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It's time for early voting...again

WTC board, Ira ISD and Snyder city council elections are May 6

The early voting period for the May 6 elections begins Wednesday.

There are contested races for spots on the Ira ISD school board, Western Texas College board of trustees and the Snyder city council.

Ira early voting will take place in the superintendent's office each weekday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the WTC administration building between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

City Hall is the early voting location for the city council election each weekday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Ira school board ballot will have one contested race as Gilbert Sanchez and Dennis D. Taylor are seeking the Place 4 post. Bo Robinson currently holds the position, but did not file for another term.

Dirk Dunn is seeking another term in Place 5 on the Ira board and is unopposed.

On the Western Texas College board, three people are seeking the Place 6 post currently held by R.C. Patton.

John Zalman III, Scott Richburg and James Hanks have all filed for the spot.

Eddie Peterson and Lee Presswood are unopposed in their bid for another term on the college board. Presswood holds Place 5 and Peterson holds Place 7.

Jason Scott Spradlin is challenging I.E. Martin in District 4 of the city council.

Since the Snyder ISD school board race has no contested races, the school board will consider this evening canceling the election.

Richard Chambers is seeking his third term as a Place 3 trustee and Mike Levens has filed for his second term in Place 2.

The Hermleigh trustee election was cancelled as Tim Dacus, Alan Culp and Vance Reynolds were all unopposed in their bids for another term.

The early voting period ends May 2.



CLEAN-UP CREW — City workers Curt Sharp, left, and Paul Gutierrez load trash into a front-end loader. Snyder's citywide clean-up campaign continues through Thursday. Dump trucks were to be in the area east of College Avenue and South of 30th Street today. On Wednesday, crews will be in the area west of College Avenue and north of 30th Street. (SDN Staff Photo)

Snyder's clean-up goes on

Snyder's citywide clean-up campaign continues through Thursday with dump trucks to be in selected areas of the city each day.

The trucks were to be in the area east of College Avenue and South of 30th Street today.

Wednesday, crews will be in the area west of College Avenue and north of 30th Street.

On Thursday, trucks will be east of College Avenue and north of 30th Street.

These services are for individuals and are not to be used by persons in the business of demolition or clean-up.

The service will be limited to one load per residence or business inside the city limits.

The City of Snyder, Snyder Chamber of Commerce and the Snyder Beautification Committee sponsor the campaign.

Holy Week services are continuing here

Holy Week services are continuing through Thursday at the First Presbyterian Church.

Lunch is being provided daily following the services in the church's Fellowship Hall.

On Good Friday, the service will be at 7 a.m. followed by breakfast. There is no charge for the meals, but donations will be accepted to benefit the work of the ministerial alliance.

Rev. Leon Chan, pastor of the Allen Chapel, AME, will lead Wednesday's service, while Rev. Larry McAden of the Calvary Baptist Church will lead the Thursday service.

Friday morning's service will be lead by Dr. Craig Curry, pastor of the First United Methodist Church.

St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church will provide the Wednesday noon meal, while East Side Church of Christ will provide the Thursday meal. The Friday morning breakfast will be provided by First United Methodist Church.

Snyder Janitorial Service has provided table coverings, plates and cups for the meals.

MaryAnn Wright is the organist for the services.

Bush named defendant in suit

AUSTIN (AP) — Governor George W. Bush has been named a defendant in a whistle-blower lawsuit filed by the fired head of the Texas Funeral Service Commission, accusing him of impeding an investigation of a company that had given him campaign contributions.

Eliza May alleges she lost her job over an investigation of Houston-based Service Corporation International.

She filed her wrongful termination lawsuit last year and amended it on Monday to include Bush.

The lawsuit accused the Republican presidential candidate of conspiring to interfere with the agency's 1998 investigation of the company.

"Defendant Bush directed, approved of, ratified, condoned and/or knowingly permitted his staff to intervene improperly," in the investigation, the lawsuit alleges.

SCI, one of the world's largest funeral homes and cemetery operators, is headed by Bush family friend and political contributor Robert Waltrip, who contributed $45,000 to Bush's gubernatorial campaigns, according to the lawsuit.

He also served as a trustee for the George H. W. Bush Presidential Library in College Station and donated more than $100,000 through SCI toward construction of that facility.

Bush spokesman Mike Jones told the Dallas Morning News in today's editions: "It involves the same old claims already rejected by the court when an earlier unjustified deposition (from the governor) was sought."

