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Home of Megan McCormick

VOLUNTEER COOKS – Julie Strunk puts together fajitas for the band booster fundraiser meal held Friday in the high school cafeteria prior to the football game. Snyder High School band director Donnie Reston reported that approximately 650 diners were served. The band will be holding a number of fundraising events to raise money for their spring trip to Colorado. (SDN Staff Photo)

Bonds set at $10,000...

Fifth person involved in Allsup's theft jailed

The fifth person involved in a staged robbery at Allsup's on Sept. 13 was arrested over the weekend.

Bradley Scott George, 20, of 1807 40th St. was arrested at 8:38 p.m. Saturday at 2636 S. U.S. 84 on a warrant for engaging in organized criminal activity.

His bond, as well as his accomplices, is set at $10,000.

Taken into custody Friday were Angel Southern, 29, of 1801 39th St.; Quinton Edward Traylor, 18, of 3111 39th St.; Misti Reeder, 21, 1801 39th St.; and Darla Gaylene Traylor, 44, of 3111 39th St.

All remain in the Scurry County jail.

Southern was the clerk at the store and she was arrested for engaging in organized criminal activity, as was Quinton Traylor and George.

Bradley George

Reeder was charged with tampering with physical evidence as she is alleged to have destroyed checks and credit card receipts taken in the staged robbery. Darla Traylor was charged with felony theft.

All charges are third degree felonies except the theft charge that is a state jail felony.

The robbery was reported at 5:40 a.m. when Southern sounded her personal alarm and Sgt. Keith Ward, Cpl. Dennis Young and Officer Lee Ortiz responded.

Ward said the clerk's story of the robbery began to unwind early on in the investigation.

Southern told them that a white male had walked into the store and agressively demanded the day's receipts that she was counting.

The case is expected to be presented to the Scurry County grand jury when it convenes in October.

Deadline near for changes to cellular telephone numbers

Time is running out to make the change to 325 for local cell-phone users with a 915 area code.

Unless the phones are reprogrammed, making or receiving calls will be impossible starting Oct. 4.

The change will allow customers' local seven digits to remain the same. The only difference is 915 becomes 325.

Unless cell users make this update, their entire numbers may be re-assigned.

Citizens may update service with local carriers.

Telephone residents with conventional "land-lines" needn't worry. The area code switch will be automatic, and their seven-digit number will remain unchanged.

The division of 915 results from an increased number of applications for cell phones and fax machines in recent years. A league of new numbers is created with 325.

Area 325 service includes Snyder, Sweetwater, San Angelo, Coleman, Abilene, Brownwood and Brady. The divide, approved in Feb. 2002 by the Public Utility Commission, will put 915 only in the El Paso region. This includes Hudspeth and Culberson Counties.

Midland and Odessa's area code changes from 915 to 432.

Budget work on agenda Tuesday for DCOS board

The board of directors of the Development Corporation of Snyder will meet at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday to review the 2003-2004 budget.

Administrative expenditures, including $20,000 for marketing, are projected at $156,058, as compared to $152,758 for this fiscal year.

It is projected the DCOS will receive $380,000 in sales tax revenue as compared to this year's $340,000.

The board also will discuss the need for a high speed and secure Internet service for UCO Spinning in the industrial park.

Financial statements will be reviewed, as will bills for payment, and executive director John DeLille will present his monthly report.

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

Blood drive is three days

The fall blood drive of United Blood Services and the Cogdell Memorial Hospital auxiliary will be Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday.

The drive Tuesday will begin at 10:30 a.m. and will continue until 6 p.m. in the Family Life Center of the First Baptist Church.

On Wednesday, the drive will be at Cogdell Memorial Hospital in the donor coach from 10:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

A special drive will be held Saturday from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the donor coach on the parking lot at Wal-Mart.

Volunteer blood donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, and be in good health, said Rhonda Teal of United Blood Services.

Teal urged as many citizens to donate blood as possible.

"If everyone waited for an emergency to donate blood, lives could be jeopardized.

"Waiting to donate in an emergency only creates emergencies. Blood must be available at all times in sufficient amounts to meet the needs of Snyder and Scurry County residents," emphasized Teal.

FREE T-SHIRT — United Blood Services representative Rhonda Teal, left, and volunteer Etta Wilson look over T-shirts that will be given this week to blood donors. The first drive is Tuesday at the Family Life Center at First Baptist Church. (SDN Staff Photo)

REPRESENTATIVE VISITS — Rep. Scott Campbell was in Snyder Friday and visited in the Scurry County courthouse. Rep. Campbell said the redistricting issue is a no-win situation, but most constituents have not expressed an opinion on it. Rep. Campbell said the exception is in the agriculture community where producers are opposed to changing federal representative boundaries. (SDN Staff Photo)

Bush calls Iraq war 'the right decision'

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush, pushing back at allies, will tell the United Nations the war against Iraq was "the right decision" and that it's time to put differences aside and join together in a major reconstruction effort.

In an address to the General Assembly on Tuesday, the president also will urge other nations to help stop the spread of weapons of mass destruction and halt slavery around the world, White House officials said.

Bush's unyielding stance came as Russian President Vladimir Putin said America's failure to stabilize Iraq had convinced him that the war was a bad idea, while French President Jacques Chirac called for the immediate transfer of sovereignty to the Iraqi people.

Bush said he's not sure the United States will have to yield a significantly larger role to win support for a new U.N. resolution on Iraq. He also continued to insist on an orderly transfer of authority to the Iraqis rather than the quick action demanded by France.

"I do think it would be helpful to get the United Nations in to help write a constitution," Bush said in an interview taped Sunday with Fox News. "I mean, they're good at that."

"Or, perhaps when an election starts, they'll oversee the election. That would be deemed a larger role," he said.

West Texas residents in eye of new redistricting dispute

AUSTIN (AP) — What started as a frenzy between Democrats and Republicans could be determined by roughnecks and cotton farmers.

West Texans in Midland and Lubbock are at the center of a Republican legislative stalemate over congressional redistricting.

Republican House Speaker Tom Craddick of Midland said he's not negotiating over the design of West Texas' congressional districts. Republican Sen. Robert Duncan of Lubbock, chair of the Senate Jurisprudence Committee that is tackling redistricting, says he won't vote on a map his constituents don't like.

"He's got to decide whether he wants to have redistricting. Are we going to have redistricting (or) are we going to have Midland?" Duncan said of Craddick. "Is this about Texas or is this about Midland?"

Craddick spokesman Bob Richter replied that once the Senate approves a redistricting map, a conference committee will work out differences and "try to pass a map that a majority of people can live with."

The full Senate is expected to take up redistricting early this week.

Craddick, who favors a map adopted Wednesday by the House, wants his home of Midland to anchor a district that could support a congressional representative separate from Lubbock.

ASK US

Q—When people sell out of their cars and trucks in town, do they have to get a permit from the city?
A—Yes.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Lana Smith...

...has lived in Snyder for five years. She is a deputy district clerk at the Scurry County courthouse. Her husband, Jason, is a spray applicator for WeedPro. They have one son, Seth, who is nine-and-a-half months old. Lana enjoys pottery, art, reading and time with her family.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The best way to cheer yourself up is to cheer up somebody else.
—Mark Twain

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Softball booster club

The Snyder High School softball booster club will meet at 7 p.m. today in the SHS gym. All players and parents are urged to attend to plan activities for the school year.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 this evening is "The Incarnation of Jesus," followed by "They Have Not all Obeyed the Gospel."

Child welfare board to meet

Scurry County Child Welfare Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at 3409 Snyder Shopping Center.

Luncheon/game day

Martha Ann Woman's Club will have its monthly luncheon and game day Wednesday. Serving will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Games will follow throughout the afternoon. Tickets are $8.50 each.

Word is Life fundraiser

The Word is Life Deliverance Church is having a fundraiser to benefit its Youth Group Mission. The group is selling 2004 God's Creation calendars for $6 each. Call Davina Douglass at 573-2949. Persons needing a ride to each Wednesday's children's church at 7 p.m. or the regular services at that time can contact William Clayton at 573-5305.

Free country-gospel concert

The Central Baptist Church at 438 Wheat in Hermleigh will sponsor a free country-gospel concert at 7 p.m. Wednesday. There is no charge, but a love offering will be taken. A nursery will be provided.

Cub Scout bike rally

Cub Scouts will have a bicycle rally beginning at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the parking lot at the coliseum. For more information, call Rhonda at 573-6090 or Chris at 573-5183.

Antique Tractor, Equipment Club

Scurry County Antique Tractor and Equipment Club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at Jack's Road Boring on the Colorado City Hwy. For more information, call 573-4414.

Cookie dough orders

Stanfield Elementary cookie dough orders can be picked up from 4-6 p.m. Thursday or Friday from 2:30-4:30 in the gym. Money should be turned in by Oct. 3.

Annual Jamaica

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church's annual Jamaica is Sunday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Besides food, DJ and live music, the event will also feature volleyball, horseshoe and washers tournament and a talent show for all ages. Folkorico Dancers will perform and there will also be a celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

Special church services

Word is Life Deliverance Church at 312 Coliseum Dr. will host Pastor Fred Adams of San Angelo during the morning service on Sunday. Pastor Adams will bring his anointed youth dance group. Lunch will be served after the service.

Candlelight pep rally

SHS Student Council will have a candlelight pep rally following the annual homecoming parade next Monday. Plastic milk jug cartons are needed. Bring to SHS office.

Thee Place Women's Ministry study

Thee Place Women's Ministry will begin Beth Moore's study, "A Woman's Heart, God's Dwelling Place" on Wednesday, Oct. 1, at 6 p.m. To order a workbook at $15, contact Melissa Petty at 573-0455 before Friday, Sept. 26. Thee Place is located at 904 26th St.

Important GED dates

Mandatory pre-registration for the GED test will be Thursday, Oct. 2, at the GED testing center, Western Texas College, Building 7B, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The math segment of the GED will begin promptly at 8 a.m. on the following day, Friday, Oct. 3. For more information about the GED test, call Betty Thompson, 573-2310, or Emily Hataway, 573-8511, ext. 297 or 574-2112. It is recommended that candidates receive some preparation before attempting the test.

First Christian fajita dinner

First Christian Church, 37th and Austin, has set its annual park and eat fajita dinner for Friday, Oct. 3, from 5-7 p.m. Call 573-6115 or 573 6687 for advance tickets. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

Homecoming floats

Any club or organization that would like to enter a float or vehicle in the homecoming parade should contact Christy Smith at 573-6301. Fees: Floats, $15; vehicles, $10 and golf carts $5. Also, freshman students and parents are needed to work on the homecoming parade float, Monday-Friday at 5:30 p.m. at Keith Matthies Construction's building, 1706 30th St.

First Baptist support group

First Baptist Church is sponsoring a support group for people facing difficulties, including cancer, divorce, grief, etc. on the second Thursday of each month. The group meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first floor Adult 6 Department.

Quilt showing

Quilts are needed for the quilt display during White Buffalo Days Oct. 10-11 at the Scurry County Coliseum. Persons wishing to put a quilt on display should call Joan Bunch at 573-7404. After 5 p.m. call 573-0047.

Addresses sought

E-mail addresses or phone numbers are still needed for members of Snyder High School class of 1963 to plan a reunion. Information may be sent to t.dolan@mail.utexas or call 325-207-1718 and leave a message.

1950s dance contest

A '50s dance contest will be held Saturday, Oct. 11, in conjunction with the White Buffalo Festival. Judging for the $100 prize will be 50% costume and 50% dance skills. The White Buffalo Committee also solicits 1950s yearbooks for the display. For more information call Jackie at the coliseum at 573-9811.

West Wing wins fourth best drama Emmy

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Emmy Awards turned into a night of mostly reruns.

For the fourth consecutive year, the White House drama "The West Wing" claimed the best drama award — whacking what seemed to be yet another groundswell for the mob series "The Sopranos" after stars James Gandolfini and Edie Falco each claimed their third career Emmys.

It was Gandolfini's third consecutive win, and Falco's second. She also won previously in 1999.

Other repeaters: Doris Roberts and Brad Garrett of "Everybody Loves Raymond."

For a third straight year, Roberts collected a supporting comedy actress trophy for playing nagging mother Marie Barone, while Garrett received his second consecutive supporting comedy actor honor for his work as her hangdog son Robert.

Roberts said her streak of victories shows that aging stars can still do great work. "The fact that I'm 72 years old and that I'm still kicking and that I'm doing the kind of work I'm doing, I'm still challenged, is great hope for everybody in the business," she said backstage.

Meanwhile, "Everybody Loves Raymond" received its first-ever award for best comedy series.

Ray Romano, who lost in the lead comedy actor class, said he was happy for the crew's sake that the show won overall. "They're my queer eye, they make me look good," he said backstage, referring to the Bravo makeover series "Queer Eye For the Straight Guy."

Among the other first-time winners was "Will & Grace" star Debra Messing for lead comedy actress and Tony Shalhoub of "Monk" for lead comedy actor.

