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THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Some people are light eaters. The minute it gets light, they start eating."

There's been a variety of activities, all centered around eating.

A couple of weeks ago, the Rodeo Booster Club at Western Texas College enjoyed a cookout at Jack Greene's place, catered by Tommy Marricle.

The following Friday, Jack's private park was the scene of a fajita cookout for Cogdell Hospital employees and supporters. Billy Ray Browning's crew provided the meal.

The same night, Browning was busy at the Wagon Wheel Ranch, fixin' for some 500 persons attending a function put on by American State Bank.

Just the night before, citizens got a Taste of Snyder during a fundraiser to benefit the Scurry County Museum held at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

Snyder's food establishments, according to the many positive comments heard, did a great job and many are looking for A Taste of Snyder becoming an annual event.

We have to warn you that museum director Charlene Akers is serious about getting — and keeping — museum volunteers.

On two recent occasions, two volunteers got trapped in the elevator. At noon on another day, the staff went to lunch, forgetting about two volunteers who were locked inside.

And a few days earlier, the First United Methodist Church had a good turnout for its Lord's Acre Fish Fry.

One unexpected guest was Santa Claus, who got the attention of five-year-old Colton Curry, the son of the new Methodist minister, Craig Curry.

White-bearded Kenneth Wood was there enjoying his fish dinner when he spotted Colton inching up for a closer look.

Finally, Colton mustered enough courage to ask the question. "Are you Santa Claus?"

"Yes, I am," was the answer.

"What are you doing here, I thought you wore a red suit and lived at the North Pole."

"I came to eat fish," Santa said. "I only wear the red suit when I'm working."

Colton seem to be satisfied, especially when Santa took a picture from his shirt pocket, showing Colton when he was on duty in Snyder last December.

And there's another big feed planned at the Hays Ranch Friday night, a Mexican Fiesta that launches White Buffalo Days. Wednesday is the deadline for tickets.

SNYDER HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING QUEEN — Brooke McGuire was announced as Snyder High School's Homecoming Queen during halftime activities of the Snyder-Big Spring game Friday night. The queen, a senior, was escorted by her father, Tommy McGuire. See game story, page 6A. (SDN Staff Photo)

United Way drive takes off

Just weeks after kicking off its 1997-98 campaign, Scurry County United Way has reached more than 30 percent of its goal.

Organizers report that $20,148.57 has been pledged, amounting to 33.5 percent of the goal of $60,000.

Scurry County United Way serves eight local and area agencies. They are the Scurry County Boys & Girls Club, Snyder Child Day Care Center, Noah Project-West, the West Texas Council of the Girl Scouts, the Buffalo Trail Council of the Boy Scouts, the Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse, Scurry County Food Cupboard and the American Red Cross.

Citizens may mail donatations to Scurry County United Way at P.O. Box 1411, Snyder, TX 79549.

Goal: $60,000
Collected: $20,148

'Ragweed Joe' debuts Friday

Melodrama on stage at the Ritz for four performances

Ritz Community Theatre's "Ragweed Cowboy Joe," a burlesque-type comedy, will be presented during the White Buffalo Festival weekend.

The play opens on Friday and continues through Sunday, Oct. 5. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Friday, at 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday and at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday.

Tickets are $6 for adults and $4 for children under 12. Season ticketholders may use punches from their ticket for the show. Season tickets are available at the chamber of commerce and may also be purchased at the Ritz ticket window during performances.

The play has all the elements of a melodrama, including a hero, heroine and a villan, plus a few surprises.

Cowboy Joe, the hero, is allergic to ragweed and heads west to Scurry County where the air is pure and clean. He gets sidetracked going to college at Texas A&M University where he falls hopelessly in love with his animal husbandry professor, Hootin' Annie, the heroine of the tale.

Billy the Goat, the villan and son of Poochie, the proprietress of the Juicy Dog Biscuit Saloon, also takes a liking to Annie, and the plot thickens. When Annie doesn't show up for class, Joe knows she is in trouble so he and Kit Carson set out to find her. The ending is somewhat unconventional, but there is lots of action, music and plain old fun getting there.

Emily Hataway is the narrator. Other cast members include Mike Harrison as Cowboy Joe, Charlotte Springer as Hootin' Annie, Vernon Groce as Billy the Goat and Gale Northcott as Poochie.

The cowboys, neighbors and Aggie students are played by Bill Dickinson, Bob Green, Caleb Durham and Ken Spoor. The women libbies are portrayed by Donna Browning, Monette O'Day and Rebekah Thornton.

The saloon girls are Keri Ann Bishop, Melinda Early, Becky Hurt and Kara Babcock.

Children are Blake and Craig Robertson and Andrew Dupree. Ricky Fritz triples as an actor, the doctor and Kit Carson. Suzanne Bogard is the nurse; Dayton Robertson is the Aggie; and Michael Hartman is the Red Raider.

Marie Clark is the pianist. Ellie Dryden is directing.

Artist returning to Scurry County for dinner, show at the Hays Ranch

Linda Miller's art has been compared to that of the Old Masters.

Her paintings sell so well that most are sold before they are finished, going to prospective buyers who find their way to her studio and home near San Patricio, N.M.

Miller will be at the Hays Ranch dinner Friday evening, bringing limited edition lithographs, a few small framed originals, cards with reproductions of her paintings and Christmas cards.

Also on display at the ranch will be prints and jewelry by Kenneth Wyatt, who maintains his studio in Tulia, and paintings by various artists represented by Fenton Galleries of Taos and Ruidoso, N.M.

Included in Miller's show will be a new lithograph of "They Honor Her," just off the press. It shows a beaded, elkskin Indian dress which she found in the closet at the home of a cousin, Riley Miller. He had bought it as a gift for his daughter, Jenny.

Miller took the dress to her studio and placed it on a hollow log she had found on the banks of the Hondo River. One by one, she added and took away articles that a Sioux woman might have had in a winter camp — moccasins, a tepee bag, some sweet-smelling sage. The months passed, and when she felt she had come to understand the spirit of the elk and the woman who wore it, she began painting.

Miller was born in Snyder, the daughter of the late Bud and Janice Miller. When she was 14, a great aunt took her to Lincoln County to train with Katheryne Hale Travis. While she was attending a course in Dallas, the late J.M. (Mule) Kayser saw some of her work and was so impressed that he showed it to the director of the Texas Tech University Museum.

See Artist, Page 14A

Linda Miller

Public invited...

'College Day' slated at WTC

Western Texas College has scheduled Thursday as its annual College Day for area high school students and college students planning to transfer.

Representatives from more than 30 colleges and universities and several branches of the armed forces will be on campus to answer questions and distribute literature.

A firm which deals in student loans will be available with information on financing.

The program will be a come-and-go session in the gym from 9:30 until 11:30 a.m. The public is welcome.

Among the institutions planning to have representatives at College Day are Abilene Christian University, Angelo State University, Austin College, Baylor University, Centenary College of Louisiana, Cisco Junior College, Clarendon College and Frank Phillips College.

Others are Howard College, Howard Payne University, Lubbock Christian University, McMurry University, Methodist Hospital School of Nursing, Midland College, Midwestern State University, Navarro, South Plains College, Southwest Texas State University and the Stenographic Institute of Texas.

Still others include Tarleton University, Texas State Technical College, Texas Tech University, Texas Tech School of Nursing, Texas Tech School of Allied Health, Texas Wesleyan University, University of Dallas, UT-Arlington, UT-Austin, UT-Permian Basin, Wayland Baptist University and West Texas A&M.

Branches of the armed forces attending will be the U.S. Air Force, U.S. Army, U.S. Navy and the U.S. Marine Corps. A representative from The College Fund will also be on hand.

ASK US

Q—Has the deadline to register to vote in the Nov. 4 election passed?

A—No. You have about a week. The final day to register to vote is Monday, Oct. 6.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 87 degrees; low, 64; 7 a.m. Saturday, 57; no precipitation; total for 1997, 21.95 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, fair. Low, upper 50s. W-SW wind 5-15 mph; N 10-20 mph after midnight. Sunday, partly cloudy, cooler. High, lower 80s. NE wind 10-20 mph.

Randy Morgan
Partly cloudy

Sunset: 7:24 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:36 a.m.
Of 269 days in 1997, the sun has shone 257 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The real winners in life are the people who look at every situation with an expectation that they can make it work or make it better.

Barbara Pletcher

Ruling against parental notification...

Bush and GOP senators seeking appeal

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush called Friday for a quick appeal to the Texas Supreme Court of a judge's ruling blocking a new law requiring minors to get parental consent before obtaining state-paid birth control and other prescription drugs.

State District Judge F. Scott McCown last month stopped Texas health officials from enforcing the new law, which was tucked into the state budget passed by the 1997 Legislature.

The budget included numerous so-called "riders" — special provisions that describe how money is to be spent.

But the parental consent provision went beyond detailing expenditures and violated the Texas Constitution's prohibition on amending or repealing general law through the budget bill, McCown said.

Bush said two important issues are at stake — parents' rights and legislative power.

"Parents have the right to be involved in the medical decisions of their minor children," the Republican governor said.

"It's important that we clarify this important family issue and establish the constitutionality of legislative riders," Bush said.

Bush, joined by state Sens. David Sibley, R-Waco, and Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, asked the state attorney general to appeal McCown's ruling straight to the Texas Supreme Court.

A spokesman for Attorney General Dan Morales said that already is taking place.

"We're going to be filing that appeal Monday. Notice of appeal already has been filed with the trial court as of today. An appeal to the Supreme Court will be filed Monday," said Morales spokesman Ron Dusek.

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AARP Corner

By M.J. Merritt
Community Coordinator

Liz Carpenter, Lady Bird Johnson's Press Secretary, once said: "Aging has become very stylish. All the best people are doing it!"

Believe it or not, look at the "normal" lifespan: 200 years ago it was 35: in 1900, it was 45; in 1950, it was 70; in 1992, it was "many more active years." It is believed that we can live to be a hundred easily by following certain guidelines.

We are as old or as young as we feel. Our calendars simply tell us how long we have lived. Nobody grows old merely living a certain number of years; we grow old by deserting our ideals.

Ben Franklin once said: "Nothing is as certain as death and taxes." He should have added growing old! Aging starts the moment of birth.

Aging is certain, but what happens to us as we age is another matter. It can be a great experience; increased energy, increased enthusiasm, increased health, increased time to share and love others.

The calendar number simply shows how many years we have lived. Those calendar numbers do not make us old. Some people age at 40; others are young at 80! There can be as many as 30 years difference in our biological age and our calendar age! We have a choice!

We can decide to age poorly or age well; it's up to each individual. It is not up to the medical profession. Early decisions to avoid those health habits that harm; and to follow those that help us to retain energy, vitality, stamina, healthy heart, circulation — these are important to make a part of life.

We can slow the aging process with proper diet and exercise. Diet and exercise are easy to do.

The physical benefits are: controls weight, keeps bones strong, builds muscles, conditions the heart and lungs, relieves stress, increases stamina, lowers blood pressure, and increases flexibility of the joints.

Behavioral benefits of good diet and exercise are: enhances mental sharpness, emotional stability, sense of tranquility, improved quality of sleep.

Added to good diet and exercise, celebrate the years by developing the following skills: friendship, seeing the best in others, giving respect, showing empathy, giving support, friendship is a rose without a thorn.

People with friends live longer — funshine (shining from the inside out). Being optimistic (our spirit and attitude); optimism and fun sets the tone for relationships and is important for health. Flexibility: being adaptable to change and allowing others the freedom to grow and change. Facilitator: bringing together people, resources and opportunities. The best gift we can give to others is other people. And, feedback: Giving and receiving input from others is critical for our survival. It lets us know of friends in the marketplace. Listening with purpose helps us locate the pain and values in others lives, compliments are verbal sunshine.

How old is old anyway? We decide.

Teen arrested for hijacking

KATY (AP) — A 15-year-old high school student was arrested after he brought a rifle on a school bus and forced the driver to drive him around at gunpoint.

The Katy High School student got on the bus at the first stop, along with six other students Friday morning. He had a rifle wrapped up in construction paper, a student said.

Once on the bus, the teen pointed the rifle at the driver, said Kris Taylor, spokeswoman for the Katy Independent School District.

The bus driver tried to defuse the situation by asking him to give her the weapon, but he responded: "I'm not joking."

The boy made the rest of the students leave the bus and forced the driver to take off. Ten minutes after getting on the bus, he made her pull over in a church parking lot, Ms. Taylor said. By that time, police had been notified and had caught up to the bus.

The student ran behind the church where he was arrested by KISD police. The teen-ager was charged with aggravated kidnapping and was in the custody of Harris County juvenile authorities late Friday afternoon.

The rifle was not loaded, Ms. Taylor said and the motive is not known.

Festival parade slated Saturday

Among the entries in next Saturday's White Buffalo Festival parade will be the 4th Calvary, buffaloes and Judy Hays, granddaughter of former buffalo hunter and local businessman J. Wright Mooar.

Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow is the theme for this year's parade, which will be held at 10 a.m. around the courthouse square.

Line-up will begin at 9 o'clock in the former Kmart parking lot on College Avenue.

Judging will be held at 9:45 for most authentic, most original and best all around. Certificates and $25 cash prizes will be awarded. The parade will begin at 10 o'clock.

Maps of the route and schedules of the day's activities are available at Snyder Chamber of Commerce and Mail Center and More.

For more information, call Cindy Sharp at 573-4185 or 573-3822. All horses must have proof of current Coggins.

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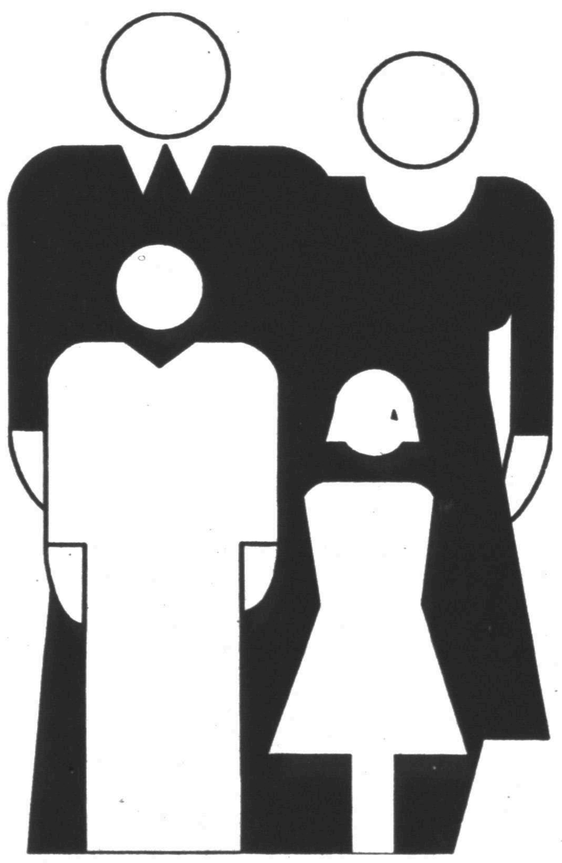

Disaster, family crisis, domestic violence, youth programs, needs here needs there.

These aren't just front page news stories. They are issues that affect the day-to-day quality of life for ourselves, our children and our neighbors. And trying to solve all the many needs facing our nation today is not an easy task.

That's why there is United Way of Scurry County. It's agencies helping local people. It's neighbors helping neighbors, families caring for families and friends helping friends.

It's also a way for you to put your money where your heart is. We hope you'll consider making an investment in your community once more during the 1997 United Way Campaign.

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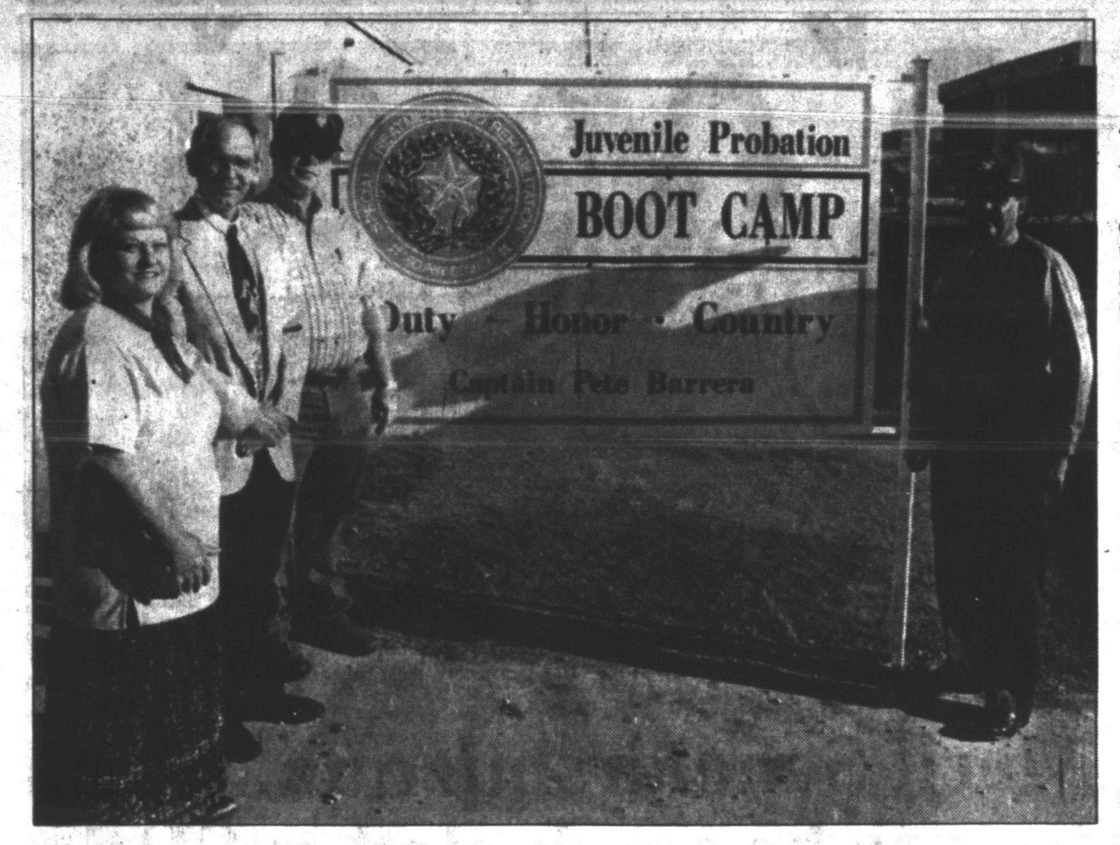

STAR LOCATION — School employees erected a sign Thursday designating the location of the STAR Program on the Snyder High School campus. Captain Pete Barrera, right, heads the alternative education program while others pictured are, from left, Ginger Barrera, Asst. Supt. Wendell Sollis and juvenile probation officer Larry Thompson. (SDN Staff Photo)

PISD sues to stop misleading web site

PLANO (AP) — It looked just like the Plano school district's World Wide Web page, so teachers had no reason to question an e-mail directing them to visit the site through an alternate address and enter their assigned district passwords.

Now, the district says the page was a clever imitation constructed by a man who wanted to hack into the school computers.

"We think it's a fraudulent attempt to compromise our system," said Superintendent Doug Otto, whose district has sued the man they believe constructed the phony Web page. "We're not going to put up with this."

District officials say the passwords could have been used to tamper with computerized documents, including students' grades.

State District Judge Curt Henderson approved a temporary injunction against Tim Williams on Thursday, preventing him from operating the "teacher information source" section of his Web page and keeping him from destroying any records associated with the page.

Coming Soon...
The Glory Room
A Christian Library

The Glory Room is an opportunity to share Christian books, videos, and tapes with others. We are currently accepting donations to supply the library. If you have any Christian literature you would like to donate to this library, please drop by. If you would like more information, please call 573-7044 after 6:00 p.m. *"But let him who glories glory in this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the Lord..." Jeremiah 9:24*

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14-year-old boy to stand trial for murder in teacher's death

DALLAS (AP) — A 14-year-old boy charged with murder in the slaying of a popular schoolteacher is scheduled to go on trial Monday.

Billy Ray Dennis Jr. has been released to his mother's custody after a previous scrape with the law when he was arrested and charged in the March 15 shooting death of Rasheed Sabour, 48.

Dennis had his first-brush with police as a 10-year-old runaway, The Dallas Morning News reported in its Saturday editions. Three years later, he was arrested on car theft charges and was selling crack, the newspaper reported, citing court records.

Now 14, he faces life imprisonment if convicted.

The image of the 5-foot-3, 95-pound boy differs dramatically, depending on who's doing the describing.

His mother described him to authorities as an obedient son who kept his room neat, helped with household chores and watched after his little brother.

"He barely can hold a fork and spoon," said Vonda Dennis, 36. "He ain't no vicious nothing."

His attorney agrees. "He's not a monster," said Paul Johnson of Dallas. "To me, he's just a scared little kid."

But the slain teacher's son wants to know why Dennis was on the streets when the teacher was killed.

"The county should have taken more control," said Sabour's son, Malik Sabour, 26. "How did they expect something like that to work? They should have put him in juvenile (detention)."

First Assistant District Attorney Norman Kinne said Dennis's boyish looks could affect jurors. The looks are misleading, he maintains.

"His conduct has the viciousness of any adult that I have ever seen," Kinne said. "This is a coldblooded killing."

Witnesses told police Dennis confronted Sabour with a gun and ordered him to get out of his minivan. When Sabour refused, Dennis shot him once in the chest, they said.

Johnson said his client did not mean to shoot Sabour when the two crossed paths outside a liquor and grocery store, just south of Fair Park.

"This is a tragedy for everyone involved," he said. "Apparently, a good person has lost his life, and another person could ... pay for that by spending the rest of his life in prison."

County officials say they had no reason to think Dennis would hurt anyone in January when they released him to his mother. Police had arrested him in a string of property crimes, but probation officials said he had no history of violent offenses.

But Dennis broke free of an electronic monitoring device and evaded them for two months until his arrest after the Sabour slaying, county officials said. Police say the boy Dennis also shot and seriously wounded a Mesquite woman a month before his arrest because she refused to perform a sex act.

Letter to the Editor

We lost our mother to a very sudden illness, Wednesday, September 10th, 1997. Our family was shocked and grieve stricken. It has not been an easy situation to deal with.

We are so thankful to Wright Colonial Funeral Home for helping us through a very difficult time.

How can we adequately express our sincerest gratuitude for helping us ease the load and pain of losing our beloved Mother? Let us begin by saying that Kent and his staff at Wright Colonial Funeral Home were at our side to assist us, to hear us, to provide a home away from home, like no other.

At the time, in which we needed it the most THEY didn't hesitate to provide us with our needs; a shoulder to lean on or a place to be alone. We were not certain of how we were to proceed or what to do next, BUT KENT AND HIS STAFF intuitively and wisely listened to our unspoken tone.

Regardless of the situation or the question being asked, THEY made us feel comfortable, welcomed with respect. Thank you for caring so sincerely, so beautifully, for granting our most smallest to biggest request.

Perhaps there was no need to know you, who you are, or your staff, prior to this lonely, mournful stride. However, we hope you know without a doubt you have acquired unwavering friends for life.

Our heartfelt thanks for providing us with the most eloquent and dignified service, we could have ever wished for ... nothing less; Because of our mother: we are a better, more blessed Christian family, and her memory we will accomplish our mission and put forth our best.

Simon Quiros and his family would like to let Snyder know just how blessed this town is to have such a place like Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

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The Snyder Healthcare Center Team is led by: (Kneeling in front row left to right) Benny Gibbs, Administrator; Glenda Halverson, Assistant Director of Nurses; Dr. Carl Dillaha, Medical Director; Susan Hickman, Director of Nurses; and Debi Corey, Clinical Director. "A smile says a thousand words. We are proud of our facility, our residents and our community."

The entire staff and residents wish to say "thank you Snyder for your continued support."

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Former Beatle does not like Chancellor Kohl's cookbook

STUTTGART, Germany (AP) — No stuffed pig's stomach please, we're British vegetarians.

That was the message Paul McCartney gave to Chancellor Helmut Kohl as he returned a copy of the German leader's cookbook.

Dismayed by the chancellor's famously carnivorous ways, an international animal rights group got the former Beatle to send Kohl an autographed copy of "Veganissimo," a vegetarian celebrity cookbook that includes recipes from McCartney and his wife, Linda.

Kohl responded by sending the McCartneys a copy of the cookbook he wrote with his wife, Hannelore, "Culinary Excursion Through German Lands."

The Kohls do offer vegetable dishes, such as stuffed Kohlkopf — or cabbage head — in the book, but their 350 recipes are decidedly meaty.

The chancellor's favorite, a specialty from his native region Rhineland-Palatinate in western Germany, is sow stomach stuffed with spiced pork.

McCartney, a vegetarian for 20 years, wrote the Kohls a letter dated Sept. 5 that both thanked and chided them for their cookbook.

The letter was released Friday by the German branch of the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.

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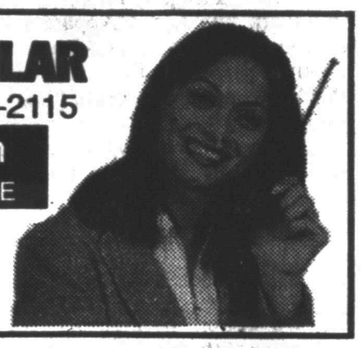

STANFIELD PARENT LEADERS — Officers of the Stanfield Elementary Parent Council include, from left, Diana Cole, vice president in charge of public relations; Kathy McNew, secretary; Sara Syler, vice president in charge of fund raising; Michelle Brasher, president; and Dena Reecer, vice president in charge of committees. Not pictured are Beth Self, past president; and Pam Olson, treasurer. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Merit Scholarship qualifying tests to be conducted at SHS

Snyder High School will administer the Preliminary SAT/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test to interested juniors and sophomores on Tuesday, Oct. 7.

Students who choose to take the test must pay an $8.50 fee and register in the counseling office by Wednesday, Oct. 1. Junior students who take the PSAT/ NMSQT will be competing for scholarships through the National Merit Scholarship Program (NMSP).

Sophomores may take the test for practice, but they will not be eligible for the Merit Program until they test again as a junior.

To prepare for the PSAT/ NMSQT, students are encouraged to read the PSAT/NMSQT Student Bulletin and to follow the recommendations made by the College Board.

These recommendations are included in the material that will be handed out to students as they register for the test.

For many students, the PSAT/ NMSQT is the first step in preparing for college. By taking the test, students can practice for the SAT, enter scholarship competitions, tell colleges to send information about programs, activities and financial aid, and determine if they have the reading and math skills needed to succeed in college.

The NMSP is an annual competition conducted by the National Merit Scholarship Corp. (NMSC). The NMS programs include the National Merit Scholarships, National Achievement Scholarships for Outstanding Negro Students and the National Hispanic Scholar Recognition Program.

More than one million high school students who take the PSAT/NMSQT in October and meet other participation requirements will enter the Merit Program that will end 18 months later, in the spring of 1998.

Approximately, 50,000 scholastically talented Merit Program entrants will be honored; more than 15,000 of them will continue in the competition and about 8,800 will win Merit Scholarship awards for college undergraduate study.

The Merit Scholarship awards will be supported by about 600 independent sponsors including corporations and businesses, company foundations, professional associations, colleges and universities and by NMSC's own funds.

Parents or students who have questions about the SAT/NMSQT may call Snyder High School counselors, Debbie Phillips and Charlene Light, 574-6049.

Officials with private prison company in state resign posts

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — Two officials with the company operating a private Texas prison housing 250 Montana inmates have resigned.

Terry Pelz, director of operations for the Bobby Ross Group, and David Hatt, warden at the Dickens County Correctional Center in Spur, Texas, quit "to pursue other career opportunities," a spokesman for the company confirmed Friday.

The Spur prison, about 50 miles east of Lubbock, is where the Montana inmates are held.

Marshal Hudgins, deputy warden at Dickens County, has taken over as acting warden, said spokesman Ben Flusche, who also released a statement from company president, Larry Young.

Young said the company is involved in a "periodic realignment of management responsibilities within its organization aimed both at accommodating the personal desires of some of its professional staff and at better utilizing the talents and strengths of others."

Hatt had worked at the prison less than a year, according to Warden Marshall Hudgins who was promoted to head warden.

Neither Pelz nor Hatt could be contacted Friday.

The prepared statement from BRG Correctional Management Services in Austin said the private prisons were operating routinely under senior managers' supervision.

"The overall objective is to assure maintenance of the high standards of performance that the company requires while offering increased career opportunity to its personnel," Young said in the statement.

No company executives would return repeated phone calls.

The resignations come on the heels of a decision Tuesday by Montana corrections officials to cancel the state's $3.6 million-per-year contract with BRG.

The Montana corrections department was only 15 months into its contract with the Spur prison. But Dickens County Judge Woodie McArthur Jr. said the resignations were unrelated to Montana canceling its contract.

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Dawn has worked with Cogdell Hospital Home Health Service for four years. She graduated from Snyder High School in 1974, and completed LVN school at Western Texas College in 1976. She said one of the most rewarding aspects of her job with home health department is the knowledge that people who are home-bound can be provided such a wide variety of nursing and other medical services.

