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Home of Christy Smith



MADE IN SNYDER – This 600-pound Christmas ornament, designed and constructed by Farmer's Design of Snyder, is displayed at the entrance to Saks Fifth Avenue at the Galleria Shopping Center this holiday season. Pictured constructing the bottom portion are, from left, Gary Bailey, Ronnie Pinkerton and D.C. Smith. (Contributed Photo)

Snyder item shines in Big D

Few items will ever make it from a barn in Scurry County to a three-story foyer in one of the state's most exclusive shopping centers.

But that's the path taken by a unique Christmas ornament designed and constructed by Farmer's Design, a locally-owned design firm.

The ornament is now prominently displayed at Saks Fifth Avenue in the upscale Dallas Galleria Shopping Center.

It's not just any old ornament, according to Fran Farmer, owner of the company. The 25-foot tall reflective orb was constructed in many pieces and weighs in at just under 600 pounds.

"It is really a neat piece and we are very proud of it," Farmer said. "To be able to provide this to such a well-known customer as Saks Fifth Avenue is great for our company."

The ornament — two marquee shapes surrounded by dozens of shimmering snowflakes and globes — is suspended by garland in a towering, three-story window at the prestigious store.

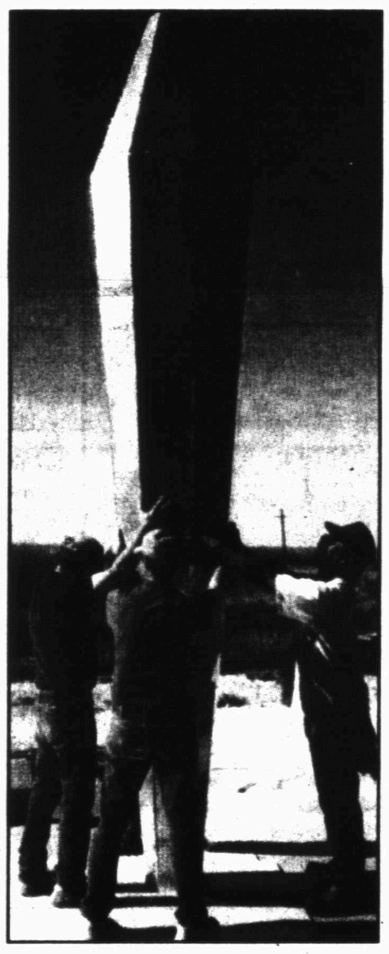
Farmer said her entire design staff and a few volunteers worked on the piece and completed it in about four days.

The ornament was transported to its Metroplex destination in a covered trailer and was installed using a bucket truck to lift it into place.

Farmer said the opportunity to display the piece will be beneficial to the Snyder-based design company and she hopes to fill more and similar orders next year.

"It was a lot of fun to do this and hopefully it could open up some doors for us," she said. "The response from the Saks Fifth Avenue people and from everyone at the Galleria has been overwhelmingly positive. We're just delighted."

Farmer said Steven Floyd of Dallas designed the fixture and the idea came about early in November.



Spinning mill step closer to 2003 opening

DCOS, utility agree to terms

The Development Corporation of Snyder, following an almost four-hour executive session this morning, agreed to pay $279,000 over 15 years to Big County Electric as incentive for UCO Textiles to take over the Lorber spinning mill.

The annual installments — six in the amount of $22,500 followed by nine for $16,000 — begin next Jan. 31.

The electric company constructed a power substation at the industrial park to help attract Lorber to the park originally.

With the added cost of construction came an added facility cost of $7,600 per month on Lorber's electric bill.

UCO representatives had asked that DCOS assist in lowering the charge, according to DCOS president Dayton Robertson.

"One of the points in negotiations with UCO was the cost of power," Robertson said. "The DCOS is somewhat limited in what we can do financially, but we committed today to help reduce the facility charge by paying a portion annually."

DCOS executive director John DeLille said assisting with electricity rates will become the norm for development corporations in Texas since the state's deregulation.

"This is the future of development," he said. "All development corporations will have to provide electric infrastructure just like we have provide gas and roads and lights in the past."

UCO's move to Snyder was all but finalized this morning as a bill of sale was signed between UCO and Lorber transferring the assets at the industrial park.

DeLille said today's events will "pull several triggers to get this in motion."

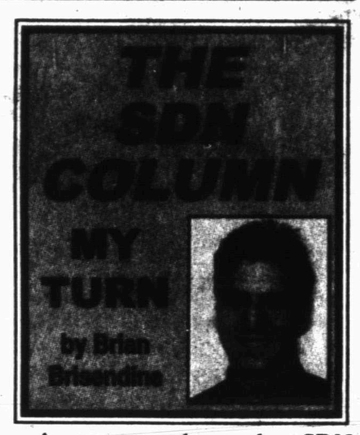
He said UCO has formed a relationship with Plains National Bank of Lubbock and also that a core group of some 10 employees would be hired immediately to prepare the plant for opening as soon as possible after the new year.

Jack Whitworth, who managed the plant for Lorber, will be the plant manager for UCO.

In other business, the board went into closed session to discuss performance compensation for DeLille and secretary Tati Nail.

The board tabled any action on the until its January meeting.

Robertson presided over the meeting and all members were present to include James Brown, Mark Cypert and Mike McWilliams. Chairman Emeritus Roy Baze also was present.



A recent column by SDN staffer Shirley Gorman sparked a heated debate here at the news office. No middle ground has been found regarding that all-important question — is there a Santa Claus?

We voted yes for posterity, but then launched an exhausting research effort on the World Wide Web. Here's what we found.

There are two billion children in the world. But since Santa doesn't appear to handle Muslim, Hindu, Jewish and Buddhist children, that reduces the workload to 15 percent of the total — 378 million kiddies. At an average census rate of 3.5 children per household, that's 91.8 million homes. We presume there's at least one good child in each.

Santa has 31 hours to work with, thanks to the different time zones and the rotation of the earth, assuming he travels east to west. This works out to 822.6 visits per second.

For each household with good children, Santa has 1/1000th of a second to park, hop out of the sleigh, jump down the chimney, fill the stockings, distribute the remaining presents under the tree, eat whatever snacks have been left, get back up the chimney, get back into the sleigh and move on to the next house.

This means that Santa's sleigh is moving at 650 miles per second, 3,000 times the speed of sound. For purposes of comparison, the fastest man-made vehicle on earth — the Ulysses space probe — moves at a poky 27.4 miles per second. A conventional reindeer can run 35 miles per hour, tops.

The payload of the sleigh adds another interesting element. Assuming that each child gets nothing more than a medium-sized Lego set weighing two pounds, the sleigh is carrying 321,300 tons — not counting Santa, who is invariably described as overweight.

On land, conventional reindeer can pull no more than 1,000 pounds. Even granting that flying reindeer could pull ten times the normal amount, we cannot do the job with eight, or even nine. We need 71,420 reindeer. This increases the payload to 353,430 tons.

That much weight traveling at 650 miles per second creates enormous air resistance. This will heat the reindeer up much in the same fashion as a spacecraft reentering the earth's atmosphere. The lead pair of reindeer will absorb 14.3 quintillion joules of energy per second, each.

We don't know what that means, but it sounds ominous.

In short, they will burst into flame almost instantaneously, exposing the reindeer behind them, and create deafening sonic booms in their wake.

The entire reindeer team would be vaporized in 4.26 thousandths of a second. Santa, meanwhile, would be subjected to centrifugal forces 17,500.06 times greater than gravity. A 250-pound Santa (which seems slim by all estimates) would be pinned to the back of his sleigh by 4,315,015 pounds of force.

In conclusion — if Santa ever did deliver presents on Christmas Eve, he's in bad shape now.

The scientific fellow who figured all this must have more than average time on his hands.

But it makes sense, so we may change our vote next time the office debate roars. Besides, we're a little upset with the jolly old fellow.

Last year, we got socks!

BCD approves two funding requests

The Board of County Development on Wednesday approved a $3,900 funding request from the Upper Colorado Soil & Water Conservation District.

Jimmy McMillan, representing the district, said the money goes twice as far because it is matched dollar for dollar by the state.

McMillan said the district serves the community in many ways.

"In 2002, we assisted Cogdell Hospital and Scurry County Museum in finding funding sources and we provided several maps for the county's master plan that would have cost more than $22,000 had we not provided them," he said.

He said the district spent more than $650,000 in 2002 toward economic development in Scurry County.

Board member Don West said the district also is beneficial in that most of the money is spent with local contractors.

"This is good because it helps the tax base in our county and supports local employers," he said.

Outgoing board member Tony Scott agreed with West.

"For the six years I've served on the BCD, supporting the conservation district has always been a great deal," he said. "And I'm glad to do so one more time."

The measure was approved unanimously.

In other business, the board opted to provide Scurry County 4-H with $3,500 — half the requested amount.

Extension agent Greg Gruben requested $7,000 from the board to assist in paying for construction costs accrued while erecting animal pens for 4-H members.

The majority of the cost, Gruben said, involved installation of a water well at the site.

The board voted to fund half of Gruben's request and urged him to "use this as a starting point in raising the remainder," said board president Terry Martin.

Scott recommended the reduced amount, citing the boards decision at its last meeting to pay half the cost of a reel mower for the county ball fields.

The motion passed 3-1 with Don West casting the dissenting vote.

West said he would like to assist, but with a lesser amount.

Minutes from a previous meeting were approved, as was a quarterly financial report.

The board also accepted an afghan from Billy Grimmett, representing the Best of Texas Stock Show.

Martin presided and members in attendance were Scott, West and Bill Dryden. Ray Myers was absent.

Ira trustees to hold called session tonight

Ira's school board will meet in a called session at 6:30 this evening and will consider options to the Hobbs Alternative School, and the utilities at the school's baseball field.

Interim Supt. James Bible said the Hobbs school has had to raise membership fees from $1,000 to $8,000.

"The trustees will just have to decide if the school district can afford that much increase, or not," said Bible.

Snyder ISD will see an increase in its fees paid to Hobbs this year of some $32,000 because of financial shortcomings at the alternative school.

Bible said the board also would look at fees charged for utilities at the school's baseball field.

"Right now, we're being charged for electricity at the baseball field whether it is used or not," said Bible. "The trustees might just have to pull the plug on that deal."

Trustees also are expected to finalize the contract with GR3 as part of the contract with new superintendent Dr. Larry Devitt.

The meeting will be in the Ira Community Building.

Schools to dismiss early for holidays

County schools will dismiss early Friday afternoon for the Christmas holidays.

Ira schools will dismiss at noon, while Hermleigh will end classes at 1:30.

Snyder schools will dismiss at 2 o'clock.

Ira will resume classes on Jan. 2, while Hermleigh students will be back in class on Jan. 6.

Snyder teachers will report on Jan. 6, with students back in class the next day.

ASK US

Q—Will the Texas Tech football game be televised Monday, and if so, what time?

A—The Tangerine Bowl, featuring Tech vs. Clemson, will air on ESPN at 4:30 p.m.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Emily Guynes...

...is the office manager for Texas Department of Transportation located on N. Ave. V, has lived in Snyder nine years. She has three daughters, Lendi Ehlers and Wendi McNabb, both of Lubbock, and Jan Butler of Austin. She has lots of fun with her four grandchildren and also enjoys gardening and traveling.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Fill what's empty. Empty what's full. Scratch where it itches.

—Alice Longworth

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Angel project

The angel project done for Carole Haynes is a continuing effort and anyone who has a decorated angel may drop it off at Stanfield Elementary.

Community Services raffle

Scurry County Community Services is holding a drawing for a $75 gift certificate to United and $75 to Wal-Mart. Tickets are $1 and all proceeds will be used to buy Christmas gifts for children.

Christmas Cantata

Northside Baptist Church's Christmas Cantata will be presented at 11 a.m. Sunday. The church is located at 1909 16th St. For transportation, call 573-7105.

Support groups

Adult family violence support group and children's family violence support group meets at 6:30 p.m. every Monday at Gateway Family Service. For information call 573-1822.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Esther, a Woman of Destiny," followed by "What On Earth Am I Doing Here?"

Candlelight Christmas Eve service

Trinity United Methodist Church will have a candlelight Christmas Eve service at 6 p.m. Tuesday.

Christmas Eve service

A Christmas Eve candlelight service will be held at 11 p.m. Tuesday at the First Presbyterian Church, 2712 Ave. R. The public is invited.

FBC services televised

First Baptist Church services are televised on channel 2 at 3 p.m. each Thursday.

Church of God

Ira Church of God's young adults are taking orders for smoked turkeys, 11-12 pounds. To order call 573-8148.

Windbreak trees

Orders for windbreak trees and drip irrigation are being taken at the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation office through Jan. 31. The office is located in the Scurry County USDA office complex at 5309 Big Spring Highway. Call 573-6317, ext. 2.

SHS booster club fund raiser

The SHS drama booster club is collecting old cell phones and used printer cartridges for recycling. Drop off at the sheriff's office. For more information, call Jan Scott at 573-8027.

Choir trip planned

SHS choirs are also planning a trip to Boston on Easter weekend, April 17-21. There are six available positions for anyone who wants to make the trip. For more information, call Ronda Haire, choir director, at 573-6301.