"When you're a little girl and you have dreams of being an actress, you just hope you'll get the opportunity to do what you love and be able to pay your bills. That's success as an actor. This is otherworldly," said Messing, who was nominated but passed over for the role three times.

While "The Sopranos" claimed four honors, counting its wins for best drama writing and supporting drama actor Joe Pantoliano, "The West Wing" had only two — including best drama director.

However, HBO's crime saga was again robbed of the top award by NBC's fictional Washington politicians. TV academy voters have never crowned a cable series as best drama.

The hulking Gandolfini said backstage he was grateful to be honored — again — but felt the cast and crew of "The Sopranos" were slighted by being denied the top drama prize.

"It's bittersweet," he said. "My work has been acknowledged. It's time for everyone else's work to be acknowledged. I wish that had happened."

The ceremony was both celebratory and melancholy, with homage paid to a number of performers and industry figures who died this year including Bob Hope, John Ritter, Gregory Hines and Fred Rogers.

In the spirit of the evening's other tributes, an emotional Shalhoub, who plays an obsessive-compulsive detective on USA's "Monk," noted the recent death of a nephew from leukemia. The actor said Greg Gensler, who was 34, had "a warm laugh and a good heart" and died unexpectedly.

TNT's "Door to Door," based on the true story of Bill Porter, a man who became a salesman despite being ill with cerebral palsy, won four awards, including best made-for-TV movie. William H. Macy, who portrayed Porter, won best actor in a miniseries. The movie also won writing and directing awards.

In other awards, Tyne Daly was honored for her supporting role in the CBS drama series, "Judging Amy," while CBS' "The Amazing Race" won the Emmy in the reality competition category, beating more popular shows "American Idol" and "Survivor."

Comedy Central's "The Daily Show" with Jon Stewart, which received plaudits for poking fun at war coverage, won for the first time as best variety show, breaking a five-year winning streak for David Letterman. "The Daily Show" was also honored for its writing.

"Everybody Loves Raymond" won for best writing in a comedy series, while the comedy directing trophy went to "Curb Your Enthusiasm."

The award for best miniseries went to the science fiction drama "Steven Spielberg Presents Taken."

In other miniseries or movie categories, Maggie Smith won lead actress for "My House in Umbria." The movie "Hysterical Blindness" won best supporting actor and actress honors for Ben Gazzara and Gena Rowlands, respectively.

Wayne Brady was named best individual performer in a variety or musical program for "Whose Line Is It Anyway?"

"Cher — The Farewell Tour" was named best variety, music or comedy special.

Including creative arts categories presented earlier this month, HBO won a leading 18 Emmys, followed by CBS with 16, NBC with 15 and ABC with nine.

Today's chuckle

Pet kangaroo barks like dog to save owner

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — An unlikely hero hopped onto the scene when a farmer suffered serious head injuries after being hit by a falling branch.

The hero? A partially blind pet kangaroo.

The eastern gray kangaroo, Lulu, stood guard over Len Richards' unconscious body Sunday and "barked like a dog" to get help, the farmer's daughter said.

"She was obviously trying to get our attention because she never acts like that," said Celeste Richards, 17.

"It went on for about 15 minutes, so we went outside to investigate and we saw Lulu standing upright with her chest puffed out over Dad's body. If it wasn't for her, my Dad could have died — Lulu is my hero," she added.

Richards, 52, was checking his property in Morwell, southeast Australia, for damage following a severe storm when he was struck by a falling branch and knocked unconscious.

The kangaroo, which has just one eye, was adopted by the family about 10 years ago when they found her in the pouch of her mother, who had been killed by a car.

"Lulu and Dad are very close and she follows him around, but we all just love her so much," Celeste said.

Mandatory sentencing criticized by justice

BOSTON (AP) — Mandatory minimum sentences are unfair and take away flexibility needed in the judicial process, said Supreme Court Justice Stephen G. Breyer.

"There has to be oil in the gears. ... There has to be room for the unusual or the exceptional case," he told about 550 people Sunday at the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum.

Breyer said Congress had passed a number of mandatory minimum statutes where "there is no room for flexibility on the downside."

"That is not a helpful thing to do," he said. "It's not going to advance the cause of law enforcement in my opinion and it's going to set back the cause of fairness in sentencing."

Last month, Justice Anthony M. Kennedy told the annual meeting of the American Bar Association that he favored scrapping the practice of setting mandatory minimum sentences for some federal crimes, saying that in all too many cases the sentences were unjust.

Breyer said that Kennedy, Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, and "others on our court" shared his views on mandatory minimums. Breyer has also criticized mandatory minimums in written opinions, most recently in a North Carolina gun case last year.

The federal sentencing guidelines provide judges a range of possible punishments for most crimes. The system also allows judges to depart from the guidelines, imposing either tougher or more lenient sentences, in special cases.

Breyer said he hoped people on all sides of the criminal justice field would begin to see the harm caused by mandatory minimums and that Congress would eventually pass fewer of the sentences.

He said he was still optimistic about the guidelines because, "I think, while that monkey wrench has been thrown into the gears, it is not there permanently."

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Saturday's Lottery Numbers Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 2-7-16-18-33. Bonus Ball: 34.

Number matching five of five, plus Bonus Ball: 0. Prize: $5 million.

Number matching five of five: 3. Prize: $9,852.

Number matching four of five, plus Bonus Ball: 22. Prize: $1,219.

Number matching four of five: 595. Prize: $97.

Number matching three of five, plus Bonus Ball: 475. Prize: $107.

Number matching three of five: 22,901. Prize: $5.

Number matching two of five, plus Bonus Ball: 5,992. Prize: $5.

Number matching one of five, plus Bonus Ball: 25,307. Prize: $3.

Estimated jackpot for Wednesday night drawing: $6 million

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Saturday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 17-23-24-28-31.

Number matching five of five: 0.

Prize per winner: $0.

Matching four of five: 126. Prize: $490.

Matching three of five: 4,706. Prize: $9.

Matching two of five: 45,733. Prize: $2.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Monday night.

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Date Book

Monday, Sept. 22, 2003

Today is the 265th day of 2003 and the 94th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1776, Nathan Hale, a captain in the Continental Army, was executed by the British for spying.

On this day in 1789, Congress established the Office of the Postmaster General.

On this day in 1964, "Fiddler on the Roof" premiered on Broadway. The show would close after 3,242 performances.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: John Houseman (1902-1988), producer; Tommy Lasorda (1927-), coach, is 76; Andrea Bocelli (1958-), singer, is 45; Joan Jett (Joan Marie Larkin) (1960-), musician, is 43; Bonnie Hunt (1964-), actress, is 39;

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1966, the Yankees played a home game to a crowd of only 413.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The difference between the impossible and the possible lies in a man's determination." —Tommy Lasorda

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Sept. 18) and new moon (Sept. 26).

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Mastermind reveals 9-11 plot started in 1996

WASHINGTON (AP) — Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, mastermind of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, told U.S. officials the plot was five years in the making and that a wave of suicide attacks was supposed to follow, say interrogation reports reviewed by The Associated Press.

Mohammed said the plan, first developed in 1996, called for hijacking five planes on each American coast, but was changed several times as al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden sought to improve the chances that the attacks could be pulled off simultaneously.

Mohammed, a key captive in the U.S. war on terrorism, also addressed one of the questions raised by congressional investigators in their Sept. 11 review. He said he never heard of a Saudi man named Omar al-Bayoumi who provided rent money and assistance to two airliner hijackers when they arrived in California.

Congressional investigators have suggested Bayoumi could have aided the hijackers or been a Saudi intelligence agent, charges the Saudi government vehemently deny. The FBI also has cast doubt on that theory after extensive investigation.

In fact, Mohammed claims he did not arrange for anyone on U.S. soil to assist hijackers Khalid al-Mihdhar and Nawaf al-Hazmi when they arrived in California. Mohammed said there "were no al-Qaida operatives or facilitators in the United States to help al-Mihdhar or al-Hazmi settle in the United States," one report says.

Al-Mihdhar and al-Hazmi were on the plane that was flown into the Pentagon.

Mohammed portrays those two as central to the plot, and even more important than Mohammed Atta, initially identified as the likely hijacking ringleader. Mohammed said he communicated with al-Hazmi and al-Mihdhar while they were in the United States by using Internet chat software, the reports say.

Mohammed said al-Hazmi and al-Mihdhar were among the four original operatives bin Laden assigned to him for the plot, a significant revelation because they were the only two whom U.S. authorities were seeking for terrorist ties just before Sept. 11.

U.S. authorities continue to investigate the many statements that Mohammed has made in interrogations, seeking to eliminate deliberate misinformation. But they have been able to corroborate with other captives and evidence much of his account of the Sept. 11 planning.

Mohammed told his interrogators the hijacking teams were originally made up of members from different countries where al-Qaida had recruited, but that in the final stages bin Laden chose instead to use a large group of young Saudi men.

As the plot came closer to fruition, Mohammed learned "there was a large group of Saudi operatives that would be available to participate as the muscle in the plot to hijack planes in the United States," one report says Mohammed told his captors.

Saudi Arabia was bin Laden's home country, although it revoked his citizenship in the 1990s and he reviled its alliance with the United States during the Persian Gulf War and beyond. Saudi authorities have suggested bin Laden has tried to drive a wedge between the United States and the kingdom, hoping to fracture the alliance.

U.S. intelligence has suggested that Saudis were chosen, instead, because many were willing to follow bin Laden and they could more easily get into the United States because of the countries' friendly relations.

Mohammed's interrogation report states he told Americans some of the original operatives assigned to the plot did not make it because they had trouble getting into the United States.

Mohammed was captured in a March 1 raid by Pakistani forces and CIA operatives in Rawalpindi. He is being interrogated by the CIA at an undisclosed location.

He told interrogators about other terror plots that were in various stages of planning or had been temporarily disrupted when he was captured, including one planned for Singapore.

The sources who allowed AP to review the reports insisted that specific details not be divulged about those operations because U.S. intelligence continues to investigate some of the methods and search for some of the operatives.

The interrogation reports make dramatically clear that Mohammed and al-Qaida were still actively looking to strike U.S., other Western and Israeli targets across the world as of this year.

Mohammed told his interrogators he had worked in 1994 and 1995 in the Philippines with Ramzi Yousef, Abdul Hakim Murad and Wali Khan Amin Shah on the foiled Bojinka plot to blow up 12 Western airliners simultaneously in Asia.

After Yousef and Murad were captured, foiling the plot in its final stages, Mohammed began to devise a new plot that focused on hijackings on U.S. soil.

In 1996, he tried to persuade bin Laden "to give him money and operatives so he could hijack 10 planes in the United States and fly them into targets," one of the interrogation reports says.

Mohammed told interrogators his initial thought was to pick five targets on each coast, but bin Laden was not convinced such a plan was practical, the reports say.

Mohammed said bin Laden offered him four operatives to begin with — al-Mihdhar and al-Hazmi as well as two Yemenis, Walid Muhammed bin Attash and Abu Bara al-Yemeni.

States trim Medicaid to balance budgets in tight economic times

WASHINGTON (AP) — States cut Medicaid benefits and increased copayments in 2003 to slow spending growth in the low-income health insurance program for the first time in seven years, according to a survey released today.

Average Medicaid spending growth in the 50 states and the District of Columbia was 9.3 percent, down from 12.8 percent a year ago, said the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured. Enrollment in the program over the same period increased 7.8 percent.

By comparison, premiums for employer-sponsored private health insurance increased 13.9 percent over the year.

Diane Rowland, the commission's executive director, said the trends portend uninsured parents and children finding themselves shut out of the program and the elderly and disabled seeing their coverage erode.

"Many will get less care and others will lose it altogether," she said.

The commission is an arm of the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, which supports health research. It has conducted the Medicaid survey annually for three years.

All 50 states and the District of Columbia took some cost-containment actions as they grappled with declining revenue and budget deficits, the survey found. All also said they plan to impose more spending constraints next year.

Most often, states froze or reduced payments to physicians, hospitals, nursing homes and other health care providers. Another popular cost-control strategy curbed payments for prescription drugs with preferred drug lists or copayments. A few states required Medicaid users to buy generic drugs or limited the number of prescriptions that could be filled each month.

Eighteen states responded to the fiscal pressure by reducing benefits, and 20 states plan similar actions next year. Most of the changes involved dropping optional benefits, including some geared toward children. Eliminated coverages included visits to chiropractors, podiatrists, speech therapists and psychologists. Some states imposed limits on hospital stays and annual hospital visits.

Half the states limited eligibility for Medicaid. The changes typically affected few people. Six states tried to drop large numbers of people from the program, but each case they had to delay or cancel the action. About 400,000 people would have lost coverage if the states had carried out their plans, according to the survey.

Seventeen states increased their copayments, and 21 states plan increases for next year.

