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Home Of Ricardo Hernandez

Librarian named...

Commissioners reject building for probation

By Joyce May
SDN Staff Writer

A proposal for a new home for the adult probation department was rejected Monday morning during a meeting of the Scurry County Commissioners Court.

Sy Tabor, director of the Community Supervision and Corrections Department, asked the court to purchase a building across from the courthouse for the adult probation office, but the request was rejected on a 3-2 vote of the court.

Scurry County Judge Ricky Fritz broke the deadlock by voting not to purchase the new building, saying he wanted a "win-win situation" for the county — which he and opposing commissioners believe to be utilization of the county-owned Diamond M building.

Tabor's proposal was for the county to purchase the building at 2511 College Avenue (formerly Don's Surplus) at an estimated cost of $20,000 plus legal fees and invest approximately $25,000, or 25 percent, into the cost of renovations.

The adult probation office, which has a surplus of almost $100,000, would cover 75 percent of the renovation costs, which has been estimated at $100,000.

In addition, the adult probation office would pay $850 a month rent to the county for the building.

Tabor projected this would return to the county its $50,000 investment in approximately five years.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Ralph Trevey and Precinct 4 Commissioner Chloanne Lindsey both opposed the proposal.

Trevey proposed the idea of utilizing the probation department's money to install an elevator at the Diamond M building.

"Let us melt the two together," Trevey said. "You need more space. You put in the elevator. We have the building. Let's make a deal."

Tabor responded, however, that he wasn't interested in "slaying anyone else's dragons," he just wanted to take care of adult probation.

He said he proposed the spot on the square because it is easily accessible to the courthouse. The Diamond M building, he said, would require drive time for his employees as well as vehicle and maintenance costs.

He said new vehicles would have to be purchased for employees, because, for one reason, safety concerns transporting probationers from the Diamond M to the courthouse and back.

"How many of you want to haul a convicted felon in your personal car? How many of you want to haul people with Hepatitis A, B and C in the same car you carry your children in?"

Everyone did agree that the adult probation office needed more space, as it is currently located in the former police station on 27th Street.

"For anyone who has been in there, there shouldn't be any doubt in anyone's mind you need additional space," Fritz told Tabor. "You are working in cubby holes, the offices are tiny. It's not the best working conditions — there is not much room to break and run if you need to."

Fritz said meetings would be held to discuss the problem and try to find a "win-win situation."

In other action, commissioners also approved the interview committee's recommendation of Jane Romine as new head librarian.

Romine is a graduate of Snyder High School and also attended Travis Junior High School and East Elementary.

She attended Texas Woman's University in Denton and the University of Texas in El Paso. She graduated from UTEP with a degree in music education.

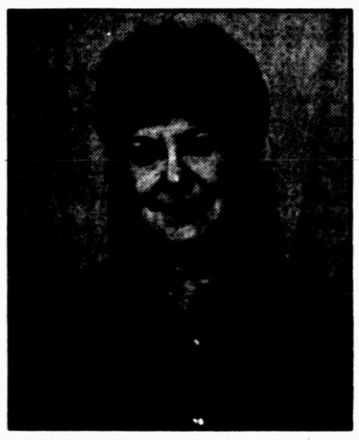
Romine taught band in Midland and Arlington, before going overseas for six years with her husband, who worked for the federal government.

She and her husband later lived in northern Virginia, where she worked as a school librarian.

The two then relocated to Plano, and Romine returned to TWU and earned her master's degree in library science.

The couple moved back to Snyder in 1997 and she has been a substitute teacher for the past two years.

Commissioner also approved the list of election judges and alternates with little discussion and approved five line-item transfers and one budget amendment.



Jane Romine

Ritz Theatre sets auditions

Auditions for the Ritz Community Theatre fall production, "I Remember Mama," will be held today from 5 to 7 p.m. at the theatre on the south side of the Snyder square.

The classic comedy, based on the story of "Mama's Bank Account" by Kathryn Forbes, is a heartwarming study of Norwegian-American family life early in this century.

The cast requires 10 women, four of whom could be teenagers. It also requires six men, two of these could be teenagers.

Some doubling of minor roles will be used.

The cast includes Mama and Papa; Katrin, eldest daughter and aspiring writer; Christine, a 15-year-old daughter; Nels, a 13-year-old son; Dagmar, the youngest child and an animal lover; Mr. Hyde, the boarder who reads classics to the family; Aunt Jenny, Aunt Trina and Aunt Sigrid, Mama's eccentric sisters.



MOVING ON UP — Bill Dickinson, left, helps Chris Hartman move a recliner up to his dorm room Sunday at Western Texas College. Hartman is a freshman from Sweetwater. Registration brgins Wednesday and classes at WTC start next Monday. (SDN Staff Photo)

Area sales tax rebates

City	July '99	July '98	+/-	Year '99	Year '98	+/-
Abilene	$2,484,610.26	$2,435,017.84	2.03%	$16,054,628.45	$15,819,744.03	1.48%
Big Spring	$356,556.21	$379,552.04	-6.05%	$2,381,992.25	$2,500,359.34	-4.73%
Colorado City	$47,846.75	$49,637.21	-3.60%	$286,272.72	$291,735.98	-1.87%
Lamesa	$84,905.90	$103,260.10	-17.77%	$594,237.81	$621,666.07	-4.41%
Lubbock	$2,627,601.08	$2,407,243.50	9.15%	$17,300,743.28	$17,007,014.09	1.72%
Post	$24,224.52	$24,035.38	0.78%	$141,503.29	$159,374.61	-11.21
Roby	$3,420.71	$3,259.07	4.95%	$17,233.28	$15,573.87	10.65%
Rotan	$15,467.45	$16,657.38	-7.14%	$84,899.82	$84,230.53	0.79%
Snyder	$130,016.39	$138,565.50	-6.16%	$959,437.35	$998,156.80	-3.87%
Sweetwater	$183,439.91	$208,865.43	-11.32%	$1,267,404.12	$1,298,608.03	-2.40%

REBATES DROP – The July sales tax rebate to Snyder dropped just over six percent from the same period last year - $130,016 as compared to $138,565 in 1998. For the year, the rebate is down slightly less than four percent. Sweetwater, Lamesa, Colorado City and Big Spring also saw a drop in rebates this month.

GOP rivals urge Bush to answer drug query

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican presidential contender George W. Bush is being urged by some of his GOP rivals to get the question of illegal drug use behind him by responding to the issue forthrightly.

At the same time, his competitors and supporters maintained that past indiscretions, including possible drug involvement, should not disqualify the Texas governor or anyone else from the presidency. And they emphasized there is no evidence Bush ever used narcotics.

But several candidates suggested that a more complete, direct response was required.

"Just answer the darn question and get rid of it," Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said as the issue dominated the Sunday television talk shows.

Hatch said Bush opened the way for inquiries by giving partial answers. "If there wasn't anything here, then George Bush should have just said there wasn't," Hatch said on NBC's "Meet the Press." "If there was, I think he, at this point, should answer it, get it behind him, because the polls show most of the American people are forgiving."

While Bush, 53, has acknowledged he once drank heavily and made "mistakes" in his youth, there has been no evidence or even credible allegation that he ever has used cocaine or any other illegal drug. When pressed on the matter last week, he gave varying answers and finally said he had not used illegal drugs in the past 25 years. He would not elaborate.

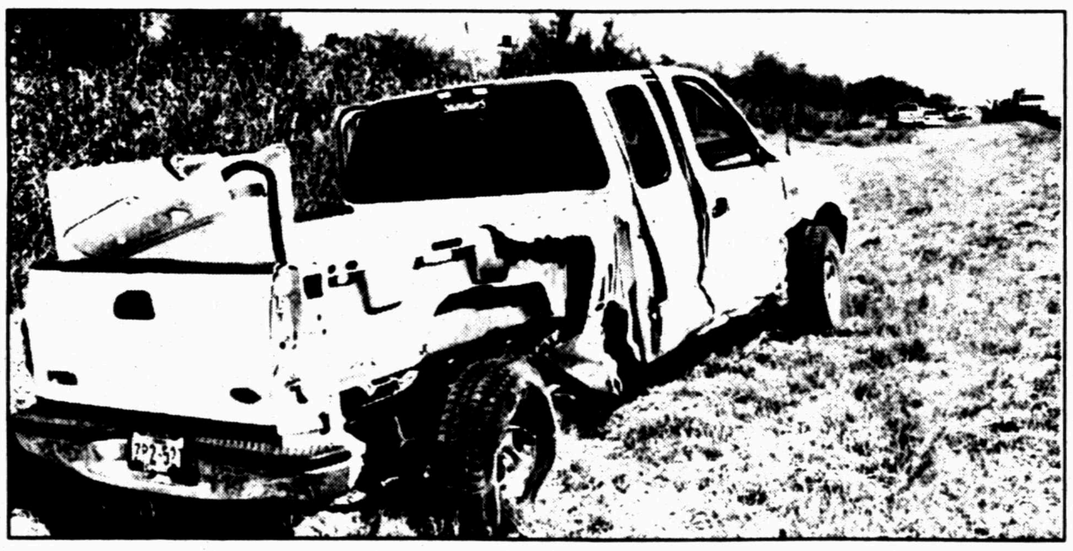
"He has a right to privacy," Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., another GOP presidential contender, said on CNN's "Late Edition." He declined to say whether Bush should address the issue further.

But another Republican hopeful, conservative activist Gary Bauer, said Bush and other candidates should "have to answer questions that go to law-breaking."

"I think anything that involves a felony, I don't see how you can get away with" not answering such questions directly, Bauer said on "Fox News Sunday."

Former Vice President Dan Quayle, another rival for the GOP presidential nomination, said he admired Bush for trying to draw a line by not discussing his private life, but he "opened the door a bit" for further inquiries by giving partial answers.

"Once he started talking about it, you really probably are somewhat obliged to answer these questions," Quayle said on ABC's "This Week." Still, he called the issue of Bush's past indiscretions "a sideshow" in the campaign.



CLOSE CALL – A Plains man escaped injury Saturday afternoon after his parked trailer and pickup were struck by this north-bound Ford pickup some 8 miles north of Snyder. Clayton House was standing between his pickup and a horse trailer when the trailer was struck by this vehicle as it veered off the road. DPS troopers said the driver, Faustino Hernandez Jr. of Amarillo, apparently fell asleep. (SDN Staff Photo)

SISD trustees set hearing

A public hearing to adopt the Snyder Independent School District's 1999-2000 budget will be held at noon Tuesday at the school administration building.

The hearing will be on a budget of $18,413,804. Last year's budget was $17,847,134. The tax rate will remain the same - $1.50 per $100 valuation.

Trustees will also consider a grant in the amount of $85,000 which will allow the district to reduce the student-teacher ratio in grades K-2 to 18-1.

ASK US

Q—How come the Snyder Tigers play their first game this week, and Ira and Hermleigh don't?

A—Class 3A, 4A and 5A teams can play their first game a week early, then have an open date during the season.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 101 degrees; low, 71; high Sunday, 101; low, 71; 7 a.m. Monday, 77; no precipitation; total for 1999, 19.31 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy, slight chance of storms. Low around 70. E wind 5-15 mph. Chance of rain 20%. Tuesday, partly cloudy, slight chance of rain. High lower 90s. E wind 5-15 mph. Chance of rain 20%. Tuesday night, partly cloudy, slight rain chance.



Michelle Arteaga
Slight Chance

Sunset:
8:18 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:15 a.m.
Of 234 days in 1999, the sun has shone 227 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Assert your right to make a few mistakes. Mistakes are the lessons of wisdom.

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3 Snyder FFA members elected district officers

Three Snyder Future Farmers of America (FFA) members have been elected to serve as Lone Wolf District officers for the 1999-2000 school year.

Riley Tatum was selected as district president. Cliff Beights was chosen treasurer and Damon Early will serve as the district reporter.

Prior to being selected, these students first had to pass an interview selection process and then a general vote by district delegates.

The Lone Wolf District officers will represent 11 area schools at various FFA events throughout the year.

Other district officers from the area include vice president, Candace Kimmell of Borden County; secretary, Latasha Roland of Blackwell; sentinel, Jessica Chaney of Colorado City; student advisor, Shawna Kemp of Borden County; and historian, April Polk of Highland.