White Buffalo Festival T-shirts

White Buffalo T-shirts featuring a train are on sale at the Whistle Stop or the coliseum office for $7 each.

Trinity Bible study

A 10-week study, "Bad Girls of the Bible," begins Wednesday, Jan. 8, at Trinity United Methodist Church. Melissa Petty will lead the study and all women are invited to attend. To order a book or for more information call 573-3988.

WTC testing dates

Western Texas College's testing dates for LVN ASSET COMPASS QUICKTASP include Jan. 4, 12:30 p.m.; Jan. 7, 9 a.m.,1:30 p.m. and 6 p.m.; Jan. 21, 1:30 p.m.; and Jan. 28, 1:30 p.m. For more information, contact the counseling office at 573-8511 ext. 313.

Tigers Lair yearbook

Orders for 2002 Tigers Lair yearbooks are still being taken. The cost is $50 with additional options available. Call 574-6138 for information.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland is available free of charge. Call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakey Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

FBC support groups

Support groups dealing with divorce, death, cancer or caring for elderly parents meet at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church educational building. A special group for students facing these problems is held at the same time.

FBI tests suspicious letter to senator

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.(AP) — The contents of a suspicious envelope that arrived at Sen. Jeff Bingaman's office in Albuquerque has been sent to the state crime lab for testing.

The Democratic senator's staff called the FBI after opening the envelope Monday and discovering a wrapped package that contained a powdery substance, said FBI supervisory agent Doug Beldon.

The envelope was initially considered suspicious because Santa Claus was listed as the return. The letter inside contained "inflamatory statements of a religious nature," Beldon said.

"The responding agents ran a preliminary field test on the substance which indicated a very small possibility that the substance could be botox, which might contain botulism," Beldon said.

Beldon said additional testing indicated the substance was not botox, but as a precaution, the FBI sent the envelope and its contents to the state crime lab for more testing. Beldon expected the results Friday.

Botox is a potent neurotoxin that temporarily paralyzes muscles. Derived from the toxin that causes deadly botulism food poisoning, it's widely used to smooth facial wrinkles.

"The investigation and testing, at this point, does not merit great public alarm," Beldon said.

Authorities said members of the senator's staff who came in contact with the envelope were unaffected.

Duncan's Christmas



Blockbuster issues earnings warning

DALLAS (Dow Jones/AP) — Shares of Blockbuster Inc., the nation's largest video rental chain, fell 32 percent Wednesday after the company lowered its fourth-quarter and full-year sales forecasts.

"The unprecedented number of movie titles available for sale at deeply discounted prices, this year's DVD gift-giving phenomenon and a compressed holiday season" contributed to the weaker sales, Blockbuster Chairman and Chief Executive John Antioco said.

The company now expects a revenue percentage increase in the "low-single digit range" versus the "low- to mid-teen range" previously forecast for the fourth quarter.

The company reported revenue of $1.36 billion for last year's fourth quarter ended Dec. 31. One analyst surveyed by Thomson First Call expects the company to report revenue of $1.71 billion for the quarter.

For the year, Blockbuster expects revenue of more than $5.5 billion, resulting in profit percentage point growth in the "low-single digits" and earnings of $1.03 to $1.10 a share.

Blockbuster, a unit of Viacom Inc., had been expecting 2002 profit percentage point increases in the "mid-single digits," and earnings of about $1.31 a share.

Analysts were expecting full-year earnings of $1.31 a share and revenue of $5.99 billion, according to First Call.

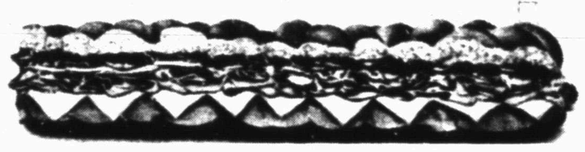
Blockbuster reported cash earnings, excluding charges, of $1.01 a share on revenue of $5.16 billion for the year ended Dec. 31, 2001. The company's loss for 2001 was $240.3 million, or $1.35 a share, including items.

"Blockbuster has experienced a significant slowing of movie rentals since Thanksgiving, as consumers are attracted to the discounted prices on new DVD titles," said SWS Securities analyst Harry Katica.

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Cancer hoax is exposed

URBANA, Ohio (AP) — Police say a woman tried to trick her daughter and community into thinking the girl had cancer so she could raise money, even going so far as to shave the 7-year-old's head, give her sleeping pills and put her in counseling to prepare to die.

No charges had been filed against Teresa Milbrandt, 35, as of Wednesday. Her daughter, Hannah, has been taken from her and placed in the custody of relatives.

"By the time we get done, there's going to be a lot of charges here," Sgt. David Reese said.

Reese said Milbrandt admitted this week to county officials that the cancer was a hoax. He said police have collected coffee cans placed at businesses to seek donations that would supposedly go toward treatment. Police also found fliers with photos of the girl inviting people to fund-raisers, and a color TV donated as a raffle prize.

Milbrandt's husband, Robert Milbrandt, 44, is also under investigation, but no charges have been filed against him, police said.

Robert Milbrandt said he and his daughter never knew the cancer was faked. He said he took his wife to a mental hospital Tuesday.

"I don't know how you can be married to someone for so long, them lie to you and you not know," he told the Urbana Daily Citizen.

The Milbrandts' telephone number is unpublished and The Associated Press could not locate them for comment Wednesday night.

Reese said Mrs. Milbrandt allegedly researched the effects of leukemia and gave her daughter sleeping pills and shaved her head to make it appear she was receiving chemotherapy.

Date Book

Thursday, Dec. 19, 2002

Today is the 353rd day of 2002 and the 89th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1732, in Philadelphia, Benjamin Franklin's Poor Richard's Almanack was published for the first time.

On this day in 1777, the Continental Army, under the command of Gen. George Washington, entered its winter camp at Valley Forge.

On this day in 1984, Britain formally agreed to return Hong Kong to Chinese rule.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Ralph Richardson (1902-1983), actor; Leonid Brezhnev (1906-1982), Soviet leader; Jean Genet (1910-1986), writer; Edith Piaf (1915-1963), singer; Cicely Tyson (1933-), actress, is 69.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1948, the Philadelphia Eagles and the Chicago Cardinals played in a severe snowstorm in a game that has since been called "Blizzard Bowl."

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Anyone who knows a strange fact shares in its singularity." — Jean Genet

TODAY'S MOON: Full moon (Dec. 19).

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RESULTS

Wednesday's Lottery Numbers
Lotto Texas

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

The ticket was worth an estimated $4 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 54 were: 4-18-27-36-39-51.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $5 million.

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PIANIST IN RECITAL — Piano students of Barbara Tune presented a recital "Christmas Reflections" at Martha Ann Woman's Club on Dec. 7. In the top photo, standing (from left), are Audrey Miller, Fernando Ramirez, Jacoree Brooks, Catherine Witte and Ashley Kincheloe; seated, Rachael Dupree, Annie Ezell, Amanda Midwell and Kirstie Leuck. Junior and senior high students in the bottom photo are, standing, Kristen Miller, Kristina Mayer, Brandon Hagins, Brittany Scott; seated, Casey Arnold, Gretchen Hollis and Christopher Witte. (Contributed Photos)



CLASS OF '57 MEETS — The Hermleigh High School Class of 1957 met Oct. 19 at the Snyder Country Club for visiting at 2 p.m. and a dinner at 6:30 in celebration of its 45-year reunion. The class will meet again in 2004. Seated, from left, are Eileen (Vernon) Clanton, Clovis (Pettitt) Shipley, Niola (Roemisch) Creswell, Patsy (Wyatt) Groves, Ethel (Hundsnurcher) Wadleigh, Sandra (Leech) Browning; standing, Jerry Gannaway, Robby Robinson, Gus Tolleson, Morris Light, Jimmy Young, Eddie McHaney, Donald Tate, Tom Etheredge and Billy Mac Davidson. (Photo by Wadleigh Studio)

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; at the coliseum annex; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

AA Big Book Study; closed meeting; contact numbers are 574-8015, 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-0538 or 573-0770.

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night; 6:30 p.m.

Scurry County AA closed meeting; Park Club at Winston Park; for information call 574-1292 or 573-9458; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 573-3733, 573-2101 or 5731141; 8 p.m.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



Thursday, Dec. 19, 2002

Refusing to accept the inevitable

By Phillip Alder

When you are the declarer, sometimes you will either have no chance or be laydown. At other times, because the defenders cannot see your cards, they will misdefend and let you sneak home. And finally there are those deals when you need a lucky lie of the cards — assume it.

Which applies here? How would you plan the play in four hearts after West leads the spade five?

The bidding is typical of the modern tournament game, with everyone getting into the act. North's double of one no-trump suggested good spades, otherwise why didn't he act on the first round? I think South should have jumped to three hearts, but North was still there. East's double was another optimistic effort.

The deal occurred during the 2002 NEC Cup in Tokyo. At the other three tables, North was the declarer in four hearts. East led the spade 10. Each declarer won in hand and played a trump, but every East went in with the ace, led a diamond to partner's ace, and received a spade ruff. With the trump king to come, that meant the contract went one down.

South was Krzysztof Jassem, from Poland. Refusing to accept the inevitable, he immediately played four rounds of clubs, discarding dummy's diamond king. What could the defenders do?

If East ruffed with the heart five, he could no longer receive a spade ruff. But when West ruffed with the heart seven and gave his partner a spade ruff, a moment later the ace and king of hearts crashed together. Lucky, but well played.

	North		12-19-02
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	♥ 10 8 6 4 2		
	♦ K		
	♣ K Q 7		
West		**East**	
♠ Q 8 7 5 4		♠ 10	
♥ K 7		♥ A 5	
♦ A Q 2		♦ J 10 7 6 5 4 3	
♣ 9 5 3		♣ 10 8 2	
	South		
	♠ K 3 2		
	♥ Q J 9 3		
	♦ 9 8		
	♣ A J 6 4		

Dealer: West
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	Pass	Dbl.	2♦
2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: ♠ 5

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Gil named Brazil's new culture minister

SAO PAULO, BRAZIL (AP) — Gilberto Gil, Brazil's popular Grammy-winning pop star, accepted an offer from President-elect Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva to become the country's next culture minister.

Gil, 60, was one of the creators of Tropicalia, which opened traditional bossa nova to rock 'n' roll, reggae and Latin sounds. He has sold millions of CDs and records worldwide.

He campaigned for Silva and is the most prominent member of Brazil's Green Party, which gained five seats in the Lower House elections in October and is allied with Silva's Workers Party.

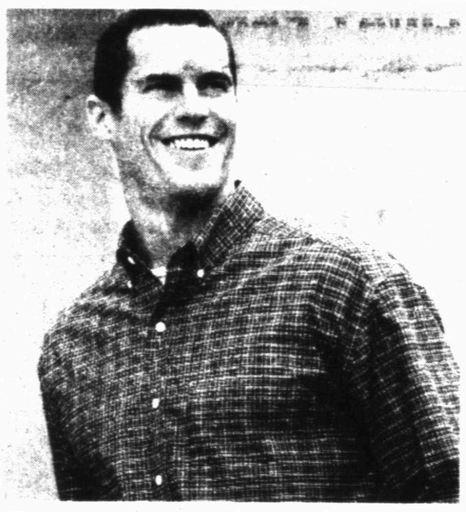
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Holiday Hours

Sat	Dec 21st	10am-4pm
Mon	Dec 23rd	10am-4pm
Tue	Dec 24th	10am-2pm
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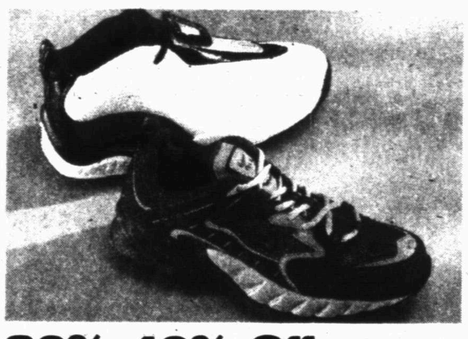
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10 Lowered the lights
12 Fishtailing
13 Woman graduate
14 Shoelace hole
15 Grand Canyon sight
16 — "King" Cole
18 Oui, in Boston
19 Cutting thin
23 LL.D. holder
26 Exploit
27 Kick out
30 Slinky dress
32 Liberal
34 Veranda
35 Awkward
36 Take a cab
37 Pub brew
38 — out (scrape by)
39 Moon features
42 24-hr. money dispenser
45 Harpers Ferry st.
46 Tackle box item
50 Runner
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55 Weapons cache
56 Block from view
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58 Harper of "Tender Mercies"

