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THURSDAY
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Home of Olivia Haley

HELP, BAIL US OUT — Kurt Maxwell, Vicki Mahoney, Nelda Colvin and Todd Sorrells were desperate for donations to the Muscular Dystrophy Association so they could be released from "jail" Wednesday. The MDA fund drive was held at American State Bank. The total amount of money raised will be released at a later date. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

5:40 p.m. performance...

One-act crew seeking UIL state title Friday

One more contest to go.

Snyder High School drama director Brad Vincent and the cast and crew of the *Taming of the Shrew* left Snyder Wednesday afternoon bound for the UIL state one-act-play contest in Austin.

SHS will test its mettle against seven other schools in Class 4A. Plays will compete back to back starting at 4 p.m. Friday. Rehearsals will be Friday morning.

SHS will rehearse at 10:25 a.m. at Bass Concert Hall and perform at 5:40 p.m.

First to perform will be Houston Sterling. *Fences* takes the stage at 4 p.m., followed by Bay City's *Hamlet* at 4:50; and then Snyder.

Southlake Carroll's *Paganini* performs at 6:30 p.m. Tyler Chapel Hill's *The Foreigner* follows at 7:30 p.m. and Pharr-San Juan-Alamo's *Angel* takes the stage at 8:20 p.m., followed by Denton's *Our Country's Good* at 9:10 p.m. Austin Johnston will perform *Lie of the Mind* at 10 p.m.

Cast members of *Taming of the Shrew* are Austin Haire, Bobby Sands, Brandon McCraw, Caleb Durham, Crissida Tyler, Emily Vinson, Hayli Henderson, Kelli Henderson, Mark Haines, Matt Coronado, Michael Compton, RJ Sanders, Sara Cantu, Valery Haines, Whitney Graham.

Members of the production staff include Haley Elkins, production manager; Josh Heaton, stage manager/lights; Shahala Massingill, costumes, Kendall Brewster, house manager; Casey Walker, props.

Snyder last won state in 1995.

To get to the state contest, Snyder had to advance from three 4-4A contests, including south zone, district, the Area 2 4-A contest, and Region I 4-A. Students also picked up several acting awards along the way.

At the region level, Hayli Henderson and Brandon McCraw were named to the all-star cast, and Michael Compton and Kelli Henderson received honorable mention.

At area, students garnered four acting awards, including Brandon McCraw, best actor; Mark Haines, all-star cast; Hayli Henderson and Matt Coronado, honorable mention all-star cast.

At district, SHS students won seven acting awards, including Brandon McCraw, best actor; Hayli Henderson, best actress; Austin Haire, Kelli Henderson, and Mark Haines, all-star cast; and RJ Sanders and Michael Compton, honorable mention.

Snyder earned five zone acting awards, including Brandon McCraw, best actor; Hayli Henderson, all-star cast; Bobby Sands, Kelli Henderson and Mark Haines, honorable mention all-star cast.

Snyder man is sought for Stamford robbery, assault

A 29-year-old Snyder man is being sought as a result of a robbery, assault and sexual assault that occurred in Stamford early today.

Kenneth Clinton Studyvin, 29, of 3709 Highland is a suspect in the incident that occurred at a relative's house in that community.

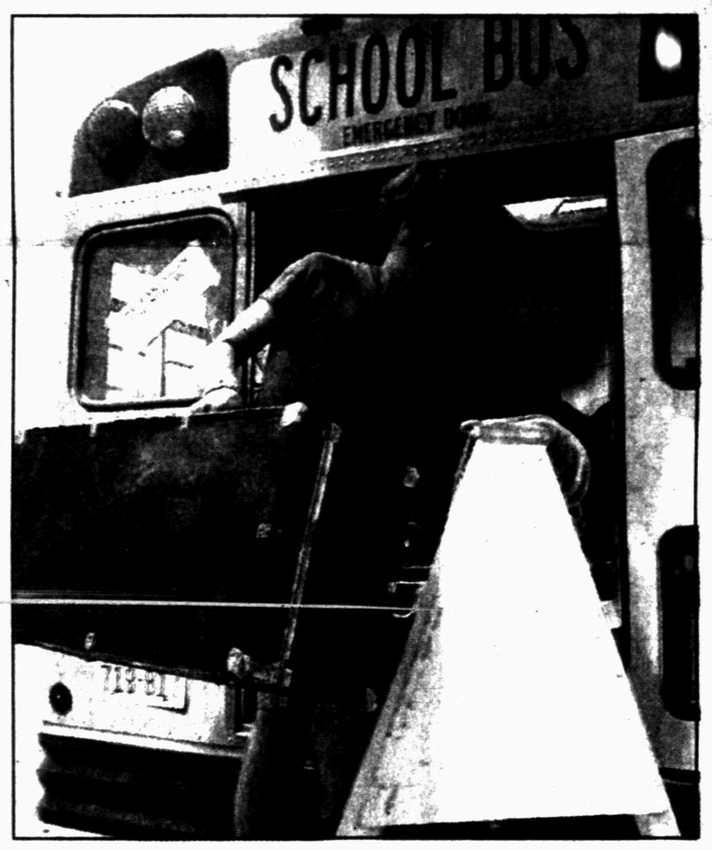
Capt. Patti Daniel of the Stamford Police Department said Studyvin is believed to be the person who broke into the Stamford residence around 2:50 this morning.

Capt. Daniel said both family members were assaulted and suffered minor injuries. The woman also was allegedly sexually assaulted, said Capt. Daniel. Neither was hospitalized, however.

Taken from the residence were three guns, ammunition and an unknown amount of money. The guns are a .22-caliber pistol, a .38-caliber pistol and a replica of an M1 rifle.

Capt. Daniel said Studyvin is on parole from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and had been wearing an electronic monitor.

Studyvin is believed to be driving a brown Ford pickup with a Valentine Exterminators sign on the door.



HEADED TO AUSTIN — The cast and crew of Snyder High School's state-bound one act play, *Taming of The Shrew*, loaded up Wednesday afternoon for the trip to Austin. RJ Sanders is pictured putting a trunk full of props on the bus. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The flat tax is already here. The bottom line will flatten your wallet."

Unless you filed for an extension, and the Infernal Revenue Service says more and more folks do, you may have thought that the tax season was a thing of the past.

Not so, it really ends tomorrow. A group called Texas Citizens for a Sound Economy calls it Tax Freedom Day.

Tomorrow is the day that the average American has worked enough to have paid all their taxes for the year. It's the latest in the year that Tax Freedom Day has ever come.

Since 1993, Tax Freedom Day has moved later and later into the calendar. The last time Texans celebrated the state's independence after Tax Freedom Day was in 1936, the organization said.

According to a news release from the organization, if all the tax cuts being discussed in Austin and Washington are approved, it would merely hold the line on Tax Freedom Day, not roll it back.

Under current tax laws, the [illegible] longer for Americans to meet their tax obligations. Tax Freedom Day, they say, will be extended to May 7 by 2005 and will be on May 10 in 2010.

And those who filed extensions still had to pay money by April 16, or interest – and perhaps penalty – is added.

Guess the only way is to win the lottery, pay taxes up front, and get an unlisted telephone number.

Freedom from a telephone might be better than freedom from the tax man.

Death and taxes...

To get your mind off the latter, we like the story during a murder trial in which the witness testified he saw the victim lying on the [illegible]

The defense lawyer rose to his feet and objected.

"Sir, are you a doctor."

"No," replied the witness.

"Well, are you a paramedic?"

"No, I am not."

"Have you ever gone to medical school?" continued the defense counsel.

"Never."

"Then tell me, sir, how do you know that the victim was dead?" the lawyer demanded.

"I went to his funeral."

Moved to SHS cafeteria...

Rain forces banquet inside

Snyder High School athletes will be honored this evening at the annual all-sports banquet at the high school cafeteria. The event gets underway at 6 o'clock.

The banquet was to be held at Jack Greene's Place, but this morning's rain forced the festivities indoors.

Awards will be given in football, volleyball, basketball, baseball, track, cross country and power lifting. SHS student trainers will also be recognized. With golf, tennis and softball teams still in competition, awards for those sports will be handed out at a later date.

Awards will be presented by the head coaches of each sport.

Steve Kreuger will recognize the student trainers, as well as present his annual "Pud Awards" to a male and female athlete who spent the most time in the training room this school year.

A hamburger supper will be served at 6 o'clock, with the awards presentation slated for 7. A dance will be held from 8 until 11 in the student center.

This is David Baugh's final sports banquet. The SHS football coach and AD retires this year.

Garcia sentenced to seven years in TDCJ

Michael Jason Garcia was sentenced Wednesday afternoon to serve seven years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong's assessment of punishment followed Garcia's conviction on a deadly conduct charge by a five-man, seven-woman jury around 3:40 p.m.

The defendant, who lives at 2006 Ave. N, had waived sentencing by the jury.

Garcia, who turned 18 today, was one of two persons arrested following a drive-by shooting Oct. 15 at the parking lot of the Highland Shopping Center.

The trial date for the second defendant has not been set.

Police were notified of the shooting when a clerk at Allsup's, just north of the parking lot, activated the store's panic alarm.

Officers who responded were told that shots were fired from a Chevrolet pickup and several people who had been on the parking lot ran into Allsup's and told the clerk what had happened.

The ensuing investigation revealed the shooting apparently resulted from an earlier fight.

District Attorney Dana Cooley prosecuted the case and court-appointed attorney Peter Lopez of Sweetwater represented Garcia.

Friday is day off for some school students

Friday is a holiday for Snyder ISD students as the district is holding a staff development day.

Hermleigh students also will be out of school as it is a scheduled spring holiday.

Ira ISD will have a regular classes.

WTC grads to receive diplomas Friday night

The annual Western Texas College commencement ceremony will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the WTC Courtyard.

Some 91 graduates will be awarded degrees. In the case of inclement weather, the commencement ceremony will be moved to Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

Two honor graduates — Reid Johnson and Helen Fare — will give make remarks, while Stephanie Ducheneaux, president of the Faculty Association, will give the response.

Lee Presswood, president of the WTC board, will award the degrees and certificates as presented by Deans Dr. Jim Palmer and John Gibson

Also Friday, State Rep. David Counts' office will make a special presentation.

Wednesday in Colorado City, 19 inmates were awarded associate degrees from WTC.

At the Price Daniel unit this morning, 23 inmates from the Snyder unit and six from the Smith Unit in Lamesa were awarded degrees.

ASK US

Q—Will the state UIL softball championship tourney be held before school is out this month?

A—The tourney is June 1-2 at Red McCombs Field on the University of Texas campus.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 91 degrees; low, 63; 7 a.m. Thursday, 66; .03 of an inch precipitation; total for 2001, 5.43 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy, 40% rain chance, low, lower 60s, S wind 10-20 mph. Friday, mostly cloudy, 30% rain chance; high near 80.

Jake Crenweige
Rainy

Sunset: 8:25 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:57 a.m.
Of 122 days in 2001, the sun has shone 110 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Honest criticism is hard to take, particularly from a relative, a friend, an acquaintance, or a stranger.
— Franklin P. Jones

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Delta pilots union leaders approve contract

ATLANTA (AP) — The leaders of Delta Air Lines' pilots union approved a new contract agreement and will put it to the rank-and-file for a vote beginning May 22.