The problem promises to get worse in 2005 when states exhaust a $10 billion federal windfall that temporarily increased the federal Medicaid matching rate. The survey found states do not expect their fiscal woes to be over when the federal aid runs out.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Couple's talk of commitment may take unexpected turn

DEAR ABBY: I have been dating "Lowell" for more than a year. He's a college graduate with a professional job. We have begun talking marriage, and I am thrilled, but I have one concern: Lowell believes he is from another planet.

When Lowell first mentioned it, I laughed and said, "I thought there was something different about you." The trouble is, he isn't joking! (This is ridiculous because his parents are alive, and I know he was born in Chicago.) Lowell insists that he is "special" and I should feel honored that he loves me.

Last night was the final straw. He said it to my brother and his wife, and they looked at him as if he WAS from another planet. When we got back to my apartment we had a huge fight. I told him never to mention that ludicrous story again to anyone. He insists that if we are going to spend the rest of our lives together, I have to accept him for who he is.

Abby, I love Lowell, but I can't have him telling our friends and family — and our future children — that he is from another galaxy. What should I do? — **NOT EASY BEING AN EARTH GIRL**

DEAR NOT EASY: I have heard of men who are "out of this world," but not in the sense that Lowell is trying to convey. Before discussing marriage any further, talk to Lowell's mother and find out how long he's been nursing this delusion. We all want to be "special," but your young man has taken it to an extreme. His insistence that you should feel "honored" that he loves you is another red flag.

I often advise premarital counseling for couples who are considering marriage. In this case, it should be with a psychotherapist who can identify what Lowell's problem is before it becomes YOUR problem. If he refuses to go, my advice to you is to give him some "space."

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DEAR ABBY: I have been a school bus driver for 11 years. I am responsible for the safety of students traveling to and from school. I am writing because I am alarmed at the number of drivers who do not stop when they see a school bus with flashing red lights.

The law says any time a school bus is stopped with its red lights flashing, all cars must stop. Even drivers going the opposite direction on a divided or four-lane highway must stop.

It normally takes no more than one minute for children to get on or off the bus. What's a minute when it comes to the life of a child? — **CONCERNED BUS DRIVER IN OKLAHOMA**

DEAR CONCERNED BUS DRIVER: Thank you for your timely reminder. School is back in session — and no appointment is more important than safeguarding the lives of children.

So slow down, folks! Ya move too fast. This generation's gotta last. (With apologies to Simon and Garfunkel!)

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 16-year-old girl who has a wonderful grandfather. He insists that I read your column every day. In fact, he calls me up in the afternoon and quizzes me about the letters just to make sure I have read them.

To prove to him that I do read your column, would you please print this and let him know that I think he is an awesome grandfather and that I feel lucky to have him?

(Now I can call and quiz HIM to see if he's read your column today!) — **A.R. IN PENNSYLVANIA**

DEAR A.R.: With pleasure! Please let me know if your discerning and well-read grandfather passes the quiz!

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 09-22-03
♠ 4 2
♥ 7 3
♦ 8 6 5 2
♣ K Q J 10 9

West
♠ Q J 10 9 8
♥ K J 8 4
♦ 4
♣ 6 5 2

East
♠ 7 6 3
♥ Q 10 9
♦ 10 9 7 3
♣ A 7 4

South
♠ A K 5
♥ A 6 5 2
♦ A K Q J
♣ 8 3

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Neither

South	West	North	East
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ Q

Monday, Sept. 22, 2003

Count often useless, sometimes trivial

By Phillip Alder

How do you tell partner how many cards you hold in a suit? Sometimes, by discarding! When you can no longer follow suit, partner knows how many you had originally. At other times, there is little or no point; partner is more concerned with other matters. Occasionally, though, it is vital.

To start the week, an elementary example I have seen many inexperienced pairs misdefend. How should the carding go for East-West to defeat three no-trump?

South is correct to open two no-trump — do not worry about an unstopped suit; that is partner's responsibility.

To get home, South needs to win these nine tricks: two spades, one heart, four diamonds and two clubs. After winning the first trick, declarer should immediately attack clubs, hoping that East nervously holds up his ace for two rounds. And if East thinks South might have three clubs, he will duck twice.

However, when dummy has a semisolid suit like this —especially when there is no side-suit entry — it is vital for the defender without the ace to signal count. He does this by playing high-low with an even number, or up the line with an odd number. (In the United States, a high-low is also called an echo. So, Echo with an Even number.)

Therefore, when West plays the club two on the first round, East knows that South began with either two or four clubs. Since in the latter case, nothing can be done, East should assume the former. And if declarer has only two clubs, East wants to win the second club trick. Here, that defense defeats the contract.

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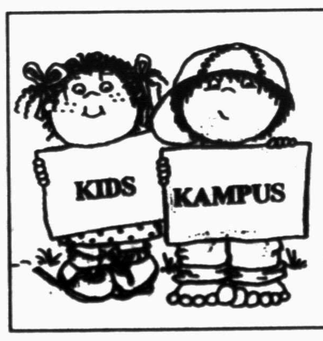

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SPORTS

Netters take 3 of 4 at Wichita Falls

The Snyder netters showed that inexperience can be offset with talent, as the young squad claimed two of three matches at the Texas Team Championships at Wichita Falls.

Dunham

The Tigers opened the tournament by crushing Lubbock Trinity Christian, 16-3, as the boys swept every match in the singles and doubles divisions.

Tanner Reed had the most difficult match against LTC, needing three sets to dispose of Britton Lee. Every other boy won in straight sets, including Joe Ynguanzo, Matt Hale, Austin Lyle, Will Banks and freshman Wesley Price, who did not lose a game to Madison Leaverton.

Reed

Reed and Lyle also did not give away a game in their doubles victory.

The teams of Ynguanzo-Hale and Price and Kenny Alcala also won in straight sets.

The girls lost just two games in singles competiton, including number one Andra Dunham falling to Kaka Admas, 6-4, 2-6, 6-10.

"(Adams) is very, very good," Snyder head coach Ted Phillips said.

Stephanie Williams, Nikki Timora, Meagan Crisp and Krista Dorsett all took care of their LTC opponents.

Dunham and Williams claimed the girls doubles match, as they would do against every foe at the tournament.

Will Banks and Crisp won the mixed doubles match, 6-1, 6-1.

The team played a close match with Sweetwater, with both Snyder number ones cruising to victory. Sweetwater escaped with an 11-8 triumph.

Reed coasted past Mustang A.J. Arteaga, 6-2, 6-0, while Dunham foiled Jessica Carson, 6-3, 6-1.

Price was the only other boy to claim a singles win, stopping Jeff Ludlum 6-2, 6-2.

Williams and Timora grabbed singles wins in the girls division.

On Saturday, Snyder squeaked past 4A Denton, 10-9, before schocking Rider's second team, 10-3, in the final match of the tournament.

Reed and Price each posted straight set wins against Denton, while Williams, Timora, Crisp and Dorsett garnered straight set wins in the girls division.

The boys doubles teams of Reed-Lyle and Alcala-Price each grabbed wins with scores of 6-3, 6-2.

Dunham-Williams glided to an easy 6-2, 6-0 win in the girls category, and Mattie Phillips and Timora also won, 6-4, 6-1.

Reed had his most dominant match of the tournament against Rider, topping Justin Bruce, 6-0, 6-2.

Sterling Millhollen and Price each recorded a three-set victory.

All three boys doubles teams won, while Dunham-Williams and Phillips-Timora also claimed wins in girls doubles.

Banks and Crisp claimed a default win in the mixed doubles division.

"Our number one boys team stepped up and played a lot better, and Andra and Stephanie didn't lose a match," Phillips said. "We are finally learning to play a little. We had streaks where we played really well."

The team will travel to Abilene Tuesday to take on Cooper at 3:30 p.m.

Seminole tops SHS spikers Saturday

The Snyder Lady Tigers were once again plagued by inconsistency Saturday, falling to Seminole in three games, 20-25, 9-25, 23-25.

Drum

The spikers were two points away from forcing a fourth game, leading the Maidens, 23-16, in the final game before a 9-0 run to end the game gave Seminole the victory.

Snyder (1-1) played at a furious clip in the first game, with the teams exchanging the lead several times.

Kelbi Drum had another solid, all-around match, recording nine points, 18 digs and eight assists.

Sarah Crawford provided the presence up front, notching eight kills. She also added two aces and four service points.

Head coach Laura Moses said the team needs to be more aggressive on offense heading into Tuesday's match with district favorite Denver City.

"We were playing patty-cake with the ball — we had no power, we were just tipping it over," she said. "Even when our sets weren't off, our hitters weren't hitting. We were holding back when we should have pounded it."

Crenwelge

Moses lamented several missed opportunities in the match against Seminole.

"We had a lot of hits that went out — we were giving points away," she said, adding that the team would need to be focused against the powerful Fillies. "We have to be tough and play smart."

Kelsi Johnson tallied 17 digs and four points from the back row, while Sarah Henson, Emily Jones and Teddi Crenwelge each added three kills.

The Lady Tigers will battle the Fillies at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Denver City.

Rodeo team places second in both divisions at ENMU

The Western Texas College rodeo team got off to a promising start at last weekend's opening rodeo at Eastern New Mexico University, with both the men's and women's finishing in second place.

The men placed just behind West Texas A&M, with Sam Spreadborough and Tate Stratton each taking first in the short round and first in the average in their respective events.

Stratton paced all bull riders in the short round with a 78.

Spreadborough won the short round in saddle bronc riding with an 80 while finishing in the top spot in the average.

James Irish and Guy Simonton finished third and fourth, with just one point separating them in the final tally. Irish posted a 71, and Simonton had a 70.

Jake Marshall split the short round in bareback riding with a 78, and recorded the third best average at the rodeo.

"I was really pleased with the way the men on both sides of the arena performed," rodeo coach Greg Rhodes said.

Sabrina Lay rode to a second place standing in barrel racing, recording a time of 17.80 and taking second in the average score.

Erin Anglin notched third-place in both the short round and the average in the goat-tying competition, posting a time of 7.9 seconds in the short round.

Rhodes said both teams performed the way he thought they were capable of performing.

"I was extremely pleased with how each individual performed," he said. "I felt like they could do what they did as a team with each one doing their part."

The rodeo team has an open week, before traveling to Alpine for the Sul Ross rodeo Oct. 2-4.

Junior high Gold spikers finish second at Andrews

The Snyder eighth-grade Gold spikers battled to a second place finish at the Andrews junior high volleyball tournament Saturday, taking host Andrews to three games in the championship match.

Snyder opened the tournament with a win in a close, three-game match with Monahans, 25-21, 23-25, 25-21.

Vanessa Pena had nine points — with one ace — in the match.

The spikers again found themselves in a close match against second-round opponent Big Spring, losing the first game 21-25, before responding in the last two games, 25-23, 25-18.

Jordan Derryberry had an ace included in her 10 service points in the match.

The ladies used six points from the Cecelie Slaughter in claiming the first game of the championship match 25-21, but ultimately fell short in the final two games by scores of 15-25 and 20-25.

"The girls put up an awesome fight for the championship," head coach Bradi Johnson said. "These girls play with a lot of enthusiasm."

The seventh-graders claimed one of the three matches they played at the tournament, beating Seminole in the second round, 25-15, 20-25, 25-13.

Stephanie Rodriguez had 15 points — with three aces — and Lareisha Carey added nine points in the win.

Larissa Blackard had two aces and seven points in the opening round match. Snyder fell to Monahans, 25-15, 10-25, 16-25.

The Gold squad dropped its final match in two games to Greenwood, 23-25, 19-25. Chelsea Young had five points and Kailea Shaw added four.

"We have some things we need to work on, but the girls worked really hard," coach Tonya Huestis said.

All four junior high clubs will play today at 5:30 at Colorado City.

Culp, Davis have strong showings at cross country meet

The Hermleigh Lady Cardinals competed in the McMurry cross-country meet Saturday, with Alana Culp placing 44th out of 70 runners in the field.

The Cardinals ran against teams from 3A, 2A and 1A schools.

Alicia Culp, Brittany Kelley, Christy Garcia, Brittainy Jones, Danni Webb, Valerie West and Amy Botts also ran for the Lady Cards.

Marissa Davis was 42nd out 157 in a field of seventh graders in the middle school division. Casey Williamson also competed in the division.

"The girls did a wonderful job," head coach Rebecca Ponder said.

Patterson wins SCGA club championship with a 140

Alton Patterson won the Scurry County Golf Association Club Championship over the weekend at Scurry County Golf Course, firing a 140 in the gross division in the championship flight to outpace David Sharrock by one stroke.

Johnny Powell carded a 138 to win the net division, with Billy Brock taking the runner-up slot with a 140.

In the first flight, Gary Norwood shot a 174 for tops in the gross division, besting Bobby Velasquez, who carded a 177.

In the net division in the same flight, Mackey Greene edged Mickey Nunley by a stroke, 146 to 147.

Keith Boyd ran away from the field in the second flight, recording a 172 gross. Adrian Ramos was second with a 188.