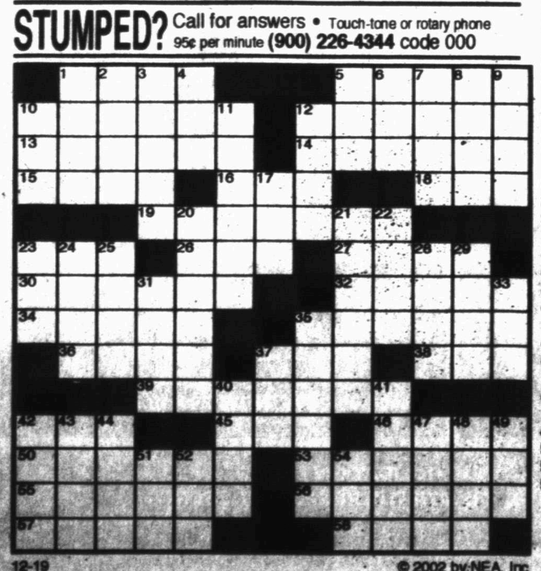
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10 Beaver's work
11 Sweet roll
12 Himalayan humanoid
17 King beater
20 Horticulturist — Burbank
21 More high-minded
22 Hindu teacher
23 Poisonous snake
24 Odin's son
25 Actress — Garr
28 Several
29 Chore
31 Heavy metal band
33 Color
35 Sweeps up
37 Dune buggy kin
40 Twisted
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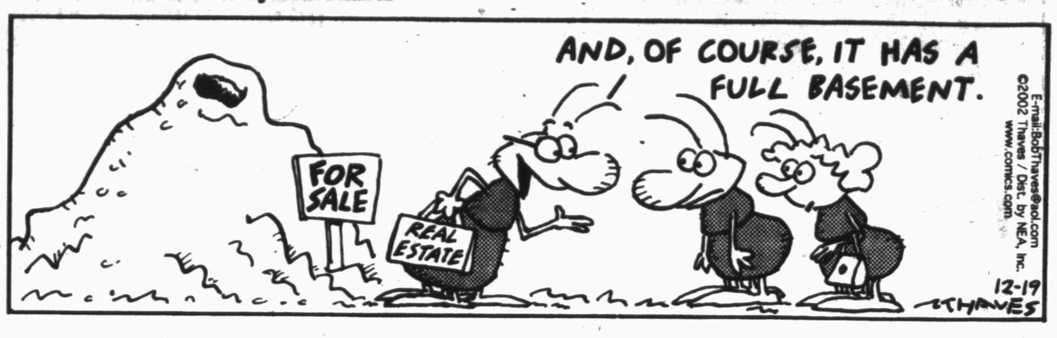
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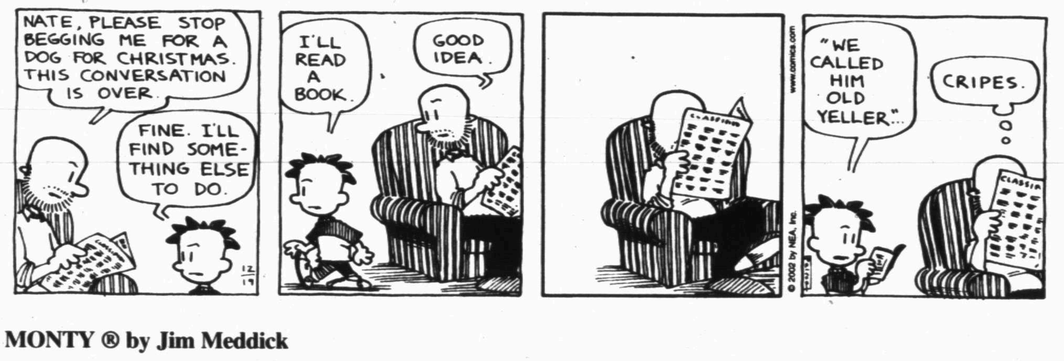
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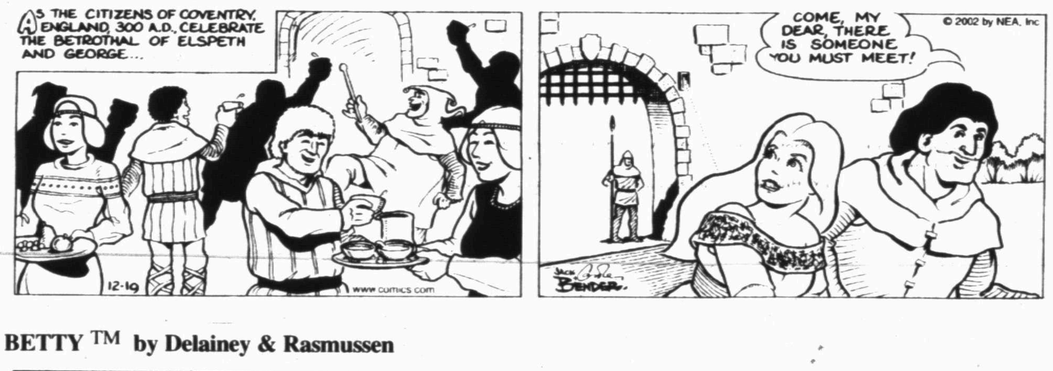
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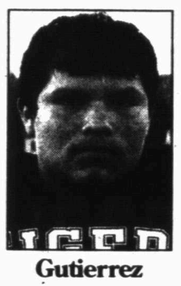
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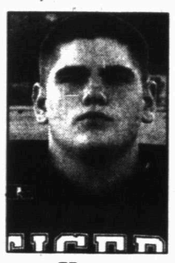
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SPORTS

Three Tiger players earn All-State honors


Gutierrez


Knox


Villarreal

Three players from the Snyder Tigers' 2002 District 3-3A championship team earned honorable mention on the Texas high school All-State team.

Senior Josh Knox and juniors Sid Gutierrez and Marcus Villarreal were named to the team after a stellar season for the Tigers.

"It's great to get that type of recognition," said Snyder head coach Chad Rogers. "Josh was a three-year starter, team captain and he anchored the line all season."

Center Knox graded out to 84 percent on the season with 75 knockdown blocks, and provided leadership to a young offensive line that improved each game as the season progressed.

Gutierrez graded out at 86 percent playing left tackle, after starting at right tackle in 2001.

"Sid's a two-year starter, and he anchored the left tackle spot, whcih is a very important position in our offense."

Villarreal did not give up a touchdown pass this season at corner back, recording four interceptions, including a touchdown.

"Marcus is a very good athlete. He can do anything he wants athletically," Rogers said. "One of the plays I'll always remember about this season is when he took that interception back for a touchdown against Sweetwater."

Villarreal intercepted a pass from 3-3A offensive MVP Mychal Carrillo and returned it 60 yards for a touchdown to propel Snyder to a thrilling double overtime win over its arch-rival in the district opener.

FIRST TEAM OFFENSE:

OFFENSIVE LINE:
— JOHN DOUTY, Kennedale, Sr., 6-4, 275. Graded out at more than 90 percent every game. Best lineman on team that averaged 380.2 yards per game.
— LUKE FRAZIER, Midland Greenwood, Sr., 6-0, 220. Graded out at 95 percent for the season, 48 pancake blocks, no sacks allowed.
— MONTE MAYO, Everman, Sr., 6-2, 250. Best lineman on a team that averaged 445 yards per game.
— EDDY PARKER, Burnet, Sr., 6-6, 290. 98 pancakes, gave up three sacks in 135 pass plays.
— KEVIN SHIMEK, Altair Rice, Jr., 6-1, 299. Graded out at 92 percent, 78 pancakes, no sacks allowed.

ENDS/RECEIVERS:
— JOSEPH KREBS, Bridgeport, Sr., 6-1, 175. 82 touchdowns, 1,384 yards, 12 touchdowns receiving.
— JORDAN SHIPLEY, Burnet, Jr., 6-0, 170. 49-1,161-15. 22 total TDs.

QUARTERBACK:
— PHILLIP DAUGHERTY, Bridgeport, Sr., 6-3, 215. 193-331 for 3,021 yards, 31 TDs, 13 INTs. 70-297-5 rushing. Was second-team all-state last season.

RUNNING BACKS:
— TOMMY BLAKE, Aransas Pass, Sr., 6-4, 220. 218 carries, 1,717 yards, 21 touchdowns.
— JAMARIO THOMAS, Longview Spring Hill, Jr., 5-11, 190. 203-1,730-29. Was honorable mention all-state last season.
— VINCENT TUCKER, Fort Worth Diamond Hill-Jarvis, Sr., 5-11, 185. 255-2,252-25. 9-125-1 receiving.

KICKER:
— JON LOPEZ, Gainesville, Sr., 6-0, 170. 35 PATS, 14 FGs, including 6 over 40 yards. Had FGs of 56 and 54 yards.

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Phillip Daugherty, Bridgeport.

FIRST TEAM DEFENSE:

LINEMEN:
— STEPHEN HUTCHISON, Elgin, Sr., 6-4, 215. 101 tackles, 26 for loss, 14 sacks, 5 forced fumbles. Led a defense that allowed 167 yards a game.
— MARK MANNING, Burnet, Sr., 5-9, 205. 114 tackles, 12 for loss, 8 sacks, 6 forced fumbles, 5 fumble recoveries, 15 QB hurries, 8 QB knockdowns, 3 pass breakups.
— TYLER OGDEN, Midland Greenwood, Sr., 5-10, 170. 100 tackles, 25 for loss, 8 sacks, 4 pass breakups. Was honorable mention all-state last season.
— ROBERT ROGERS, Groesbeck, Sr., 5-9, 165. 135 tackles, 14 for loss, 13 sacks, 4 QB pressures, 5 fumble recoveries, 3 forced fumbles, 9 pass breakups, 3 kicks blocked. Was second-team all-state last season.

LINEBACKERS:
— TRENT ALLEN, Longview Spring Hill, Sr., 6-2, 225. 153 tackles, 95 solos, 2 forced fumbles, 2 INTs, 2 blocked kicks.
— CEDRIC JOHNSON, Yoakum, Sr., 6-1, 210. 174 tackles.
— JACOB MARTIN, Celina, Jr., 6-0, 215. 102 tackles, 6 forced fumbles.

BACKS:
— GILBERT ALMANZA, La Feria, Sr., 6-2, 190. 9 INTs for 200 yards, 50 tackles, 2 fumble recoveries, 3 forced fumbles.
— CALEB HURD, Bridgeport, Sr., 5-10, 145. 7 INTs for 94 yards and a TD, 35 solo tackles, 22 assists, 12 pass breakups.
— CHANCE SCHMIDT, Sinton, Sr., 6-2, 210. 9 INTs returned for 3 TDs, 75 tackles: Was first-team all-state last season.
— JORDAN SHIPLEY, Burnet, Jr., 6-0, 170. 7 INTs returned for 3 TDs, 58 tackles, 1 forced fumble returned for a TD, 2 fumble recoveries, 11 pass breakups.

PUNTER:
— RANDY BOONE, Yoakum, Sr., 6-1, 190. 41.2-yard average. Was first-team all-state last year.

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Chance Schmidt, Sinton.

HONORABLE MENTION OFFENSE:

LINEMEN: Jorrie Adams, Jasper; **Sid Gutierrez, Snyder; Josh Knox, Snyder**; Aaron McGuire, Boint.

QUARTERBACK: Adrian Alaniz, Sinton; Michael Benton, Everman; Charlie Dane, Decatur; Stephen Hodge, Tatum; Jake McDougle, Wills Point; Ricky Joe Meeks, Mount Vernon; Rodriguez Mitchell, Jasper; Billy Pittman, Cameron Yoe; Steven Prince, Longview Spring Hill; Dale West, Quinlan Ford; Dawson Wilber, Midland Greenwood.

RUNNING BACKS: Taphus Brown, Edna; Perry Carrington, Barbers Hill; Ryan Cowley, Pottsboro; Jerrod Craddock, Farmersville; A.J. Flores, Muleshoe; Cody Glenn, Rusk; Joseph Gonzales, Gonzales; Jimmie Heath, Rio Hondo; Andrew Hines, Gilmer; J.J. Jennings, Everman; Richuel Massey, Hillsboro; Matt Peebles, Bridge City; Antonio Posey, Ballinger; Joseph Rawls, Jefferson; Alex Sauceda, Orangefield; Josh Sharrock, Celina; Joey Loera, Port Isabel.

KICKER: Jerry Jurach, Sinton; Brad Kile, Perryton; Robert Lee, Longview Spring Hill; Daniel Ronquilo, Marlin.

HONORABLE MENTION DEFENSE:

LINEMEN: Jeremy Bolton, Rusk; Jeremiah Chapman, China Spring; Bryan Jacobs, Bandera; Brian Jones, Everman; Justin Head, Merkel; Mac Hernandez, Perryton; Dustin Riewe, Elgin; Ronnie Robledo, Monahans; Erbey Saucedo, Kermit; Rorey Walters, Lytle; Ross Watson, Cameron Yoe.

LINEBACKERS: Fernando Almanza, La Feria; Trey Bennett, Newton; Jacob Garza, Rockdale; Drew Gholson, Iowa Park; Christopher Hart, Merkel; John Mark Hopper, Midland Greenwood; Todd Jackson, Lindale; Landon Johnson, Kennedale; Ty Kuhn, Burnet; Chris Lightsey, Fairfield; Brian Love, Iowa Park; Ryan McGee, Elgin; Tyler Merkel, Perryton; Cody Romines, Bridgeport; Terry Shoemake, Gainesville; Ben Swanson, Monahans.

BACKS: Caleb Campbell, Perryton; Jerry Contreras, Borger; Zane Denton, Ballinger; Brian Evans, Fairfield; Kevin Fennell, Hillsboro; Jeremy Gunnels, Bullard; Canelius Jackson, Childress; Desmond Sherrer, Gainesville; **Marcus Villarreal, Snyder.**

PUNTER: Ricky Joe Meeks, Vernon.