Capt. Andy Deane, a spokesman for the Air Lines Pilots Association, said 18 of the 22 voting members of Delta's master executive council approved the contract late Wednesday night.

The vote by the 9,800 Delta pilots will last through June 20, Deane said.

Earlier, Delta chairman and chief executive Leo Mullin said pilots who want key changes in the proposed contract won't find a receptive response from the company.

"We made a deal, and certainly from the company's standpoint we're prepared to stick with the deal we made," Mullin said in an interview after announcing the promotions of two executives.

"After carefully reviewing the agreement, a majority of the governing body believes that this contract recognizes the Delta pilots for the significant investment they made in the company five years ago," said Capt. Charles S. Giambusso, chairman of the Delta Master Executive Council.

"Now, it is time for the pilot group to weigh in on the tentative agreement."

Delta officials said the five-year contract, struck April 22 after 19 months of often fierce negotiations, is structured so that changes in one portion could severely affect other sections and prompt the entire deal to unravel.

Despite offering industry-leading wages, with raises from 24 percent to 34 percent, some pilots have criticized the proposed contract harshly because of its terms regarding retirement benefits, crew scheduling and the continuation of a lower-wage pay system at Delta Express.

Also, some pilots believe the contract will allow Delta to expand the amount of flying it does with Express, a lower-cost unit based in Orlando, Fla., at the expense of the main airline.

Delta officials maintain that they need the separate wage structure to compete with Dallas-based Southwest Airlines and other discount carriers.

Earlier this month, Northwest Airlines reached a tentative deal with its 9,400 mechanics, but American Airlines has been haggling with flight attendants on a new contract. Fort Worth, Texas-based American also faces labor uncertainty as it attempts to merge workers from Trans World Airlines, which it formally acquired this month.

The union's master executive council began meeting to discuss the deal on Saturday. The ALPA held Wednesday's meeting to be briefed by their negotiating team on each provision of the lengthy contract.

Delta spokesman Tom Donahue declined to say Wednesday whether the Air Line Pilots Association has contacted the airline about any terms of the contract since Saturday, when the union's master executive council began meeting to discuss the deal.

Mullin said he was optimistic that pilots ultimately would embrace the "extremely carefully crafted contract."

"You know, we went at it for a long time and I think we all felt gratified, both the pilots and the company, that we got it done," he said.

The airline has seen some rebound in bookings since the proposed contract was announced, said Frederick Reid, Delta's new president and chief operating officer.

"I'm encouraged to say that when we announced the tentative agreement ... we did see a slight uptick in bookings and we're seeing that progress in an encouraging fashion," he said.

On the Net:
Delta Air Lines,
http://www.delta.com
ALPA Delta unit,
http://www.dalpa.com

Jurors to see video of teacher's slaying

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Four students testifying in the murder trial of a teenager accused of killing his teacher described how the boy allegedly pulled a gun from his pocket and began shooting.

Nathaniel Brazill, 14, is accused of shooting Lake Worth Middle School teacher Barry Grunow on May 26, 2000.

Prosecutors say Brazill was receiving a failing grade in Grunow's class and was angry that he had been sent home earlier that day for throwing a water balloon before he had a chance to say goodbye for the summer to two girls.

"You could tell he was mad, that wasn't his regular way of speaking," testified Dinora Rosales, one of the girls Brazill wanted to talk to.

Rosales said she was standing next to the doorway behind Grunow when Brazill demanded several times in a "deep voice" that the teacher let him talk to her and another girl. Grunow, not realizing Brazill had been suspended, told him to return to class, she said.

She said she saw Brazill point the weapon at Grunow's head for three seconds before he pulled the trigger.

Three other students gave similar testimony.

Classmates also testified Wednesday that Brazill had a hit list with several of his friends' names on it, but that it was a joke.

Today, prosecutors planned to show jurors a school surveillance videotape of the shooting.

Brazill, who was 13 at the time of the shooting, faces life in prison with no parole if convicted of first-degree murder.

During opening arguments Wednesday, defense attorneys said the gun fired unintentionally and Brazill didn't know about the failing grade. Lawyer Lance Richard conceded the teen was angry over being suspended by a counselor after the water balloon incident, but said he was mad only at himself.

Brazill returned to school on his bike about two hours after being sent home. In his pocket was a palm-sized silver pistol he had stolen from his grandfather's house days earlier, police said.

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Lotto Texas

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

The ticket was worth an estimated $6 million.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 54 were: 18-26-32-45-49-54.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $10 million.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
7-4-1

Fraser to receive top award as nursing student

VERNON — Vernon Regional Junior College will recognize students who have been selected by faculty and administrators for their academic achievement and leadership qualities in a specific program during the 2000-2001 school year. The students will be recognized at the VRJC Honors Convocation at 2 p.m. Friday at King Physical Educational Center on the Vernon campus.

VRJC will also recognize 70 students who have been selected for the 2001 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges*. The campus nominating committee selected these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

Lee Ann Fraser, daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Jerry Don Green of Hermleigh, will be honored as Sweetwater Nursing Student of the Year and recognized by *Who's Who*.

Kids College registration set May 14

The summer will soon be here! What will you or your children be doing?

"We hope your summer plans include enrolling at Western Texas College's Kids' College 2001," said Liffin Molter, director.

Kids' College will be offering over 67 classes for this summer' session. There are several new classes, many old favorites with many returning instructors from last year.

The catalogs are available and may be requested by contacting the office of the director at 915-573-8511, ext. 223. The school districts in the surrounding area will receive catalogs and registration booklets.

"Check out what is new, but be sure to give everything a good looking over," Mrs. Molter said.

Kids can take a sneak peek on Cox Cable channel 2 today at 6:30 p.m. and Friday at 8 a.m.

Registration will be held Monday, May 14, in the lobby of the Scurry County Museum from 2 –7:30 p.m. Classes will begin Monday, June 11, and run through June 21. They will begin at 1 p.m. and conclude at 4:30 p.m. All classes are held on the WTC campus.

Refreshment break time will be supported by United Supermarkets who will serve cookies and iced beverages.

For more information or a catalog, please contact the director 573-8511, ext. 223.

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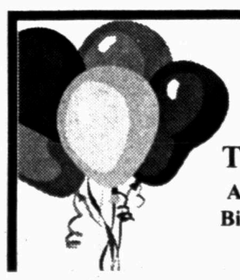

May Day
Saturday - May 5th
The Scurry County Coliseum
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Bid On The Silent Auction - Enjoy Music
Shop For Crafts & Baked Goods

ENTERTAINMENT
2 - 2:45 Deep Creek Cloggers
3:00 - 4:00 Kitchen Band
4:10-4:40 Sparkle City Line Dancers
5:00-6:00 Western Band

Bar-B-Q 4:30-6 - Tickets $6
Brisket PreparedBy
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Tickets Can Be Purchased Early Or At Door!
Take Out Plates Available!
QUILT AUCTION 6:30
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SHS FRESHMAN SPIRIT LEADERS — Abby Foree, Heather Holman, front row (from left), Taren Knipe, Stacey Williamson, Marisa Munoz and Heather Zajicek have been elected Snyder High School freshman cheerleaders by judges and their classmates. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

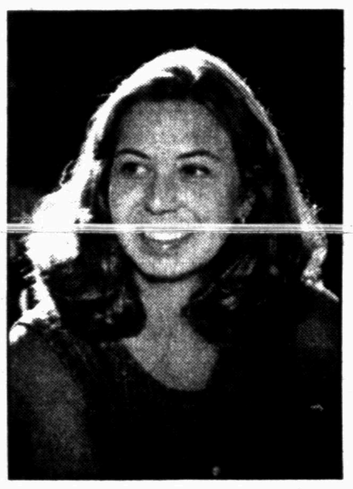
Richardson to present senior recital

Baldwin Studio of Music will present Annette Richardson of Big Spring in her senior piano recital at 7 p.m. on May 5 in the Garrett Hall of First United Methodist Church in Big Spring.

Annette is a 2001 honor graduate of Big Spring High School and has won academic as well as music honors. She is a member of the National Honor Society and was chosen the most outstanding senior girl by the Big Spring Optimist Club.

She has been a member of the high school choir Meistersingers and the Show Choir, Rhapsody. Annette won Division I at choir solo and ensemble contest on the state level.

Taking piano lessons for 10 years, she has studied the last five years with Lynn Baldwin. She competed in UIL piano solo, Texas Federation of Music Teachers on the state level, and National Piano Guild Auditions, Texas Whitlock Music Theory tests.



Annette Richardson

Annette plans to attend Texas Tech in the fall to prepare for a career in the medical field. She hopes to continue piano in the Tech Music Department. She plans to be a music counselor this summer for Baldwin Piano Camp.

Annette is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Richardson, formerly of Snyder. Richardson was employed with Halliburton while in Snyder.

The public is invited to attend the concert. There is no admission charge.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 05-03-01
♠ Q 8 7 6
♥ A 9
♦ J 10 7 6 4
♣ A 3

West
♠ J 10 2
♥ 8 5
♦ A K Q 9 5 2
♣ 7 4

East
♠ 9
♥ 10 7 6 4 3 2
♦ 3
♣ 9 8 6 5 2

South
♠ A K 5 4 3
♥ K Q J
♦ 8
♣ K Q J 10

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
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4 NT	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ Q

It isn't always the wrong play

By Phillip Alder

Thunderclaps and howls The fierce storm sure to begin:
I trumped partner's ace
— Dennis Lynch, Crystal Lake, Ill.

In many quarters, it is thought that trumping partner's ace is the worst thing one can do at the bridge table. However, occasionally it will be the right defense — as in this deal.

West's three-diamond weak jump overcall promised a good six-card suit and 6-10 high-card points. Against this weapon, when responder has a fit with partner, he should bid one trick more than normal. So, three spades indicates a single raise, four spades shows a limit raise, and a four-diamond cue-bid promises a game-forcing raise. All these guarantee only three trumps, but you try to have four.

West led the diamond queen. What should West have done next?

Leading the queen from a suit headed by the ace-king-queen is a popular agreement in the tournament world. It follows that if you lead ace from ace-king, partner knows the queen isn't in your hand.

If South is a reliable player, his use of Blackwood marks him with second-round controls in both rounded suits. (Don't use Blackwood with two top losers in an unbid suit unless you are 100 percent sure partner has a control there.) So, the only chance to defeat the slam is to generate a trump trick. To stop partner from going wrong, West should continue with a low diamond. East has the vital spade nine, which effects an uppercut. However, when West continued with the diamond ace, East saved his side by ruffing anyway.

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Between 1961 and 1990, Rochester, N.Y., was the snowiest city in the United States. On average, the city receives 94 inches of snow each year.

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Oregon is also known as the Beaver State.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: May 2-Charles Church, Luiza Tavarez, Luther Brown, Edna Gregory, Gerald Short.

DISMISSALS: Florine Badger, Eunice Houston, Guadalupe Munoz, Ruby Pulis, Refugia Rodriguez and Golia Williams.