Bryan Brunson posted a 145 in the net division, while Wayne Glass was second with a 147.

Palmeiro wants to end career in Texas

ARLINGTON (AP) — Rafael Palmeiro wants to finish his career with the Texas Rangers. Owner Tom Hicks says that's also what he wants.

Making it happen isn't that easy.

Palmeiro played Sunday night not knowing if it would be his last home game with the Rangers. He is eligible for free agency after this season.

"When you go into an offseason not knowing what's going to happen, it's a little uncomfortable," Palmeiro said. "But I have to deal with it."

When he batted in the first inning against the Angels, Palmeiro got an extended standing ovation from the fans. He popped out on the first pitch.

While both sides want to stay together, the Rangers have made it clear that if Palmeiro returns he will have to take pay cut. Palmeiro made $9 million this season while becoming the 19th player to hit 500 career homers.

Palmeiro, who turns 39 on Wednesday, has said he is willing to play for less money. What is uncertain is just how much of a pay cut the rebuilding Rangers, who are in last place for the fourth straight season, will seek.

"Raffy has always made it clear he wants to finish his career here. We've always made it clear we want him to," Hicks said Sunday. "When we had our very serious conversation before the trading deadline, there was a much bigger gap than I thought there would be, but we'll see."

Hicks won't discuss specific numbers.

The Rangers tried in July to trade Palmeiro to the Chicago Cubs, where he started his career in 1986. The slugger blocked the deal with his no-trade clause.

By not going to the Cubs for the end of the season, Palmeiro may have hurt his chances of staying in Texas.

Texas will have exclusive negotiating rights with Palmeiro until 15 days after the completion of the World Series.

Cards stop Astros, 6-4

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The St. Louis Cardinals made sure it'll be an interesting final week in the NL Central.

Edgar Renteria had a key two-run double and So Taguchi hit a two-run homer in a 6-4 victory over Houston on Sunday, cutting the Astros' NL Central lead to a half-game over Chicago.

The Cardinals took two of three from the Astros over the weekend and are four games back with five to go.

"Like Tino Martinez said the other day, 'Have you ever been on a team that's lost five in a row? Have you ever been on a team that's won five in a row?'" reliever Josh Pearce said. "That happens a lot."

The Astros (84-71) have seven games to go, all at home. They begin a three-game series against the NL West-champion Giants on Monday night, then finish with four games against Milwaukee.

"You want to be in the race going into the last week of the season," manager Jimy Williams said. "With a half-game lead we're certainly in the race."

The Cardinals (81-76) finish with two games in Milwaukee and three in Arizona.

The Astros gave Jeriome Robertson (15-8) a 3-0 lead in the fourth, but he failed to hold it. Robertson, who had won his previous three starts, gave up five runs and five hits in 4 1-3 innings.

Sports Briefs

West hits hole-in-one

Don West nailed a hole-in-one on the par-3 number one at the Western Texas College Golf Course Saturday.

West used a 5-wood from the white tees to hit the ace, which was witnessed by George and Matthew Schoolcraft and Keith Mathies.

Football booster club

The football booster club will meet at 7 tonight in the film room. The Friday night game film will be shown by Coach Rogers.

The booster club is selling honorary & memorial stones placed alongside the walkway at the high school football stadium. If stones are ordered before Wednesday they will be laid before the homecoming game. Stones can be ordered by calling John Harper 573-6420 or Jerry Boyd 573-3840.

Basketball booster club

The boys basketball booster club will meet at 7 tonight in the student center.

Alumni hats

The SHS football booster club is selling hats for Snyder alumni for $30 for homecoming week. The caps feature the name, class and organization, if any. All orders should be put in by Friday for the Oct. 3 homecoming game against Levelland. Contact Mike Tyrrell at 207-2315 for more information.

15th annual Blowout Partnership on tap

The Scurry County golf course will host the 15th annual Blowout Partnership Saturday and Sunday. Cost is $300 per team, and all participants must be 21 or older. The field is limited to 56 and the first 56 paid teams will determine entries.

Shotgun will start at 8 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. both days of the tournament, with scramble being the first round format and lowball the format for the final round. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top four teams. There also will be a welcome and registration date Friday, with a practice round available. Call Rick Mammolite at the pro shop at 573-7101 for more information.

Jamaica volleyball tournament

Our Lady of Guadalupe will be hosting the Jamaica Volleyball Tournament Sunday. Call Louis at 573-7321 for more information.

Flag football league forming

Any teams interested in playing men's flag football should contact Earl Ware at 573-0800. The season begins in October.

WTC golf tournament

The third annual Western Texas College Student Government Association Golf Tournament will be held Oct. 4 at the WTC golf course. Format is four-person scramble, and cost is $120 per team. Shotgun will start at 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Cash prizes will be awarded for the top three teams, and deadline to register is 5 p.m. on Oct. 3. Contact the WTC pro shop at 573-9291 for more information.

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SPORTS

NFL roundup...

Packers wilt in Arizona heat; Bucs ground Falcons

By The Associated Press

The Arizona Cardinals beat the heat and wilting Green Bay for their first victory of the season.

The Cleveland Browns avoided an 0-3 start, too, surprising San Francisco with a last-minute comeback.

The Cardinals upset the Packers 20-13 on Sunday at aptly named Sun Devil Stadium, where it was 102 degrees at kickoff and 106 at the beginning of the fourth quarter.

"The heat did take it's toll, and we were able to capitalize on it," Cardinals newcomer Emmitt Smith said.

The 106 degrees at nearby Sky Harbor Airport was a record for the date, surpassing the 105 recorded in 1949 and 1984.

"The elements are the elements," Packers coach Mike Sherman said. "People come up to Green Bay, and I don't say we beat them because it's cold out. I say we beat them because we won the game. They beat us because they played better than we did — bottom line."

Brett Favre, 35-1 when it's 34 degrees or colder, is 12-18 in games when the kickoff temperature is above 70.

Favre, 23-for-33 for 226 yards and a touchdown, drove the Packers (1-2) to the Arizona 7 in the final seconds. But on third-and-goal, his pass was picked off by Dexter Jackson.

"People got their money's worth today," said Arizona quarterback Jeff Blake, who completed 20 of 31 passes for 273 yards. "I heard somebody in the stands say last week that we were robbing them. Well, we're even now."

Blake threw a 1-yard pass to James Hodgins for the winning touchdown with 3:59 to play.

In San Francisco, Andre Davis caught an 11-yard touchdown pass from Kelly Holcomb with 29 seconds left as Cleveland rallied for two late scores to beat the 49ers 13-12.

Holcomb led the Browns (1-2) on two stirring drives for the victory. Owen Pochman made four field goals for the 49ers (1-2).

"That's Cleveland Browns football: Just wait until the last minute and 35 seconds of the game," coach Butch Davis said.

Humiliated by Jamal Lewis' NFL-record 295 yards rushing last week, Cleveland held the tailback tandem of Garrison Hearst and Kevan Barlow to 32 yards combined.

While Arizona and Cleveland found ways to win, there are still six winless teams: the New York Jets, Jacksonville, Cincinnati, San Diego, Philadelphia and Chicago.

Giants 24, Redskins 21, OT

At Landover, Md., Matt Bryant kicked a 29-yard field goal 4:15 into the extra period for New York.

The Giants (2-1) led 21-3 at halftime, but a mistake-filled second half and bad clock management late in the game allowed Washington (2-1) to tie it on John Hall's 34-yard field goal with 13 seconds left in regulation.

Seahawks 24, Rams 23

At Seattle, Matt Hasselbeck threw a 3-yard touchdown pass to Koren Robinson with a minute remaining and Josh Brown made the extra point as the Seahawks overcame a 13-point deficit.

Marshall Faulk, held to 31 yards on 15 carries for the Rams (1-2), left in the third quarter with an injured left hand. Seattle is 3-0 for the first time in five years.

Bucs 31, Falcons 10

At Atlanta, Warren Sapp scored the first offensive touchdown of his career on a 6-yard catch as the Bucs rebounded from a disappointing loss.

Tampa Bay (2-1) took out all its frustration following a loss to Carolina on the Falcons (1-2), who failed for the second week in a row to give Dan Reeves his 200th coaching victory.

Colts 23, Jaguars 13

At Indianapolis, Reggie Wayne caught a career-high 10 passes for 141 yards and two touchdowns for the Colts.

Indianapolis is off to its first 3-0 start since 1996 and its second such start since 1978. Jacksonville (0-3) has lost five straight dating to the end of last season.

Patriots 23, Jets 16

At Foxboro, Mass., Tom Brady overcame a sore right elbow and scored on a 1-yard run late in the third quarter to lead the Patriots.

Asante Samuel added a TD on a 55-yard interception return for New England (2-1). Vinny Testaverde threw for 264 yards for the Jets (0-3), moving him into eighth place on the NFL's career list with 40,300 yards passing.

Ravens 24, Chargers 10

At San Diego, Jamal Lewis ran for 132 yards and one touchdown, a week after setting the NFL single-game record with 295 yards.

The Ravens (2-1) won their second straight. San Diego (0-3) has been outscored 88-37 this season.

Titans 27, Saints 12

At Nashville, Tenn., Steve McNair threw for 252 yards and two touchdowns, becoming just the fifth quarterback in NFL history to reach 20,000 yards passing with 3,000 yards rushing.

Eddie George had 29 carries for 100 yards and ran for his first touchdown of the season to seal the victory for the Titans (2-1). Deuce McAllister had 11 carries for 8 yards for the Saints (1-2).

Steelers 17, Bengals 10

At Cincinnati, Jerome Bettis scored on a 1-yard touchdown run, and Joey Porter had a sack in his return from gunshot wounds to the buttocks and right thigh.

Porter, who was shot three weeks earlier, made an immediate impact for Pittsburgh (2-1), which kept the Bengals (0-3) in check until the closing minutes.

Vikings 23, Lions 13

At Detroit, Minnesota quarterback Daunte Culpepper had two touchdown runs before missing the second half with a bruised back.

Minnesota (3-0) is off to its best start since winning seven games to start the 2000 season. The Lions (1-2) have lost two straight since beating Arizona in the opener.

Dolphins 17, Bills 7

At Miami, Ricky Williams carried a franchise-record 42 times for 153 yards and one score as Miami (2-1) moved into a tie for the division lead with Buffalo and New England.

The Dolphins made interceptions to end two early scoring threats by the Bills, whose only points came on Nate Clements' 54-yards interception return. Buffalo's Drew Bledsoe completed 10 of 25 passes for just 98 yards with two interceptions and four sacks.

Chiefs run roughshod over Texans

HOUSTON (AP) — Priest Holmes and Dante Hall put on a good show for their family and friends.

Stoked by a home-cooked meal, Hall returned a punt 73 yards for a touchdown. Holmes scored on runs of 6 and 5 yards to lead Kansas City to a 42-14 victory over Houston on Sunday.

It gave the Chiefs their first 3-0 start since 1996 and provided Holmes, a former University of Texas running back from San Antonio, and Hall, a former Houston resident and Texas A&M player, a chance to visit with friends before leaving town in a good mood.

"This is the closest I've played to my hometown since I've been in the league," Holmes said. "It feels really good to play in front of not only Houston fans, but San Antonio fans. I was excited, because I had all my immediate family here."

The homey feeling extended to the field.

Holmes gained 89 yards on 18 carries and caught four passes for 67 yards, and his touchdowns gave him 35 for his career, fourth on the Chiefs' career list.

A Saturday dinner of steak and gravy, mashed potatoes and green beans, topped with a dessert of red velvet cake, gave Hall plenty of energy for a productive homecoming performance.

Hall's punt return was his fifth kick return for a touchdown in his last eight games. He caught two passes for 17 yards and rushed four times for 33 yards and had two kickoff returns for 51 yards.

"It means a lot being back home," Hall said. "I looked at the game in the offseason on the schedule and I saw that it was on my birthday, at home. And I was like, 'Luck can only take you so far, there has to be something from up there, lining it up.'

"Then, for me to go out and score, it was unbelievable."

Hall's third-quarter punt return helped turn the game into a rout.

Hall took the punt at the 27, escaped Jason Simmons and darted around the right side, where he juked punter Chad Stanley. Then Hall picked up his blockers and cut back untouched across the goal line for a 28-7 lead.

The Texans (1-2) trailed by only 14-7 in the third quarter when the game got away from them.

Rookie Tony Hollings, getting his first playing time at running back this season, fumbled after a jarring hit by Jerome Woods. The Chiefs' Dexter McCleon recovered at the Houston 32.

Trent Green hit a wide-open Eddie Kennison for a 15-yard score scoring strike and a 21-7 lead.

The Texans went three-and-out on their next series, and Hall made them pay.

Holmes got to rest later in the game. His backup, Derrick Blaylock, scored on a 20-yard run in the final quarter, the first TD of his career.