Mavs deal Nuggets sixth straight defeat

DENVER (AP) — Michael Finley scored 31 points and Steve Nash added 14 of his 18 points in the second half as Dallas dealt the undermanned Nuggets their sixth consecutive loss Wednesday, 80-75.

"Mike's been on fire and really carried us for large portions of both tonight and last night," Nash said. "That's what he does for stretches of the season every year."

"I didn't have a particularly great game. I just did enough for us to win," said Finley, who had 33 points Tuesday in a win over Indiana. "I think as a whole, that's all we did as a team, just enough to win."

The Mavericks needed every bit of what Finley provided because of a rare off night for Dirk Nowitzki, who endured a 2-for-13 shooting game with only nine points.

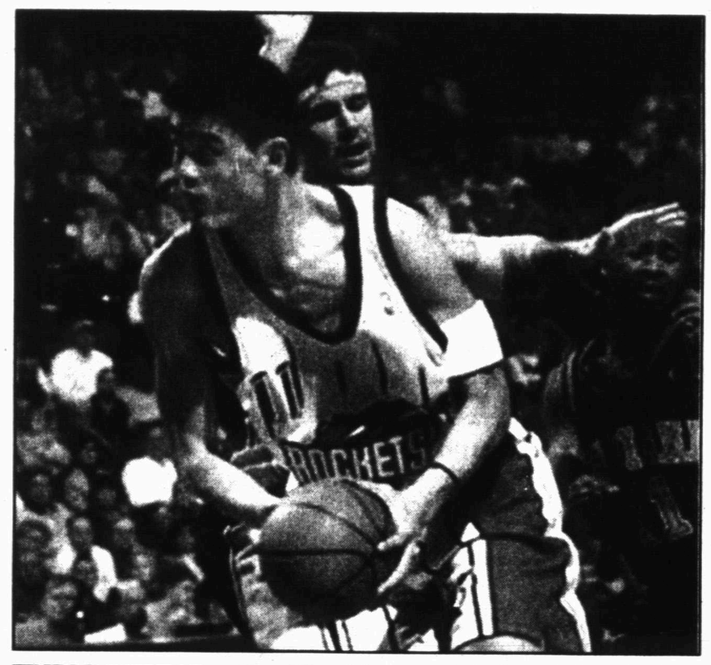
"Boy did we need Finley," Dallas coach Don Nelson said. "With Nash and Nowitzki iffy to start the game, I don't think we could have won the game without him."

Finley shot 12-for-27 and had 27 points after three quarters. Nash was 8-for-8 from the free-throw line as Dallas defeated the Nuggets for the fifth straight time.

Nowitzki played with a sprained right ankle. Nash had a variety of nagging leg injuries.

"In a game where everybody is not 100 percent, everybody has to pick it up," Finley said.

Juwan Howard led the Nuggets, who dressed 10 players, with 21 points.


TRIPLE THREAT — Yao Ming blows past Indiana's Brad Miller for two of his 29 points Wednesday. Ming also posted 10 rebounds and six blocks in the Mavs' 95-83 victory. (AP Photo)

Ming, Rockets dominate Pacers

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Rockets have figured out what to do with a 7-foot-6 center with catlike moves and a soft shooting touch.

Get him the ball.

Yao Ming responded with 29 points, 10 rebounds and a season-high six blocked shots as the Rockets won 95-83 Wednesday over the Indiana Pacers, who held Yao scoreless in his NBA debut.

Yao was still learning NBA rules when he suited up in Indianapolis on Oct. 30, and came away with just two rebounds in limited action as the Rockets lost 91-82. This time he dominated.

"I knew they were trying to pass to me," he said through his interpreter. "That also means the defense was tighter on me. This was one of the most exciting games I've had."

It excited Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich, who couldn't help but pump his fist and smile when Yao pulled off several nimble shots and passes.

"Yao is so inspiring," Tomjanovich said. "It just gives me goosebumps sometimes after he makes a play, to hear that buzz in the crowd, people saying, 'Could you believe that?' It was reminiscent of when Dream (Hakeem Olajuwon) was here."

Olajuwon led the Rockets to NBA titles in 1994 and 1995.

Excited wouldn't describe Pacers coach Isiah Thomas, whose club has lost two in a row for the second time this month and is just 4-5 in December after a 14-2 start. He was appreciative, though.

Sports Briefs

Rangers sign Glanville

BOSTON (AP) — Doug Glanville agreed to a $1 million, one-year contract with the Texas Rangers.

Glanville, who made $4 million with the Phillies last year, joins the Rangers after five seasons with the Philadelphia Phillies.

The 32-year-old outfielder hit .249 with six homers, 29 RBIs and 19 steals in 138 games last season.

UCLA hires Dorrell to head gridiron program

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Former UCLA wide receiver Karl Dorrell was hired as the Bruins' 15th head coach, becoming the fourth black coach in Division I.

Doba tabbed for head job at WSU

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — Longtime defensive coordinator Bill Doba was hired as football coach at Washington State following Mike Price's departure for Alabama.

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Robert Early's Weld	83.5	154.5

High series: Kevin Jones, scratch, 568; Andrew Poe, handicap, 658.
High game: Mike Logan, scratch, 235; David Carroll, handicap, 250.
Splits and special mentions: Barney Tate, 6-7-10; Jessie Salas, 5-9; Butch Evans, 3-10; Craig Leatherwood, 3-10; Roger Pavlik, 2-7.

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Team	W	L
WTP Energy	40.5	19.5
Timely Finance	38.5	21.5
Mama's Misfits	38.5	21.5
Snyder Iron&Metal	36	24
JB's	34.5	25.5
Quick Auto	28	32
Snyder Lanes	26	34
Roger's Backhoe	22	38
Square Pants	18	42
BCEC	18	42

High series: Scratch: Stacey Browning, 561; Dapene Thompson, 480. **Handicap:** Gary Kinder, 697; Amber Lyle, 582.
High game: Scratch: Melvin Boatman, 214; Dana Stone, 186. **Handicap:** Gary Kinder 256, Jan Haley, 227.

Spurs hold off Sonics

SEATTLE (AP) — Tony Parker scored 22 points and Tim Duncan narrowly missed a triple-double with 18 points, 15 rebounds and eight assists as San Antonio outlasted Seattle, 91-88, Wednesday .

David Robinson scored 18 points and had 10 rebounds, and Steve Smith scored 13 points as the Spurs snapped a four-game road losing streak and avoided a repeat of their 91-90 homecourt loss to Seattle on Nov. 18.

The Sonics erased an 18-point deficit in that game, and the memory stayed with the Spurs.

Gary Payton had 25 points and eight assists, Vladimir Radmanovic scored 17 points on 8-of-13 shooting, Rashard Lewis added 15 points and Brent Barry had 12.

The Sonics trailed 91-81 with 1:53 remaining but charged back, as Radmanovic hit a 3-pointer and a jumper and Barry dunked on Duncan to pull the Sonics to 91-87.

Target of probe

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Florida State football players and others associated with the athletic department are part of a gambling investigation by state and local police agencies, officials said Wednesday.

University police chief Carey Drayton said authorities are looking into allegations made against football players, student trainers and managers.

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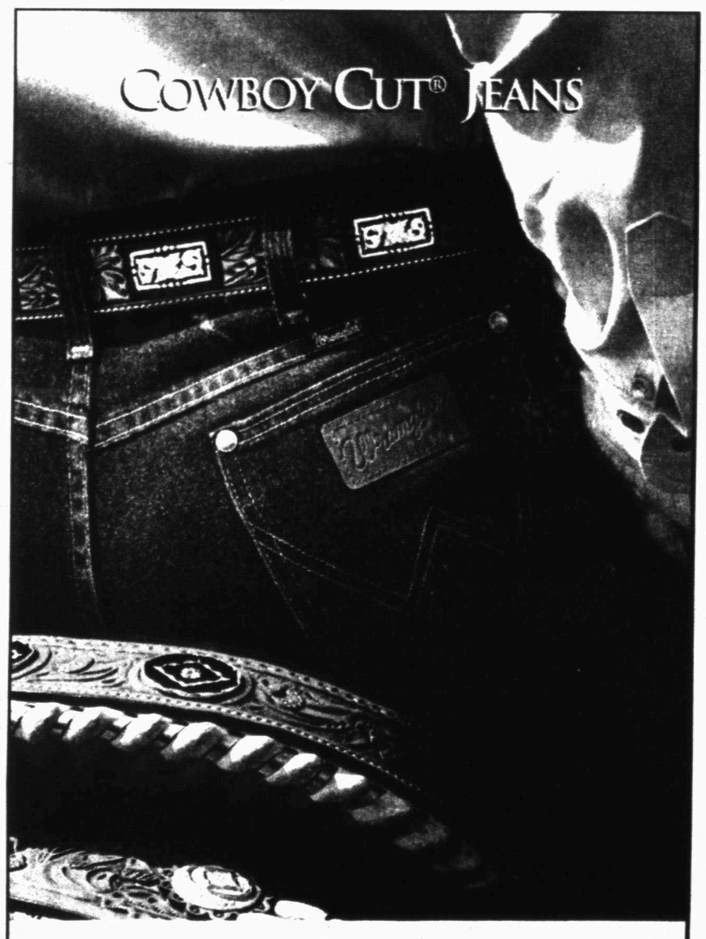
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Arrests part of post-Sept. 11 crackdown

DALLAS (AP) — Arrests of nearly a dozen people in two states in as many days are part of the government's stepped-up efforts to cut off terrorist financing, Justice Department officials said.

The government announced the indictments Wednesday of seven people in Texas and the arrests of seven others in Michigan. All are suspected of channeling funds to Arab countries that the U.S. government says are terrorist havens.

"The war against terrorism is a war of accountants and auditors, as well as a war of weaponry and soldiers," Attorney General John Ashcroft said.

A 33-count indictment unsealed in Dallas charged four brothers with money laundering and selling computer equipment to Syria and Libya, two countries the United States says are state sponsors of terrorism. All four were arrested Wednesday.

The indictment also names a fifth brother, already in custody, as well as Mousa Abu Marzook, a leader of the Palestinian militant group Hamas, and his wife, Nadia Elashi, a cousin of the five brothers.

U.S. Customs Service agents, meanwhile, arrested seven people after raiding several businesses and homes in Dearborn, Mich. Officials said the people and businesses were involved in illegal money transfers that sent as much as $50 million a year to Yemen, a hotbed for al-Qaida and other Muslin extremists.

A day earlier, three men in Lackawanna, N.Y., were arrested and charged with sending more than $480,000 to Yemen without a license to operate a money-transferring business. The three — Mohamed Albanna, Ali Albanna and Ali Elbaneh — were released on bail Wednesday. They are relatives of Jaber Elbaneh, accused of belonging to an al-Qaida terror cell in Lackawanna.

A Hamas official, speaking on condition of anonymity, criticized the arrests.

"We consider this part of the ongoing war against Islam and the Islamic institutions across the world," the official said. "There are some elements in the American administration who are trying very hard to [illegible] the image of Islam and to link it with so-called terror, which is not true, because Islam is a religion of tolerance."

The Texas case involved a company in a Dallas suburb, Infocom Corp., for which all five brothers work. The company accepted a $250,000 investment from Marzook, who was deported in 1995 after the federal government designated him a terrorist, and made payments to Marzook's wife, according to the indictment. Both are out of the country. Marzook is believed to be in Syria.

Those arrested were Bayan Elashi, Ghassan Elashi, Basman Elashi and Hazim Elashi. The fifth brother, Ihsan Elashyi, already is in custody on charges of illegally exporting computer goods to the Middle East. If convicted, they each face up to 45 years in prison and $7.2 million in fines.

Fairuz Elashi, Hazim Elashi's wife, said agents came to her family's house in Plano, near Dallas, about 7 a.m.

"They just knocked and came in and arrested him. We were not expecting anything like this," she said, adding that Hazim denied ever raising money for terrorists.

Ghassan Elashi, the company's vice president for marketing, headed the Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development. The foundation's assets were frozen by the Treasury Department in December 2001 on the grounds that it allegedly funneled money to terrorists.

FBI investigators concluded that Holy Land leaders were Hamas members and the charity was the primary U.S. fund-raising organ for the terrorist group. Hamas has been responsible for many of the 85 suicide bombing attacks that have killed 307 Israelis during 26 months of fighting.

The Holy Land Foundation raised $13 million in 2000 and claimed to be the largest U.S. Muslim charity, supporting schools and social programs for Palestinians and in predominantly Muslim nations. Its Web site condemned Israel's occupation of Gaza and the West Bank.

Infocom was in the same office park and shared some of the same employees as the Holy Land Foundation, Ashcroft said.

Tamir Ayad, executive director of the Dallas-Fort Worth chapter of the Council on American Islamic Relations, said he has worked with the five brothers in various charitable events. He called the charges ridiculous.

"We are concerned that in the climate that John Ashcroft and the Department of Justice are creating that they might use secret evidence and not give these people an adequate chance to defend themselves," Ayad said. "We are concerned that some of our liberties might be exchanged for security."