DISTRICT OFFICERS — Snyder FFA members who have been elected to Lone Wolf District offices for 1999-2000 include from left, Damon Early, reporter; Riley Tatum, president; and Cliff Beights, treasurer. (Contributed Photo)

No injuries when plane has to land

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — A passenger jet with 135 people aboard made an emergency landing late Sunday at Tulsa International Airport after the pilots reported smoke in the cockpit.

The Sun Country Airlines flight, reportedly en route from Las Vegas to Minneapolis, landed safely about 9:30 p.m. and everyone aboard was evacuated without injury, Tulsa Fire Department officials said.

Other reports had indicated that the flight originated at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

Firefighters found no sign of fire on the Boeing 727 aircraft. The three-engined jet was turned over to airline mechanics for further inspection, officials said.

The smoke apparently was coming from the plane's air-conditioning system. The jet was in no immediate danger of crashing, officials said.

Tractors and implements...

Slumping farm economy stalls sales

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Low commodity prices are stretching beyond the fields and into the factories.

Industry projections show some farm equipment sales being cut by one-third this year. Tractor and combine manufacturers are scaling back production.

Needing their money for other things, farmers are making do with older equipment.

"In many cases, the purchase of a piece of machinery is" postponed, said Emmett Barker, president of the Equipment Manufacturers Institute in Chicago. "But you cannot plant corn without corn seed."

Barker's group projects U.S. sales of four-wheel-drive tractors declining 32.4 percent this year. Combine sales are expected to plummet 36.7 percent, it says.

The lack of orders coming in has forced equipment manufacturers to put on the brakes.

Reporting a 76 percent drop in third-quarter earnings, Deere & Co. said last week it would periodically shut down its major U.S. farm equipment plants through October.

Earlier, the Moline, Ill.-based company — which is Iowa's largest manufacturing employer — had announced a 25 percent shutdown.

Milwaukee-based Case Corp., poised to merge with New Holland NV of the Netherlands, has taken similar steps.

"We've geared our factories down and had periodic shutdowns to reflect that demand has decreased," said Rick Bruck of Newton, a business manager for Case in central Iowa.

"Most of our business is eight to nine months out, and it gets pretty foggy at times," he said. "When farmers have good cash flow, it's easier for our dealers."

Many smaller manufacturers, as well as the companies that supply parts for the industry, have scaled back.

Last week in Des Moines, Firestone reported lower sales of farm implement tires and announced production cutbacks.

Roger Lewis, an Omaha, Neb.-based district sales manager for Kinze Manufacturing Inc. of Williamsburg, oversees an area encompassing Nebraska and Kansas, northwestern Missouri and western Iowa.

Farmers concerned about low crop prices have gone into a holding pattern, he said.

"These guys could hold off three or four years and not be trading tractors," he said. "There's so many unknown factors ... A lot of these farmers are very concerned about what's going to happen."

At the Iowa State Fair, which ended Sunday in Des Moines, fairgoers walked through a tent behind the Varied Industries Building where shiny tractors and other implements beckoned to farmers who could not afford them.

"Things you buy cost too much and things you sell don't bring enough," said Lowell Sherwood, whose son and son-in-law farm near Brooklyn and Victor, Iowa.

Sensitivity training part of settling suit

CHICAGO (AP) — Tens of thousands of Pizza Hut employees will receive racial-sensitivity training over the next 5 years as part of the settlement of a lawsuit filed by a black family that alleged they were turned away from one of the restaurants.

The family claimed they were not allowed to celebrate a son's 10th birthday at a Pizza Hut restaurant in suburban Midlothian, Ill., on a summer evening in 1996. The family filed suit and a settlement was reached in May.

It was to have remained confidential, but a copy was obtained by the Chicago Tribune after it was attached to a court filing made by the plaintiffs last week.

The attorney for the plaintiffs, Fay Clayton, declined to comment on the settlement. Pizza Hut's director of public relations, Jay Allison, said: "We're going to uphold our end of the bargain and not discuss it."

The discrimination claim is not the first against Pizza Hut or other restaurant chains.

Pizza Hut settled a similar lawsuit last year in which black customers at a restaurant in Godfrey, Ill., said Pizza Hut employees insulted them with racial slurs, refused to wait on them and threatened them in the parking lot.

In recent years, the Denny's restaurant chain paid out $54 million to thousands of black customers nationwide, and Shoney's paid out $105 million to settle discrimination claims by minority employees and job applicants.

According to the court papers in the most recent case, Pizza Hut agreed to conduct sensitivity training for every employee who will come into contact with the public. Pizza Hut Inc. employs some 100,000 people in 7,100 company-owned and franchise stores.

The Dallas-based company, which is owned by Tricon Global Restaurants Inc., also agreed to teach new hires about "the significance of valuing diverse customers" and about its opposition to "harassment and discrimination of all kinds," the settlement said. The agreement commits Pizza Hut to the training program until mid-2004 and allows lawyers for the plaintiffs to monitor the training.

Pizza Hut will also pay out a combined $160,000 to 20 plaintiffs and may yet have to pay their legal fees, according to the copy of the 14-page settlement.

The lawsuit was filed by Jacqueline and Curtis Randle El, who said they were turned away when they went to celebrate their son's birthday at the Midlothian restaurant after 10 p.m. on a summer night, even though they had phoned in an order for five pizzas before arriving.

Disabled boy killed at park

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — A disabled 12-year-old boy died after plummeting from an amusement park ride that was about to be shut down for a safety check.

Joshua Smurphat fell from the Drop Zone ride at Paramount's Great America Theme Park at 3:20 p.m. Sunday, park spokesman Timothy Chanaud said.

On the Drop Zone, riders sit upright, feet dangling, in six separate four-person coaches, with each person locked in by a shoulder harness. They then are hoisted 200 feet up a tower and free-fall about two-thirds of the way down, reaching speeds of 62 mph, before braking to a halt.

Somehow, the boy slipped out of his harness, park officials said. It wasn't immediately known how far he fell. Police and park officials were investigating.

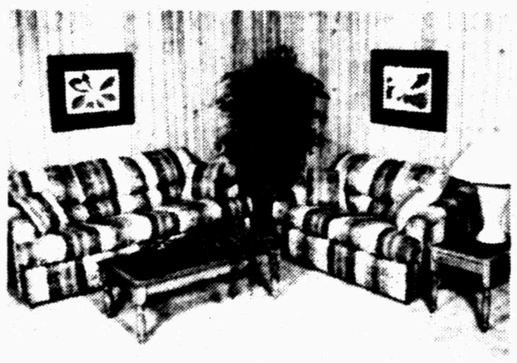
Chanaud described the boy as "severely disabled, both mentally and physically," but said the disabilities should not have prevented him from riding safely.

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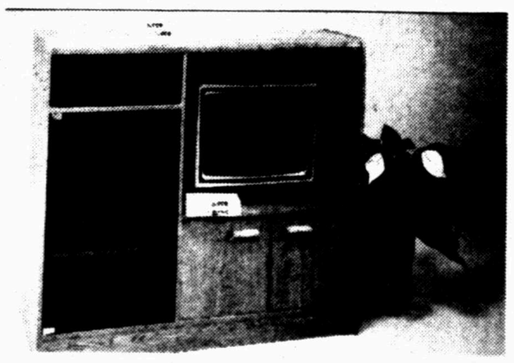
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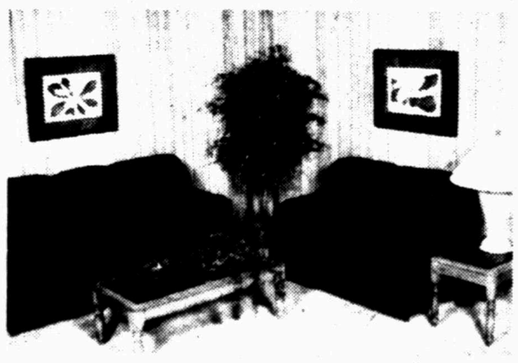
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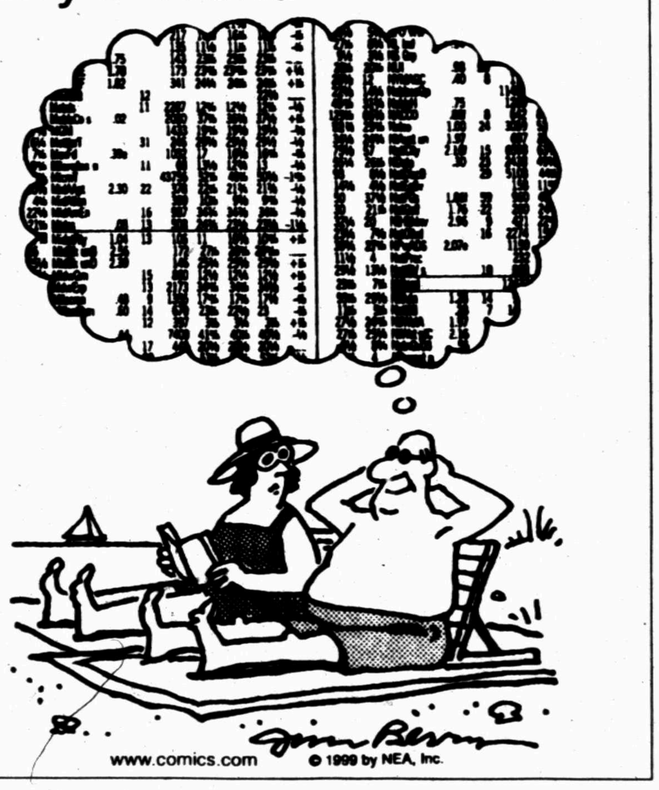
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Oil Patch News

Garza County

Rocker A Operating Co. will drill the No. 1-AA Connell Estate in the Arlene field, three miles northeast of Justiceburg. Planned for a depth of 7,700 feet, location is in Section 7, Block 6, H&GN survey.

Patterson Petroleum will drill the No. 1-B Slaughter, a 5,100-foot wildcat located 13 miles south of Post. Location is in Section 2, Block 18, T&NO survey.

Fisher County

Star Production Inc. will plug and abandon the No. 1 Broadwell unit, a 4,430-foot wildcat located four miles northwest of Noodle. Location was in the Creath Survey No. 221.

Nolan County

Chisholm Exploration will drill the No. 1 Sheffield, a 6,500-foot wildcat located one mile north of Nolan. Location is in Section 44, Block 5, T&P survey.

Date Book

Monday, Aug. 23, 1999

Today is the 235th day of 1999 and the 64th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1923, radio comedians Ernie Hare and Billy Jones, who called themselves "The Happiness Boys," first went on the air.

On this day in 1979, Soviet dancer Alexander Godunov, touring with the Bolshoi Ballet in New York, requested political asylum in the United States.

On this day in 1989, Victoria Brucker became the first girl to play on an American team in the Little League World Series.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Louis XVI (1754-1793), French king; Oliver Hazard Perry (1785-1819), U.S. naval hero; Edgar Lee Masters (1869-1950), poet-novelist; Gene Kelly (1912-1996), dancer-choreographer-actor; Vera Miles (1929-), actress, is 70; Mark Russell (1932-), comedian, is 67; Barbara Eden (1934-), actress, is 65; Sonny Jurgenson (1934-), football great, is 65; Keith Moon (1947-1978), musician.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1936, Cleveland right-hander Bob Feller struck out 17 St. Louis batters in his first major-league game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "In jealousy there is more self-love than love." — Francois, Duc de La Rochefoucauld

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Aug. 18) and full moon (Aug. 26).

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British burn nation's capital in 1814

WASHINGTON (AP) — The fires reddened the sky in towers of flame that could be seen 50 miles away.

The deck officers on the ships in the British invasion fleet, anchored in the darkness of the Patuxent River near Chesapeake Bay, remarked there was a fire in the direction of Washington.

A British Army lieutenant, returning from Bladensburg, the Maryland battlefield where the American forces had been routed, recalled that the fires so brilliantly lit the sky that "a dark red light was thrown upon the road sufficient to permit each man to view distinctly his comrade's face."

At Georgetown College, on the heights above the Potomac River, John McElroy, the school's bookkeeper, looked across the city, then at his pocket watch.