Jones did not immediately return telephone calls from The Associated Press.

May is a former Texas Democratic Party treasurer, and District Judge John Dietz threw out her subpoena last August after Attorney General John Cornyn called the lawsuit political.

May was investigating possible violations of funeral home regulations, including whether SCI was using unlicensed embalmers. The funeral home board's complaint review committee voted to assess more than 20 of SCI's affiliated funeral homes fines totaling $450,000.

She was fired after Waltrip met with Bush's top aide Joe Allbaugh, to complain about the agency's investigation of his company.

Allbaugh now manages Bush's presi ential campaign.

Lawyers for May say the governor and his staff stood by silently when she complained that SCI had hired a private investigator to check out her background.

Duke named new principal at Ira

Mike Duke, junior high principal at Seagraves, Monday night was named principal at Ira schools.

Duke will assume his duties in Ira this summer.

Duke has been junior high principal in the Gaines County school district for the past three years.

Besides serving as principal for both elementary and high school, Duke will also coach high school girls basketball.

Duke is a 1969 graduate of Coahoma High School, and a 1971 graduate of Howard College in Big Spring..

He graduated from Howard Payne in 1990 with a degree in physical education and history. He received his master of education degree in 1995 from Texas Women's University in Denton.

His teaching experience includes five years at Jacksboro, and one year at Grafford.

He and his wife, Jan, have two children. A son, Rusty, is stationed in Germany as a Marine corporal, while Kaci is a student at Tarleton State University.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Indecision is the key to flexibility. So when the going gets tough, take a coffee break."

Complaining about certain expenses 'while gathering tax information, ole what's-her-name got down-right philosophical.

"You can't take it with you," she declared.

"Didn't know I was going anywhere."

"Sooner than you think if you don't straighten up," she warned.

There are those who make the Infernal Revenue Service seem user-friendly.

Either the tax return is in the hands of the trusty Postal Service or your accountant has asked for an extension.

Putting off the inevitable with the tax folks seems about as appealing as demanding a second lower GI.

Most of that tax stuff is pretty boring, so one fellow reportedly decided to have some fun.

The guy computed his taxes and found that he owed $3,407. He packed up his return and included this letter.

Dear IRS:

Enclosed is my tax return and payment. Please note the attached newspaper article from USA Today. You will see that the Pentagon is pa ing $171.50 for hammers and NASA has paid $600 for a toilet seat.

Please find enclosed four toilet seats valued at $2,400 and six hammers valued at $1,029.

This brings my total payment to $3,429. Please note the overpayment of $22, and apply it to the Presidential Election Fund as noted on my simplified version return that required 19.4 hours to complete.

Might I suggest you send the above mentioned fund a 1.5-inch screw? (See attached article – HUD paid $22 for 1.5-inch Phillips Head Screw.)

It has been a pleasure to pay my tax bill this year, and I look forward to paying it again next year.

Just to be safe, the guy sent a real check as well.

We found it tempting to mention some questionable government spending – such as the pricey new logo adopted by the U.S. Air Force.

Cost of the "new and improved" Air Force logo was $600,000.

A school kid armed with a computer and a chance to go to Six Flags could probably have done the same thing at a cost to the government of less than a hundred bucks.

Snyder ISD trustees will look at increasing school meal costs

An increase in cafeteria prices is an action item on the agenda of the Snyder ISD trustees when they meet this evening.

Trustees will look at a proposed 20-cent increase in the cost of elementary lunches and a 25-cent increase in secondary school lunches. An increase of 40 cents is being recommended for staff lunches. This will make the cost of a staff lunch $2.

Presently, the price of an elementary lunch is $1.10, and the secondary lunch is $1.25.