Dawn and her husband, David, who is employed with the U.S. Postal Service, have two sons; Daniel, 21 and Dustin, 17.

She was selected for this honor following nominations by co-workers. Comments on nomination ballots for Dawn included: patients love her, and she loves her job... listens to her patients and co-workers and is always encouraging... a dedicated nurse and knowledgeable about her job... always goes the extra mile for patients, family, co-workers... has a special way of "lightening the load" through her timely sense of humor... if laughter is truly a cure for many ailments, she carries that cure around her with all the time... has a great attitude, and is very caring and compassionate... very careful to ensure that tasks are completed accurately and in a timely manner.

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Scientists' objections curtail acquarium's dolphin project

DALLAS (AP) — A private Dallas aquarium had dropped plans to import four Amazon river dolphins after some prominent scientists objected to the deal.

The Dallas World Aquarium had planned to bring in the freshwater porpoises from Venezuela. However, chimpanzee specialist Jane Goodall, filmmaker and environmentalist Jean-Michel Cousteau and senior officials of the World Wildlife Fund and other organizations filed objections to the plan.

The experts said too little was known about their populations in the wild to make the planned exhibition advisable, aquarium curator John Carlyle told The Dallas Morning News and KDFW-TV in Dallas.

So the aquarium told the National Marine Fisheries Service on Thursday that it would withdraw its application for a permit to import the dolphins.

"I think this is a good decision for the aquarium," Carlyle said.

Cousteau, in a letter to Richardson, described a two-year expedition that he and his late father, Jacques Cousteau, took up the Amazon River 15 years ago.

"The creatures who live there, including the wonderful river dolphins, are faced with a drastic loss of habitat as human pressures encroach. ... Public education would be better served by observation of the animals in their natural habitat," he wrote.

Many other scientific, conservation and animal-rights groups expressed similar opinions. Many noted that the dolphins are listed as vulnerable by experts and have a poor record of survival in captivity.

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Gory computer game celebrates killing

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — The disgruntled, raincoat-clad man takes to the street, shotgun in hand. He shoots down police, pedestrians, a marching band, churchgoers.

As men and women fall bleeding, the shooter mutters, "Going postal."

This is no crime scene. It is a computer game "Postal," where players can use the main character to shoot, maim, incinerate and otherwise snuff out innocent bystanders and law officers by the bus load.

Post office workers and others are furious, though nothing but the title and the muttered phrase links the game to mail carriers.

"We're pretty outraged over this whole thing. To depict postal workers as violent terrorist employees is unfair," said Ken Kelble, president of the largest New Hampshire local of the American Postal Workers Union.

"We're pretty fed up. There's a movement nationally to boycott this video game," Kelble said.

In the past decade, "going postal" has become a slang term for crazed mass violence. It dates back to August 1986, when an Edmond, Okla., postal worker killed 15 colleagues, and if anything has gained momentum. Earlier this month, a postal clerk in Miami Beach shot his ex-wife and her friend as they stood in line, then killed himself. The women survived.

None of the characters, story lines, designs or background in "Postal" refer to the U.S. Postal Service or mail carriers.

Still, Postmaster General Marvin Runyon worried that the game perpetuates a stereotype and "does a grave disservice to the more than 750,000 men and women who work hard every day."

But on the Internet, the buzz about the game has been huge. "Postal" was the No. 1 game downloaded for preview this summer on Happy Puppy, a computer game Web site.

Rated "M" for "mature audiences" 17 and older, it went on sale last week for $54.99. The cover features three fake bullet holes.

"From the beginning, we have said this is not a kid's game," said Vince Desi, the game's designer and chief executive officer of Running with Scissors, based in Tucson. "It's more for the older male adult ... Instead of going to the theater and watching 'Pulp Fiction,' we let you play it."

The game begins with a lone, long-haired gunman in front of a house. If "the postal dude" kills all the lawmen nearby — with either the shotgun or a flame-thrower — he moves on to higher levels: a parade, a trailer park, the city, an Air Force base. At times, he fires at churchgoers leaving services and a marching band and mutters, "My weapon understands me."

Amid sounds of gunfire, victims fall and scream, "I can't breathe" and "He's going postal!" Bodies and blood fill the screen.

"Watch victims run around on fire, screaming for help, until their charred corpses fall to the ground," reads the company's Web site.

There are no gore-filled closeups in 17 levels of killing, with one exception: For play to end, the gunman has to commit suicide.

"I think it sounds neat," said Joe Messineo, 28, as he browsed in a Concord, N.H., computer store. "I'd probably buy it if I saw it" — though he thought it sounded a bit tame compared to other games.

David Walsh, president of the nonprofit National Institute on Media and the Family in Minneapolis, said that despite the M-rating, children could find a way to play the game.

Research has shown that feelings of aggression and anger are stimulated in people who watch violent entertainment, he said, though he knew of no studies on the effects of computer games.

At a post office in San Diego, clerk Seph Harrell, 35, said he worried the game might make people leery of postal workers.

Soldier seeks review of case

WASHINGTON (AP) — An Army medic wants a civilian court to review his case after he was court-martialed for refusing to wear a United Nations beret and emblem when assigned to a multinational peacekeeping force.

At a hearing, a lawyer for Spc. Michael New told a three-judge panel of the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that his client believed he would not get a fair hearing in a military court. The court reserved decision.

"What do you think — five Army colonels — do you think they're likely to say that the president' order is illegal? Not too likely," attorney Michael Farris said outside court Friday.

At issue is the Clinton administration's order that U.S. troops participating in a U.N. peacekeeping mission in Macedonia wear uniforms with the U.N. insignia and carry new, U.N. identification cards.

In refusing the order, the soldier from Conroe, Texas, New said he had sworn allegiance to the U.S. Constitution, not the U.N. charter. He argued that any order requiring him to serve a foreign power was unlawful.

New, 24, was convicted in January 1996 of disobeying a lawful order and given a bad conduct discharge. The case became a flash-point for conservatives who oppose the Clinton administration's commitment of U.S. troops in U.N. peacekeeping operations in Bosnia. The courtroom was packed Friday with New supporters holding American flags.

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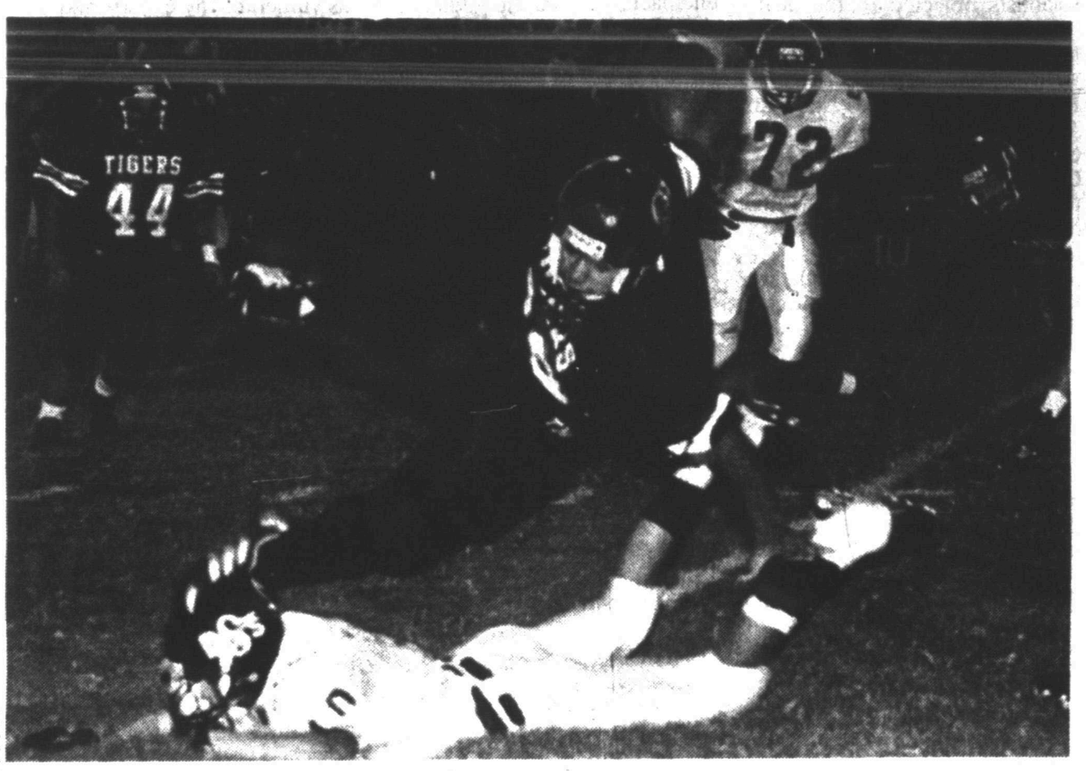
SPORTS

Steers hold of Snyder Tigers' rally

Turnovers costly, but coaches optimistic about progress



TRIPPED UP — Snyder FB Jacob Hodges dives for yardage over Big Spring's John Lawdermilk during Friday night's homecoming game at Tiger Stadium. John McHaney (44) and Kurt Miranda (72) pursue the play. The Tigers mounted a fourth-quarter rally, but fell to the Steers 20-14.(SDN Staff Photo)

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

It's a simple matter of mathematics.

Take away two plays, or add one, and the Snyder Tigers might have come away with their first victory of the year Friday night.

Snyder committed two turnovers inside its own 20-yard line to begin each half, as the Tigers dropped their homecoming affair 20-14 to the Big Spring Steers.

Big Spring turned the two fumbles into touchdowns, but Snyder still gave itself a chance to win.

Following a successful onside kick with 1:21 left in the game, Snyder back-up QB Justin McNair and SE Gabriel Madrid came within inches of hooking up for the tying score.

Subtract the two fumbles, or add a McNair to Madrid completion, and the Tigers possibly walk away with the victory.

"The turnovers were key in this game," Snyder coach David Baugh said. "We fumbled two snaps deep in our own end and it cost us."

Big Spring took the opening kickoff and marched 69 yards in four plays, as TB Tory Mitchell took the ball at the Tiger 44 and raced into the endzone.

The extra-point attempt sailed wide, giving the Steers a 6-0 lead.

Following the ensuing kick, Snyder had possession at its own 16-yard line.

But two plays later, QB Chad Carter and center Ian Hobbs mishandled the snap, handing the ball back to Big Spring.

Once again it took the Steers only four plays to score, with Mitchell running in from the five.

Gabe Mendoza found Chauncey Ford open on the two-point conversion and Snyder was stunned, trailing 14-0.

The Tigers' best scoring opportunity of the first half came in the second quarter.

Snyder TB Cheyenne Robinson streaked around the left end for 65 yards to the Big Spring 27.

But once again the Tigers put the ball on the ground, as Robinson fumbled on a screen pass.

Behind the play, Carter took a hard shot from a Steer defensive player, which would cause the Snyder starter to sit out the second half.

"I don't think it's a shoulder injury that Chad has," Baugh said following the game. "He said the pain starts in his neck, so it acts like it might be a pinched nerve."

Following the elongated halftime activities, the Tigers received the kickoff, trailing 14-0.

But McNair, a junior in his first action at QB this season, bobbled the snap from Hobbs and Big Spring was in business at the Snyder 4-yard line.

Antwoyne Edwards rumbled into the endzone from there, extending the lead to 20-0.

Snyder busted through the Steer line to block the extra-point try, which could have cost Big Spring later in the game.

Trailing by three scores, McNair and the Tiger offense regrouped.

Snyder got the ball on its own 19 and began its march to the Big Spring goal line.

Robinson ran for 14 yards. Then Jacob Hodges smashed ahead for 20.

McNair hit Curtis Clay for 15 more and soon the Tigers had it first and goal on the Steer's 9-yard line.

But after a short gain on first down and two incomplete passes, Snyder was facing fourth and goal from the six.

Robinson got the call, but could only manage five yards, as Big Spring turned away the Tigers' best scoring threat through three games.

But Snyder wouldn't give up.

The Tigers had the ball to start the final quarter and McNair found Hodges on a 43-yard pass, giving them another first and goal opportunity.

This time they capitalized.

McNair dove in from one yard out for Snyder's first offensive touchdown of the year and, following the Andy Parker kick, it was a 20-7 ballgame.

The two teams swapped possessions twice until the Steers missed a 47-yard field goal, putting the Tiger offense back on the field with 3:22 left in the game.

And again Snyder mounted a drive, behind the pass protection of its offensive line and the arm of McNair.

The reserve QB completed two third-down passes, one for 47 yards to Larry Brown, and the Tigers had a first and goal situation for the third time in the game.

One down was all they would need, as Robinson found a crease and walked into the endzone with 1:26 remaining on the clock.

Parker's kick brought Snyder within six points of the lead, thanks to the earlier blocked extra point.

As expected, the Tigers prepared for the onside kick, but only nine players lined up for Snyder.

Two Tigers rushed onto the field, including Isidro Villasana who had been moved up from the junior varsity earlier in the week.

Parker's kick took a big hop, which bounced off a Big Spring player and into the arms of Villasana, giving the Tigers one last gasp from midfield.

McNair scrambled for four yards on first down, then spiked the ball to stop the clock on second.

Facing third and six, McNair went deep again.

Madrid had beaten a Steer defender down the middle and was open at the Big Spring 20.

But the pass floated just inches from Madrid's fingertips, making it fourth down for the Tigers.

McNair dropped back again, but heavy pressure from the Steers forced his attempt to sail over his intended receiver.

Big Spring knelt the ball on the final two plays for the 20-14 victory.

"We did a lot of good things tonight," Baugh said. "Our defense played great.

"These kids aren't dejected and down on themselves. They believe they can win ballgames. And if we keep improving the way we have been, we will."

The loss drops Snyder's record to 0-4 on the year, while the Steers improve to 3-1.

Next on the Tigers' schedule is another home game against San Angelo Lake View on Friday.

Snyder opens District 2-4A action Oct. 10 at Lamesa.

Summary

Big Spring	14	00	06	00	— 20
Snyder	00	00	00	14	— 14

First Quarter

Big Spring — Tory Mitchell 44-yard run (kick failed), 9:40.

Big Spring — Mitchell 5-yard run (Chauncey Ford pass from Gabe Mendoza), 7:47.

Third Quarter

Big Spring — Antwoyne Edwards 5-yard run (kick blocked), 10:50.

Fourth Quarter

Snyder — Justin McNair 1-yard run (Andy Parker kick), 10:19.

Snyder — Cheyenne Robinson 5-yard run (Parker kick), 1:26.

	BSp	Sny
First downs	11	13
Rushes-yards	33-212	38-175
Passing yards	36	128
Comp-Att-Int	6-11-0	7-18-0
Punts	4-34.5	5-32.4
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	5-3
Penalties-Yards	4-25	5-30

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing — Big Spring: Mitchell, 9-137; Edwards, 18-93; Mendoza 4-minus 23; Long, 1-minus 2; Boadle, 1-7. Snyder: Robinson, 19-131; Hodges, 6-33; McHaney, 2-0; Carter, 2-minus 16; McNair, 6-12; Arizmendi, 1-4; Clay, 1-8; Madrid, 1-3.

Passing — Big Spring: Mendoza, 6 of 11 for 36 yards. Snyder: Carter, 3 of 7 for 16 yards; McNair, 4 of 11 for 112 yards.

Receiving — Big Spring: Eldridge, 2-16; Boadle, 2-21; Ford, 1-6; Mitchell, 1-minus 7. Snyder: Hodges, 3-57; Brown, 1-47; Robinson, 1-1; Garcia, 1-8; Clay, 1-15.

DISTRICT 2-AAAA STANDINGS

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

Friday's results: Big Spring 20, Snyder 14; Estacado 43, Lubbock High 6; Andrews 28, Levelland 0; Amarillo High 28, Plainview 7; Frenship 33, Caynon 10; Crane 42, Lamesa 6.

Next week's games: San Angelo Lake View at Snyder; Levelland at Big Spring; Frenship at Lubbock Coronado; Amarillo Tascosa at Plainview; Lamesa at Colorado City; Andrews at Estacado.

LOCAL SPORTS SCHEDULE

Saturday

Football

Trent at Hermleigh (homecoming), 7p.m.

Tennis

Snyder at Lamesa.

Monday

Volleyball

Snyder 7th & 8th at Colorado City, 5 p.m.

Tuesday

Volleyball

Snyder 9th, JV and varsity at Frenship, 5 p.m.

Tennis

Snyder at Lubbock Coronado.

Golf

WGA play day, low score on even holes.

Thursday

Football

Snyder 7th at Big Spring; Black, 5 p.m; Gold, 6:30.

Big Spring at Snyder 8th; Black, m; Gold, 6:30.

Snyder 9th, Black vs. Gold, 5 p.m.

Snyder JV at San Angelo Lake View, 7 p.m.

Rodeo

WTC at Sul Ross, Alpine (Thursday, Friday and Saturday).

Friday

Football

Lake View at Snyder, 7:30.

Whitharral at Borden County, 7:30.

Grady at Ira, 7:30.

Hermleigh at Wilson, 7:30.

Golf

WGA swingers, 5:30.

Saturday

Volleyball

Estacado at Snyder JV and varsity, 2 p.m.

Snyder 9th at Lamesa tourney.

Tennis

Estacado at Snyder.

Sunday

Golf

WTC at Odessa College Invitational, practice round.

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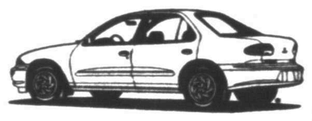

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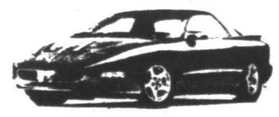

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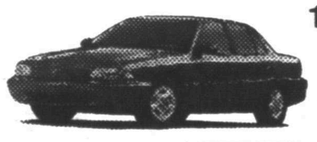

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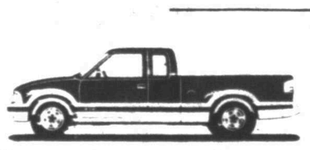

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SPORTS

KEEPING HIS FEET — Snyder TB Cheyenne Robinson stays upright and fights for extra yards during Friday night's homecoming game at Tiger Stadium. Big Spring's Jeff Denton (76) is preparing to finish the tackle. Robinson finished with 131 yards on 19 carries for the Tiger (Photo by Katy Cooper)

40-26 over Samnorwood...

Coyotes bag 4th win

SILVERTON — Borden County Coyotes celebrated their fourth consecutive win Friday night where Coach Bobby Avery's troops overpowered Samnorwood, 40-26.

"It was a very hard fought game," Avery said. "They kept the ball on the ground 44 times. They tried to control the game, but three turnovers hurt them.

"We played well, but it could have been a better offensive night."

The Coyotes scored the game's first TD with 7:11 left in the opening stanza on a 22-yard pass from Colt McCook to Colt Miller. McCook kicked the PAT.

Samnorwood tied the game with 4:05 left in the first quarter on a 29-yard pass from McCook to Fernando Baeza. The PAT failed.

The Coyotes extended their lead to 20-8 with 1:11 remaining in the half on a 38-yard interception return by Oscar Baeza. The PAT failed.

Borden County made it 26-8 with 4:31 remaining in the third on a 65-yard scamper by McCook.

Samnorwood scored its second TD with 24 seconds left in the third quarter on a two-yard plunge by Herrera. The Coyotes blocked the PAT.

Borden County scored its next TD only 18 seconds later on a 70-yard kickoff return by Ed Rodriquez.

Samnorwood scored its third TD with 7:56 left in the final quarter on a six-yard pass from Dwyer to Paul Wright.

Borden County chalked up its final tally with 5:14 remaining on a six-yard run by Fernando Baeza. John Brummett kicked the two extra points.

Samnorwood scored on the final play of the game, a five-yard pass from Dwyer to Travis Thompson.

It was simply not enough as the Coyotes posted their fourth straight win of the campaign by a 14-point margain.

The Coyotes racked up 10 first downs and 288 yards of offense, including 157 on the ground.

Samnorwood finished the evening with 10 first downs and 320 total yards.

McCook completed seven of 13 passes for 131 yards and two Tds. He also ran for 101 yards on six carries.

Fernando Baeza ran for 38 yards on five carries and also had two catches for 26 yards.

Oscar Baeza led the Coyotes' defensive charge with 21 stops.

The Coyotes will be looking for its fifth non-conference win Friday when they host the Whitharral Panthers in the 1997 homecoming game.

Whitharrel lost 64-35 to Follett Friday.

Salone romps as Southland crushes Ira Bulldogs, 54-12

SOUTHLAND — Rule of survival: don't wake a sleeping giant.

The Ira Bulldogs turned a fumble recovery into a touchdown for an early first-quarter lead.

The Southland wakeup call apparently worked as the host Eagles' romped for a 54-12 six man non-district victory Friday night.

The Eagles turned repeatedly to Billy Salone who was the giant performer in almost every category. Salone rushed 20 times for 227 yards, scored five of his team's nine touchdowns plus three extra point kicks.

But Salone wasn't finished. He had one kickoff return for 18 yards, two punt returns for 29 yards, a 30-yard punt and one interception.

In all, Southland had 411 yards total offense, including 346 yards on the ground and 65 passing. The Eagles racked up 13 first downs.

For the Ira, the 1-3 Bulldogs managed seven first downs and 171 total offense — 69 on the ground and nine of 20 pass attempts for 102 yards.

Ira's first-quarter score came at the 9:9 mark after Perry Jamison pounced on a Southland fumble. Jose Juarez went one yard for the TD and the kick for extra points failed.

Southland knotted the score 6-6 at the 7:28 mark on a 41-yard run by Salone. The hosts went ahead, 12-6, at the 6:09 mark on a 29-yard dash by Salone. The first kick failed and the try after the second TD was blocked.

With 8:02 remaining in the second quarter, Salone went 11 yards before reaching paydirt and then booted the two extra points for a 20-6 advantage.

With just 39 seconds before intermission, Southland upped the score to 28-6 on a six-yard run by Salone who again booted the extra points.

Ira struck paydirt in the third stanza on a five-yard pass from Jerek Brown to Logan Daves. The extra points kick was blocked with 6:05 remaining.

With 5:05 left in the third period, Southland answered with six points on a one-yard plunge by Jeremy Robertson. The kick failed.

With 47 ticks left in the third, Salone got his final tally of the evening, a 12-yard run to boost the Eagles' margain to 42-12.

In the fourth quarter, Southland's Derek Burchfield found Richard Saldivar open for 27 yards and a TD. The kick was no good.

The final Southland score came with 2:33 remaining as Robertson went into the endzone from two yards out. The attempt to pass for the extra point failed.

Leading rusher for Ira was Donnie Sims who toted the ball nine times for 37 yards. Jose Juarez carried five times for 23 yards.

Quarterback Brown hit eight of 16 passes for 93 yards and Daves was the top receiver - five for 67 yards. Jose Juarez caught two for 14 yards, Perry Jamison snagged one for 11 and Jenson Gainer grabbed one for 10 yards. Juarez also recovered a fumble.

Ira returns home Friday night to host Grady in the final non-conference outing.

Cards host homecoming foe in Gorillas

Hermleigh celebrates homecoming Saturday by hosting the Trent Gorillas in Cardinal Stadium.

Kickoff is at 7 o'clock. A dance will follow.

Coach Juan Rios has his Cardinals off to a good start at 2-1. They'll be tested Saturday by a strong Trent rushing attack.

Halftime activities Saturday will feature the crowning of the queen and naming of the hero. Queen candidates are Ester Martinez, Melissa Brasuel, Randi Kay Herrington and Miranda Terry. Hero candidates are Ricky Luna, Larry Lambaren, Billy Joe Digby and Jason Hernandez.

Dallas Cowboys face Bears

IRVING (AP) — Cowboys defensive tackle Chad Hennings, who suffered a groin injury in practice two weeks ago, worked out Friday but was questionable for Sunday's game against the Chicago Bears.

"He participated in part of the practice and basically his playing status for Sunday will be determined on game day," Cowboys spokesman Rich Dalrymple said.

"As a precautionary measure, we didn't have him participate in all the drills," he said. "They just want to be conservative."

Hennings, whose strained left groin kept him out of most of the team's 21-20 win over the Philadelphia Eagles on Sept. 15, went through his first practice Thursday.

"Chad said he felt good," coach Barry Switzer said after Thursday's drills. "He felt like he could play. If he feels like he could play today, I think he could play on Sunday."

But Switzer said the team would still exercise extreme caution regarding the injury.

"I said, 'Let's be smart about it,'" the coach said.

Guard Larry Allen, however, likely will play Sunday. Allen, the Cowboys' best blocker, strained his left hamstring in the second period of the game against Philadelphia and didn't return.

The winless Chicago Bears are tied for 24th in the NFL offense, but rank 10th in rushing offense with 121 yards. Raymont Harris, third in the NFC with 335 yards, averages 5.2 yards per carry. He moved from fullback to halfback last week, when Rashaan Salaam broke his leg in the Bears' third game.

"Raymont Harris is one of the better running backs in the league," Cowboys defensive coordinator Dave Campo said. "He does a great job of getting through little cracks.

"If you're late coming off a block, he's already through the hole."

If Hennings can't play Sunday, Switzer has said that rookie Antonio Anderson will make his first start. Anderson ranks third on the team among defensive linemen with 10 tackles.

"I've played a lot in the first three games, so it's not like I'm completely green," Anderson said. "I'm trying to approach the game the same way because our job is to stop Raymont Harris from gaining 100 yards.

"I just hope the defense doesn't go down because I'm playing."

If Hennings stays out, Hurvin McCormack becomes the third player in the Cowboys' defensive tackle rotation, and Dallas would make three-year veteran Darren Benson active for the first time this season.

WTC fares well in first round

CANYON — The Western Texas College rodeo team had four contestants advance to the finals and they're still not done.

After Friday's first round, Eric Greer was in second place in the calf roping, while Jay Ross Bryant was third in bull riding.

Zane Runyan and Cody Springer were in the fifth slot in team roping for the men.

The Lady Westerners had Talina Bird claim second in breakaway roping and first in barrel racing.

Three more WTC competitors were to have performed Saturday in the second day of action.

The finals are scheduled for Sunday, when the team titles and and all-around winners will be named.

The Westerners are coming off a first-place finish in the women's division and second place in the men's last week in Portales, N.M.

BOWLING NEWS

Mens' Commercial

9-23-97

Teams	W	L
Whit's Auto	42	14
Team 7	35½	20½
Eddins-Walcher	32	24
P&P Longhorns	28	28
The Shack	24½	31½
Stooges	22½	33½
Team 2	22	34
Team 8	17½	38½

High series scratch: J.C. Harrison, 629
High series handicap: E. Klein, 678.
High game scratch: Strick Posey, 191.
High game handicap: Gary Kinder, 226.
Splits and special mentions: Gary Kinder, 4-10; Greg Hodge, 5-7; Harold Kornegay, 5-10; Jeff Smith, 5-6-10; Roger Batchelor, 3-10.

Jack & Jill

9-24-97

Teams	W	L
House of Antieks	12	0
Landes Storage	9	3
Stephens Office Supply	9	3
Just In Time	9	3
Merle Norman Studios	7	5
Stone Welding Service	5½	6½
Team 10	3	9
Dr. Brian Cave	2½	9½
KSNY	2	10
Team 8	1	11

High series scratch: Jimmy Wilson, 539; Dana Stone, 527.
High game scratch: Mark Thompson, 213; Dana Stone, 200.
Splits and special mentions: Tom Seabourn, Pearl Mann and Jimmy Wilson, 3-10; Daphne Thompson, 5-10; Donna Wilson, 4-5; David Fisher, 5-6-10.

Sports Briefs

Flag football

Registration deadline for the Snyder Men's Flag Football League will be Monday.

For more information call Chris Maxfield at 573-6862 during the day and 573-4332 at night.

WGA Playday Tuesday

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will have its weekly playday starting at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Format will be low score on even holes. Couples play is set for 5:30 p.m. Friday.