The Chiefs went up 42-7 when Shaunard Harts returned an interception of David Carr's pass 39 yards, hurdling Carr at the goal line. Carr tweaked his right calf on the play and left the game for precautionary reasons, allowing Tony Banks to come in and throw a late TD pass to rookie Andre Johnson.

Carr completed 17 of 27 passes for 167 yards and one touchdown. He was sacked only once, but had the experience of being pulled from a game for the first time in his pro career.

Coach Dom Capers, who staunchly kept Carr in the game every minute until Sunday, replaced him in the fourth quarter.

"I did it because I thought the game was out of reach and I thought it would be foolish to take a chance on getting David hurt," Capers said.

Lewis sets course record in claiming 84 Lumber Classic

FARMINGTON, Pa. (AP) — The PGA Tour's latest 40-and-over winner figures he's just getting started.

"I didn't get on tour until I was 35, so really, this is like the prime of my career," J.L. Lewis said.

The 43-year-old Kansan became the third straight 40-plus winner and ninth this year Sunday, closing with a course-record 10-under 62 for a two-stroke victory in the 84 Lumber Classic.

He also shot a 68 Sunday morning in the third round after the remnants of Hurricane Isabel pushed the second round back to Saturday, forcing a 36-hole finale.

"I've been through a lot of these tournaments and it's controlling your nerves, basically," Lewis said. "If you get yourself a chance to win, that's what it comes down to. I think the older players have done more of it."

Lewis tied for second last week in the John Deere Classic, four strokes behind 40-year-old Vijay Singh.

"Nobody put any heat on him," Lewis said of Singh, a three-time winner this year, "but what I noticed the most was that he didn't put any heat on himself."

Players 40-and-over have won 13 of the first 40 tour events this year, with 43-year-old Kenny Perry matching Singh as a three-time winner. Craig Stadler won the B.C. Open at 50, Peter Jacobsen took the Greater Hartford Open at 49, and Fred Couples, Kirk Triplett, Bob Tway and Scott Hoch also have victories.

"You can get pretty beat up if you play a lot and you don't win a lot," said Lewis.

AP Top 25

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Oklahoma (55)	4-0	1,612	1
2. Miami (3)	4-0	1,537	2
3. Southern Cal (2)	3-0	1,495	4
4. Ohio St. (5)	4-0	1,415	5
5. Virginia Tech	3-0	1,304	8
6. Florida St.	4-0	1,265	10
7 LSU	4-0	1,257	11
8. Tennessee	3-0	1,227	12
9. Arkansas	3-0	978	14
10. Oregon	4-0	966	22
11. Michigan	3-1	918	3
12. Georgia	3-1	888	7
13. Iowa	4-0	877	18
14. Texas	2-1	788	13
15. Nebraska	3-0	737	15
16. Kansas St.	4-1	540	6
17. Pittsburgh	2-1	457	9
18. Washington	2-1	441	19
19. TCU	3-0	409	20
20. N. Illinois	3-0	392	—
21. Washington St.	3-1	265	24
22. Purdue	2-1	234	25
23. Missouri	4-0	175	23
24. Minnesota	4-0	168	—
25. Florida	2-2	142	17

Others receiving votes: Toledo 109, Arizona St. 90, N.C. State 90, Louisville 79, Wake Forest 54, Bowling Green 44, Virginia 36, Wisconsin 32, Marshall 24, Oklahoma St. 17, Alabama 11, Miami (Ohio) 9, Air Force 8, Maryland 7, Michigan St. 7, Cincinnati 6, UNLV 6, South Carolina 5, Texas A&M 3, BYU 1.

Mid-Atlantic conference upsets several BCS teams

By the Associated Press

Wake up college football. Look out for the Mighty MAC.

The overlooked conference filled with directional schools and other disrespected programs had the biggest day in its history Saturday.

From Kansas to Alabama to the Glass Bowl in Toledo, Ohio, the Mid-American Conference sent a clear message to college football's big boys: Don't overlook us anymore.

"Heading into the weekend we had a sense our teams would compete well," MAC commissioner Rick Chryst said Sunday. "But I don't know if we ever have had a concentration of games on one day like yesterday. We've had teams spring upsets, but to have so many on one day against elite opponents doesn't happen often."

Marshall started the memorable day with a 27-20 win at No. 6 Kansas State, the highest-ranked team even beaten by a MAC school.

Then Northern Illinois and Toledo followed with big wins of their own at night, with the Huskies winning 19-16 at No. 21 Alabama and the Rockets beating No. 9 Pittsburgh 35-31 at home.

Throw in Miami of Ohio's 41-21 win at Colorado State, which was ranked in the preseason poll, and Bowling Green's narrow 24-17 loss at No. 5 Ohio State and the MAC showed off depth that must make the ACC jealous.

"It was a roller coaster," said Chryst, who was in Alabama for Northern Illinois' win. "You're just tracking each play and cheering like a fan. Everyone in the league shares in those wins. In the long term it really benefits us. In the short term it makes it that much tougher to get games like those scheduled."

Unfortunately, Chryst is correct on that point.

Kansas State coach Bill Snyder, who tries to schedule as many patsies as he can each year, will surely think twice before inviting Marshall back for another visit.

And other big-name schools might be hesitant, too, as they don't want to see their championship aspirations thwarted in September.

Major League Baseball

American League

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-New York	97	58	.626	—
Boston	91	64	.587	6
Toronto	81	74	.523	16
Baltimore	69	85	.448	27½
Tampa Bay	60	95	.387	37
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	87	69	.558	—
Chicago	81	74	.523	5½
Kansas City	81	74	.523	5½
Cleveland	67	90	.427	20½
Detroit	38	117	.245	48½
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	93	63	.596	—
Seattle	89	67	.571	4
Anaheim	73	83	.468	20
Texas	70	86	.449	23

x-clinched playoff spot

Sunday's Games

Boston 2, Cleveland 0
N.Y. Yankees 6, Tampa Bay 0
Toronto 7, Baltimore 4
Minnesota 6, Detroit 4
Kansas City 10, Chicago White Sox 4
Oakland 12, Seattle 0
Anaheim 11, Texas 6

Today's Games

Baltimore at Boston
Tampa Bay at Toronto
Detroit at Kansas City
N.Y. Yankees at Chicago White Sox
Seattle at Anaheim
Texas at Oakland

National League

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Atlanta	97	59	.622	—
Florida	85	70	.548	11½
Philadelphia	85	71	.545	12
Montreal	81	76	.516	16½
New York	63	92	.406	33½
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	84	71	.542	—
Chicago	84	72	.538	½
St. Louis	81	76	.516	4
Pittsburgh	73	83	.468	11½
Cincinnati	67	89	.429	17½
Milwaukee	66	90	.423	18½
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-San Francisco	95	59	.617	—
Los Angeles	82	72	.532	13
Arizona	81	75	.519	15
Colorado	71	85	.455	25
San Diego	61	94	.394	34½

x-clinched division

Sunday's Games

Atlanta 8, Florida 0
Montreal 4, N.Y. Mets 2
Chicago Cubs 4, Pittsburgh 1
Cincinnati 4, Philadelphia 3
Milwaukee 6, Arizona 4
St. Louis 6, Houston 4
Colorado 5, San Diego 3
Los Angeles 7, San Francisco 5

Today's Games

Florida at Atlanta
San Francisco at Houston
Los Angeles at San Diego

National Football League

National Football League

AMERICAN	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
East						
Buffalo	2	1	0	.667	76	34
Miami	2	1	0	.667	58	38
New England	2	1	0	.667	54	57
N.Y. Jets	0	3	0	.000	39	60
South						
Indianapolis	3	0	0	1.000	65	26
Tennessee	2	1	0	.667	59	65
Houston	1	2	0	.333	45	93
Jacksonville	0	3	0	.000	53	85
North						
Baltimore	2	1	0	.667	72	57
Pittsburgh	2	1	0	.667	71	66
Cleveland	1	2	0	.333	32	54
Cincinnati	0	3	0	.000	40	70
West						
Kansas City	3	0	0	1.000	110	48
Denver	2	0	0	1.000	67	23
Oakland	1	1	0	.500	43	45
San Diego	0	3	0	.000	37	88
NATIONAL						
East						
N.Y. Giants	2	1	0	.667	79	69
Washington	2	1	0	.667	70	68
Dallas	1	1	0	.500	48	59
Philadelphia	0	2	0	.000	10	48
South						
Carolina	2	0	0	1.000	36	32
Tampa Bay	2	1	0	.667	57	22
Atlanta	1	2	0	.333	68	77
New Orleans	1	2	0	.333	53	64
North						
Minnesota	3	0	0	1.000	77	51
Detroit	1	2	0	.333	61	78
Green Bay	1	2	0	.333	69	56
Chicago	0	2	0	.000	20	73
West						
Seattle	3	0	0	1.000	89	33
Arizona	1	2	0	.333	44	93
San Francisco	1	2	0	.333	85	47
St. Louis	1	2	0	.333	63	71

Sunday's Games

Minnesota 23, Detroit 13
Tampa Bay 31, Atlanta 10
Kansas City 42, Houston 14
Tennessee 27, New Orleans 12
New England 23, N.Y. Jets 16
Indianapolis 23, Jacksonville 13
Pittsburgh 17, Cincinnati 10
Seattle 24, St. Louis 23
N.Y. Giants 24, Washington 21, OT
Arizona 20, Green Bay 13
Baltimore 24, San Diego 10
Cleveland 13, San Francisco 12
Miami 17, Buffalo 7
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Today's Game

Oakland at Denver, 8 p.m.

Oil Patch News

Scurry County

Kinder Morgan will drill the No. 124-7 SACROC unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, three miles northwest of Snyder. Planned for a depth of 7,200 feet, location is in Section 17, Block 1, J.P. Smith survey.

Kinder Morgan will drill the No. 143-5 SACROC unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, three miles northwest of Snyder. Contracted for 7,200 feet, drill site is in Section 40, Kirkland and Fields survey.

Kinder Morgan will drill the No. 176-7 SACROC unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, four miles northwest of Snyder. Planned for 7,200 feet, location is in Section 261, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Kinder Morgan will drill the No.176-9 SACROC unit in the same field, four miles northwest of Snyder. The project is planned for a depth of 7,200 feet, and location is in Section 151, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Kinder Morgan will drill the No. 180-6 SACROC unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, three miles northwest of Snyder. Planned for a depth of 7,200 feet, location is in Section 16, Block 1, J.P. Smith survey.

Howard County

Sharp Image Energy Inc. will drill the No. 1 Juanita Hamlin, a 4,300-foot re-entry wildcat located 14 miles north of Big Spring. Drill site is in Section 8, Block 32, T2N, T&P survey.

Sharp Image Energy will drill the No. 1 Balch, a 5,900-foot re-entry wildcat located two miles north of Big Spring. Location is in Section 32, Block 32, T1N, T&P survey.

Nolan County

Texas Crude Operating Inc. will drill the No. No. 2-30 Moore, a 6,900-foot wildcat in the Blackwell north field, six miles northeast of Blackwell. Location is in Section 30, Block Z, T&P survey.

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EXECUTED this 17th day of July, 2003.

(s)DOROTHY KAY PETERSEN
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NOTICE is hereby given that a public hearing will be held Monday, September 29, 2003 at 5:00 p.m., at the City Hall, 1925 24th Street, Snyder, Texas, to review Variance Case V-618, a request by Wallace H. Jones Jr. to build within the front yard set back required in an R-1 District at 2902 42nd Street.

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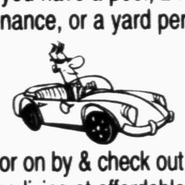

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Vendor paid for Dallas County Sheriff Bowles' meals and trips

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas County Sheriff Jim Bowles accepted meals, airfare and hotel rooms worth thousands of dollars from commissary vendor Jack Madera in the two years before he awarded Madera's company a contract to sell goods in the jail, The Dallas Morning News reported Sunday.

Bowles told the newspaper that he reimbursed Madera or his companies for any expenses except lunches. He said he didn't keep copies of checks that would show the reimbursement.

"I don't keep copies of checks anticipating this," the sheriff said. "No one has ever questioned my integrity before."

Records and interviews show a close relationship between the sheriff and Madera, The News reported. And Bowles has occasionally acted on behalf of Madera, accompanying him on visits to solicit the commissary business of other Texas sheriffs, according to interviews with sheriffs.

At a fund-raiser for the sheriff last week, Madera declined to be interviewed.

Bowles awarded the five-year contract to Mid-America Services Inc., Madera's company, in June 2002. The commissary sells snacks, soft drinks and other products to inmates. The department receives a portion of the $4 million in projected annual revenue to fund some inmate programs and jail costs.

Madera's bid was worth about $600,000 in annual revenue to the Sheriff's Department. Other bidders offered a minimum of $1 million, according to county records.

After county commissioners criticized the deal, Bowles said he was friends with Madera. He later backed off that description and now says they interact only about business.

Between October 1999 and November 2001, Madera paid for 72 meals totaling $3,698 at which Bowles or his top aide, Executive Chief Deputy Larry Forsyth, often were the only guests, according to financial records provided by Madera's former company to The News.

