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Blood: Donations 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.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My pediatrician has just told us that our 6-month old daughter has a slight heart murmur. He assures us that this is quite common in newborns and that we shouldn't worry about it. But can this lead to serious heart problems later in life? Are there certain things we should watch for in her development?

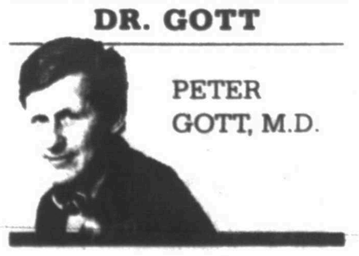
DEAR READER: Heart murmurs in children are extremely common. Although some childhood murmurs may reflect underlying cardiac disease (your pediatrician is the best judge of that), most murmurs are entirely harmless. Doctors call them "functional" and they are heard as "shhh" sounds between the "lub" and "dub" of the normal heart tones.

Functional murmurs may persist until youngsters enter their late teens; then, as young people attain full growth, the murmurs disappear.

As a general rule, murmurs of infancy do not represent or lead to heart disease. They do not alter normal development, but obviously, you and your pediatrician will want to monitor your daughter's growth pattern. Such monitoring is appropriate for all children, whether or not they have murmurs.

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DR. GOTT



PETER GOTT, M.D.

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Families of crash victims work for safer skies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Halfway around the world on a mountainside in rural Japan, a crooked row of small, gray rocks bears silent witness to common tragedy and shared resolve.

The jagged stones, wedged in dirt under a tiny sapling, are painted with the names of strangers whose lives were altered by disaster. Among them: Rose Weite, William Beckett and Daisuke Kambayashi.

Weite's husband died in a 1987 Northwest Airlines crash in Detroit. Beckett's daughter died two years earlier in a British Airtours crash at Manchester, England. Kambayashi was still in his mother's womb when his father died in a Japan Airlines crash in 1985.

That they came together this summer to plant a tree and place stone markers on the mountainside near Uenomura Village where the Japanese plane went down is emblematic of a coming of age for family groups organized after aviation disasters.

It has been a long time coming for the Americans.

—When Weite, who lives in Phoenix, and others who lost family members on Northwest Flight 255 wanted a memorial erected to the 156 people killed in the Detroit crash, they had to battle years of resistance from officials anxious to put the accident behind them. The families of last year's ValuJet and TWA crash victims, by contrast, saw memorial plans quickly approved.

—When Paul Hudson of Albany, N.Y., went to work for better airline security after the death of his daughter on Pan Am Flight 103 in 1988, he had to fight just to make contact with others who had lost family in the bombing over Scotland.

Now, the Internet makes it easier for families to communicate, and a new federal law specifically bars airlines from impeding families in their efforts to contact one another.

Among those pushing for the law was an alliance of 10 family groups formed after different U.S. aviation disasters. The groups joined forces as the National Air Disaster Alliance in 1995 in hopes of increasing their clout.

"One small group alone doesn't stand a chance," said Weite, vice president of the alliance. "The only way we're ever going to get something done is through sheer numbers."

The thought is echoed by Beckett, who helped organize an air safety group in Britain after his daughter's death.

"It is much easier for governments to fob off single individuals than family groups who have a clear and determined purpose," said Beckett, who lives in Sheffield, England.

In the United States, the alliance's efforts — and the back-to-back ValuJet and TWA crashes — pushed Congress last year to pass a law benefiting families of air crashes.

The law makes the National Transportation Safety Board, whose traditional role was to investigate the causes of crashes, the lead agency in addressing the needs of victims' families. The board, in turn, has designated the Red Cross to ensure proper emotional care and support for the families.

The new law also demands better treatment of families on matters such as timely notification of crashes and the disposition of bodily remains and personal effects. To protect privacy, it bars lawyers from soliciting survivors for 30 days after a crash.

"Family members are demanding more accountability and more services in the aftermath of an accident," NTSB Chairman Jim Hall told Congress during debate on the legislation. "I believe that most of these demands are just common sense."

Takao Kawakita, who lost his daughter in the Japan Airlines crash and directs an air safety foundation, brought together Japanese, American and British air safety advocates for ceremonies earlier this month on the 12th anniversary of the JAL crash on Osutaka Ridge.

