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BIG JOB — Cliff Voss of Jack's Roadboring works to place this large rock on a foundation to serve as a monument to the memory of Donna Fowler at the Scurry County Coliseum horseshoe pitching courts. The completed monument will be unveiled at 11 a.m. Saturday during the White Buffalo Festival. (SDN Staff Photo)

Up $26.2 million...

Bank deposits take big jump

Compared to the same time last year, bank deposits in Snyder showed a sharp increase based on third quarter statements ending Sept. 30.

Combined deposits at four reporting financial institutions totaled $243.9 million, an increase of $26.2 million at the close of the third quarter of 2002. When compared to the second quarter figures of this year, total deposits increased $1.2 million.

Reporting financial institutions were Snyder National Bank, West Texas State Bank, Texas Savings Bank and American State Bank. First American Bank does not report individual branch totals.

On Sept. 30, Snyder National Bank reported total deposits of $101.6 million, an increase of $17 million when compared to the third quarter of last year, and an increase of $5.1 million since mid-year.

Deposits at West Texas State Bank were $77.4 million, an increase of $3.6 million compared to last year's third quarter, but a decrease of $2.7 million since the close of the second quarter of this year.

Texas Savings Bank revealed deposits of $38.2 million, an increase of $4.9 million compared to a year ago and an increase of $300,000 over the past three months.

Deposits at American State Bank were $26.7 million, an increase of $700,000 compared to the third quarter of 2002 and a drop of $1.5 million since mid-year.

Combined loans were $101.1 million at the close of the third quarter, an increase of $3 million compared to the close of the ninth month last year. Compared to mid-year, total loans were up $2.3 million.

Snyder National loans were $31 million, an increase of $4.7 million compared to last year and an increase of $1 million since mid-year.

WTSB reported loans of $35 million, a decrease of $1.1 million since the same period last year, and an increase of $1 million compared to mid-year.

Loans at Texas Savings Bank totaled $35.1 million, an increase of $2.4 million compared to the third quarter of last year and an increase of $300,000 from three months ago.

DeLay tries to end redistricting hassle

AUSTIN (AP) — West Texas continues to be a roadblock for state lawmakers as they work to reach an agreement on congressional redistricting.

House and Senate Republicans characterized Tuesday's talks as fruitful and progressive, but they were still at odds late Tuesday night, despite U.S. Rep. Tom DeLay's presence in the Capitol.

"I think it's over with for tonight and we'll start fresh in the morning," lead Senate negotiator Sen. Todd Staples, R-Palestine, told the Senate Republican Caucus and a throng of reporters when he returned to the Capitol after a full day of negotiations.

The Legislature is scheduled to meet today.

DeLay spent a second consecutive day visiting with lawmakers in an attempt to broker an agreement between state lawmakers squabbling over a congressional redistricting map.

With Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, House Speaker Tom Craddick and Gov. Rick Perry out of town throughout the day, DeLay and other lawmakers indicated that negotiators were making progress on a map that would put more Republicans in the Texas congressional delegation.

"We are very, very close," DeLay said, leaving a morning meeting in Dewhurst's office. "The lieutenant governor has laid out some very interesting maps and we're almost there."

Texas Democrats have blamed DeLay for triggering the state's months-long attempt at redistricting, which has been marked by three special sessions, two out-of-state boycotts and a deep partisan divide in the Legislature.

Democrats have ended their walkouts for now, but Republicans haven't been able to get beyond strife within their own party. Craddick, a Republican, has been adamant about ensuring that his home district in Midland has a congressional seat to represent the Permian Basin's oil and gas industry.

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MY TURN

by Shirley A. Gorman

Exercise! Bah humbug!

I loathed high school physical education classes. Six weeks of square dancing almost killed me. I could barely master a few pull-ups and set-ups. Bowling and badminton were okay; but it was more fun being a couch potato.

But as time marched on and it became easier to gain weight then to lose it I had to accept the inevitable and begin a regimen of exercise.

I first tried a Nordic Track Skier because the ads said I would lose weight and get in shape. Besides they made it look so *easy*. It never worked for me though. I could barely work my arms and feet at all, let alone sustain 6 mph for an hour or more. (Get real!)

But for months I'd wake up early and get on the Nordic Track. I'd huff and puff and start and stop and eventually gave up all together. I ended up selling it and buying a VCR that I liked a whole lot more and still have, by the way.

Later I found a good deal on a treadmill and exercise bike with arms, nothing fancy, just something to help me exercise (ugh!). I worked my way up to a two-mile run but the first time I got on the exercise bike I barely lasted three minutes. I improved to 45 minutes, but eventually I sold them both.

Then Nordic Track started advertising their then-new Walk Fit, which of course they said was better than anyone else's. I sent away for the video (just like I had for the skier) but decided I didn't want to pay that much money.

Not long after that, I found a manual treadmill for a fraction of the cost. But I had made another huge mistake! Just like the Nordic Track Skier, I didn't have the strength or stamina to walk consistently; plus I would get terrific headaches every time I tried. (I'm not exaggerating.)

I considered, but never bought, the Gazelle Freestyle Glider I saw on TV infomercials. You know the one where beautiful babes and handsome hunks are swinging at 100 mph, talking and not even perspiring.

I have walked outdoors off and on, but after I hurt my knee in 1999, that put the kibosh on that. A couple of years later, I debated for a very long time before I finally acquired another treadmill.

This one was much easier to walk on because electricity kept it moving at a steady pace; I didn't have to supply the juice. But it made my bum knee hurt so I quit.

I bought a knee brace (which helps) and tried walking again. However, I didn't stick with it. So the treadmill collected dust and I added a few more pounds.

In January I moved the treadmill into the living room so I could watch TV while I exercised. Stationary walking is boring but anything that holds my attention makes the time pass much faster. I recently acquired a recumbent air bicycle, but haven't used it enough to know how effective it will be.

So far I have shed about 15 pounds while walking on the treadmill. It's not a lot of weight, but enough so that I can get back into clothes I haven't been able to wear in quite a while.

Exercise is still not my favorite activity but it sure feels good to put on a pair of jeans with a button waist and belt loops instead of an elastic waist that I always stretched and stretched before wearing.

Voters in California pick Schwarzenegger

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Seething over taxes and red ink, voters dumped the unpopular Gov. Gray Davis and replaced him with political novice Arnold Schwarzenegger, the Hollywood action star who now faces the colossal challenge he asked for: jump-starting California's flagging economy.

Davis, the Democrat who presided over California's economy as it careened from boom to bust, was recalled Tuesday less than a year into his second term. According to partial returns, more than 54 percent of voters called for his ouster.

Schwarzenegger, a moderate Republican with tons of charisma but virtually no political experience, was easily elected among candidates to replace Davis just two months after shocking even his closest aides when he declared his candidacy on "The Tonight Show With Jay Leno."

The action hero may find that the hardest part is yet to come. He will need to quickly assemble an administration and work with a Democrat-controlled Legislature to close a projected $8 billion shortfall for next fiscal year. Schwarzenegger scheduled an afternoon press conference today to discuss the transition.

"We have tough choices ahead," Schwarzenegger said in declaring victory. "The first choice that we must make is the one that will determine our success. Shall we rebuild our state together or shall we fight amongst ourselves, create even deeper divisions and fail the people of California? Well, let me tell you something — the answer is clear. For the people to win, politics as usual must lose."

With 98.8 percent of precincts reporting today morning, the recall was favored by 4,217,411 voters, or 54.8 percent, and opposed by 3,488,465 voters, or 45.2 percent.

Among the replacement candidates, Schwarzenegger was ahead with 3,577,278 votes, or 48.2 percent of the vote; Democratic Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante had 2,388,314 votes, or 32.2 percent; Republican state Sen. Tom McClintock had 985,394 votes, or 13.3 percent; and Green Party candidate Peter Camejo had 207,845 votes, or 2.8 percent.

"Tonight, the voters did decide it's time for someone else to serve, and I accept their judgment," said Davis.

HOW-TO LESSONS — Tracie Carroll, Wal-Mart employee, tries her hand at using a fire extinguisher during training by fire marshal Cy Posey and fireman Kyle Cox. Firemen annually train Wal-Mart employees and will also be visiting various organizations during the week in recognition of Fire Prevention Week. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Fourth DWI results in four years in prison

A 39-year-old Snyder man, convicted for the fourth time for driving while intoxicated, Monday was sentenced to serve four years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

David Paul West of 1212 29th Street, pleaded guilty in 132nd District Court to the June 20 offense.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong handed down the sentence.

ASK US

Q—Who is on the selection committee for a new chamber manager?

A—Mike Thornton, Jeffrey Martin, Elois Pruitt, David Harrell, Sandra Salanis, Bill Dryden, Nancy Smith and Dayton Robertson. The chamber board makes the selection.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Rod Cottrell...

...is executive director of curriculum and instruction for the Snyder Independent School District, and has lived in Snyder for three months. His wife, Becky, is counselor at Snyder Junior High. They have three children, Jake, 17; Allison, 15; and Trent, 6. Rod's hobbies include playing golf, woodwork and watching his children's activities.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Don't just grab the first thing that comes by ... know what to turn down.

Will Rogers

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

SHS drama boosters

SHS Drama Booster Club will meet at 5:30 p.m. today in the foyer of Worsham Auditorium.

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.

Cub Scout bike rally

Snyder Cub Scout bike rally is set for 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the coliseum parking lot. For more information, contact Rhonda at 573-6090. The event was rescheduled due to rain.

Big Country open house

In observance of National Cooperative Month, Big Country Electric Cooperative will host an open house from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Friday at the office in Snyder.

Lord's Supper Church Revival

Lord's Supper Church, 119 36th St., will have a revival beginning at 7:30 p.m. Friday with youth night, and continuing at 7:30 Saturday evening and 10 a.m. Sunday. Prophet of God pastor W.E. Cain will lead the revival.

Lord's Supper Church car wash

The Lord's Supper Church youth car wash will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday at United Supermarkets. $5 and up donations accepted.

Landfill closed Saturday

In observance of Columbus Day, the city landfill will be closed Saturday, but will be open on Monday.

Library to close

The Scurry County Library will be closed Saturday for Columbus Day.

Country and gospel music

Country and gospel music begins at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Senior Center.

Retired teachers meeting

The Retired Teachers Association will meet at noon Monday at The Shack.

Hermleigh Masonic Lodge

The Hermleigh Masonic Lodge will hold its stated monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday. A meal will follow and as Master Masons are welcome.

Apostolic Faith concert

The Apostolic Faith Bible School Choir will give a concert at 7 p.m. Monday at the church at 2510 25th St. The public is invited to attend. For more information, call 573-8115.

American Legion meeting

American Legion Post 181 will elect a vacated officer position at its regular meeting at 7 p.m. Monday. All members urged to attend.

PLAN for SHS 10th graders

SHS 10th graders will take part in PLAN, an ACT program Tuesday, which includes academic tests and a survey of career choices. There is no charge for PLAN. For more information, contact counselor Debbie Phillips at 574-6049.

Missions conference

Calvary Baptist church, 2405 35th, will host a missions conference Oct. 15-19. Guests will include Bruce Garner from Mexico, Josh Warneke from Fiji, Jerry Abbott from Hungry and Jeremy Brann, church planter in Marble Falls. The feature speaker will be Mike Haley, pastor of Hallmark Baptist Church in Fort Worth. Services Wednesday and Thursday are at 7 p.m. The missions banquet is at 7 p.m. Saturday. Sunday services are 9:45 a.m. Sunday school, and 10:50 for worship.

Horseback riding club

The horseback riding club will begin Friday, Oct. 17, at 1368 Smith Ave. Contact Debbie Elder at 574-1622 for more information.

Snyder missionaries to speak

Charlie and Pat Reynolds, Snyder missionaries to the police in Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador, will speak at Trinity United Methodist Church Sunday, Oct. 19, at 6 p.m.