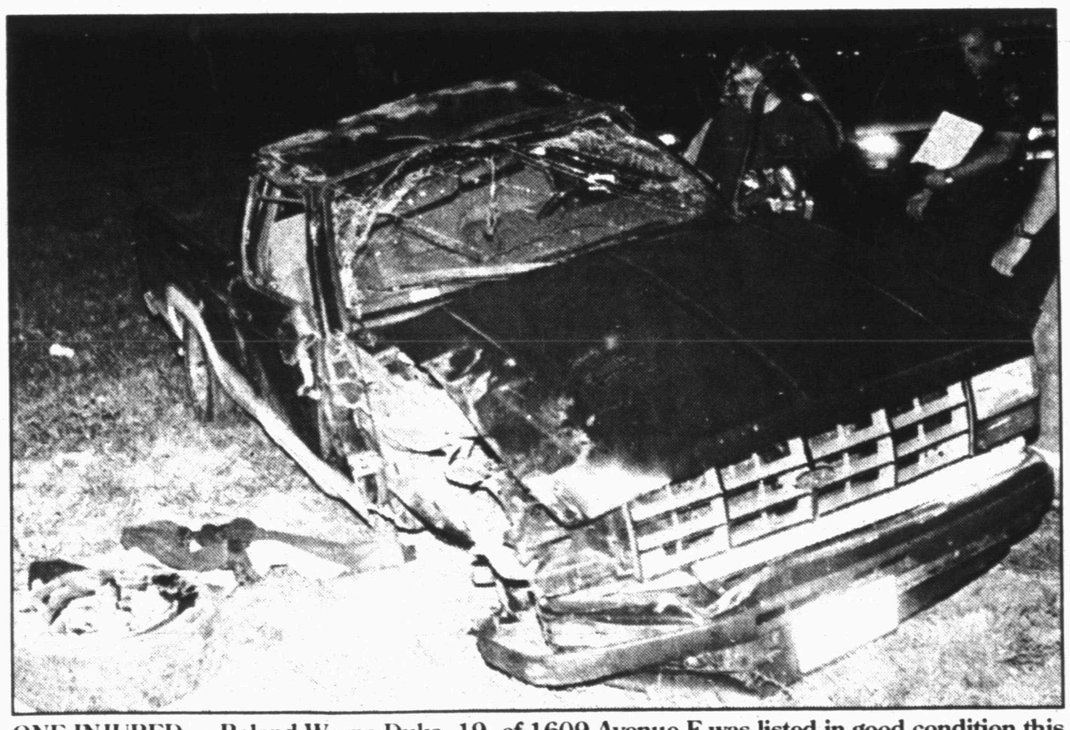
The board will also consider increasing elementary and secondary breakfast costs from 60 cents to 75 cents, and the cost of an adult breakfast from 95 cents to $1.

In other action items, the board is expected to approve an order canceling the May 6 election since board members Mike Levens and Richard Chambers do not have opponents.

The board will also consider proposed changes to the district's long-range technology plans, and consider a resolution in memory of former board member Bill Moss.

Lee McNair, assistant superintendent for business, also will update the board on the district's health insurance.

The meeting is at 6 p.m. in the school administration building on 37th Street.



ONE INJURED — Roland Wayne Duke, 19, of 1609 Avenue E was listed in good condition this morning at Cogdell Memorial Hospital following a one-vehicle accident in the 200 block of East 37th Street shortly before 10 p.m. Monday. Duke was traveling west in this 1989 Ford Ranger XLT. (SDN Staff Photo by Joyce May)

ASK US

Q—How long must a meeting be posted before a taxing entity board can meet?

A—72 hours. The exception is whether there is imminent threat to public health, or a reasonably unforseeable situation.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Monday, 89 degrees; low, 51; 7 a.m. Tuesday, 51; no precipitation; total for 2000, 7.64 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy, breezy; 20% rain chance. Low 60-65. S wind 15-25 mph. Wednesday, mostly sunny, windy. High 85-90. W wind 20-30 mph, gusty.

Tyler Porter
Sunny

Sunset: 8:15 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:11 a.m.

Of 108 days in 2000, the sun has shone 105 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Be wiser than other people, if you can.

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Littleton residents work on memorials

LITTLETON, Colo. (AP) — It started with a small goal: Find a way to remember those slain in the Columbine High School shooting assault.

However, plans to memorialize Columbine's victims have turned out to be anything but small. There are three projects in the works, and the costs could run in the millions of dollars.

A committee of 30 students, parents, community leaders and victims' families have been working on one project, a permanent tribute. They hope the memorial, which has not yet been determined, will be ready on April 20, 2001, the second anniversary of the massacre.

"This memorial is not about my son, and certainly not about me," says Bob Curnow, a committee member whose son, Steven, was killed. "It's about this community, especially the kids and the teachers and staff who survived.

"I think it's meant to be a motivator for all of us, in our own time. We should see it and take from it the motivation to live a better life. To me that's the purpose of a memorial."