He made a neat journal entry: "Aug. 24, 1814 — This evening about dark the British arrived in W.C. (Washington City), fired the Capitol about 9:06."

President James Madison, a fugitive on horseback in the Virginia countryside, saw the burning city and shuddered at what a member of his party called "the dismal sight."

The latest telling of the story is by Anthony S. Pitch in "The Burning of Washington: The British Invasion of 1814," published by the Naval Institute Press in Annapolis, Md.

The late summer of 1814 had been hot, steamy and rainless. The war between Britain and the United States that had sputtered for two years had been a distant rumble at best.

But the defeat of Napoleon in Spain that spring had freed the veterans of the Duke of Wellington's army for duty in America. Their officers were in a mood for reprisal. The year before, U.S. forces had burned government buildings in York (now Toronto), the capital of the Canadian province of Ontario.

The Americans, seeking to keep vital supplies out of British hands, struck the first match, lighting fuses at the Washington Navy Yard to destroy ammunition, sails, masts, lumber, pitch, ropes, even a frigate at its moorings.

At the Capitol, the two British commanders, Army Gen. Robert Ross and Adm. George Cockburn, ordered rockets fired through the roof of the House chamber.

"When the roof failed to ignite, a few soldiers clambered up, only to find it covered with sheet iron," Pitch writes. "Undeterred, they made a bonfire of wooden furniture in the center of the chamber, setting it alight with the rocket's combustible material. Flames quickly engulfed the mahogany desks, tables and chairs ...."

With the Capitol burning behind him, Cockburn led a file of silent British sailors the mile down Pennsylvania Avenue to the White House.



Johnna Ferris

Johnna Ferris attends conference in Washington

WASHINGTON, DC — Johnna Ferris, Snyder Future Farmer of America (FFA), attended the 1999 Washington Leadership Conference July 27-Aug. 1 in the nation's capital.

The conference is an activity of the National FFA organization in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Education.

The week-long program helps FFA members improve their leadership skills and prepare for leadership roles in their chapters, communities and their future careers.

Conference participants attended workshop sessions on self-confidence, goal setting and team building and participated in discussions on personal development, motivation and citizenship.

The National FFA Organization coordinates the Washington Leadership Conference, which attracts participants from across the country. This summer, more than 2,000 FFA members will attend one of the conference's seven week-long sessions.

Students also increased their understanding of the nation's heritage with visits to Mount Vernon, the Smithsonian Institution, Arlington National Cemetery, the Jefferson, Lincoln and Roosevelt Memorials and other historic sights in Washington, DC.

The pig is the only animal that sunburns.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North	08-23-99
♠ K 8 3	
♥ J 7 2	
♦ A Q 3	
♣ J 7 4 2	
West	**East**
♠ 10 9 7 2	♠ Q J 4
♥ K 10 9 4	♥ 8
♦ 10 9 7	♦ 6 5 4
♣ 8 3	♣ A K Q 10 6 5
South	
♠ A 6 5	
♥ A Q 6 5 3	
♦ K J 8 2	
♣ 9	

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	1 NT	2 ♣
2 ♦	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♥	Dbl.	All pass	

Opening lead: ♣ 8

Daft doubles don't disappear

By Phillip Alder

If you double the opponents in a freely bid contract, you should have your eye on at least two down. This is because a competent declarer will play the cards more effectively, benefiting from the information supplied by your double.

Today's deal occurred during a club duplicate in Mexico City last June. North's response of one no-trump was forcing for one round; his three-heart rebid described game-invitational strength, some 10-12 points, with exactly three-card support for partner's major.

The declarer was Dr. George Rosenkranz, Mexico's best player for many years.

The defenders began with two rounds of clubs. Rosenkranz ruffed, then played a heart to dummy's jack, West ducking his king. Now, knowing that West had the rest of the trumps, declarer played four rounds of diamonds, discarding a spade from the dummy on the last after West ruffed with the heart nine.

A moment later, Rosenkranz took a spade ruff in the dummy and claimed the contract, losing two hearts and one club.

How would South maneuver if West doesn't double? Probably, declarer crosses to dummy at trick two with a diamond, then finesses his heart queen. Yet West can win with the king and return the heart 10. Declarer wins with dummy's jack and plays out his remaining diamond winners, but West ruffs the 13th with the heart nine and leads his last heart, killing both the spade ruff and the contract.

The double told declarer that West had four or five trumps, making a winning line of play much easier to find than if West had passed in tempo.

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Allen: What is large enough to hold a pig, but small enough to hold in your hand?
Michael: A pen.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Mid-life crisis affects wife

DEAR DR. GOTT: What can I, as a wife, do to save my marriage? I want to help my husband through his mid-life crisis, yet preserve my own sanity.

Our family doctor thinks my husband needs help. He is 50. Each year, he has been getting worse. He has had a total change in personality, argues over everything, is sarcastic and selfish. Previously, he was soft-spoken, considerate and attentive. The perfect man! I want to get him through this. What can I do?

DEAR READER: The causes of so-called mid-life crisis are varied and complicated. I'm not at all convinced that you will be able to get him through this without the intervention of a counselor, psychologist or psychiatrist. In essence, your husband is not going to change until he recognizes that he is "out of synch" with himself, and takes action. I wonder if your vision of him as a "perfect man" may, in fact, be placing intolerable burdens on him. He may need your "permission" to be human — that is, flawed and imperfect.

I believe you could help him most by helping yourself. Interpersonal problems such as these are rarely one-sided. If you independently seek counseling to take care of yourself, you may discover useful ways to manage a difficult home situation. You may also learn, to your surprise, that you are inadvertently contributing to his crisis. When he sees you taking a constructive step, he may be encouraged to take responsibility for his own actions. By helping yourself grow, you may be astounded to experience the many positive and healthful consequences that can result.

DEAR DR. GOTT: After frequent swimming in a pool, I often develop a red rash that itches. Could this be from the chlorine?

DEAR READER: Chlorine can cause skin reddening and itching. So can an improper pH balance in the water. If the acid/base balance in the pool is correct and if the antibacterial solution is not excessive, you may be reacting to other components in the water. Some people are allergic to even minute amounts of swimming-pool additives. I suggest that you modify your exposure to the water, wash thoroughly with fresh water after swimming, and use emollient skin cream once you have dried off. If your rash persists, you may have to consider swimming in lakes or sea water.

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

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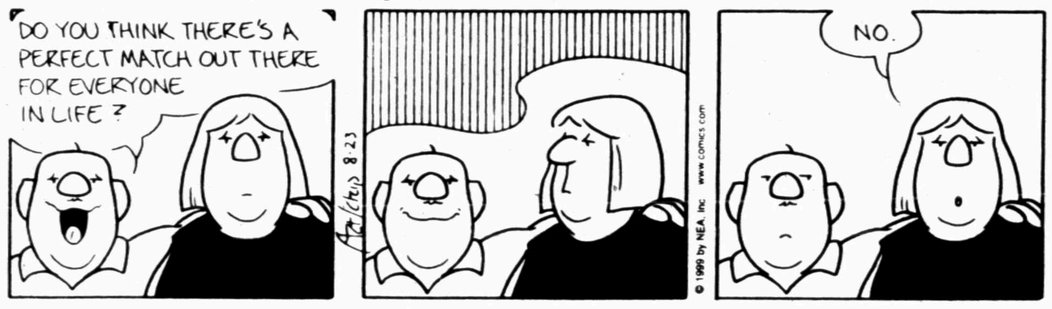
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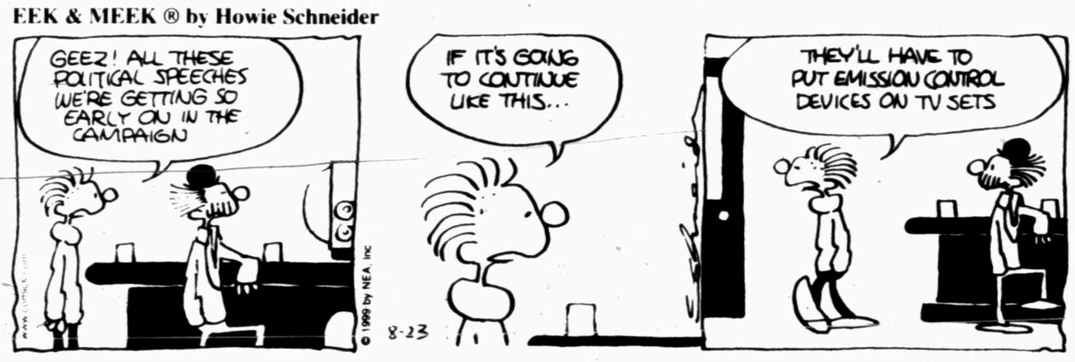
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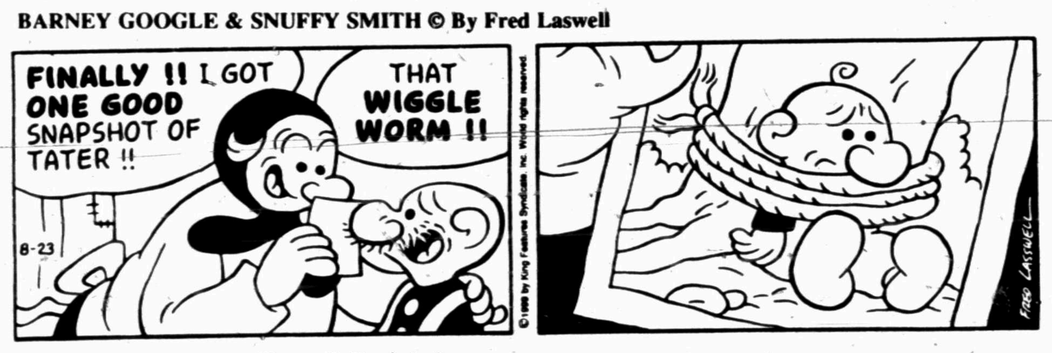
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ACROSS

1 Brown pigment
7 Strainers
13 Actress Amy —
14 Gwyneth Paltrow film, "Shakespeare — —"
15 Loaf about
16 Climbed (a mountain)
17 Ms. Landers
18 Consume
20 Actress Merkel
21 Indisposed
23 Night before
24 Hymn's finale
25 Welshman, e.g.
27 Pencil end
29 Grain beard
31 Fleur-de- —
32 Roman dozen
33 Entertainer Sumac
34 Tennis player Goolagong
37 Prepare flour for baking
40 Extend across
41 Play by —
43 King of the beasts
45 Mil. rank
46 Cal. box
47 Sticky stuff
48 Sedative
51 "What — we do?"
54 Tenant
55 Did a road-paving job
56 Grow more intense
57 Rapid

DOWN

1 "— Marner"
2 Like O. Henry's stories
3 Show plainly
4 Type of pick?
5 Compass pt.
6 Be in harmony
7 Like a female sibling
8 Business abbr.
9 Guido's high note
10 Part of an encyclopedia
11 Smoother
12 Family car
19 St.
22 Loud electric horn
24 Attack
26 Identical sib
28 Goals
30 A score minus one
34 Epic poem
35 Traveling bag
36 — Claire, Wis.
38 Shape
39 Drove (a vehicle)
40 Chastise
42 Relaxes
44 Simpleton
49 Viper
50 Pipe-fitting unit
52 Chance
53 Mine find

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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Zane: No, thanks, my mother would only make me bring it back.

Tory: What is yellow, has four wheels and always makes your mom smile when it comes to your house in the morning?
Corey: The school bus!

Andy: Can you write in the dark, Dad?
Dad: I think so. What is it you want me to write?
Andy: Your name on this report card.

Teacher: Your essay, "My Puppy," is exactly the same as your sister's essay.
Judy: I know. It's the same puppy.

Teacher: Spell Tennessee, Johnny.
Johnny: One-a-see, two-a-see...

Teacher: Kirk, use the word "geometry" in a sentence.
Kirk: The little acorn grew and grew and one day it awoke and said, "Gee-ahm-a-tree."