FUMC Lord's Acre

First United Methodist Church's Lord's Acre is planned for 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 26 at the coliseum. Booths open at 11 a.m. and a barbecue lunch will be served from noon to 1:30 p.m. Activities and games for children are planned. Everyone is welcome.

Gateway needs costumes

Gateway Family Services is in need of used Halloween costumes in all sizes as well as basic arts and craft supplies for children's holiday projects. Donations may be dropped of at the shelter or call 573-1822.

SHS 1958 class reunion

SHS class of 1958 has sets its 45th reunion for Nov. 7-8. The organizational meeting is slated at 1:30 p.m. Sunday in the Wedding Band classroom at First United Methodist Church.

United Way packets

United Way packets have been distributed to businesses and will be picked up by Nov. 21. Packets are bright orange. For more information, call 573-5311.

SJHS yearbooks

Snyder junior high Tiger Times yearbook is on sale through Nov. 25 in room 110. Cost is $16 or students may make an $8 deposit. No extra copies will be ordered.

Free tutoring

Free tutoring for students is available Monday through Thursday at the Boys and Girls Club. Schedule a time between 4-7 p.m. or drop in from 5-6 p.m. Tutors will be members the Student Government Association at Western Texas College. To register call, 573-8511, ext. 276 or 573-3344.

BREAST HEALTH AWARENESS — During Monday's meeting, Scurry County commissioners' court declared October as Breast Health Awareness Month. Members of the court seated from left are Howard Limmer, Jerry House, Judge Rod Waller, Ralph Trevey and Chloanne Lindsey. Members of the Snyder Unit of the American Cancer Society standing from left are Terrisu Mann, Sheila McCormack, Doylene Gilliland, Barbara Gowin and Ann Everett. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

White Buffalo Festival events

White Buffalo Festival, sponsored by the White Buffalo Festival Committe will be held Friday and Saturday at the Scurry County Coliseum.

Domino tournament

The deadline to enter the domino tournament is Friday. First through third place prizes will be presented. Call 573-9811 to register.

Heritage Village

Tours of the Dermott school, Dodson House and the tent will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Pioneer skills

Pioneer skills will be exhibited from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. This will include wood carving, rug braiding, rope crosses, horse shoeing, lye soaping making, cowboy gear, knitting, biscuit making, crocheting, spinning wood and quilting.

Scurry County reunion

A reunion for current and former residents will be held at the Dermott School from 9 a.m. until noon Saturday. The reception is sponsored by the SHS classes of 1946, 1947 and 1948.

Car show

Snyder Wheels will sponsor a people's choice car show Saturday at the coliseum. Registration is from 9 to 11 a.m. All cars are welcome and there is no entry fee. Awards will be presented at 3 p.m.

Quilt show

Quilts are needed for the quilt display during White Buffalo Festival 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.

1950s dance contest

A '50s dance contest will be held Saturday, 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 needs 1950s yearbooks for the display. For more information call Jackie at the coliseum at 573-9811.

Antique tractor, equipment display

The Scurry County Antique Tractor & Equipment Club will have a display from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday.

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President of Loyola resigns following misconduct claims

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The president of Loyola University in New Orleans has stepped down amid allegations of sexual misconduct while he was at a Jesuit prep school 17 years ago.

The Rev. Bernard Knoth, a Jesuit priest, submitted his resignation Tuesday under new Roman Catholic Church rules that say if a sexual allegation involving a minor is deemed credible, the accused should be removed immediately.

Knoth, 54, president of Loyola since 1995, issued a statement denying any inappropriate conduct.

Loyola, which traces its history back to the 18th century, has about 5,500 students and is one of 28 Jesuit colleges in the United States.

"It's a sad state of affairs right now. But the campus is pretty much in shock and I think the university is doing a very good job of getting the proper information out to us," Loyola student Angela Haddad told WDSU-TV.

The Rev. William J. Byron was named acting president. Byron was dean at Loyola in the 1970s and writes a syndicated column for Catholic News Service.

Byron said that if the allegations are proven, this is "another event in a series of tragic events that comprise the greatest crisis the church has had to deal with."

A statement from the Jesuit order's Chicago Province said the sexual encounter allegedly happened at the Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School in Indianapolis. It did not say whether Knoth's accuser was a man or a woman.

Knoth spent six years, starting when he was 33, as an administrator at Brebeuf, most of them as principal. He also worked at Loyola University in Chicago and at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., before coming to New Orleans.

The complaint against him was made earlier this year, said the Rev. James P. Gschwend. It triggered an immediate investigation and the case was sent to a review board, which found the allegations to be credible, a statement from the order said.

It is the only sexual allegation ever made against Knoth, Gschwend said.

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RESULTS

Tuesday's Lottery Numbers

Texas Two Step

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Tuesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 5-11-19-34. Bonus Ball: 20.

Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 0. Prize: $200,000.

Number matching four of four: 12. Prize: $1,242.

Number matching three of four, plus Bonus Ball: 45. Prize: $40.

Number matching three of four: 1,214. Prize: $21.

Number matching two of four, plus Bonus Ball: 861. Prize: $19.

Number matching one of four, plus Bonus Ball: 5,674. Prize: $7.

Number matching Bonus Ball alone: 9,592. Prize: $5.

Estimated jackpot for Friday night drawing: $250,000.

Cash Five

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

Winning numbers drawn: 9-10-20-28-30.

Number matching five of five: 1.

Prize per winner: $46,904.

Winning tickets sold in: Rio Grande.

Matching four of five: 184. Prize: $115.

Matching three of five: 4,887. Prize: $10.

Matching two of five: 46,974. Prize: $2.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

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(Day) 8-3-6

(Night) 8-0-8

Date Book

Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2003

Today is the 281st day of 2003 and the 15th day of autumn.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1871, on a Sunday evening, the Great Fire of Chicago began. By Tuesday morning, after a heavy rain had finally put out the flames, at least four square miles of Chicago had been destroyed and approximately 250 people had died.

On this day in 1944, "The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet" was broadcast for the first time on the CBS radio network.

On this day in 1967, Che Guevara, a leftist Third World revolutionary, was captured in Bolivia and executed the following day.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: David Carradine (1936-), actor, is 67; Jesse Jackson (1941-), politician and clergyman, is 62; Chevy Chase (1943-), comedian and actor, is 60; Sigourney Weaver (1949-), actress, is 54.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1922, the New York Giants won the first World Series by defeating the Yankees 5-3 in game five.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "George Bush has met more foreign heads of state than I have. But a substantial number of them were dead." — Jesse Jackson

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Oct. 2) and full moon (Oct. 10)

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Ira Cheerleaders

HIGH SCHOOL — The 2003 cheerleaders at Ira High School are from left, Kate Wall, freshman; Shea Allen, junior; Brenda Torres, junior; Sarah McCown, junior; and Jessica Odom, freshman. Rusty Josey, senior, is the mascot. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

JUNIOR HIGH — The Ira Junior High cheerleaders are from top to bottom: A'Lex Koonce, Jordan Smith, head cheerleader; Leeja Mauldin, Jamie Dobbs and Ashley Trotter. (Contributed Photo)

Illegal immigrants released due to lack of space

LAREDO (AP) — Laredo Mayor Betty Flores said Tuesday that immigration officials released dozens of Central and South American immigrants in her city because federal detention centers don't have room for them.

Flores said 98 immigrants were released and that releases of 30 to 60 non-Mexican immigrants a day were to continue through the week, Flores said.

Lee Bargerhuff, assistant chief of the Border Patrol's Laredo sector, said that a federal magistrate in Laredo released 64 Central Americans on their own recognizance. He said he could not specify why.

"There's only so many facts that would go into this — budget and space," Bargerhuff said. "We are not really a detaining force."

Flores said, "The Border Patrol office, called and said, 'Mayor, we hate to call you with bad news, but we think you should know. We've been notified and told by Dallas and San Antonio deportation offices they no longer have deportation money so all illegal immigrants they've been detaining ... will be released and will be released in Laredo because that's where they were picked up."

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5.4, leather, 6 disc CD, 36K

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V-8, power windows/locks, CD, keyless, 62K

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V-6, auto, power windows/locks, leather, 73K

2000 GMC C1500 ExCab SLT $14,995
5.3, auto, power windows/locks, leather, 61K

2001 Chevy Blazer LS $10,995
V-6, power windows/locks, CD, keyless, 45K

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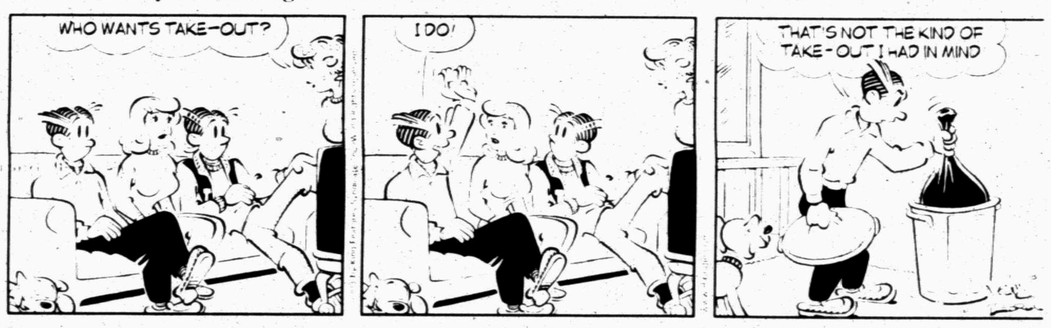

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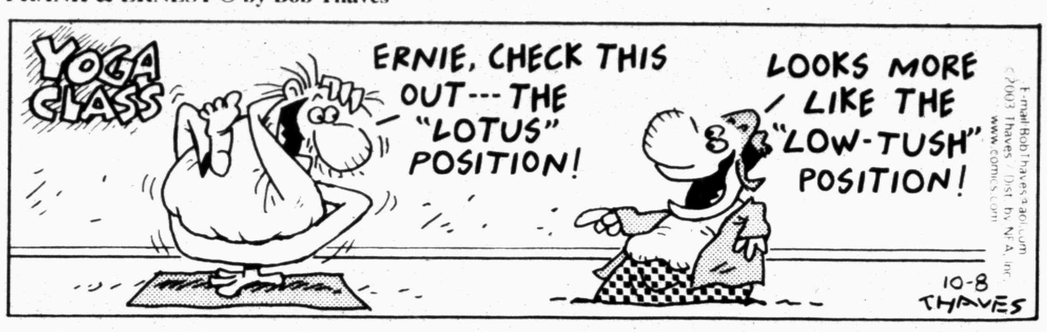

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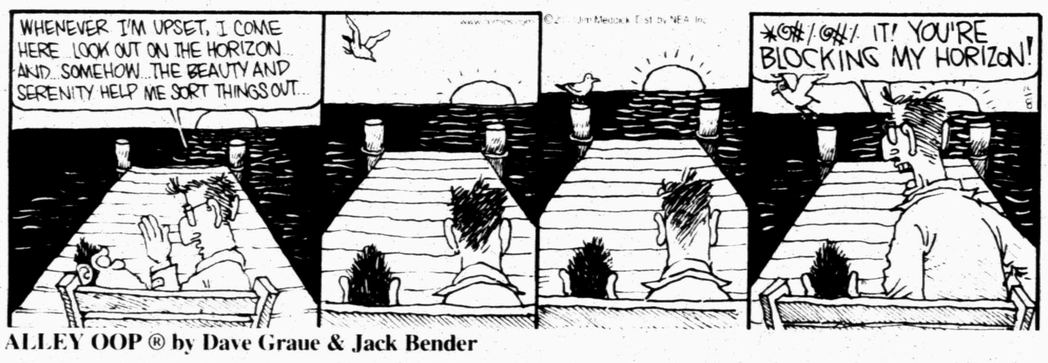