This week marks the first anniversary of the rampage that left 15 dead, including two student gunmen, at the suburban high school. A private school assembly, a public service and public candlelight vigil will be held to mark Thursday's anniversary.

Besides the project Curnow is working on, a second campaign is raising money to build a new library, while a third is cataloguing countless notes, teddy bears, banners and other items left in Clement Park adjacent to Columbine.

About 250 design ideas have been submitted for the permanent memorial, said Bob Easton, executive director of the Foothills Parks and Recreation District, which is coordinating the effort.

In a survey of 2,500 community residents, most favored a memorial that included water, a garden and something to recognize individual victims, Easton said.

Technology gap getting wider

CHICAGO (AP) — The comment evokes a pause, then nervous laughter in a bar packed with Internet junkies, fledgling dot-commers and venture capitalists.

"The problem with the Internet community is that there are ... too many white guys in the room," says Andrew "Flip" Filipowski, himself a white guy and CEO of an Internet start-up called divine interVentures.

That same night in another overflowing room — this one a church sanctuary — the son of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. has the high-tech boom on his mind, too.

"I'm here to tell you that not all of God's children are sharing in that prosperity," Martin Luther King III says. There are no pauses in this room, only loud applause.

It's called the "digital divide" — the idea that technology is widening the chasm between the haves and have-nots. The term so commonplace that some people already consider it a cliche.

High-tech companies from Microsoft Corp. to 3Com Corp. are quick to give examples of what they're doing to help close it and start filling an estimated 850,000 vacant high-tech jobs nationwide.

President Clinton often uses the term and is expected to address it again today at the spring Comdex high-tech show in Chicago.

But defining who is most affected — and even deciding what to do about the so-called digital divide — are matters of great debate.

While government surveys have show it to be a "racial ravine" between whites and minorities, academics and industry analysts say Internet access is much more closely tied to income and education than race.

"The digital divide is just as much about poor, rural whites as it is African-Americans," says Charles Ellison, co-founder of a new Web site, http://www.politicallyblack.com.

Ellison's Washington-based company is among the many emerging Internet companies with content aimed at blacks and Hispanics. He argues that drawing minorities to the Web is as much about good content as anything.

A survey done in January by Forrester Research, a consulting firm in Cambridge, Mass., found that Asian-American and Hispanic households outpaced white — 69 percent, 47 percent and 43 percent respectively — in terms of having Internet access at home, work or school.

A third of black households had some sort of access — but surveyors also found that blacks were getting connected at a rate faster than any other group.

No matter how the digital divide is defined, the government's tactic for tackling it remains the same — get computers in schools.

On the Net: Government site: http://www.digitaldivide.gov
Digital Partners site: http://www.digitaldivide.org
American Computer Foundation site: http://www.acfdn.org
National Center for Accessible Media site:

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Education helps autistic kids break out of their isolation

DEAR ABBY: April is Autism Awareness Month. I'm hoping that with the number of people your column reaches, you will help us in the autism community spread the word about the need for research and education about this childhood disorder.

Autism is a neurological disorder that severely affects a child's ability to develop communication skills and social interactions. The child lives in a world of his or her own. Its rate of occurrence has increased to about one in 400 children. Autism shows up around 18 months of age or older. It mostly affects boys, at a ratio of 4-to-1. No one knows what causes autism, and as yet there is no cure.

I have a granddaughter who has this disorder. The need for research is great because, with proper education, these children can improve and lead much better lives than they did 20 years ago. My granddaughter has improved a great deal in the 18 months she has been going to school. There, she is trained by teachers with special education skills to help these kids along.

Please help our growing community of autistic children by letting people know that if they need any additional information, they can contact the Autism Society. Thank you, Abby. — **ANDREA RUSSELL, NEW CASTLE, DEL.**

DEAR ANDREA: I am pleased to help spread the message. Since I received your letter, I have learned that through hard work and intensive education, people with autism can hold jobs, make friends and lead fuller lives. Autism is the third most common developmental disability, and more common than Down syndrome.

People who would like to learn more about autism should contact the Autism Society of America, 7910 Woodmont Ave., Suite 300, Bethesda, MD 20814. The toll-free number is (800) 328-8476, extension 150; the Web address is: www.autism-society.org.

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DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Grateful Survivor," who felt she was in love with a man who had rescued her from drowning, instantly reminded me of an essay, "The Chemistry of Love" by Diane Ackerman, that I use in one of my writing classes at California State University.