Wilkinson SDN winner

Judy Wilkinson of 207 North Avenue T is the August winner of a free year's subscription to the Snyder Daily News.

Each month a drawing is held from the names of those who have either subscribed or renewed for six months or more.

Former NBC programming wizard dies

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Brandon Tartikoff, the former NBC programming wizard who transformed primetime television in the 1980s with such shows as "Hill Street Blues," "L.A. Law" and "The Cosby Show," died Wednesday of Hodgkin's disease. He was 48.

Tartikoff died at UCLA Medical Center, where he had been undergoing chemotherapy. The one-time chairman of Paramount Pictures was hospitalized earlier this year after suffering his third recurrence of the disease, an often curable but sometimes fatal cancer of the lymph nodes. He had battled it off and on since he was 23.

Tartikoff became the youngest entertainment president in network history in 1980 when he took over NBC's moribund programming at age 30. He promptly turned the lowest-rated network into the nation's most popular with "Cheers," "Family Ties," "Miami Vice" and "The Golden Girls." NBC was the No. 1 network for five consecutive seasons under his leadership.

Other series he introduced included "Knight Rider," "The A-Team," "St. Elsewhere," "Night Court," "Hunter," "Highway to Heaven," "Matlock," "227," "ALF" and "Empty Nest."

"Brandon Tartikoff was an irrepressible spirit and an irreplaceable friend," Steven Bochco, the creator of "Hill Street Blues" and "L.A. Law," said in a statement. Warren Littlefield, Tartikoff's successor, said: "We'll miss his creativity, boundless energy, strength and, of course, his wonderful sense of humor."

He left NBC for Paramount, where his 15-month tenure was met with mixed results. The studio released the smash hit "Wayne's World" as well as the disappointing "1492: Conquest of Paradise" during that time.

He left Paramount in 1992 to spend more time with his daughter Calla, who was seriously injured in a car crash at the family's Lake Tahoe vacation home.

Most recently, he was hired by America Online in March to bolster its entertainment content. He previously had served as head of New World Entertainment and ran his own production company, called H. Beale, named after the "mad prophet of the airwaves" character in the movie "Network."

Tartikoff's management of NBC's schedule made him one of show business' brightest lights, and he generally succeeded through innovation, not sleaze. In his first season with the network, he introduced "Hill Street Blues," a low-rated police series that he stuck with while it won critical acclaim and developed a loyal following.

In one of his last years at NBC, the network introduced "Seinfeld."

NBC also had its share of celebrated failures during Tartikoff's watch. They included "Manimal," "Beverly Hills Buntz," "Bay City Blues" and "Berrenger's."

He was pilloried by the media for broadcasting a "news" special by Geraldo Rivera about Satanism, and in his typical self-deprecating style, Tartikoff brought the incident up himself for years afterward.

Tartikoff was born on Jan. 13, 1949, in Freeport, N.Y., a Long Island suburb of New York City.

He attended Yale, where he played varsity baseball, was captain of the fencing team and co-edited the campus humor magazine with Garry Trudeau.

Date Book

Aug. 28, 1997

Today is the 240th day of 1997 and the 69th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1907, Jim Casey and Claude Ryan founded the company that became the United Parcel Service.

On this day in 1963, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. gave his famous "I have a dream" speech in Washington, D.C.

On this day in 1994, Fidel Castro and President Clinton agreed to negotiate a stop to the high numbers of Cuban refugees coming to the United States.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Johann Wolfgang von Goethe (1749-1832), writer; Elizabeth Ann Seton (1774-1821), educator-religious leader; Charles Boyer (1899-1978), actor; Donald O'Connor (1925-), actor-singer-dancer, is 72; Ben Gazzara (1930-), actor, is 67; Lou Piniella (1943-), baseball player-manager, is 54; Ron Guidry (1950-), baseball star, is 47; Scott Hamilton (1958-), figure skater, is 39; Janet Evans (1971-), swimmer, is 26.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1972, Mark Spitz won the first of a record seven gold medals in the Munich Olympics.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "A noble person attracts noble people, and knows how to hold on to them." — Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1989, a man in a mobile home was electrocuted when lightning struck either the home or a wire leading to it.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Aug. 24) and new moon (Sept. 1).