CENSUS: 41 (Med./Surg.-15, Long-term Care-24, OB-1 and Nursery-1)

Births

Ryan Coleman and Shanequa Giles of Snyder announce the birth of their seven-pound, five-ounce son, Tristin Coleman. He was born at 7:19 a.m. on April 28 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Paternal grandparents are Cari Coleman of Midland and Rob Coleman of Baton Rouge, La. Maternal grandparents are Rickie Cantrell and Bobby Cantrell, both of Santo.

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Kyle and Stacy Haley of Snyder announce the birth of their daughter at 6:15 p.m. on May 2 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed five pounds, six ounces.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; horseshoe courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762.

Rock and Roll Quilting Club evening meeting; Hermleigh Community Center; for more information call 863-2426; 6:30 p.m.

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

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

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information call 573-4048; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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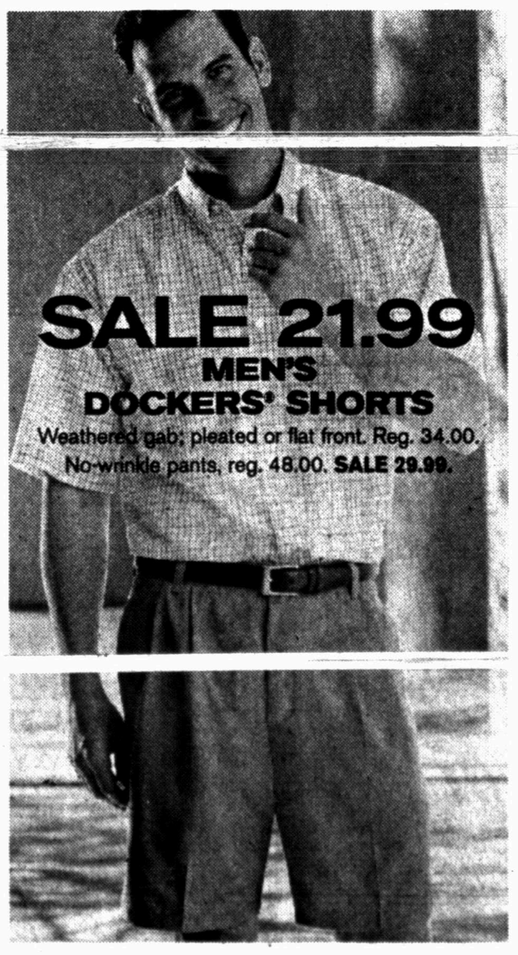

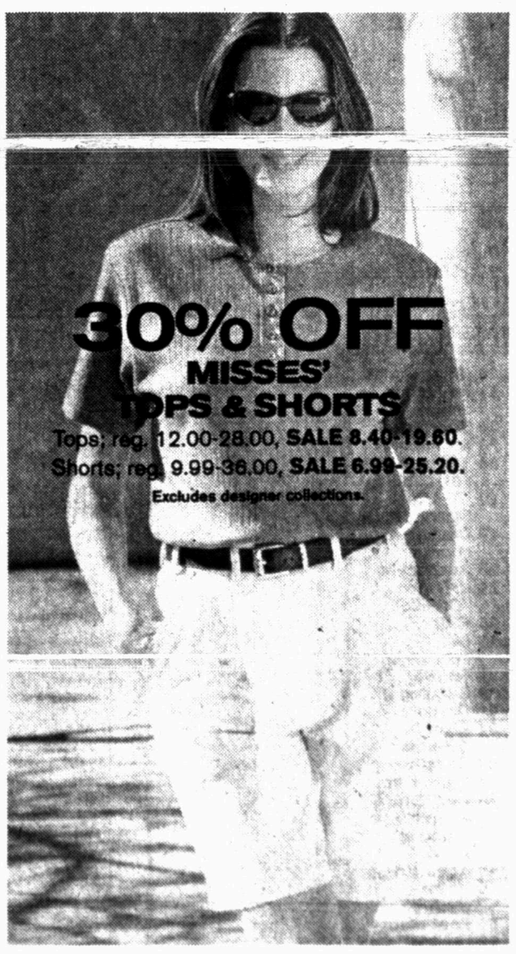

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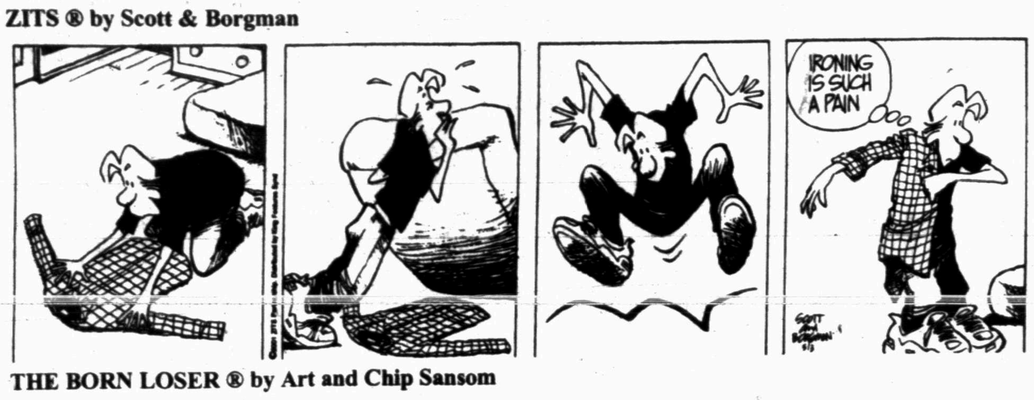

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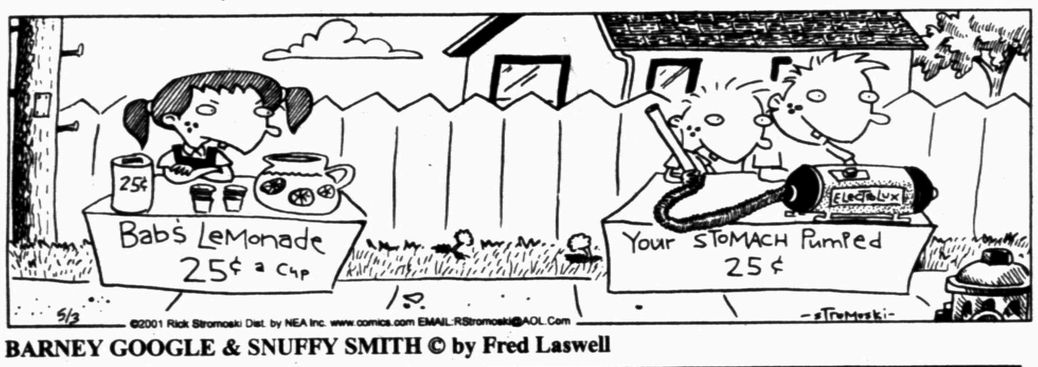

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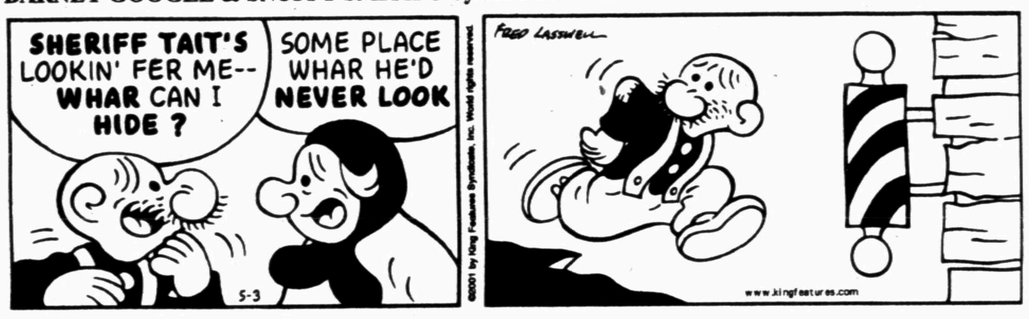

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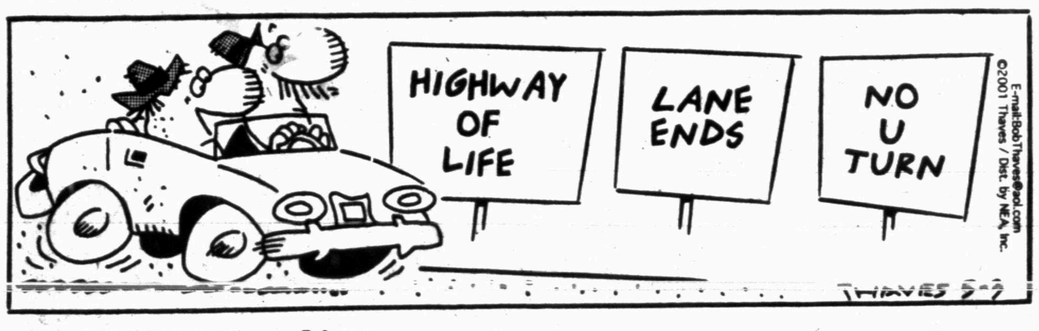

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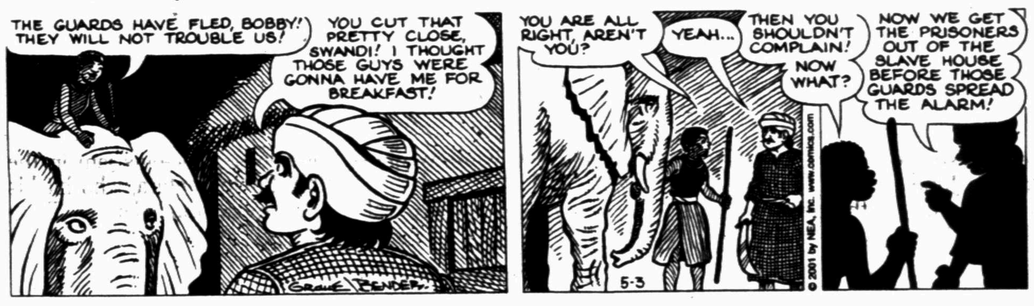

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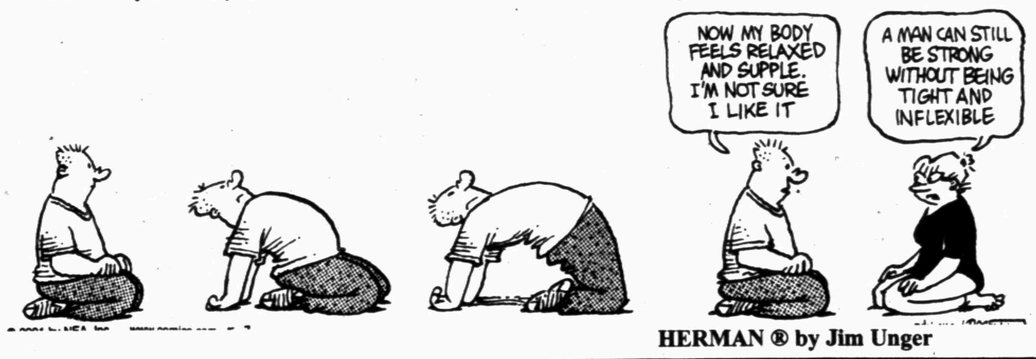