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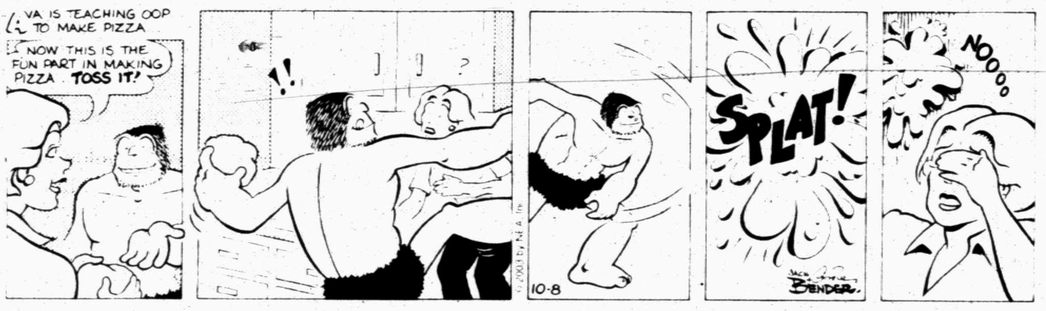

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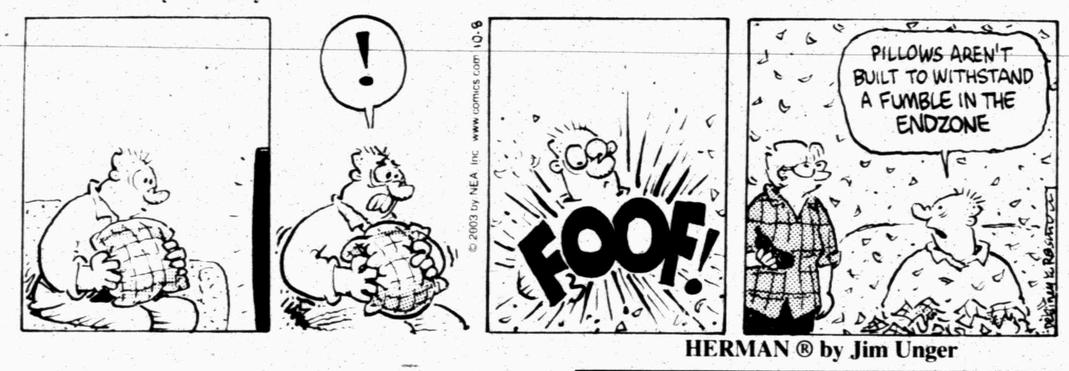

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5 Sumptuous meal
10 Bright-colored bird
12 Candy
13 Noted naturalist
14 High-priority
15 Terminates
16 Coq au —
18 "Treasure Island" monogram
19 Temple city of Japan
21 Dazzle
25 Fine point
29 Sprinkles
31 Nerve cell
33 Magnitude
34 Storage place
35 Coin-slot word
37 Herd follower
38 Author Wyndham —
40 Heifer's hello
43 Was victorious
44 Bed of coal
48 Shout of glee
50 Round Table member
52 Loose
53 Oater brawl locale
54 Hologram maker
55 Flower

DOWN

1 Port near Algiers
2 Encircle
3 Wall Street stats
4 Actor — Wallach
5 Gift-tag word
6 Bridge bldr.
7 Film director — Ferrara
8 Dads, to granddads
9 HBO alternative
10 Lyric poem
11 Covet
12 Flags
17 Charged particle
19 Gist
20 Coral reef habitats
21 Astonish
22 Coat length
23 Memo abbr.
24 Last letters
26 Kind of dollar
27 Streetcar
28 Gentle exercise
30 Threw here and there
32 — Beatty of films
36 Deuce
39 Calligraphy fluids
40 Girl in "Dracula"
41 Chooses
42 Sheriff Andy's kid
44 Round building
45 Teamwork obstacles
46 Mariner's shout
47 Everest or Jungfrau, e.g.
48 Brynner of "Westworld"
49 Always, in verse
51 Forty winks

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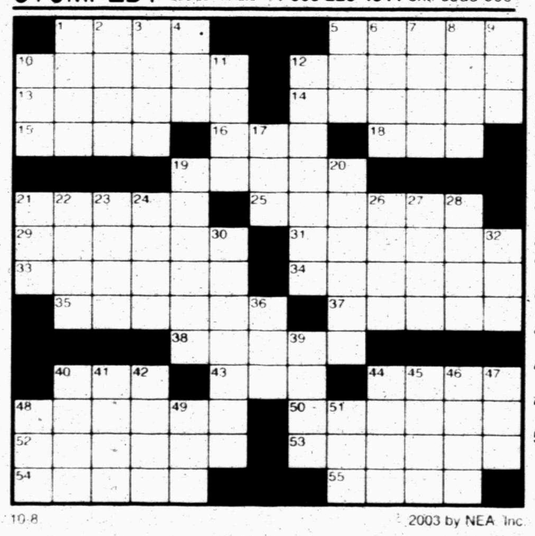

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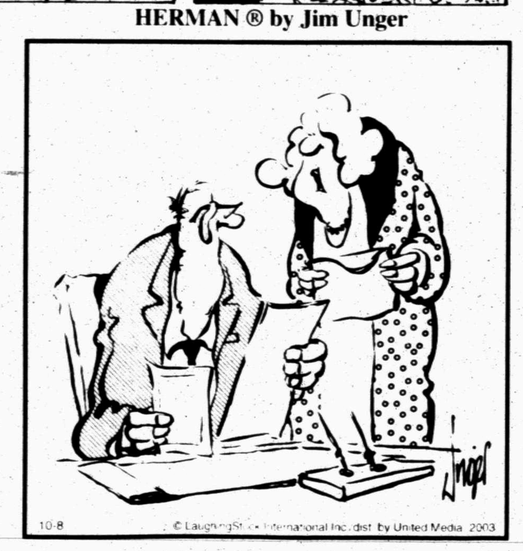

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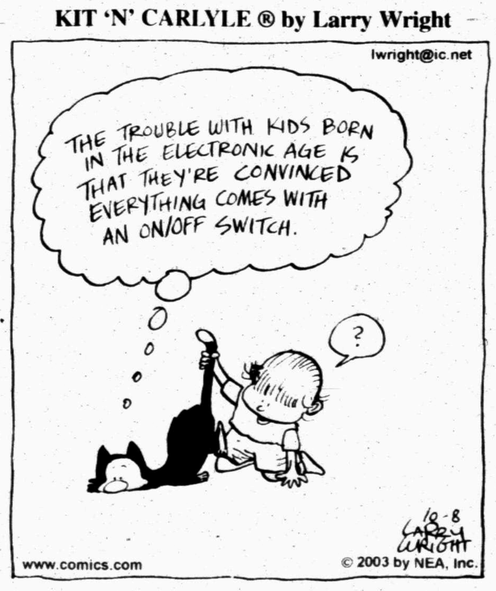

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SPORTS

Lowell's pinch HR in the 11th trumps Sosa's blast

CHICAGO (AP) — Mike Lowell sure wrecked this Wrigley Field party in a hurry.

With the old ballpark still shaking after Sammy Sosa's tremendous, tying homer with two outs in the ninth inning, Lowell led off the 11th with a pinch-hit home run that sent the Florida Marlins over the Chicago Cubs 9-8 Tuesday night in the NL championship series opener.

In a game featuring seven homers, four triples and six doubles, Sosa's two-run shot was clearly the most dramatic. He finally delivered a big postseason hit, and when the ball landed beyond the left-field wall, it turned Waveland Avenue into Bedlam Boulevard.

Too bad for the Cubs, Lowell's drive won it. He had help, too — playoff star Ivan Rodriguez homered and drove in five runs for Florida.

An All-Star third baseman, Lowell missed almost all of the final four weeks because of a broken left hand, and has played sparingly in the postseason. He was ready for his first pinch-hitting appearance this year, batting for winning pitcher Ugueth Urbina and launching a drive over the center-field wall off Mark Guthrie.

The sellout crowd of 39,567 started rocking early as Moises Alou homered in a four-run first. But the Marlins, who posted three comeback wins over San Francisco in the opening round, stormed back when Rodriguez, rookie Miguel Cabrera and Juan Encarnacion homered in a five-run third.

Braden Looper pitched the 11th for a save, giving the Marlins a win and a nice omen. The last 10 teams to win the NLCS opener have reached the World Series.

After avoiding Barry Bonds in the first round, Marlins manager Jack McKeon said he would pitch to Sosa in this series.

And it was a good decision — up until Slammin' Sammy took his final swing.

Sosa tied it with a no-doubt drive, taking a signature hop after he connected off Urbina.

Sosa pointed to the sky as he touched home plate, as much in joy as in relief. The slugger with 539 career homers had been only 5-for-31 with one RBI in postseason play, and his October slumps were starting to cloud his regular season accomplishments.

As Sosa trotted to right field for the top of the 10th, his fans in the right-field bleachers bowed and he doffed his cap.

Game 2 of the best-of-seven series is tonight with Brad Penny pitching for Florida and Mark Prior going for the Cubs.

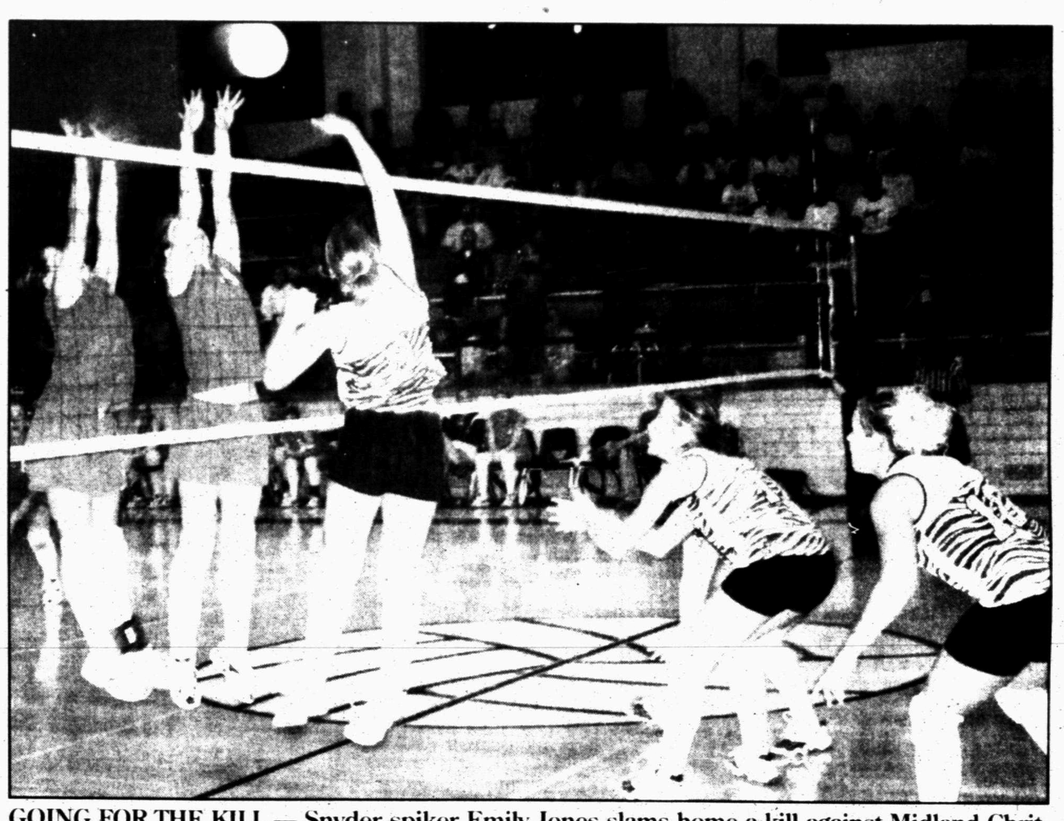
Rodriguez put the Marlins ahead 8-6 with yet another big postseason hit, a two-run single in the ninth. He delivered right after a disputed play that put the Cubs in jeopardy.