In August 2001, Madera paid for a deep-sea fishing trip in the Gulf of Mexico. Bowles and his grandson were among the guests. The trip cost at least $1,930, according to invoices.

Madera paid $789 for airfare and hotels for Bowles to attend the 2000 and 2001 Sheriffs' Association of Texas annual training conferences in Lubbock and Corpus Christi, respectively. Madera also paid $150 for plane tickets for Bowles' wife to attend the 2001 conference.

Madera's new company advanced the sheriff's $1,211 for airfare and registration to this year's National Sheriffs' Association Annual Conference in Nashville, Tenn., an expense the sheriff later reimbursed the company with campaign funds.

The News obtained Madera's expenses from Mid-States Services, one of the companies that Bowles passed up to award the commissary contract to Mid-America. Madera founded Mid-States almost 20 years ago before selling it to a group of investors in February 1999.

Before he sold his company, Madera persuaded Mid-States to employ him as a consultant. He resigned from that post in February 2002.

John F. Sammons Jr., the chairman and CEO of Mid-States, said he provided the records because they show Bowles is too close to Madera to award him a contract.

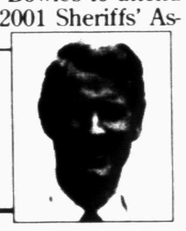
"Sheriff Bowles has never accepted one red cent from Jack Madera," said Clayton P. Henry, the sheriff's consultant in the upcoming campaign. "We consider this to be sour grapes on the part of John Sammons and a political witch hunt supported by Sammons for the benefit of the sheriff's opponent."

Since starting Mid-America, Madera has secured commissary contracts in Dallas, Denton, Nueces, Potter and Tarrant counties. His company also provides inmate meal service to Denton, Johnson, Kaufman, McLennan and Potter counties.

Bowles has rarely relied on the county to pay for his travel. Campaign records show that he has sometimes used his campaign funds to pay for conference registration fees.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Treatment of DVT

DEAR DR. GOTT: Please explain, in simple English, deep venous thrombophlebitis (DVT). Can it be cured? Is surgery necessary? I've been more or less confined to my bed for the past six months.

DEAR READER: Due to a number of factors — such as varicose veins, vein blockage (from pregnancy or tumor), sluggish blood flow and periods of bed rest (especially following surgery) — blood may clot in the leg veins (thrombosis). This is often associated with inflammation of the venous walls (phlebitis). Ordinarily, this condition causes painful leg swelling and tender veins that feel like "cords" because of the clots within them.

The situation is potentially dangerous because pieces of these clots can break off, be carried in the bloodstream, lodge in the lungs and cause chest pain, difficulty breathing and death.

DVT is confirmed by special tests, such as a Doppler ultrasound examination of the legs.

Treatment includes the anti-coagulant drug heparin (given intravenously and acutely) followed by warfarin (given orally for several weeks). The effectiveness of therapy can be monitored by serial ultrasound exams. Sometimes, the affected vein can be "tied off" during a surgical procedure on the legs, or a filter can be placed in the vena cava (the major abdominal vein) to prevent pieces of clot from reaching the lungs.

DVT is treatable without prolonged bed rest — in fact, patients fare better when they are up and around. Ask your doctor about this.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Last October I had my gallbladder removed. Since then I've suffered attacks of upper abdominal pain. The doctors don't believe there are more lodged stones. Is it possible that I could still produce stones without a gallbladder?

DEAR READER: Without a gallbladder, which is a reservoir for bile, you are not likely to manufacture stones; therefore, I do not believe that new stones are your problem.

An old stone, however, might be causing your discomfort. At the time of surgery, the doctors took special pains to remove all your gallstones. Despite their meticulous attention, small stones could have been inadvertently left in the bile duct leading from the liver. You should have further testing, such as an ultrasound examination or CT scan, to investigate this possibility.

Of course, being major surgery, removal of the gallbladder requires extensive post-operative healing. Perhaps this process, which may take up to a year to complete, is causing your pain. In this case, mere patience may cure the difficulty.

Return to your surgeon for clarification and, if necessary, a referral to a gastroenterologist for a second opinion.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Informed Approach to Surgery." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

If readers would like to contact Dr. Gott, they may write him through your newspaper or send their mail directly to Dr. Gott c/o United Media, 200 Madison Ave., 4th fl., New York, NY 10016.

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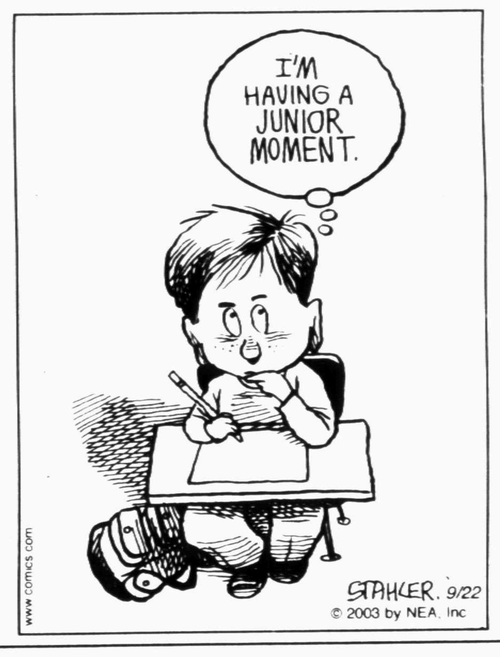

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	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	12.72	12.08	12.41	—.30
AOL TimeWrn	16.14	15.93	16.01	—.27
AT&T Corp rs	23.17	22.25	22.95	+.45
Albertsons	20.86	20.54	20.63	—.49
Alltel	47.43	46.77	46.84	—.60
AmEl Pw	29.50	29.05	29.09	—.58
AndarkPtr	45.90	43.51	44.15	+.55
ATMOS Egy	24.29	24.06	24.09	—.16
Aviall	13.41	13.29	13.31	—.04
BP PLC	42.30	42.00	42.26	+.04
BakerHughes	31.70	30.70	31.10	—.54
Bank of Amer	78.67	78.05	78.27	—.95
BellSouth	25.22	24.95	25.04	—.39
BurlNoSFe	29.12	28.66	28.84	—.56
Caterpillar	71.68	70.14	71.40	+.21
CenterPoint	8.96	8.89	8.91	—.14
ChevronTex	72.22	71.52	71.70	—.66
Citigroup	46.75	45.91	46.01	—.98
CocaCola	43.59	42.70	42.88	—.30
ColgatePal	55.25	54.63	54.79	—.56
CmclMetals	19.00	18.80	18.98	—.07
ConocoPhill	55.80	55.10	55.13	—.88
Cooper Inds	50.25	49.61	49.88	—.38
DaimlrChry	37.92	37.51	37.76	—.75
DeltaAirl	14.45	14.21	14.42	—.16
Dillards Inc	15.36	15.09	15.22	—.20
DowChem	33.55	32.89	33.04	—.51
DuPont	41.95	41.63	41.77	—.49
EastmanChem	34.37	33.47	33.80	—.62
EstKodak	28.07	26.90	28.02	+.22
EDS Corp	21.10	20.79	20.85	—.25
Entergy	54.69	54.04	54.07	—.61
ExxonMobil	36.98	36.35	36.45	—.54
FootLocker	16.97	16.70	16.85	—.12
GenDynam	83.87	82.88	83.21	—1.01
GenElec	31.90	31.30	31.37	—.56
GenMills	47.04	46.77	46.83	—.31
GenMotors	41.89	41.40	41.40	—.48
GaPacific	24.82	24.60	24.66	—.29
Goodrich	25.92	25.50	25.51	—.54
Goodyear	7.95	7.71	7.72	—.32
GtAtlPac	9.50	9.17	9.28	—.22
Halliburtn	24.96	24.40	24.77	+.40
Hanson ADS	32.87	32.62	32.81	—.40
HarteHanks	18.87	18.68	18.73	—.27
HomeDepot	32.99	32.45	32.84	—.26
HoneywellInt	27.95	27.60	27.82	—.15
IBM	92.57	91.35	91.51	—1.77
IntlPaper	40.72	40.26	40.50	—.46
JohnsonJn	50.15	49.81	49.90	—.41
KinderMorg	52.51	52.25	52.27	—.43
Kroger Co	18.25	17.76	18.10	—.06
LockheedM	48.60	47.60	47.65	—1.05
Lowes Cos	53.75	52.90	53.32	—.58
Lubys	2.37	2.32	2.36	
LucentTech	2.31	2.20	2.22	—.09
MarathonOil	28.30	28.02	28.09	—.26
MayDeptStr	25.65	25.05	25.05	—.92
Medtronic	48.85	47.91	47.91	—.52
Motorola	12.40	11.84	12.26	+1.17
NCR Corp	30.70	29.60	29.75	—.95
Navistar	41.00	40.29	40.74	—.70
PNM Rescs	28.62	28.13	28.13	—.62
Penney JC	22.80	22.67	22.75	+.08
PepBoys	17.01	16.75	16.81	—.24
PepsiCo	45.70	45.23	45.26	—.50
PhelpDodge	50.21	49.62	49.86	—.35
PilgrmPrd B	13.52	13.31	13.47	—.14
Praxair	62.23	61.77	62.00	—.80
ProctGamb	92.55	91.65	91.65	—1.02
RadioShack	29.05	28.43	28.65	—.65
RoyalDut	44.83	44.62	44.68	—.38
SBC Comm	23.82	23.18	23.26	—.60
SaraLee	18.80	18.61	18.61	—.27
Scripps EW	86.80	85.61	85.68	—1.30
SearsRoeb	45.95	44.80	45.94	+.10
SherwinW	30.36	29.90	30.01	—.48
SouthernCo	29.27	28.80	28.84	—.42
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SprintFON	16.06	15.75	15.95	—.16
SprintPCS	6.07	5.90	6.03	—.07
Sunoco Inc	39.46	39.22	39.30	—.21
TXU Corp	23.37	23.15	23.22	—.14
TempleInland	51.31	51.00	51.05	—.63
TexInd	27.01	26.45	26.51	—.56
TexasInst	23.83	23.25	23.72	—.45
Textron	43.70	42.46	42.46	—1.24
TrinityInds	26.83	26.50	26.64	—.29
TylerTech	7.20	7.01	7.10	—.14
UnionPacif	60.15	59.75	59.88	—.67
USSteel	19.42	19.08	19.17	—.43
UnitedTech	79.16	78.43	78.55	—.60
Unocal	31.70	31.44	31.65	—.23
VerizonComm	35.00	34.62	34.64	—.61
WalMart	57.75	57.10	57.10	—1.04
WellsFargo	51.67	50.43	51.03	—.64
WstnGasRs	37.78	37.55	37.78	+.06
WinnDixie	10.24	10.12	10.21	+.01
Xerox Cp	10.65	10.38	10.52	—.13
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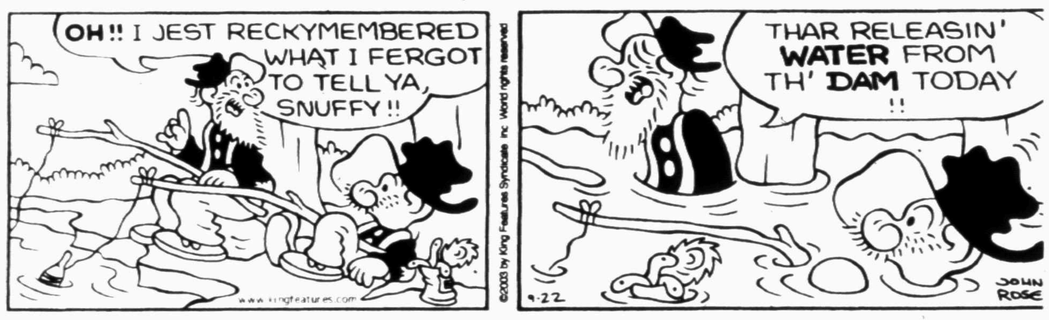

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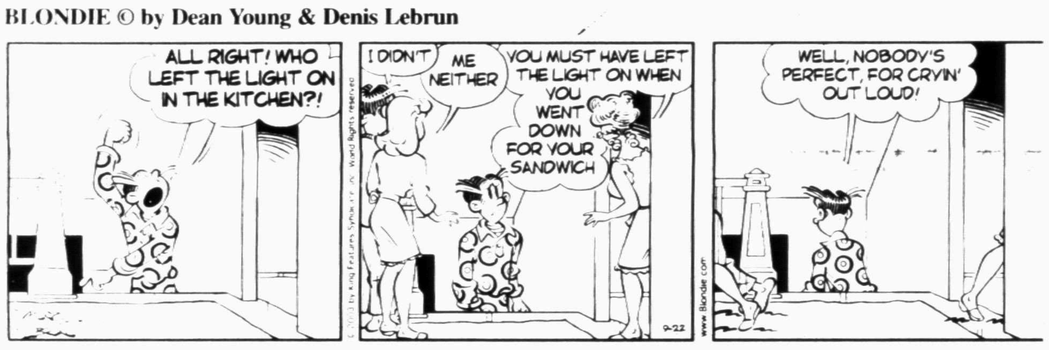