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Alice 31, Kingsville 14
Alief Elsik 41, Fort Bend Clements 7
Alvin 19, South Houston 0
Amarillo 28, Plainview 7
Amarillo Tascosa 21, Clovis (N.M.) 7
Baytown Lee 35, Deer Park 7
Beaumont West Brook 38, Baytown Sterling 8
Brazoswood 24, The Woodlands 10
Brownsville Rivera 21, Harlingen South 7
CC Carroll 21, SA Holmes 19
CC Moody 21, CC King 13
Copperas Cove 24, Georgetown 20
Donna 37, Brownsville Porter 0
Duncanville 54, Carrollton Turner 6
EP Coronado 45, EP Bel Air 24
EP Eastwood 34, EP Austin 13
EP Irvin 35, EP Hanks 7
EP Riverside 44, Canutillo 6
EP Socorro 20, EP Jefferson 8
Eagle Pass 28, Laredo Martin 21
El Paso High 21, EP Burges 12
FW Eastern Hills 20, Mineral Wells 14
Flower Mound Marcus 29, Hurst Bell 18
Fort Bend Elkins 52, Fort Bend Kempner 16
Galena Park North Shore 24, LaPorte 19
Galveston Ball 28, Houston Smiley 6
Garland 34, Garland Forest 7
Harlingen 21, San Benito 10
Houston Forest Brook 13, Channelview 7
Humble 38, Spring 28
Irving Nimitz 24, Carrollton Smith 7
Keller 27, WF Rider 14
Killeen 36, A&M Consolidated 0
Killeen Ellison 42, Arlington Lamar 7
Klein 24, Klein Oak 21
La Joya 21, Edinburg North 14
Langham Creek 40, Cypress-Fairbanks 15
Laredo Nixon 55, Laredo Cigarroa 8
Lewisville 24, Euless Trinity 0
Lubbock Monterey 38, Austin LBJ 7
Lufkin 31, Jasper 13
Marshall 35, Texas High 6
McAllen 27, McAllen Memorial 17
Mesquite 51, Richardson Berkner 0
Midland Lee 21, Midland 17
Mission 47, PSJA 0
Nacogdoches 24, Kilgore 21
Odessa 20, Odessa Permian 17
PSJA North 35, Edinburg 14
Pasadena Rayburn 52, Dickinson 28
Plano 29, Richardson 0
Plano East 18, Richardson Pearce 3
Richardson Lake Highlands 17, North Mesquite 10
SA Churchill 31, Converse Judson 28
SA Fox Tech 26, SA McCollum 23
SA Harlandale 29, SA Jefferson 27
SA Highlands 37, SA South San 33
SA Jay 34, Uvalde 10
SA MacArthur 22, SA Roosevelt 20
SA Madison 38, Seguin 14
San Angelo Central 29, Lubbock Coronado 23
Sharpstown 33, Bellaire 32
Spring Westfield 14, Humble Kingwood 10
Spring Woods 20, Stratford 7
Texas City 24, Conroe 6
Tyler John Tyler 35, La Marque 32
Tyler Lee 37, DeSoto 34
Victoria 54, CC Miller 9
Waco High 38, Arlington 13
Weatherford 10, Denton 7
Ysleta 38, EP Bowie 6

Class 4A

Allen 22, Rowlett 16
Andrews 28, Levelland 0
Bay City 46, Columbia 13
Big Spring 20, Snyder 14
Boerne 28, SA Sam Houston 6
Borger 35, Hereford 18
Brownwood 42, San Angelo Lakeview 0
CC Calallen 63, Robstown 6
Canyon Randall 47, Amarillo Caprock 20
Chapel Hill 35, Brownsboro 21
Clear Brook 28, Crosby 7
Cleburne 24, Alvarado 14
Conroe Oak Ridge 21, Montgomery 19
Crowley 24, FW Paschal 8
Dallas Smith 19, Dallas Adamson 0
Dumas 13, Pampa 0
EP Franklin 45, EP Del Valle 0
Edcouch-Elsa 51, Brownsville Lopez 8
El Campo 42, Calhoun 0
Ennis 31, Granbury 16
Everman 47, Midlothian 14
FW Brewer 7, Fossil Ridge 0
FW Castleberry 21, FW Boswell 20
FW Poly 12, FW Northside 2
Fort Stockton 24, Monahans 7
Frenship 33, Canyon 10
Friendswood 62, Galena Park 14
Greenville 14, Daingerfield 7
Gregory-Portland 39, Tuloso-Midway 22
Hallsville 21, Center 14
Hays Consolidated 28, Bastrop 21
Highland Park 42, Wylie 7
Katy Taylor 36, Houston Northbrook 14
Kerrville Tivy 37, Del Rio 31
LC Mauriceville 24, PA Lincoln 0
Lamar Consolidated 35, Strake Jesuit 0
Lubbock Estacado 43, Lubbock High 6
Nederland 30, Lumberton 10
New Braunfels Canyon 21, Lockhart 20
Pflugerville 21, San Marcos 3
Port Neches-Groves 34, Vidor 6
Raymondville 33, Roma 21
Red Oak 16, Quinlan Ford 6
Rockwall 10, Garland Lakeview Centennial 6
SA Alamo Heights 50, SA Southside 12
SA Kennedy 15, SA Lanier 14
SA Memorial 22, SA Burbank 21
Santa Fe 37, Stafford 8
Schertz Clemens 42, Fredericksburg 14
Silsbee 45, Liberty 27
Smithson Valley 30, Gonzales 0
Stephenville 55, Dallas Roosevelt 12
Sulphur Springs 23, Corsicana 0
Sweetwater 54, Amarillo Palo Duro 7
Terrell 28, Lancaster 3
The Colony 31, Denton Ryan 7
Tyler Chapel Hill 35, Brownsboro 21
Waco Midway 38, Belton 8
Waco University 39, Wilmer-Hutchins 7
Waxahachie 47, Cedar Hill 0
Weslaco 15, Mercedes 0
West Mesquite 27, Dallas Jefferson 16
West Orange-Stark 60, Bridge City 7
Whitehouse 10, Palestine 6
Willis 35, Magnolia 27

Class 3A

Aledo 35, Comanche 13
Amarillo River Road 33, Dalhart 14
Aransas Pass 31, Sinton 24
Ballinger 13, Brady 10
Bandera 40, Lytle 6
Barbers Hill 26, Tarkington 6
Bowie 49, Nocona 20
Breckenridge 59, Coleman 0
Bridgeport 21, Decatur 16
Brownfield 14, Lubbock Roosevelt 12
Cameron 41, Caldwell 6
Canton 35, Tyler Gorman 0
Childress 27, Canadian 19
Commerce 34, Dallas Pinkston 20
Crane 42, Lamesa 6
Crystal City 31, Brackettville 16
Cuero 41, Beeville 0
Denver City 13, Seminole 9
Devine 20, Medina Valley 14
Diboll 35, Huffman Hargrave 20
Dimmitt 28, Muleshoe 6
Dripping Springs 28, LaVernia 14
East Chambers 20, Shepherd 14
Ferris 35, FW Carter-Riverside 14
Floresville 29, Luling 28
Freer 48, Riviera 14
Friona 43, Tulia 6
Gainesville 42, FW Nolan 14
Gatesville 20, Waco LaVega 17
Giddings 31, Hearne 21
Gilmer 21, Pittsburg 0
Glen Rose 22, Dublin 3
Graham 27, WF Hirschi 20
Greenwood 32, Alpine 28
Groesbeck 28, Rosebud-Lott 20
Hamshire-Fannett 24, Coldspring-Oakhurst 16
Hitchcock 35, Anahuac 6
Hondo 42, Somerset 0
Ingleside 42, Mathis 21
Iowa Park 14, Stamford 6
Jourdanton 28, San Diego 0
Kaufman 24, Crandall 21
Kemp 21, Forney 15
Kermit 34, McCamey 13
Kountze 14, Buna 7
LaFeria 44, Santa Rosa 0
LaVilla 34, Premont 7
Lake Dallas 31, Whitesboro 7
Lake Worth 26, Hillsboro 6
Lampasas 49, Burnet 14
Liberty Hill 42, Florence 0
Linden-Kildare 28, Hooks 7
Littlefield 12, Slaton 7
Llano 44, Mason 0
Lubbock Cooper 28, Floydada 7
Lyford 14, Progreso 0
Mabank 18, Athens 6
Madisonville 21, Fairfield 15
Malakoff 33, Crossroads 0
Marble Falls 31, Sonora 10
Marlin 35, Troy 7
Mexia 28, Waco Connally 7
Midland Greenwood 32, Alpine 28
New Boston 24, Bonham 7
Odem 25, Goliad 14
Orange Grove 27, Cotulla 6
Orangefield 35, Kirbyville 12
Palestine Westwood 38, West 20
Pearsall 42, SA Antonian 12
Perryton 31, Sanford-Fritch 7
Port Isabel 40, Rio Hondo 0
Poteet 24, SA St. Anthony 18
Rockdale 40, Smithville 0
SA Cole 30, Center Point 6
San Augustine 35, Joaquin 18
San Elizario 12, EP Parkland 6
Sanger 31, Farmersville 6
Sealy 28, LaGrange 14
Sharyland 7, Los Fresnos 6
Splendora 34, Hardin 0
Springtown 10, Justin Northwest 7
Sweeny 7, Dayton 0
Vernon 34, Burkburnett 6
Waco Robinson 48, China Spring 26
West Oso 31, Taft 18
White Oak 52, Rains 14
Whitney 39, Maypearl 8
Wills Point 21, Edgewood 6
Wimberley 26, Ingram 20
Woodville 43, Warren 6
Wylie 28, Merkel 21
Zapata 14, Laredo United South 2

Class 2A

Bangs 54, Anson 27
Banquete 80, Santa Maria 0
Beckville 15, Huntington 8
Blanco 22, Jarrell 19
Blooming Grove 16, Venus 0
Bloomington 27, Palacios 0
Bruceville-Eddy 27, Axtell 14
Cayuga 54, Palmer 7
Celina 60, S&S Consolidated 0
Chico 27, Jacksboro 14
Chisum 18, Como-Pickton 12
Cisco 32, San Saba 7
Clarendon 28, Hart 27
Clifton 55, Grandview 12
Community 14, Caddo Mills 12
Cooper 28, Floydada 7
Corrigan-Camden 27, Livingston 9
Crawford 45, Bartlett 9
Cushing 18, Union Hill 12
Deweyville 20, Chester 7
Dublin 22, Glen Rose 3
Eastland 19, Clyde 13
Eldorado 35, Ozona 0
Elkhart 33, Lovelady 6
Elysian Fields 50, Ore City 0
Eustace 41, Kerens 14
Farwell 41, Motley County 12
Forsan 6, Coahoma 0
Franklin 37, Waco Reicher 6
Ganado 27, Boling 6
Garrison 24, Burkeville 0
Goldthwaite 21, DeLeon 10
Grand Saline 36, Quitman 6
Groveton 48, New Waverly 0
Hallettsville 28, Edna 12
Hamilton 20, Valley Mills 6
Hamlin 32, Seymour 30
Haskell 6, Albany 3
Henrietta 55, Callisburg 7
Holliday 20, Paradise 14
Hughes Springs 38, Waskom 20
Idalou 16, Shallowater 6
Industrial 38, Van Vleck 0
Italy 54, Dallas Bishop Dunne 7
Itasca 35, Kopperl 7
Karnes City 14, Skidmore-Tynan 7
Kenedy 25, Yorktown 14
Lexington 57, Flatonia 12
Little Elm 53, Diamond Hill-Jarvis 24
Lockney 46, Abernathy 15
Lorena 42, McGregor 0
Marion 8, Shiner 0
Mart 54, Riesel 13
Millsap 7, Olney 6
Morton 27, Olton 12
Natalia 25, SA St. Gerard 21
New Deal 27, O'Donnell 21
Nixon-Smiley 35, Comfort 14
Pilot Point 34, Howe 20
Poth 34, Pettus 0
Quanah 35, Archer City 0
Ralls 62, Anton 0
Refugio 42, Three Rivers 27
Rogers 35, Academy 0
Royse City 20, Pottsboro 7
Sabinal 59, Medina 12
Schulenberg 16, Yoakum 9
Seagraves 41, Post 13
Stanton 56, Midland Christian 7
Tahoka 42, Crosbyton 13
Thorndale 18, Salado 15
Tidehaven 34, Brazos 0
Timpson 21, Hemphill 7
Van Alstyne 21, Gunter 7
Wall 21, Iraan 20
Weimar 63, Universal City Randolph 0
Winters 21, Roscoe 3
Woodsboro 32, Stockdale 7

Class 1A

Agua Dulce 40, LaPryor 14
Alvord 21, Throckmorton 7
Anthony 17, Hatch N.M 16
Bells 45, Wolfe City 6
Bosqueville 33, Abbott 2
Bryson 12, Petrolia 8
Celeste 48, Savoy 0
Charlotte 52, Navarro 0
Colmesneil 44, West Hardin 7
Cross Plains 28, Rising Star 13
D'Hanis 34, Bruni 8
Dawson 46, Cotton Center 0
Dell City 28, Tatum 8
Era 54, Ladonia Fannindel 6
FW Masonic Home 13, Dallas Lexington 7
Falls City 44, Ben Bolt 20
Follett 64, Whitharral 35
Garden City 14, Robert Lee 12
Gorman 45, Evant 29
Hico 24, Rio Vista 17
High Island 47, Pine Drive Baptist 0
Hutto 54, Johnson City 6
Knox City 27, Spur 15
Kress 10, Sudan 7
Lindsay 49, Electra 3
Lone Oak 13, Honey Grove 12
Meadow 28, Loop 16
Menard 14, Eden 13
Meridian 21, Frost 13
Mount Enterprise 41, Carlisle 6
Munday 76, Crowell 0
Nazareth 42, Valley 6
Normangee 20, Wortham 10
Nueces Canyon 28, Harper 13
Oakwood 20, Bremond 17
Paducah 22, Roby 18
Petersburg 20, Plains 8
Rankin 27, Junction 0
Rocksprings 31, Leakey 24
Runge 76, Asherton 0
Saint Jo 15, Perrin-Whitt 13
Springlake-Earth 7, Happy 6
Sterling City 47, Bronte 6
Sundown 28, Hale Center 8
Sunray 21, Amarillo Highland Park 14
Tolar 36, Santo 34
Whitewright 13, Leonard 7
Windthorst 51, WF Notre Dame 0
Wink 43, Van Horn 6

Six Man

Balmorhea 66, Marathon 38
Borden County 40, Samnorwood 26
Bovina 34, Smyer 13
Cherokee 54, Covington 20
Christoval 28, Water Valley 7
Fort Hancock 26, EP Cathedral JV 0
Gordon 51, Coolidge 0
Grady 40, Sanderson 32
Harrold 38, Woodson 31
Jayton 37, Highland 16
Jonesboro 42, Blanket 18
Lazbuddie 53, New Home 6
Morgan 64, Oglesby 46
Newcastle 56, Northside Academy 25
Panther Creek 45, Gustine 0
Richland Springs 31, FW Dunbar 27
Rochelle 60, Star 12
Rochester 56, Chillicothe 8
Ropesville 80, Wellman 78
Sidney 16, Loraine 14
Silverton 53, Guthrie 8
Southland 54, Ira 12
Strawn 56, Blum 0
Westbrook 45, Klondike 0
Wilson 56, Amherst 30
Zephyr 30, Richland Springs 26

Private Schools

Abilene Christian 60, Paint Rock 14
Arlington Pantego 51, All-Saints 0
Beaumont Kelly 49, Hardin-Jefferson 0
Cedar Hill Trinity 69, FW Country Day 40
Dallas Academy 44, Harvey Academy 28
Dallas Bishop Lynch 42, North Dallas 8
Dallas Christian 37, Addison Trinity 19
Dallas Greenhill 56, Irving Cistercian 7
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NewEngland	4	0	0	1.000	130	40
Buffalo	2	2	0	.500	94	113
Miami	2	2	0	.500	71	77
N.Y.Jets	2	2	0	.500	110	80
Indianapolis	0	4	0	.000	54	115
Central						
Jacksonville	3	0	0	1.000	98	40
Baltimore	3	1	0	.750	110	71
Cincinnati	1	2	0	.333	54	82
Pittsburgh	1	2	0	.333	42	80
Tennessee	1	2	0	.333	47	73
West						
Denver	4	0	0	1.000	127	51
KansasCity	3	1	0	.750	88	76
Seattle	2	2	0	.500	74	101
Oakland	1	3	0	.250	106	106
SanDiego	1	3	0	.250	56	99

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East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Dallas	2	1	0	.667	80	52
Washington	2	1	0	.667	56	37
Arizona	1	2	0	.333	59	65
Philadelphia	1	2	0	.333	47	61
N.Y.Giants	1	3	0	.250	70	94
Central						
TampaBay	4	0	0	1.000	96	58
GreenBay	3	1	0	.750	108	84
Detroit	2	2	0	.500	94	83
Minnesota	2	2	0	.500	107	103
Chicago	0	4	0	.000	58	128
West						
SanFrancisco	3	1	0	.750	88	39
Carolina	2	2	0	.500	59	72
St.Louis	2	2	0	.500	77	77
NewOrleans	1	3	0	.250	72	108
Atlanta	0	4	0	.000	61	107

Sunday's Games

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

Monday's Game

San Francisco at Carolina, 8 p.m.

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East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Baltimore	96	64	.600	-
w-NewYork	94	66	.588	2
Detroit	79	81	.494	17
Boston	78	82	.488	18
Toronto	74	86	.463	22
Central Division				
x-Cleveland	85	73	.538	-
Chicago	79	80	.497	6½
Milwaukee	78	81	.491	7½
KansasCity	66	93	.415	19½
Minnesota	66	93	.415	19½
West Division				
x-Seattle	89	71	.556	-
Anaheim	83	77	.519	6
Texas	76	84	.475	13
Oakland	64	96	.400	25

x-clinched division title
w-clinched wild card

Friday's Games

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

Saturday's Games

Minnesota (Miller 1-4) at Cleveland (Wright 8-3), 1:05 p.m.
Boston (Sele 13-12) at Toronto (Hentgen 15-10), 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Wells 15-10) at Detroit (Moehler 11-11), 1:15 p.m.
Oakland (Rigby 1-6) at Seattle (Olivares 6-10), 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Bones 3-7) at Chicago White Sox (Navarro 9-13), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Serafini 2-1) at Cleveland (Juden 0-1), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Erickson 16-7) at Milwaukee (D'Amico 9-7), 8:05 p.m.
Texas (Pavlik 3-5) at Anaheim (Hasegawa 3-7), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Minnesota (Tewksbury 7-13) at Cleveland (Nagy 15-10), 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Irabu 4-4) at Detroit (Keagle 3-4), 1:05 p.m.
Boston (Checo 1-1) at Toronto (Clemens 21-7), 1:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Pittsley 5-8) at Chicago White Sox (Eyre 3-4), 2:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Key 16-10) at Milwaukee (Karl 10-13), 2:05 p.m.
Texas (Burkett 8-12) at Anaheim (Watson 12-11), 4:05 p.m.
End Regular Season

National League
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Atlanta	101	59	.631	-
w-Florida	92	68	.575	9
NewYork	86	74	.538	15
Montreal	77	83	.481	24
Philadelphia	66	94	.413	35
Central Division				
x-Houston	83	77	.519	-
Pittsburgh	78	82	.488	5
Cincinnati	75	85	.469	8
St.Louis	71	89	.444	12
Chicago	68	92	.425	15
West Division				
SanFrancisco	89	71	.556	-
LosAngeles	87	73	.544	2
Colorado	82	78	.513	7
SanDiego	75	85	.469	14

w-clinched wild card
x-clinched division title

Friday's Games

Philadelphia 5, Florida 3
Cincinnati 7, Montreal 1
Houston 2, Pittsburgh 0
Chicago Cubs 5, St. Louis 2
Atlanta 7, N.Y. Mets 6, 11 innings
Los Angeles 10, Colorado 4
San Francisco 17, San Diego 4

Saturday's Games

Chicago Cubs (Myers 0-0) at St. Louis (Morris 11-9), 1:15 p.m.
Los Angeles (Martinez 9-5) at Colorado (Castillo 12-11), 4:05 p.m.
San Diego (Hitchcock 10-10) at San Francisco (Alvarez 3-3), 4:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Smoltz 15-12) at N.Y. Mets (Reed 13-9), 4:10 p.m.
Florida (Hernandez 9-3) at Philadelphia (Green 4-4), 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Crowell 0-0) at Montreal (Thurman 0-0), 7:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Schmidt 10-8) at Houston (Reynolds 8-10), 8:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Cincinnati (Remlinger 7-8) at Montreal (Hermanson 8-7), 1:35 p.m.
Florida (Saunders 0-6) at Philadelphia (Beech 4-9), 1:35 p.m.
Atlanta (Neagle 20-4) at N.Y. Mets (Acevedo 2-1), 1:40 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Trachsel 8-12) at St. Louis (Aybar 2-4), 2:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Cordova 11-8) at Houston (Lima 1-6), 2:35 p.m.
Los Angeles (Park 14-8) at Colorado (Thompson 3-3), 3:05 p.m.
San Diego (Ashby 9-11) at San Francisco (Rueter 13-6), 4:05 p.m.
End Regular Season

Grand slam lifts Texas to 8-4 win over Angels

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Lee Stevens, given up on by the Angels a few years ago, seems finally to be fulfilling his early promise.

Now with Texas, the 30-year-old Stevens hit a tie-breaking grand slam Friday night to lift the Rangers to an 8-4 victory over Anaheim.

It was the fifth homer in four games for Stevens, including a pair in Thursday night's victory over the Angels.

Stevens, completing just his second full major league season, is hitting .302 with 21 homers and 74 RBIs.

In his other full season, he hit .221, with seven homers and 37 RBIs in 106 games for the Angels in 1992. They traded him that winter.

"I got my first major league hit here, I hit my first homer here," Stevens recalled. "There are a lot of good memories and bad memories for me here."

Stevens played in Japan before making his way back to the United States and playing for the Rangers' Oklahoma City farm team most of last year.

"It was hard to get back (to the majors)," he said. "But I persevered and now it's starting to pay off."

Stevens, who was the DH earlier this season, has gotten a chance to start at first base for the past month because Will Clark is out with an injury.

Giants clinch tie for first

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The San Francisco Giants clinched a tie for their first NL West title since 1989 with a 17-4 victory over the San Diego Padres on Friday night as Shawn Estes pitched seven strong innings for his 19th win.

The Giants can win the division crown with one win or one Los Angeles loss. Both teams have two games remaining.

The Dodgers won 10-4 Friday night at Colorado, preventing the Giants from clinching the title and keeping 10 cases of champagne on ice in the San Francisco clubhouse.

Estes (19-5), who had not won since Aug. 30, allowed two runs on three hits, with both San Diego runs coming on groundouts. He struck out five and walked three, increasing his major league-leading total to 100 walks.

San Diego starter Pete Smith (7-6) allowed six runs on eight hits in three innings.

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ENJOY TRIP — Three Ira students visited Mexico in June. They are top photo, Tye Shirley, Carla Smith and Emily Hardy who are shown in Merida. In the bottom photo, Carla Smith, EmilyHardy and Tye Shirley are sitting on the steps of El Castillo, the main pyramids of Chichen Itza. (Contributed Photos)

Ira students, teacher visit Mexico

Three Ira students and Lillie Sullivan, their teacher, enjoyed an eight-day trip to Mexico in June.

Emily Hardy, Tye Shirley and Carla Smith had been planning this trip since their eighth grade year. They flew to Mexico City on June 4 and visited several historical sites as well as the pyramids of Teotihuacon outside Mexico City.

From there they traveled to Merida on the Yucatan Peninsula. After a visit to the Mayan ruins of Chichen-Itza, they concluded their trip in Cancun.

Sullivan and the students said they could not have made the trip without the support of numerous individuals and businesses.

Spanish program for IISD featured during conference

(Editor's Note: The following article was written by Phyllis Thomspon, TFLA (Texas Foreign Language Association) Advocacy and Public Outreach.)

The Spanish Program, grades 4-12 in Ira ISD was featured in a session given by Liillie Sullivan, instructor, at the Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association (TEPSA) summer conference, June 11 in Austin.

Ira, which celebrated its centennial in 1993," is a small school that thinks big," according to Sullivan, who single-handedly succeeded in introducing Spanish in grade four and in designing an articulated 4-12 program.

Babies come into the world "citizens of the world" but the windows of learning close as age increases, she warned. It is important to start a program in languages other than English as early as possible.

According to principal Rodney Schneider, the elementary Spanish program is significant in keeping the TAAS scores very high in Ira ISD."

The thinking skills in language classes transfer. The subject matter in the content based Spanish classes reinforces and makes connections across the curriculum. Rick Howard, superintendent of Ira ISD, praised the Spanish program.

Both Schneider and Howard attended the session presented by Sullivan and were able to answer questions. Sullivan credited part of the success of the program to strong administrative support for initiating and maintaining it.

TFLA exhibited at TEFSA informational materials or beginning elementary LOTE programs.

To be honored

LINCOLN, Mass. (AP) — Don Henley will be honored at a White House ceremony Monday for his role in establishing the Thoreau Institute, an educational facility located near Walden Pond.

He'll be one of the 10 recipients of the National Humanities Medal.

STUDENT COUNCIL — Ira Student Council members are from left, back row, Jerek Brown, Trey Shirley, Jose Juarez, Lindsy Josey, Korby Calley, Jacey McCright, Carla Smith, Chris Gee and Tye Shirley; front row, Billy Keith Box, president; Richard Wilkins, vice president; Emily Hardy, secretary; Hayley Smith, treasurer; Jenson Gainer, public relations. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Victim of hantavirus making progress

LUBBOCK (AP) — A teenager's experimental treatment for hantavirus could be a major step toward developing a medical protocol for the often-fatal disease, doctors say.

The 16-year-old was in good condition Saturday at a Lubbock hospital after doctors determined that the boy was Texas' 11th confirmed case of hantavirus.

Nitric oxide, typically a treatment for high blood pressure, was used in the teen's lungs to blunt the disease's crippling respiratory effects.

"Within three to four hours after we began using the nitric oxide, there was a dramatic improvement in the patient's condition," said Dr. Michael Romano, part of the pediatric critical care team that attended to the boy.

Before turning to nitric oxide, doctors had watched the boy's pneumonia deteriorate rapidly Monday morning despite treatment with nearly pure oxygen.

"It was a last-ditch effort," said Dr. David Waagner, who made the hantavirus diagnosis later confirmed by the state Department of Health. Tissue samples have been sent to a New Mexico lab to double-check the diagnosis.

The boy was the first patient in Dr. Robert Rosenberg's nitric oxide study, one of a handful of similar investigations around the country. Doctors withheld the boy's name at the parents' request.

Romano said the boy's sister was a nursing student who called around to regional emergency rooms last weekend to find out who was staffing them. She chose Texas Tech and the family drove the sick boy here Sunday from the Abilene-area town of Merkel.

"He might have been suffering symptoms for a week before they brought him in," Romano said, adding that the boy could return home next week.

Dr. Joel Kupersmith, dean of Tech's medical school, stressed that the nitric oxide treatment isn't a hantavirus cure, but merely a therapy to allow patients to live through a critical two- to three-day window and fight the virus themselves.

"Someday we will have a cure for this, or a vaccine," he said. "For now, what we need is this kind of team, together with all the technological devices we have in the intensive care unit."

Since the first United States outbreak in 1993, around 180 hantavirus cases have been confirmed in the United States. Argentina, Chile, Brazil and Uruguay also are susceptible.

Rodent waste, particularly that from deer mice, seems to be the main carrier, though some human-to-human transmission has occurred in South America.

The first confirmed stateside hantavirus outbreak occurred in 1993 in the Four Corners area of New Mexico, Colorado, Utah and Arizona.

Woman convicted of kidnap-murder

VENTURA, Calif. (AP) — A witchcraft-practicing grocery clerk was found guilty Friday of killing her lover's wife, an act described by the prosecution as a human sacrifice birthday gift to her lover.

Diana Haun, 36, was convicted of first-degree murder, kidnapping, conspiracy to commit murder and kidnapping, and a special circumstance of murder for financial gain. The jury will decide whether to recommend the death sentence or life in prison.

Ms. Haun's lover, Michael Dally, awaits trial on the same charges.

Sherri Dally, 35, a homemaker and day-care operator,

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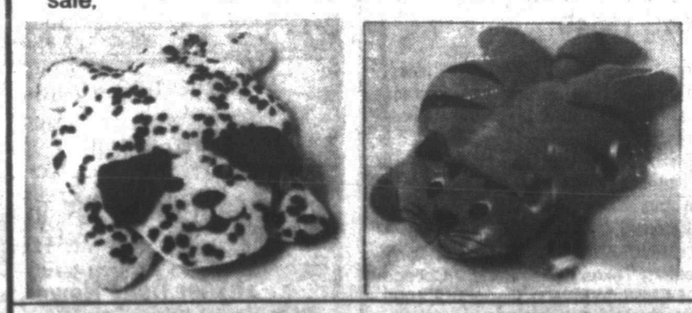

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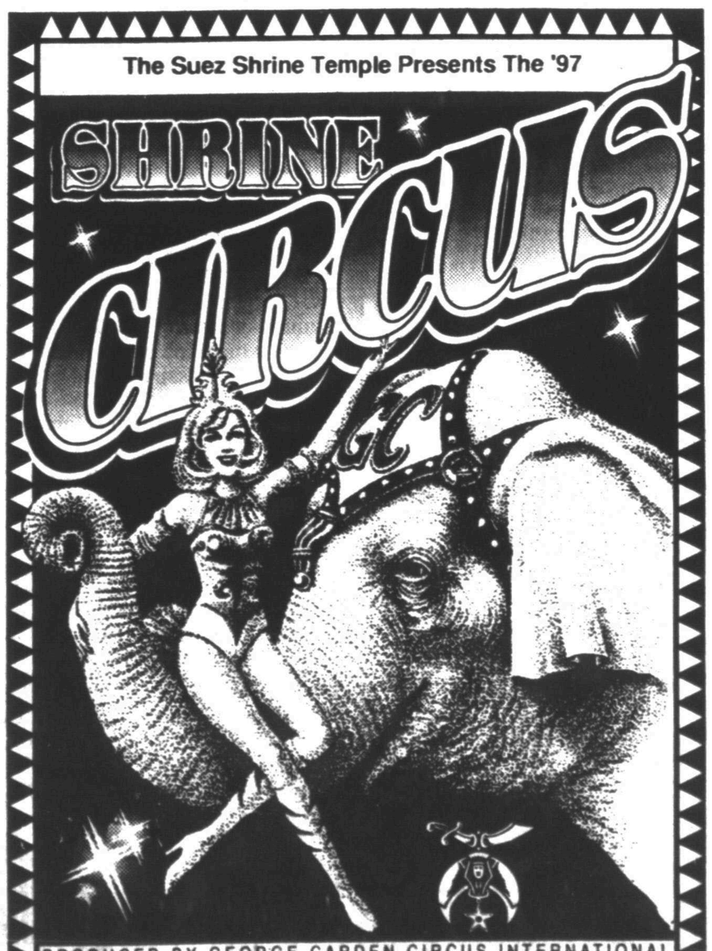

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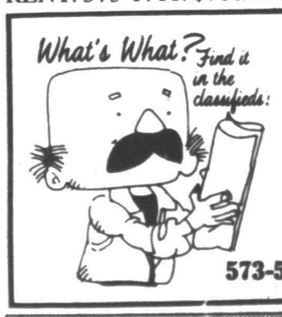

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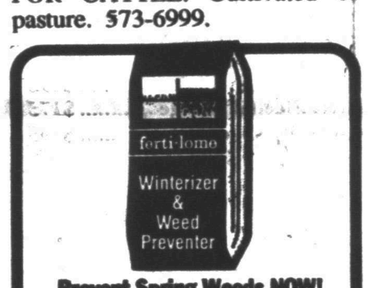

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The Harold Wade Family

Thank You

The family of Autumn Pollard wishes to thank everyone for their many acts of kindness during our loss. Autumn loved Snyder and its many people.