With runners on first and second and one out, Luis Castillo hit a slow grounder to second baseman Mark Grudzielanek. He fielded it cleanly, but fumbled it as he tried to tag Juan Pierre and start an inning-ending double play.

Pierre landed on the infield grass, and scampered to second as the bases became loaded. Cubs manager Dusty Baker argued umpire Fieldin Culbreth's call to no avail, and Rodriguez took advantage with a liner past Grudzielanek that broke a 6-all tie.

Alex Gonzalez, with a history of clutch homers for the Cubs, came through again with a two-out, two-run shot in the sixth off starter Josh Beckett. His opposite-field shot into the basket hanging off the right-field wall made it 6-all.

The Marlins had threatened to break it open in the top of the sixth. Leading 5-4, they started the inning with two singles, but had to settle for Jeff Conine's sacrifice fly off starter Carlos Zambrano.



GOING FOR THE KILL — Snyder spiker Emily Jones slams home a kill against Midland Christian while teammates Kelbi Drum and Kelsi Johnson get set for a potential block. The Lady Tigers fell in a pair of non-district matches Tuesday. (SDN Photo by Mandy Burns)

Spikers play well but fall in non-district tune-up matches

The matches had no bearing on the standings, so the fact that the Lady Tigers dropped a pair of matches Tuesday was of less importance to head coach Laura Moses than the way the team played.

"We played well and as a team," Moses said. "The girls hit the ball and played excellent defense. The girls felt good (after the matches) and we were in good shape and really strong. I was proud of them."

Instead of taking an open date, Moses scheduled a dual match with Lubbock Trinity and Midland Christian to gear up for the second half of the District 3-3A schedule.

The team fell to Trinity in three games, 25-21, 25-9 and 25-21.

Kelbi Drum had seven assists, nine digs and three kills against Trinity, while Courtney Cox posted 14 digs and Sarah Crawford slammed six kills.

"Trinity had a top spin jump-server that got to us," Moses said. "We don't see that very often. They are so few and far between."

Teddi Crenwelge recorded three assists and two kills, and Kelsi Johnson and Missy Vasquez continued their sound defense on the back row, digging out nine and six spikes, respectively.

The defense also was stout against Midland Christian, which topped Snyder, 25-13, 25-12, 23-25 and 25-19.

Beth Clements had 17 digs, Johnson had 17 and Vasquez notched 15 in the match.

Moses said the team had good hitting throughout, with six players tallying kills in the match.

Crawford paced the Lady Tigers with seven winners, Cox posted five, while Drum and Sarah Henson had four each.

Sara Thornhill posted three kills, and Emily Jones added a pair for Snyder.

Heather Holmes had five assists in the match, and Drum added 11.

The Lady Tigers get back into district action Saturday at 2 p.m. against Lubbock Cooper, which the Lady Tigers upended in the district opener, 8-25, 25-14, 21-25, 25-10 and 15-12.

The junior varsity and freshmen will both play at 1 p.m.

WTC looks to move up in conference standings

The Western Texas College rodeo teams look to improve on their second place standings in the Southwest Conference when they saddle up for the Vernon College rodeo, which gets underway Thursday.

The men's team did not lose any ground to West Texas A&M after a second-place finish at the Sul Ross rodeo The team has 445 points to A&M's 533.33.

Clay Bunney posted a 78 in bareback riding to win both the short round and the average, while Sam Spreadborough used a 79 to win the final round and the average in the saddle bronc event.

The team finished just 20 points behind winner Tarleton State, and still leads that school in the conference standings by 30 points.

The women's team also stayed in second place in the conference standings after a fourth-place finish at Alpine.

Tarleton State still leads the women's division with 330 points.

WTC has 212.5, holding a narrow edge over third-place Vernon by 7.5 points.

Sabrina Lay won the short round and the average in barrel racing, recording the best time at the rodeo in the short round, riding the circuit in 17.05 seconds.

Spreadborough holds the top spot in the conference in saddle bronc riding with a 185.

Tate Stratton's 100 points leads the bull riding category in the conference, while Lay is leading the barrel racing category by 100 points with a 190.

Other WTC riders in the top 10 include Clay Bunney, second in bareback riding; Cody Horwedel, sixth in saddle bronc; James Irish, eighth in saddle bronc; Jake Marshall, sixth in bareback; Justin Simmons, ninth in bull riding; Jaymee Roach, ninth in breakaway roping and Erin Anglin, sixth in goat-tying.

The Vernon rodeo is scheduled to run through Saturday.

Red Sox, Yankees renew ancient rivalry in ALCS

NEW YORK (AP) — Ted Williams vs. Joe DiMaggio. Carlton Fisk vs. Thurman Munson.

The Yankees and Red Sox, a classic battle with fans opposing each other until the end.

"Do I hate the Boston Red Sox? Do I hate their players?" Derek Jeter asked rhetorically. "No, I don't hate their players. I want to beat them, though."

The AL pennant will be on the line starting tonight in the best-of-seven series. And if you listen to Boston's Todd Walker, the title of best team in baseball is at stake, too.

"The team that wins this wins the World Series. We're the two best teams in baseball," he said Tuesday. "No disrespect to the Cubs and the Marlins, but we're the best two teams."

Traveling across the country after their dramatic win in Oakland on Monday night, the Red Sox arrived in New York at 8:30 a.m. to take on the team Boston president Larry Lucchino called the "Evil Empire."

The Yankees, coming off a first-round win over Minnesota, are seeking their 39th AL pennant, trying to get to the World Series for the fifth time in six seasons.

And their demanding fans are looking for their team to restore luster to a franchise that hasn't gone to the World Series in two long years — since a seven-game loss to Arizona in 2001.

Losing to the Red Sox would bring unthinkable shame upon Yankees fans, who weren't pleased their team won the season series by only 10-9, getting outscored 109-94. To them, beating Boston is a rite of nature, a close-to-annual event since former Boston owner Harry Frazee sold Babe Ruth to New York in 1920 for $125,000 plus a $350,000 loan that helped finance his Broadway musical, "No, No Nanette."

But when Boston's Tim Wakefield takes the mound against Mike Mussina in the opener, the Red Sox will try to continue the roll that began when they overcame a 2-0 deficit against Oakland, sweeping three straight games to advance to the ALCS for the first time since 1999 — when they lost 4-1 to the Yankees.

The Red Sox are looking for their first AL pennant since 1986, trying to lift their curse and win their first World Series title in 85 years.

"If you hear '1918' once, you'll hear it 10,000 times over the next seven days," said Derek Lowe, their scheduled Game 2 starter.

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BJ Services	46	39
Timely Pawn	44	41
Robert Early's Weld	43	42
Circle M Welding	39	46
The Shack	38	47
Anadarko	37	48
Ghost	19.5	65.5

High series: Mark Thompson, scratch, 584; James Northcutt, handicap, 655.

High game: Jason Coy, scratch, 248; Jason Coy, handicap, 268.

Jack-N-Jill

Team	W	L
Team 10	17	3
Snyder I& M	13.5	6.5
Team 8	13	7
Team 3	12	8
Turkey Hunters	11	9
Snyder Brick & Tile	11	9
WTP Energy	10	10
JB's	8	12
Timely Finance	7.5	12.5
Moments Captured	7	13
Phantom Team	6	14
Snyder Lanes	4	16

High series: Scratch: Jeff Smith, 628, Jackie Greene, 458; **Handicap:** Mark Thompson, 681, Donna Smith, 621.

Sports Briefs

Lions' top pick breaks collarbone

DETROIT (AP) — Lions wide receiver Charles Rogers broke his right collarbone in practice and is expected to miss at least a month.

Alstott placed on IR

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Tampa Bay running back Mike Alstott was placed on injured reserve with a neck problem that may require surgery. Buccaneers general manager Rich McKay said the season-ending injury is not believed to be career-threatening.

Girls softball

The Snyder girls softball association will meet at 8 tonight in the Texas Savings Bank basement.

WTC GLT tournament

Western Texas College will host the golf and landscape technology tournament Saturday. Format is nine-hole lowball-daylight and nine-hole select shot glow ball-dark with tee-off at 5 p.m. Cost is $70 per team with cash prizes. Contact the pro shop at 573-9291 for more information.

Mavs, Rockets open exhibitions

DALLAS (AP) — Rookie free agent Marquis Daniels scored 12 of his 17 points in the second half and Dirk Nowitzki had 16 points as the Dallas Mavericks beat the Orlando Magic 99-89 Tuesday night in an exhibition game.

Mavericks forward Antawn Jamison sat out with back spasms. Jamison, who was acquired from Golden State in August, is listed as day to day.

Dallas (1-1) was also without guard Michael Finley, who missed his second consecutive exhibition game with a strained right quadriceps. And forward Eduardo Najera sprained his right shoulder in the second quarter. He is day to day.

Daniels, who played at Auburn, and Steve Nash each scored six points as the Mavericks outscored the Magic 21-12 in the third quarter.

Gordan Giricek led Orlando (0-1) with 21 points and Drew Gooden had 15 points.

Orlando guard Tracy McGrady scored 10 points on 2-of-11 shooting. He played 24 minutes.

Juwan Howard, who signed a five-year, $28 million free-agent deal in the offseason, had 10 points in 21 minutes.

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Rasheed Wallace scored 19 points, and Zach Randolph had 18 points and eight rebounds to lead the Portland Trail Blazers to a 104-80 victory over the Houston Rockets in the exhibition opener for both teams Tuesday night.

Alex Scales led the Rockets with 11 points.

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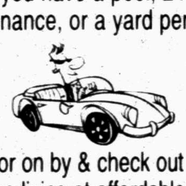

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Over-treatment can be dangerous

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 40, male and in poor health. I require 90 doses of medicine out of 23 containers daily. How does my body handle these drugs? Obviously, some of my problems have been caused by medication side effects, such as from steroids. Although my case is admittedly complicated, I am at a loss to understand how everything works on the right ailment.

DEAR READER: So am I.

Your problem is not unique. Termed "polypharmacy" by the medical profession, it provides a challenge for patients and physicians alike.

First of all, most medicines are not like "smart bombs" — they do not target specific and individual diseases and organs. Rather, there is a wide overlap.

You mention steroids, for example. These drugs are very beneficial therapy for many diseases. However, they affect virtually every organ in the body and may lead to diabetes, osteoporosis, cataracts, immune deficiencies and many other conditions.

Cardiovascular drugs are almost universally associated with constipation, fatigue and urinary problems, among other side effects. Diuretics, such as Lasix, lead to potassium depletion and kidney malfunction. The list goes on.

When I see a new patient, one of my primary responsibilities is to review his or her treatment plan, eliminate unnecessary drugs, change others, and generally try to simplify dosing schedules in order to avoid the very problem you have: too many medicines in too complex a dosing pattern.

In short, I doubt that you really need all the drugs you have been prescribed. I recommend that you ask your primary care physician for an in-depth interview to review each medicine, its purpose and side effects, with a goal toward reducing your problem of polypharmacy and possible dangerous side effects.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have glaucoma treated with Timoptic. Since starting this medicine, I've been impotent. Do I live with this or is there a solution?

DEAR READER: Timoptic is a beta-blocker used to treat glaucoma by lowering the pressure within the eyes. When administered as eyedrops, Timoptic — and other drugs in its class — can be absorbed into the body in sufficient quantity to cause side effects, mainly slow pulse and low blood pressure. Such side effects are uncommon, however, and most patients can use Timoptic without experiencing complications.