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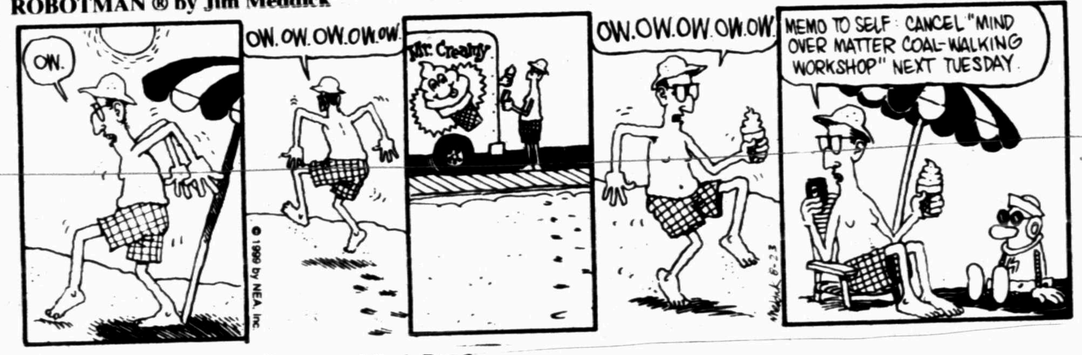


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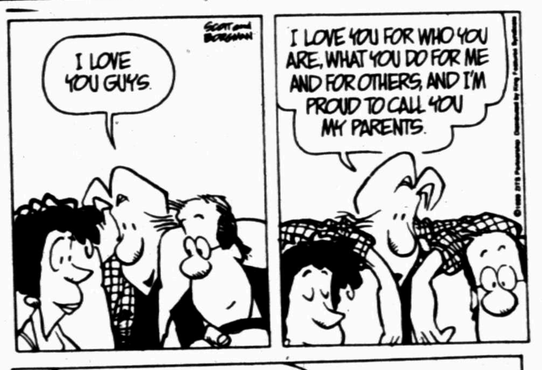
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SPORTS

In preseason high school football poll...

Midland Lee , Stephenville get top billing

DALLAS (AP) — A state championship can do wonders for a team's rankings.

Midland Lee, Stephenville and Omaha Paul Pewitt, all afterthoughts in last year's final regular-season Associated Press high school football poll, followed their 1998 championships with preseason No. 1 rankings in the poll released Sunday.

Sealy, which is vying for its fifth state title of the decade in Class 3A, and 1A Wheeler were also given No. 1 status in the statewide poll of writers and broadcasters.

Midland Lee, which beat SA MacArthur 54-0 in last year's Class 5A Division II title game, topped the state's largest class after ending last year's regular season ranked eighth.

Duncanville, which won the Division I crown, is second, followed by three perennial powers: Converse Judson, Lewisville and Austin Westlake.

Lee is expected to have one of the best offensive backfields in the state as it returns quarterback Jon Rogers and running backs Cedric Benson and fullback Clint McNutt. That trio combined for more than 5,000 yards last year, with Benson rushing for 29 touchdowns, including five in the title game.

"The excitement that the championship brought to this program has been evident all the way down to the seventh grade," Lee coach John Edd Parchman said of his team's 15-1 season. "It's been a shot in the arm, but thinking about being No. 1 again is too far away for us to even compute right now."

In 4A, Stephenville was given the nod over La Marque, which will be trying to reach its sixth consecutive state championship game. La Marque lost to the Stephenville in the Division II final last season.

One of the tightest balloting races in any class was for the No. 3 spot. Jacksonville took it by one vote over Texas City, which was one vote ahead of defending Division I champ Grapevine.

Stephenville returns four offensive and six defensive starters from last year's 15-1 squad. Leading the way will be running back Zac Hunter, who rushed for 1,734 yards on 167 carries, an average of 9.6 yards per carry.

Coach Art Briles said his team embraces the recognition surrounding its 1998 championship, including this year's top ranking.

"I think it's an indication of the stability our program's had throughout the 90s," said Briles, who also guided Stephenville to titles in 1993-94. "This team's motivation is to make sure that tradition continues."

For most teams, the regular season begins Sept. 3. But some teams will start playing this weekend, including Saturday's Kickoff Classic at the Alamodome in San Antonio.

The first-ever event will feature three games — Austin Westlake, Converse Judson, Humble, Katy, San Antonio Clark and San Antonio Churchill.

High School Football Poll

By The Associated Press

DALLAS (AP) — The 1999 preseason Associated Press high school football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses. Total points are based on 10 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 10th-place vote. The previous rankings are from last year's final regular-season poll. Voting done by a panel of 20 sports writers and broadcasters.

Team	Rec.	Pts	Pvs
Class 5A			
1. Midland Lee (12)	15-1	180	8
2. Duncanville (1)	12-3	142	x
3. Converse Judson (2)	14-1	133	2
4. Lewisville (1)	8-3	120	x
5. Austin Westlake	10-3	99	9
6. Copperas Cove (3)	10-3	92	x
7. South Grand Prairie	8-3	87	x
8. Aldine Eisenhower	10-4	70	x
9. Katy	12-3	57	1
10. SA MacArthur (1)	11-5	34	x

Also receiving votes: Odessa Permian 17, Plano 14, Aldine 12, Tyler John Tyler 11, Jersey Village 8, Arlington Lamar 5, Clear Brook 4, Galena Park North Shore 4, Lufkin 4, Victoria 4, SA Madison 2, Garland 1.

Class 4A			
1. Stephenville (15)	15-1	184	8
2. La Marque (3)	13-1	156	1
3. Jacksonville (1)	8-4	103	x
4. Texas City (1)	5-5	102	x
5. Grapevine	11-4	101	x
6. Greenville	11-2	97	10
7. New Braunfels Canyon	10-4	96	x
8. Brownwood	10-2	65	6
9. Bay City	13-2	40	x
10. Plainview	11-3	37	x

Also receiving votes: Schertz Clemens 27, Fort Worth Wyatt 20, Southlake Carroll 15, West Orange-Stark 8, Sherman 7, Smithson Valley 7, Belton 6, WF Hirschi 6, Coppell 5, Friendswood 5, Denison 4, Mount Pleasant 3, Borger 2, WF Rider 2, CC Calallen 1, Highland Park 1.

Class 3A			
1. Sealy (11)	7-3	180	8
2. Cuero (2)	11-4	164	x
3. Aledo (3)	13-1	149	x
4. Royse City (4)	12-2	133	x
5. Monahans	7-7	86	x
6. Breckenridge	12-1	63	1
7. Atlanta	9-3	49	x
8. Manor	9-5	47	x
9. Cleveland	9-2	46	3
10. Iowa Park	9-4	40	x

Also receiving votes: Newton 27, Giddings 17, Abilene Wylie 16, Aransas Pass 14, Daingerfield 12, Waco La Vega 12, Commerce 10, Frisco 10, Childress 7, Madisonville 7, Alvarado 2, Amarillo River Road 2, Jefferson 2, Liberty 2, Sweeney 2.

Class 2A			
1. Omaha Paul Pewitt (13)	12-3	186	x
2. Mart (2)	13-1	170	1
3. Elysian Fields (2)	12-4	139	x
4. Celina (3)	14-2	124	x
5. Iraan	11-1	92	5
6. Brookshire-Royal	12-2	70	10
7. Grand Saline	11-2	63	x
8. Refugio	10-2	42	x
9. Boyd	11-2	41	x
10. Alto	9-2	37	8

Also receiving votes: Italy 30, Goldthwaite 23, Comfort 20, Kerens 17, Stanton 11, Pilot Point 10, Howe 7, Holliday 4, Seagraves 3, Canadian 2, Farmersville 2, Franklin 2, Hull-Daisetta 2, Schulenburg 2, Post 1.

Class 1A			
1. Wheeler (12)	12-3	189	x
2. Bartlett (4)	12-2	161	4
3. Aspermont	14-1	147	3
4. Detroit (2)	11-2	136	x
5. Dawson	9-3	94	x
6. Tenaha (2)	16-0	89	1
7. Baird	8-4	70	x
8. Iola	5-9	59	2
9. Paducah	9-4	52	x
10. Sudan	9-3	37	x

Also receiving votes: Charlotte 11, O'Donnell 7, Wortham 7, Louise 6, Tolar 5, Fort Davis 4, Muenster 4, Burkeville 3, Celeste 3, Era 3, Marfa 3, Wink 3, Bremond 2, Roscoe 2, Menard 1, Munday 1, Runge 1.

Cowboys sputter against Pats

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — After being embarrassed by the Washington Redskins last week, the Patriots were looking for improvement, especially on the defensive side of the ball.

Led by the return of defensive end Willie McGinest and the play of rookie middle linebacker Andy Katzenmoyer, the Patriots defense held the Cowboys to 227 total yards en route to a 34-14 victory Saturday night.

McGinest, who has been hampered by a nagging groin injury the past year, sacked quarterback Jason Garrett in the second quarter, forcing a Cowboys punt.

"It felt good," McGinest said. "I know I'm not where I am supposed to be, but I have three weeks to get to where I have to be. I feel good. It was nice to get back to work."

After holding the Cowboys to four plays on their first possession, the Patriots marched down the field and took a 7-0 lead on Kevin Faulk's two-yard touchdown run.

David LaFleur's six-yard touchdown reception tied the game at 7-7, but Patriots wide receiver Terry Glenn answered with a 24-yard touchdown catch from Drew Bledsoe to put the Patriots up, 14-7, with 2:49 left in the first quarter.

In the second quarter, Ben Coates caught a 6-yard touchdown pass with 3:59 left to put the Patriots up 21-7 going into halftime.

Bledsoe played most of the first half, completing 13 of 19 passes for 147 yards, two touchdowns and one interception for the Patriots (1-1). Troy Aikman was 4-of-12 for 33 yards for Dallas, which took out its starters after one quarter and dropped to 0-3 in the preseason.

"There are some things obviously we need to work on," said Cowboys head coach Chan Gailey. "We gave up a few too many big plays on defense, and we gave them some field position with our punt coverage."

Emmitt Smith ran eight times for 43 yards. Jason Tucker, who is fighting for a spot on the Cowboys' roster, caught three passes for 79 yards, including a 55-yard touchdown pass from Mike Quinn with two minutes left in the third quarter.

"I knew I was open and I just hoped the quarterback put it out there where I could get it," Tucker said. "I'm trying to get a position on this team, and every little bit helps."

Patriots kicker Adam Vinatieri added two field goals.

Michael Bishop again thrilled the fans who stayed until the end.

On fourth-and-5 from the Cowboys' 36, Bishop came out of the two-minute warning with a scrambling touchdown heave to Sean Morey to make it 34-14.

NFL Glance

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Indianapolis	2	1	0	.667	63	33
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	43	30
Miami	1	1	0	.500	27	36
New England	1	1	0	.500	48	34
N.Y. Jets	1	1	0	.500	26	36
Central						
Baltimore	2	0	0	1.000	29	13
Jacksonville	1	1	0	.500	55	37
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	43	43
Cleveland	1	2	0	.333	40	71
Cincinnati	0	2	0	.000	17	36
Tennessee	0	2	0	.000	37	49
West						
Denver	2	0	0	1.000	58	24
Oakland	2	0	0	1.000	28	20
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	29	37
Seattle	0	2	0	.000	33	48
San Diego	0	3	0	.000	51	64

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	2	0	0	1.000	63	41
Washington	2	0	0	1.000	40	33
Arizona	1	1	0	.500	34	55
Philadelphia	0	2	0	.000	16	20
Dallas	0	3	0	.000	34	64
Central						
Tampa Bay	2	0	0	1.000	47	10
Green Bay	1	0	0	1.000	27	16
Chicago	2	1	0	.667	70	60
Detroit	1	1	0	.500	47	35
Minnesota	1	1	0	.500	45	53
West						
San Francisco	2	0	0	1.000	55	47
Atlanta	1	1	0	.500	41	50
Carolina	1	1	0	.500	30	48
New Orleans	1	1	0	.500	33	51
St. Louis	0	2	0	.000	41	56

Friday's Games

Detroit 16, Cincinnati 0
N.Y. Jets 10, Philadelphia 9
Carolina 20, Pittsburgh 13
Washington 20, Buffalo 19
Arizona 27, Tennessee 17

Saturday's Games

Minnesota 24, Cleveland 17
N.Y. Giants 27, Jacksonville 20
Baltimore 19, Atlanta, 6
Chicago 38, St. Louis 24
Indianapolis 37, New Orleans 7
New England 34, Dallas 14
Tampa Bay 17, Kansas City 7
Miami 13, San Diego 10

Monday's Game

Denver vs. Green Bay at Madison, Wis., 8 p.m.