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Friday, Aug. 29, 1997

Unexpected, gratifying developments could unfold for you in the year ahead. Do not let events sweep you off your feet. Focus on your opportunities in their proper priority.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Proper organization is essential today if you hope to perform effectively. Strive for ways to control events instead of letting them control you. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Stay away from involvements with friends today in which they can afford to participate but you can't. You can have a better time less expensively.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Everyone, including yourself, could be at odds today regarding how an unpleasant family matter should be handled. Pull together, do not pull apart.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) It is best not to launch an endeavor today if you know there are wrinkles that need ironing out. You might not get a second attempt.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A selfish attitude could prove counterproductive today. Associates will pass your action if they think you're looking out only for No. 1.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) In important negotiations today, if it looks like the other guy is holding all the aces, call up more support from your allies before preceding.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You will not work well under pressure today, so don't let things that require your attention pile up on you. Keep on top of your responsibilities.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) The results might not be positive if you get involved with a friend in a business arrangement today. Do not put the relationship in jeopardy.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Certain demands made upon you today might be severe and unreasonable. Keep a cool head, and all can be managed successfully.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A failure to pay as much attention as you should to details could generate unnecessary complications today. Do not take small factors for granted.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Should a joint endeavor of yours show poor probabilities for succeeding, it might be wise to consider ways of easing out of the arrangement.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you're too headstrong and self-serving today, you may make things more unpleasant for yourself than you will for those who make you angry.

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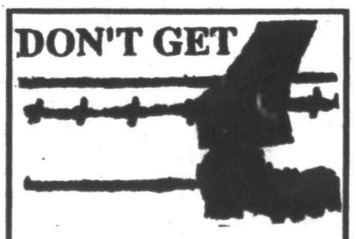
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Economy robust in April-June

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's economy grew at a robust 3.6 percent annual rate in the April-June quarter, scarcely slackening from the torrid pace set early this year. The stock market, beset with inflation jitters, plunged again.

Today's Commerce Department report on the gross domestic product, the sum of all goods and services produced within U.S. borders, marks a substantial change from a month-old estimate showing the economy expanding at a sedate 2.2 percent rate in the second quarter.

The revision, the largest in 3½ years, nearly wipes out what economists had viewed as a welcome, inflation-calming respite from the rapid 4.9 percent growth rate in the first three months of the year.

"Here we thought we were pausing and we weren't. We were doing better than we thought," said economist Robert G. Dederick of Northern Trust Co. in Chicago. "Once again economists are searching for superlatives."

Separately, the Labor Department said first-time claims for unemployment benefits fell last week by a larger-than-expected 16,000 to 323,000.

Financial markets had been expecting the strong GDP report, but showed a mixed reaction in early trading. The Dow Jones average of industrial stocks plunged nearly 130 points but recovered a little and after nearly an hour of trading was down 104 points to 7,684.

But bond prices rose. Yields, which move in the opposite direction from prices, slipped to 6.63 percent from 6.65 percent on 30-year Treasury bonds, a benchmark for consumer and business borrowing costs.

Top sergeant denies sexual misconduct

WASHINGTON (AP) — Still publicly silent, the sergeant major of the Army offers a point-by-point denial in sworn statements of all allegations of sexual misconduct made against him by six women.

The statements were entered into the record of a hearing to determine whether Sgt. Maj. of the Army Gene McKinney should be court-martialed. His denials were not made public, but copies were obtained Wednesday by The Associated Press.

Addressing the allegations by each woman in turn, McKinney said retired Sgt. Maj. Brenda Hoster lied when she said he asked to have sex with her.

"I have never entertained sexual desires toward her and I have never suggested to her that I desired to have sexual relations with her," he said in a statement dated April 29 and submitted to the hearing officer Monday, the last day of the proceeding.

Col. Robert Jarvis presided over a hearing that lasted two months and heard testimony from more than 30 witnesses including the six women. McKinney never testified and avoided speaking to the news media.

Jarvis is expected to recommend next month whether there is enough evidence to convene a court-martial.

In his closing statement Monday, Lt. Col. Michael Child, the lead prosecutor, asked Jarvis to add rape to the list of charges against McKinney. Child said that was justified by the testimony of Sgt. Christine Roy, who said she reluctantly had sex with McKinney at his home Oct. 30, 1996.