Erectile dysfunction has been reported with Timoptic, but this is an extremely rare occurrence. Nonetheless, you could be the occasional patient in whom the medicine causes such a symptom.

Ask your ophthalmologist about this; perhaps he would be willing to prescribe another type of medication for your glaucoma. Or he might offer you a trial of Viagra. In addition, you may need to see a urologist who will examine and test you to make sure your erectile dysfunction isn't caused by some other factor, such as poor circulation or a hormone deficiency.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Erectile Dysfunction." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope 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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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONDUCT WEATHER MODIFICATION OPERATIONS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

Date of the first three weekly publications of this notice: September 24, 2003 in the Snyder Daily News published in Scurry County, Texas.

1. Notice is hereby given that the Colorado River Municipal Water District, P.O. Box 869, Big Spring, Texas 79720 has filed an application with the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) for a State permit to conduct weather modification operations to change, or attempt to change, the natural development of clouds for the purpose, objective, period, and by the method summarized herein below.

2. The Colorado River Municipal Water District holds a valid Texas weather-modification license, for Fiscal Year 2004, which began on September 1, 2003.

3. The purpose of the proposed weather-modification operation is to increase precipitation from cumulus cloud formations within the target area of the Colorado River Municipal Water District. The requested period of the permit is January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2007.

4. The proposed weather-modification operation is to be carried out in both an operational area and a target area, to cause the intended effect(s) to occur only in the target area. The operations area is composed of the following counties: Lynn, Garza, Kent, Dawson, Fisher, Martin, Nolan, Glasscock, Sterling and Coke County.

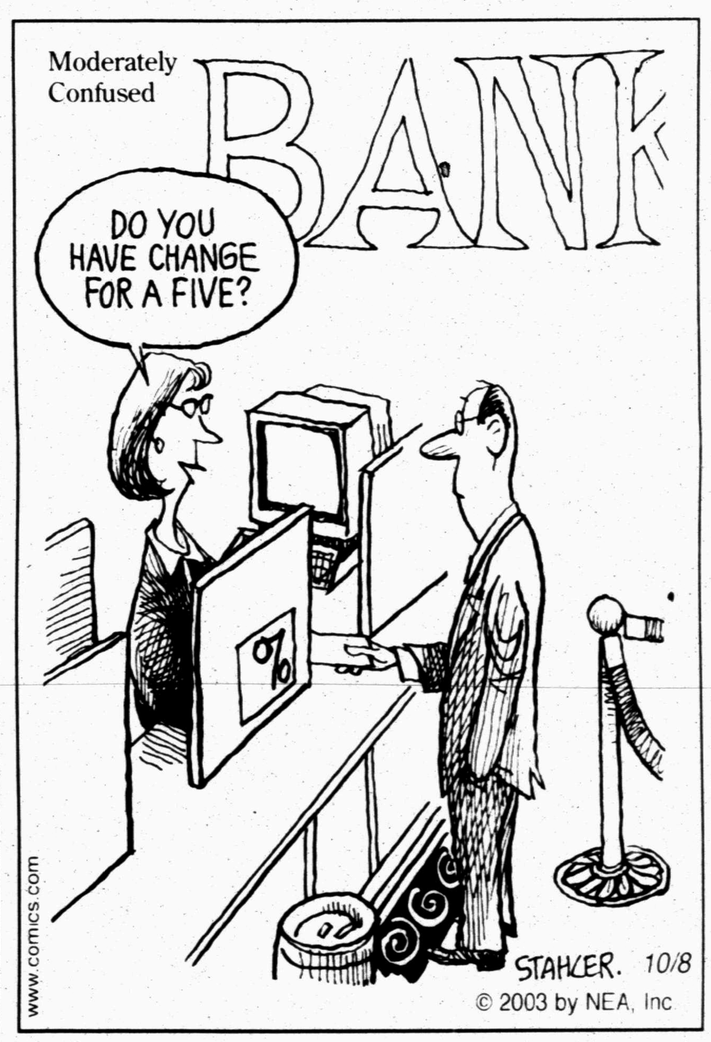
5. The area to be affected by the proposed weather-modification operation is the target area. The target area is that area contained within the following counties, or parts of counties: Borden, Howard, Mitchell, Scurry and the northwest quarter of Coke County.

6. The methods and materials to be used in conducting this operation are summarized herein. A meteorologist licensed by the TDLR to conduct weather-modification operations will select suitable clouds for seeding using a weather-radar system, as well as standard analytical and weather-forecasting procedures, to guide aircraft to release cloud-condensation nuclei either at cloud base or at cloud top to promote the growth and development of the precipitation process within those clouds. The aircraft will be equipped with flare racks or generators to dispense appropriate materials, either glaciogenic or hygroscopic or a combination of the two, into those clouds deemed receptive to seeding.

7. Persons interested in knowing more about the technical aspects of the proposed weather-modification operation should contact George Bomar, Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR), P.O. Box 12157, Austin, Texas 78711 (512-936-4313); george.bomar@license.state.tx.us.

8. A public meeting on this application may be called by mailing letters, or petitions, that specifically request a meeting to the Executive Director, TDLR, P.O. Box 12157, Austin, Texas 78711. The letter or petition must contain (1) the signature, full name and mailing address, including physical address and name of county, of each person requesting the meeting; (2) a statement that each person is at least 18 years of age and that he (she) resides or owns property in either the operational or target areas, and (3) a description of each person's interest and how that interest would be adversely impacted by the proposed seeding operation. Requests for a meeting must be mailed and postmarked to the TDLR within 30 days after the date of first publication of the Notice of Intention, which is required by State rules to be published in newspapers of general circulation in the affected counties once a week for three consecutive weeks. If at least 25 eligible persons make appropriate written requests for a meeting, the TDLR will schedule a public meeting within the area where the operation is to be conducted. Public notice stating the time, place, subject, and legal authority of the public meeting shall be provided at least 20 days prior to the meeting.

Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency licensing and permitting procedures, may call the TDLR at (800) 803-9202 or access the following website: www.license.state.tx.us.



Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	13.48	12.24	13.16	—.09
AOL TimeWrn	15.80	15.27	15.28	—.19
AT&T Corp rs	20.30	19.100	20.04	—.26
Albertsons	21.39	20.91	20.91	—.15
Alltel	49.72	48.80	48.84	—.88
AmEl Pw	29.88	29.54	29.73	—.15
AndarkPtr	43.08	42.64	42.64	—.38
ATMOS Egy	24.80	24.40	24.44	—.36
Aviall	13.90	13.62	13.64	—.29
BP PLC	44.01	43.39	43.41	—.56
BakerHughes	31.47	30.73	30.99	+.14
Bank of Amer	80.25	79.89	80.06	—.29
BellSouth	24.54	24.10	24.20	—.39
BurlNoSFe	29.25	29.09	29.23	—.12
Caterpillar	75.50	74.64	75.15	+.73
CenterPoint	9.36	9.30	9.35	+.06
ChevronTex	74.17	73.42	73.42	—.56
Citigroup	47.97	47.56	47.59	—.24
CocaCola	44.50	44.22	44.22	—.44
ColgatePal	57.95	57.52	57.60	—.35
CmclMetals	20.20	19.90	19.90	—.17
ConocoPhill	56.60	56.20	56.30	—.43
Cooper Inds	51.14	50.44	50.44	—.56
DaimlrChry	35.61	34.80	34.80	—.65
DeltaAirl	13.76	13.57	13.57	—.18
Dillards Inc	14.87	14.70	14.77	—.18
DowChem	34.35	34.12	34.28	+.33
DuPont	41.48	40.95	41.00	—.04
EastmanChem	32.99	32.62	32.70	—.13
EstKodak	21.43	20.12	21.12	+.02
EDS Corp	21.59	21.30	21.40	—.19
Entergy	55.00	54.44	54.51	—.29
ExxonMobil	38.36	37.89	37.93	—.41
FootLocker	16.68	16.56	16.68	+.05
GenDynam	79.90	79.10	79.55	+.11
GenElec	30.87	30.36	30.40	—.33
GenMills	46.42	45.82	46.23	+.01
GenMotors	42.22	42.02	42.06	—.04
GaPacific	26.04	25.66	25.74	+.14
Goodrich	25.50	25.36	25.46	+.06
Goodyear	7.25	7.14	7.15	—.05
GtAtlPac	8.40	7.69	7.81	—.60
Halliburtn	25.67	25.34	25.39	—.15
Hanson ADS	34.05	33.67	33.67	+.02
HarteHanks	19.20	19.10	19.17	—.03
HomeDepot	34.48	34.16	34.17	—.30
HoneywellIntl	27.58	27.15	27.46	+.06
IBM	92.86	91.70	92.34	+.64
IntlPaper	39.49	39.20	39.35	+.39
JohnsonJn	50.10	49.85	49.91	—.19
KinderMorg	55.25	55.00	55.04	—.14
Kroger Co	18.91	18.77	18.84	—.16
LockheedM	46.09	45.54	45.67	—.09
Lowes Cos	57.50	57.13	57.20	—.30
Lubys	2.41	2.40	2.41	+.01
LucentTech	2.34	2.29	2.30	—.02
MarathonOil	29.50	29.18	29.18	—.27
MayDeptStr	26.25	26.03	26.14	—.08
Medtronic	46.00	45.15	45.42	—.23
Motorola	14.40	13.81	13.85	—.21
NCR Corp	34.71	34.29	34.43	—.27
Navistar	40.47	39.87	40.27	+.06
PNM Rescs	28.97	28.58	28.62	—.10
Penney JC	24.00	21.82	21.99	+.12
PepBoys	16.43	16.03	16.09	—.40
PepsiCo	47.85	47.46	47.79	+.39
PhelpDodge	53.95	53.40	53.65	+.85
PilgrmPrd B	13.42	13.20	13.20	—.20
Praxair	66.15	65.49	65.80	+.30
ProctGamb	94.96	94.22	94.28	—.82
RadioShack	29.57	29.22	29.39	—.16
RoyalDut	45.88	45.20	45.20	—.40
SBC Comm	22.55	22.15	22.19	—.43
SaraLee	19.25	19.04	19.05	—.20
Scripps EW	88.03	87.70	87.72	—.14
SearsRoeb	49.15	48.65	48.85	—.29
SherwinW	31.85	31.47	31.56	—.02
SouthernCo	29.48	29.26	29.28	—.13
SwstAirl	18.74	18.49	18.67	—.09
SprintFON	15.55	15.30	15.48	+.10
SprintPCS	6.29	6.02	6.03	—.21
Sunoco Inc	42.10	41.55	41.98	+.28
TXU Corp	23.10	22.84	22.85	—.15
TempleInland	48.65	48.05	48.25	
TexInd	25.85	25.60	25.70	
TexasInst	24.85	23.90	24.39	—.33
Textron	42.97	42.00	42.78	+1.06
TrinityInds	27.19	27.00	27.01	—.14
TylerTech	7.50	7.43	7.46	—.04
UnionPacif	58.48	58.17	58.30	—.22
USSteel	19.74	19.47	19.48	+.07
UnitedTech	82.41	81.31	81.98	+.21
Unocal	31.77	31.55	31.56	—.24
VerizonComm	33.15	32.85	32.87	—.24
WalMart	59.02	58.36	58.37	—.53
WellsFargo	54.07	53.63	53.81	—.34
WstnGasRs	39.32	38.95	39.29	+.22
WinnDixie	9.53	8.70	8.97	—.73
Xerox Cp	10.99	10.84	10.86	—.13
YumBrands	32.30	31.32	31.50	—.07

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Home For The Holidays

The schedule for the annual Home for the Holidays is as follows: Garza County, Monday, Nov. 10, 6:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Post; Borden County, Monday, Nov. 17, 6:30 p.m. at the Community Building in Gail; Scurry County, Tuesday, Nov. 18, 6:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, Snyder; and Mitchell County, Thursday, Nov. 20, 6:30 p.m. at Wallace Center in Colorado City.