Lady Tiger spikers secure second place

ABILENE — The Lady Tigers made up for tough pool play during the bracket portion of the draw at the Bev Ball volleyball tournament over the weekend.

After placing third in its pool, Snyder posted a 2-1 mark in its next three matches to capture the runner-up spot in the challenger division.

With the victories, the Lady Tigers move to 3-2 on the season, heading into Tuesday's meetings with Midland Lee and Pecos in Midland.

"I'm very pleased with how the girls played," Snyder coach Patty Grimmett said. "In the last match we were kind of shorthanded but the girls played hard all the way."

For their final match against Arlington Bowie, the Lady Tigers were without setter Kristin Martinez, who suffered from a stomach virus. Martinez had accounted for nine service points in Snyder's previous match.

The Lady Tigers opened bracket play with a 15-5, 15-3 win over O.D. Wyatt. Snyder dominated at the net, with Ashley Delce and Courtney Rinehart registering three blocks apiece.

Following the rout, Snyder held off Killeen Ellison, 15-11, 15-12. The Lady Tigers' featured a balanced offense with four players netting two kills each. Delce had another strong match up front, notching four blocks, while Kameron Kallemeyn added three more.

Snyder ended the tourney with a 15-12, 15-2 setback to Arlington Bowie. The Lady Tigers mustered just five kills throughout the match.

Tuesday's varsity matches in Midland will begin at 5 and 6 p.m.

Snyder def. O.D. Wyatt 15-5, 15-3

Snyder service points: T'Leah Eicke, 9; Kameron Kallemeyn and Tessa Hildebrand, 5; Callie Bane, 4; Whitney Webb, 3; Christina Holder, 2; Christy Tomlinson and Kristin Martinez, 1. **Kills:** Ashley Delce, 2; Holder and Kallemeyn, 1. **Blocks:** Delce and Courtney Rinehart, 3.

Snyder def. Killeen Ellison 15-11, 15-12

Snyder service points: Martinez, 9; Holder, 8; Tomlinson, 5; Hildebrand, 3; Kallemeyn and Webb, 2; Eicke, 1. **Kills:** Holder, Delce, Kallemeyn and Rina Geiger, 2; Rinehart and Cara Best, 1. **Blocks:** Delce, 4; Kallemeyn, 3; Geiger, 2; Holder, Hildebrand and Rinehart, 1.

Arl. Bowie def. Snyder 15-12, 15-2

Snyder service points: Holder, 5; Hildebrand, 4; Best, 3; Eicke, 2. **Kills:** Holder, 2; Kallemeyn, Delce and Geiger, 1. **Blocks:** Delce, 2; Holder, Kallemeyn and Hildebrand, 1.

Astros-Marlins game rescheduled

MIAMI (AP) — A summer shower forced the Florida Marlins to move a game indoors.

Sunday's game between the Marlins and Houston Astros was called before it ever began. Because the teams do not meet again this season in Florida, the game will be made up as part of a doubleheader Friday when the Marlins start a series at the Astrodome.

"I wanted to play," said Astros manager Larry Dierker, whose team beat the Marlins on Friday and Saturday. "We've got some momentum right now, and I wanted to keep it going."

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East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	75	48	.610	—
Boston	67	57	.540	8½
Toronto	66	60	.524	10½
Baltimore	55	68	.447	20
Tampa Bay	55	69	.444	20½
Central Division				
Cleveland	76	47	.618	—
Chicago	59	64	.480	17
Minnesota	51	71	.418	24½
Detroit	49	74	.398	27
Kansas City	49	74	.398	27
West Division				
Texas	75	50	.600	—
Oakland	68	56	.548	6½
Seattle	60	63	.488	14
Anaheim	50	73	.407	24

Saturday's Games

Chicago 4, Baltimore 3
Cleveland 6, Seattle 0
Tampa Bay 8, Kansas City 2
Chicago 8, Baltimore 5, 10 innings
Minnesota 6, New York 1
Texas 9, Boston 2
Detroit 5, Anaheim 0
Oakland 8, Toronto 4

Sunday's Games

Tampa Bay 2, Kansas City 1
Baltimore 9, Chicago 4
New York 5, Minnesota 3
Oakland 4, Toronto 3
Texas 6, Boston 0
Detroit 12, Anaheim 3
Cleveland 7, Seattle 4, 10 innings

Monday's Games

Toronto (Wells 11-8) at Oakland (Appier 12-10), 4:05 p.m.
Chicago (Baldwin 7-11) at Tampa Bay (Witt 7-9), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Rapp 4-5) at Minnesota (Hawkins 8-10), 8:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Erickson 9-10) at Kansas City (Reichert 2-1), 8:05 p.m.
New York (Pettitte 10-9) at Texas (Burkett 4-6), 8:35 p.m.
Detroit (Borkowski 0-4) at Anaheim (Belcher 5-7), 10:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Nagy 13-8) at Seattle (Abbott 4-0), 10:05 p.m.

Tuesday's Games

Chicago (Parque 9-9) at Tampa Bay (Alvarez 7-6), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Martinez 17-4) at Minnesota (Ryan 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
Baltimore (J.Johnson 4-7) at Kansas City (Stein 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
New York (Cone 11-7) at Texas (Morgan 12-8), 8:35 p.m.
Toronto (Hentgen 7-10) at Anaheim (Ortiz 1-0), 10:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Karsay 10-1) at Oakland (Hudson 8-1), 10:05 p.m.
Detroit (Blair 1-9) at Seattle (Fr.Garcia 12-7), 10:05 p.m.

National League
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East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	77	49	.611	—
New York	76	49	.608	½
Philadelphia	65	58	.528	10½
Montreal	50	73	.407	25½
Florida	50	73	.407	25½
Central Division				
Houston	75	50	.600	—
Cincinnati	73	49	.598	½
St. Louis	63	62	.504	12
Pittsburgh	61	63	.492	13½
Milwaukee	55	67	.451	18½
Chicago	52	70	.426	21½
West Division				
Arizona	72	52	.581	—
San Francisco	64	59	.520	7½
Los Angeles	56	68	.452	16
San Diego	55	69	.444	17
Colorado	56	70	.444	17

Saturday's Games

San Francisco 5, Milwaukee 1
New York 7, St. Louis 4
Atlanta 6, San Diego 2
Chicago 8, Colorado 6
Houston 5, Florida 4
Arizona 4, Pittsburgh 2
Cincinnati 9, Montreal 3
Philadelphia 6, Los Angeles 5, 11 innings

Sunday's Games

New York 8, St. Louis 7, 1st game
St. Louis 7, New York 5, 2nd game
Atlanta 3, San Diego 2
Arizona 7, Pittsburgh 5
Los Angeles 9, Philadelphia 7
Cincinnati 4, Montreal 3, 11 innings
Colorado 3, Chicago 2
San Francisco 7, Milwaukee 3
Houston at Florida, ppd., rain

Monday Games

St. Louis (Ankiel 0-0) at Montreal (Smith 4-6), 7:05 p.m.
Arizona (Reynoso 8-2) at Pittsburgh (Cordova 8-5), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (Williams 6-11) at Philadelphia (Ogea 6-11), 7:35 p.m.
Houston (Hampton 16-3) at New York (Leiter 10-8), 7:40 p.m.
Cincinnati (Tomko 4-6) at Atlanta (Millwood 13-7), 7:40 p.m.
San Francisco (Estes 7-7) at Chicago (Tapani 6-11), 8:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Dreifort 10-12) at Milwaukee (Nomo 10-5), 8:05 p.m.

Tuesday's Games

San Francisco (Ortiz 14-8) at Chicago (Lorraine 1-1), 2:20 p.m.
St. Louis (Bottenfield 16-5) at Montreal (Vazquez 6-6), 7:05 p.m.
Arizona (Benes 8-11) at Florida (Fernandez 6-7), 7:05 p.m.
Colorado (Bohanon 10-10) at Pittsburgh (Benson 10-10), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (Spencer 0-6) at Philadelphia (Byrd 13-6), 7:35 p.m.
Houston (Elarton 0-0) at New York (Yoshi 8-8), 7:40 p.m.
Cincinnati (Harnisch 13-6) at Atlanta (Smoltz 8-6), 7:40 p.m.
Los Angeles (Dreifort 10-12) at Milwaukee (Karl 8-10), 8:05 p.m.

SDN Sports Briefs

Slingin' Sammy Baugh Snyder tourney

The eighth annual Slingin' Sammy Baugh Snyder Golf Tournament will be held Sept. 11 at Western Texas College. Shotgun starts will be at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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Prizes will be $600 for first place, $400 for second, $350 for third, $300 for fourth and $250 for fifth. A hole-in-one on No. 15 will win a golf cart.

To register, go by the WTC pro shop. Deadline for entry is Sept. 10.

SISD sports tickets

Season passes for all Snyder volleyball and basketball games are on sale now at the SISD business administration office. Passes are $30 for each sport, or $50 for a combined volleyball/basketball pass. The passes are good for all home games, from the varsity level through seventh grade. If purchased individually, adult tickets to home games are $2 each.

Softball sign-ups

Sign-ups for a new girls fall softball league will begin this evening and run through Thursday from 5-7 p.m. at Texas Savings Bank.

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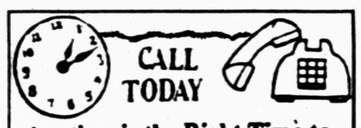
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Six percent of users addicted to Internet

BOSTON (AP) — The largest study ever of Internet users has found that almost 6 percent — or more than 11 million users — suffer from some form of addiction to the World Wide Web.

The findings, which were released Sunday at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, appear likely to bolster the expanding acceptance of compulsive Internet use as a real psychological disorder.

"Marriages are being disrupted, kids are getting into trouble, people are committing illegal acts, people are spending too much money. As someone who treats patients, I see it," said David Greenfield, a therapist and researcher who conducted the study.

Kimberly Young, a pioneer in the new field of research, said the study is so broad that it "adds a layer of legitimacy to the concern that Internet addiction is real."

However, the 6 percent figure is lower that some earlier estimates of 10 percent or more that stemmed largely from research on college students.

Greenfield, who is a psychologist in West Hartford, Conn., carried out the study jointly with ABC News. He collected 17,251 responses to an Internet use questionnaire distributed and returned through the Web site ABCNEWS.com.

He adapted his questions from a widely used set of criteria for gambling addiction. For example, the questionnaires asked if participants had used the Internet to escape from their problems, tried unsuccessfully to cut back, or found themselves preoccupied with the Internet when they were no longer at the computer.

If participants answered "yes" to at least five of 10 such criteria, they were viewed as addicted, just as in gambling. A total of 990 participants, or 5.7 percent, answered "yes" to five or more questions. With an estimated 200 million Internet users worldwide, that would mean that 11.4 million are addicts.

The question about using the Internet as an escape yielded more "yes" answers than any other: 30 percent.

'Sixth Sense' tops film for third straight week

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The supernatural thriller "The Sixth Sense" held on as the top pick for North American moviegoers for a third consecutive week, making it the first film to stay at No. 1 for that long since "Star Wars Episode I — The Phantom Menace."

"The Sixth Sense" — starring Bruce Willis as a therapist treating a boy who sees dead people — earned $24.1 million, pushing its gross to $107.7 million in three weeks, according to industry estimates Sunday.

A different movie had debuted in first place for nine straight weekends after "The Phantom Menace" fell to second place in June.

The Hollywood satire "Bowfinger," meanwhile, held on to second place this weekend. Starring Steve Martin as a wannabe director who secretly films an action star played by Eddie Murphy, "Bowfinger" earned $10.7 million in its second week for a total of $35.9 million.

"Mickey Blue Eyes," a romantic-comedy starring Hugh Grant as a man who discovers his fiancee's father is a mobster, opened in third place with a respectable $10.4 million.

Two other new films debuted in the bottom of the top 10.

Jean-Claude Van Damme's sci-fi adventure "Universal Soldier: The Return" opened weakly with $4.7 million for seventh place.