In Michigan, authorities arrested Mohammed Aidaros Abdulla, David Nasser Ali, Foiad H. Mohamad, Gamil Manea-Ahmed Al-Najar, Hussein A. Mohamed and Abdulla H. Mohamad. The seventh person arrested is an unidentified Immigration and Naturalization Service employee whom officials say overstayed his visa.

Customs agents seized records and computers from some of the businesses, which included convenience stores, service stations and restaurants. In addition, seizure warrants have been issued for records from banks in the Detroit area and Toledo, Ohio.

The Michigan and Lonyo Service Center was one of the businesses raided. It's owned by Ali and Kalid Kaid, who said it's a common practice in the Yemeni community to send money to relatives in their native country.

Multi-billion-dollar settlement over asbestos cases announced

PITTSBURGH (AP) — In a deal that would settle about 300,000 current and future asbestos cases nationwide, Halliburton Co. has agreed to pay about $4 billion in cash and stock.

The Houston-based industrial giant once led by Vice President Dick Cheney announced the deal Wednesday in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Pittsburgh.

The lawsuits mostly involve people exposed to asbestos while working at plants that produced the material or in places where asbestos was used, such as steel mills.

"This settlement is the kind of model that other companies and asbestos attorneys should be looking at to resolve company liability in the future," said Perry Weitz, the lead negotiator for the plaintiffs. "The settlement shows that companies can quantify their asbestos exposure and conduct business without a cloud of asbestos liability to provide compensation sooner than later."

Halliburton inherited most of the claims four years ago when the oilfield services, engineering and construction conglomerate acquired Dresser Industries Inc. for $7.7 billion.

The settlement was outlined in Pittsburgh because most of the asbestos claims were filed against a former Dresser subsidiary, Pittsburgh-based Harbison-Walker Refractories Co., that filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy last February.

The settlement includes about $2.8 billion in cash and 59.5 million shares currently worth about $1.2 billion. The amount paid to individual claimants and their families would vary according to the injuries suffered.

Asbestos is used for fireproofing and insulation. Inhaling asbestos fibers can cause lung cancer and other deadly respiratory ailments, sometimes decades later.

More than 75 percent of the plaintiffs agreed to the deal, which was required for a settlement.

Dave Lesar, Halliburton chairman, president and chief executive, said: "This agreement in principle represents good news for our shareholders, customers, vendors, employees and everyone else with whom we do business. If this transaction is completed, it will resolve a major issue that has been clouding our future."

For years, Halliburton managed to settle cases for relatively modest sums. But last year, verdicts in Texas, Mississippi and Maryland totaled $152 million. Investors noticed, and, in a single day following one of those verdicts, Halliburton's stock fell 40 percent.

The Dresser acquisition was overseen by Cheney before he left in 2000 to become President Bush's running mate. Harbison-Walker Refractories was spun off by Dresser in 1992, before the Halliburton deal.

Halliburton has claimed that Harbison-Walker promised to bear the liability for any asbestos claims filed against it after 1992 and did so for several years — until 2001, when it said it would no longer do so. Halliburton is suing Harbison-Walker over the liability issue.

Harbison-Walker made construction products containing asbestos for many years and was part of a Baltimore case in which a jury awarded five people who claimed asbestos exposure $40 million.

In the second quarter of this year, Halliburton said it lost $498 million — its first loss in four years — as it took charges against earnings, in part for asbestos-related claims.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Friday, Dec. 20, 2002

In the year ahead there may be a number of changes in your life that could make the hopes and wishes that you were unable to fulfill last year now possible. It will make life all the more sweet for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Today is a good day to work on projects or enterprises that require research or fact finding. Your investigative abilities are much more finely tuned at this time than normal.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — An involvement with a close associate has all the earmarks of success today. Together you can accomplish things that neither could have achieved alone and unaided.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — With the right mindset, this could turn out to be an exceptionally rewarding day for you. Think of your tasks or assignments as things you want to do, instead of things you have to do.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Today, should you be confronted with some unexpected challenge, you are apt to relish in the contest and find great excitement and stimulation in it.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Your best asset today is your ability to take an undesirable situation concerning your loved ones and transform it into something that brings a smile to everyone's face.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — That which is good for you today is also good for your family. Fortunately, all sets of eyes will be focusing on the same objective and will gain more strength than you'd achieve singularly.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Greater cooperation will be garnered at the office today because of the pleasant manner with which you treat your fellow man. It will seem that everything gets done faster and more efficiently as a result.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You can make a hit with someone today whom you've been trying to strike up a relationship with if you're not timid about approaching this person. S/he has been looking at you, too.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Should you find yourself behind in a competitive situation today, hang in there until the very end. Chances are, with staying power, you'll gradually overcome the challenge and could out the winner.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — It's a good bet that you'll be bored to tears today when in the company of dullards. Don't take that chance in the first place; plan an activity with upbeat, pleasurable friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — In situations where you have a chance for personal gain, you could be a bit more bold and enterprising today than you would be in other areas, thereby realizing the success you seek.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Present your position in enthusiastic terms and they will be well received by your associates and listeners today. Optimism gives credence to your opinions and judgments.

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AOL TimeWrn	13.50	13.03	13.21	+.07
AT&T Corp rs	26.10	25.73	25.74	—.57
Albertsons	22.19	21.76	21.76	—.26
Alltel	51.58	50.92	51.01	—.26
AmEl Pw	27.35	27.15	27.20	—.30
AndarkPtr	48.65	47.96	48.24	—.20
ATMOS Egy	23.81	23.62	23.65	+.02
Aviall	8.37	8.03	8.07	—.13
BP PLC	39.93	39.49	39.54	—.21
BakerHughes	32.95	32.29	32.73	+.28
Bank of Amer	69.47	68.35	69.00	+.53
BellSouth	26.57	26.10	26.11	—.64
BurlNoSFe	26.37	25.89	26.11	+.12
Caterpillar	46.07	45.32	45.35	—.25
CenterPoint	8.12	7.90	8.12	+.14
ChevronTex	67.60	66.58	66.81	—.62
Citigroup	37.79	36.85	37.20	+.05
CocaCola	44.50	43.85	43.90	—.64
ColgatePal	52.46	51.91	52.13	—.54
CnclMetals s	16.33	16.01	16.27	+.18
ConocoPhill	49.46	48.95	49.09	—.19
Cooper Inds	36.58	36.00	36.44	+.44
DaimlrChry	30.47	29.90	29.95	—.75
DeltaAirl	12.33	11.78	12.02	+.12
Dillards Inc	16.30	15.80	15.89	+.09
DowChem	29.75	29.25	29.26	—.25
DuPont	43.42	42.84	42.88	—.63
EastmanChem	36.95	36.21	36.60	+.08
EstKodak	37.04	36.67	36.74	—.43
EDS Corp	18.50	17.75	18.07	—.30
Entergy	45.78	45.51	45.67	—.03
ExxonMobil	35.58	35.15	35.24	—.30
FstBksAm	40.50	40.50	40.50	—.05
FootLocker	11.85	11.40	11.71	+.02
GenDynam	79.94	78.25	79.38	+1.25
GenlElec	25.85	25.44	25.56	—.10
GenMills	46.15	45.83	46.01	+.03
GenMotors	37.00	36.05	36.48	+.11
GaPacific	16.45	16.08	16.10	—.15
Goodrich	17.90	17.54	17.68	+.07
Goodyear	6.95	6.84	6.86	—.05
GtAtlPac	7.53	7.34	7.46	+.05
Halliburtn	20.45	19.12	20.02	+.47
Hanson ADS	21.75	21.22	21.75	+.52
HarteHanks s	18.90	18.15	18.68	+.28
HomeDepot	25.69	25.07	25.25	—.22
HoneywellIntl	24.25	23.10	23.77	+.07
IBM	80.34	78.48	78.82	—.31
IntlPaper	35.52	34.95	35.34	+.09
JohnsonJn	54.18	53.18	53.61	—.09
KinderMorg	41.40	40.60	41.02	—.38
Kroger Co	15.33	14.91	14.92	—.23
LockheedM	54.65	52.99	53.69	+1.16
Lowes Cos	38.95	37.96	38.35	+.15
Lubys	3.22	3.03	3.06	+.01
LucentTech	1.32	1.23	1.24	—.07
MarathonOil	21.36	21.10	21.23	—.02
MayDeptStr	23.25	22.60	23.06	—.06
Medtronic	46.98	46.25	46.41	—.37
Motorola	9.37	9.05	9.08	—.14
NCR Corp	24.50	23.70	23.81	—.14
Navistar	23.98	23.39	23.39	—.42
PNM Rescs	24.08	23.80	23.90	+.18
Penney JC	23.95	23.05	23.44	—.24
PepBoys	11.34	11.15	11.31	+.11
PepsiCo	41.10	40.50	40.52	—.33
Pharmacia	41.70	40.99	41.46	+.31
PhelpDodge	31.90	31.15	31.60	+.34
PilgrmPrd B	8.19	8.02	8.08	+.07
Praxair	57.30	56.50	56.85	—.19
ProctGamb	87.39	86.72	86.88	—.49
RadioShack	20.05	19.60	19.80	—.10
RoyalDut	42.65	42.25	42.37	—.21
SBC Comm	27.92	27.26	27.53	+.28
SaraLee	22.09	21.80	21.93	—.02
Scripps EW	76.56	75.81	76.44	+.64
SearsRoeb	24.50	24.00	24.04	—.37
SherwinW	28.05	27.80	27.89	—.07
SouthernCo	28.25	28.00	28.20	—.03
SwstAirl	14.98	14.63	14.73	+.06
SprintFON	14.79	14.50	14.61	—.14
SprintPCS	4.90	4.72	4.87	
Sunoco Inc	33.39	33.07	33.08	—.17
TXU Corp	17.96	17.70	17.89	—.01
TempleInland	45.16	44.55	44.78	—.02
TexInd	24.95	23.75	23.96	—.29
TexasInst	16.49	15.75	15.75	—.53
Textron	42.90	41.90	42.52	+.28
TrinityInds	19.05	18.75	18.78	+.03
TylerTech	4.30	4.10	4.10	—.19
UnionPacif	60.52	59.59	60.20	+.20
USSteel	13.16	12.89	13.03	+.07
UnitedTech	62.13	61.20	61.30	—.38
Unocal	31.53	31.28	31.34	+.03
VerizonComm	39.45	38.71	38.90	—.35
WalMart	51.20	50.07	50.61	+.23
WellsFargo	46.75	45.85	46.21	—.06
WstnGasRs	36.90	36.38	36.50	+.17
WinnDixie	14.95	14.78	14.79	—.01
Xerox Cp	8.18	8.00	8.02	—.11
YumBrands s	23.95	23.50	23.61	—.23

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Fibrocystic disease and breast cancer

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've had fibrocystic breast disease for years. When a recent biopsy was done, it showed atypical ductal hyperplasia. What does this mean? Also, I am awaiting the results of a lymph node biopsy and would like information about therapy should the tissue be malignant.

DEAR READER: Fibrocystic disease of the breast (squishy cysts interspersed with scar tissue) is benign, although women with this condition show a slight increase in the risk of developing breast cancer at a later date. However, once the fibrocystic tissue shows atypical ductal hyperplasia (abnormal changes) — as it may in about 5 percent of cases — the risk of cancer increases dramatically, especially if there is a family history of breast malignancy.

You are being evaluated appropriately with biopsies to determine if cancer exists in your breast. If it is present, it should be removed and suitable additional therapy, such as radiation or anti-hormone pills, given. If the biopsies are negative, you will need to have close follow-up: for example, mammograms every six months and re-biopsy of any suspicious lesions.

In my opinion, you are jumping the gun by asking about further therapy for a breast malignancy you may not have. Take the problem a step at a time and follow your doctor's advice. If and when you might develop a serious problem is still unknown, but should there be cancer, it would certainly be treatable — even curable — under the supervision of an oncologist, a cancer specialist.

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 a self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a healthy female, age 25, who recently had a routine chest x-ray because I am a smoker. The films revealed several calcified granulomas in my right lung. Skin tests for tuberculosis and histoplasmosis were negative. My doctor assures me that these growths won't affect my health, but I am worried nonetheless.

DEAR READER: Calcified granulomas are not, strictly speaking, growths. They are small flecks of calcium in lymph nodes and lung tissue that reflect previous infection, which the body has healed. These tiny shadows are commonly seen in the chest x-rays of normal, healthy adults who have, in the past, been exposed to infections, such as TB or a variety of yeast infections — including histoplasmosis.

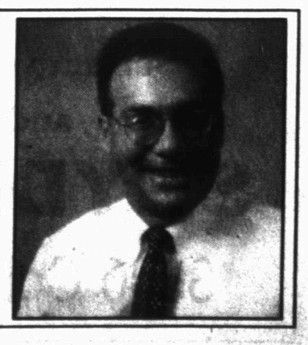
In the absence of acute or ongoing infection — which causes symptoms of cough, fever, weight loss and malaise — the calcified granulomas can be ignored; they are not a hazard to health.

In some cases, however, when doctors suspect active infection, further testing — such as CT scanning, blood analysis, skin tests and sputum examination —should be performed, and appropriate therapy should be considered.