Special thanks to Snyder EMS and Cogdell Hospital Emergency room staff for all of your efforts.

Thank you,
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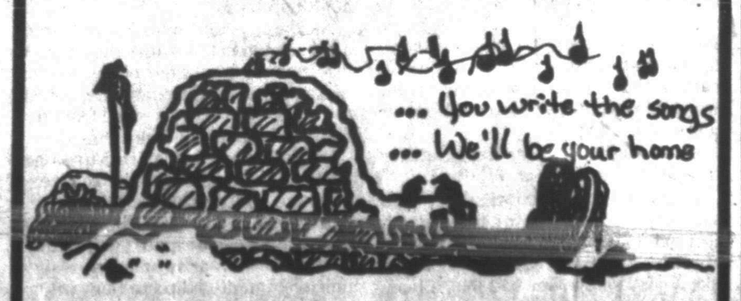

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Simon Quiros, Sr. and children, Quiros, Camacho, Dubois, Kerry, Monrreal, Garcia, and Overton Families.

4 arrested, 1 for DWI

A 41-year-old Snyder man was arrested early Saturday at 30th and College Avenue for felony driving while intoxicated.

Taken into custody at 1:35 a.m. Saturday was Fernando Orosco, 41, of 1709½ Ave. T.

At the same time officers arrested a 43-year-old male passenger on outstanding DPS warrants from Ozona. The man was wanted on warrants for permitting an unlicensed driver to operate a vehicle and failure to appear.

At 4:02 a.m. Saturday, officers arrested a 24-year-old male in the 1600 block of 27th Street for public intoxication and resisting arrest.

A 24-year-old was arrested at 11:40 p.m. Friday at the Western Crest Apartments for assault/family violence.

In other activity Friday, a woman advised dispatchers at 4:03 p.m. that she had three children playing in Winston Park and she could not locate them. Officers located the two girls, ages seven and eight, and one boy, age nine, swimming in the creek behind the park. The children were returned to their mother.

Officers responded to gas drive-offs at Skinny's on 37th Street at 4:25 p.m., at Wes-T-Go at 7:31 p.m. and at the Plaza Truck Stop at 12:58 a.m. Saturday.

An offense report for theft of a bicycle was submitted at 9:36 p.m. from 502 E. Coliseum Drive.

A person notified officers at 11:56 p.m. that she had dropped off her eight and nine-year-old sons at the football game at 7 p.m. and now she could not find them. Officers located the two at 1:04 a.m. Saturday at a residence in the 2000 block of Avenue N.

Officers were called to Allsup's at 1:39 a.m. Saturday in reference to an unruly customer. The man had left the store before officers arrived and the incident is still under investigation.

3 genes for serious eye disease found

NEW YORK (AP) — Scientists have identified three genes that lead to severe vision loss when they're flawed, an advance that could lead to new treatments.

Two genes cause forms of retinitis pigmentosa, or RP, which damages the eye's light-sensing cells called rods and cones. The genes cause types of RP that strike unusually early, causing legal blindness in childhood or early adulthood.

Some 100,000 to 200,000 Americans have RP. The genes probably account for a few percent of those cases.

The new work is reported in the October issue of the journal Nature Genetics.

The RP genes are active in a layer of eye cells that nourish the rods and cones. In contrast, most of the nearly 20 previously known RP genes are active in the rods and cones themselves.

The difference is significant because rat experiments suggest the cell layer can be successfully transplanted to treat disease, said Dr. Gerald Chader of the Foundation Fighting Blindness, which paid for some of the new research.

It isn't known what the two genes normally do, but there's reason to believe they help the eye process vitamin A, which is crucial for vision, Chader said. So if the genes are damaged, they might be hampered in this job, leading to RP, he said.

If that's true, high doses of vitamin A might be able to treat people with flaws in the genes, he said. But that's unproven, and RP patients should not take vitamin A supplements for that purpose now unless advised by a doctor, Chader said.

The genes are identified in three papers from the University of Michigan Medical School in Ann Arbor, New Zealand, France, Germany and elsewhere.

A fourth paper, from Germany, identifies the gene causing a rare disorder called x-linked juvenile retinoschisis. The disease affects only males, and can make them legally blind by their 40s or 50s.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Woman Must Lay Down Law To Kids Who Think They Rule

DEAR ABBY: What's a roommate to do? My roommate, Susie, has five children. They range in age from 11 to 18. Two live with her, and three live with their father. When all five are here for a month in the summer, life is difficult.

The children who live with their father have few rules, no chores, curfews or discipline in their home. When they arrive, they are frequently rude, complaining, unappreciative, and disrespectful to their mother, their siblings and to me.

As a homeowner and single woman, I cringe when the children arrive. I know there will be no peace in my home until they leave. I worry about my pets, swimming pool or trampoline accidents, my belongings and my ability to hold my tongue.

The question: Would I be out of line if I spoke up and said, "This is what's expected of you while you are visiting in my home"?

Abby, there must be other people in situations similar to mine. What do they do under these cirumstances?

PUZZLED IN ARKANSAS

DEAR PUZZLED: You have every right to tell the children, "These are the rules of the house, and I expect you to abide by them." You might also hand them a list such as the following:

HOUSE RULES

1. If you open it, close it.
2. If you turn it on, turn it off.
3. If you unlock it, lock it.
4. If you break it, repair it.
5. If you can't fix it, call in someone who can.
6. If you borrow it, return it.
7. If you use it, take care of it.
8. If you make a mess, clean it up.
9. If you move it, put it back.
10. If it belongs to someone else and you want to use it, get permission.
11. If you don't know how to operate it, leave it alone.
12. If it doesn't concern you, don't mess with it.

Also, give consideration to increasing your household insurance to cover possible damage.

I wish you the best of luck!

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DEAR ABBY: I have been a librarian for 25 years and hope you will help me get an important message out to people everywhere.

Many times when patrons approach me at the library information desk, they preface their requests with, "I know this is probably a dumb question, but ..." Abby, this always distresses me, because the fact is, most librarians love their work — and if everyone walked into the library already knowing how to find the information they want, we wouldn't be needed!

I always tell my patrons that as far as I'm concerned, there are no "dumb" questions, and if it weren't for their asking for my help, I would be working at something far less enjoyable. So, the message is, "Please ask the librarian. We want to help you!" Thanks, Abby.

CAROL GOODSON,
CARROLLTON, GA.

DEAR CAROL: I'm pleased to convey your message. I am in complete agreement with your philosophy that there's no such thing as a dumb question. What is really dumb is remaining ignorant.

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DEAR ABBY: I am an educator with the Cord Blood Registry, responding to the letter in your column about donors needed for the bone marrow registry.

I would like to tell you and your readers about an amazing opportunity to assist tens of thousands of people in need of stem cells that used to be available only through bone marrow transplants.

Diseases like Hodgkin's lymphoma, sickle cell anemia and leukemia can now be treated with stem cells from umbilical cord blood.

The process of collecting it is painless; however, it must be collected immediately following birth. Umbilical cords are often just discarded. It is a tragedy that expectant parents are rarely made aware of the importance of their child's umbilical cord blood. It can be banked privately for their families, or donated through the International Cord Blood Foundation for use by patients who desperately require a matching transplant.

There are also special programs to help families bank the cord blood should a family member be stricken with an illness that places him or her in serious need of a transplant.

Abby, please urge families who are concerned about saving lives with umbilical cord blood to contact the Cord Blood Registry at 1-888-267-3256 (toll-free) or www.cordblood.com to learn more about banking their cord blood.

KATIE HEFFELFINGER,
CORD BLOOD EDUCATOR,
BETHLEHEM, PA.

DEAR MS. HEFFELFINGER: I'm pleased to alert readers to this relatively new therapy, which became available in the late 1980s.

I was fascinated to learn that "cord blood" is the blood that remains in the umbilical cord and placenta after a baby is born. Like bone marrow, it has been found to be a rich source of stem cells — the building blocks of the blood and immune system. Cord blood may provide treatment advantages over bone marrow, especially when it comes from an immediate family member. Saving it may prove especially significant for ethnic minority patients, and those with a family history of leukemia or cancer.

If the umbilical cord blood from all the deliveries in the United States were stored, successful matches could be found without the long, time-consuming search for a bone marrow donor.

There is no cost for public donation of umbilical cord blood, but the application and testing process must be started at least two months before the delivery. Parents wishing to store their newborn's cord blood for their own potential use can do so for a fee. However, anyone with a family member who already *has* a condition for which stem cells may be a treatment option, can store cord blood at no cost through the Cord Blood Registry's Designated Transplant Program. (For information on this option, call the number listed above.)

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DEAR ABBY: I thought you might be interested in the role you played in getting my young son to read. When he was in the elementary grades, I insisted that he read the newspaper every day and find something interesting to discuss with me. Well, it didn't take him very long to find your column, and he shared it with me each day. He is grown now and loves to read your column and many other things as well. Thank you, Dear Abby.

STELLA LEHNERT, DETROIT

DEAR STELLA: Thank *you*. I have always encouraged young people to hone their reading skills. To learn that I had a part in developing your son's reading habits is gratifying.

For those young people who may have missed my advice on reading, I repeat:

If I could give young people one piece of advice, it would be read, read, read! In reading, you will open up new worlds, real and imagined. Read for information, read for pleasure. Our libraries are filled with knowledge and joy, and it's all there — free for the taking. The person who *does not* read is no better off than the person who *cannot* read.

Fabrice Morvan performs again

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Fabrice Morvan doesn't draw the crowds anymore — nor the publicity.

Which is just fine with him. Formerly one half of the infamous lip-synching duo Milli Vanilli, Morvan has dropped his phony braids and slick orchestration for a casual look and acoustic guitarist accompaniment.

He performed recently for about 20 people at a Hollywood cantina.

"I'm not even looking at becoming big," he said recently. "The only recognition that I want is to be respected as a singer and songwriter. What comes afterwards, I don't know."

Morvan and Robert Pilatus were stripped of the best new artist Grammy Award in 1990 following revelations that they never sang a note on their best-seller, "Girl, You Know It's True." They disbanded Milli Vanilli and reformed as Rob and Fab in 1991 but had little commercial success.

Mayors gathering to discuss free trade

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Nearly 100 mayors from cities along Interstate 35 from Mexico into Canada have met about halfway in between to talk about the advantages of NAFTA, while labor organizations and others protested nearby.

The Second Summit of Mayors Friday included discussions on how to improve and maintain the interstate, support free trade along the I-35 corridor, and facilitate economic development.

"We've accomplished a lot just by being here today," said Kansas City mayor Emanuel Cleaver. "Mayors from three countries meeting in one place, I think is a bold statement about our intense efforts to work together and improve transportation of goods by air, land and sea."

Cleaver predicted that the North American Free Trade Agreement will have helped create about 40,000 jobs over the next 15 years in Kansas City, which with interstates 29, 35 and 70 has the most highway per capita than any other city in the U.S., he said.

But outside the conference center at Kansas City's Bartle Hall where the meeting was held, dozens of people, including members of area labor organizations, protested. Many said NAFTA has taken high-paying jobs from Americans and moved them south of the border.

"They've got the wrong idea," Dan Johnson of Teamsters Local 41 said of the mayors. "What they are looking at is big money from big companies. But what they are doing is putting people out of work."

Johnson also said supporters of NAFTA are overlooking safety factors such as the possibility of importing uninspected food and dangerous chemicals into the United States.

Also among protesters was Richard Sparks, a former U.S. Customs agent. He said he was exposed to an unknown chemical in 1993 while inspecting trucks coming from Mexico into Laredo, Texas. As a result, Sparks said he has suffered severe nerve damage, loss of sight, and other health problems.

"No one is going to stand up and act until it happens to them," said Sparks. "I hope these people realize it's not safe."

Sparks, 43, said he was fired in 1995 because his injuries would no longer allow him to perform his duties. He said the government has refused to treat him for his illness and he has no health insurance.

Still, Adalberto Nunez, mayor of San Nicolas De Las Garza, Nuevo Leon, Mexico, said commercial trade provides a better way of life for people in all three countries.

The Midwest Research Institute Center for Regional Development of Kansas City presented a study showing that between 1993 and 1996, two-way trade between the United States and other North American Countries jumped 43.2 percent, from $293.2 billion to $419.9 billion. The United States saw increases in both imports from and exports to Canada and Mexico.

C-141 search ended...

AF keeps F-117s grounded

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Air Force says it will keep its F-117 stealth fighters grounded until it has an explanation for the crash of one of the warplanes earlier this month.

"This is a prudent measure until the cause of the accident can be identified and corrected," an Air Force statement said Friday.

One of the radar-evading planes broke apart and crashed during an air show Sept. 14 at Middle River, Md., setting two houses on fire and injuring six people. The pilot ejected safely.

The remaining 53 F-117s, which are based with the 49th Fighter Wing at Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico, suspended routine flights the next day.

"We'll keep them down until we find out what caused the incident," said an Air Force spokesman, Capt. Leo Devine. "Safety is our top concern."

An investigation board has been studying the crash. Maintenance experts from the Air Force and the manufacturer are also involved.

Amateur video showed a piece of the aircraft, apparently from the tail or a wing, flying off before the wedge-shaped jet went into a slow spin and crashed.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Atlantic Command, based in Norfolk, Va., announced it has called off the search-and-rescue mission for survivors from an Air Force C-141 transport and a German military TU-154, both of which disappeared off the west coast of Africa on Sept. 13.

An announcement said officials have concluded "with regret, based upon the exhaustive efforts of the multinational forces involved in the search and rescue, that there are no survivors to this tragic event."

The C-141 was flying from Namibia with nine Americans aboard and apparently collided with the German military plane. In all, 33 were believed killed.

Those incidents were followed by a string of other crashes, prompting Defense Secretary William Cohen to order all military services to suspend training flights for 24 hours and go over safety procedures, a practice known as a "stand-down."

The Air Force suspended training flights for combat air crews at domestic bases Monday, while other commands held their standdowns at various times during the week.

The Air Force had planned a servicewide halt of training flights for Friday, but its Air Combat Command, which operates all fighters and bombers at domestic bases, decided to move its up to Monday after one of its B-1 bombers crashed last week in Montana.

Despite the recent crashes, the Air Force's overall safety record for the past year has been one of its best.

Back To Basics

By Ellen Baker

The 1997-98 school year is off to a great start at Western Texas College. Enrollment is up.

There are some new faces on the faculty and staff. Several buildings have undergone major renovation. We invite you to come and see for yourself. The residence hall has new carpeting and tile, fresh paint, new lighting, new furniture, and a new non-smoking policy.

The learning resource center has been remodeled to accommodate a larger circulation desk area and a new computer lab, and new carpeting has given the library a whole new look.

In the student center, there has been major reconstruction to create space for the student services department. Students now have access to admissions, financial aid, recruiting, student activities, counseling, special needs and the placement office all in one place.

A new area for TV viewing has been added upstairs, and new carpeting and furniture have given the student center a whole new look.

Renovation continues on the workforce education area, and the continuing education department will be making some changes during the year. If you would like to arrange a tour of Western Texas College for yourself or a group, please call us. We would be happy to show you the campus.

Western Texas College is located at 6200 South College Avenue in Snyder. The admissions office is in the student center. In Snyder, the phone number is 573-8511 ext. 394. Outside of Snyder, call us toll-free at 1-888-GO TO WTC 468-6982.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Monday, Sept. 29, 1997

In the year ahead, you might be able to add to your material well-being through the auspices of a dedicated ally. Be patient; this development might be slow, but it will happen.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) A considerate, unselfish friend might do something very nice for you today and put you in a good frame of mind. Be sure to square-up accounts at a later date. Major changes are ahead for Libra in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your loyalty to your real friends is your most admirable quality today. You will boast about them and fight their battles for them, if need be.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You have a great deal of magnetism today, and this will be obvious to members of the opposite sex. Do not let these assets get you into trouble.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) People who meet you for the first time today will be impressed. You will project both substance and compassion in equal measures.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A female friend will have your best interest at heart today, and she wants to do something for you — and only you. Keep what occurs confidential.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your cooperative attitude is your best asset today. You will feel impelled to do good for others and they will find ways to reciprocate.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You can work quite well with others today and bring about better organization and harmony. This can occur without unduly offending others.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You will be fun to be around today, because of your easygoing nature. This will attract others in a way where your priorities become theirs.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Today, you are a bit like Tom Sawyer, who got his friends to pay him so that they could help him do his work. What worked for Tom could work for you!

CANCER (June 21-July 22) The genuine interest you have for your friends' affairs will be evident today. They will talk openly to you about things they wouldn't to most people.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your generous nature will be obvious to your loved ones today. What is yours is theirs without asking anything in return.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A situation you've been hoping to tie up looks like it can be accomplished today. Prioritize so that you can get it out of the way as early as possible.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Try weight control before hormones

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am 59 years old and 60 pounds overweight. I have high cholesterol and blood pressure. My family physician wants me to take hormones to protect me against heart disease and osteoporosis, neither of which is prevalent in my family. My gynecologist objects, saying that the risk of breast cancer outweighs any potential advantages of hormone therapy. What should I do?

DEAR READER: Examine your other options. I don't see this as a black-and-white issue.

For example, your obesity, hypertension and elevated serum cholesterol certainly increase your risk of heart disease and stroke. This risk is unlikely to be ameliorated by taking hormones. It makes more sense to me (and is cheaper and safer) for you to adopt a weight-reduction diet (low-fat, no concentrated sweets) that will allow you to shed pounds, lower your cholesterol and — perhaps — bring your blood pressure down to normal, too.

Because your family doctor appears to be taking the path of least resistance, I side with your gynecologist. Why risk complications when simple weight-reduction may solve several of your problems simultaneously?

If, once you have lost 20 or 30 pounds, your cholesterol and blood pressure remain high, you can always consider alternatives, such as drug treatment or hormone replacement.

As a general rule, I encourage inexpensive and safe therapy — such as appropriate and healthful dieting — rather than the use of medication, which almost always results in one or more side effects.

Lose weight; then see if any further treatment is necessary.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: In a recent column, you advised surgery as a cure for spinal stenosis, a condition that caused me to have numbness and tingling in my legs. Since I have had acupuncture, my symptoms have disappeared. What do you think?

DEAR READER: Because spinal stenosis (pressure on the spinal cord) is usually caused by a physical condition — such as a herniated disc or arthritic spurs — I believe that surgery is the appropriate choice of therapy.

Nonetheless, some patients with this condition respond to nonsurgical methods of relief, including acupuncture and spinal manipulation. The reason for this is unknown, but from a practical standpoint, I see no compelling reason not to try these methods as an alternative to surgery. If, within a couple of months, symptoms remain or recur, an operation should be considered. You may be a member of the fortunate minority whose symptoms disappear after nonsurgical therapy. I think this is wonderful — but by no means is it the rule.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: I have severe back pain due to compression fractures in my spine caused by osteoporosis. All my doctor does is tell me to take it easy and use prescription pain pills that make me woozy and constipated. Is there anything else I can do?

DEAR READER: With everyone growing older, the threat of osteoporosis is becoming a more universal health problem.

As men — and especially women after menopause — age, they tend to lose calcium from their bones, leading to fragility and brittleness that can set the stage for fractures, even from trivial trauma such as minor falls.

In the spine, such fractures are called "compression fractures," because the vertebrae tend to collapse upon themselves. The pain from such events can be quite debilitating.

Therefore, in answer to your question, treatment is directed toward two goals: relieving the acute pain and preventing more fractures from occurring.

In the first instance, analgesic drugs are certainly appropriate. As you have discovered, however, they have side effects. Perhaps you might suffer fewer consequences if your doctor prescribed non-narcotic pills such as Ultram or Darvon. But, in my experience, this rarely suffices. Patients with compression fractures usually require concomitant physical therapy. This is more than merely "taking it easy." A licensed physiotherapist can administer both passive and active exercises, as well as heat treatment, massage — even acupuncture — to help you control the pain. Fortunately, with medicine and therapy, your back will improve over time.

Second, you need calcium supplements — and vitamin D, which allows the mineral to enter your bones. Most authorities recommend a daily total of about 1500 milligrams of calcium plus approximately 250 units of D. This requirement can easily be met by taking one of the many nonprescription calcium supplements available. In addition, regular exercise is beneficial.

Third, the use of female hormone supplements (for women) can retard the loss of calcium from bones. Hormones also have the added effect of protecting against heart ailments and Alzheimer's disease, despite the small but significant risk of breast or uterine cancer. This is a decision that each woman should make on an individual basis, in close consultation with her family doctor or gynecologist.

Finally, there are drugs — such as Didronel and Fosamax — that actually promote re-calcification of osteoporotic bones. Millions of women are now taking these prescription medications, which have few side effects (stomach irritation being the most notable complaint.)

Thus, there is much that you and your doctor can do to alleviate your pain and prevent further damage. Discuss these options the next time you see your physician.

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

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Polar bear's hot living conditions draw concerns

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A polar bear living under the scorching sun at the San Antonio Zoo with only a pool of 73-degree tap water and no air conditioning?

The thought is startling to most, akin to an image of camels, desperate for broiling desert sand, trudging, frozen-kneed, through the snow and glaciers of the arctic.

San Antonio resident Nanette Bradley, a self-proclaimed independent animal rights activist, can't live with the thought.

She has been a one-woman army trying to get the zoo to install a temperature-controlled pool for the bear as well as air conditioning.

Ms. Bradley has testified before City Council, called the U.S. Department of Agriculture, which is responsible for inspecting the animal's living conditions, and even written to Coca-Cola, thinking the soft-drink company would get involved because it uses polar bears in its advertising.

"I want the USDA to do the right thing, and I want the people who have allowed this to happen to be held responsible," Ms. Bradley said. "But bottom line, I want some air conditioning and a cold water pool for that polar bear.

"It's common sense. I can't imagine a more harsh climate for a polar bear than the heat of San Antonio, Texas."

After hearing from Ms. Bradley, the International Humane Society of Canada, where the bears are indigenous, also expressed concern.

"It's not that hard to have the temperature of the pool cold enough to be close to the animal's natural habitat," said Michael O'Sullivan, executive director of the group based in Toronto.

Stephen McCusker, executive director of the San Antonio Zoo, has been blindsided by the calls and concerns stirred up by Ms. Bradley about Mr. Pooh, who has been at the zoo for 19 years.

His health records show he has never suffered from heat-related illness.

A root canal is the most serious medical attention the bear has required, and at 29, the bear has outlived the average life expectancy of polar bears in the wild by nearly 10 years.

To combat the heat, zoo personnel frequently throw 100-pound ice chunks into Mr. Pooh's pool and feed him "fishsicles" — lunchpail-sized chunks of ice with a fish embedded in them.

Animal experts with the USDA and the American Zoo and Aquarium Association say polar bears adapt naturally to warmer climates by not growing an extra layer of fat and the dense undercoat that insulates them in the arctic.

Polar bears, although black-skinned, have hollow white hair that isn't as heavy as other bears' and deflects sunlight, experts say.

Mr. Pooh's fur tends to turn green in the summer because of algae that grows in the hollow hairs when it's hot. But McCusker says the algae doesn't cause the bear to suffer.

"People try to put themselves in the minds and hearts of animals and try to put their reactions in their place and then it becomes an emotional issue and not a biological issue," McCusker said.

"The point is, polar bears are incredibly ambient creatures and adapt to new environments very well."

After Ms. Bradley contacted the USDA, Elizabeth Pannill, an inspector with the agency's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, made a special visit to the zoo on Aug. 19 and concluded, "All items are in compliance concerning polar bear and exhibit this date."

San Antonio is not the only zoo in a warm climate with polar bears. The zoo in Tucson, Ariz., has two polar bears in an exhibit with a pool also kept at tap water temperature — roughly 73 to 75 degrees — and without air conditioning.

Susan Basford, the director of the Tucson zoo, said: "Our water is not chilled and we haven't had problems."

Jane Ballentine, spokeswoman for the American Zoo and Aquarium Association, based in Bethesda, Md., said the Animal Welfare Act that guides USDA inspectors "is designed to protect the well-being of the animals.

"The inspectors are very aware of the animal necessities, and if there were problems, they would be written up and forced to make changes," she said. "Obviously, if the bear has been there 19 years, something has to have gone right."

But Ms. Ballentine, who used to work at the Baltimore Zoo, acknowledged that zoo had a chilled pool — about 55 to 60 degrees — for its polar bears.

McCusker said putting in a chilled pool for Mr. Pooh was discussed and rejected. He said a polar bear exhibit is not in the zoo's master plan, meaning that when Mr. Pooh dies, the zoo will discontinue the exhibit.

"Even if we got the cooler for the pool donated, we would have to put him somewhere while it was installed, and I don't think it's the most humane approach to the problem.

"If we pursued a temperature-controlled pool, it would probably be based 90 percent on public perception and 10 percent on science," McCusker said.

"A 5-year-old would know that a polar bear needs cold conditions," she said. "How dare we human beings expect an animal to adapt to anything. Whoever created that polar bear never put a polar bear in San Antonio, Texas."

Vampire novelist acquitted in libel trial

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A judge ruled Friday that vampire novelist Anne Rice did not libel a restaurateur when she ridiculed his cafe as gaudy, tacky and less dignified than a flophouse.

But now that the case is over, will the author take Al Copeland up on his offer to dine at his restaurant and search for her fictional vampire, Lestat?

The judge dismissed claims that Ms. Rice libeled and used unfair trade practices against Copeland, founder of the Popeyes Famous Fried Chicken chain, when she took out a full-page newspaper advertisement in February.

In the ad, Ms. Rice called his Straya California Creole Grand Cafe an abomination and said she was humiliated by its flashy facade on historic St. Charles Avenue. She said it had less dignity than a flophouse.

The judge agreed with Ms. Rice that her remarks were constitutionally protected.

"We were delighted and we think that the legal system worked in a very efficient and proper manner," said Lance Arnold, Ms. Rice's lawyer.

Copeland said he won't appeal if Ms. Rice doesn't pursue the matter.

"I don't think people have the right to knock you in any way. But I do respect the First Amendment. I think the thing now is to just have some fun with it."

With that said, he invited Ms. Rice to dinner at his restaurant and issued a challenge. "I personally invite you to help us find Lestat during the month of October. Dinner's on me."

In 1995, Ms. Rice's answering machine message to her fans said Lestat was gone and that his farewell came after he saw his reflection in a window of the building that later became Copeland's restaurant.

"She lost Lestat there. He's trapped there in the novel. Al's inviting her to find Lestat," said Copeland spokeswoman Kit Wohl.

Copeland went to court Feb. 10, three days after Ms. Rice took out a full-page ad in The Times-Picayune's Mardi Gras weekend tabloid.

FCC pre-empts part of Texas law regulating phone firms

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal regulators decided Friday to pre-empt a provision in a Texas telecommunications law governing how would-be local phone competitors build their networks.

Federal Communications Commission Chairman Reed Hundt said the action should "promote competition in the Texas telephone market."

The Public Utility Commission of Texas asked the FCC to review parts of its 1995 telecommunications law to determine whether they are consistent with a 1996 federal law that provides for deregulation of the telecommunications industries, FCC officials said.

Specifically, the FCC used its power under the 1996 federal law to, among other things, pre-empt provisions that limit the ability of the would-be rivals to lease parts of the existing local phone network or buy discounted local service from the existing phone company and sell it to customers — things they are free to do under the federal law.

A MCI official, speaking on condition of anonymity, called the pre-empted provisions "the single-most anticompetitive statute passed by a state legislature."