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7 Street sign (2 wds.)
13 Lots and lots
14 Punctual (2 wds.)
15 Scholarly bore
16 Type of soup
17 Kin the dragon
18 Gold (Sp.)
20 PDQ kin
21 Like seawater
23 Martini ingredient
27 Pains
32 Caravan stops
33 Antelope
34 Musical group of nine
35 Painter of ballerinas
36 Astraddle
39 Short jackets
40 Harder to find
42 Nonprofit org.
46 Football org.
47 Shelley, e.g.
51 Squalid
53 Boxing strategy
55 Plaza Hotel girl
56 Kind of beard
57 Clergyman
58 Mistakes

DOWN

1 "How clumsy of me!"
2 Christmas carol
3 Book of Norse myths
4 "Now — — me down to sleep"
5 Lion's home
6 Philanthropist Brooke
7 Tea type
8 Compass pt.
9 Heating apparatus
10 Comedians
11 Freshwater fish
12 Sharp bark
19 Narrow inlet
21 Rouse to action
22 Over there
23 A Chaplin
24 Thailand's neighbor
25 "— Life Strange?"
26 Change course
28 Russian no
29 Villain in "Othello"
30 Flair
31 Be impertinent
37 Temper
38 Building lot
41 Oration
42 River in Belgium
43 Certain spy
44 Gator's kin
45 Coal tunnel entrance
47 Anjou or Bosc
48 Actor Kruger
49 Water pitcher
50 Foot parts
52 "Metric" start
54 Neither's partner

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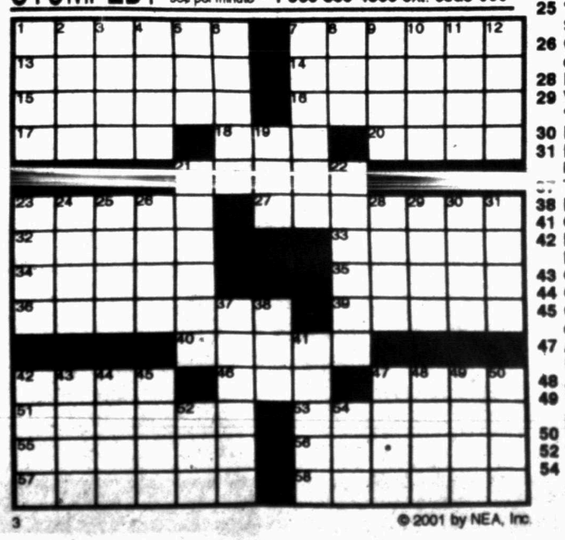

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SPORTS

Ira athletes honored at banquet

After a year in which Ira High School advanced to the postseason in seven sports, with one more still to go, the Bulldogs were honored for their athletic achievements Monday at the Ira Sports Banquet.

Senior Morgan Clements and sophomore Eric Dickerhoff garnered the top awards as Ira's athletes of the year.

Clements was the Lady Bulldogs' leading scorer during their march through the basketball playoffs. She also advanced to the regional track meet.

Dickerhoff quarterbacked the Bulldogs to a postseason appearance, before taking over guard duties on the basketball team. He also competed at the regional track meet, and is the baseball team's ace pitcher.

Outstanding male athlete awards went to Nathan Smith, football and basketball; Jeff Fine, golf; Dickerhoff, track; Cade Tucker and Todd Wall, tennis.

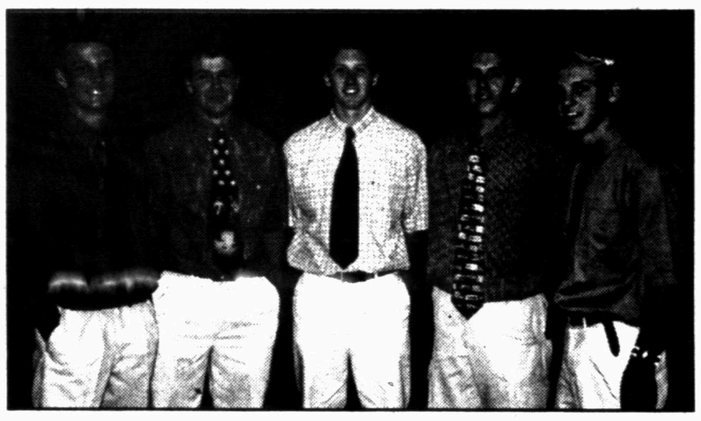
Receiving outstanding female athlete awards were Kayla Krop, tennis; Clements, basketball and track; Lacie Thompson, Lindsey Wilson and Mikanna Herring, golf.

Fighting heart awards went to Tara Allen and Todd Wall. Clements was named sports sweetheart, while Bryce Wilkins was voted sports hero. Rocky Alexander was selected as fan of the year.

Five athletes were also recognized for their work in the classroom. Wilkins, Clements, Smith, Cade Tucker and Jeremy Bowden were named to the all-state academic team.

Special community awards were presented to Mike and Patti Barnes, June and Sid Wall, Paul Dickerhoff, Keith and Carla Clements, Kirby and Pat Sterling, Gilbert Sanchez, Debra Brown and Becky Hudgins.

IRA ATHLETES OF THE YEAR — Senior Morgan Clements, left, and sophomore Eric Dickerhoff were named as Ira High School's athletes of the year.



ATHLETIC STANDOUTS — Outstanding male athlete awards at Ira High School went to, from left, Eric Dickerhoff, Jeff Fine, Nathan Smith, Cade Tucker and Todd Wall.

LADY BULLDOGS' BEST — Ira's outstanding female athlete awards went to, from left, Kayla Krop, Tosha Walker, Morgan Clements, Lacie Thompson, Lindsey Wilson and Mikanna Herring.

Lady Tigers confident heading into area round

The Snyder Lady Tigers recorded their first postseason victory in four years last Friday. So with the first hurdle cleared, the Lady Tigers now have their sights set on an area championship.

Snyder squares off with El Paso Ysleta in a Class 4A area softball playoff at 4 p.m. Friday at Mugs Field in Midland.

Despite Ysleta's District 1 title, the Lady Tigers feel confident following their 19-1 bi-district rout of Canyon Randall.

"We really like the way we're playing right now," said SHS coach Shelly Hayes. "I feel like we're playing our best softball of the season, and I don't think we've peaked yet. Our girls just keep working hard, and it seems like they're a better team every time they step on the field."

Snyder carries a record of 19-7 into the area round, while the Ysleta Maidens are 22-7 on the year. Ysleta was off last week after earning a first-round bye due to their district title.

The winner advances to face either El Paso Riverside or Dumas in next week's regional quarterfinals. A Snyder-Dumas match-up would be played May 18 in Lubbock.

"We're trying to take things one game at a time," Hayes stated. "But we've looked at the bracket, and we feel like we have as good a chance as anybody. But we also know that once you get in the playoffs, anything can happen. Anybody can beat anybody on any given day."

In other playoff contests, Snyder's district foes Big Spring and Andrews are also in action this weekend. Big Spring takes on El Paso Riverside, while Andrews faces Pecos.

Region I Softball Playoffs

Area

EP Parkland (15-12) vs. Big Spring (23-5), 6 p.m. Friday at Artesia, N.M.

Andrews (20-7) vs. Pecos (16-7), 6 p.m. Friday at Midland

Burkburnett (22-2) vs. Burleson (22-4), 6 p.m. Friday at Graham

FW Eastern Hills (16-6) vs. Southlake Carroll (23-0), 7:30 tonight at NRH Birdville

EP Riverside (21-7) vs. Dumas (23-7), 4 today at Hobbs, N.M.

Snyder (19-12) vs. EP Ysleta (22-7), 4 p.m. Friday at Mugs Field, Midland

FW Brewer (21-4) vs. FW Southwest (15-4), 7 tonight at FW Brewer

Crowley (16-3) vs. WF Rider (21-4), TBA

Local Schedule

TODAY
Rodeo
Western Texas at conference finals in Hobbs, N.M.

FRIDAY
Rodeo
Western Texas at conference finals
Softball
Snyder vs. EP Ysleta, area playoff at Midland's Mugs Field, 4 p.m.
Baseball
Klondike at Ira, 5 p.m.

MONDAY
Golf
Snyder boys and girls at state tournament in Austin
Tennis
Snyder's Ryan Gibson and Allen Smith at state tournament in Austin

Astros outlast Mets in 10 innings, 6-5

NEW YORK (AP) — Lance Berkman and Moises Alou hit back-to-back homers in the 10th inning as the Houston Astros rallied from four runs down before holding on to beat the New York Mets 6-5 in a testy game Wednesday night.

Until the Astros hit five solo homers off the Mets' bullpen, the biggest excitement came when Houston's Jose Lima hit New York's Jay Payton with a pitch in the sixth inning, causing both benches to clear and the two players to be ejected.

The win wasn't secured until Billy Wagner (1-1) got out of a bases-loaded, no-outs jam in the 10th. Robin Ventura, who hit his 15th career grand slam on Tuesday, hit a sacrifice fly to bring the Mets within one.

Wagner, who threw 49 pitches in two innings, then struck out pinch-hitter Todd Pratt and Joe McEwing to end it.

With one out in the 10th, Berkman hit a 1-2 pitch from Armando Benitez (2-1) into the Mets' bullpen to break a 4-all tie. Alou followed with his fourth homer on an 0-2 pitch, his 18th career multi-homer game.

Alou, Craig Biggio and Daryle Ward hit solo homers in the eighth to tie the game for the Astros, who had lost 10 of 14.

The rally overshadowed the near-fight in the sixth inning. With two outs, Lima hit Payton's left elbow as the Mets' outfielder tried to protect his face.

Payton threw his helmet aside and took a couple of steps toward the pitcher's mound. Catcher Brad Ausmus put his arms around Payton, and the two wrestled as the benches and bullpens emptied.

Payton had homered in his previous at-bat against Lima, improving to 4-for-4 with two homers in his career against the temperamental right-hander.

Players from both teams milled around home plate, but no punches were thrown.

Payton, who was beaned in last year's NL championship series by St. Louis' Dave Veres, had to be restrained by hitting coach Dave Engle and teammate Benny Agbayani.

Plate umpire Dana DeMuth walked to the mound to tell Lima he had also been ejected and Lima appeared to say, "Who me?"

Major League Baseball

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	15	11	.577	—
Atlanta	13	15	.464	3
Montreal	12	15	.444	3½
Florida	11	15	.423	4
New York	11	16	.407	4½
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	16	10	.615	—
Cincinnati	15	11	.577	1
Milwaukee	14	12	.538	2
Houston	13	13	.500	3
St. Louis	13	13	.500	3
Pittsburgh	9	16	.360	6½
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	16	11	.593	—
Colorado	14	12	.538	1½
San Francisco	14	12	.538	1½
Arizona	14	13	.519	2
San Diego	11	16	.407	5

Wednesday's Games
Atlanta 1, Milwaukee 0
Montreal 4, Arizona 3
Los Angeles 7, Cincinnati 3
Colorado 6, Philadelphia 2
San Francisco 7, Pittsburgh 6
St. Louis 4, Florida 2, 11 innings
Chicago Cubs 8, San Diego 3
Houston 6, N.Y. Mets 5, 10 innings

Thursday's Games
1-1), 2:20 p.m.
Colorado (Astacio 3-1) at Philadelphia (Telemaco 2-0), 3:05 p.m.
Arizona (Johnson 3-3) at Montreal (Thurman 2-3), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Estes 2-1) at Pittsburgh (Anderson 2-1), 7:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Prokopec 2-0) at Cincinnati (Reitsma 2-1), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Hermanson 1-1) at Florida (Dempster 2-3), 7:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Sheets 1-2) at Atlanta (Burkett 1-3), 7:35 p.m.