Your physician appears to have the situation well in hand. Follow his advice, which — I hope — includes the recommendation that you stop smoking.

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Scurry County Country

Diversified

By Greg Gruben, County Extension Agent

Texas Citrus Is Now In Season

Now is the time that Texas citrus fruit is ripe and plentiful, and easily available at stores for use in holiday recipes, for gift giving, and for consumption to maintain all-around good health.

The citrus industry in Texas has led in the research and development of new varieties with even more good looks and more nutrition than ever. Things have changed for the better since the days of the sour Marsh White grapefruit —now they are sweeter and tasty enough to be eaten out of hand.

Commercially, grapefruit are divided into categories. The Ruby-Sweet category includes the famous Ruby Red, and other redder varieties such as Henderson and Ray. The smooth, yellow skins are naturally tinged with a reddish blush, and the interior color is 3 to 5 times redder than the Ruby Red.

The Rio Star category combines the two reddest varieties — Rio Red and Star Ruby grapefruit. There is an overall blush on the exterior peel with the deep red interior color, which is 7 to 10 times redder than the Ruby Red.

The Flame Category contains fruit which are red but not too red, with the same sweet, delectable taste as the Ruby-Sweet and Rio Star. The redder varieties came into existence through the A&M Citrus Center's efforts to induce mutations through ionizing radiation.

Scientists are now realizing that the reddest fruits contain lycopene, a cancer-fighting compound which may reduce the incidence of cancers of the prostrate, breast and cervix, along with citric acid and pectin.

"Marrs and Navel oranges are also excellent this season, and plentiful," says Dr. Julian Sauls, Professor and Extension Horticulturist (Citrus) at the Texas A&M Agricultural Research Cente at Weslaco, Texas," and Rio Star accounts for nearly 75 percent of Texas grapefruit today."

Texas Citrus as Gifts

During the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays oranges and grapefruits are popular gifts, and boxed sales are good ideas for fundraisers.

Texas Citrus and Nutrition

Begin exploring recipes by visiting TexaSweet Citrus Marketing's website where some useful links to nutrition facts and research into cancer-fighting compounds are listed.

Because the National Cancer Institute recommends eating 5 or more servings of fruits and vegetables a day to reduce the risk of cancer, heart disease and other illnesses, the red-fleshed citrus fruit, loaded with vitamins C and A, as well as the lycopene and other cancer-fighting properties, are at the top of the list for desirability.

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Afghan Pine begins life as a small pyramidal plant that very much resembles a classic Christmas tree, but later in life becomes a more picturesque medium to large coniferous tree. This is one of the few pines suitable for widespread use in Texas on alkaline soils.

- Plant habit or use: Upright conifer medium tree, large tree.
- Exposure: Sun, partial sun.
- Blooming period: Spring, winter.
- Fruit characteristics: 3 inches to 4 inches long woody cone.
- Height: 35 feet to 45 feet, rarely 60'.
- Width: 15 feet to 20 feet (25 feet).
- Plant character: Evergreen
- Water requirements: Medium, low
- USDA hardiness zone: 6,7,8,9.

Additional comments: Adaptable to variety of soil types including those that are alkaline and moderate salty as long as they are well drained. Drought and heat tolerant once established. Pine tip, moth and an occasional needle disease can be problems. Not as well adapted to East Texas.

We are now accepting orders for trees and drip irrigation through Jan. 31. For further information call or come by the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District office located in the Scurry County USDA office complex at 5309 Big Spring Hwy. 915-573-6317.

Scurrying Around Snyder

Beth Davidheim, CEA—Family and Consumer Sciences, 2605 Avenue M, Snyder, Texas 79549

Traveling with Food to Gatherings of Family and Friends

It's a time-honored tradition for many people to bring food to gatherings, such as holiday meals. How do you decide who brings what or how to travel with food if you're asked to bring something?

When assigning foods or deciding what to take, consider types of food and distance to travel. Remember the two-hour rule: Avoid leaving perishable foods at room temperature longer than two hours (one hour in warmer seasons when the temperature is over 90 F). The two hours includes preparation time for foods that aren't cooked or foods that need more preparation steps after cooking.

People traveling a long distance might bring non-perishables such as rolls, breads and cookies. Those traveling about a half hour or less can more safely bring perishable foods such as meat, poultry, fish, eggs and dairy products or foods containing these items. Nearer relatives also are a better choice for providing salads, relishes and vegetables.

When traveling with food, keep HOT foods hot (140 F or higher) by wrapping them in foil, and then in heavy towels. Or, carry them in insulated wrappers or containers designed to keep food hot.

Place COLD foods in a cooler with ice or freezer packs or an insulated container with a cold pack so they remain at 40 F or lower, especially if traveling over 30 minutes.

On arrival, place cold foods in the refrigerator. Place hot foods in an oven hot enough to keep the food at an internal temperature of 140 F or above; use a food thermometer to assure the food stays at a safe internal temperature. Plan to serve foods shortly after guests have arrived.

Another possibility is to carry all perishable food in an ice chest and come early. Then prepare the food after you arrive.

Remember: If you travel with food, take a detour around the "danger zone." Keep hot foods hot (140 F or higher) and cold foods cold (40 F or lower).

Fruitful Information "Healthy Holidays"

Holiday meals don't have to pack such a high calorie punch. Simple make over tips can lighten a meal and keep the taste good:

Baked turkey — choose a plain bird over a self-roasting bird to lower the sodium content. To ensure a moist bird, leave the skin on while roasting, don't over bake the bird, and pour gravy on the meat after carving.

Gravy — use a fat-skimmer cup or freeze the juices in a shallow pan so you can remove the fat. Save around 56 grams of fat per cup!

Dressing — use a low-sodium boxed stuffing mix and add sauteed onions, celery, apples and cooked rice. Add a little more broth and bake for 30 minutes.

Candied yams — sweeten with apple or orange juice and add ground cinnamon. Omit the margarine or butter and marshmallows.

Green bean casserole — cook fresh green beans with chunks of potatoes and fat-free half-n-half instead of cream soup. Top with almonds instead of fried onion rings.

Mashed potatoes — use skim milk, garlic powder and a little Parmesan cheese instead of whole milk and butter. Use low-cal margarine instead of butter.

Fat Facts: 3.5 ounce serving: Contains Fat g: Turkey skin 39.0; Roast beef 15.0; turkey wing w/skin 12.3; dark turkey meat w/skin 11.5; turkey breast w/skin 7.3; roasted ham 9.0; dark meat w/out skin 7.0; turkey breast w/out skin 0.7.

Holiday Dessert for Diabetes Patients Sweet Potato Pie

1 large orange sweet potato (1 pound)
1 cup Splenda (a substitute for sugar)
½ cup skim milk
½ cup egg white or nonfat egg substitute
½ teaspoon ground nutmeg
½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Directions:

1. Wash sweet potato under cold water. Pierce skin and microwave on full power for 7-8 minutes or until soft. Run potato under cold water to cool and remove pulp from skin. Discard skin.

2. Mash sweet potato pulp in a bowl with hand beaters. Stir in Splenda, milk, egg, nutmeg, cinnamon and vanilla. Beat on medium speed until mixture is smooth. Pour filling into 8 inch by 8 inch baking pan.

3. Bake at 350 degrees F until firm in the center, about 50 minutes. Pie will puff up like a souffle and then will sink down as it cools. Serve warm or refrigerate for later use.

Serves 8. Each slice: 86 calories, 0 fat, 0 saturated fat, 0 cholesterol, 45 mg sodium, 1 carbohydrate, 1.5 g fiber, 3 g protein. Diabetic exchange: 1 starch.

Grant writing workshop set in Spur Jan. 22-23

A grant writing workshop, sponsored by the Big Country, Four Winds RC&D and Wes-Tex RC&D areas, will be held in Spur on Jan. 22-23.

The two-day workshop will carry participants through general grant writing basics all the way to writing, editing and submitting applications for grant funds.

The training program will be instructed by Al Cogburn, a 40 year veteran in public education. Cogburn has hands on experience in managing block grants for amounts ranging from $250,000 to $1,000,000.

Since 1990 he has written 43 successful competitive federal, state and foundation applications totaling more than $17 million. Cogburn is currently under contract with 15 school districts and charter schools for special programs planning, implementation and evaluation which includes grant writing. He is also currently working with two Texas counties on special programs and projecting planning, implementation, management, and evaluation. Each of these contracts includes grant planning writing, facilitation, management and evaluation.

The workshop will be held at the South Plains Electric Cooperative just west of Spur on FM 836. The two-day program will begin each day at 9 a.m. and finish at 4 p.m.

Pre-registration is $100, after Jan. 15 it is $115.

The registration fee covers only the course content. Each participant will be on his or her own for meals and lodging. The workshop is limited to the first 25 registered applicants.

Lodging is available at the Spur Inn Bed & Breakfast in Spur at 806-271-3940 or the Double H Motel in Dickens at 806-623-5512.

Interested individuals should contact the 4-Winds RC&D at 940-658-3680 or the Andrew Kent Soil and Water Conservation District in Jayton at 806-237-2624.

New rules exempt most poultry farms

ATLANTA (AP) — Many of Georgia's chicken farmers may be unaffected by new federal rules curbing animal waste runoff, despite the state producing 3 billion pounds of manure each year.

The Environmental Protection Agency regulations implemented Monday apply to large poultry growers, as well as to big hog and cattle farms. But smaller poultry farms make up the bulk of Georgia's $2.5 billion-a-year broiler-chicken industry.

The rules also do not extend to large processing companies that contract with farmers to fatten chicks for slaughter. Environmentalists and some states want processors to share responsibility for runoff contaminated by poultry manure.

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The SDN will be taking Christmas Angel messages until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 20.

The Christmas Angels will be in the December 24th edition of Snyder Daily News.

Submit your angel's photo, a short message and $15 (Group Pictures $20) to:

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WEEKLY LAKE AND WATER DELIVERY REPORT

LAKE J. B. THOMAS (200,604 ACRE FEET AT ELEVATION 2258.00 FT.)

	ONE YEAR AGO	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
	12/16/01	12/9/02	12/16/02
ELEVATION (FEET)	17.72	17.48	17.49
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	19,249	18,661	18,681
PERCENT FULL	9.60	9.30	9.31
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		1.10	0.00
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SPENCE TO THOMAS (Gal.)		0	0

*RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT BIG SPRING/ODESSA INTAKE.

E.V. SPENCE RESERVOIR (517,262 ACRE-FEET AT ELEVATION 1898.00 FT.)

	ONE YEAR AGO	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
	12/16/01	12/9/02	12/16/02
ELEVATION (FEET)	44.17	38.08	37.86
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	54,997	36,309	35,723
PERCENT FULL	10.63	7.02	6.91
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		1.40	0.00

*RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT SPENCE PUMP STATION.

O.H. IVIE RESERVOIR (554,340 ACRE-FEET AT ELEVATION 1551.50 FT.)

	ONE YEAR AGO	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
	12/16/01	12/9/02	12/16/02
ELEVATION (FEET)	31.95	28.03	27.99
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	258,229	216,395	215,992
PERCENT FULL	46.58	39.04	38.96
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		1.89	0.00

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MUNICIPAL WATER DELIVERIES IN GALLONS

	LAST WEEKS DAILY AVERAGE 12/9/02 12/3/02	THIS WEEKS DAILY AVERAGE 12/16/02 12/10/02	THIS WEEKS PEAK DAY 12/16/02 12/10/02
BIG SPRING	3,838,286	3,423,286	3,780,000
ODESSA	11,275,714	11,995,714	13,205,000
SNYDER	1,662,286	1,643,857	2,240,000
MIDLAND	13,096,571	11,983,429	12,636,000
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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Young lovers must grow up before trying to be grown-ups

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing regarding the letter from "Totally in Love" about his relationship with a 13-year-old girl. You advised him that if "things went too far," he could find himself in legal trouble. That's an understatement.

I am a probation officer. Last Friday, I sat in court while a client of mine was sentenced to three years (the low end of the guidelines) for having consensual sex with a 13-year-old. The girl had told him she was 15 and said so in court. Once released from the penitentiary, he will have to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life.

That 18-year-old needs to watch himself. He also needs to ask himself why he can't date girls his own age. Here in Virginia, if an 18-year-old has sex with a 13-year-old, he's a sex offender — whether or not the girl was willing. — **CONCERNED IN MANASSAS**

DEAR CONCERNED: I hope "Totally in Love" sees your letter. Its message is sobering. **Read on:**

DEAR ABBY: Your advice to "Totally in Love" was great, but you left something out. I'm 19, and don't profess to know everything, but someone needs to explain to him about how 13-year-olds think. At that age, none of us had any idea what love was. Puberty struck most of us full-force and our hormones were going nuts — way too early to make lifelong commitments, especially to an 18-year-old guy.

The girl's mind is going to change so much as she grows up and finds out who she is and what she wants. She may not like him anymore when she gets a little older, and if she says it won't change, she's lying to herself and to him.

Abby, that guy needs not only to come clean about his age to her mother, but also not dream too far ahead in the future. He should wait until she grows up before lifelong commitments come into the picture. — **A WOMAN WHO REMEMBERS THAT AGE**

DEAR REMEMBERS: It's unfortunate that 13-year-old girl doesn't have a sister like you. You have given sage advice.