"Concerning Sergeant Roy, I have never had sexual relations with her," McKinney said in his April statement. "I did not have sexual relations with Sergeant Roy on Oct. 30, 1996, or at any other time."

Navy Petty Officer 1st class Johnna Vinson told the hearing she met McKinney at a conference in Denver and that he asked her to have sex with him, saying that "he'd show me passion like I'd never known."

"I have never solicited HM1 Vinson for any sexual favor," said McKinney. "I did not make lewd or indecent comments to HM1 Vinson."

He also emphatically denied the allegations of Staff Sgt. Christine Fetrow that he pressured her to have sex and that he once took her to his Pentagon office on a Saturday and hugged and kissed her.

Obituaries

Lawrence Gray

1912-1997

Funeral service is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel for Lawrence Shelby Gray, 85. Burial will follow in the Ira Cemetery.

Mr. Gray, a former resident of Fluvanna, died Wednesday, Aug. 27, at Broadway Lodge in San Antonio after a lengthy illness.

Born April 9, 1912 in Rural Naples, Tex., Mr. Gray married Alta Thompson on Oct. 19, 1935 in Sweetwater. She died on Nov. 16, 1993.

Mr. Gray came to Scurry County at an early age and later was involved in farming and ranching. He later lived in Sweetwater, Post and Carlsbad. He lived in Odessa from 1967 to 1993, then moved to San Antonio. He also owned and operated a service station.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Connie Gray of San Antonio; a brother-in-law, W.S. "Jack" Thompson of Snyder; four grandchildren, Layna Harvey and Darla Nail, both of Lewisville, Tim Gray of San Antonio and Monica Cornell; five great-grandchildren, Kathy, Austin and Garrett Harvey and Brittni and Paige Nail.

Robert Gray

1929-1997

Graveside service is set for 10 a.m. Saturday in the Snyder Cemetery for Snyder native Robert E. Gray of Fairfax, Va. Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Gray, 67, died Saturday, Aug. 23, at his residence.

Born Nov. 8, 1929 in Snyder, he married Nancy O'Kelley on May 27, 1955 in Weatherford. A 1947 graduate of Snyder High School, Mr. Gray received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Texas Tech University, and his doctorate from Michigan State University.

Mr. Gray was employed as agriculture economist for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He had previously worked in the State Department. While employed by the government for 35 years, Mr. Gray had worked in Equador, Paraguay and Kenya. He lived in Fairfax for 20 years.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy Gray of Fairfax; two daughters, Kelley Snyder of New Windsor, Md., and Cristina Carlisle of Arlington, Va.; a sister, Margaret Birdwell of Snyder; and a nephew, Borden Gray Jr. of Snyder.

The family suggests memorials to The Hospice of Northern Virginia; 11166 Main St., Suite 405; Fairfax, Va. 22030.

Mrs. Dillashaw

1907-1997

SWEETWATER — Frances Dillashaw, 89, died Wednesday, Aug. 27, in Roscoe Healthcare Center.

Funeral service is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the McCoy Chapel of Memories. The Rev. Lester Carter will officiate and burial will follow in the Sweetwater Cemetery.

Born Dec. 19, 1907 in Indian Territory, Okla., she married W.W. Dillashaw in 1933 in Snyder. He died in 1996.

A homemaker, Mrs. Dillashaw lived most of her life in Nolan County. She had also worked as a seamstress.

Survivors include four daughters, Verneil Purdy of Monroe, La., Leola Robinson of Irving, Ila O'Conner of Sweetwater and Ruthie Redman of Kansas City, Mo.; a son, Dewey Dillashaw of Hurst; a sister, Faye Tumlinson of Sweetwater; four brothers, Ernest Carey of Plains, Louis Carey of Odessa and Clarence Carey and Bill Carey, both of Sweetwater; 11 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

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Mir crew reactivates key module, expands quarters for living

MOSCOW (AP) — The crew on the Mir space station worked to expand their living space today, taking advantage of an increased power supply to reactivate a key module so a U.S. space shuttle can dock there next month.

Russians Anatoly Solovyov and Pavel Vinogradov and NASA astronaut Michael Foale have already switched on the ventilation system in the Kristall module and were busy reviving other equipment, said Valery Lyndin, spokesman for the Mission Control.