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	17	10	.630	—
Toronto	17	10	.630	—
New York	15	13	.536	2½
Baltimore	13	15	.464	4½
Tampa Bay	9	19	.321	8½
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	19	7	.731	—
Cleveland	16	9	.640	2½
Detroit	10	15	.400	8½
Kansas City	10	17	.370	9½
Chicago	8	17	.320	10½
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	21	6	.778	—
Anaheim	12	15	.444	9
Texas	11	16	.407	10
Oakland	9	18	.333	12

Wednesday's Games
Tampa Bay 7, Baltimore 1
Minnesota 4, N.Y. Yankees 2
Detroit 8, Texas 4
Cleveland 8, Kansas City 4
Oakland 6, Toronto 0
Seattle 5, Boston 1
Anaheim 12, Chicago White Sox 5

Thursday's Games
3-1), 2:05 p.m.
Detroit (Mlicki 1-2) at Texas (Helling 1-4), 3:05 p.m.
Toronto (Michalak 3-1) at Oakland (Hudson 2-3), 3:35 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Lilly 1-0) at Baltimore (McElroy 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Castillo 3-1) at Seattle (Moyer 4-0), 10:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 0-1) at Anaheim (Ortiz 3-2), 10:05 p.m.

NBA Playoffs

All Times EDT
First Round
(Best-of-5)
Tuesday, May 1
Milwaukee 112, Orlando 104, Milwaukee wins series 3-1
Dallas 107, Utah 77, series tied 2-2
Wednesday, May 2
Toronto 100, New York 93, series tied 2-2
Philadelphia 88, Indiana 85, Philadelphia wins series 3-1
Sacramento 89, Phoenix 82, Sacramento wins series 3-1
Thursday, May 3
Dallas at Utah, 9 p.m.
Friday, May 4
Toronto at New York, 8 p.m.

Conference Semifinals
(Best-of-7)
Saturday, May 5
Utah-Dallas winner at San Antonio, 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, May 6
Charlotte at Milwaukee, 12:40 p.m.
Sacramento at L.A. Lakers, 3 p.m.
New York-Toronto winner at Philadelphia, 5:30 p.m.
Monday, May 7
Utah-Dallas winner at San Antonio, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, May 8
Charlotte at Milwaukee, TBA

Sports Briefs

Golf send-off

A send-off for the SHS golf teams is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday at the high school's sophomore parking lot. Snyder's boys and girls will compete Monday and Tuesday at the state tournament in Austin.

Snyder Tiger Basketball Camp

Snyder Tiger Basketball Camp will be held June 25-28 at the SHS gym. Sessions are scheduled for incoming third through sixth grade boys and girls, and for incoming sixth through ninth grade girls only.

Cost of the camp is $60, and deadline to register is May 19. Registration forms can be picked up at the SHS girls' athletic office. For more information, contact Coach Brent Parr at 574-6040 or 721-7930.

Umpires needed

Snyder Girls' Softball Association needs umpires for the upcoming season. A clinic for all new and returning umpires will be from 1-4 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call Dave Hanes at 573-3127.

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COUNTY OF SCURRY

Date and Time of Sale: The first Tuesday of the month, June 5, 2001 at 2:00 p.m.

Suit No: 20,069
SCURRY COUNTY
VS.
DELIA JOAN NIEDECKEN

TRACT #1, A Tract of land containing .50 of an acre, more or less out of Section No. 133, Block 3, H & GN Ry Co. Survey, or as more fully described in Volume 360, page 321 of the Deed Records of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R1122)

Date of Judgment: July 14, 2000
Date of Levy: April 26, 2001

Suit No: 20,152
SCURRY COUNTY
VS.
BEDELL PLUGGING, INC., ET AL

TRACT #1, 0.815625 WIU, J.M. Wall Lease, Northeast one-fourth of Section 134, Block 3, 176 acres, H&GN Survey, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. N19106)

TRACT #2, 0.781250 WIU, Taylor Lease, 210 acres, Section 88, Block 3, H&GN Survey, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. N2242)

TRACT #3, 0.815625 WIU, Bowen Lease, 160 acres, southeast one-fourth of southeast one-fourth, Section 131, Block 3, H&GN Survey, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. N31461)

TRACT #4, 0.803125 WIU, J.A. Clark Heirs, 160 acres, northwest one-fourth of Sction 87, Block 3, H&GN Survey, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. N33767)

Date of Judgment: December 6, 2000
Date of Levy: April 26, 2001

SCURRY COUNTY
VS.
BEVERLY B. BECKWITH

TRACT #1, 0.005252 RIU, Sacroc Unit Tract 260, 160 acres, Northeast one-fourth of Section 211, Blcok 97, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. N1507)
Date of Judgment: October 4, 2000
Date of Levy: April 26, 2001

Suit No: 20,322
SCURRY COUNTY
VS.
NOEL DENTON MARSALIS

TRACT #1, Lot 7, Block 10, Helms Heights Addition, City of Snyder, or as more fully described in Volume 263, Page 593 of the Deed Records of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R1340)

Date of Judgment: December 6, 2000
Date of Levy: April 26, 2001

Suit No: 20,595
SCURRY COUNTY
VS.
HYDRO-TEST SERVICES, INC. FORMERLY MASSEY RENTAL & SALES, INC., ET AL

[illegible] Lots 2-3 and 7-12, Block 3, Evergreen Addition, City of Snyder, Scurry County, Texas, as shown by the map or plat which is of record in the office of the County Court of said County. (Account No. R10116)

Date of Judgment: October 4, 2000
Date of Levy: April 26, 2001

Suit No: 20,729
SCURRY COUNTY
VS.
ARTEMIO AGUILAR A/K/A ARTEMIO AGULIAR, ET AL

TRACT #1, All of Lot 4, Block 7, Helms Heights Addition to the City of Snyder, or as more fully described in Volume 386, Page 622 of the Deed Records of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R3521)

Date of Judgment: October 4, 2000
Date of Levy: April 26, 2001

Suit No: 20,731
SCURRY COUNTY
VS.
CALVIN JOHNSON

TRACT #1, The East 50' of Lot 2, Block No. 28, Nunn Addition, City of Snyder, or as more fully described in Volume 383, Page 103 of the Deed Records of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R3430)

Date of Judgment: October 4, 2000
Date of Levy: April 26, 2001

Suit No: 20,763
SCURRY COUNTY
VS.
HOLCOMB OIL WELL SERVICE, INC.

TRACT #1, Business persona l property- Automotive Equipment. (Account No. P20926)

TRACT #2, Business personal property- Furniture & Fixtures. (Account No. P21142)

TRACT #3, Business personaly property- Mobile Machinery and Equipment. (Account No. P27268)

Date of Judgment: October 4, 2000
Date of Levy: April 26, 2001

Listed in the caption above are delinquent tax suits in which Judgments of Foreclosure have been rendered and Orders of Sale have been issued. The listing for each suit sets out: (1) the Cause Number; (2) the Plaintiff Tax Unit; (3) the Defendants; (4) the date of the Judgment; (5) the date of Levy; and (6) the Property Description. Under the Order of Sale issued pursuant to each Judgment above listed, I did at the time specified for each suit levy upon each Property in such suit as described above as the property of the Defendants named or designated in such suit. On the sale date specified above, which is the first Tuesday of said month, I will offer and sell at public auction, for cash, each property described above, and all the right, title, interest and estate in and to each such property owned or claimed by the Defendants named in connection with each such property; PROVIDED, however, that any property shall be sold directly or indirectly to anyone other than a Tax Unit which is a party to that specific suit for less than the total amount of taxes, penalties, interest and costs due against that particular property or any adjudged value decreed, whichever is lower.

The foreclosure sales under this notice will be held on the first Tuesday of said month, at the Courthouse door of said County, at the time set out above, by and through the LAW OFFICE OF HENRY GATES STEEN, JR., P.C., 3001 N. Lamar Blvd., Suite 306, Austin, Texas 78705, Telephone (512) 476-4688 and Telecopier (512) 476-0325, my authorized representative. The sale of each property shall be subject to the rights of the Defendants named in connection with each particular property, and any successors in title, to redeem such specified property in the time and manner provided by law; and subject also to the rights of any defendants to have each particular property owned or claimed by such defendants divided and sold in less divisions than the whole as provided by law. The sale as to each property is to be made to satisfy the Judgment rendered against that particular property and the Defendants named in connection with that particular property. The proceeds of the Sale of each property are to be applied to the satisfaction of the Judgment against that particular property, and the remainder of the sale proceeds, if any, are to be applied as the law directs.

Dated at Snyder, being the County Seat of SCURRY County, Texas, on this the 30 day of April, 2001.

Darren Jackson
Sheriff of Scurry County

Runnicles is hired as conductor of St. Luke's orchestra

NEW YORK (AP) — Donald Runnicles, music director of the San Francisco Opera for the past nine years, was hired as principal conductor of the Orchestra of St. Luke's.

Runnicles, 46, will keep his San Francisco post. The Scotsman also is principal guest conductor of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra.

He succeeds Sir Charles Mackerras, who had been St. Luke's music director since 1998. Runnicles first conducted the St. Luke's orchestra three years ago at the Caramoor International Music Festival in Katonah, N.Y.

"It's something of the Peter Pan of orchestras: It refuses to grow up," said Runnicles, who was hired Wednesday. "There are for all of us unforgettable, seminal moments that stay with you. One of those moments happened for me on a hot and sultry summer evening in upstate New York. Whether in performance or in rehearsal, it is like being in an energy field."

Iglesias father of twins

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — To all the girls Julio Iglesias has loved before, add two.

The 57-year-old Latin singer's longtime girlfriend, Miranda Rijnsburger, gave birth Tuesday at Mount Sinai Medical Center to twin daughters. All are doing well, Iglesias' spokeswoman said.

Iglesias and Rijnsburger have two sons, ages 2 and 3.