The cost of the event is $8. Reservations for the Scurry County event can be made by calling the Extension Office at (325) 573-5423. Deadline reservations, Wednesday Nov. 12, at 5:00 p.m.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Breast Cancer is the leading cancer diagnosed in women in the United States. It is also the leading cause of cancer deaths among women aged 40 to 55 years (Kemper, 1997). This year, more than 211,000 women will learn that they have breast cancer for the first time, and more than 39,000 women will lose their lives because of breast cancer (National Breast Cancer Awareness Month NBCAM Board, 2003).

Fortunately, breast cancer is highly treatable if detected early. With early detection and proper treatment, suffering and ultimately the loss of life can be reduced significantly.

What is Cancer?

Cancer is a group of diseases that occur when cells become abnormal and divide without control or order (National Cancer Institute, 1993).

Every organ in the body is made up of various types of cells. Normally, the cells in the body reproduce in a controlled and orderly fashion. This controlled and orderly reproduction allows us to grow, replace worn-out tissue, and repair injuries.

Normally, our bodies only produce new cells when needed, thus, keeping our bodies healthy. If cells divide when new cells are not needed, however, they form too much tissue. This extra tissue is called a tumor.

What can you do?

Breast cancer is highly treatable if detected early. There are three methods for early detection: Breast self-exam, clinical breast exam and mammogram.

Breast self-exam

Women discover more than 80% of breast lumps through self-examination. Breast self-exam (BSE) takes no more than 10 minutes, but many women are reluctant to examine their breasts because they don't know what to look or feel for. The most important thing to look for is a change in the breast. Because a woman lives with her breasts every day, she is most often the best judge of change. Some changes to look for include the following: Change in color, change in shape or size of either breast, presence of a lump or thickening in the breast, a lump or knot in the underarm area, or above or below the collarbone, persistent discomfort or pain in the breast, discharge from the nipple, change in the skin on and around the nipple (thickening, scaling, crusting),dimpling, puckering, or pulling-in of the skin, raised area on breast,

sores or ulcerations not caused from injury, or sores that don't heal, veins which protrude or are noticeably larger or more prominent in one breast, change in the direction of the nipple, change in the appearance of moles or skin

(American Cancer Society, 1995)

Keep in mind, only you know what is normal for you. Regular BSE can help you to know what is normal and if there is a change. The American Cancer Society recommends doing BSE every month, beginning at age 20. The best time for BSE is 2 days to a week after menstruation.

Clinical Breast Exam

A second method for early detection of breast cancer is the clinical breast exam. This is a physical exam much like the breast self-exam, but it is done by your health care provider.

This exam is important for identifying changes in the breast that you may not have found in your BSE. It is also a good way to help you understand how to do part of your own BSE.

Mammogram

A third method for early detection of breast cancer is mammography. Mammography is an X-ray that creates an image of the breast. The X-ray picture is called a mammogram. Two X-rays of each breast are usually taken — one from the top and one from the side.

Mammograms are typically done for the first time at age 40. This serves as a baseline for comparison in identifying any changes. Mammography is especially important because it can reveal tumors in the breast that cannot be felt. A mammogram may reveal tumors when a woman has no visible signs or symptoms.

To find out where you can get a mammogram, contact your health care provider or call the Cancer Information Service a 1-800-4-CANCER (1-800-422-6237).

Keep in mind, mammography is not a substitute for breast self exam. Since no diagnostic test is 100 percent accurate, it is essential to continue BSE.

Risk Factors You Can Control

In addition to methods for early detection, you can reduce your risk by controlling your diet, your eating behaviors, and your alcohol consumption.

Diet

Replace high fat foods with lower fat choices. Choose fruits, vegetables, and whole grains, which are not only low in fat, but rich in nutrients such as beta carotene, vitamin C, and dietary fiber. These nutrients may actually protect against certain forms of cancer.

Eating Behavior

Avoid overeating, High calorie diets can often lead to obesity – another risk factor for breast cancer. It is difficult to consume too many calories if you stock up on fruits, vegetable, and whole grains — rather than high fat meats, fried foods, and desserts.

Alcohol Consumption

Drink alcohol in moderation, if at all. For women, moderation is usually defined as no more than one drink per day. One drink is defined as one 12 ounce bottle of beer, one 5 ounce glass of wine, or one 1.5 ounce shot of distilled liquor (American Institute for Cancer Research, 1993).

Diversified

By Greg Gruben, County Extension Agent

Garden Checklist for October, 2003

October is a good time to reduce the insect and disease potential in next year's garden. Clean up the garden, removing all annuals that have completed their life cycle. Remove the tops of all herbaceous perennials that have finished flowering or as soon as frost has killed the leaves.

October through November is also an excellent time to purchase bulbs while you still have a good selection in the garden center.

Chill tulip and hyacinth bulbs in the refrigerator until mid or late December before planting. The lower part of the refrigerator is best. Do not leave bulbs in airtight plastic bags during refrigerated storage.

Plant bulbs in well-prepared beds so the base of the bulb is at a depth that is three times the diameter of the bulb. In sandy soil, set slightly deeper and in clay soils less deeply.

Holly plants with a heavy set of fruit often suffer a fertilizer deficiency. An application of complete fertilizer late this month can be helpful and provide a head start next spring.

Start collecting leaves for the compost pile. Be sure to have extra soil available so that each 6 inch layer of leaves may be covered with several inches of soil.

Always wet the layer of leaves thoroughly before adding the soil. Add about one pound of a complete lawn or garden fertilizer to each layer of leaves to provide the necessary nitrogen for decomposition.

In addition to bulbs, check your nursery or garden center for started plants of snapdragons, pinks, sweet williams, poppies, and calendulas. Planted now in south and east Texas, they will usually provide a riot of spring color; wait until late winter or early spring to plant in north Texas.

Keep Christmas cactus in a sunny spot where night temperatures can be kept below 65 degrees F. Buds will drop if you allow night temperatures to go above 70 degrees F or if you allow the plant to become excessively dry. They should also be kept in total darkness from 5 p.m. until 8 a.m. for about 30 days in October to initiate flower buds.

If you have saved seeds of your favorite plants, allow them to become air dry, then place them in an airtight container and store in the refrigerator. Be sure to label each packet carefully. Remember, seed from hybrid plants will seldom resemble the parent plant.

Prepare beds for planting pansies when they become available at the garden centers. They need a well-drained soil and exposure to at least a halfday of sun.

It is best to use started plants, as seeds are difficult to handle.

If you are planning to save caladium tubers for another year, dig them in late October, and allow to dry in a well ventilated but shady area. After 7 to 10 days remove leaves and dirt, then pack in dry peat moss, vermiculite or similar material for storage.

Pack tubers so they do not touch each other. Dust with all-purpose fungicide as you pack. Place container in an area where temperature won't drop below 50 degrees F.

COLORADO RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

WEEKLY LAKE AND WATER DELIVERY REPORT

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

	ONE YEAR AGO 10-6-02	LAST WEEK 9-29-03	THIS WEEK 10-6-03
ELEVATION (FEET)	16.47	18.13	17.93
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	16,728	19,986	19,572
PERCENT FULL	8.34	9.96	9.76
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		1.03	0.63
IVIE TO LAKE THOMAS (Gal.)		0	0
SPENCE TO THOMAS (Gal.)		0	0

*RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT BIG SPRING/ODESSA INTAKE

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

	ONE YEAR AGO 10-6-02	LAST WEEK 9-29-03	THIS WEEK 10-6-03
ELEVATION (FEET)	38.82	41.20	41.02
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	38,329	45,363	44,806
PERCENT FULL	7.41	8.77	8.66
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		0.30	0.30

* RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT SPENCE PUMP STATION

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

	ONE YEAR AGO 10-6-02	LAST WEEK 9-29-03	THIS WEEK 10-6-03
ELEVATION (FEET)	27.66	25.74	25.56
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	212,748	194,390	192,745
PERCENT FULL	38.38	35.07	34.77
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		1.00	1.00

* RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT DAM

INFORMATION BASED ON NEW AREA CAPACITY CURVE DATA

MUNICIPAL WATER DELIVERIES IN GALLONS

	LAST WEEKS DAILY AVERAGE 9-29-03	THIS WEEKS DAILY AVERAGE 10-6-03	THIS WEEKS PEAK DAY 10-6-03
	9-23-03	9-30-03	9-30-03
BIG SPRING	4,580,000	4,208,571	4,870,000
ODESSA	19,696,000	19,596,143	21,951,000
SNYDER	2,171,429	2,187,714	2,452,000
MIDLAND	23,338,000	23,603,143	25,415,000
SAN ANGELO	13,721,857	13,901,429	16,764,000
STANTON	328,143	335,857	394,000

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS SNYDER ISD'S

State Financial Accountability Rating

Snyder ISD will hold a public meeting at 6:00 pm, October 9, 2003 in the Boardroom at the Administration Building, 2901 37th St., Snyder

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Snyder ISD's rating on the state's financial accountability system.

?Weather Whys?

Topic: Frost

Q: What causes frost to form?

A: "Frost forms when the temperature at the ground reaches freezing," says Andrew Odins of Texas A&M University. "Very often on calm, clear nights, the temperature near the ground can be three or four degrees cooler than temperatures several feet above the ground," Odins explains.

"The thermometer might read 36 degrees on top of a fence or near a roof, but at the ground, it might read 32 degrees. This is because the ground loses heat quickly. So water vapor in the air, because it is so cool, condenses as super-cooled dew and then turns to frost and maybe ice.

"Frost tends to form on glass, such as car windshields or windows, metal or rock surfaces first because these tend to lose more heat quicker. So usually, a car windshield will frost over before vegetation does."

Q: Does frost form quicker in some areas than others?

A: Yes, Odins says. "Cold air is dense and it tends to sink," he explains. "On a calm night, cold air will tend to sink into low spots. That's why valleys can be much cooler than the surrounding area because the cold air from the hills sinks into the lower areas.

"So when the cold air starts sinking, frost will form quicker in the low spots than the high ones. It's not uncommon for some valleys to be cooler by 10 degrees or more, thus more frost tends to form in these low areas. Also, some soil types, such as sand, retain less heat than others, and frost tends to form quicker on these."

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For more information, contact Keith Randall at (979) 845-4644 or kr@univrel.tamu.edu. Suggestions for future topics may be directed to news@univrel.tamu.edu.

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Episcopal conservatives mull possible split

DALLAS (AP) — Emboldened by an opening day of prayer, heartfelt singing and sobering messages, an insurgent conservative movement threatening a break from the Episcopal Church planned to turn next to the nuts and bolts of a possible split.

Nearly 2,700 conservatives — including 46 of the denomination's 300 bishops — began the three-day national meeting Tuesday with a goal of shaping plans for Episcopalians who oppose the church's increasing acceptance of gay relationships.

"Exciting, excruciating, discouraging and demanding days are ahead of us," Canon Mary Hays from the Diocese of Pittsburgh said Tuesday night at a communion service that drew around 5,000 worshippers, including area Episcopalians not registered for the meeting.

Christopher Culpepper, a 33-year-old seminary student from Nashotah, Wis., echoed the view of many at the meeting.

"The idea of a split is very devastating," Culpepper said, "but I think it would be very difficult to remain in communion with the Episcopal Church."

At its national convention in Minneapolis this summer, the church confirmed the election of a gay bishop living with his partner and voted to recognize that bishops are allowing blessing ceremonies for same-sex couples.

The Rev. Rick Kramer, one of about 800 priests attending the Dallas meeting, said he came in hopes of "taking back the church," even if that means severing ties with the denomination.

To that end, one panel today will brief participants on such practical details as church law, clergy pensions and property rights. Congregations that break with the Episcopal Church will want to retain ownership of their buildings and other assets, but the national denomination claims control, raising the prospect of long and enervating lawsuits.