MCI officials said the pre-empted provisions essentially required would-be rivals to build their own networks if they wanted to provide local phone service in Texas, MCI officials said. The pre-empted provisions forced would-be competitors to first build these networks before they could obtain permission to re-sell local service or lease lines from the existing telephone company, they said.

By the end of the year MCI expects to be providing local phone service over its own network in some parts of Texas, said MCI spokeswoman Jamie DePeau.

It is not the first time the FCC has used its power under the federal 1996 law to pre-empt provisions in state telecommunications laws. On Wednesday the FCC pre-empted part of a 1995 Wyoming telecommunications law. But Hundt said the case Friday is particularly noteworthy because Texas is a "very big state."

The FCC's action came as key telecommunications lawmakers in Congress were criticizing the commission for not working with state regulators on opening local phone markets to competition.

Long-distance companies AT&T, MCI and other potential local phone rivals in Texas were among the groups that asked the FCC to review parts of Texas' law, FCC officials said.

The FCC declined to pre-empt provisions in the Texas law that bar municipalities from providing telecommunications services and that provide a 5 percent discount on re-sold local phone service.

The federal telecommunications law allows local and long-distance companies to get into each other businesses, subject to federal and state oversight.

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Datebook

Sept. 27, 1997

Today is the 270th day of 1997 and the seventh day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1964, the Beach Boys made their first appearance on "The Ed Sullivan Show," singing "I Get Around."

On this day in 1973, Vice President Spiro Agnew, who pleaded "no contest" to tax-evasion charges, said he would not resign.

On this day in 1983, Larry Bird signed a $15 million seven-year contract with the Boston Celtics.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Samuel Adams (1722-1803), Revolutionary War patriot; Thomas Nast (1840-1902), cartoonist; Louis Auchincloss (1917-), writer, is 80; William Conrad (1920-1994), actor; Arthur Penn (1922-), director, is 75; Wilford Brimley (1934-), actor, is 63; Meat Loaf (1947-), singer, is 50; Mike Schmidt (1949-), baseball great, is 48.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1988, Ben Johnson tested positive for steroids after winning the 100-meter race in the Seoul Olympics.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "No government ought to be without censors; and where the press is free, no one ever will." — Thomas Jefferson

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1987, temperatures on top of Mount Washington in New Hampshire were an unseasonable 13 degrees.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Sept. 23) and new moon (Oct. 1).

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Today is the 271st day of 1997 and the eighth day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1066, William the Conqueror invaded England and laid claim to the English throne.

On this day in 1961, the TV sitcom "Hazel" premiered, starring Shirley Booth.

On this day in 1984, President Reagan and Soviet Foreign Affairs Minister Andrei Gromyko met at the White House.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Confucius (551 B.C.-479 B.C.), teacher; Caravaggio (1573-1610), artist; Friedrich Engels (1820-1895), social theorist; William S. Paley (1901-1990), CBS founder; Ed Sullivan (1902-1974), TV personality; Al Capp (1909-1979), cartoonist; Marcello Mastroianni (1923-1996), actor; Brigitte Bardot (1934-), actress, is 63; Steve Largent (1954-), football star, is 43.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1960, Red Sox player Ted Williams went to the plate for the last time and hit a 420-foot home run.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "When you have faults, do not fear to abandon them." — Confucius

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1893, a record 2.25 inches of rain fell in Albuquerque, N.M.

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Berry's World

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Shuttle zooms closer to Mir

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Packed with crucial supplies and a new American crew member for the run-down Russian Mir station, the space shuttle Atlantis hurtled Saturday toward a docking 250 miles above Earth.

The afternoon's planned docking couldn't come soon enough for astronaut David Wolf, who didn't get the OK from NASA for his four-month stay on Mir until hours before Thursday night's launch.

Atlantis was 370 miles behind Mir when Wolf and his shuttle crewmates were awakened this morning by a recording of Bruce Springsteen's "Dancing in the Dark."

"It's time to do that delicate dance in the dark and dock with Mir," Mission Control said.

There has been mounting pressure from members of Congress and others to no longer allow Americans to stay on the aging station. Wolf will replace American Michael Foale, who has endured a nearly catastrophic collision and repeated life-support equipment breakdowns.

Prior to the docking, NASA flight controllers kept tabs on the computer that controls Mir's position in space, since it has failed three times in the past three weeks. National Aeronautics and Space Administration officials said this morning they were unaware of any problems on Mir.

A computer failure with Atlantis more than 30 feet from Mir would scuttle the docking. Once the shuttle gets close enough, any instability by the station would be too slight to cause a problem, NASA and Russian flight directors have said.

The faulty computer will be replaced once a new one is delivered by the Atlantis crew. Wolf and his six crewmates also are bringing science experiments, water, food and sealant for holes caused by Mir's June 25 collision with a cargo ship.

The terrifying crash, which ruptured one of six modules and cut power in half on the 11½-year-old station, occurred about a month after Foale arrived. The 40-year-old British-born astrophysicist has lived on Mir with two different two-man Russian crews but has not seen another American since the shuttle left him there on May 21.

Wolf, a 41-year-old doctor-engineer, will step in following months of problems on Mir, which besides the collision have included a fire, leaking coolant and the failure of oxygen generators and a carbon dioxide-removal system.

It is mainly Republican vs. Republican as debate begins

WASHINGTON (AP) — The ideological split over revising campaign finance rules generally is along partisan lines. But it was Republican vs. Republican for much of the first day of debate on the Senate floor.

The system is "so awash in money that is taken so disproportionately from special interests that the people cannot help but suspect that our service is tainted by it," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who cosponsored the bipartisan bill with Sen. Russell Feingold, D-Wis.

"If most Americans feel they have sufficient cause to doubt our integrity, then we must seek all reasonable means to persuade them otherwise," McCain said as debate opened Friday. "Reform of our campaign finance laws is indispensable to that end."

Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., a leading opponent of the McCain-Feingold bill, agreed that people oppose the influence of special interests. But he added: "Do you know the definition of a special interest? Special interest is a group that is against what I am trying to do."

The Senate is "not going to pass this unconstitutional piece of legislation," McConnell said.

He and other Republicans, including House Speaker Newt Gingrich, contend that more money, not less, should be spent on elections to increase political discourse.

Artist to show work at Hays Ranch

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They showed 10 or 15 of her paintings to the late Pete Hurd, the famous New Mexico artist, with the hope that his wife, Henriette Wyeth, would work with her. Soon, Miller was driving to San Patricio to have Wyeth critique her work.

In 1964, Hurd and Wyeth wrote the foreword for Miller's first show at the Tech museum. The show sold out in 45 minutes, but Miller was not yet ready to take advantage of the immediate commercial possibilities. She chose instead to continue to study and hone her art for what she hoped would be a broader recognition, and that did come.

Miller finds inspiration for her paintings all around — the birds and animals in the area surrounding her studio, a pet angora goat named Miss Lily, and in worn things and antiques she collects and stores.

Tickets to the Hays Ranch dinner are $25 each and must be purchased by Wednesday at the chamber of commerce.

Fire destroys county residence

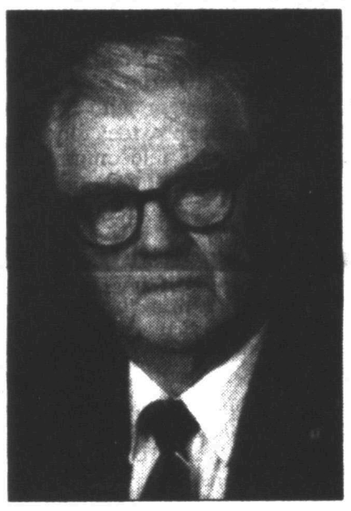
A residence owned by Bob Fowler was destroyed by fire Saturday morning.

The house, located on CR 3104 some 13 miles west of Snyder, had been vacant for about a week, said Snyder Fire Chief Terry Don McDowell.

Dispatchers at the sheriff's office received a call on the fire at 9:16 a.m., but it had been apparently burning for some time, according to McDowell.

The cause of the fire is under investigation, said the chief.

Obituaries



H.W. (Dick) Rodgers

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H.W. (Dick) Rodgers, a longtime Snyder resident, died Friday, Sept. 26, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mr. Rodgers, 80, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the Northside Baptist Church. The Rev. Bob Rhodes, pastor, will officiate. Burial will follow in Snyder Cemetery, under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born May 18, 1917 in Pine Hill, Tex., he married Arlie Burklow on May 5, 1939 in Roscoe.

A member of the Northside Baptist Church, Mr. Rodgers was retired from Scurry County Precinct 1 after 34 years.

He was preceded in death by one son, Jerry Paul Rodgers in 1966 in Vietnam; and by two brothers Chester Rodgers and Billy Jack Rodgers.

Survivors include his wife, Arlie Rodgers of Snyder; a son and daughter-in-law, Bobby and Carolyn Rodgers of Abilene; four daughters and sons-in-law, Joyce and Kenneth Drake of Frisco; Karen and Ricky Morgensen of Brownfield, JoAnn and Wayne Burney of Snyder and Connie and Clay Cage of Lubbock; two sisters, Ruby Drennan of Sterling City and Marjoree Gladson of San Angelo; a brother, Jimmy Rodgers of Anacortes, Wash.; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

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What's Up?

50-year presentation

A 50-year pin presented by the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas will be given to William R. Hibbs at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Masonic Lodge Hall. All Masons, wives and friends are invited.

First Baptist revival

First Baptist Church will have a revival Sunday through Wednesday. Services will be at 8:15 and 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, and at 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. A revival lunch will be served at noon weekdays during the revival for a $2 charge. Evangelist will be Joel Horne. Harlan Hall will provide the music.

Abundant Life Pentecostal Church

Missionary Reed from Indonesia will speak at the Abundant Life United Pentecostal Church, Ave. C and 31st St., at 7 p.m. Sunday.

Hermleigh Booster meeting set

Hermleigh Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the school cafeteria.

Image program scheduled

Image classes, a five-session workshop to explore career options, will be held Mondays from 10 a.m. until noon Oct. 6 through Nov. 3 at Snyder Day Care Center. The program is sponsored by Western Texas College and presented by licensed professional counselor Carolyn Osborn. The classes are free. Call 573-8511, ext. 325, to register.

Buffalo Kid & Calico Cutie

Entry deadline for the Buffalo Kid and Calico Cutie contest is Monday.

Trip to New York City

Adults interested in taking a trip to New York are asked to contact Ronda Haire, choir instructor at Snyder High School, at 573-2927 or 573-6301. The trip is planned for March 16-20, but those interested should contact her by Monday. The cost will be approximately $700 and includes tours of the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Empire State Building, Rockefeller Center, Chinatown, Wall Street, Central Park and many other sites as well as admission to two first-run Broadway shows.

Bible study video tapes

Bible study video tapes are airing on Channel 2. The tapes last about 30 minutes. "The Human Will" will air at 7 p.m. Monday.

SHS sets open house

Snyder High School open house will be held from 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday. Report cards will be passed out to parents at that time.

Genealogical meeting

Scurry County Genealogical Association meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the county library. Dot Campbell will give a brief talk on "Surprise Finds When Doing Research." Everyone is welcome. Help with research projects will be available.

Junior high open house

Snyder Junior High will hold open house from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Wednesday. Parents and families are invited to visit teachers and pick up report cards.

Shrine Circus coming

The Shrine Circus will be at Scurry County Coliseum at 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. The Suez Shrine Temple is sponsoring the circus on behalf of the children in the Big Country and Snyder area.

West Elementary

West Elementary open house will be from 4-6 p.m. Thursday. The school will also be holding a book fair Monday and Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8-11:40 a.m. and 1:55-4 p.m. in the auditorium.

SWCD election set

Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District will hold an election for director of Zone 5 Thursday at the Fluvanna Community Center. Hamburgers will be served at noon. Brent Murphy is the current director. Dennis Poole will be the election judge. Everyone who resides within the county and who owns land within the district is entitled to vote.

Northeast Parent Council

Northeast Parent Council will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the school library. All parents are invited.

MAWC garage sale

Martha Ann Woman's Club is accepting donated items for its Oct. 11 garage sale. Call 573-3427 or 573-6717 for items to be picked up.

Cash Five

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

8-21-22-31-38

(eight, twenty-one, twenty-two, thirty-one, thirty-eight)

Pick 3

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

6-5-9

(six, five, nine)

Two injured in wreck Saturday

A two-vehicle accident around 8 a.m. Saturday on Avenue E near the Snyder Cemetery resulted in two people being transferred by Snyder EMS to Lubbock's University Medical Center.

Michael Holloway, 43, of Snyder, and Cassie Burton, 26, of Lubbock, were listed in stable condition after first being treated at Cogdell Hospital's emergency room.

They were the drivers in separate vehicles.

No details of the accident were available Saturday morning from Snyder Police Department.

Hermleigh School observes 90th anniversary

Graduates share many memories

Hermleigh School turns 90 years old this year. Several former students recently shared some of their memories.

OTIS CRUMLY

Otis Crumly, one of Hermleigh's graduates still living in the area, recalled a humerous story about a strict supertintendent.

"If you knew Mr. Bishop, you knew what he said he would do," Otis began, "if some students left the campus and got into trouble."

The punishment would have been expulsion.

Scurry County Folks

by Shirley A. Gorman

Otis recalled that once he and some of the other high school boys noticed a nearby barn on fire. "We left the playground, ran to the fire and opened the gate to let the cattle out. Then we fought the fire."

They had it under control by the time anyone else arrived. On the way back to school, Otis said they were discussing what Mr. Bishop would say in front of everyone.

Several days passed before he said anything to the boys. When he did, Bishop called the names of all of the boys involved.

"We knew this was it," Otis said. "We expected to be sent home."

Instead, much to the boys' amazement, Bishop told them he was very proud of them because they "saw a need and did what was needed."

"He also told us we would make good soldiers and sailors for our country," Otis laughed.

Otis also recalled how when he was 18, the English teacher, Frances Head, was only 19.

When he started school, he was placed in the primary section. In later years, he was drafted but received a deferment until the end of the semester.

In the fall of 1942, Otis played on the Cardinal team which beat Loraine for the first time.

At the time, Loraine's offense was considered a triple threat. During the game, Loraine's quarterback was upset because he had been intercepted. During a play, Otis said the quarterback fell over him and broke his leg.

He attended school in the building that later burned.

Otis' daughter, Tisha Reese, also graduated from Hermleigh School. Now the manager of a Wal-Mart in Atlanta, Ga., she once played on Hermleigh's softball and basketball teams.

Otis, a retired mechanic, said his daughter is still playing ball, too.

OLETA JACKSON

Oleta Jackson moved to Hermleigh the first year she was old enough to attend school. She attended classes in the old building for one semester, later graduating in 1933.

She recalled playing basketball on outdoor courts, as well as participating in baseball and track. At one time, she and several brothers and sisters all attended Hermleigh

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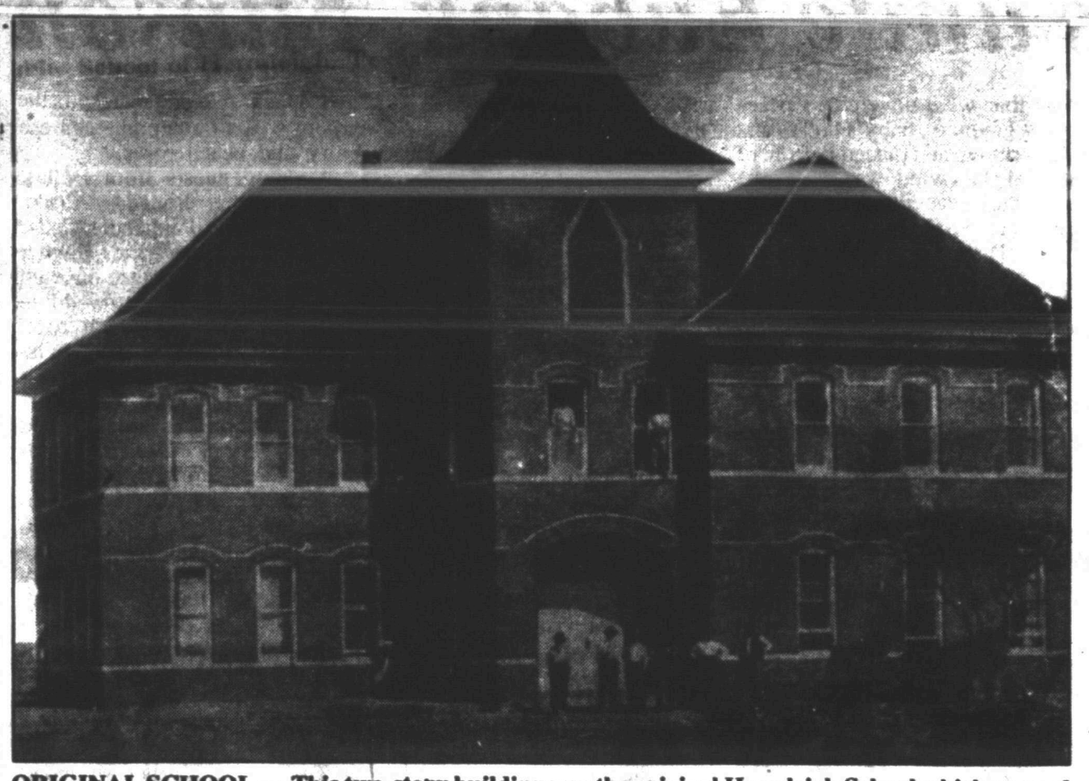

ORIGINAL SCHOOL — This two-story building was the original Hermleigh School which opened in 1909. It cost $8,000 and was approved in a bond election. (Contributed Photo)

Two 1930 era 'The Cardinal' give insight into bygone years

Reading "The Cardinal," dated May 9, 1931, is like taking a trip back in time.

Hermleigh was to graduate seven that year — Vira Barfoot, Arlie Reece, Naida Gleastine, Sam Chorn, Gladys Sturgeon, Verna Moore and Benn Stevenson.

Vira, honor student and valedictorian of her class, entered Hermleigh School in 1927. She was editor-in-chief of the school newspaper.

Arlie transferred from Pryon but "was readily accepted by the seniors."

Nadia was known for her "steadiness in work and loyalty to the things she believes." She was the class salutatorian.

Sam entered HHS in the fall of 1926, then left school for two years and returned in the fall of 1929 to complete his high school training. He was graduating at age 19 and planned to enter college.

Gladys, 14, was finishing high school in three years. She also participated in tennis and volleyball.

Verna transferred from Plainview after being out of school for two years.

Benn, a girl, was 16 and finished high school in three years. She was a member of the volleyball team that went to the district meet.

Rev. Philip C. McGahey of Snyder delivered the commencement.

The Cardinal also listed the students who attended school that year as well as recapping significant events.

Photos of teachers Louise Casey, "efficient teacher of Spanish in the local high school," and Miss Evelyn Campbell, who was in charge of the home economics department, were published.

E.E. Kerr was the superinten-

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Town founded in 1907

(Editor's Note: "From Buffalo To Oil," a history of Scurry County, was the source for the following article.)

Hermleigh School is celebrating its 90th year.

Iits first building was occupied in 1909. Since the original building, three different main buildings have comprised the school system.

Prior to the school building's completion, school was held in churches. The superintendent was A.C. Tate. Original board members were B.Y. Rea, I.N. Anderson, R.C. Herm, J.N. Ford, J.R. Coker and H.W. Harlin.

Board members in 1917 were J.A. Thomas, president; J.R. Coker, secretary; B.Y. Rea; S.W. Barfoot; J.T. Henry, treasurer; W.A. Clift; and J.L. Vineyard.

Examples of courses taught included four years of Latin, history, mathematics and English. Others were one year of agriculture, physiology and chemistry.

To graduate, students had to earn 16 credits. They also had to choose between Latin and science.

Students were required to have some knowledge of Latin. According to the 1917 catalog, all students were supposed to be adequately prepared to enter "the best colleges and universities."

Fire figures prominently in Hermleigh School's history. First, fire razed the original brick building which was replaced in the early 1930s. In later years, fire also destroyed the second building.

The present buildings were completed in the early 1950s. They have been remodeled some three times. The elementary build-

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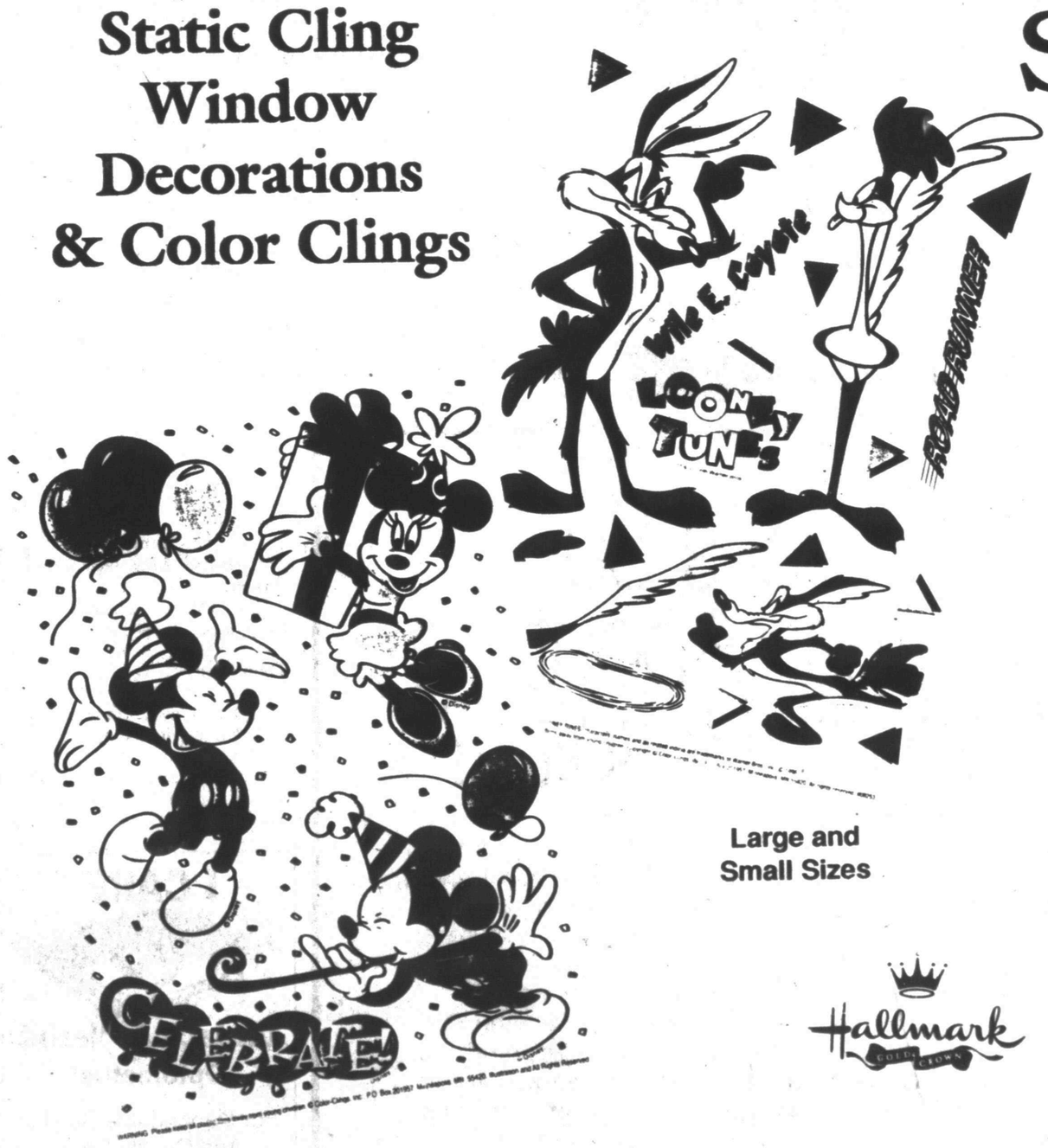

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Formal, double-ring ceremony...

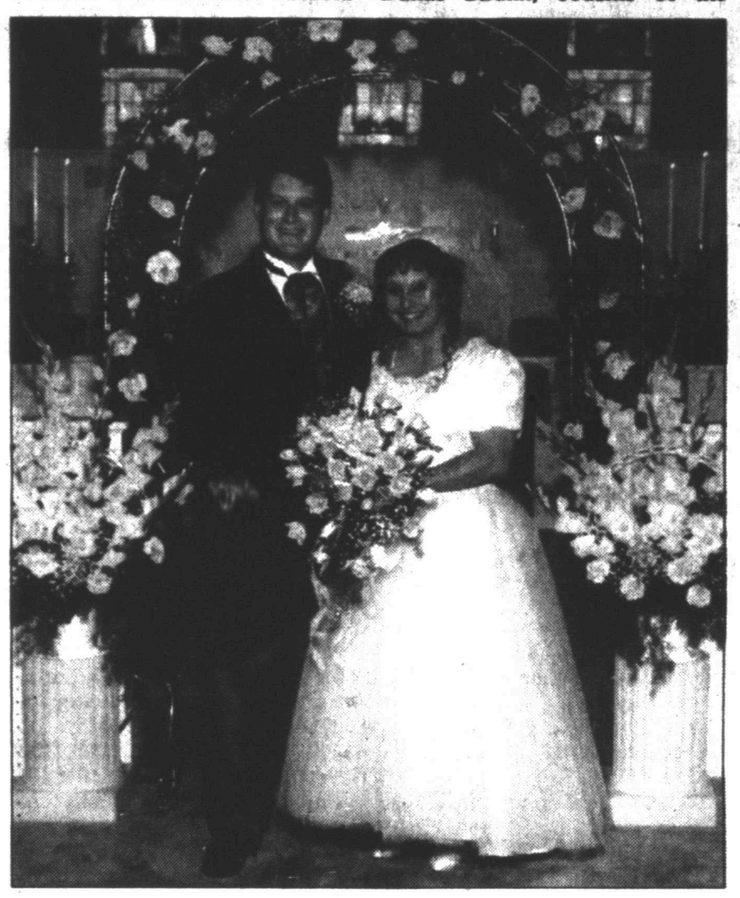
Nuptials unite Eubank, Stinson

Mary Lou Eubank and Tod A. Stinson were united in marriage on Aug. 16 in the First Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Ken Baker of Colorado City officiated the double-ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Dennis W. Eubank of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Michael C. Stinson of Fort Worth.

The afternoon ceremony was conducted before a brass arch centered between brass candelabras that were covered in peace roses, greenery, baby's breath and ivory ribbon and placed in front of stained glass windows. Also in the altar area was the unity candle placed atop an ivory lace covered table. The church's center aisle was decorated with ivory candles and pew bows of satin.

Organist Lynn Bethel played several selections including the "Wedding March." Julie and Dallas Strunk, cousins of the bride, sang "Right at Home" and "Because I Love You."



Mr. and Mrs. Tod A. Stinson
(Photo by Harley Bynum)

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an ivory lace and satin gown made by her mother. Venice lace outlined the low-cut neck of the satin and lace bodice which continued flowing into the floor-length skirt of layers of tulle over satin and highlights of glitter. The bride's mother also designed and made her shoulder-length ivory pouf veil of tulle, attached to a satin comb and accented with seed pearls.

The bride carried a bouquet of peach and ivory roses, accented with ivy and baby's breath. The bride's maternal grandparents' wedding bands were attached to the bouquet by love knots of ivory and peach satin ribbon, representing good luck and a long, successful marriage.

In keeping with tradition, the bride's dress served as something new, and a single strand of pearls with a diamond clip belonging to the bride's aunt, the late Oma Nell Kroger, was something old. The bride borrowed a pair of diamond earrings from her niece, Katheryn Eubank, and she carried two pennies in her shoes, representing the years of the couple's births. She wore a blue garter.

Dressed in floor-length peach cotton and lace dresses with ivory accessories, Katheryn Eubank served as matron of honor, and Teresa Herrera was bridesmaid. They carried a bouquet of peach roses, greenery and baby's breath, tied with peach and ivory ribbons and tulle.

For her daughter's wedding, the mother choose a two-piece ivory silk dress and matching accessories while the groom's mother wore a mauve crepe two-piece dress adorned with beads and matching accessories.

The groom chose a grey and black fulldress tuxedo. John Nobles of Snyder served as best man, and also as usher. His grey and black tuxedo matched the groom's. Their boutonnieres were ivory and peach roses.

Wedding guests from Dallas, Fort Worth, Ranger, Cisco, College Station, Panhandle, Cedar Creek, Oklahoma and Snyder registered at an ivory lace-covered table centered with the wedding book and a single peach rose. Shelley Smith of Snyder registered guests.

The reception held downstairs featured the bride's table covered with an ivory lace cloth and holding a three-tiered cake embellished with peach roses and greenery, made by Tori Lyons. Wedding punch was served from a crystal bowl. Peach and ivory gladiolus decorated the table. Serving the bride's table were Debra Vantine and Ann Dodson of Snyder.

The groom's table with a matching ivory lace cloth, held a German chocolate cake also made by Tori Lyons. It was surrounded by a collection of miniature cars and a basket of greenery. Serving were Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Husby of Cedar Creek.