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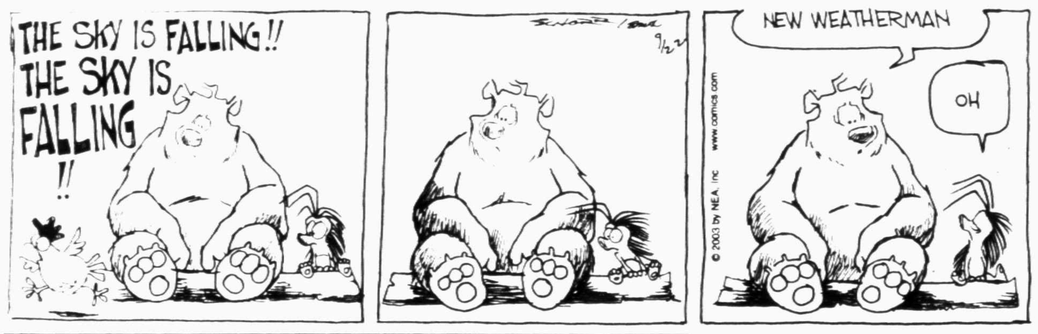

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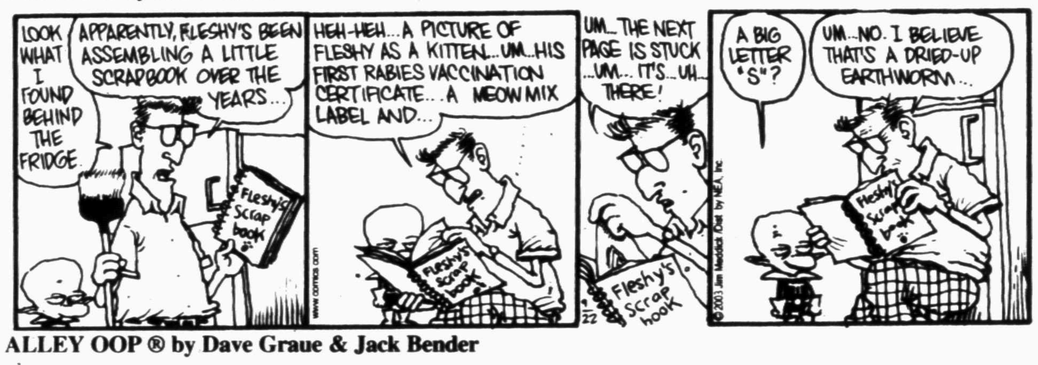

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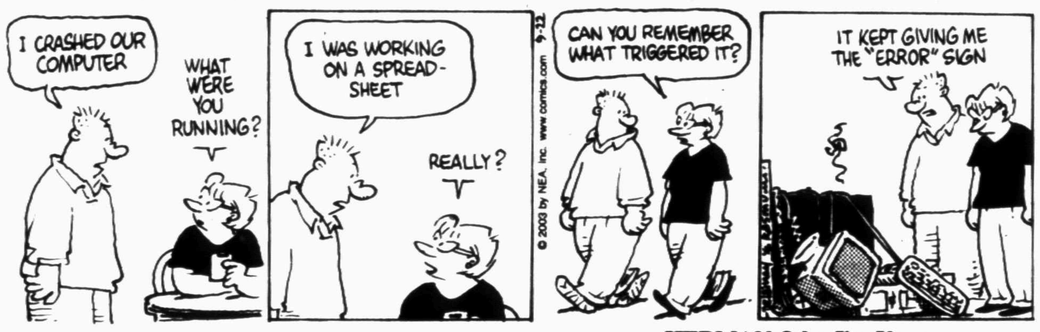

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"Why did you move your plate?"

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ACROSS

1 Really impress
4 Satellite
8 Tear
11 Just fine
13 Atmosphere
14 — Lanka
15 Old barge canal
16 Diagnostic device (hyph.)
17 French wine
18 Trek
20 Cathedral part
21 Crater edge
22 Gore- —
24 Meadow
27 Deceive (2 wds.)
30 Call it — —
31 Had been
32 Bubble —
34 Thing, in law
35 Boarding school
36 Came to
37 Greece's sea
39 Mushroom
40 Kennel sound
41 Ipanema's city
42 It may be read
45 Principles
49 "I" trouble
50 Seductive woman
53 Can. neighbor
54 Fabled bird
55 Kirghiz range
56 "Yanks" star
57 Word of disgust
58 Look after
59 Make a hem

DOWN

1 Sorrows
2 Gumbo ingredient
3 Foundling
4 Adage
5 Royal pronoun
6 Mouths, in zoology
7 Opposing vote
8 Invitation plea
9 Eye part
10 Tree with needles
12 Every January
19 "Get — of that junk!"
20 Chop
22 Furniture protector
23 Scrape by
24 Remote
25 Game plan
26 Slacken off
27 MTV watcher
28 Dr. Frankenstein's gofer
29 Microwave, slangily
31 Encase
33 Brooks or Tillis
35 Canadian prov.
36 Courting
38 Sock hop locale
39 Blend
41 Swift
42 Amazon source
43 Excited
44 — Ness monster
46 Poems
47 Colt's parent
48 Twist
50 Cauldron
51 Malt beverage
52 Guy

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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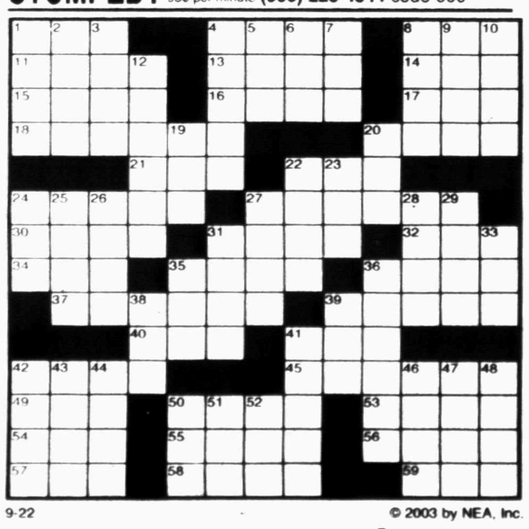

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Galileo spacecraft enters Jupiter in suicide plunge

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Hundreds of scientists and engineers gathered to pay their last respects to the Galileo spacecraft as NASA's aging explorer self-destructed in Jupiter's turbulent atmosphere.

The unmanned spacecraft, traveling at nearly 108,000 mph, was torn apart in a plunge into the planet's atmosphere at 2:57 p.m. EDT Sunday, ending its 14-year, $1.5 billion exploration of Jupiter and its moons.

"We haven't lost a spacecraft, we've gained a new stepping stone in exploration," said Torrence Johnson, the mission's project scientist, who watched the end of Galileo's 2.8 billion-mile journey from Earth at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

Another scientist on the mission, Rosaly Lopes, called Galileo's fiery descent "a spectacular end to a spectacular mission."

"Personally, I am a little sad," Lopes said. "I had the time of my life on Galileo and I'm a little sad to say goodbye to an old friend."

NASA opted to crash the 3,000-pound Galileo, whose onboard store of fuel was soon to be depleted, in order to avoid the possibility it would crash into the watery moon Europa and contaminate it with any microbes harbored aboard the spacecraft. Were Earth bugs to survive on Europa, they could compromise future attempts to probe the moon for indigenous life.

Galileo is the first planetary spacecraft NASA has intentionally destroyed since it steered the Lunar Prospector into the Earth's moon in 1999.

Despite being plagued by glitches, Galileo was one of NASA's most fruitful missions, discovering the first moon of an asteroid, witnessing the impact of a comet into Jupiter and providing firm evidence of salty oceans on three of the planet's moons. Scientists consider one of the three, Europa, the most likely place in the solar system to harbor extraterrestrial life.

Among the most stunning of the 14,000 images returned by Galileo were those of the moon Io. Galileo caught some of the moon's more than 150 volcanoes actively spewing lava and plumes of dust and gas.

The last of Galileo's science measurements arrived on Earth after the spacecraft was destroyed Sunday, taking 52 minutes to cross half a billion miles of space at the speed of light.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2003

In the year ahead your social life could reach new levels of fulfillment, not just by bringing you much happiness, but also by adding to other areas of your life where things haven't gone as perfectly as you'd have liked.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — The more difficult the task you take on, the more methodical it must be handled today. If you use a hit-or-miss approach, you are quite likely to nail yourself to the floor.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Conditions could be somewhat uncertain for you today, especially if you're attempting to try something new. Be sure your rocket doesn't have any fuel leaks before you light the fuse.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Timing will be essential today, so you must be on guard regarding your objectives not to make changes at the wrong time with the wrong people. Stick to your initial game plan.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Try not to bring up issues today that you know from experience can get someone riled up and on the defensive. This person might really lose his or her cool, with you being the target.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Be careful what you lend out today and to whom you lend it. If you don't know the person's track record on repayment, you'd be wise not to offer help, unless you're prepared to take a loss.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — This is not a day to show any reluctance to cooperate with people who you don't especially like. They could make things quite difficult for you if you don't make a few concessions.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Although you'll be industrious today and have a number of new projects you'd like to start, you could end up spinning your wheels jumping from one to the other and getting nothing done.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — It might seem to you that people in general appear to be a bit difficult to get along with today. However, the real cause could stem from your being too exacting and demanding. Lighten up.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Jumping to conclusions can be one of your biggest problems from time to time, and this may be the case today. Take the necessary time to gather all the facts instead of rushing to judgment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Be extremely careful that you don't use negative emotion to phrase your comments to others today. The deeper you feel about something, the more careful you'll need to be in expressing it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Carelessness on your part today could cause you to damage or lose something that is of great value to you. Take extra precautions to protect your holdings and belongings.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — One-on-one relationships could be a bit problematic for you today, especially if you are more reactionary than patient and introspective. Don't let small issues get out of hand.

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Girls' mourners urged to protect children

HOUSTON (AP) — At the funeral for three slain sisters, preachers and leaders from south Houston's black community called for a more careful watch over children.

For about three hours Saturday, the eulogists of 15-year-old Naikesha Patterson, 11-year-old Ashley Patterson and 10-year-old Brittany Patterson spoke of the need for involvement.

"You know what happened — you were asleep, the shepherd was asleep," minister Jeffrey Bonner said. "We spend too much time not realizing we are in a fight with the devil. Now it's wake-up time. It's time for us to stand up and be the people that God called us to be."

The three girls, along with older sister Shemeka Patterson and mother Sheila Patterson, were shot in their home just before dawn on Sept. 11. Sheila Patterson attended the funeral service at Greater St. Matthew Baptist Church, but 16-year-old Shemeka Patterson remains hospitalized.

Anthony Francois, a 35-year-old ex-convict, is charged in the girls' deaths. He is in Harris County Jail awaiting trial for capital murder.

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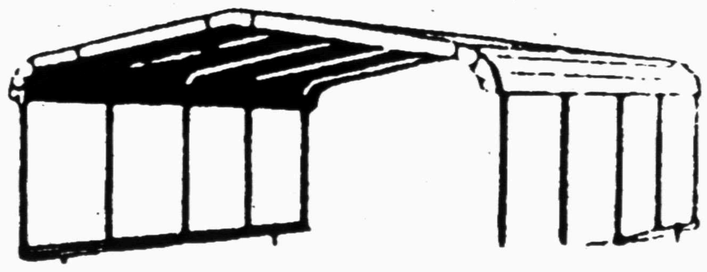

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Car bomb explodes near U.S. site

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A car bomber killed an Iraqi policeman and himself outside the U.N. headquarters in Baghdad today, a month after a deadly bombing there.

The attack, which came as the United Nations considers expanding its role in Iraq, also injured 19 people, including two Iraqi U.N. workers.

The blast occurred at the entrance to a parking lot next to the U.N. compound at the Canal Hotel, scene of a devastating car bombing last month that killed about 20 people, including the U.N.'s top envoy.

The blast was heard throughout the city and hurled the hood of the car some 200 yards. The arm of one victim lay more than 100 yards away.

"It was as if I was being pushed and thrown three meters from where I was standing," said a passer-by, Wissam Majid, who was slightly injured. "I saw fire and smoke. I started running away and then I lost consciousness."

A U.N. official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the bomber wore an explosives belt and also had a 50-pound bomb in the car.

Secretary-General Kofi Annan warned that if the situation continued to deteriorate, U.N. operations in Iraq "will be handicapped considerably."

"I am shocked and distressed by this latest attack on our premises in Baghdad, Annan said at the United Nations.

"We are assessing the situation to determine what happened, who did it, and taking further measures to protect our installations," he said.