Two other pointed today topics are the mechanics of withholding money from the national offices and liberal dioceses, and further detail on what conservative leaders want from next week's London meeting of world Anglican leaders.

Kramer, a 30-year-old mission vicar from London, Ohio, said conservatives aren't angry, just concerned about the church's direction.

"Rather than preaching the gospel, we've become pluralistic, almost universalist in that we will allow anyone ... to hold any position in the church regardless of whether or not they're converted and Christian," he said.

That's a prevailing message at the meeting, as conservatives claim the church's liberal wing has abandoned a message of repentance and forgiveness for an anything-goes brand of religion.

"It is the gospel of affirmation rather than the gospel of salvation," said the Rev. Kendall Harmon, canon theologian for the Diocese of South Carolina. "We have moved from sinners in the hands of an angry God to clients in the palm of a satisfied therapist."

Some Episcopalians who support the Minneapolis decisions are present, operating a hospitality suite at the hotel where the meeting is being held.

Flu season begins early; Houston has 15 cases

HOUSTON (AP) — As many as 15 flu cases have been reported in Houston, causing concern among health experts who say the flu season has arrived earlier than expected.

"It's very early, and what I'm concerned about is whether people have gotten the vaccine yet," said Dr. Paul Glezen, a pediatrician and head epidemiologist at the Baylor College of Medicine Influenza Research Center. "I think many have not."

Health officials say the flu season usually starts in December and spikes between January and March.

So far this year, six positive cases of influenza were identified at Texas Children's Hospital and officials confirmed nine case at a Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School middle school.

Glezen said he also has received reports of students with flu-like symptoms being sent home from high schools in Galena Park ISD and Aldine ISD.

Flu cases also have been reported in Travis and Williamson counties, said Doug McBride, spokesman for the Texas Department of Health.

Local experts say the early arrival is troublesome because the strain of flu virus spreading may be resistant to this year's flu vaccince.

Flu vaccines usually take six months to manufacture and distribute across the United States. That means vaccines for this flu season had to be prepared in March, and therefore do not include protection against the new variant.

"It's too early to say how good the vaccine will act, but it is still important to get a shot," Glezen said in the Houston Chronicle's today edition.

A variant of a common flu strain appeared in Australia and New Zealand earlier this year; Southern Hemisphere countries' flu seasons run from June through August.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Oct. 9, 2003

By being motivated by reward in the year ahead, you'll prepare yourself to take on greater obligations and responsibilities. Subordinate roles will hold no appeal for you; you'll shoot right for the head jobs.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — You have much more going for you today than you realize and unless you understand this, you may not strive for anything. If you think you're a loser, you'll be one. Be a winner instead.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Break through those fixed opinions of yours today and allow your brain to be infused with fresh, progressive ideas. For true growth, be ready and willing to explore the thinking of others.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Boldness is your forte where joint ventures are concerned, but today it might be smarter to cushion your verve with a quiet approach. Leadership works in tandem with others.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Companions will have respect for your directives today, but unless you have the courage to adhere to them yourself, they could lose confidence in you. Lead by example.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — You may mean well, but unless you truly have experience in doing a job, don't volunteer to take one on. Should it turn out to be way over your head, your contribution will hurt, not help.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Normally your pleasant manner can get along with even so-called difficult types, but today you may not have the tolerance it'll take to handle a particularly demanding individual. Don't blame yourself.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Your family's welfare is apt to be your main concern today and you'll take extra measures to be both protective and concerned for their needs. Their appreciation will be well worth your effort.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — People aren't mind readers, so if they aren't being solicitous to you, whose fault is that? Let everybody know where you stand and what you want; only then can they come through for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — It may not be to your benefit today to be stubborn about your business concerns. Being overly protective of your interests might be at the expense of others. Compromise your needs.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You may have to stiffen your back and dig in when confronted by challenging developments today. Both fortitude and determination will be required in order to realize personal success.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Sometimes silent participation is required when we set out to help others in order to protect their interests. This may be one of these days, but your hidden contribution won't be forgotten.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Don't let an old project suffer today because of your enthusiasm for something new, or else all you'll have to show for your efforts are two unfinished tasks. Give attention to both.

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Today's chuckle

First snorkeling expedition turns deadly

TOKYO (AP) — A Japanese man thought he would try something new — snorkeling — on his birthday. He ended up in a 19-hour swim for his life after being swept out to sea by a strong tide.

Hideo Murasugi set off on his first snorkeling expedition at noon Sunday at a reef on the southern Japan island of Ishigaki, about 1,000 miles south of Tokyo.

His family reported him missing when he didn't return that evening and authorities sent out a search party, according to Ishigaki Maritime Safety Department spokesman Kazuo Toji.

Murasugi swam ashore unassisted Monday morning after spending the night dog-paddling and floating in the water while he waited for the tide to turn. Nineteen hours after entering the water, he made it to shore, Toji said.

Murasugi told officials he had been swept out to sea but realized he was not far from shore when night fell and he was still able to see lights.

"I'm very sorry to have troubled you," Toji quoted Murasugi as saying. "Having snorkeled for my first time, I've experienced enough marine leisure for a lifetime."

Toji said Monday was Murasugi's 70th birthday.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 10-08-03
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♥ A 9 4 3
♦ K Q 8 4
♣ A 9 5 3

West
♠ 10 9 3
♥ 8 6 5
♦ 9 7 5
♣ K J 8 6

East
♠ Q J 5 4 2
♥ Q J 7
♦ 10 2
♣ 7 4 2

South
♠ A 8 7 6
♥ K 10 2
♦ A J 6 3
♣ Q 10

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Neither

South	West	North	East
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
1 NT	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♣	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	6 ♦	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ 6

Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2003

Keep learning, keep understanding

By Phillip Alder

Marie Ebner Eschenbach, an Austrian author, wrote, "In youth we learn; in age we understand."

Maybe, in the first phrase, "youth" should be replaced with "life."

One bridge player who satisfies both versions is Dorothy Hayden Truscott, and she found a way home in this deal. Look only at the North-South hands. How would you plan the play in six diamonds? West leads the heart six.

If South had rebid one spade, it would have promised an unbalanced hand. North's two-diamond rebid was an artificial game-force, so she didn't show primary diamond support until the next round. After that, momentum carried them into a slam, with North expecting (hoping for?) the heart queen, not the club queen.

After taking the first trick with her heart king, declarer played a spade to dummy's king, then returned a club to her 10. West, after winning with the jack, led the heart eight. Reading the position perfectly, Truscott called for dummy's ace, played a diamond to her ace, then led the club queen. She was planning to run it, but West obligingly covered with the king. Winning with dummy's ace, South threw her last heart on the club nine, ruffed a heart in hand, and cashed the spade ace to discard dummy's final club. Finally, declarer drew trumps and cashed dummy's 13th heart.

This deal was inappropriately written on a sheet of paper headed: "Don't bother me, I'm having a crisis!"

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Teen's college search snags on mom's low expectations

DEAR ABBY: I am a 17-year-old high school junior who is busy searching to find the right college. I'm in the top 10 percent of my class, active in extracurricular activities and community services, and have never given my parents an ounce of trouble.

My problem is my mother and I do not see eye-to-eye when it comes to researching colleges. My family doesn't have much money and cannot afford to send me to an expensive university, which I fully understand. However, Mom gets mad when I inquire about ANY school out of our price range.

My reason for wanting to survey all my options is to seek as much information as possible about financial aid, work grants and scholarships. Mother refuses to entertain the idea of co-signing a loan. She has come right out and said I'm wasting my time and being delusional.

I think I am realistic. I accept the fact that I won't be going to an Ivy League school. But I see no harm in refusing to limit myself to state-funded schools. Am I on the right track, or is Mom way ahead of me? **— TIRED OF BEING NAGGED IN NEW YORK**

DEAR TIRED: You are asking intelligent questions. But the person you should be asking is your counselor at school. From my perspective, knowledge is power. There are many scholarships available, and you are wise to explore all of your options — including the Ivy League.

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DEAR ABBY: Please alert your readers to a program that has been established to help military retirees who have service-connected disabilities. Congress has authorized special compensation to help offset military retirement pay that is forfeited in order to receive disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

This program began June 1, 2003. It is called Combat-Related Special Compensation (CRSC). The program is only for those who have at least 20 years of military service and who have combat- or operations-related disabilities. This includes any disability that resulted in award of a Purple Heart, or conditions rated by the military or the VA as 60 percent to 100 percent disabling, and caused by combat or combat/operations-related events.

Abby, I hope you'll publicize this important program to help compensate disabled military retirees who have given so much to this nation while protecting our freedoms. **— VICE ADM. NORBERT R. RYAN JR. USN (RET.)**

DEAR VICE ADM. RYAN: I'm pleased to help spread the word. I'm sure many retired veterans will be grateful for your letter.

Military retirees: To find out more about CRSC and how and where to apply for the program, contact the retiree affairs office at the nearest military installation or go to the Department of Defense Web site at https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/crsc.

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DEAR ABBY: When you asked readers to report on their success or failure after they remarried their former spouses, I was reminded of a story.

A man who had recently remarried his first wife ran into an old friend whom he hadn't seen for some time, and told him he had just gotten married again. "Congratulations," said his friend. "I sure hope she's better looking than the first one!" **— HOWARD IN VIRGINIA**

DEAR HOWARD: Which proves that the only thing more dangerous than commenting on a former spouse's looks is commenting on the person's virtue.

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Judge orders man to leave Spears alone

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — A judge ordered a Japanese businessman to stay away from pop idol Britney Spears, ruling Tuesday he was "was abnormally obsessed and fixated with Spears."

"It was an obvious pattern of harassment and emotional harm done to a person of notoriety," Superior Court Judge Alan Haber said in issuing the permanent injunction.

Spears, 21, first sought a restraining order against Masahiko Shizawa in December 2002, alleging that he "tracked and attempted to contact" her at her home in Los Angeles, as well as at her second home and one of her parent's homes, which are both outside California.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Bush highlights progress on Iraq, economy

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush, facing growing doubts about his handling of postwar Iraq, is launching a concerted campaign to convince Americans that the United States is making solid progress in the war against terror despite growing casualties and setbacks.

The White House offensive will include a series of speeches by Bush, Vice President Dick Cheney and National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice, as well as high-profile trips to Iraq by Cabinet secretaries to illustrate areas of progress, such as the reopening of schools and the introduction of a new currency, officials said Tuesday night.

Bush at times will reach beyond the Washington media to try to drive his point home with regional and local press corps, the officials said. The United States is also beefing up press operations in Baghdad to provide more live video opportunities and greater access to U.S. and Iraqi officials.

The moves come as a skeptical Congress begins work on Bush's $87 billion proposal for Iraq and Afghanistan. While the administration is confident of winning something close to Bush's proposal, the bill has become a target for Democrats hoping to weaken the president's hand and for some Republicans uncomfortable with its cost.

"Progress in a project of this massive scale is not easy to put down in sound bites," White House communications director Dan Bartlett said. "It is a story that is unfolding before our eyes. It's a story that is very complex and is very difficult to tell."

Appeals court ruling clears way for enforcement of do-not-call

DENVER (AP) — Americans can again sign up for the national do-not-call list to fend off unwanted phone solicitations after a federal appeals court allowed the government to fully punish errant telemarketers — at least for now.

The 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Tuesday temporarily blocked a lower court order barring the Federal Trade Commission from enforcing the registry of more than 50 million numbers.

"The Supreme Court has held that there is undoubtedly a substantial governmental interest in the prevention of abusive and coercive sales practices," the ruling said.

The court questioned the conclusions of U.S. District Judge Edward Nottingham of Denver, who said the list violates the telemarketing industry's free-speech rights by barring calls from businesses but not charities.