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Midday Stocks

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	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	39.20	38.57	38.68	—.12
AOL TimeWrn	51.00	50.00	50.68	—.93
AT&T Corp	22.08	21.75	21.95	—.45
Albertsons	33.15	32.90	33.05	+.40
Alltel	56.01	55.04	55.13	—1.27
AmEl Pw	48.20	47.45	47.69	—.31
AndarkPtr	61.00	59.30	60.75	+.50
ATMOS Egy	23.35	23.02	23.12	—.13
Aviall	8.93	8.80	8.89	+.11
BP PLC	51.25	50.85	50.88	—1.42
BakerHughes	36.00	34.70	35.30	—.27
Bank of Amer	56.17	55.28	55.40	—.71
BellSouth	42.22	41.29	41.45	—.77
Beth Steel	3.35	3.31	3.33	—.11
BurlNoSFe	28.89	28.46	28.62	—.27
Caterpillar	49.85	49.11	49.15	—1.15
Chevron	91.80	90.68	90.84	—1.16
Citigroup s	50.20	49.51	50.13	—.33
CocaCola	47.56	46.51	46.75	—.82
ColgatePal	56.01	55.20	55.82	—.18
ComclMetals	26.30	26.26	26.26	—.11
CooperIn	36.94	36.22	36.36	—.55
DaimlrChry	51.05	50.66	50.94	—.81
DeltaAirl	45.41	44.46	44.83	—1.17
Dillards Inc	16.90	16.51	16.76	—.10
DowChem s	35.29	34.27	34.60	—.69
DuPont	45.15	44.42	44.66	—.82
EastmanChem	53.50	52.39	52.55	—1.04
EstKodak	45.75	45.02	45.50	—.20
EDS Corp	65.00	64.30	64.38	—.45
Entergy	40.94	40.27	40.80	+.55
ExxonMobil	86.80	85.45	85.96	—.54
GenDynam	78.00	76.96	77.44	—1.50
GenElec	49.30	48.01	48.31	—.67
GenMills	40.25	39.78	39.82	—.57
GenMotors	56.60	55.87	56.15	—.45
GaPacGP	31.78	30.97	31.01	—1.36
GlobalMar	26.87	25.72	26.09	—.18
Goodrich	40.60	39.65	39.82	—.47
Goodyear s	24.48	24.13	24.29	—.34
GtAtlPac	12.05	11.90	11.97	—.05
Halliburtn	41.03	39.82	40.28	—.02
Hanson ADS	34.25	34.25	34.25	—.05
HarteHanks	23.69	23.50	23.69	+.07
HomeDepot	48.72	48.15	48.51	—.28
HoneywellIntl	49.65	48.10	48.50	—.55
IBM	115.10	113.50	114.25	—1.15
IntlPaper	38.85	37.73	37.74	—1.23
JohnsonJn	97.72	96.41	96.58	—.92
K mart	10.70	10.45	10.52	—.14
KinderMorg	57.39	56.39	56.57	—.78
Kroger Co	25.20	24.75	25.00	—.05
Litton	79.75	79.73	79.73	+.05
LockheedM	36.85	35.80	36.25	—.60
Lowes Cos	64.01	63.00	63.24	—.99
Lubys	7.75	7.67	7.75	+.08
LucentTech	11.09	10.74	10.90	—.37
MayDeptStr	37.25	36.85	36.97	—.53
Mcdonld	45.51	44.17	44.88	—.63
Motorola s	16.08	15.65	15.88	—.60
NCR Corp	46.71	46.08	46.70	
Navistar	27.30	27.00	27.00	—.20
Penney JC	20.53	20.20	20.31	+.03
PepBoys	5.05	4.93	5.02	+.07
PepsiCo	44.73	43.89	43.91	—.40
Pharmacia	51.12	49.86	50.15	—.85
PhelpDodge	45.25	44.52	44.55	—1.90
PhilipPet	56.66	55.40	55.57	—1.06
PilgrmPrd B	10.55	10.35	10.55	+.20
Polaroid	4.09	3.95	3.99	—.10
Praxair	48.00	47.00	47.72	—.52
ProctGamb	64.75	63.68	64.08	—.07
PubS NwMx	36.25	36.00	36.09	—.21
RadioShack	30.85	30.31	30.75	+.19
ReliantEngy	47.55	47.11	47.12	—.73
RoyalDut	57.56	57.05	57.51	—1.14
SBC Comm	41.75	41.00	41.12	—1.25
SaraLee	19.85	19.51	19.66	—.12
Scripps EW	64.52	64.47	64.48	—.03
SearsRoeb	36.75	36.52	36.70	
SherwinW	21.26	20.74	20.85	—.40
SouthernCo s	22.80	22.55	22.57	—.17
SwstAirl s	18.74	18.27	18.38	—.05
SprintFON	22.02	21.50	21.85	—.33
SprintPCS	25.77	25.25	25.44	—.82
Sunoco Inc	36.25	35.75	35.81	—.13
TempleInland	51.22	49.60	49.90	—1.31
Texaco	69.05	67.70	67.84	—.96
TexInd	29.55	29.30	29.55	+.01
TexasInst	38.64	37.90	37.93	—2.02
Textron	53.78	52.85	53.15	—.65
TriconGlbR	41.60	40.33	40.80	—1.45
TrinityInds	20.70	20.47	20.50	—.20
TritonEngy	24.50	23.69	23.90	+.09
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UnitedTech	79.00	77.46	77.89	—.25
Unocal	36.55	35.22	35.36	—.67
Venator Grp	13.35	13.10	13.20	—.14
VerizonComm	56.65	55.60	55.63	—1.27
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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Friday, May 4, 2001

Bridges will replace obstacles and opposition you may have been experiencing in the past with new easier roads to travel. You'll reach your desired destinations in the year ahead.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Conditions are trending in your favor today for advancement in your work or career. The opportunities to do so will be both obvious and subtle, so cover all your bases. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that'll govern you in the year ahead.

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Arrangements formed today for mutual pleasurable pursuits with your friends could turn out to be quite lucky for you. Gather together a few of your closer personal pals.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — If there is a domestic situation that needs resolving, this is a good day to call a private round table meeting with all those involved. People, in general, are more cooperative today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Persons who have provided you with sound suggestions in the past can do so again today. Don't hesitate to speak to them about one of your newest ideas.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Don't designate to the rear ranks today situations that could enhance your material security. This is an especially good area where nice things could happen for you at this time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Today offers a new ball game with new rules that favor you, so don't be fearful about, once again, taking on an endeavor with which you weren't successful previously.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Think money today, because conditions, in general, favor you in this area. It could be one of those days when a great deal can be gotten from little.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Play things loose today, because Lady Luck has plans for you that could fulfill some of your hopes and expectations. There's plenty of justification for going with the flow.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Focus and fortitude are your lucky keys to success today. Once you've established a specific game plan, don't let anyone or anything obliterate your targets.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Whether you know it or not, you are currently more popular with your peers than usual, and good things can happen today to people, like you, who know how to be nice to everybody.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — If you simply stick to methods and procedures that have proven to be successful for you, all your affairs today will turn out as you hope and envision.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Politely request the support or cooperation you need from others for an important endeavor you're taking on and you'll easily get it. Tact and diplomacy is your lucky ticket today.

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About 1 septillion snowflakes form in Earth's atmosphere each year. A septillion is written with a one followed by 24 zeros.

STATE CONTENDERS — Ira High School's FCCLA Star Event Team consisting of from left, Colter Brown, Candace Sanchez and Lacie Thompson, recently competed at the state conference in Houston. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Napster reports it is healthy

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Napster is by no means dead, but the latest usage numbers show the revolutionary song-swapping service is a vastly reduced version of its former bad-boy self.

An analysis by the Internet research firm Webnoize found that Napster use has plunged 41 percent since the online company added song-screening technology to comply with a federal court order.

Users downloaded 1.59 billion songs in April, a sharp decline from 2.8 billion in February, according to Matt Bailey, an analyst with Cambridge, Mass.-based Webnoize.

Hank Barry, Napster's chief executive, said the Webnoize numbers illustrate users' loyalty despite the screening, and don't reflect a dying company.

"The most striking fact in the latest Webnoize study is the high number of music consumers who remain loyal to file sharing," Barry said Wednesday. "Close to 8 million people are using Napster each day with an average of over 1 million using the service at any given time."

A million users would be a success for many Internet companies, but it represents a sharp decline in activity for Napster, which has hobbled itself in response to the music industry's copyright suit.

Napster, a dorm room experiment that revolutionized the music business, is now struggling to retain its vast user base as it employs tough new screening technology to inhibit the trading of copyright songs.

In March, users shared 220 song files on average. By April, they shared 37 on average, a decline of more than 80 percent, according to Bailey.

And since last week, many more songs have been blocked. Napster now screens for a wide range of variations in artist and song names that had allowed copyright music to reappear in its index.

"That, in turn, has unfortunately caused substantial additional 'overblocking,' the unintentional removal of otherwise authorized works, for which we apologize to our users and artists," Napster told its fans.

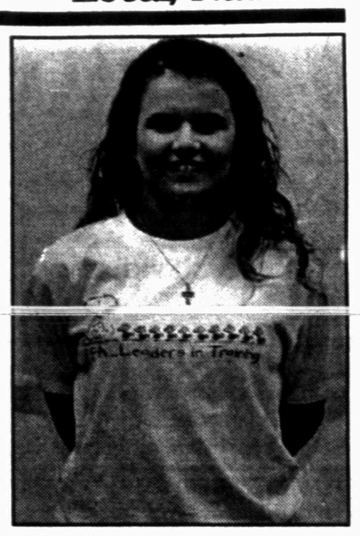
The Recording Industry Association of America, which sued Redwood City-based Napster for copyright infringement, said the report does not prove the company is fulfilling its part of the judge's order to remove copyrighted works from its site.

"I don't view that as a significant change," said Matt Oppenheim, the recording industry trade group's senior vice president for business and legal affairs. "If those numbers are representative of the amount of downloads, it (says) there is still a substantial amount of piracy going on Napster."

There were indeed fewer files being traded in April, and fewer people doing it.

In February, there were nearly 1.6 million people logged on to Napster at any given time.

Berry's World



CANDIDATE — Tosha Walker recently represented Ira School's FCCLA chapter as a candidate for a national office. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Date Book

Thursday, May 3, 2001

Today is the 123rd day of 2001 and the 45th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1881, Leonidas Woolley of Mendon, Mich., received a patent for an electric headlight for locomotives.

On this day in 1951, the Armed Services and Foreign Relations committees of the U.S. Senate began a joint inquiry into President Harry Truman's dismissal of Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

On this day in 1976, Paul McCartney started the "Wings Over America" tour in Fort Worth, Texas.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Niccolo Machiavelli (1469-1527), statesman-writer; Jacob A. Riis (1849-1914), writer-reformer; Golda Meir (1898-1978), Israeli prime minister; Pete Seeger (1919-), singer-songwriter, is 82; Sugar Ray Robinson (1920-1989), boxing great; James Brown (1928-), singer, is 73; Englebert Humperdinck (1936-), singer, is 65; Frankie Valli (1937-), singer, is 64.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1969, Majestic Prince won the Kentucky Derby.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Some defeats are only installments to victory." — Jacob A. Riis

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (April 30) and full moon (May 7).

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Two sisters killed

DALLAS (AP) — Police officers broke into a loft apartment and found two young sisters who had been shot to death, police said.

Authorities detained two people for questioning after discovering the bodies of Liberty Battaglia, 6, and Faith Battaglia, 9, on Wednesday in their father's apartment, said police Sgt. Filiberto X. Carrillo.