The bombing occurred when a gray 1995 Opel with Baghdad license plates approached the parking lot, said Master Sgt. Hassan al-Saadi, among the first on the scene.

"A guard went to search the car, opened the trunk and the car exploded, killing him and the driver. When I arrived, there was fire and smoke, even the guard's body was ablaze," he said.

Capt. Sean Kirley of the U.S. 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment said the Iraqi police had a warning of the attack shortly before it happened. He would not elaborate.

Sexual assault report, accidents top police blotter

• Sexual assault

Nolan County sheriff's office reported a 35-year-old female residing in Blackwell had informed them that she had been sexually assaulted while in Snyder. The subject was transported to Snyder PD and a report for sexual assault was filed. The case is still under investigation.

• Arrests

Saturday at 3:03 p.m., a 24-year-old man was arrested at 1300 26th Street on warrants for no liability insurance and failure to appear.

At 9:59 p.m. Saturday, a juvenile male was arrested in the 4100 block of College Avenue for no Texas driver license, and minor in possession of tobacco and alcohol.

Darrell Wayne Mosher, 21, of 2605 Ave. F. was arrested at 1 p.m. Sunday at Allsup's in Hermleigh for an outstanding warrant on fugitive arrest out of Nolan County and for driving while intoxicated.

Amber Nicole Digby, 23, of Hermleigh, was taken into custody Sunday at 6:08 p.m. She was detained at United Supermarket after being caught shoplifting, then arrested on a felony warrant for forgery, and misdemeanor warrants for theft by check and motion to revoke with original charge of possession of marijuana.

Sunday at 6:12 p.m. a 34-year-old man was arrested on Hwy. 208 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

• Assault

At 3:58 p.m. Saturday, a woman reported seeing one woman assault another in front of a residence on FM 1606, and possibly doing damage to a vehicle. A report for Class A assault was submitted.

• Family violence

On Saturday, a woman reported that another woman who came to her house to pick up her children had been assaulted. A report for family violence was filed.

• Threats

Sunday at 3:10 p.m. a woman requested an officer in reference to a man making threats to harm her dogs and damage her property. She reported that he was en route from San Angelo. Tom Green County sheriff's office also requested an attempt to locate on the man on a felony warrant for motion to revoke probation with original charge of sexual assault of a child. They also advised that the subject would be armed with a .38 firearm. A close patrol of the woman's residence was initiated.

• Accidents

Friday at 6:06 p.m. a two-vehicle accident was reported 15 miles east of Snyder on U.S. 84. Involved were a 2003 Mercury, driven by Gail Greer, 53, of Sweetwater, and a 1985 Toyota pickup, driven by Aniceto Talamantez, 61, of Roscoe. The first vehicle had two passengers, Kaci Greer, 7, and Bailey Greer, 10. No injuries were reported.

Saturday at 5:56 p.m., a three-car accident occurred in front of the Movie Gallery on College Ave. Involved were a 2003 Oldsmobile driven by Janecia Zamora, 18, of 1111 13th Street, a 2003 Chevrolet driven by Catherine Castillo, 18, of Big Lake, and a 2001 Oldsmobile driven by Ricia Gordon, 16, of 3789 Dalton Dr.

The second vehicle had four passengers, Genesis Castillo, 3; Rigo Gonzalez, 16; Abel Martinez, 16; and Juan Martinez, 18. Gordon, the driver of the third vehicle, was taken to Cogdell Memorial Hospital by private vehicle where she was treated and released.

At 8:19 Saturday, a two-vehicle accident occurred at 1200 30th Place. Involved were a 1989 Cadillac, driven by Cindy Garcia, 44, of 3007 Ave. Y, and a 2003 Ford pickup, driven by Esteban Garcia, 31, of Seminole. The first vehicle had one passenger, Stotan Isbell, 3. No injuries were reported.

ASB offers top prize in 'punt, pass, kick'

Texas Tech's 2003 homecoming could mean more than football, food and reunions to one lucky Red Raider fan — $100,000 more.

American State Bank will stage its Cash Kickoff Campaign, with a punt, pass and kick contest to put that six-digit prize into one winner's pocket.

Hopefuls may register now at the American State branch located at 3610 College Ave. Drawings will be held Oct. 8. Sixteen contenders (one from each ASB branch town) will come to Lubbock Oct. 11 for the final drawing and competition in Jones-SPC Stadium during halftime of Tech's homecoming game with Iowa State.

The winners there will start at the goal line, then punt, then pass, and then try to kick a field goal. If the kick is good, he (or she) will receive $100,000. If it's no good, he (or she) will still receive a $1,000 savings bond; and each of the 15 other finalists will receive a $500 bond.

There will be some rules, of course: no professional athletes, no recent college football players — but almost everyone else is eligible to try to make it a big money occasion. Complete rules are posted at each ASB location.

Births

Blake and Tara White announce the birth of their son, Zackary Allen White, at 3:40 a.m. on Sept. 19 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Zachary weighed seven pounds, 6½ ounces.

His grandparents are Billy and Paula Allen and Art and Pat White, all of Snyder.

Courtney and Janie Melissa McGough announce the birth of their daughter, Jasimen Rose, at 10:44 a.m. on Sept. 19 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Jasimen weighed seven pounds, nine ounces and was 21 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Kevin Courtney and Lupe Espinoza, both of Snyder, and maternal grandparents are Trina McGough of Snyder and the late Terry McGough.

Schwarzenegger is in The Rock's film

BOSTON (AP) — As Arnold Schwarzenegger builds up his clout on the campaign trail, he's pumping up The Rock's role as musclebound action hero.

In one scene of the new Hollywood action flick "The Rundown," the California gubernatorial hopeful walks by the pro-wrestling superstar's character and advises him to have fun — a symbolic passing of the action-hero torch.

According to The Rock, the exchange with the Governator wasn't part of the original script.

The Schwarzenegger cameo came after a lunch that brought together the two action stars and "Rundown" director Peter Berg.

Obituaries

Flo Price

1913-2003

STERLING CITY — Florine (Flo) Price, the mother of Lois Cave of Snyder, died Saturday, Sept. 20.

Funeral service for Mrs. Price, 90, is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Sterling City Church of Christ. Burial will follow in the Foster Cemetery under the direction of Ross Funeral Home.

Flo Price

Born Aug. 14, 1913 in Throckmorton County, she attended high school in Goree and earned her B.A. degree from Texas State College for Women in Denton.

At age 19 she began teaching primary grades in a one-room school at Brushy School in Haskell County. She began teaching math in Sterling City in 1936 and held this position for eight years.

She married Foster Sims Price on Jan. 29, 1944. Mrs. Price was a member of the Sterling City Church of Christ and taught Bible classes. She also was active in school and civic activities in Sterling City.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Foster Price; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hill Allen; a brother, Rex Allen; and a sister, Jo Moore.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Allen and Tanis Price of San Angelo and Frank and Ginger Price of Sterling City; two other daughters and their husbands, Elaine and Courtney King of San Angelo and formerly of Snyder and Shirley and Daniel Johnson of Big Spring; another son-in-law, James Cave of Snyder; three brothers and sisters-in-law, Mark and Vivian Allen of Clarendon, Taylor and Margie Allen of Goree and Rhoades and Jean Allen of Denton; a sister, Lois Liles of Throckmorton; 14 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 7 this evening at the Sterling City Church of Christ.

Hazel White

1912-2003

Services for Hazel Lena White, former longtime resident of Dunn, are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. White, 91, died today in Hendrick Wisteria Place in Abilene.

Born July 18, 1912 in Ennis, she married Grady White on Jan. 18, 1930 in Dunn. He died Sept. 15, 1989. She was a homemaker and a longtime member of the Dunn Baptist Church.

She also was preceded in death by a son, Foy "Butch" White in 1985; a daughter, Gwendolyn Lou White in 1937; two brothers; and four sisters.

Survivors include two daughters, Joyce Bond and Ellen Campbell. both of Abilene; two sons, Bobby Jack White of Gladewater and Andrew James White of Abilene; a brother and sister-in-law, J.L. and Doris Byars of Snyder; 15 grandchildren; and a number of great-grandchildren.

John Garcia

1926-2003

John Garcia, 87, died Sunday, Sept. 21, in Odessa Regional Hospital.

Services are pending with Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Kay Sissentstein

1922-2003

RIVERSIDE, Calif. — Kay King Sharp Sissenstein, the sister of Bill King of Snyder, died this morning in Riverside, Calif.

Services for Mrs. Sissenstein, 81, are pending.

She was born in 1922 in Snyder.

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Intervals of clouds and sunshine. High 83F. Winds SSW at 10 to 15 mph.	Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the low 60s.	Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the upper 50s.
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TEXAS AT A GLANCE

Saturday high, 82; low, 59
Sunday high, 81; low, 59
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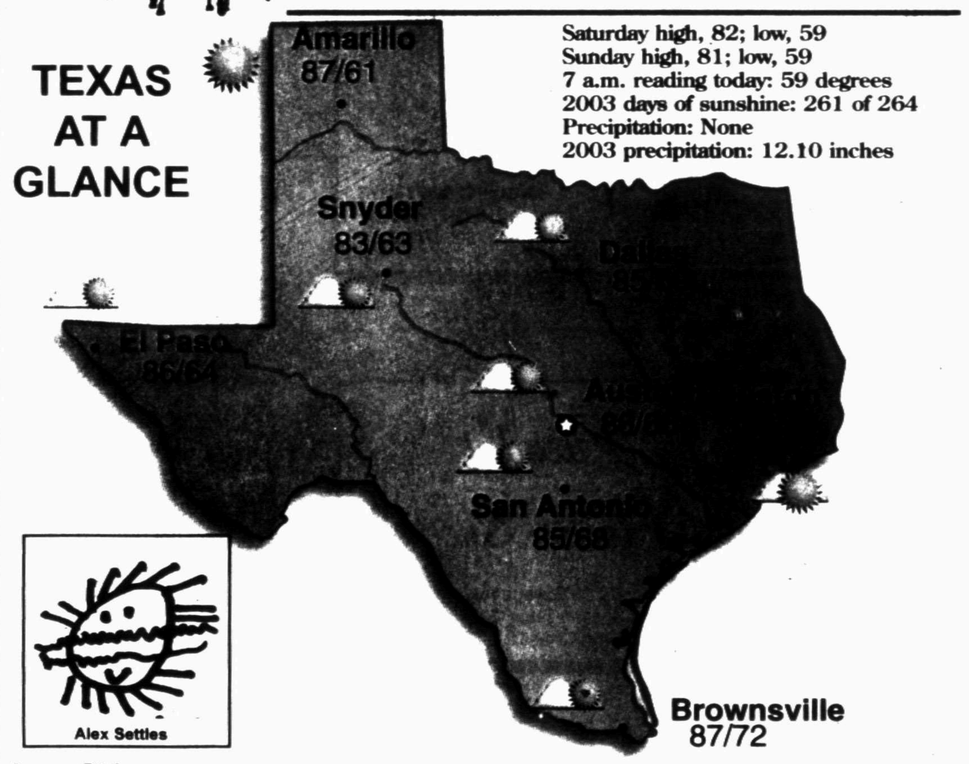
2003 days of sunshine: 261 of 264
Precipitation: None
2003 precipitation: 12.10 inches



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Amarillo	87	61	sunny	Fort Stockton	83	63	pt sunny	Raymondville	87	69	pt sunny
Austin	86	66	pt sunny	Gainesville	84	64	mst sunny	Rosenberg	87	67	mst sunny
Beaumont	86	66	sunny	Greenville	83	64	mst sunny	San Antonio	85	68	pt sunny
Brownsville	87	72	pt sunny	Houston	86	67	mst sunny	San Marcos	87	67	pt sunny
Brownwood	88	65	pt sunny	Kingsville	87	69	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	84	63	mst sunny
Corpus Christi	86	70	pt sunny	Livingston	87	63	mst sunny	Sweetwater	85	65	pt sunny
Corsicana	85	66	mst sunny	Longview	85	63	mst sunny	Tyler	85	65	sunny
Dallas	85	69	pt sunny	Lubbock	85	63	pt sunny	Weatherford	85	64	pt sunny
Del Rio	87	70	pt sunny	Lufkin	87	65	sunny	Wichita Falls	87	67	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond
Atlanta	81	55	pt sunny	Houston	86	67	mst sunny	Phoenix	97	76	pt sunny
Boston	72	58	rain	Los Angeles	81	64	mst sunny	San Francisco	79	57	pt sunny
Chicago	69	57	mst sunny	Miami	88	76	t-storm	Seattle	68	49	pt sunny
Dallas	85	69	pt sunny	Minneapolis	71	55	pt sunny	St. Louis	74	59	sunny
Denver	82	50	mst sunny	New York	76	59	rain	Washington, DC	77	58,	pt sunny

Moon Phases

Last	New	First	Full
Sep 18	Sep 26	Oct 2	Oct 10

UV Index

Tue 9/23	Wed 9/24	Thu 9/25
High	High	High

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 — 11

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