"Teaching Mrs. Tingle," a dark comedy about teens who hold their teacher hostage, was hampered by bad reviews and criticism of its violent content. The film earned a paltry $3.5 million for tenth place.

"People expected 'Tingle' to do really well, but teens don't want to see any comedy that has a dark theme. They want lighthearted fare or horror films," said Robert Bucksbaum, a movie analyst with Reel Source Inc.

"The Sixth Sense" has done well because it takes its somber subject matter seriously, yet its PG-13 rating opens it up to a broad audience, he said.

"It's getting incredible repeat business," Bucksbaum said. "Nothing else out there is even coming close."

The Julia Roberts-Richard Gere romance "Runaway Bride" was fourth with $9.3 million.

"The Blair Witch Project" slipped to fifth place with $7.1 million. The low-budget shocker has grossed $120.5 million, since it opened in wide release four weeks ago, making it one the most successful independent films in history, Bucksbaum said.

"It would be doing even better if 'The Sixth Sense' weren't there," he said. "That movie is really starting to overshadow 'Blair Witch.'"

Estimated grosses for Friday through Sunday at North American theaters, according to Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. Final figures were to be released today.

1. "The Sixth Sense," $24.1 million.
2. "Bowfinger," $10.7 million.
3. "Mickey Blue Eyes," 10.4 million
4. "Runaway Bride," $9.3 million.
5. "The Blair Witch Project," $7.1 million.
6. "The Thomas Crown Affair," $7 million.
7. "Universal Soldier: The Return," $4.7 million.
8. "Inspector Gadget," $4.3 million.
9. "Deep Blue Sea," $3.8 million.
10. Teaching Mrs. Tingle," $3.5 million.

Markets

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	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	60¼	59⅝	60¼	+ 1¼
AT&T Corp s	47¼	46¾	47	+ ¼
Albertsons	49 15-16	49 5-16	49 15-16	+11-16
AlldSignal	64¾	63	64 5-16	+ 1⅜
Alltel	71 9-16	70 7-16	70⅞	+ ⅜
AmOnline s	98 11-16	96	97 15-16	+ 2¾
Ameritech	67¼	66¼	66 5-16	—11-16
AndarkPtr	36 7-16	36	36 3-16	
ArmcoInc	6 15-16	6¼	6¾	
AtlRichfld	93¾	92¼	92 13-16	— 3-16
ATMOS Egy	26 3-16	25¼	25 11-16	— ⅜
Aviall	13	12¾	12⅝	— 9-16
BP Amoco	117 15-16	117⅛	117 9-16	— 1-16
BakerHughes	35¼	34 13-16	35	+ ⅛
Bank of Amer	66 3-16	65 9-16	66 1-16	+13-16
BellAtl	61 11-16	61¼	61⅛	+ 9-16
BellSouth s	48¾	47 13-16	47 13-16	
BethSteel	8 9-16	8¼	8⅜	— 1-16
BurlNoSFe	30 13-16	30 5-16	30⅜	— 1-16
CBS Corp	46¼	45⅞	46	— 1-16
Caterpillar	61¾	60¼	61 9-16	+ 1¼
CenSoWst	22 7-16	22 1-16	22¼	— 3-16
Chevron	95 5-16	94 5-16	94¾	—11-16
Citigroup s	48½	47¾	48¼	+1 15-16
Coastal	44 9-16	43 15-16	44 7-16	— 3-16
CocaCola	59 13-16	58 11-16	59¼	+15-16
ColgatePal s	51 3-16	50½	51	+ 5-16
ComclMetals	32 13-16	32¼	32¾	+ 1-16
CooperIn	55¼	54½	55	1-16+ 5-16
CyprusAmax	17¼	17¼	17 9-16	+ 3-16
DaimlrChry n	76 13-16	76¼	76⅜	+ ¼
DallSemicn	49 11-16	49	49 9-16	+13-16
DeltaAirl s	52¼	51 9-16	52	+13-16
Dillards Inc	24 7-16	23 9-16	24¼	+ ⅜
DowChem	128 3-16	127 11-16	128¼	+ 1
DuPont	72	71 7-16	71 9-16	— ⅜
EastmanChem	51 15-16	51½	51¾	+ ⅜
EstKodak	75¼	74 11-16	74½	
EDS Corp	57 15-16	56 13-16	57¾	+1 7-16
Entergy	30 5-16	30 1-16	30 3-16	+ ⅛
Exxon	82 15-16	82 7-16	82¾	+ 1-16
Flowers	15 13-16	15 9-16	15 9-16	— 1-16
FordMotor	52¼	51¼	51¾	+ 3-16
GTE Cp	71 7-16	70 11-16	71 3-16	+ ⅛
GenDynam	61 15-16	61 5-16	61⅜	— 9-16
GenElec	114⅛	113	114	+1 3-16
GenMills	83 5-16	83 1-16	83¼	+ 1-16
GenMotors	64 5-16		63¾	63¾+ ⅛
GaPacGP s	46¼	45½	45⅝	—15-16
GlobalMar	18 9-16	18 3-16	18 3-16	— ⅛
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Litton	64¼	63 13-16	64⅛	— 3-16
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MediaOne	69 3-16	68 5-16	68 7-16	— 7-16
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Monsanto	41 7-16	41	41 5-16	+ 1-16
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PepsiCo	35 13-16	35 9-16	35¾	+ 1-16
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PhilipPet	53 3-16	52 11-16	52 15-16	+ ⅛
PilgrmPrd B	10 9-16	10¼	10⅛	— 1-16
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Praxair	49 15-16	49¼	49¾	+ ⅜
ProctGamb	98	97¾	98	+ ⅜
PubSNwMx	19¼	1919	—	⅛
ReliantEngy	27¾	27½	27 11-16	+ ⅛
RoyalDut	64 7-16	64 1-16	64 5-16	— ⅜
SBC Comm	52 1-16	51¼	51⅛	— ⅛
SaraLee s	21½	21 3-16	21 5-16	
Scripps EW	49¾	4949⅜		+ ⅜
SearsRoeb	40 15-16	40¼	40⅜	+ ⅛
SherwinW	25 15-16	25¾	25 15-16	
SmithklBchm	67 15-16	67¼	67⅜	+1 13-16
SouthernCo	27 11-16	27¾	27 9-16	+ 3-16
SwstAirl s	17¾	17½	17¾	
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Jesse Ventura returns to his wrestling roots

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — He was "The Body" in the ring. Then, after winning the governor's mansion, he insisted on being called "The Mind."

On Sunday, Gov. Jesse Ventura returned to his less cerebral roots in a paid wrestling appearance that generated as much political controversy as sweat-stained glitz.

"He was right back in character. He looked pretty happy up there," said Kyle Eggleston, 24, of River Falls, Wis., one of 19,404 rowdy onlookers who packed the Target Center for the World Wrestling Federation's SummerSlam event.

During much of the three-person title match — involving Stone Cold Steve Austin, Triple H and Mankind — Ventura barked orders, but shied away from joining the action.

"You're in my state now," Ventura shouted at Triple H before the match got under way. "I am law and order here."

Ventura, wearing a long-sleeved, black-and-white referee shirt, drew standing ovations and chants of "Jesse! Jesse!" throughout the match.

He was more than eager to factor into the outcome. He refused to proclaim Triple H the winner even after he had Mankind pinned on the mat. Instead, Ventura sat in a corner of the ring, wagging his finger and smiling at the crowd. Mankind won by pinning Austin, but not before Ventura expelled another would-be wrestler who tried to interfere.

The Reform Party governor, who retired from the ring in 1986 due to injury, exhibited a sense of accomplishment just being at an event most politicians would shy away from.

For weeks, Ventura deflected criticism for accepting the role. Some said he was abusing and degrading his office. Others charged he was sending the wrong message by appearing at a WWF spectacle complete with vulgar chants, guitar-shattering violence and scantily clad women making suggestive gestures.

"There's a lot of media saying I'm a disgrace for being here. I'll tell you this: I'm proud of wrestling. I'm proud I was a wrestler, and I'm proud to be here tonight," Ventura said.

A Ramsey County judge gave Ventura legal clearance to referee last week by refusing to issue a restraining order sought by a write-in candidate for governor, Leslie Davis.

For Ventura, the wrestling ring was familiar ground. Sunday's event — which also was carried to millions of fans on pay-per-view TV — wasn't even the first time Ventura officiated in the main SummerSlam event.

Ventura's stint as referee in a 1988 SummerSlam match involving Hulk Hogan, Macho Man Randy Savage, Andre the Giant and the Million Dollar Man Ted DiBiase is little more than an entertainment footnote.

His appearance at "An Out of Body Experience" — as this year's event was billed — promised to be much more.

U.S. marshal shoots Texas fugitive

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A U.S. marshal shot and seriously wounded a Texas jail escapee who had been on the run for more than a year, authorities said Sunday.

Adam Lopez had been sought since Aug. 5, 1998, when he escaped from the Lubbock, Texas, County jail. Lopez, 28, was serving a seven-year sentence on drug charges when he escaped.

The Metro Area Fugitive Squad, which had been looking for Lopez in Oklahoma City since June, went looking for him at a southside hotel on Saturday but he was not there. Officers did find weapons, ammunition and dynamite in the room, police said.

A police bomb squad removed the explosives.

Officers later went to a house on the south side where they found stolen vehicles in an apparent chop shop, the U.S. marshal's office said in a prepared statement.

Lopez was not there, but he was spotted leaving a grocery store, and officers chased him. He jumped out of his car and ran into the back yard of a house. He had more than $20,000 in cash and dropped much of it as he fled, officials said.

About 11 p.m., two officers spotted Lopez with what appeared to be a weapon.

The officers ordered Lopez to drop the weapon, but he refused and turned on the officers, officials said.

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Georgia prison inmates prefer tents as cells

APARTA, Ga. (AP) — When inmates at Hancock State Prison heard of plans to erect tents to help with overcrowding, they debated whether it was cruel and unusual punishment.

Now, they're practically standing in line to get assigned to them.

For one thing, the insulated canvas structures are air conditioned, while the main prison has only fans.

"When I first heard about it, I thought it would be hotter than the regular cells, but out of all the places I've been, this is definitely the nicest and the most relaxed," said Eric Willis, who has seen the inside of four different prisons since he began a 10-year sentence for drug dealing.

Prison officials moved 168 inmates into the insulated tents of "J Unit" earlier this year.

Originally planned as a temporary measure, the move created an unexpected benefit: Inmates like 29-year-old Willis, just eight months away from release, are willing to behave to get assigned to the unit.

Inmates at Hancock, about 90 miles east of Atlanta, are put through a tough screening process before they are allowed into the tents.

"Last month, we only had two discipline reports filed, out of all 168 inmates," J Unit manager Dwayne Johnson said. "They know that if they act out, they're gone. And they want to stay."

"To me, this is definitely a perk," said inmate Larry Gibbins, 55, who is in the fourth year of a 20-year sentence.

Johnson said that although the tents initially were considered a quick fix, "we got a deal on them," and they have worked out much better than officials thought.

The four tents — three for housing and one for a dining hall — and a cinderblock administrative building cost about $514,000, or $2,763 per bed, according to Corrections Department spokesman Scott Stallings. A new prison with 1,000 beds costs about $32 million, about $32,000 a bed.

The tents look more like doublewide mobile homes than something you'd camp in. The canvas walls are held up by steel poles. They stand on concrete slabs buffed so frequently they shine brighter than linoleum. Johnson hopes the tents last up to 10 years.

Each houses up to 65 inmates sleeping on rows of bunk beds and is attached to its own cinderblock bathroom and shower area. Features include fluorescent lights and two televisions.

Inmates are free to mingle in a common area or at each other's bunks, and the air conditioners keep the temperature in the tents in the 70s.

"Everything around here is concrete, and it can still be over 100 degrees in the main building after 10 p.m.," Gibbins said. "This is a nice alternative."

These aren't the only tents in use at prisons, but they are among the nicest. Inmates sentenced to a boot camp elsewhere in Georgia are put in Army surplus tents as punishment. And in Arizona, Maricopa County puts jail inmates in two-man tents in the blistering Phoenix heat as both punishment and to save money.

Prison rights advocates say the fact that the Hancock tents had to be built at all shows that the system can't cope with rising inmate numbers brought by increasingly tough sentencing laws.