It also noted that Congress had found some telemarketing calls "subjected consumers to substantial fraud, deception and abuse."

FTC Chairman Timothy Muris called the latest ruling a victory for American consumers and said his agency will return to enforcing the list. The Federal Communications Commission had stepped in at the last minute to handle enforcement, allowing the registry to take effect last week.

Nottingham's ruling had forced the FTC to shut down an Internet and telephone system that allowed people to register new numbers with the list and file complaints against telemarketers. FTC officials say it will take at least a day to get it up and running again.

Three arrested on various charges

• ***Felony arrests***

Rowdy Cumbie, 19, of 8331 FM 1607 was taken into custody at the sheriff's office Tuesday morning following his indictment Monday by the Scurry County grand jury for felony criminal mischief.

Toby Trammell, 20, of 5397 CR 230 was booked into jail at 11 a.m. Tuesday on a felony warrant for criminal mischief after being indicted by the grand jury Monday.

Anthone Cobb, 21, of 2733 Hilltop Dr. in Odessa was booked into jail Monday morning after being transferred from the Ector County Jail after being arrested on a felony warrant to revoke his probation for burglary.

• ***Thefts***

Deputies are investigating items missing from 3127 Blockline Rd. as a felony theft. Cara Lindsey reported items missing at 4:20 p.m. Tuesday.

At 4:40 p.m. Tuesday, Mike McLeod reported jewelry items missing from McLeod's Jewelry in Snyder Shopping Center. Detectives said this morning that the theft is under investigation.

Oakley Shelton reported items missing from 1011 28th St. at 9:30 Tuesday night. An offense report for burglary of a residence was submitted.

• ***Animal cruelty***

Officers filed a report Tuesday after getting a report that a dog was being mistreated. An offense report for animal cruelty was submitted.

• ***Reckless driver***

Scurry County deputies are investigating a report of a reckless driver on CR 465. At 6:45 p.m., Tuesday, a woman reported the man's vehicle had run over her cat and dog.

At 10:19 p.m. Tuesday, deputies were notified that a pickup truck had hit a fence at FM 1606 and Blockline Road and left the scene.

• ***Gun shots***

At 12:44 a.m., officers were notified that gunshots had been heard in the 300 block of 34th St. No person with a gun was found, but officers said a strong odor of skunks could be smelled in the area and someone could have been shooting at the animals.

• ***Gas drive off***

A gas drive off for $21.50 was reported at Skinny's at 8:45 p.m. Tuesday.

• ***Parental problems***

Officers were called to a residence in the 2600 block of Avenue W shortly before 8 a.m. Tuesday as a woman reported her daughter did not want to go to school. Officers took the girl to West Elementary.

Obituaries

Georgia Tefertiller

1916-2003

Georgia Thompson Tefertiller died on Oct. 6, 2003 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital in Snyder, Tx.

She had been a resident of Scurry County, Tx. for 53 years.

Tefertiller

She was born to Charles and Georgia Thompson in Flora, Ill., on Oct. 16, 1916.

Her interment was at Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home with graveside service on Oct. 8, 2003 conducted by loving friends Betty Thompson, Miller and Sandra Robinson, Ted Crenwelge and Dwaine and JoAnn Williams.

Georgia was a faithful loving partner in marriage for over 62 years to her husband Carl (Red) to whom she married in Clayton, Mo., on Jan. 16, 1941.

She worked hard and alone for more than three years maintaining a home for Red to come home to after serving in the armed service during World War II.

For over 70 years, Georgia was a faithful member of a Baptist Church. She served in many capacities within the church, always trying to abide by the teaching of her Savior Lord Jesus Christ and trying to be of service to her fellow man.

A dear friend explained Georgia's life best by saying she doesn't need a sermon preached at her funeral. She was a living sermon in the teaching of Christian love.

In the last days of her life her only concern was for the welfare of "Red." This is how it has been for over 62 years.

Georgia was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters and four brothers, she being the last member of the family.

She is survived by her husband Carl and is loved by all that knew her.

And to all she would say, "Be kind to one another, share with those less fortunate than yourself and serve your Lord with gladness."

It would be her desire that in lieu of flowers that memorials be given to the Boys and Girls Club of Snyder or to the Cogdell Memorial Hospital Foundation in Snyder.

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American, Briton win Nobel in economics

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — American Robert F. Engle and Briton Clive W.J. Granger won the 2003 Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences today for their use of statistical methods for economic time series.

Their research is used to gather data for chronological observations or for estimating relationships and testing hypotheses in economic theory, the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences said.

Their findings are important because on financial markets, random fluctuations and volatility can affect share prices and value, along with other financial instruments.

Engle is on faculty at New York University and Granger is at the University of California, San Diego. They will share the prize worth 10 million kronor — about $1.3 million. Engle was in France and not immediately reachable and Granger is on sabbatical in New Zealand.

Engle is the fourth consecutive American to receive the award since 2000.

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Reports: China will send first human into orbit Oct. 15

BEIJING (AP) — The shape of China's first manned space mission came into sharper focus today with reports that a human crew will orbit the Earth briefly next week after a live-television launch trumpets the government's accomplishment to its citizens and the world.

The finalists to be the first Chinese astronauts converged upon a hotel in a northwestern town as the mission neared, another news report said. And in Indonesia, Premier Wen Jiabao said the craft, the Shenzhou 5, would take off with a human crew "soon, very soon."

If the launch is completed successfully, China would join the United States and the former Soviet Union — now Russia — as the only countries that have sent manned craft into space.

The Oct. 15 date of the inaugural launch — a 90-minute flight that will orbit the planet once — was reported today by Sina.com, a major mainland Web site. It quoted Phoenix TV, a Hong Kong broadcaster with close ties to the Beijing leadership — and with a former Chinese military officer at its helm.

The flight, after a decade of preparations, would come a day after the end of the Chinese Communist Party's plenum, a major political meeting. That schedule — coupled with the National Day holiday last week — allows China's leaders to link the party to the patriotic fervor the space program has long encouraged.

"China's space technology has been created by China itself. We may have started later than Russia and the United States, but it's amazing how fast we've been able to do this," Sina.com quoted Xie Guangxuan, director of the government's China Rocket Design Department, as saying.

The Shenzhou capsule is based on Russia's Soyuz vessel, with extensive modifications. China bought Russian space suits and a life support system to study, though officials stress that everything sent up will be made in China.

Sina.com said Xie was "full of confidence" about the launch and said the beginning of the mission would be carried live by China Central Television, the government broadcaster that reaches nearly a billion Chinese.

The bursts of information, after days of silence, suggest the government is brimming with confidence about its secretive space program. Reports about the Shenzhou 5 launch were all over the state-controlled newspapers today.

Xie was quoted as saying that Shenzhou 5 — the name means "sacred vessel" in Chinese — would orbit the Earth just once before returning.

Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Thu 10/9	Fri 10/10	Sat 10/11
78/58	**74/57**	**77/54**
Cloudy with a few showers. High 78F. Winds SW at 5 to 10 mph.	Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the upper 50s.	Partly cloudy, chance of a thunderstorm.
Sunrise 7:43 AM / Sunset 7:18 PM	Sunrise 7:44 AM / Sunset 7:17 PM	Sunrise 7:44 AM / Sunset 7:16 PM

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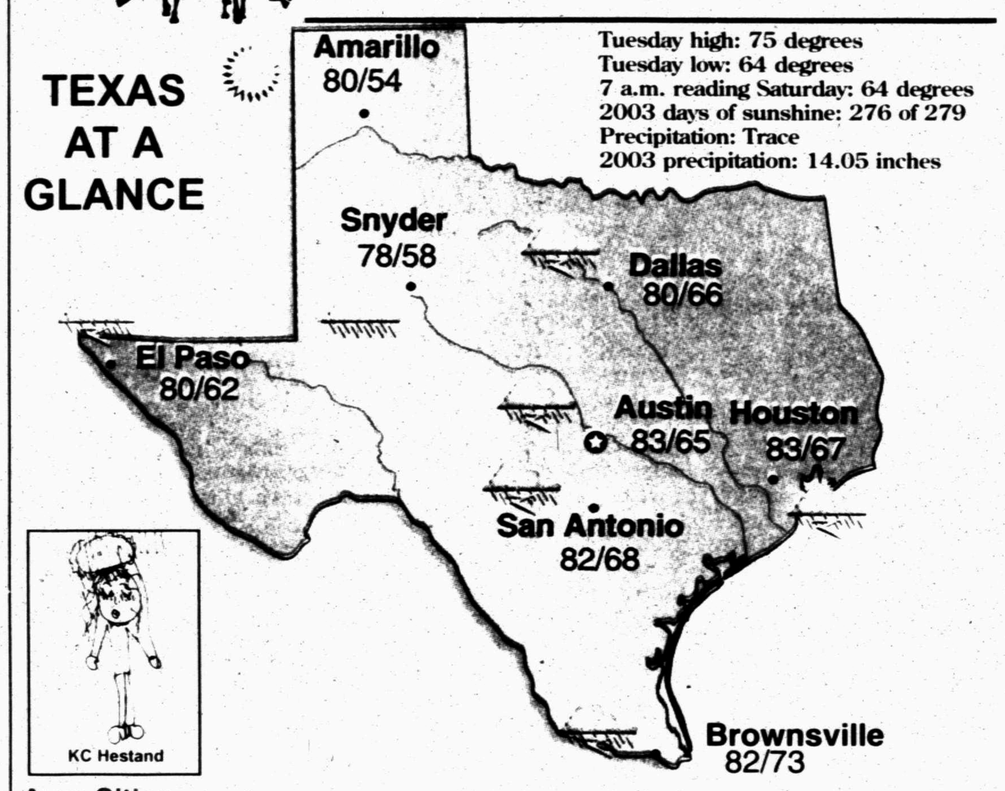
TEXAS AT A GLANCE

Tuesday high: 75 degrees
Tuesday low: 64 degrees
7 a.m. reading Saturday: 64 degrees
2003 days of sunshine: 276 of 279
Precipitation: Trace
2003 precipitation: 14.05 inches



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	81	63	t-storm	El Paso	80	62	t-storm	Midland	78	63	rain
Amarillo	80	54	sunny	Fort Stockton	79	62	t-storm	Raymondville	84	70	t-storm
Austin	83	65	t-storm	Gainesville	80	60	t-storm	Rosenberg	84	66	t-storm
Beaumont	82	65	t-storm	Greenville	80	61	t-storm	San Antonio	82	68	t-storm
Brownsville	82	73	t-storm	Houston	83	67	t-storm	San Marcos	82	66	t-storm
Brownwood	84	63	t-storm	Kingsville	84	69	t-storm	Sulphur Springs	80	60	t-storm
Corpus Christi	82	71	t-storm	Livingston	84	63	t-storm	Sweetwater	81	61	rain
Corsicana	82	63	t-storm	Longview	80	62	t-storm	Tyler	81	64	t-storm
Dallas	80	66	t-storm	Lubbock	79	59	pt sunny	Weatherford	80	61	t-storm
Del Rio	82	71	t-storm	Lufkin	83	65	t-storm	Wichita Falls	82	60	t-storm

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	77	57	pt sunny	Houston	83	67	t-storm	Phoenix	96	76	mst sunny
Boston	72	55	mst sunny	Los Angeles	77	62	pt sunny	San Francisco	69	54	windy
Chicago	82	54	mst sunny	Miami	85	75	pt sunny	Seattle	57	47	rain
Dallas	80	66	t-storm	Minneapolis	79	62	pt sunny	St. Louis	81	58	pt sunny
Denver	79	49	sunny	New York	74	60	pt sunny	Washington, DC	74	61	cloudy

Moon Phases

First	Full	Last	New
Oct 2	Oct 10	Oct 18	Oct 25

UV Index

Thu 10/9	Fri 10/10	Sat 10/11
7	7	7
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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