Guests were also served selections of meats, cheeses, crackers and fruits, catered by Darren Hopper, owner of the Red Barn Bar-B-Que.

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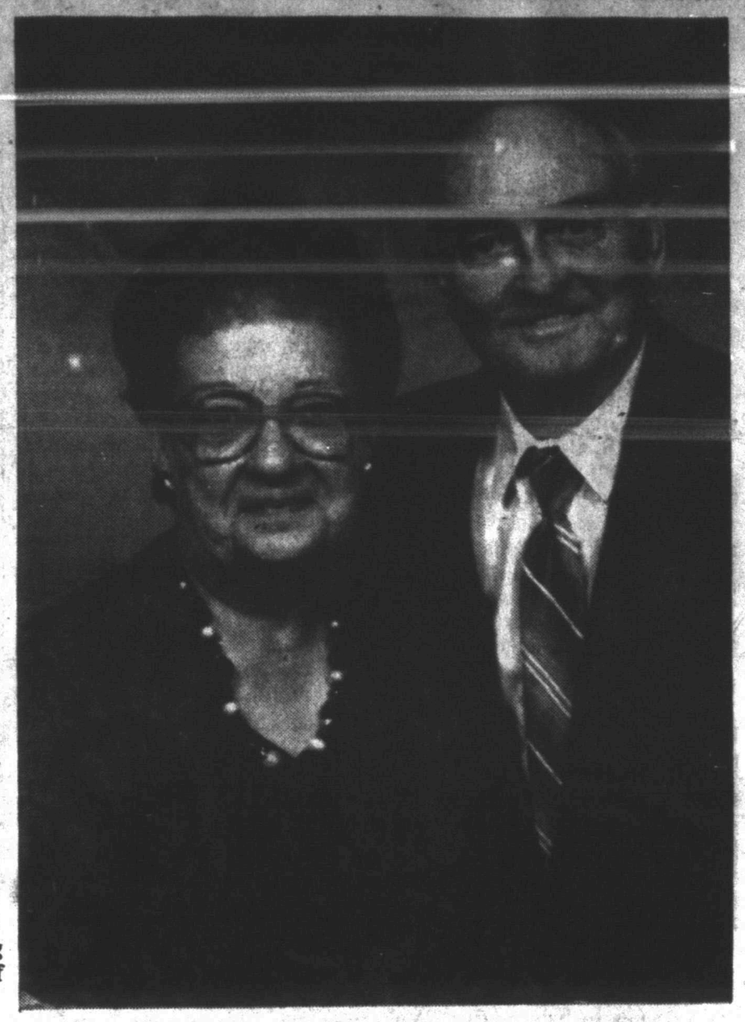

CELEBRATING 50th ANNIVERSARY — Obed and Betty Wooldridge of Snyder were honored Saturday at a luncheon at The Shack, hosted by their children, in celebration of the couple's golden wedding anniversary. The couple met in Odessa and married on Sept. 27, 1947 in Snyder. They are members of East Side Church of Christ. Their children include Tommy Wooldridge of Yukon, Okla., Ronnie Wooldridge and Rebecca Brown, both of Snyder. They have six grandchildren. (Contributed Photo)

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BOOK FEATURE

"What Do I Take?" by Janice Fudyma.

With drugstore shelves crowded with brand-name and generic products, each one claiming to be more effective than the rest, choosing an over the-counter remedy can be confusing. Even obscure ailments now have whole regiments of products dedicated to them. This book is the solution.

In it, ailments are listed alphabetically, with products listed within each entry for the treatment of the ailment. Pharmacists rated these products, and useful information is also included in each entry.

NEW NON-FICTION

"Women's Legal Guide," by Barbara R. Hauser.

"Breaking Out of Environmental Illness," by Robert Sampson, M.D.

"The Gift of Fear," by Gavin De Becker.

NEW FICTION

"Cold Case," by Linda Barnes.

"Warning Shot," by Clive Egleton.

NEW CHILDREN'S BOOKS

"Moonbear's Pet," by Frank Asch.

"Flatfoot Fox and the Case of the Missing Schoolhouse," by Eth Clifford.

"The Magic School Bus at the Waterworks," by Joanna Cole.

"Shrinking Mouse," by Pat Hutchins.

"Military Motorcycles," by Michael Green.

"Why is the Sky Blue?" by Sally Grindley.

"Monster Stew," by Janie S. Gill.

"The Big Bug Search," by Caroline Young.

LIBRARY HOURS

10 a.m. to 6 p.m.: Mon., Wed., Fri. & Sat.

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Notice: Please remember to return your library books. Books may be placed in the book drop in front of the library after hours. We do not take fines on overdue books.

Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

Jane Hinton directed four tables of Duplicate Bridge during the past week at Snyder Country Club.

Friday

1. Ena Carroll, Sue Mize.
2. Jane Hinton, Monte West.
3. Ann Davis, Louise Thompson.

Sunday

1. Rube McKinley, Barbara Jorgesen.
2. Dora Blakey, Nona Morrison.
3. Dot Casey, Louise Thompson.

Tuesday

1. Dot Casey, Jane Hinton.
2. Nona Morrison, Mary Beth Vestal.
3. (Tie)Linda West, Monte West; Ann Davis, Louise Thompson.

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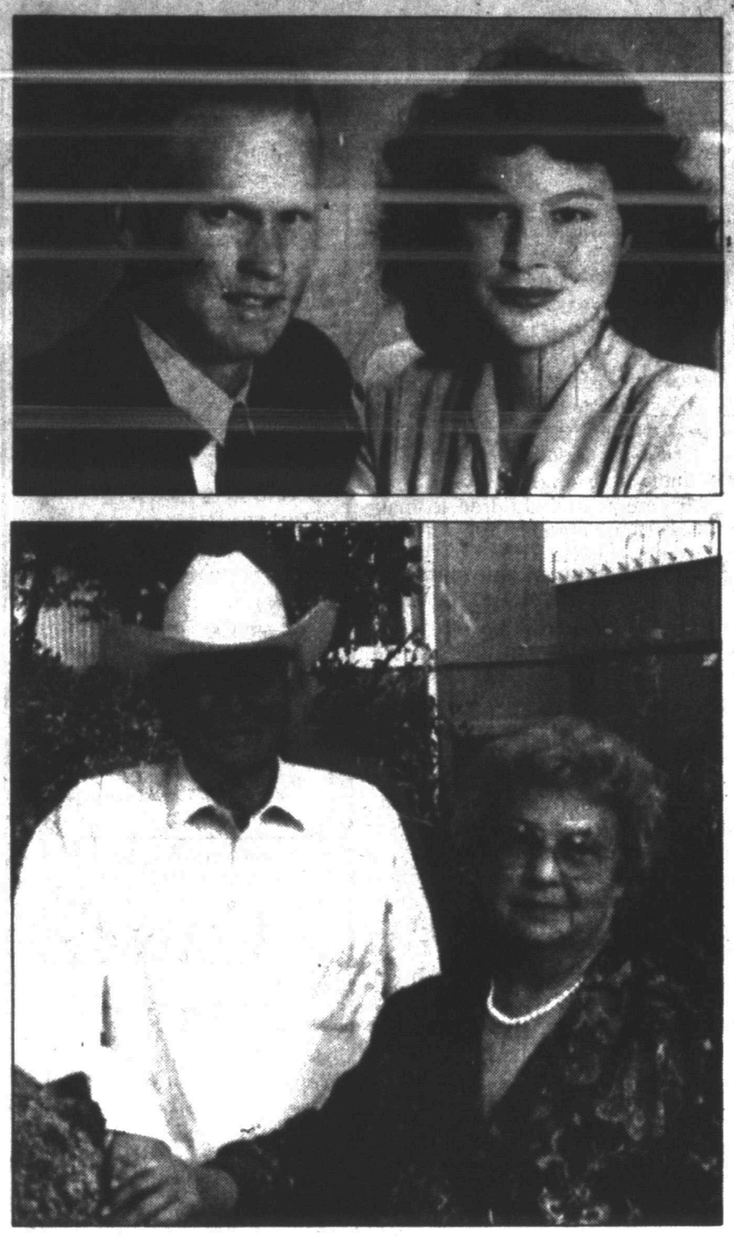

Mr. and Mrs. Othel Ellis

Othal, Essie Pearl Ellis observe 50th anniversary

Othal F. and Essie Pearl Ellis of Dunn celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 6, 1997 at Horseshoe Bay near Marble Falls.

The golden wedding anniversary celebration was hosted by their children, Connie and Bill Redford of North Richland Hills, Cheryl and Terry Haggerton and Ray and Jeanne Ellis, all of Colorado City.

Grandchildren are Jodie and Shawn Uptergrove of Brownwood, Jamie, Jeff and Julie Ellis, Bronc and Colter Fleming, all of Colorado City, and Shanna and Michael Porter of Snyder.

Also attending were Wayne and Sandra Ellis of Tyler.

Othal Ellis and Essie Pearl Greene were married on Sept. 6, 1947 in Snyder by the late Austin Varner.

Mr. Ellis has been a farmer, stock farmer and in the oil business in Scurry County. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis are members of the 37th Street Church of Christ.

Accident makes conductor be late

BOSTON (AP) — Conductor Seiji Ozawa's 25th season with the Boston Symphony Orchestra started with bad timing, shrill horns and a hurried exit — all before he made it to Symphony Hall.

Ozawa got to the opening-night stage a half-hour late Wednesday after getting stuck behind an accident on the Massachusetts Turnpike.

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Snyder School Menu Elementary

All meals are served with variety of milk. All breakfasts are served with assorted cereal, toast and fruit juice.

MONDAY
Donut

TUESDAY
Sausage Sticks

WEDNESDAY
Cinnamon Rolls

THURSDAY
Sausage & Biscuits

FRIDAY
Pancakes w/Syrup

LUNCH
MONDAY
Corn Dog
Sausage Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Tomato
French Fries

TUESDAY
Chicken Pot Pie
Sausage Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Tomato
Tater Tots
Fresh Apples

WEDNESDAY
Chicken Burger
Sausage Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Tomato
Baked Beans
Fruit Cocktail

THURSDAY
Steak Fingers
Sausage Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Tomato
Mashed Potatoes
Cream Gravy
Corn

FRIDAY
Spaghetti & Meat Sauce
Sausage Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Tomato
Green Beans
Cowboy Cookies

Hermleigh School Menu

All meals are served with milk.

BREAKFAST
MONDAY
Fruit
Waffles/Syrup

TUESDAY
Juice
Biscuits/Gravy

WEDNESDAY
Fruit
Toast & Jelly

THURSDAY
Juice
Glazed Donuts

FRIDAY
Fruit
Buttered Rice
Toast

LUNCH
MONDAY
Steak Fingers/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Buttered Corn
Hot Biscuits
Blond Brownies

TUESDAY
Vegetable Soup
Toasted Cheese Sandwiches
Crackers
Baked Apples

WEDNESDAY
Barbecued German Sausage
Macaroni & Cheese
Ranch Style Beans
Hot Rolls
Chocolate Pudding

THURSDAY
Oven Baked Chicken
Potato Salad
Cole Slaw
Hot Rolls
Fruit Jello

FRIDAY
Frank & Cheese Wraps
French Fries
Pickle Spears
Chocolate Chip Cookies

Snyder School Menu High School & Junior High

All meals are served with a variety of milk. Breakfasts are served with assorted cereal, toast and juice.

MONDAY
Donut

TUESDAY
Sausage Sticks

WEDNESDAY
Cinnamon Rolls

THURSDAY
Sausage & Biscuits

FRIDAY
Pancakes w/Syrup

LUNCH
Hamburger on a Bun
Corn Dog
Lettuce & Tomato
French Fries
Oranges

TUESDAY
Chicken Pot Pie
Ham & Cheese Sandwich
Tossed Salad
Apples

WEDNESDAY
Chicken Burger
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Tomato
Tater Tots
Baked Beans

THURSDAY
Steak Fingers
Sliced Turkey
Mashed Potatoes
Cream Gravy
Corn
Homemade Roll

FRIDAY
Taco Salad
Enchilada Casserole
Lettuce & Tomato
Pinto Beans
Cowboy Cookies

Ira School Menu

MONDAY
Tacos
Vegetable Salad
Corn
Applesauce

TUESDAY
Barbecue
French Fries
Ranch Style Beans
Bread
Birthday Cake

WEDNESDAY
Fried Chicken
Green Beans
Creamed Potatoes w/Gravy
Rolls
Rice Krispies

THURSDAY
Glazed Turkey Ham
Parsley Potatoes
Peas & Carrots
Biscuits
Plain Cookies

FRIDAY
Burrito w/Chili & Cheese
Mexicali Corn
Vegetable Salad
Crackers
Brownies

Kennedy, Orrin Hatch make up

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Sen. Ted Kennedy tried to make up with Sen. Orrin Hatch — and got a love song.

Hatch wrote the song, "Souls Along the Way," for Kennedy and his wife,

Noah Project West thanks the following for making last weekend's event truly a

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And the many volunteers who made Ms. Brown's visit successful.

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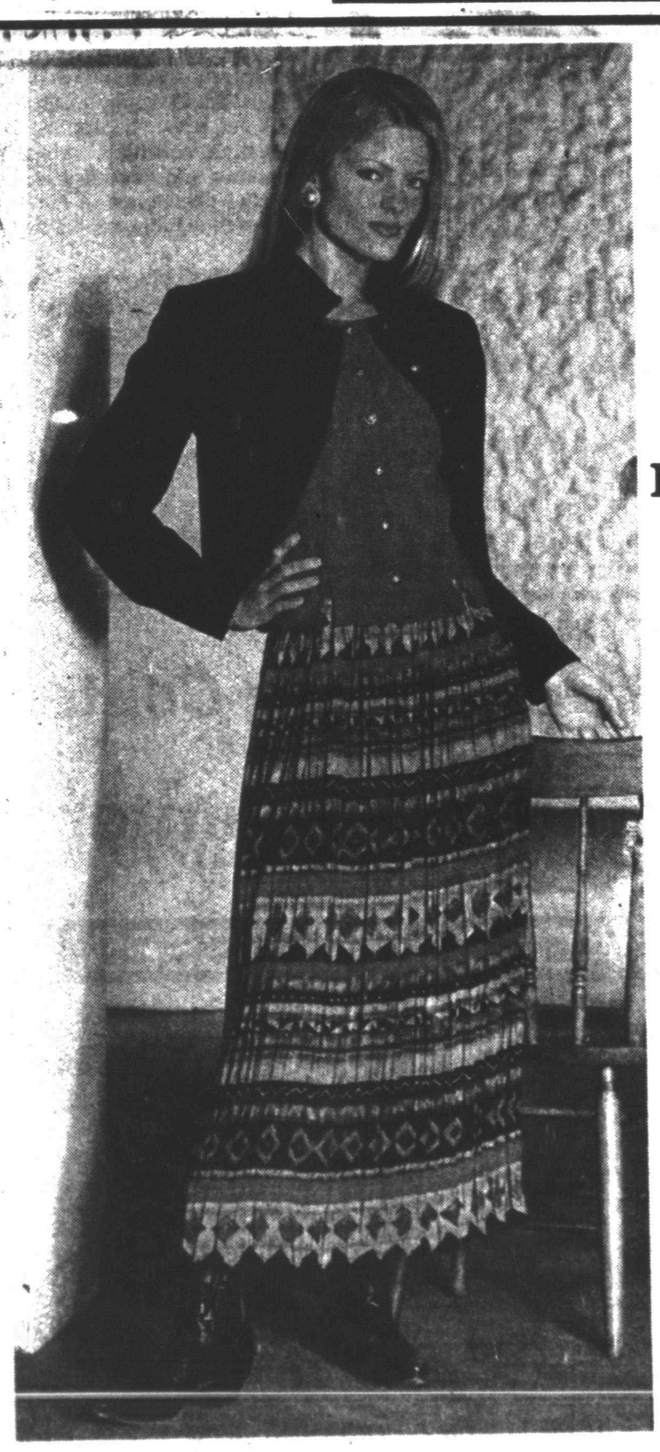

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New Vehicle Registrations

Boley Cotten, 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Lem Scarborough Jr., 1997 Buick from Big Country Autoland.

West Texas State Bank, 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Jeff Jenkins, 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Mary Jeanette Owen, 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Gary Smith, dba Permian Basin Tool Leasing Inc., 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Dale Bohanon, 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Koch Hydrocarbon Co., 1997 Ford pickup from Rusty Eck Ford Inc.

Associates Leasing Inc., three 1997 Ford pickups from Jordan Ford.

David G. and Esmerilda Rascon, 1997 Plymouth from Snyder Chrysler.

Ford Motor Credit Co., 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Barry D. Davis, 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Clint Flandemeyer, 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

E.D. Walton Construction Co., 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Jo Ann and Tony Cagle, 1998 Pontiac from Big Country Autoland.

Grover L. and Maurine Wall, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Patterson Drilling Co., 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

James M. Cunningham, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Mike Brenner Inc., 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Lynx Energy Co. Inc., 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Tom Silverthorn, 1998 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Autoland.

Sierra Well Services, three 1998 Chevrolet pickups from Big Country Autoland.

V R Systems Inc., 1997 GMC Suburban from Big Country Autoland.

Albert and Tonya Zamora, 1997 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

D. Keith Herrley, 1997 GMC Surburban from Big Country Autoland.

Norma Robinson, 1997 Geo from Big Country Autoland.

Jason and Debbie Summers, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Connie C. Otto, 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Mary Langford, 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

William R. and Joyce Hibbs, 1998 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Autoland.

Byron Ford, 1997 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Autoland.

Marriage License

William Anthony Patten of Fluvanna and Christine Deanne Ervin of Snyder.

Filed in District Court

Kyle Shankles vs. TCI Cable TV Inc., suit for damages for unlawful termination.

Snyder National Bank vs. Charles Day, suit on note.

Action in District Court

Wilma Wilcox, individually and as surviving spouse of Troy Eugene Wilcox vs. J.C. Wells, dba J.C. Wells Drilling, order of dismissal with prejudice.

Don and Carla Bradshaw, as next friend of Jessica Bradshaw, vs. Lorraine and Leslie Cooley and Southern Farm Bureau Insurance Companies, agreed judgment.

Scurry County vs. Roy Maldondo, et al, judgment for plaintiff.

Scurry County vs. Bobby Hernandez, et al, judgment for plaintiff.

Scurry County vs. Estelle Rendon, et al, judgment for plaintiff.

Scurry County vs. Jody Gilbert, et al, judgment for plaintiff.

Scurry County vs. Anna Olga Ubando, et al, judgment for plaintiff.

Scurry County vs. Edgar L. Williams, et al, judgment for plaintiff.

Scurry County vs. Lorinzo Garcia, et al, judgment for plaintiff.

Scurry County vs. Virginia Escareno, et al, judgment for plaintiff.

Scurry County vs. M.E. Westbo, individually and dba Ember Productions Company, et al, judgment for plaintiff.

Scurry County vs. John Paul Sutherland, et al, judgment for plaintiff.

Scurry County vs. Valeriano Ozuna, et al, judgment for plaintiff.

Deed Records

Eddie J. and Kathy L. Kirby to Michael Shane and Melanie Jane Alarcon, all of Lot 2 in Block A of the Highland Park Addition.

Beetha Idell Moore to Hollis Marion Carleton, Lot 14 in Block 4 of the Noble Heights Addition.

Max E. Vincent to Michael and Christina Nobles, the east 30 feet of Lot 6 in Block 12 of the Andress Height Subdivision of the southwest one-quarter of Section 157, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Connie Estelle Williamson, independent executrix of the estate of Morris Wayne Williamson, to Connie Estelle Williamson, the north one-half of Section 245, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Moises and Elvira Rodriguez to James Lane, 80.12 acres in the east one-half of the northeast one-quarter of Section 137, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Larry B. Hooper to Wanda R. Bennett, the south one-half of Lot 4 in Block 20 of the Adams Addition.

Some want to cancel Sunday soccer games

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP) — The pew or the practice field?

It's a choice some clergy say no soccer mom, dad or kid should have to make — and the reason for a plea asking coaches and youth organizers not to schedule games on Sunday mornings.

"It used to be that people had respect for Sunday morning," said John Sumwalt, pastor of Wauwatosa Avenue United Methodist Church, one of 22 area clergy who have signed a letter asking for Sunday-free soccer.

The Rev. Gary Erickson, pastor at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, said youth soccer "kind of dominates everything and gives us a back seat. I think it's about time to get back to what's healthy and what's good."

But the complaint from the clergy ignores other religions — and doesn't reflect most parents' views, said Mark Botterill, executive director of the Milwaukee Kickers Soccer Club, where 11,000 youngsters ages 5 to 19 play each weekend.

He said he has switched games from Saturday to Sunday to accommodate Jewish parents. But there are few complaints from parents at all, he said.

"We don't hold anybody hostage that they have to be at the event," he said.

Though baseball, hockey and basketball programs play host to tournaments all weekend long, soccer was singled out in the Milwaukee area after the Wauwatosa Fest soccer tournament started scheduling games on Sunday mornings this year, leaving parents and children to make the difficult choice, Sumwalt said.

The problem became more serious when a parochial league began playing Sunday mornings on fields near the archbishop's office, said Scott Weyda, an associate superintendent for the Milwaukee Catholic Archdiocese.

The archdiocese plans to ban play of church-sponsored leagues on Sunday mornings, Weyda said.

Botterill said he thinks soccer and church aren't necessarily in conflict. Both bring families together, making soccer a "melting pot for families to get together," he said.

Botterill's suggestion? Invite clergy to the games and have sermons on the greens.

Martha Stewart buys property

SEAL HARBOR, Maine (AP) — Lifestyle doyenne Martha Stewart has bought a manse and expanse of property by the ocean.

The sale, rumored for weeks, was confirmed this week when the deed was recorded with the county.

Bridal Registry

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Mansion on sale

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Linda Ronstadt has put her lavender San Francisco mansion on the market.

For $5.85 million, the buyer will get seven bedrooms, an au pair suite, an office, stained glass windows and dumbwaiter — but not the chandelier in the master bedroom, which she's taking with her.

Ronstadt, who bought the house in 1987, has returned to Tucson, Ariz., where she was born and raised. The singer is now a single mom raising her two adopted children and apparently wanted to be closer to family.

"She's just going back home," her manager, Ira Koslow, said Wednesday. "It's just sometimes you feel like you want to raise your kids where you were raised."

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Memories

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School together and graduated.

She said they rode to school in an old car and sang all the way there.

When she was in the elementary grades, she said an end-of-year picnic always closed out the school year. Sites such as Green Springs changed from year to year.

Oleta's two children, Twilla Williams of Lubbock and Joe Jackson of Snyder, both graduated from Hermleigh.

BERTHA HOLDRIDGE

When Bertha Holdridge started to Hermleigh School at the age of 7 in 1927, the building was two stories tall. It burned during the mid 1940s.

The elementary grades occupied the first floor while the high school classes were conducted downstairs. She graduated in the 11th grade, which was all that was available then.

Basically, one grade occupied one room, but one year the fifth grade class was so large that it occupied part of the fourth grade and sixth grade rooms.

Bertha said the building that burned did not have adequate space to accommodate all of the students.

She doesn't recall much about textbooks in the elementary grades but did recall using paper tablets for handwriting and big lead pencils. She played elementary baseball, high school tennis, baskeball and track, but admits "volleyball was not my best sport."

Bertha also belonged to the Pep Squad. Red skirts and white blouses, the school's colors, were the uniforms.

"We like to think we cheered the boys on," she said, "because the football team only lost one game to Loraine that year."

After graduating, Bertha remained in Hermleigh for two years and then moved to California where she was employed by Montgomery Ward.

She moved back to Hermleigh, then moved to the Panhandle before returning to Snyder. She also worked as a teacher's aide at Hermleigh School. She had three children who graduated from Hermleigh.

JOYCE W. LIONBERGER

"I have many wonderful and vivid memories of my years at Hermleigh," said Joyce Warren Lionberger, who teaches third grade there.

"I started here in 1960 and graduated in 1971. I feel my education was as good as any school could offer, large or small."

However, her most vivid memory is not a pleasant one because it concerned the possible consolidation of Hermleigh with Snyder ISD. Resolution of the issue was brought about by the determination and dedication of many people living in Hermleigh and the surrounding area.

"In the winter of 1969, the word 'consolidation' began to emerge in conversations on campus and throughout the community," Joyce said.

Debates were heated and tempers flared. "The idea of consolidation was incomprehensible to myself as well as to most of the community," Joyce said.

One night, the auditorium and cafeteria was filled to capacity as parties from both sides debated the issue.

Today, Joyce wonders if the "sheer number of people from the community overwhelmed the pro-consolidation forces. Even though the issue came up again a few years ago, Joyce said since "We are celebrating our 90th year as a school, I believe that speaks for itself."

She added, "I am very proud to have graduated from Hermleigh and now am honored to be on the teaching staff. I feel small schools offer so many things that larger ones cannot have because of the sheer numbers involved. We may not have a band, choir, volleyball, etc., but we have a dedicated staff that knows every student by name. We take an interest in each child's academic and personal well-being."

SHERENE DIGBY

Sherene Digby, who serves on the Hermleigh school board, shares Joyce's sentiments about the extra care that students receive from teachers and coaches.

She and her family have lived across the street from the school since 1983. Though she did not graduate from Hermleigh, son Jimmy did in 1996. She currently has three children at the high school: Billy Joe, a senior; sophomore, April; and David, a freshman.

She also has numerous nieces and nephews in the elementary grades.

Since 1983, she said she has noticed a great deal of progress, particularly where sports are concerned.

A few years ago, Hermleigh had only one boys coach who had to think of creative ways to help his eight players build up their leg muscles.

In the absence of weights, the coach let the boys push his pickup on a dirt road. When a kindly woman stopped one day to ask if the vehicle wouldn't start, Sherene said the boys switched to using the track.

With only one boys' coach, she said the coach let the junior high and high school players work out together.

Now the school has a weight room where individuals can work out as needed. At one time, the weight room was located in the top floor of the gym. As the number of players grew, the added stress on the floor caused the equipment to be moved to the ag shop before the present weight room was built.

Today, Hermleigh has three coaches. Both the elementary and high school buildings have been renovated and stands and facilities have been redone as well.

Sherene noted that in years past, portable potties were located around the field.

They also have a new concession stand.

Other improvements include boosting the number of computers available for students to use.

Sherene said Hermleigh students have always had a lot of pride, but in recent years that pride has grown.

CONNIE WARREN REED

Connie Warren Reed's best time at Hermleigh High was when all of the community and the school came together for a pep rally prior to the game with arch-rival Ira.

All of the cars had window writing supporting the Cardinals. This support continued as the cars followed the buses all the way to Ira.

As the Cardinal fans and supporters entered Ira Bulldog territory, Connie said all of the drivers honked their horns and students rallied. The most fun was winning the game that night.

"My pride in Hermleigh continues and I know that tradition continues through the support and spirit of the community and the students of Hermleigh," Connie said.

She now lives in Sweetwater where she cheers her two children who march or twirl in the band and play freshman football.

CAROLE HAYNES

Carole Haynes graduated from Hermleigh and twice taught at the school. She also served on the school board, the first woman to do so.

Carole served two terms on the school board plus a one-year, unexpired term.

Carole's brothers and sisters also attended and the 1997 school annual was dedicated to their parents, G.E. and Virginia Chorn. Carole's paternal grandmother was noted for being a room mother for 34 consecutive years.

Carole recalled that in 1945, the girl's basketball team was runner-up state champions. Her dad, the coach and the superintendent carried the girls to the game by car.

In 1961, Carole's junior year, the football team (then 11 man) went undefeated in Class B competition. There was no state contest for Class B teams at that time.

She noted that she was one of the first students to eat in the cafeteria when it was built.

"I always enjoyed the smallness of the school," Carole said. "I liked the attention I received. When I went to college I was not afraid to participate in events."

Carole's son, Tim Kotrla, is a 1987 Hermleigh graduate. He is now a CPA for Southwestern Bell Telephone.

Though her husband, Billy, did not graduate from Hermleigh, he taught there at one time and served as the elementary school principal.

BRICE AND JOYCE FUQUA

Brice and Joyce Fuqua, long-time Hermleigh teachers who retired in 1990, also shared a few memories.

One concerned Hermleigh's traditional bonfire before homecoming which had always been built of wood and branches.

Located behind the home-ec classroom in the high school building, it had just started burning real well when a norther blew in and carried the flames toward the high school. The fire department was called and everything was hosed down so no damage was reported.

However, for the next homecoming and succeeding ones they started building bonfires with cardboard and moved the location to behind the gym.

The Fuquas complimented the school for being small enough so that the teachers could know all of the parents. In the Fuquas' case, they had taught many of their students' parents, too.

They said teachers have always been very good to accept new faculty members as soon as they arrived.

The Fuquas came to Hermleigh in 1967 and taught there 23 years before retiring. They replaced two teachers who had retired — Mildred Simmons and Effie Farmer.

Joyce taught third, fourth, second and first and Brice taught fifth, fourth and third.

Their daughter, Lori Williamson, also teaches at Hermleigh.

SECOND SCHOOL — This Hermleigh School replaced the original structure which the students soon outgrew. This building burned in the 1940s. (Contributed Photo)

Cardinal issues are interesting to read

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dent and T.B. Hicks was the principal.