Albert Brooks enjoys married life

NEW YORK (AP) — Albert Brooks finally abandoned his bachelor's life at age 50. Now he's reaping the benefits.

"Life, in general, used to be very lonely," Brooks told The New York Times in a story published Sunday. The writer-actor-director married two years ago and now has a young son.

"I see people who remain single and immerse themselves in their work, and I don't know how they do it. It's very important to be grounded somewhere."

Brooks latest film, "The Muse," deals with an aging Hollywood writer trying to get the magic back in his career. Its creator credits home and family with doing that for him.

Patients helped by talking about alcohol

BOSTON (AP) — A brief talk with hospitalized injury patients about their drinking problems dramatically reduced their risk of getting injured again, a study has found.

The 30-minute conversation with a psychologist cut the risk nearly in half, prompting one trauma surgeon to call the study "ground-breaking" evidence that such brief interventions can make a difference.

The work was done in a trauma center, which provides specialized care for life-threatening injuries like those from crashes or violence. But a similar program might also work in hospital emergency rooms, said Dr. Larry Gentilello.

Gentilello, a trauma surgeon at the Harborview Medical Center of the University of Washington School of Medicine in Seattle, presented the results Sunday at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.

"It's ground-breaking work," declared another trauma surgeon, Dr. Carl A. Soderstrom of the University of Maryland's trauma center in Baltimore. It's the first evidence that such a brief intervention can help with alcohol problems in that setting, he said.

"It will get the attention of the rule-makers in emergency departments and trauma centers," said Soderstrom, who's planning another study of the approach.

Currently, trauma centers generally don't address the problem of alcohol abuse in their patients, even though it's a potent factor in causing injuries, Gentilello said.

While the brief intervention didn't help severely dependent alcoholics, it did show an effect in people with mild to moderate alcohol problems, he said. Such people are involved in most alcohol-related crashes, he said.

His study screened 2,574 trauma center patients for drinking problems by measuring blood alcohol levels, testing for evidence of impaired liver function and administering a 15-item questionnaire. The questionnaire asked about such things as whether the person had tried to cut down on drinking or drank in the morning, or whether his or her family was upset about the drinking.

Forty-six percent of the patients showed evidence of a drinking problem, and 762 of them were randomly assigned to get either the brief intervention or just normal care. Some assigned to the intervention were discharged before it could be done, so eventually 304 patients got it and 396 were assigned to the no-intervention group.

For the intervention, a psychologist first described the results of the screening tests and asked the patient's reaction to the fact that his or her blood alcohol level, for example, would boost the risk of a crash some 300-fold.

The psychologist then made clear it was the patient's responsibility to do something about the drinking problem, if the patient chose to, and provided encouragement that the problem could be overcome.

After listing options for treatment, but without forcing the patient to choose, the psychologist offered empathy and further encouragement that the problem could be dealt with.

A month later, the patient got a letter summarizing the conversation, offering further encouragement and a phone number to clear up any questions.

Researchers used hospital records to show that people in the intervention group were far less likely to show up again for treatment of injuries than the patients who hadn't gotten the intervention.

There was a 48 percent difference for either inpatient or outpatient treatment at Harborview within one year. For inpatient treatment anywhere in the state, the difference was 47 percent for periods of up to three years.

Nutrition by Ed Blonz, Ph.D

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Outlines for the future

By Ed Blonz, Ph.D.

DEAR READERS: I recently had an opportunity to testify before the FDA concerning the use and regulation of dietary supplements. Since I receive a wide range of questions on this topic, I wanted share my comments on this important issue. Here is an excerpt from my testimony:

In my experience, one of the greatest dilemmas with supplements is the uneasy balance between the regulatory imperative to establish safety and reliability and people who need their "cures" NOW. Our treasured societal freedoms open the door for a never-ending variety of scientific shenanigans. Those grounded in rational thinking would agree that there has to be a mechanism to control unsubstantiated claims. Science should be the final arbiter of what gets told to the consumer under the aegis of authority, but I have observed that many so-called "experts" find a great deal of flex with the facts — especially when commercial interests are concerned. Indeed, companies that take the high road in explaining research to the public may find themselves at a competitive disadvantage to those that play fast-and-loose with their science.

Typical strategies involve a reliance on anecdotal evidence coupled with a pitch that "it worked for them, so why not for you?" Factor in the support of a good salesperson with pseudo-credentials, and you can end up with impressive marketing clout. There is also an incessant parade of infomercials bleating their endless tirade of testimonials, each offering framed with the trite-sounding statement, "finally, a product that really works."

Another conduit for questionable products is the burgeoning field of multilevel marketing. This marketing technique has neighbor selling to neighbor, oftentimes trying to recruit them into their sales force. I've found that when health-related products are being offered, the facts tend to take a back seat. In most cases the dealer has no real training in any health-related field.

As the average age in this country continues to rise, we must be cognizant of the fact that more and more people will suffer from chronic ailments. They are often told to "grin and bear it" by a managed health establishment made ever the more impersonal by a myopic focus on the bottom line. Such are the realities, and they don't lend themselves to simplistic solutions.

As food for thought, I suggest the following.

1. Testing for safety and effectiveness continues to be a thorny issue. Manufacturers complain that there is little economic incentive for them to fund the research needed to prove their health claims. Besides, once studies are done, the results could be used by anyone. Despite this argument, the burden of testing must fall on the industry, which stands to profit from supplement sales — not on the FDA. Tax incentives might be made available to coax the industry into action.

2. Congress should consider giving the supplement industry a defined period to get its house in order. During this period, a self-policing policy would be established, safety testing could be started and a nonpartisan panel could be empowered to decide the type and amount of proof needed to affirm product purity, potency, safety and efficacy. A triage approach would be utilized to assure that the most critical issues are handled in an expeditious manner.

3. The FDA — in cooperation with other government agencies, such as the Cooperative Extension Service of the USDA — would be charged with providing a series of inserts to inform consumers about appropriate use, side effects, minimum toxic doses and potentially dangerous interactions with medications, nutrients or herbs. Similar information would be made available to health professionals. This would have an additional benefit of helping to open the doors of communication between patients and health professionals regarding the use of alternative health modalities.

4. Advertising campaigns would be instituted to alert the consumer to products carrying the government-sponsored inserts. In tandem with this, an industry- or government- sponsored "seal of approval" might be instituted to help consumers identify and preferentially patronize companies which take part in the process.

In conclusion, we must be ever cognizant that what is speculative and unproven is not necessarily false. It simply means that the requisite tests have yet to be done. Much of what is now mainstream science was once considered irrational. If regulations end up being overly conservative, it will lead to an inevitable consumer backlash and a black market, with proponents elevated to the status of martyrdom. Not only would this tarnish the image of the FDA, but the enforcement implication of such a development would be staggering both politically and in terms of funding realities. The onus must be put on the industry, but an industry working together with the regulatory agencies charged with enforcement. The bottom line is to strike a common ground where the consumer is the ultimate beneficiary.

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The program is called "Grandfriends." It's a partnership between our local senior center, which recruits the seniors; a local middle school, which selects the students; and our local hospital system, which provides funding for after-school activities. In other communities, the seniors might be recruited through a church, synagogue or other organization.

A counselor at the middle school identifies students who might benefit, then matches each student with a senior based on interest profiles each has filled out. The seniors and students are introduced at an after-school get-together. After that, they meet one-on-one after school once a week or so and do whatever the two of them want to do — shopping, going for a snack, going to a game, doing homework, working on a computer or just talking. Once a month, we hold an after-school get-together at the school, featuring some type of craft project, often with a community service theme. (Last February, we made valentines to send to veterans.) We also organize group tours to local points of interest.

The real magic of the program is the one-on-one bond that forms between the students and seniors. I urge other communities to explore this idea.

Abby, I would be happy to respond to anyone who would like information on starting such a program in his or her community.

JANE RADATZ,
CO-COORDINATOR,
GRANDFRIENDS PROGRAM,
POWAY, CALIF.

DEAR JANE: Active seniors are an untapped resource, able to offer wisdom, humor, talent and love to young people who need it. I am sure that variations on the "Grandfriends" program are available in many cities. However, if there is none, those who are interested in starting one should send a business-size (No. 10) self-addressed stamped envelope to: Grandfriends, 18402 W. Bernardo Drive, San Diego, CA 92127.

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DEAR ABBY: I read your reference to your column on tattoos. I am a scientist, and it disturbs me that no one seems to be aware of the medical reasons for not getting tattooed.

The dye used contains iron salts. These, when subjected to the high magnetic field on an MRI, generates heat — which can burn the flesh. Therefore, when you have a tattoo, you are eliminating an important medical tool for diagnosing problems.

Abby, please alert young people to an important consideration before getting tattooed.

T.R. NEWMAN,
PORT RICHEY, FLA.

DEAR MR. NEWMAN: With pleasure. According to my source, there are vegetable-based dyes and iron-based dyes used in tattooing. Wise consumers should determine what kind of material they will be getting. That way they can warn their doctor or MRI technician in advance, and there will be no surprises or unpleasant reactions in the middle of a procedure.

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For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Tuesday, Aug. 24, 1999

Several opportunities might develop from least suspected sources in the year ahead, so be on the lookout at all times. If you brush things aside, you could miss out on a good one.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Immerse yourself in your work today, so that you don't spend idle time brooding over real or imagined problems. Negative thinking will prove to be a wasted energy that zaps your strengths. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Chances are if you are taken advantage of today it will be due to the fact that you put yourself in that position with associates in the first place. Don't be your own worst enemy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Parity is the first criteria for a successful partnership arrangement. Without it, any teaming up with someone today will prove to be more counterproductive than constructive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A depressing affect on your attitude is likely today if you gratify whims to be idle or unproductive. Strive to spend your time on endeavors that cater to your sense of achievement.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) There's a strong possibility today that something detrimental could unwittingly occur through a discussion about your present financial affairs. Keep mum.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Trying to please everybody is always hopeless. Today, however, could be one of those days when you might not be able to please anybody, so don't waste your time on appeasement.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be very careful today in whom you place your trust. A few people with whom you might have dealings might not be what they seem to be at face value.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Just because things went well for you yesterday doesn't mean you can gamble today on either business or romance. A let down on your diligence will reflect accordingly.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you've been experiencing favorable happenings lately, don't take your success for granted. Your underpinnings might not be as strong as you think and could need constant support.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Dissatisfaction over what you thought you wanted or what you presently have going for you may be the direct result of not being grateful for you present circumstances. Be appreciative.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your sound sense of value might desert you today and cause you to spend more money for things than they're actually worth. Be especially careful over big money transactions.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Don't rock the boat if conditions that have a direct affect upon your career get a trifle unsettling today. Keep your footing solid until everything becomes calm again.

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Vera: Why is the letter K like a pig's tail?

Maggie: Because it is at the end of pork.

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Friday, August 27th at the Chamber Office.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Bret becomes tropical storm

RIVIERA (AP) — A blustery shadow of its former self, Hurricane Bret was downgraded to a tropical storm today as it plodded across a sparsely populated swath of southern Texas.

The storm, the biggest hurricane to strike Texas in nearly 20 years, continued to drench the region with thunderous squalls today, but no injuries were reported since Bret made landfall about 6 p.m. Sunday in sparsely populated Kenedy County.

"It sounded like a big jet engine was coming down on top of us. It was very scary," Jesse Salinas said in Sarita, the only town in Kenedy County.

There was little structural damage in Sarita, a town of 460 people, but power lines and trees were down, including several large trees around the courthouse square.

Up to 25 inches of rain fell by early today on the coastal plains of sparsely settled Kenedy County, where the average rainfall for a whole year is 29.7 inches, the National Weather Service said. Rain continued falling elsewhere and there was a chance of flooding in places plus isolated tornadoes.

At a morning news conference, state emergency officials said heavy rainfall remained a concern as the storm moves westward toward Laredo and northern Mexico, along with damage to electrical lines in the heavily populated lower Rio Grande Valley.

Jack Colley, assistant director of the state Division of Emergency Management, said three of four major power lines serving the lower Rio Grande Valley were down because of the storm. Demand was down because of so many people had been evacuated, he said, "but if the fourth line goes down then there is a major problem."

Colley said there have been scattered reports of power outages to 16,000 electric customers in storm areas.