DEAR ABBY: While I agree with your advice to "Totally in Love," I feel there is a bit more to say. From personal experience, I have found that if young people (such as his 13-year-old girlfriend) have an "exclusive" relationship, what happens is that she is excluded from the normal passages of youth. I cannot see how what people feel at 13 could possibly be what they want at 18, 21, etc.

And if the relationship does "go too far," then what? Two children with a child? That young girl may well regret and resent the exclusiveness of the relationship she had when she was young.

I hope the parents of BOTH these young people help them to see that it's better to allow each other time to grow up before they try to be grown-ups. If they're truly meant to be together, no amount of time will change their feelings for each other, and eventually they'll be able to share life experiences they'll never have in the relationship they have now. I wish them the best. — **AN EXPERIENCED OLDER PERSON**

DEAR EXPERIENCED: You have a wise and compassionate perspective. Several readers also pointed out that the age difference between this young man and the girl is so great that it is not a relationship of equals. Few girls that age can say no to someone that much older and more experienced.

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Fight erupts between inmates over pet spider; hate crime?

PUNTA GORDA, Fla. (AP) — Two black prisoners are facing felony hate crime charges after they allegedly beat a white prisoner who accused one of the pair of stealing his pet spider, officials said.

James Borland, the victim of the beating, suffered a skull fracture and needed immediate brain surgery after the Dec. 11 incident, officials at the Charlotte Correctional Institution said. Borland could be released from Lee Memorial Hospital as early as Thursday.

Lemuel Ware, the inmate Borland accused of stealing the pet spider, and Corey Andrews were charged with aggravated battery of a prisoner, elevated to a felony because they allegedly taunted Borland with racial slurs, officials said. They could face life in jail if convicted.

Ware and Andrews were transferred to Charlotte County Jail, where they are held without bail. They will be arraigned Jan. 27 on the new charges, officials said.

Ware, a carjacker, was scheduled to be released in 2008. Andrews, who was jailed on battery charges, was scheduled to be released in 2005.

Borland is scheduled to be released from jail in December 2003 after finishing his sentence for hit-and-run and cocaine charges, according to jail records.

Inmates are not allowed to have any pets, including spiders, said warden Warren Cornell.

Baby born with West Nile virus

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) — A month-old baby with the West Nile virus was infected before she was born in the country's first documented intrauterine transmission of the disease, according to a report.

The case surprised health officials who had believed the disease could not be passed from pregnant mothers to their unborn children, the Post-Standard of Syracuse reported today.

The 20-year-old mother — a resident of this central New York city — was admitted to a hospital on Aug. 29 with fever, headaches, blurred vision and other symptoms that weren't attributed to the West Nile virus. She was released a week later, but diagnosed with the virus when she was re-admitted Sept. 24, the paper reported.

The woman gave birth at full-term in November, and tests on her daughter's spinal fluid and umbilical cord blood showed a West Nile infection, said Dr. Lloyd Novick, Onondaga County health commissioner. The baby has a number of health complications, he told the paper.

The baby's life is not in danger, but the virus or its complications may have caused problems affecting the infant's central nervous system, according to county health officials. Officials would not release the identity of the baby girl being treated at Crouse Hospital, or her mother, recovering out of the hospital.

Federal officials planned to announce the case today.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Web site on Wednesday, there was no evidence that West Nile virus can be transmitted during pregnancy or birth.

The CDC has documented six cases of West Nile in pregnant women. None of the women or children died.

Today's chuckle

76-year-old graduates from college

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — Bernice Strickland started college in 1945. She finished Tuesday.



Strickland, 76, was the oldest of 202 graduates receiving bachelor's or master's degrees from the University of South Florida at commencement exercises Tuesday night. Strickland majored in English and American Literature.

"I taught her five times, and she never missed a class," said literature professor Susan Harrington. "That was remarkable."

Strickland, a retired kindergarten teacher, left the Florida State College for Women — now known as Florida State University — in 1947, and didn't resume taking classes until 1995, when she enrolled at Indian River Community College in Stuart.

She had no computer skills and had never read a William Shakespeare play. Now she's a literature graduate, one who got mostly A's at USF.

Strickland said she always had wanted to complete her degree and decided to make those plans a reality after her husband, Lantis, died.

"When he passed away, I wanted something to do to pass the time," she said. "I decided then it was time to go back."

Photograph of Marilyn Monroe sells for $22,200

LONDON (AP) — A black-and-white photograph of film star Marilyn Monroe sold for $22,200 at an auction of movie memorabilia.

The photograph, taken in about 1949, was dedicated to Hollywood agent John Hyde, who helped boost Monroe's career when it was at a standstill.

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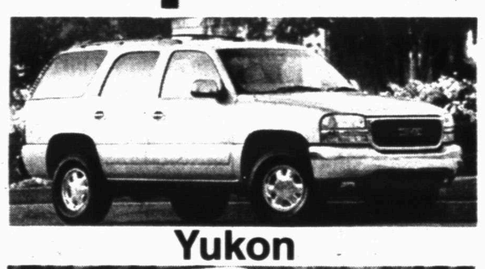
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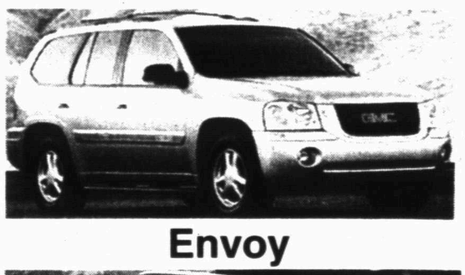
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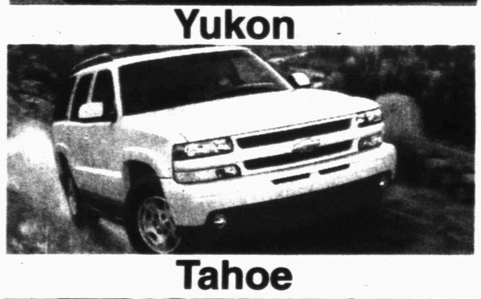
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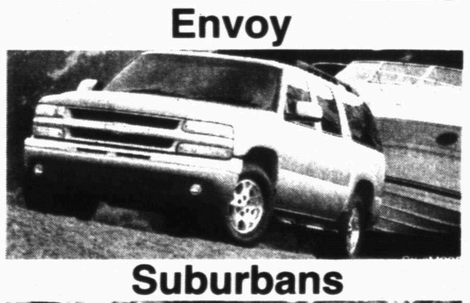
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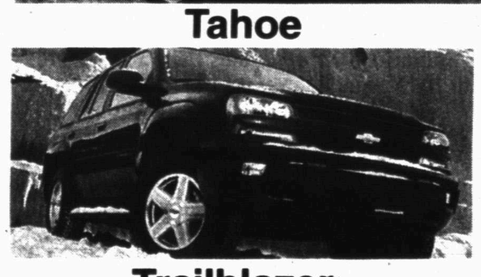
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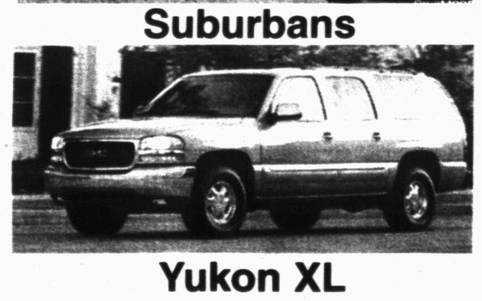
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Rape convictions in 1989 case thrown out

NEW YORK (AP) — A judge dismissed the convictions today of all five men who served years in prison for the 1989 rape and beating of a woman jogger in Central Park, a crime that exposed the city's racial tensions and made national headlines.

The courtroom, filled with the family and friends of the defendants, burst into cheers and applause as state Justice Charles Tejada announced his ruling.

Tejada's ruling, less than a week before Christmas, surprised attorneys who had expected his decision on Jan. 6. The defendants weren't in court.

The decision came two weeks after District Attorney Robert Morgenthau recommended dropping all the convictions in the case. The prosecutor cited new DNA evidence that implicates a convicted rapist who has confessed to the Central Park assault.

Tejeda's ruling came after lawyers from the police detectives' union unsuccessfully tried to block his ruling. The Detectives' Endowment Association wanted an evidentiary hearing first, said attorney Philip Karsyk.

The primary evidence in the case had been confessions made to detectives.

Supporters of the five have said those statements were coerced. The five black and Hispanic defendants ranged from age 14 to 16 when they were arrested for the April 19, 1989, attack.

Prosecutors have said they have no plans to retry the five.

No forensic evidence linked any of them to the crime scene. In addition, there was a DNA match with serial rapist Matias Reyes, who confessed to the jogger attack earlier this year.

Food makers may advertise 'qualified' claims about items

WASHINGTON (AP) — Food makers may advertise "qualified" descriptions of the health benefits of their products now that the Food and Drug Administration has loosened a requirement requiring scientific consensus on such claims.

The first pitch expected after Wednesday's FDA announcement: salmon and other fatty fish contain omega-3 fatty acids that are thought to — but not proved to — reduce the risk of heart disease.

Until now, the FDA standard for health claims about food has been rigid. Before oatmeal could claim to be good for the heart, for instance, there had to be scientific consensus that oatmeal's fiber helps maintain low cholesterol levels.

The new hurdle is similar to the one the courts have established for dietary supplements. They are allowed to carry "qualified health claims" — meaning there is no consensus, but a lot of scientific research supporting a particular nutrient's effect.

Food makers, irked by the disparity between the previously rigid standards governing them and what the $17 billion dietary supplement industry could claim, welcomed the plans.

The steps are "leveling the playing field for conventional foods," said Rhona Applebaum of the National Food Processors Association.

"This breaks a logjam," added Gene Grabowski of the Grocery Manufacturers of America.

But consumer advocates decried the move.

A qualified food claim is comparable to the airline industry saying, "this airplane may be safe," said Bruce Silverglade of the Center for Science in the Public Interest. "Most consumers ... don't like wishy-washy advice from health agencies."

The FDA also promised more crackdowns on dietary supplement makers who make fraudulent claims

U.S. marshals acting on an FDA request this week seized $100,000 of a supplement called EverCLR that was sold illegally as a treatment for herpes and other viruses. Federal law prohibits dietary supplements from being sold as disease treatments, and the FDA spent two years trying to persuade EverCLR's maker to stop its marketing voluntarily.

Woman arrested for assault

Arrests

Officers arrested an 18-year-old woman for assault at 10:30 p.m. Wednesday in the 3100 block of Ave. V.

At 12:24 a.m. today, officers took a 17-year-old man into custody for failure to identify, consumption of alcohol by a minor, and warrants for consumption and failure to appear in court.

Theft

Terry Hanshew reported a bicycle stolen in the 2500 block of 30th Street Wednesday, but requested no charges be filed.

Officers submitted an offense report for Class B theft for a stolen newspaper vending machine at Eckerd's. The machine was reported missing Monday.

Assault

A woman requested officers at a residence in the 900 block of 27th Street Wednesday evening and reported she and another female were assaulted by a man earlier in the day.

Fight

A man reported a fight at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday between two Hispanic males in the area of Huffman Ave. and Hwy. 208. Officers responded, but the subjects were gone on arrival. A close patrol was initiated.

Dr. Cooper to head local medical staff

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers gave its okay to a new slate of medical staff officers during this morning's meeting.

Dr. Bid Cooper will serve as the chief of staff of the hospital physicians for the coming year, and Dr. James Burleson will serve as the vice chairman, having served as chief of staff the past year.

Dr. Robert Rakov will serve the group as its secretary.

Dr. Cooper this morning presented the hospital's reappointment of medical staff personnel and all were approved.

Annual items approved this morning included the re-appointment of Jay Wesson as safety officer, the board's self-evaluation, and the board gave its approval to a revised dietary manual.

In presenting the manual, administrative assistant Christy Brown said the new dietary manual assists in providing the correct type of diet for the individual patient needs.

An in-service report was provided the board on the hospital central supply department, and the monthly financial report was approved.

CEO George Parsley told the board the emergency room renovation could be finished by mid-March, and set a board workshop for Thursday, Jan. 16.

Among the items to be discussed at the workshop, said Parsley, would be the hospital's updated radiology services, bad debt, the possibility of the hospital attaining critical access status and physician recruiting.

Board president Carl Williams presided at the one-hour meeting and members present were Terry Williams, Bill Voss, Dink Foree and Dr. Charles Church. E. D. Walton was absent.

Two men are given probation

Two men — one from Snyder and the other from San Angelo — were placed on probation this week in 132nd District Court.

On Monday, Donald Eugene Jeffery of 507 34th Street in Snyder pleaded guilty to a Sept. 2 charge of possession of a controlled substance, cocaine.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong sentenced Jeffery, 36, to serve two years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for five years. He also was fined $1,000.

On Wednesday Matthew Rynn Norman, 20, of San Angelo pleaded guilty to a Jan. 9 forgery charge.

Norman was sentenced to serve two years in a TDCJ state jail facility, probated for five years. He also was fined $1,000 and ordered to make $765 in restitution to United and to William Fincher.