It will take several days to have all the module's systems working, he said.

The 17-ton Kristall, along with other parts of the station, was cut off from its main power system after a space collision June 25 left Mir at half power.

Before reactivating the module, the crew spent three days running fans and heaters to dry its equipment, which was damp from condensation during its two months without power. The Kristall is one of six separate modules on the Mir.

Russian space officials said it was important to have Kristall back in working order to continue scientific research, which was interrupted by a long string of breakdowns aboard the 11-year-old Mir.

The Kristall, attached to the Mir in 1990, is equipped with a broad array of scientific gear, mostly intended for producing superclean materials in zero-gravity conditions.

"It's also important to have Kristall working again since it's the sole module equipped with a docking port for visiting U.S. space shuttles," Lyndin said.

The shuttle Atlantis is expected to dock with Mir around the end of September, bringing U.S. astronaut David Wolf to replace Foale and delivering some repair gear.

On Friday, Solovyov and Vinogradov traveled into the Spektr module, which was depressurized in the collision, and managed to reconnect three of its solar panels to Mir's power system. That should bring Mir up to about 90 percent of its original power.

Numerous calls keep area law officers busy

While no one was arrested Wednesday, law enforcement personnel were busy working a myriad of calls.

A woman requested to speak to an officer at 9:06 a.m. in reference to her daughter not going to school. The girl was located at another residence, transported home and released to her mother.

Teddy Vasquez requested to speak to a deputy at 9:35 a.m. at Circle MG products in reference to someone breaking into the business. An offense report for burglary was submitted.

An officer was requested in the 2700 block of 34th Street at 10:08 a.m. in reference to two tires being punctured on a vehicle belonging to Malven Stevenson. And at 12:30 p.m. in the same area, Weldon Key requested an officer in reference to tires being cut on a vehicle while it was parked in the 3400 block of Avenue Z. Offense reports for criminal mischief were filed in both instances.

A gas drive-off from Rip Griffin's was reported at 11:34 p.m. Deputies located the subjects who returned and paid for the gas.

A person went to the police department at 11:35 a.m. in reference to a 17-year-old male being assaulted. The boy was taken to Cogdell Hospital's emergency room where he was treated and released. The assault involved three male juveniles and all were charged with disorderly conduct.

A deputy was requested at 3:09 p.m. from IGA #100 in reference to a possible forgery. An offense report for forgery was submitted.

An officer was requested on the square at 3:55 p.m. in reference to possible shoplifters.

An officer was requested in the 2300 block of Avenue M at 3:59 p.m. in reference to a group of juveniles fighting.

An offense report for a private property hit-and-run was submitted at 4:53 p.m. in reference to someone running into the sign in front of the Dairy Queen in the 4300 block of College Avenue.

Eight prisoners file lawsuit against state

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Eight men who were among the inmates Missouri pulled out of a Texas prison after allegations of abuse are suing their home state for failing to protect them.

The lawsuit also names the company that runs the private Texas prison — Capital Correctional Resources Inc. — as well as a guard there and Dora Schriro, Missouri's top prison official.

The lawsuit was filed Wednesday in St. Louis Circuit Court by attorneys Michael Korte and Michael Smallwood on behalf of Ernest Moss, Til Washington, Rob Goodson, Darryl Cage, Frank Sgambato, Aaron Patterson, Mark Muich and Gordon Blake Coleman.

Korte said four of the inmates had since been transferred from the Brazoria County Detention Center in Texas to the Jefferson City Correctional Center and four to the Algoa Correctional Center near Jefferson City. He described the eight as nonviolent criminals, serving time for convictions on such charges as burglary and fraudulent use of a credit card.

The inmates are seeking unspecified compensatory and punitive damages. They say the assaults they endured constituted excessive force and cruel and unusual punishment. And they say the state of Missouri and Schriro repeatedly ignored the complaints and failed to monitor the Brazoria County Detention Center.

Some of the alleged abuse was depicted in a videotape that surfaced earlier this month. Since then, Missouri has canceled its contracts with Texas facilities and begun returning all 415 inmates housed there back to Missouri. The inmates had been sent to Texas because of overcrowding in Missouri.

What's Up?