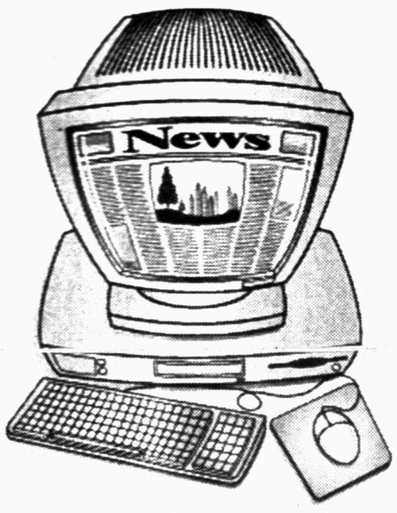
Police didn't say who was taken into custody, but one suspect was the driver of a pickup that matched the description of the vehicle owned by John David Battaglia, the victims' father.

Mary Jean Pearle, the girls' mother, was on the phone with Battaglia from her home when she heard five shots fired about 7:30 p.m., police said. The shots followed an argument between Battaglia and Pearle, police said.

Pearle heard one of the girls say, "No, Daddy, no, Daddy, no," before the mother heard gunshots, a relative said. The parents have been divorced for about a year.

The children had been visiting their father.

Officers found numerous guns and rifles in the loft.



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GRAND CHAMPION, an independent film written and directed by Snyder's own Barry Tubb, is in production now through mid-June. **GRAND CHAMPION** is being filmed entirely in and around Snyder. It's a movie about a boy who raises a show calf, then must make an adventure-filled journey across Texas to save the calf's life. We are looking for **LOCALS** of all ages and sizes to be in the movie. If you are interested in being an **EXTRA, PLEASE** come to the **RITZ COMMUNITY THEATRE** Snyder, Saturday, **MAY 5TH** anytime between **9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.** to meet with the extras casting director. Please feel free to bring the whole **GANG** — family & friends —Everyone is welcome!!!

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Snyder, TX 79550

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Senate group OKs hate crimes bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Legislation designed to strengthen penalties for crimes motivated by hate cleared another hurdle when it was approved by a Senate committee, but its real challenge is yet to come.

Sen. Rodney Ellis, the Senate sponsor of the House bill by Rep. Senfronia Thompson, D-Houston, said today he is one vote shy of being able to bring the bill up for debate by the Senate.

The Senate Criminal Justice Committee approved the hate crimes bill on a 5-1 vote today evening after hearing testimony and a proposal that would wipe out the list of the specific groups that would be protected under the legislation. No vote was taken on the proposal by Sen. Todd Staples, R-Palestine.

Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, also has discussed such a plan.

Ellis said he would not support any language that would take out the specific groups listed in the bill.

"I am against that language," Ellis said. "I did not take a knee-jerk political reaction in opposing that language, but I have been down that road before. It has been well-traveled."

The James Byrd Jr. Hate Crimes Act, named for the black man dragged to death behind a pickup truck in 1998, strengthens penalties for crimes motivated by race, religion, color, disability, sexual preference, national origin or ancestry. The sexual orientation part of the bill, which enhances protections for gays and lesbians, has been the sticking point for some conservatives.

Shapiro said she is not concerned that gays and lesbians are protected, but she is worried about singling out any group because other states that have hate crimes statutes that list specific groups keep having to update their lists.

Bush wants to reopen Mideast talks

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration is showing signs of a more aggressive effort to reopen peace talks between Israel and the Arabs. Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres says, however, that "it is very hard to restart the negotiations."

After meeting with President Bush today, Peres said: "We see eye to eye on how to handle the peace process."

Bush is informed on the issues and "he doesn't want to impose, he wants to help," Peres said.

Depicted as standing aside and unable to accomplish much in the midst of seven months of bloody violence, the administration with Secretary of State Colin Powell in the lead is now moving beyond calls for restraint to presenting an active three-point agenda.

Ahead of Peres' meeting with Bush, Powell outlined the U.S. goals as "going down the escalator of violence," encouraging Israel to lift economic curbs on the Palestinians and a resumption of peace talks.

Mostly in private, the administration urged Egypt and Jordan to pursue a diplomatic overture to Israel and the Palestinians that would halt their confrontation and reopen negotiations.

"It is the beginning of a dialogue," Powell said Wednesday.

Speaking at a dinner hosted by the Center for Middle East Peace and Economic Cooperation, Peres counseled patience and advised Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat against a strategy of "a little bit of terror and a little bit of diplomacy."

"You cannot have a policy of shooting and negotiating," he said. Peres welcomed limited U.S. involvement, meanwhile. "We prefer the U.S. serve as a facilitator and not as a chief negotiator," he said.

At the outset, the Bush administration left it to Israel and the Palestinians to work their way out of an impasse that followed a breakdown of peace talks last year.

This meshed with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's determination not to repeat the generous proposals of his predecessor, Ehud Barak, and to insist that Palestinian attacks end.

President Bush's education plan gaining momentum

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's education package is gaining momentum, but without a voucher plan that would let low-income students in poorly performing schools use federal funds for private school tuition.

The House Education Committee voted today to strip private school vouchers from Bush's education legislation in a setback for conservatives that, nonetheless, likely will boost the bill's chances for wider support.

"I think that winning the voucher vote is a very, very important step toward a positive, bipartisan bill," said Rep. David Wu, D-Ore.

Even as the voucher plan was going down to defeat, congressional leaders picked up the pace on the president's education package with agreements on school testing and help for pupils in failing schools.

Education debate has stalled for weeks in the Senate as lawmakers discussed details of how test scores should be weighed. GOP and Democratic senators were expected to announce an agreement on testing Thursday.

The House and Senate were intensifying work on their own versions of a major education bill, which has provisions designed to improve pupil performance while giving more freedom to schools to spend federal funds.

Throughout the debate, Democrats have pushed for more money for K-12 education, which this year will receive about $18.6 billion. Republicans have said Bush's proposed increase of less than $1 billion was sufficient, but Democrats have continued to push for more, initially proposing to add about $13 billion in 2002. By Thursday, the two sides appeared close to an agreement that would authorize an estimated $4 billion more.

"You cannot educate children on the cheap," said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass. He has led the push for more money.

The two bills are similar at their core. Each would require that students be tested annually on reading and math from the third grade until the eighth.

DPS investigates one-vehicle mishap

• *Accidents*

DPS troopers responded to a one-vehicle accident around 7 p.m. at Lake Thomas.

Three persons were transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Treated and released from the hospital were a 25-year-old female, a 24-year-old male and a 14-year-old female. All are Odessa residents.

Troopers arrested a 23-year-old Odessa man at the scene for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

An accident involving a backhoe in the alley of the 2700 block of 28th Street caused several homes in the area to be without electricity for some five hours Wednesday evening.

Darrell Mize of 2307 33rd St. was operating a John Deere backhoe in the alley when it snagged an electrical line.

Two poles were broken and caused the lines to arc, resulting in a grass fire that burned approximately 60 feet of fencing and a hot tub.

There were no injuries.

• *Arrests*

Officers arrested a 33-year-old female at 10:30 a.m. in the 1900 block of 26th Street for driving while license suspended.

A 30-year-old female was arrested at 4:30 p.m. in the 1800 block of 25th Street on an outstanding warrant for theft by check.

Deputies arrested a 21-year-old female at 4:48 p.m. on a misdemeanor warrant for theft by check.

Officers arrested an 18-year-old male at 10:11 p.m. in the 1300 block of 26th Street on warrants for not wearing a seat belt and no drivers license.

• *Assault*

Officers responded to a call at 8:14 a.m. in reference to a woman being treated at Cogdell Memorial Hospital for injuries suffered in an assault. A report for Class A

Obituaries

Clara Womack

1898-2001

ABILENE – Clara May Hayter Womack, a former resident of Snyder, died Friday, April 27, at her home in Lubbock.

Graveside service for Mrs. Womack, 103, is set for 1 p.m. Friday in the Abilene City Cemetery under the direction of Franklin-Bartley Funeral Home.

Born Feb. 25, 1898 in the Hobbs Community, she attended school at Hobbs, Snyder and Cisco. She was a graduate of the Britain Training School in Cisco. After graduating from Southern Methodist University in 1921, she taught in the Hobbs school for one year.

She married W. Victor Womack on Oct. 8, 1922. He died in 1987. She also was preceded in death by a son, W. Victor Womack Jr.

A member of the First United Methodist Church, she was a member of the Builder's Sorosis Sunday School Class, Lubbock Woman's Study Club, Daughters of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the American Colonies.

Survivors include a daughter, Vondell Byrne of Dallas; a son, Russell Womack of Lubbock; a sister, Georgia Tutt of Rotan; a nephew, Dr. Fehrlin E. Tutt of Sugar Land; a niece, Helene Tutt of Snyder; six grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.

Kirk Willis

1941-2001

ABILENE – Kirk E. Willis, the brother of Linda Holley of Snyder, died Monday, April 30.

Chapel service for Mr. Willis, 59, was set for 2 p.m. today in the Community Memorial Funeral Home with the Rev. Mike Martin officiating. Burial was to follow in Central Cemetery in Hawley.

Born June 7, 1941 in Colorado City, he was a U.S. Navy veteran as was his father, Foster Willis, who died in 1987; and his son, Scott Willis, who currently is serving.

A resident of Hawley the past 26 years, he was a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the VFW. He worked as a tool and die maker for Victor Equipment, and was a private pilot.

Survivors also include his mother, Avvis Willis of Abilene; a brother-in-law, Henry Holley of Snyder; and two nieces and their husbands, Terri and Joe Lee of Midland and Sherri and Jon Leuck of Abilene.

Memorials may be made to the Abilene State School, Box 451 in Abilene, 70604.

Angie Romero

1959-2001

ROTAN – Angie Romero, 41, died Wednesday, May 2, in the Rolling Plains Hospital in Sweetwater.

Funeral service for Mrs. Romero is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Burial will follow in the Belvieu Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Born Nov. 21, 1959 in Roby, she married Luis Romero on Nov. 22, 1980.

A member of the St. Joseph's Epperson, Samuel Reeves, Joe Lee, Jon Leuck, Bobby Elrod and Henry Holley.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of the Big Country, 4601 Hartford in Abilene, 79605.

Lelia Hernandez

1957-2001

ABILENE – Lelia Hernandez, the sister of several Snyder residents, died Tuesday, May 1, in the Abilene State School.

Graveside service for Miss Hernandez, 43, is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Abilene State School Cemetery with Chaplain Chuck Webber officiating.

Born July 21, 1957, she was a lifelong resident of the Abilene State School.

Survivors include four brothers, Juan Hernandez of Aledo, Steve Hernandez, Joe Hernandez and Phillip Hernandez, all of Snyder; and four sisters, Leonor Hernandez of Abilene, Margaret Molina, Dominga Sosa and Becky Jasso, all of Snyder.

homemaker and also worked at Angel Care in Rotan.

Survivors include her husband, Luis Romero of Rotan; a daughter, Katrina Romero of Rotan; a son, Junior Romero of Rotan; her mother, Hope Rodriquez of Sweetwater; two sisters, Paulina and Donna Rodriquez, both of Sweetwater; a grandchild, Ethan Romero of Rotan; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

FFA banquet

The Snyder FFA banquet will be held at 5:30 p.m. Friday in the Family Life Center at First Baptist Church. Everyone interested in FFA is invited. Call David Frazier at 574-6046 for more information.