Advertisers included Hermleigh Grain Company, Hermleigh Pharmacy, Werner's Taylor Shop, Piggly Wiggly, J.C. Penney Co., Snyder, The Farmers Produce, Ben Wilson now at Manhattan Garage and The Scurry County Times, predecessor of the Snyder Daily News.

The senior class presented the play, "The Clay's The Thing." According to The Cardinal, "This play is a new one and the seniors hope to present it so everyone will enjoy himself."

Another Cardinal Call, March 31, 1938 trumpted the news that "Hermleigh Wins County League Meet" with large type.

"For the second consecutive year the Hermleigh school swept away all the major honors of the Scurry County Interscholastic League meet, winning the all-round class B cup, the elementary cup and the literary cup."

It was also announced that medal awards would be given to the pupils ranking highest in athletics, vocation, dramatics, citizenship, debate, scholarship, music, activities and English, just like the previous school year.

Hermleigh girls finished second in the girls' debate final. Santa Fe announced that it would change the mail train to help Hermleigh patrons.

The school newspaper also printed the secret ambitions of teachers including:

—Mr. Morgan, who wants to be the high school principal.

—Mr. Bishop wants to be a successful insurance agent.

—Mrs. Bishop wants to be the daring woman on the flying trapeze.

—Mrs. Hanback, when asked what her ambition was, said with a sigh, "I had always wanted to marry a handsome Romeo, but found out that I had to take what I could get."

—Mrs. Clift, just to be different, wants to teach her husband how to go like a pig.

—Mrs. Morgan wants to have all of the high school girls play baseball at noon, even the appendicitis group.

—Miss Bradbury wants to go to the movies and marry Robert Taylor.

The issue printed this "Receipt for Juniors — mix junior girls with as many boys and soak well in knowledge until well absorbed. Add a few seniors for extras and squeeze into a school house. Shake well and bake until seniors."

How about this advice for women:

—Keep away from track men — they're unusally fast.

—Never make dates with biology students — they enjoy cutting up too much.

—The football hero is all right — he'll tackle anything.

—You can trust a tank man — he'll drive in and do his best.

—The tennis man is harmless — he enjoys a racket.

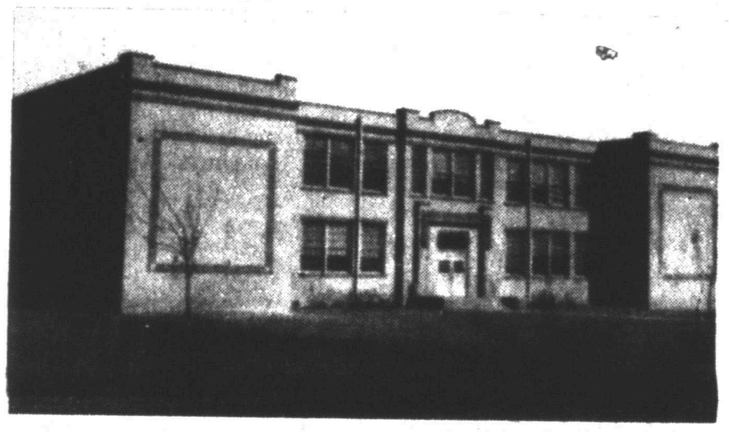
—Watch out for the baseball man — he hits and runs.

—Be careful of the dramatic member — he usually has several lines.

—Don't play cards with a civil engineer — he's a bridge specialist.

—Always let the band members talk about themselves — they enjoy blowing their own horn.

In 1938, the student newspaper reported that "plans for the new gymnasium have been drawn up and made ready to be sent to the WPA headquarters. The students have great hopes for the gymnasium and can hardly wait."



DIFFERENT VIEW — This is a side view of Hermleigh School's second building. The fence had not yet been erected and the tree was not full grown. (Contributed Photo)

Hermleigh Herald, 1926, provides look at past era

In 1926, the first issue of "The Hermleigh Herald" shows a front page with no photos, a series of one column stories and two ads, one for The First State Bank of Hermleigh and the other for Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. of Hermleigh.

News pertaining to the town was placed in the top half of the page while national news occupied the bottom half. A sampling of stories included "Hermleigh Man's Death Mystery," about E.J. Vaughn, one of Hermleigh's citizens who died in an unusual and somewhat mysterious manner.

"He left his home after the noon meal to go work on a fence near the house. About 3:30 he returned to the house in a semi-conscious condition with hat gone and clothes dripping with mud and water. He was able to say that he had dropped his hammer in a mud hole near where he had been at work. The pond was dragged and they found his hat and hammer in the mud. Within three hours he died.

"It is presumed that he fell into the pool and probably had a hard time getting out. No foul play is considered. He was buried at Hermleigh and is survived by a widow and five children.

"Mr. Vaughn, at the time of his death, was a candidate for public weigher for this precinct."

Another story reported on the era of prosperity to begin the next Saturday when "ten individuals of royal fame were to take up residence in the county.

"In ten different localities these ten individuals will take up residence with ten progressive farmers interested in their success and in the welfare of their respective communities and the county.

"These ten individuals are being brought here at great cost to live in our county ten years for the sole purpose of assisting Scurry County farmers to make more money in their business and to help them, to raise better dairy cows, so they will have more, better and richer milk for their growing children, so they will have plenty to feed pigs for the home meat supply, so they can even have excess milk to feed chickens to make more and better layers."

The newspaper said it was "...the beginning of a great cultural area."

Oh what a difference a few decades makes. In 1926, material sold from 50 cents to $1 per yard, patent slippers from $3-$5 a pair. Silk hose, all of the way to the top, sold for $1.95 and rayon dresses were advertised from $6.95 to $9.98.

At Altman and Bennett, Hermleigh's then new progressive store, special Dollar Day prices included six yards of cretonne, three yards of 9-4 brown sheeting and eight yards of bleach domestic, "a fine smooth quality."

History of Hermleigh School, town retold

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ing's renovation was completed this past summer while the high school was renovated duing the summer 0f 1996.

During the 1950s, some 400 students were enrolled.

Athletics have always been popular at Hermleigh School with players winning many county, district and regional titles.

Don Taylor of Hermleigh holds the state record for the 220 low hurdles. He accomplished this by winning the state championship in 1965. He also won state in the 120 high hurdles that year.

Hermleigh moved from eleven- to six-man football in 1971, due to declining enrollment.

In 1907, Hermleigh was surveyed when it was known that the Roscoe, Snyder and Pacific Railway was to be built in Snyder. The town had its beginnings two miles northeast, in the community called Wheat that had a post office, two general stores and a cotton gin. Everything was moved to the new location to have access to the railroad.

The townsite was developed on land that belonged to R.C. Herm and Harry W. Harlin. One half section belonged to each. They donated lots to the churches. When a post office was applied for, the citizens called the town, "Hermlin," in honor of the two men.

The postal authorities would not accept the name because it was so similar to the name of the nearby town Hamlin. The town was then named Hermleigh — "leigh" meaning land. There were German settlers in the area.

Located in rich farming land with plenty of good water, the town prospered after the completion of the RS&P Railway in 1907.

A few years later — 1911 — the Santa Fe Railroad built through the town. The two railroads ran parallel. There were two stations, one at each end of the main street.

It is told that the exciting thing for the "courting" couples to do on Sunday afternoon was to watch the trains come through — first one, then racing down the street to the other.

Hermleigh became the trade center for livestock farmers. The town had two banks, a furniture and hardware store, two drygood stores, drug stores and barber shops, several grocery stores and two meat markets, a ladies' ready-to-wear shop, a confectionary, a lumber yard, three cotton gins, two blacksmith shops, several garages and a telephone exchange. During the depression years of the early 1930s, the growth of the town declined.

In 1918, there was a patriotic move (with probably some resentment toward the German settlers in the area) to change the name of the town.

The petition was granted and the name was changed to "Foch" in honor of the French general of World War I. When the soldiers returned from service, they were not satisfied with the change in names. A petition was circulated to change the name back. The post office records show that on Jan. 1, 1921, the town was named Hermleigh again.

Gates wants second opinion

SEATTLE (AP) — The county says Bill Gates' new lakefront home is worth more than $53 million. The richest man in America wants a second opinion.

The Microsoft Corp. co-founder, who spent the last seven years building his 40,000-square-foot mansion in the moneyed Seattle suburb of Medina, is questioning his 1998 tax appraisal.

Gates, his wife, Melinda and their 1-year-old daughter, Jennifer Katherine, moved into the home two weeks ago.

Like Gates, whose fortune is estimated at more than $38 billion, the house is unique and high-tech: Much of it is underground, set on five acres that includes a man-made trout stream. The house features a 60-foot pool, a theater and a reception hall for 100 people.

Brent Wilde, King County's chief appraiser, said the bill is based on construction costs, which got stretched out because of design changes.

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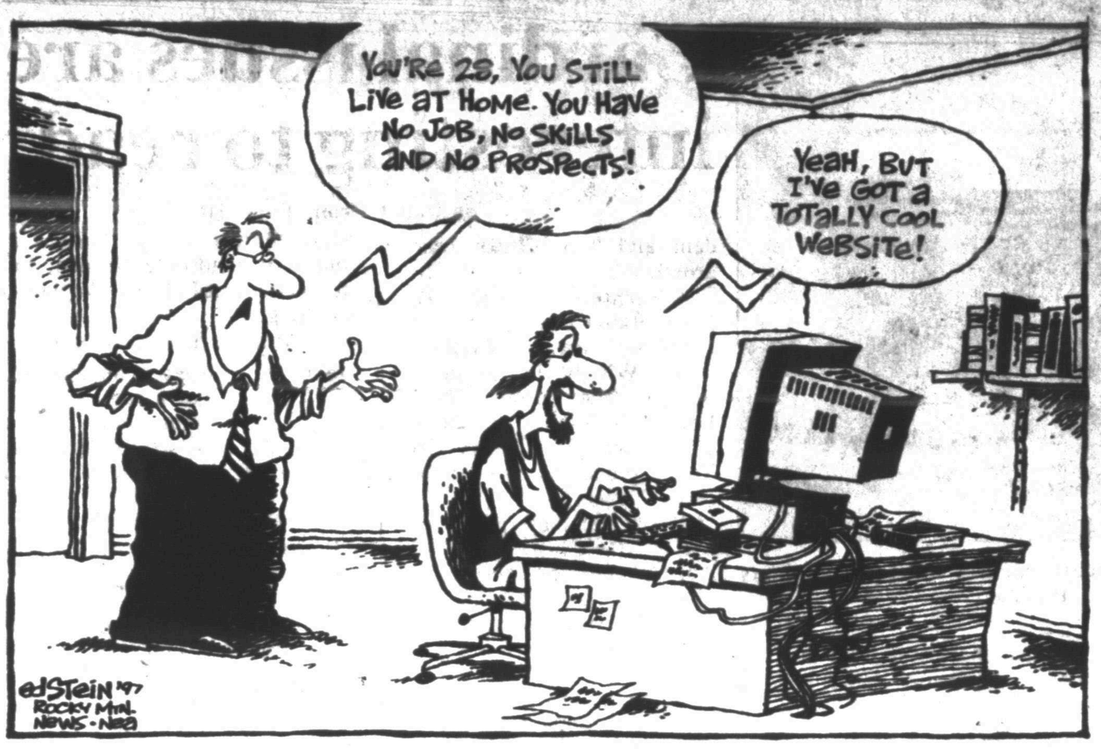


Aventures from a plebian life

Memory challenged

BLACKIE SHERROD

DALLAS — If you will pardon personal reference, my grandfather carried a pocketknife all the way from Tennessee. This, of course, did not make him unique. In his day, a male person would sooner appear in public in his BVDs than without his pocketknife.

My father inherited this knife and toted it maybe a half-century. I assumed carriership for another 20 years.

It was a noble little thing: The bone handle was worn slick, the insignia on its shield was indecipherable, its main blade curved inward by decades of whetstones. There was a faint inscription of what appeared to be "Schrade Walder NY" on the blade hilt.

You could whittle a wagon tongue out of a bois d'arc tree or pick a sticker out of your finger with this knife, or shave with it or, if the situation arose, perform an emergency appendectomy or take a scalp. They don't make steel like that anymore.

Well, sir, about a year ago, the knife turned up missing. It had happened before, and, like Mary's little lamb, it always came home, in a forgotten pocket or maybe at the laundry counter when a thoughtful attendant shook down some corduroys. This time, it stayed lost. Closets were ransacked, drawers emptied, car seats probed, sofas invaded. Nada.

A year passed. We changed houses. Old coats and jackets and shirts and denims and corduroys were searched before discarded. Mementos were reviewed and banished to the attic. A new home office was set up, and a new collection of junk began.

Then one night recently, I had occasion to leave the workbench and visit the water closet. On my return, I saw a small object on the parquet floor. It had not been there before. You guessed it.

There probably could be a simple explanation. Perhaps the knife had dived into the bowels of the office lounger, where it escaped probing hands and lived for months untended. Then, just at this particular moment, it escaped its oblivion and dropped to the strange floor, seeking its master. I do not believe this.

Instead of logic, I choose to classify the knife as another weird happening to ol' buster here. There are too many unexplained events to be coincidental.

Example: Years past, the family car was a Nash, and during frequent visits to Bosque County, on the same country bridge over the same country river, the motor would quit. It would always start again, and the trip would continue, but the next week or next month, whenever the Nash reached the middle of this particular bridge, click, nothing. Does this happen to the average American citizen? I think not.

There was one night I returned home after an evening of social research at several stops. I emptied pockets on the dresser, as is every man's privilege, and discovered my credit card was missing. I must have left it at one of the stops, but follow-up calls failed to locate same. American Express was notified, and all that red tape completed.

Three months later, after the weather turned cool, a tweed coat was fetched from the rear of the closet, unworn for at least eight months. In the breast pocket, the card.

Another weirdo: On a football trip to New York, I bought three sets of underwear at a midtown store. One set I wore, others I stuffed, still sacked, in my trusty suitcase. At the luggage carousel at Love Field, the radio announcer Vern Lundquist hoisted his bag off the track, and a sack fell from its outside packet. MY underwear. Go figure.

Once the esteemed Brad Sham had a sports talk show on KRLD, and at the exact same time, the esteemed Randy Galloway had a similiar program on WBAP, 300 kilocycles away. Twice, on the tollway after work, the unexplainable happened. Mr. Sham's voice came into my car via the radio's front speaker, and Mr. Galloway's lucid tones, at the same time, came on the rear-seat speaker. Twice it happened. If I'm lying, I'm dying.

The re-appearance of the heirloom knife is just another weird adventure in this otherwise plebian life, leading me to the uneasy conclusion I may be some sort of witch.

Blackie Sherrod is a columnist for The Dallas Morning News.

Bill McClellan

How come I can recall my driver's license and Social Security numbers with a snap of my fingers but I can't remember my home phone number without looking it up?

I think it has to do with age.

I can remember lots of things before I turned 40. Since then, it's foggy. If I live to be 70 I may not remember who someone is after five minutes, but I'll still be able to rattle off that Social Security number. Just my luck. We may not have Social Security then.

Another number I have problems recalling is the car tags. I have no idea what my wife's license plate number is.

It took me forever to memorize the tags on my old pickup.

There's a simple solution to this that was suggested — predicted, even — years and years ago: just give everyone a number for life. You'd have the same number for Social Security, your bank account, license tag, post office box, telephone...

It wouldn't be hard to learn because it would be the only one you'd need.

I bring all this up because I bought a pickup a while back and I need to memorize my tags. It's an important number because you need it for registration purposes at motels, state parks, Corps of Engineers parks and other places. Unless you've got the number memorized or written down, you have to go back outside and try to eyeball it from across the lot.

My license number (just a sec...OK, I found it) is WPG 941.

There are a number of ways to memorize things. One of the best, they say, is by association. You just associate the letters and numbers with something else, making a statement or sentence that you can easily recall.

I've worked up a few for WPG 941 and classified them by category.

The movies:
Wrated **PG**, **Nine** (Tickets), **41** (Dollars)
The mall:
What Prices! Get Nine For One!
Family way:
Wife PreGnant, 9 (times), **41** (years)
The links:
We Play Golf: 9 (holes) be**Fore 1** (o'clock)
Religious:
We Place God Nigh be**Fore** any**One.**
Campaign financing:
We Pay Government? Nien! Foreign.

I decided on the golfing one. I don't play golf, but that may make it easier to remember.

Beaming with pride, I told my wife I had come up with a phrase I could use to always remember by license plate number.

"We play golf 9 holes before 1 o'clock," I said. "Disregard the holes and the o'clock."

"Hmm," she said. "What does the 'golf' stand for?"

"The G," of course."

"There's no G on your license plate."

"Yes there is, I wrote it down."

"That's a 6, not a G. Put your glasses on."

She was right of course, but I'm bound and determined to get this figured out.

We'll Play Sick! and get in 9 holes beFore 1 o'clock.

Unsung heros, doing their jobs

Deanie Francis Mills

Well, I just returned from the superb Advanced Homicide Course which was sponsored by the Midland Police Department in conjunction with the Permian Basin Law Enforcement Academy.

As you may remember from last week's column, I was permitted to attend this course because a law enforcement officer vouched for me.

Talk about one fascinating experience.

This was not only a series of lectures by esteemed experts in the fields of "cadaver K-9s" and search and rescue dogs, forensic anthropology, and forensic entomology; but each lecture included a hands-on field practical, in which we could practice and apply the things we'd learned.

The forensic anthropologist, Dr. H. Gil King from the University of North Texas, had come out four months earlier and buried six bodies, (skeletal remains which had been donated for such purposes), in a field near the academy. Each gravesite contained "evidence" which had been planted to provide clues about the "case," and each of the six-man teams working the sites were instructed to find and document that evidence during the exhumation.

During the day-long exercise, I worked knee-deep in the dirt alongside crime scene specialists and law enforcement investigators from all over the state, including half a dozen FBI agents who were also there to learn. We learned meticulous techniques for exhuming remains using such implements as soft bushes and plastic Tupperware utensils, as well as the plotting, gridding and drawing of 3-D diagrams to be used in court.

At the end of the day, when all the teams had completed the body removal, Dr. King took us around to all six gravesites to discuss the particulars of each case. We had all found all our planted evidence, and preened like a bunch of happy high school kids at Dr. Kings' praise.

On one night there was a case exchange of open, unsolved cases by detectives from all over the state, who were hoping that brainstorming with other professionals fresh to the case might give them new ideas. I looked at the same gruesome slides and photos, the same area maps, and the same evidence descriptions as the investigators did — a very rare privilege indeed for a civilian.

On the last day, forensic entomologist Dr. Neil Haskell from Purdue University presented a graphic slide show in which he demonstrated how the savvy understanding of, say, the various stages of maggots can help an investigator pinpoint time of death and other important facts which will hold up in a court of law. I had breakfast with Dr. Haskell one morning. He loves his work and he loves to talk shop. Makes for an interesting eating experience.

I'd like to emphasize that every expert who presented at the course works as a volunteer, free of charge, to any law enforcement agency which requests their help. Teaching supports them — they do this work on the side because they feel so intensely how important it is, not just in the name of justice, but for closure and comfort for the victim's families. Time and again I heard one or the other say to cops, "Call me anytime. I'm free. Send me what you've got and I'll do whatever I can to help."

I've been thinking about everything I saw and learned in Midland, and what I could say about it that might prove educational or beneficial to my readers. And I guess the main impression I came away with is how different real murder is from what you see on TV and in the movies or read about in most popular fiction.

First of all, Hollywood special-effects people like to spread around lots of blood and gore in their murder depictions. But what they never seem to get quite right is how filthy real murder can be, how poignant and heartbreaking, how desperately alone a true murder victim must feel in the final moments. It is not unusual, after the victim is dead, for the killer to do shameful things to the body, dismember it, or to "pose" the body in embarrasing positions.

Cop characters on TV and in movies are often depicted as somewhat cavalier about the cases they work. They are shown as cynical, with a dark sense of humor that is usually demonstrated through wise-cracking dialogue at murder scenes.

While it is true that this sense of humor is a healthy psychological coping mechanism absolutely crucial to people who must deal with death all the time, and officers do sometimes joke at crime scenes, there is something you don't see too often in the movies or on TV, and that is how very much these people care.

They have to care, you see, to do what they do. And believe me, these gruesome murder scenes haunt them. They lurk in the backs of their minds and scare up in their dreams. It's not so bad when they're able to catch the murderers and put them away, but it's the unsolved cases that torment them. They'll say, "Why do you think the killer did this in this particular way? Why?"

You and me, we're sheltered, you see. We go to bed at nights without having to behold such sights. Or we watch sanitized versions in the movies and think we know. We are critical of the cops when they don't solve a case as fast as the media thinks they should, or as fast as the TV detectives.

We don't understand the intricacies of the legal system, the two-step between investigators and legal eagles, the complications of media intrusion. We have no idea of the long hours, the frustrations, the anxieties of a true murder investigation.

But I can tell you this: The more I see and the more I know, the prouder I am of those unsung heroes, floundering knee-deep in the filth and the blood and the sadness, searching for the truth, seeking justice. Doing their jobs.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Border blockade

The McAllen Monitor

The newest controversy surrounding Operation Rio Grande was inevitable. U.S. Border Patrol officials managing the three-week-old project to curb illegal immigration in the Rio Grande Valley have received complaints from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The environmental agency is protesting the Border Patrol's use of lights to illuminate the banks of the river. The wildlife service charges the lights — and the diesel generators that power them — disturb the habitat of nocturnal creatures such as the jaguarundi and ocelot. All of the estimated 100 of the small feral cats in the United States live in South Texas. ...

This is an argument that probably doesn't have a solution that will please everyone. Indeed, Operation Rio Grande already centers around a major concession to environmental concerns. It would be so much easier to patrol the riverbanks if the brush and grassland were cut back several yards from the river. That move would remove hiding places for illegal crossers and bandits, but it would also eliminate the habitat of animals. ...

Assessing the border problem, it would seem that what really needs protecting are property rights of American citizens. Would it not be so much easier to allow private owners to control any land that abuts the border?

They would be free to maintain a wildlife-friendly environment, with the incentive of bringing the steadily increasing ecotourism dollars. Private owners could also build any fence or wall they wanted to keep illegal crossers, and any other trespassers, off their property.

Our lawmakers need to learn to say "no," and recognize that Americans can — and should — be allowed to decide their own fates.

Probation loopholes

The Waco Tribune-Herald

Not only are Texas judges and prosecutors improperly using plea bargains and deferred adjudication to cut their workload, they also are wiping criminal records clean for probationers who fail to meet the terms of their probation.

The Texas Legislature again needs to tighten the loopholes that allow Texas judges and prosecutors to reward criminals who mock the law.

An investigation by the Houston Chronicle reported that many criminal defendants convicted of a crime and sentenced to deferred adjudication and probation are walking around with spotless records due to a corner-cutting practice by Texas judges and prosecutors that rewards probation violators.

The newspaper found that many judges, particularly in Harris County, reward absconders (probationers who disappear without fulfilling their probation terms) by terminating their felon probationary sentences early due to "unsatisfactory" performance.

Rather than getting their probation revoked, and being arrested and punished fully for their original crimes and violation of their probation and deferred adjudication sentences, they instead are given an "unsatisfactory termination," which reduces work for prosecutors and judges and gives a free walk to criminal defendants.

Some legal scholars, according to the newspaper, say judges lack the authority to order "unsatisfactory terminations" because the Code of Criminal Procedure requires a defendant's "satisfactory fulfillment" of probation before a judge may change the original sentence.

The prosecutors who recommend and judges who accept "unsats" defend giving early release to absconders by saying the practice is permitted by by the Code of Criminal Procedure under the authority of judicial discretion.

Judges and prosecutors who use early termination of felony probations may have found a technicality to give a walk to probation scofflaws, but this practice clearly is not wanted by law-abiding taxpayers or lawmakers who have been tightening laws to prohibit early terminations of probation.

One judge quoted by the Houston Chronicle defended his acceptance of recommendations to give early release to probation violators. "When the state of Texas tells me they don't want to pursue a case, I'm not going to second-guess their judgment," said 228th state District Judge Ted Poe.

Most Texans assumed judges were paid to exercise their own judgment.

The Texas Legislature must close this loophole that allows judges and prosecutors to reward people who violate the terms of their probationary sentences.

'ER' premiere broadcast live

NEW YORK (AP) — Even broadcast live, "ER's" doctors and nurses gave viewers the best of care.

Performed straight to air, NBC's medical drama displayed its usual precision and bustling tempo Thursday night in a form that has been virtually extinct since video tape and film eclipsed the live TV drama of the 1950s.

But "ER" live also sparked the promised electricity at the possibility that something — a dropped prop, a missed cue — would go awry.

Not that anything noticeable did.

"We're still in one piece," said "ER" executive producer John Wells, shaking his head with wonder at the show's Burbank, Calif., studio after the first performance, which was seen by viewers in the Eastern and Central time zones.

Then it was time to get ready to do the whole thing again, live, for the Pacific zone. Only those in the Mountain time zone and in Hawaii saw the episode on tape.

The second broadcast went off as smoothly as the first, except viewers could hear the word "commercial" before the first break and "action!" when the show returned.

The script, entitled "Ambush," depicted an hour's worth of emergency room action being captured by video cameras supposedly deployed by a documentary crew.

Nosing through the corridors and operating rooms, the camera crew's point-of-view lenses often intruded where they weren't wanted. The director asked questions that frequently proved to be a nuisance.

The close-knit "family" of the ER and its patients, poised in suspicion against the filmmaker-invaders, became as strong a theme as any medical emergency.

The narrative device and the ragged cinema-verite camera style also gave the show some breathing room in the event that anything failed to go smoothly.

But it all went like clockwork, even some particularly chancy moments that could have easily misfired. These included a scripted brawl erupting in a corridor and a patient vomiting a fountain of green bile.

And talk about nervy: Two of the actors were a toddler and an infant. The infant girl, supposedly dog-bit, wailed like a seasoned pro while being examined.

Perhaps the most touching scene showcased a serene custodian as he mopped up the aforementioned vomit.

"It doesn't bother me," he said of the gore his job placed in his path. "You see, I'm a religious person and I believe human beings were created in God's image. So whatever I'm cleaning up must be just fine."

His was the warmest and most reflective speech voiced by anyone. Then in mid-sentence he was interrupted.

Senior Center Menu

MONDAY

Chopped sirloin steak w/mushroom sauce, rice, green peas, tomato wedges, lemon refrigerator dessert

TUESDAY

Chicken spoonbread w/giblet gravy, cranberry sauce, corn o'brien, broccoli, lettuce/tomato salad, peanut butter cookies

WEDNESDAY

Grilled ham, potatoes au graten, mustard greens, peach/cottage cheese salad, cheesecake

THURSDAY

Meat loaf, parslied potatoes, green beans, cucumber onion salad, white cake w/strawberries

FRIDAY

Fried fish, tater tots, butter beans, carrot/cabbage slaw, brownie

Senior Center News

The monthly domino tournament will begin at 10 a.m. Monday. Tuesday is 42/88 day and Monday and Wednesday are bridge days. Due to a conflict with the swimnastics schedule on Tuesday and Thursday at 2:15-3.45, the rummikub has been scheduled for Thursday morning at 10.

On Wednesday, the Kitchen Band will be visiting Snyder Healthcare at 10 and Mary Torrance and Herman Richburg will be entertaining here in the dining room at 11:15.

On Thursday, the Tri-Chem class meets at 9 and the choir will practice at 10.

The advisory board election is scheduled for Thursday and Friday from 9-1. All Scurry County senior citizens are encouraged to participate by voting for their choice of representative to the center's policy-making board.

Anyone interested in participating in the White Buffalo quilt show should call 573-4035 and speak to Pamela Fenton, activities director.

The Senior Center volunteers are delivering a daily average of 110 meals to homebound seniors. Anyone with free time is encouraged to volunteer. The center's aim is to add quality to the lives of seniors through nutrition and fellowship.

Celebrating our heritage...

Visitors from Mexico recalled

By Yvonne Byrd Nunn

Growing up at Dunn, Texas in the late thirties and early forties was an enchanting fairy tale at harvest time. The fields were white with cotton and the pickers came from Mexico in trucks with four feet high wooden rails on the back. Their bed rolls and beans and flour were packed close to the cab and the rest of the area was packed with Nationals who were making their way through this part of Texas, stopping at every farm to pick the cotton. Most of the pickers were young with muscled arms and strong backs.

They camped out behind our barn and after a long hard day of back-breaking work they sat out under the stars eating the beans and tortillas the old women had prepared that day while they watched the children.

I was allowed to play with the children and learned from that experience that they could be my very best friends and some of them were.