Obituaries

Eva Moore

1915-2002

Eva Belle Moore, a longtime Scurry County resident, died Tuesday, Dec. 17, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Moore, 87, is set for 10 a.m. Saturday in the First Baptist Church Chapel with the Rev. Mike Henson, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.



Eva Moore

Born April 27, 1915 in Tahoka, she married Dewey Moore on Oct. 20, 1929 in Scurry County. He died March 16, 1991. She also was preceded in death by daughter, Dorothy Price; a brother, Lynn Fenton; two sisters, Verma Parks and Odell Harrell; and a son-in-law, Miller Price.

Survivors include a daughter, Janelle Pollard of Snyder; a brother, Myron Fenton of Snyder; five grandchildren, Renee Abraham of Lubbock, Debbie Wooten of Midland, Connie Huddleston and Todd Pollard, both of Snyder, and Alan Pollard of Cedar Park; 10 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Family visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Veda Minor

1912-2002

Veda Minor, 90, died Tuesday, Dec. 17, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Funeral service for Mrs. Minor, a life-long resident of Scurry County, is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Tom Holcomb, minister of the East Side Church of Christ, will officiate. Interment will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.



Veda Minor

Born Oct. 27, 1912 in Snyder, she married Edwin Minor on Nov. 12, 1932 in Ira. He died Oct. 16, 1989. She also was preceded in death by a son, Jerry Minor.

A member of the Church of Christ, Mrs. Minor was retired from the school system.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Vickie and Charlie Beil of Snyder; two sons, Benny Minor and Rudy Minor and his wife Islasu, all of Snyder; a sister, Gladys Roberts of Porterville, Calif.; two sisters-in-law, Emogene Sterling and Lorene Harris, both of San Angelo; two nieces, Norma Cumbie and Billie Holladay, both of Snyder; a special friend, Evelyn Ware of Snyder; 12 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

John Tate

1924-2002

John D. Tate of Snyder died early today at his home in Snyder.

Graveside service for Mr. Tate, 78, is set for 10 a.m. Saturday in the Snyder Cemetery. Tom Holcomb, minister of East Side Church of Christ, will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Born Dec. 4, 1924 in Marshal County, Ala., Mr. Tate was a farmer.

Survivors include his wife, Jimmie Nan Tate of Snyder; two daughters and sons-in-law, Kathie and Jon Holdren of Abilene and Teresa and Randy Wolf of Sanford, N.C.; five sons and four daughters-in-law, Jerry and Sandy Tate of Tyler, Rick and Jane Tate of San Antonio, Randy and Patti Tate of Liberty, David and Lisa Tate of Snyder and Bill Tate of Santa Fe, N.M.; two brothers, Wayne Tate of Snyder and Guin A. Tate of Corsicana; a sister, Pauline Tate of Honolulu, Hawaii; 14 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

Family visitation will be 6-7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

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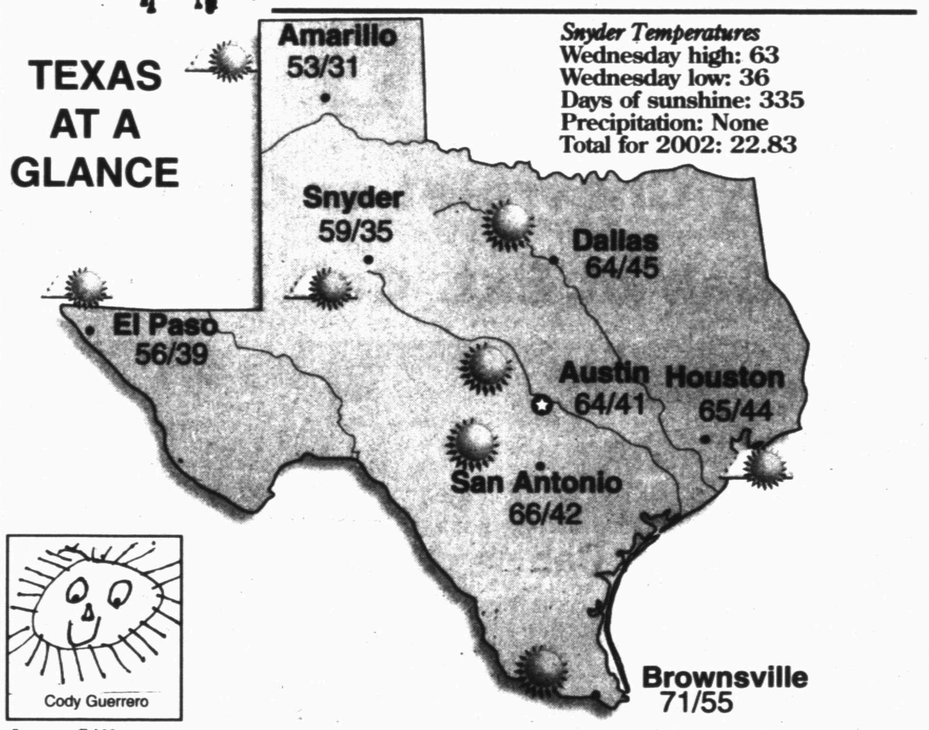
Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Fri 12/20	Sat 12/21	Sun 12/22
59/35	59/26	52/39
Mostly sunny skies. High around 55F. Winds WNW at 10 to 15 mph.	Plenty of sun. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the mid 20s.	Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the upper 20s.
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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	62	42	sunny	El Paso	56	39	mst sunny	Midland	60	38	sunny
Amarillo	53	31	mst sunny	Fort Stockton	63	40	mst sunny	Raymondville	70	50	mst sunny
Austin	64	41	sunny	Gainesville	61	38	sunny	Rosenberg	65	44	mst sunny
Beaumont	64	43	sunny	Greenville	61	39	sunny	San Antonio	66	42	sunny
Brownsville	71	55	sunny	Houston	65	44	mst sunny	San Marcos	65	42	sunny
Brownwood	64	40	sunny	Kingsville	69	47	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	62	40	sunny
Corpus Christi	67	49	mst sunny	Livingston	63	39	sunny	Sweetwater	62	39	mst sunny
Corsicana	64	43	sunny	Longview	62	39	sunny	Tyler	64	45	sunny
Dallas	64	45	sunny	Lubbock	57	32	mst sunny	Weatherford	63	38	sunny
Del Rio	66	43	mst sunny	Lufkin	64	42	mst sunny	Wichita Falls	61	37	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	54	30	pt sunny	Houston	65	44	mst sunny	Phoenix	57	43	cloudy
Boston	52	37	rain	Los Angeles	59	50	rain	San Francisco	53	50	t-storm
Chicago	39	28	windy	Miami	80	61	t-storm	Seattle	47	35	pt sunny
Dallas	64	45	sunny	Minneapolis	35	22	sn shower	St. Louis	48	32	sunny
Denver	40	19	cloudy	New York	53	35	rain	Washington, DC	54	34	rain

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Dec 19	Dec 27	Jan 2	Jan 10

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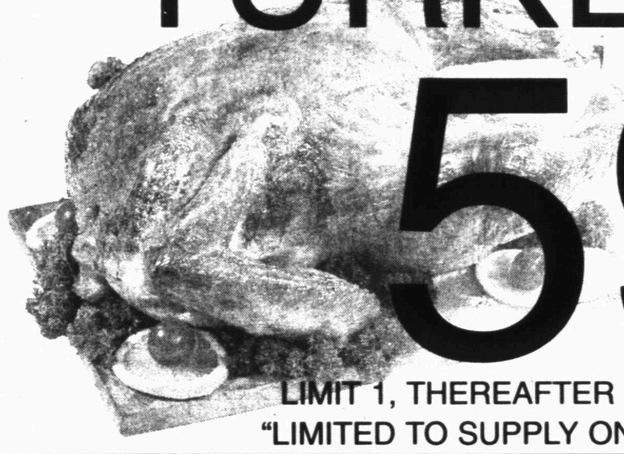
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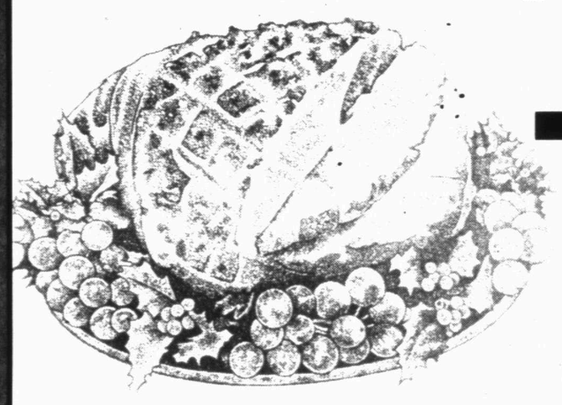
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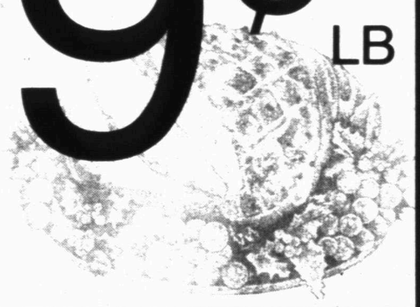
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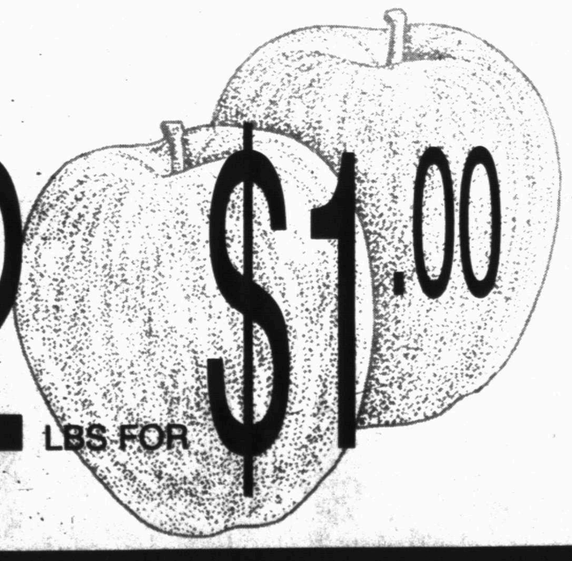
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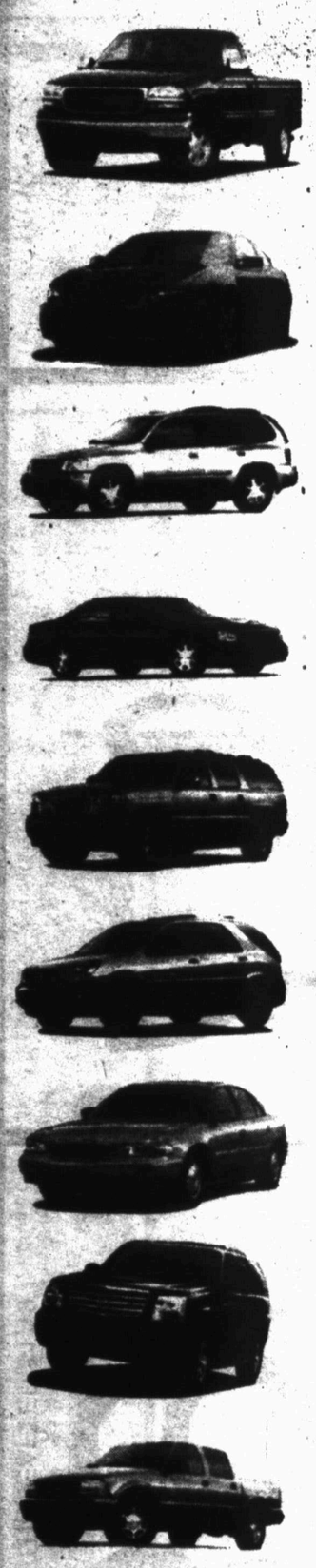
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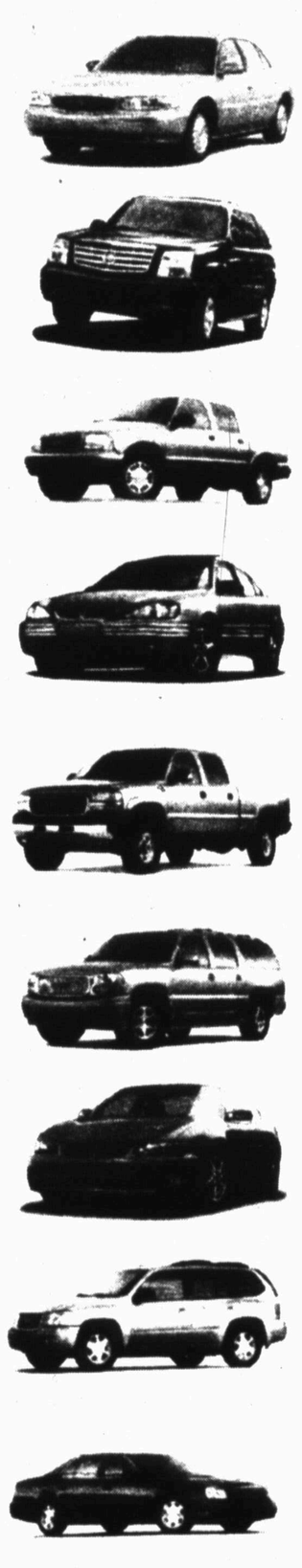
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