Pyron Cemetery meeting

The yearly report for the Pyron Cemetery will be given at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Hermleigh Community Center. A covered dish lunch will be served.

Mayday

The Senior Citizens Center's annual Mayday fundraiser begins at 2 p.m. Saturday. Activities include quilt auction, silent auction, barbecue dinner, crafts and food booths, flower show and antique tractor show. Barbecue tickets are $6 each.

Motorcyclists' cookout

There will be a free hamburger cookout for all motorcyclists at noon Saturday at Displays of Splendor in Big Spring. It is sponsored by the Wings of Grace Christian Motorcycle Association. For more information, call Paul Glover, 573-7311, or Matt Cross, 573-5726.

Lucky 13 dance

Lucky 13 will sponsor a luau dance from 8 p.m. until midnight Saturday at the Towle Park Barn. Admission is $3 per person or $5 per couple.

Church groundbreaking

Calvary Baptist Church, 2405 35th, will have a groundbreaking ceremony for a new sanctuary following Sunday's 10:50 a.m. worship service.

Abiding Life Conference

Michael Wells of Abiding Life Ministries International, will be featured Sunday through Tuesday in the Family Life Center at First Baptist Church. Author of "Sidetracked in the Wilderness," sessions are at 6 p.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. weekdays.

United Way board meet

Scurry County United Way board meeting will be held at noon Monday at the Snyder Child Day Care Center, 2801 2nd St. A Dutch-treat lunch will be provided.

Alzheimer support group

The Alzheimer family support group meets at 6 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at Snyder Oaks Care Center.

Retirement reception

A retirement reception honoring Margaret Corkran will be held from 4-5 p.m. Wednesday in the Snyder Junior High Library. The public is invited.

Rattlesnake Rodeo

The Caprock Peace Officers Association will hold the 53rd annual Rattlesnake Rodeo next Thursday at the Clairemont 4-H Barn, 16 miles west of Jayton. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and includes a variety of competition and a chuck wagon lunch.

Fish-a-thon

The White Buffalo fish-a-thon is set for 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 12, at Towle Park. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. There is a $5 entry fee. Multiple prizes for youths and adults will be presented every hour. Bait and concessions will be available. The pond will be stocked with 750 pounds of catfish and proceeds will benefit Snyder Boy Scouts.

Country and gospel music program

There will be a country and gospel music program beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday, May 12, at the Senior Center. Call 573-3996 for more information.

Kids College registration

Registration for Kids College will be held from 2 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Monday, May 14, in the lobby of Scurry County Museum. Classes are set for 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m. on June 11-21. Call 573-8511, ext. 223, for more information.

West Elementary yearbooks

West Elementary annuals are in and may be purchased for $7 at the school office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Senior steak supper

Parents of SHS seniors should send $80 for the steak supper and all night party for the Class of 2001 to P.O. Box 768 in Snyder.

WTC swimming pool

The WTC swimming pool is now open for public use. Lap swimming: M-F 6:30-8 a.m., and 12-1 p.m. Open swimming: M-TH 7-9 p.m. Cost is $2 per person or $50 for a semester pass. The pool is also available for parties on Fridays and Saturdays. For more information, contact Lisa Christensen at 573-8511, ext. 290.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients is available every day free of charge to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland. For more information, call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakely Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Questions arise over U.S and China relationship

Pentagon further complicated an already tense relationship with China by first stating that Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld had suspended all contacts with the Chinese military and then retracting the statement, which it called a misunderstanding.

On Monday an official memorandum from Rumsfeld's office to senior military and civilian officials in the Pentagon said he all Department of Defense programs, contacts and activities with the People's Republic of China until further notice."

Hours after the memo leaked on Wednesday and was reported worldwide by U.S. news organizations, a spokesman for Rumsfeld, Rear Adm. Craig Quigley, said the memo was a mistake. In the interim, Quigley and other officials had struggled to explain the move.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Pennies from heaven give comfort to many on earth

DEAR ABBY: This letter is in response to "Daughter of a Frugal Mom," who received a birthday card from her mother containing a penny. Two years ago my father passed away, leaving his wallet with six pennies inside. There are six children in our family, and the conclusion we reached was that he left one for each of us.

When she heard about it, our aunt (Dad's sister) presented us with the following: "I am like a penny. Not a bad one, a very bright one. Remember, I'll always turn up wherever you find a penny anywhere. In the years to come, you'll pick one up and say, 'There's Dad!' In time you'll have a thousand reminders of how much you're loved."

Abby, countless times since that day, we have been reminded in the most unusual and spontaneous ways that our dad is still very much a part of our lives. — **KEEPING PENNIES IN MINNESOTA**

DEAR KEEPING: What a charming and comforting story. That letter generated a flurry of mail. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: My grandfather told me that when an angel misses you, he or she will toss a penny down to tell you so. I believe it.

Right after the start of the new millennium, I unexpectedly lost my life partner, Greg, from acute pancreatitis. He started feeling poorly on Jan. 2 and died a week later — 18 days before what would have been our 20th anniversary.

Greg's mother passed on only four months earlier. As he and his sister were sorting through her belongings, they were surprised to find some pennies in a very unlikely place. His sister recalled how years before, their father — long deceased — would sing "Pennies From Heaven," so they took it as a sign that both of their parents were watching over them.

During the days that Greg was dying, I kept finding pennies in strange places. Once, in the parking lot, I looked down at what I thought was a shiny bracelet. It was six newly minted pennies lying in a perfect row — one for his sister, her husband, three children and myself. I found one in the hospital corridor the day he died. It was in the center of a key chain someone had twisted into the shape of a heart.

I continue to find pennies often — especially when I'm feeling blue. So, maybe the mother of "Daughter of a Frugal Mom" had a premonition. — **TERRY IN GILBERT, ARIZ.**

DEAR TERRY: Perhaps. Please accept my sympathy for the unexpected loss of your life partner. What a bittersweet story. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: The writer who inquired about the meaning of a penny her mother sent her before she died may not have gotten it "for luck."

It seems more likely that the seemingly insignificant token was a "penny for her thoughts," rather than the good luck charm you suggested.

My mother sent me such a penny during my busiest college days. I took the hint, and ever since have made sharing my busy adult life with her a top priority.

I hope "Daughter" didn't wait until it was too late to stop being frugal with the contact her mom wanted. — **LINDA'S DAUGHTER, TULSA, OKLA.**

DEAR DAUGHTER: While that "hint" is a little too subtle for me, several other people also mentioned it. I'll leave it up to my readers to decide which explanation they prefer. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: During World War II, my mother sent a penny to each of my cousins who went off to fight. She put a notch in each penny on the theory that "a bad penny always returns." One cousin signed all his war mail, "Just a Bad Penny." Three of my cousins were wounded, but all the "bad pennies" returned. — **SID GOODMAN, PARAMUS, N.J.**

DEAR SID: I hope they invested them. By now they should have added up to real money!

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Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips.

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Hijacked transit bus crashes, 1 killed

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A shooting suspect hijacked a public bus and held a gun to the driver's head during a police chase that ended when the bus slammed into a minivan at an intersection, killing the van's driver and injuring seven people.

Officers shot at the suspect Wednesday but missed as he ran from the bus, which had pushed the minivan into a parked United Parcel Service truck and then crashed into a downtown parking lot filled with cars.

The suspect, whose name was not released, was arrested as he tried to get into a stopped car and was booked for investigation of murder.

The bus driver, five passengers and the UPS driver were injured. The minivan driver, who died at the scene, was a woman in her 30s, police said.

The five-minute chase began after police detectives heard gunfire near the offices of the city police union. A 34-year-old man collapsed there with wounds to his chest and abdomen, said Sgt. John Pasquariello. The man was hospitalized in critical condition.

Police saw the suspect running from the area, but he boarded the bus before officers could stop him.

Committee overturns ban

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House committee has voted to overturn President Bush's ban on giving foreign aid to organizations that discuss abortion with their clients or advocate abortion rights.

The House International Relations Committee on Wednesday also voted to reverse Bush's decision to end the annual assessment of Taiwan's military equipment needs. A third vote urged the president not to scrap a global warming treaty that mandated pollution reductions to curb heat-trapping greenhouse emissions.

However, the committee's actions on the $8.2 billion State Department authorization bill face a long legislative road before final passage — separate House and Senate floor action and a likely conference committee compromise that would have to go back to both houses.

If the abortion provision survives all that, the committee chairman predicted Bush would veto the bill.

But on Wednesday, three Republicans sided with unanimous Democrats on the 26-22 vote dealing with aid to foreign organizations engaged in abortion-related activities.

The provision — which would nullify the order Bush imposed as his first act after taking office — was added to the authorization bill, which was then approved by voice vote.

"This issue, in our view, is a freedom of speech issue, not an abortion issue," Rep. Tom Lantos, D-Calif., the committee's top Democrat.

The committee chairman, GOP Rep. Henry Hyde of Illinois, a longtime abortion opponent, said before the vote: "If this amendment prevails, the bill will be vetoed."

Other amendments approved would:

—Urge the administration to continue participating in international negotiations to complete the global warming treaty.

—Require the president to consult with Taiwan and Congress at least once a year regarding what weapons the island needs, in line with U.S. policy since 1982. Bush said last week the administration would consider arms sales on an "as-needed basis."

—Urge the president to rejoin the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, which the United States quit in 1984 over concerns about political polarization.

The restrictions on support for foreign organizations involved with abortion activities are called the "Mexico City policy." President Reagan first announced his plans to implement the strategy at a 1984 population conference there.

The first President Bush continued it, but President Clinton overturned it, except when he allowed it to become law for a year as a compromise to gain passage of a bill that included money for some U.N. dues the United States owed.

President will direct federal government to save energy

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush plans to order federal agencies nationwide to cut their consumption of energy, particularly in power-strapped regions such as the West Coast.

Bush is sending his energy secretary to California to underscore his concern about the issue.

Bush will issue the presidential directive today. He was going to ask heads of executive departments and agencies to identify areas where such savings might be achieved, an administration official said Wednesday. Federal buildings throughout the nation were likely targets of the energy-conservation efforts.

"This will be a nationwide directive at all federal facilities," the official said, on condition of anonymity.

Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham and Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld were to meet with Bush today afternoon to discuss the nation's energy situation.

Rumsfeld was expected to point to the Pentagon and other military facilities as an area where significant energy savings can be achieved.

From the White House meeting, Abraham was to fly to San Francisco and other California cities during a two-day trip. He was to discuss the plan with federal officials in the state during his trip, part of an effort to "educate federal employees on how they can save energy," one said.

It was not clear how much of a reduction Bush would order at federal sites. But two officials said Bush was pressing for an energy reduction at military installations as well.

The planned directive came in advance of the recommendations from a White House task force that is developing a national energy strategy. That panel met for 90 minutes on Wednesday, and is expected to issue its findings by mid-month.

Bush has faced intense pressure to assist California during an electricity crisis that has threatened to cripple the nation's largest state. Bush contends he has done virtually everything the state has asked him to do, but Democratic Gov. Gray Davis has accused him of ducking the issue.

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