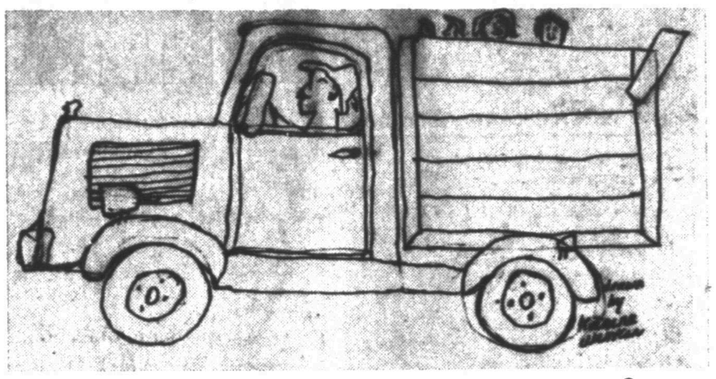
At night my family would often sit under the stars on the porch and listen to them sing and strum their guitars. Long into the night they rested their weary bodies with serenades and black coffee.

I suspect that coming to Texas at harvest time was a working holiday for them and maybe they made enough money to get them through another year. Each year the same group came to our farm to work.

"'Twas the decade of the forties
It was harvest time on the farm.
The pickers came from Mexico
And cooked and slept behind the barn."

"A wood fire still brings memories
Of strummed guitars, Spanish lyrics,
Voices singing into the night
Echoes of smoke, —
atmospheric."

—by Yvonne Byrd Nunn



Wore short pants

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — He's flown to the moon and saved his crew, at least in the movies, and he doesn't know he's supposed to wear long pants to watch a shuttle launch?

Sname on you, Tom Hanks.

Hanks, who starred in the film "Apollo 13," had to put on a white coverall usually worn by launch pad technicians to watch his first space shuttle launch Thursday night. The two-time Academy Award winner forgot the safety dress code for viewing from atop the 525-foot-high Vehicle Assembly Building. It's one of the best seats, so to speak, in the house.

"I left without my long pants," said Hanks, who showed up in gray athletic shorts and a T-shirt.

Hanks has been in central Florida off and on over the past seven months working as executive producer of the future HBO miniseries "From Earth to the Moon."

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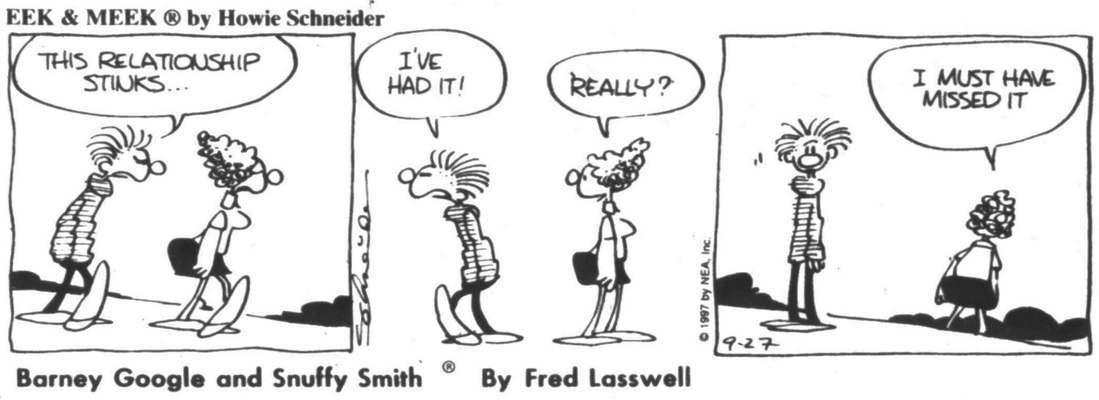

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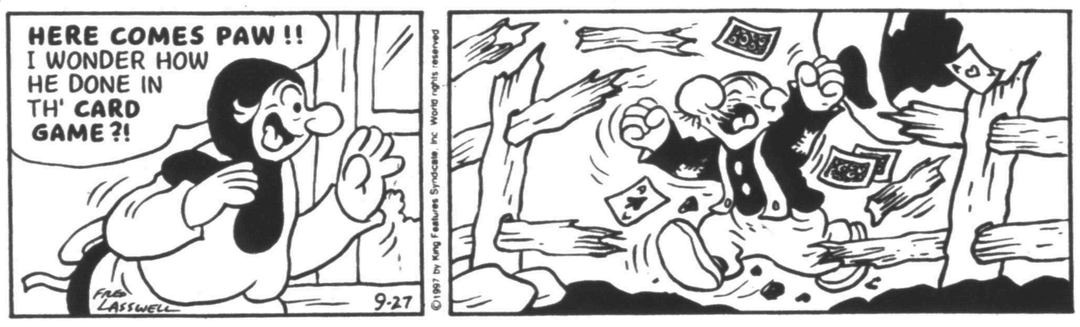

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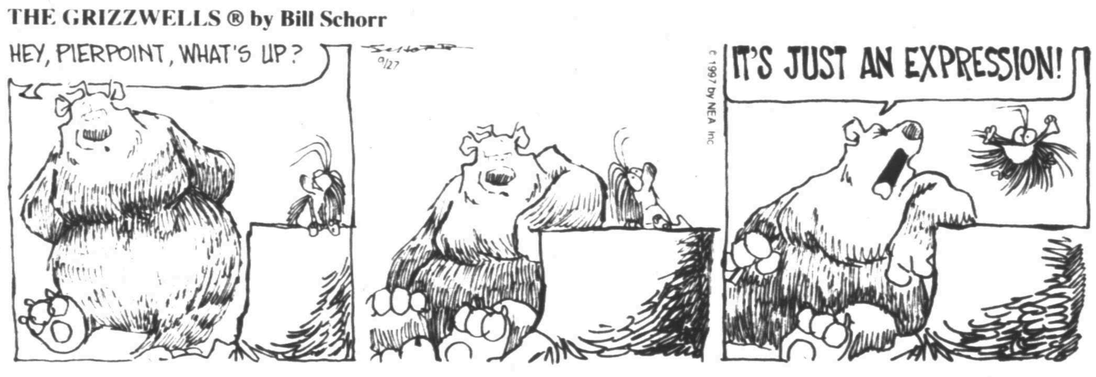

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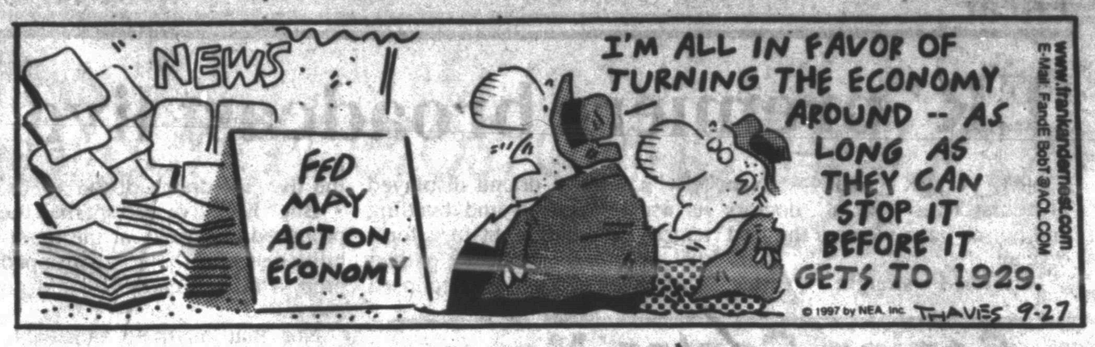

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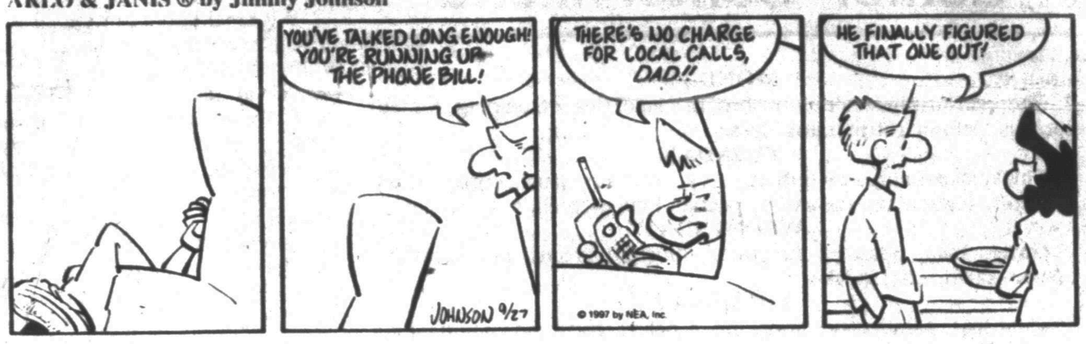

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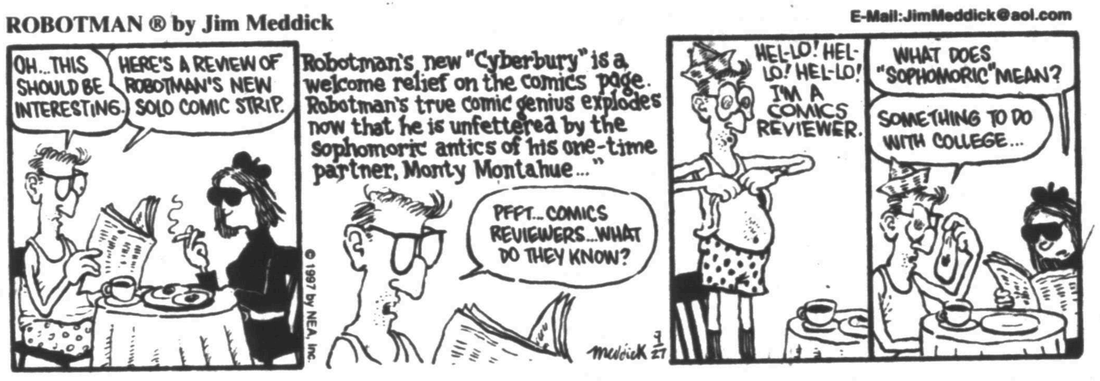

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1 Eagle's nest
6 Fable writer
11 Extolled
13 Japanese robe
14 Actor Tom —
15 Wears away
16 TV news source
17 Marine fish
19 Chemical suffix
20 Eager
22 Entertainer Sumac
23 Drinking vessels
24 Pulled
26 Not traveling (2 wds.)
28 Drivers' org.
30 Atomic particle
31 Spasm
32 Society-page word
33 Calmed
36 Unison
39 Silly
40 Confederate soldier
42 Views
44 Diving bird
45 Producer Spelling
47 Exist
48 Clergyman
50 Textile
52 Little finger
53 Most independent
54 Yellow-fever mosquito
55 Challenges

DOWN

1 Mournful cry
2 Deserved
3 Skate blade
4 Marriage words
5 Electric fishes
6 Breezy
7 Comedian Philips
8 Salt element
9 Nervous (2 wds.)
10 Acts like a model
12 WWII event
13 Hair protein
18 Actress Thurman
21 Tidily
23 Currencies
25 Lament
27 Garden tools
29 Needle-shaped
33 Actress Piper —
34 Mean
35 German article
37 Closer
38 Cherry-colored
39 Singer Frank —
41 Joke (sl.)
43 Cults
45 Words on a sale item
46 Fragrant ointment
49 — out (stretch)
51 Actress Arthur

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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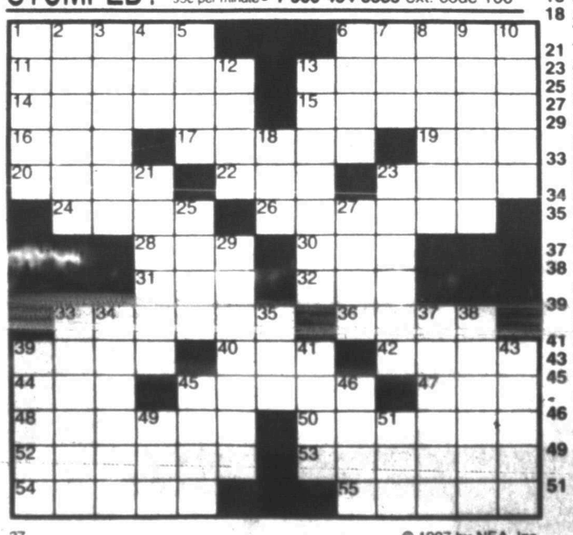

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"WHAT DOES A GUY HAVE TO DO TO GET BREAKFAST IN BED AROUND HERE?"

Hermleigh School: Documents chart early years

By Shirley A. Gorman
News Editor

Since Hermleigh School is celebrating its 90th year, much attention is being paid to documents, annuals and photographs which help tell nine decades of history.

One of the documents includes the minutes of the first school board meetings. Board members B.Y. Rhea, I.N. Anderson, R.C. Herm, J.N. Ford, J.R. Coker and H.W. Harlin, called a bond election in 1908 to fund the proposed school building which cost $8,000 and was to be paid out in 40 years.

The site for the proposed school was to be Block 90 in the Town of Hermleigh.

That election was held in the Methodist Church. Trustees voted to pay teachers from $50 to $60 per month. The principal earned $85 a month.

Records also indicate that $25 in interest was paid to the state treasury in 1910.

Simon Myers was hired as janitor, receiving $5 a month. His duties included daily sweeps, kindling the fire by 8:30 a.m. and having at least one shuttle of coal available each morning, except on weekends. He also had to close the school at night.

Minutes show that Myers received a raise of $2 the following month. His wages were raised to $10 a year later.

In lieu of a maintenance tax, which voters did not approve, pupils over the scholastic age 17-20, had to pay a monthly tuition of $2.

Those under the scholastic age were charged $1.50 each.

Had it passed, the maintenance tax would have been 20 cents per $100 of valuation.

R.C. Herm, who donated the land the town was founded on, and 20 qualified voters had signed a petition seeking the special tax. Only land owners were allowed to vote.

In 1909, the board purchased 200 report cards for 60 cents. They later elected to finish using them before they purchased the newly designed ones.

The school was insured for $5,000. Teachers were admonished to keep up with "unders and overs."

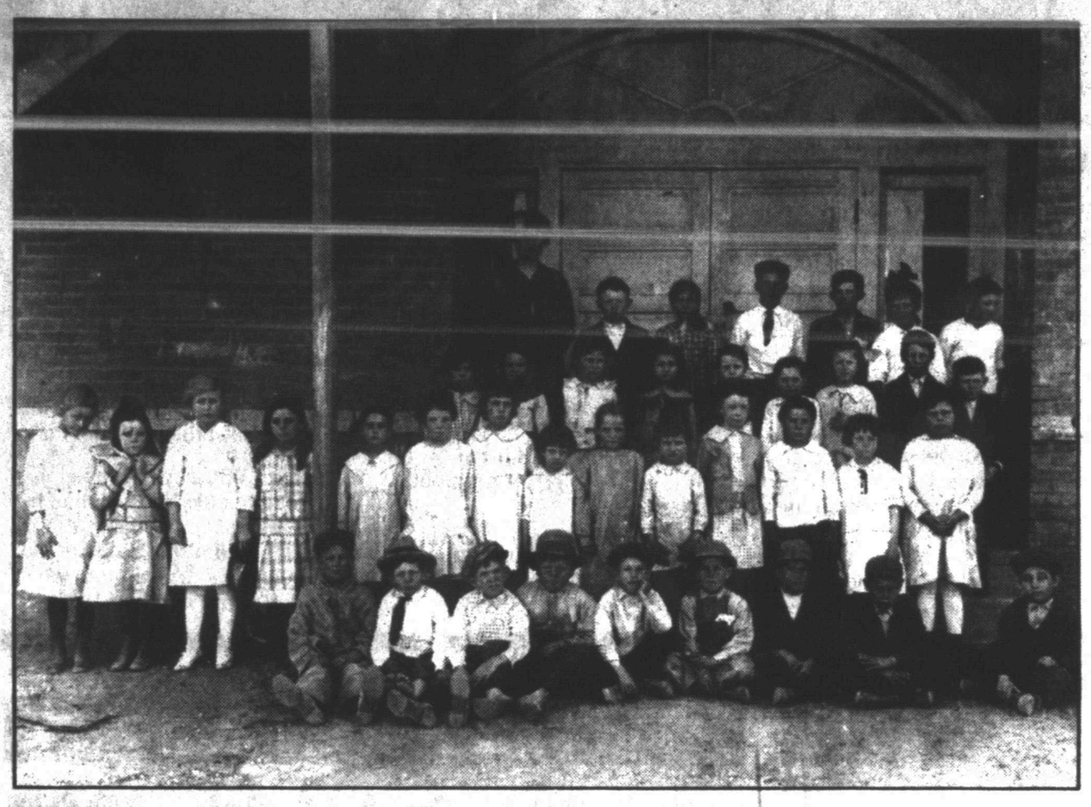
In 1918, trustees accepted the resignation of Anne Stephenson, teacher. Lucille Shindler was approved to fill her unexpired term, provided she had a teacher's certificate.

The trustees also approved Mr. Greenfield and Mr. Leslie to purchase coal for the school. Mr. Hess earned $2 each for window repairs and Mr. Holliday was paid to "see that the stoves were put up in good shape."

Since students picked cotton, trustees delayed the start of the school year in 1910 to Oct. 31.

A reproduction of a 1934 or so publication about Hermleigh School for the 50th anniversary depicted a picture of the old school building which had been outgrown and replaced with a "present modern structure."

Since a large percentage of graduates did not go on to college, the school saw its duty as "to fit them, if possible for some position after their graduation from high school."



YESTERYEAR — This photo of Hermleigh students was taken around 1918. Shown in the background is the back door of the original school building. (Contributed Photo)

The curriculum as then outlined for the next few years included an extension of the present vocational work. Shop, typing, home economics, bookkeeping were to be given a fuller vocational program.

It was also noted that "the faculty of any school makes the school what it is. Although not a rule, it was customary not to employ any teacher without some experience."

A 1917-1918 "Course of Study for the Hermleigh Public School" spelled out rules and regulations adopted by the school board in 1917.

The following monthly rates of tuition were to be charged during the private term to "overs and unders" and those who attend from a distance through the free term, transfer rates excepted.

They included primary department, $1.50; intermediate, $2 and $2.50 for high school.

At the time, the school was "supplied with a carefully selected library of some six hundred volumes," from various books to magazines.

Trustees wanted every pupil in school above the primary grades to have access to and participate in some Literary Society. Teachers were expected to exercise supervision over these, suggest questions for debate and give instructions in parliamentary usage. Credit toward promotion was to be given.

A specific course of study for each grade was spelled out from the primary department to intermediate and the high school.

First grade reading was to consist in part of "blackboard exercises using script." In the next grade, reading lessons were always to be preceded by a careful drill upon all hard words in the lesson.

The third grade teacher was to strive for "pure tone, clear and forceful expression" when teaching reading.

By the fourth grade, the teacher was expected to give "constant attention throughout the year to the position and distinct articulation..."

In the fifth grade, students had three books, "Hill's Fifth Reader," "The Beginner's History of Our Country" and "Elson's Fifth Reader."

From the sixth through high school, students began to study literature.

The publication also said the high school course is "not only designed to give knowledge, but to enable the student to understand the phenomena of life, to fix correct habits of living, right speaking and accurate writing. The desire for the reading of good literature should be fixed in this course."

In those days, Latin and science were optional. Pupils were encouraged to choose between the two.

The superintendent was expected to "devote himself exclusively to the duties of his office."

Teachers were expected to "acquaint themselves with the rules and regulations and the course of study of all grades, especially those immediately preceding and following their own."

They had to be in their rooms by 8:30 a.m. or be considered "tardy." They were also supposed to pay attention to the condition and cleanliness of their room and report any neglect by the janitor.

Teachers had to take charge of the halls and grounds. Within two weeks after the opening of school, each teacher was supposed to "prepare written programs of the work for her room, a copy of which shall be filed in the superintendent's office." Any changes in the program were to be promptly reported to the superintendent.

The booklet also addressed pupils, parents and guardians, a statement by the faculty, location and brief history of the city and type of city government.

About half of the book was filled with advertisements, including Dr. J.E. Meador, dentist; Dr. L.E. Trigg, Hermleigh Telephone Exchange; Baker, Grayum and Anderson, insurance loans and investments.

Graduates for 1912-1913, 1913-14, 1916 and 1917 were listed.

—1912-1913: Nannie Appleton, Mary Chorn, Anita Jaeggli, Essie Baird, Edith Clift, Ethel Paul.

—1913-1914: May Appleton, Nettye Breeden, Hardy Chorn, Era Coker, Eupha Stacy, Tom Coker, Ora Farr, Hattie Herm, Roberta Joyce.

—1916: Eunice Appleton, Occo Echols, Ethel Belle Ely, Rudolph Jaeggli, Redie Rea, Bessie Rea.

—1917: Shelton Leslie, Elmer Louder, Boyd Rea, Alva Tate, Estil Tate.

ART PROJECT — These fifth grade students at Hermleigh are working on Indian paint brush and blue bonnet paintings. From left are Cassie Harbin and James Coonrod. Cathy Beckman is their teacher. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Larry King weds for seventh time

WASHINGTON (AP) — Larry King is hunting for new digs in Southern California, on the other coast from the city that is home base to his popular talk show.

But the "King of Talk" will keep doing his "Larry King Live" show from both Washington and Los Angeles — as he has done for years, CNN said.

"We're a bicoastal show. We've been a bicoastal show for years," said Caroline Teasdale, spokeswoman for "Larry King Live."

King and his new wife, Shawn Southwick, will maintain a residence in the nation's capital.

It's been a busy month for King. Earlier this month, he got married.

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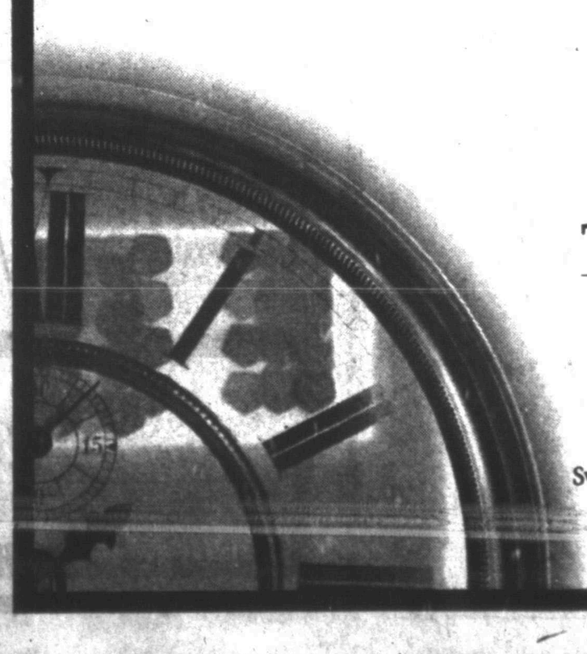
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Heart transplant patient climbs highest U.S peak

MOUNT WHITNEY, Calif. (AP) — Two years after her old heart gave out, Kelly Perkins put her new one to an amazing test: She scaled the nation's highest peak outside Alaska.

No other heart transplant patient is known to have climbed 14,495-foot Mount Whitney, a daunting trek even for those with no health problems.

Perkins, a 36-year-old real estate appraiser, made the rugged, 22-mile hike over three days, tearfully hugging her companions atop Whitney on Tuesday, and blowing bubbles to celebrate.

"You basically live in fear for so long that you're afraid to try to push your limits at all," she said. "And so it's very freeing to be able to push those limits and to succeed and know that you're back."

Perkins — 5-foot-3 and 95 pounds — had a go-ahead from her doctor because she was an experienced climber and had worked hard to rebuild her strength after her 1995 transplant.

She also knew that of the thousands of people who try to climb the Sierra Nevada peak every year, many are forced to turn back. Sprains and other injuries are always a concern, along with altitude sickness, hypothermia, dehydration and violent changes in weather.

The weather was perfect for Perkins. And her only problems were a slight knee bruise from a fall as she got out of her tent, and a mild headache.

As a precaution, her climbing team — including her husband, Craig, also 36, and four others — shared her load, carrying her blood pressure monitor and oxygen canisters. As it turned out, she didn't use the oxygen at all, and her blood pressure was found to be OK during the periodic checks.

Perkins also drove from her sea-level home in Laguna Niguel, Calif., to the start of the trail a few days ahead of time to adjust to the high altitude, and started hiking slowly — a necessity because it takes a few minutes to get her heart rate up.

(The heart is normally stimulated by nerves and adrenalin. But a transplanted heart no longer has nerves linking it to the brain. Perkins had to rely on adrenalin alone.)

"It was really hard there at the end, and I really didn't know if I was going to make it or not," she said.

Perkins had climbed Whitney once before, when she was 25 and there was no hint of the obstacles ahead.

In 1992 she was diagnosed with viral cardiomyopathy, which made her heart race wildly. By 1995, her heart was failing and she was taking up to 30 pills a day. Her husband had to carry her up and down the stairs of their home.

Perkins got her new heart on Nov. 20, 1995, from a 40-year-old woman killed when thrown from a horse. By the following August, she had climbed 8,842-foot Half Dome in Yosemite National Park.

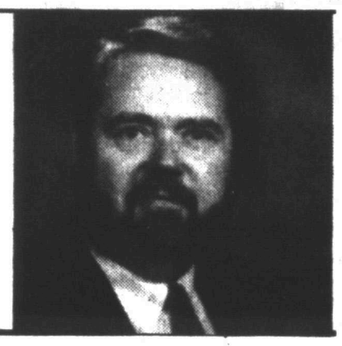
Mount Whitney became her next goal, but her husband had his doubts because of the altitude, which made him sick and kept him from reaching the summit when the couple first climbed Whitney 11 years ago.

During the climb up the rocky, zigzagging trails this time, he worked to assure his wife "that it wasn't her illness; it was our illness, something we had to deal with together as a couple."

Perkins' doctor, Jon Kobashigawa, is the medical director of the transplant program at UCLA Medical Center, the largest transplant center in the world. He said he knows of no other transplant patients who have attempted a high-altitude climb like Perkins' Whitney ascent.

"She is physically quite active, she works out, and she has trained her new heart to achieve a high level of capacity," he said. "She's an inspiration to many other transplant patients, to show that they can get back to a good quality of life."

Minding Your Own Business



By Don Taylor

(Last of two parts)

Last week, in part one of this series, I discussed how business owners become trapped in their businesses. What started as a fun idea often becomes an all consuming monster of stress.

Every entrepreneur is actually three-people-in-one: The creator, the organizer and the skilled technician. These three personalities cause stress for the owner. The creator wants to create and innovate, the organizer wants routine order and low stress and the technician wants to be left alone to do the work and make money. Soon, it seems that the business is running the owner, not the other way around.

The R.E.G.A.I.N. system

A system is a set of actions, steps or ideas that lead to a desired result. In this case, the system will help you regain control of your business.

R — Recognize the problem. The first step in taking control of your business is to recognize and admit that you have a problem. The creator side of your personality wants to deny the existence of problems and believes that things will be better tomorrow. Unfortunately, you can't continue to do business in the same old way and expect different results.

Once you've reached the crisis stage — "I can't take this one more day" — it may seem easier to sell or close than change. However, all too often there is little of value to sell, and closing would leave you with debt and no income to repay it. Therefore, we'll focus on working out the problems.

E — Evaluate your present situation. What is actually happening, compared to what you want to happen? At this point, you must start working on your business instead of in it.

Analyzing your present situation is the first step in good planning. Creating a plan to get control of your business is the next step.

G — Generate a plan. Putting a plan together is like taking a step in the right direction. It is only a start, but you are on your way.

Your plan should encompass both strategic and operational objectives. The strategic portion of your plan details your mission and purpose. The operational portion describes the systems (activities, procedures and policies) needed to accomplish the long-term strategy.

Creating a workable business plan is difficult. However, with proper guidance, a good plan pays big dividends for the time invested.

I — Invest the time. The reason many business owners struggle is because they spend more time working in the business than on the business. Steps three and four do require an investment of your time, but you will find few short cuts. You must devote the time to it.

Investing time now to plan and create your operating systems, frees up much more time for future use. The creator will have time to dream, the organizer will have lower stress and the technician will work less and get more done.

N — Never, give up. Success comes to those who try and try and keep trying. Running a small business has never been easy. It will never be easy. If it were, everyone would be a big success in their own business. Don't quit too soon.

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4:00 p.m.	Art Show
6:30 p.m.	Meal, El Mariachi Aguila
7:30 p.m.	Auction
8:00 p.m.	Dinner Show
9:00 p.m.	Dance With Made In Texas

October 4 - On The Square

10:00 a.m.	Parade of History
10:30 a.m.	Welcome Address
10:45 a.m.	South Plains College Western Swing Band
11:30 a.m.	Jean Prescott
12:00 Noon	Saddle Tramps
1:00 p.m.	Chuck Cusimano
1:30 p.m.	Old Time Fiddle Show
2:30 p.m.	Hays County Gals and Pals
3:30 p.m.	Texas Sand
4:00 p.m.	Deep Creek Cloggers
5:00 p.m.	Supper Break
8:00 p.m.	Street Dance With Cow Jazz

October 4 - Ritz Theatre

2:30 p.m.	Ragweed Cowboy Joe
7:30 p.m.	Ragweed Cowboy Joe

October 4 - Various Locations

8:00 a.m.	10K Stampede & Fun Run - Towle Park
10:45 a.m.	Costume Contest - Courthouse Lawn
10:45 a.m.	Children's Show - Courthouse Lawn
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