Damage was substantial in Falfurrias, about 60 miles southwest of Corpus Christi, Mayor Michael Guerra said.

The eye passed over the town of about 5,800 residents about 3 a.m., ripping roofs from homes and businesses, he said. Up to 90 percent of the town had no electricity, he said.

"We have a lot of debris and live power lines in the roads, and we've had four convenience stores lose the canopies from their gas pumps. And some of the less-structurally sound buildings have lost roofs and windows," he said.

A tornado between Rockport and Aransas Pass destroyed a mobile home and damaged several other buildings, the Aransas County sheriff's department reported this morning. Major damage also was reported in Port Mansfield, about 50 miles north of Brownsville, especially to mobile homes.

Corpus Christi police reopened the causeway to residents returning to North Padre Island this morning, and authorities expected to reopen the causeway to South Padre Island by noon today.

As of 11 a.m. EDT today, Bret had top sustained wind of 45 mph and some higher gusts, the National Hurricane Center said. The minimum for a hurricane is 74 mph.

Bret had been rated a Category 4 storm when it approached over the Gulf of Mexico with 140 mph wind, piling waves 26 feet high at one offshore weather buoy, but made landfall with wind down to 125 mph.

This morning, the center of Bret moved across rural southern Texas, going west-northwest at 6 mph.

It was expected to turn westward toward Mexico, where more than 3,500 people living near the Rio Grande in Nuevo Laredo, just across the border from Laredo, Texas, had been evacuated because of the possibility of flooding, the government news agency Notimex reported.

On Sunday, Bret unleashed its power on desolate, sparsely populated ranch land south of Corpus Christi.

Obituaries

Ronnie Morris

1945-1999

Funeral service for Ronnie Clarence Morris is set for 3 p.m. Tuesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Rev. Tommy Davis, minister at Sound of Jubilee Ministries, and Mr. Wayne Highfield will officiate. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery.

Mr. Morris, 54, died Saturday, Aug. 21, in Snyder Oaks Care Center.

Born June 29, 1945 in Brownwood, Mr. Morris was an oilfield worker.

Survivors include a son, Jesse Russell Loper of Van Nuys, Calif.; five sisters, Rena Maxine Whittenburg of Murchison, Tex., Doris Laverne Wright of Yucaipa, Calif., Debra Kay Harmon of Lubbock, Mamie Sue Hart of Abilene and Margaret Rylander of Snyder; and four brothers, Alfred Lee Morris, Doug Morris, Earl Eugene Morris, all of Snyder, and Roy Dale Morris of Odessa.

Henry Burchett

1921-1999

LUBBOCK – Henry G. Burchett, a former resident of Snyder, died Saturday, Aug. 21, at his home in Lubbock.

Funeral service for Mr. Burchett, 77, was set for 2 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church Ford Memorial Chapel. The Rev. D. L. Lowrie was to officiate, and burial was to follow in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Born Nov. 16, 1921 in Cooper, he moved to Lubbock in 1923 and graduated from Lubbock High School in 1939. He attended Texas Tech and served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II.

He married Ruth Castle on March 4, 1944 in Miami. From 1950-59, he worked for the U.S. Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service and was office manager in Scurry and Bailey counties.

He then joined the Texas Tech engineering department and from 1969-99, owned and operated Burchett's Sales and Service.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church and Downtown Bible Class.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth Burchett of Lubbock; and a brother, Merle Burchett of Abilene.

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Thelma Crow

1905-1999

BAIRD – Thelma Opal Crow, the mother of Velda Stephens of Snyder, died Sunday, Aug. 22, in an Abilene nursing center.

Funeral service for Mrs. Crow, 94, is set for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Parker Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Mike Woodward officiating. Burial will follow in the Ross Cemetery Annex.

Born in Meridian, she married Bernard Crow in 1925 in Eula. Mrs. Crow moved to Baird from the Rowden community in 1966 and then moved to Abilene in 1973. She was a member of the Southwest Park Baptist Church.

Survivors include two other daughters, Pat Gibbs of Abilene and Thelda Jefferies of Houston; a bother, W.T. Cutbirth of Clyde; three sisters, Georgia Williams of San Angelo, Mary Fry of Temple and Dot Hodges of Decatur; 10 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

J.P. Hendrix

1920-1999

WICHITA FALLS – J.P. Hendrix, former area superintendent for Sun Oil Company, died Saturday, Aug. 21, in Wichita Falls.

Funeral service for Mr. Hendrix, 79, is set for 1 p.m. Tuesday in the Hampton Vaughan Crestview Chapel. The Rev. John Dillard, associate pastor of the First United Methodist Church, will officiate. Entombment will follow in Crestview Mausoleum.

Born Aug. 14, 1920 in Cuba, Ala., he married Betty Grant on Jan. 7, 1944 in Springfield, Ill. He was a captain in the U.S. Air Force during World War II.

Mr. Hendrix was a graduate of the University of Illinois and was a chemical engineer for Oryx Energy, formerly Sun Oil Co., for 36 years, retiring in 1986. He was area superintendent for Sun and was headquartered in Colorado City.

Mr. Hendrix had been a resident of Colorado City for seven years, moving from Plano. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Hendrix of Wichita Falls; a daughter, Debbie Grubbs of Wichita Falls; a sister, Kathlyn Marr of Bloomington, Ill.; a brother, John W. Fancher of Ormand Beach, Fla.; and three grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Alzheimer's Foundation, 801 Burnett in Wichita Falls, 76301.

Heavy rains worsen aftermath of quake

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — The skies over northwestern Turkey brought the mixed blessing of rain today, washing away dirt and dust that could carry disease but also bringing contaminated runoff from decomposing corpses into the streets.

Displaced survivors abandoned soggy blankets and mattresses in a desperate search for cover from the heavy rain, the first spell of bad weather since last week's quake. The rain also complicated efforts to clear the debris and continue looking for anyone who defied the odds and survived more than six days in the ruins. Rain makes the wreckage heavier and increases the risk it could shift and topple onto rescuers.

Health officials also feared the rain, which is forecast to continue for several days, would bring down toxins pumped into the sky by a huge fire that burned for days at Turkey's biggest oil refinery. Health Minister Osman Durmus urged people to evacuate the area near the refinery in Izmit, 90 miles southeast of Istanbul.

The official casualty count crept higher today to 12,134 dead and 33,384 injured. Some politicians and relief leaders have estimated as many as 40,000 people may have perished and believe thousands of bodies are still entombed by rubble.

There were signs Turkey was preparing for the worst. The government asked the United Nations to help find 45,000 body bags, said Sergio Piazzi, head of the European desk at the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in Geneva.

"We are shifting from the search and rescue phase to the acute emergency phase," said Piazzi. "But still we have hope to find some individuals alive."

The chance of finding anyone still alive grew slimmer by the hour. But each astonishing survivor gave crews hope to press ahead.

In Yalova, 30 miles south of Istanbul, a 4-year-old boy was saved today after spending 171 hours trapped.

"He is in good condition ... He asked for water and told us he is hungry," said Dr. Yusuf Bahadir, who was with the boy after he arrived for treatment in Istanbul.

San Angelo man arrested

Felony possession of a controlled substance sent a 40-year-old San Angelo man to jail over the weekend.

Department of Public Safety troopers arrested Landis Blair McCormick of San Angelo at 1:46 a.m. Sunday on U.S. Hwy. 84.

A break-in at a residence in the 600 block of 29th Street was also reported over the weekend.

David Garcia notified officers at 9:39 p.m. Sunday that someone had taken a Nintendo, a Playstation and money from his residence. An offense report for burglary of a habitation was submitted.

Two separate offense reports for Class C assault were filed this weekend — one at 9:02 a.m. Saturday and one at 6:03 p.m. Sunday. The incidents were unrelated.

A gas drive-off in the amount of $18.50 was reported from Rip Griffin's at 10:44 p.m. Sunday. An offense report was submitted for Class C theft.

A two-vehicle mishap occurred at 1:37 p.m. Sunday in the 100 block of Coliseum Drive. Involved were a 1998 Ford Expedition driven by Reeda Ashley Thomas of 3901 Avenue O, Apt. 38 and a 1994 Mazda 626 driven by Michaele Southard of The Woodlands.

Officers worked a one-vehicle accident at 8:03 p.m. Sunday in the 900 block of 23rd Street involving a 1993 Ford Ranger driven by Jennifer Carrisalez, 18, of 912 Avenue Q which struck a telephone pole.

According to police reports, Carrisalez was attempting to avoid collision with another vehicle backing out of a private drive when she lost control of her vehicle and it struck the pole.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Aug. 21-Jose Torres; Aug. 22-Roger Garza, Lee Gill, Jeanette Alexander, Doug Gaston, Wanda Matchett and Elida Yruegas.

DISMISSALS: Aug. 21-Paula Brown, Andrew White and Jimmie Dyess; Aug. 22-Bonita Ervin, Benita Lopez and baby boy; Tamesha Simmons and baby girl, and Jose Torres.

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

United Way work session

A planning and work session for United Way will be held at 6 p.m. today at the Chamber of Commerce.

SHS choir boosters

Snyder High choir boosters will meet at 6:30 this evening in the choir room. All choir parents are invited to attend.

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air each week on cable TV channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 tonight are "What Does the Church See?" followed by "The Waiting Father?"

Hermleigh booster club

The Hermleigh booster club will meet at 7 this evening in the high school cafeteria. Officers will be elected for the new school year.

SHS football booster club

The club will meet Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the high school student center.

Cub Scout rally

There will be a rally for Cub Scouts at 7 p.m. Tuesday at West Elementary. Cub Scouts are for boys first grade (seven years old) through the fifth grade. For more information, call James Garvin at 573-3310.

Stanfield Parent Council

Stanfield Parent Council will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the school cafeteria.

Diabetes support group

Snyder Diabetes support group will met at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Cogdell Hospital cafeteria.

Hamburger supper

The Hermleigh High School cheerleaders will have a hamburger supper on Friday from 6-8 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Cost is $4 per person. The junior high and high school football team and cheerleaders will be introduced at 7:30 p.m.

Healing clinic

There will be a healing clinic at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Union Community Center, sponsored by the Road Back Ministry.

Joy School

Joy School at East Side Church of Christ is now state licensed and will be open five days a week. The school is for ages 18 months to pre-kindergarten. Parents may choose days wanted. Call 573-3554 for 575-1138 for more information.

Sonshine School

Registration for Sonshine School at 37th Street Church of Christ is being held for pre-school through age five. Classes begin Thursday morning following a ribbon cutting. For more information call the church office at 573-0154 or Lora Lord at 573-1700.

King's Kids registration

First Baptist Church is registering for King's Kids, ages 1-5, and for Mothers' Day Out, six months to five years old. Call 573-2631 for more information.

Children's Day Out

Children's Day Out, a Tuesday-Thursday child care program at First United Methodist Church, has begun, but spaces are available for two and three year olds. Call 573-4770.

Rock and Roll quilting club

The quilting club meets every Monday from 8 a.m. until noon at Hermleigh Community Center for free quilting lessons. Everyone is invited. Call 863-2426 for more information.

Retirement reception

A reception in honor of Jimmy Kiker will be held from 3:30 to 6 p.m. next Monday at Snyder Country Club. Kiker is retiring after 43 years with Big Country Electric Cooperative.

Fair booths available

Food and vendor booths are available for the Scurry County Fair to be held Sept. 16-18 in the Scurry County Coliseum. Costs vary, depending on size and type. For more information, call Sandra Barboza at the chamber, 573-3558.

Items needed

The First Church of Nazarene is accepting garage sale items for the church building fund for a new fellowship hall. Call Ethel Herrington at 574-1714 for more information.

Garage sale items needed

Lighthouse Assembly of God, 1900 Trinity Blvd., is accepting items for their garage sale to benefit the church building fund. Furniture, clothes, appliances and other items are appreciated. Call 573-5124 or 573-2947 for pickup.

Canyon community reunion

The Canyon community reunion will be held Sept. 25 beginning at 9 a.m. at the Ira Community Center. For further information or donations contact Cecil or Dorothy Lankford at 573-5246.

Pick 3

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

Lotto Texas

By The Associated Press

AUSTIN (AP) — The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 32-24-27-33-5-15

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $18 million.