Ira ISD trustees

Ira ISD board will meet at 7 a.m. Friday to set the 1997 tax rate, adopt a Texas Association of School Boards update and consider amendments to the 1996-97 budget.

City landfill

The city landfill will be closed Saturday but will be open on Monday, Labor Day.

Scurry County Library

The county library will be closed Saturday through Monday for Labor Day.

Sons of AL fund-raiser

The Sons of the American Legion will have a barbecue at noon Sunday. Cost is $5 per plate, $2.50 for children. A big screen television will be available to watch the Cowboys' game.

Bible study videos

Another series of Bible study video tapes is airing on Channel 2. The fifth tape, "Angels - Part of God's Creation," will air at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Hermleigh Booster Club

Hermleigh Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the high school building. Everyone is invited.

Church building fund

Garage sale items are being accepted by the Lighthouse Assembly of God for their church building fund. Call 573-5124 for more information.

1997 Coyote Opry

The 1997 Coyote Opry — sponosred by the Borden County Extension service, Junior Livestock Association, 4-H and Gail FFA — will be held Saturday, Sept. 6. Roping begins at 1 p.m. with a local and area talent show to be held from 6-9:30 p.m. Between acts, pies, cakes and cobbers will be auctioned.

Girl Scout registration

Girl Scout registration day will be Saturday, Sept. 6 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Scout Hut, 2501 35th St. Cost is $7 per person. Each girl needs to bring health information and be accompanied by a parent. Adult workers are also needed in all areas and can register at the same time. Training will be provided.

County Health Unit

Scurry County Health Unit will not give shots until Sept. 9. On that date, the clinic will be open until 7 p.m. A breast-feeding class will be held at 6 that evening.

A Taste of Scurry County

Scurry County Museum is planning a "A Taste of Scurry County" for Sept. 11. The evening-long event will begin with food sampling at 6:30 p.m. Door prizes, a silent auction and a bid auction will be offered. Tickets for a computer to be raffled in December will also be available. Tickets, $12.50 for adults, $5 for children 5-12, and free for children under 5 accompanied by an adult ticketholder, may be purchased at the museum, chamber of commerce, Bullard's Computer Solutions and Nathalie's and Snyder Healthmart.

TAAS fall testing

The Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) and the Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills (TEAMS) tests will be administered Oct. 28-30. Enrolled 11th and 12th graders and individuals out of school are eligible. Fall registration packets are available in the high school counselor's office. TAAS out-of-school examinees and TEAMS examinees must register by Sept. 16. Anyone with questions should contact Charlene Light at 574-6049 or Wendell Sollis at 573-5401.

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery:

2-12-14-33-34-49

(two, twelve, fourteen, thirty-three, thirty-four, forty-nine)

Pick 3

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

5-7-3

(five, seven, three)

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A Letter To Our Customers About Hamburgers, Food Safety and Flame-Broiling

August 27, 1997

Dear Burger King® Customer:

Recently, there has been a great deal of news about the safety of hamburgers.

We are the 1,520 owner-operators and the management of Burger King. We are also your neighbors and friends. In all of these roles, we are writing to assure you that the hamburgers we serve at Burger King are safe, and to explain the reasons why they are safe.

Flame-Broiling Means Safe Cooking

We flame-broil our burgers, cooking them thoroughly, in accordance with the stringent standards that the Food & Drug Administration has established.

To guarantee that this process works every time, we use digital electronic thermometers to verify broiler temperatures, and we build our flame-broilers so as to make it impossible for one of our crew to accidentally remove a burger before it is fully cooked.

Employee Training and Quality Assurance

Burger King restaurant managers and crew receive extensive training on safe food handling and preparation. Our owner-operators and trained field staff from Burger King comprise a team of almost 2,000 Quality Assurance people who provide oversight and supervision to ensure that these safety procedures are being followed, all day, every day, with every burger.

Burger King Never Received Contaminated Beef

It's safe to eat at Burger King because we act quickly where your safety is concerned. This was the case last week when we voluntarily recalled burgers made by Hudson Foods. Burger King's quality control standards exceed those required by the government. That's why you can be sure Burger King beef is safe.

That's our way, and that's the way it will always be.

On behalf of all of us at Burger King,

Paul Clayton
President, Burger King North America

Mike DeRosa
President, National Franchisee Association,
An Association of Burger King Franchisees

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