The essay explains the chemical underpinnings of such human experiences as falling in love, giving birth, responding to danger, and finding security in long-term relationships. Ackerman points out that the human body economically reuses some chemicals for many purposes. Such is the case with PEA (phenylethylamine), which gives an amphetamine-like "high" to new lovers and also surges during dangerous or thrill-seeking behavior.

According to Ackerman, the body's use of PEA "may help explain a fascinating phenomenon: People are more likely to fall in love when they're in danger. ... Danger makes one receptive to romance."

I'm no chemist, but it may relieve the happily married "Grateful" to know that what seemed like a puzzling and excessive response was caused by a chemical process over which she had no control. — **JOAN SPANGLER, ENGLISH DEPARTMENT**

DEAR JOAN: That's fascinating. I have always wondered why couples found it "romantic" to be married while skydiving, bungee jumping or diving 20,000 leagues under the sea. Ackerman's theory provides a clue.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Wednesday, April 19, 2000

It'll be from your own creative efforts and not from things being handed to you on a platter that will foster greater personal gratification and material benefits for you in the year ahead.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Any extravagant financial determination you make today will have long legs attached to it. No matter how badly you want something, don't succumb to unthrifty behavior. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper. P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) It might be quite difficult for you to make any sound judgments today because you could be so wedged in with a one-sided notion that you won't be able to see the other side of an issue.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) More responsibilities than you can comfortably manage could be in the offing today due for two reasons: one, your neglected chores may catch up with you, and two, dependent persons may dump on you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be especially careful of what kind of business favors you ask for today from those you know socially. You could compromise your friendship by being too far out of line.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) In order to be an achiever today, you're going to have to earn what you want. Attempting to take the lines of least resistance or depending on others won't cut it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Jumping to conclusions or acting before thinking could get you into a lot of hot water today, but what's worse is that your mistakes may produce long term consequences. Don't jump the gun.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It could prove very unwise to loan a prized possession to a friend today or leave valuables in places where they could get stolen. Be more protective of your belongings.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Be more selective about your companions today. If you get involved with someone who always opposes your way of doing things, she or he could stymie your efforts once again.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Second helpings or extra cocktails could be too much of a costly thing today. Overindulgences will make you pay a hefty price tag for some time to come.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Avoid all types of speculative activities today, from playing the commodities market to games of chance. The probabilities are that the dice may be rolling only snake-eyes for you at this time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) The best the fickle lady may be offering you today is second place, so if you're banking on Lady Luck to pull things off for you and propel you into first place, guess again.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) There's a good chance you might be your own worst enemy today by rejecting what you know to be good advice merely because it comes from someone at whom you're presently peeved.

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"HIM WHO STRENGTHENS ME"

In Philippians 4:13, Paul wrote, "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me." Many times we start something important and though we carry it to the finish, we fail. Why? Could it be a lack of preparation? I remember an adage from school days, "Success comes to the person who does the little things well." If we rush through our daily work using only half the thought or effort needed, we are not building strength to do our best. The foundation of a house has to be sound before the house can be finished and safe. Our daily needs must be of the quality that glorify Christ. By continued, steady effort every day we can through Christ build enough strength to completely overcome the weakness that keeps us from our fullest success as a Christian.

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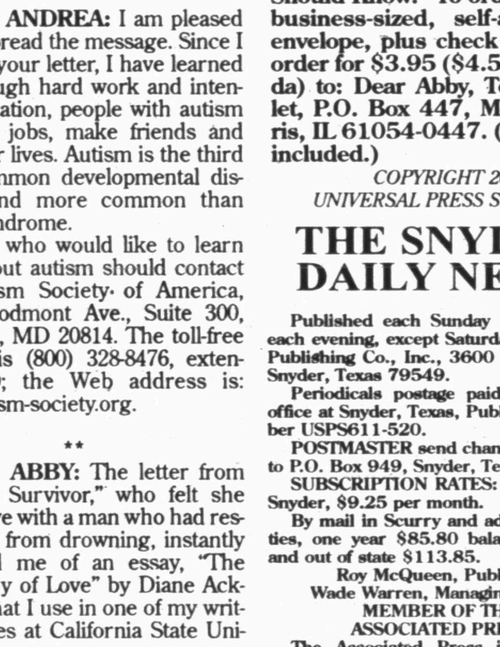
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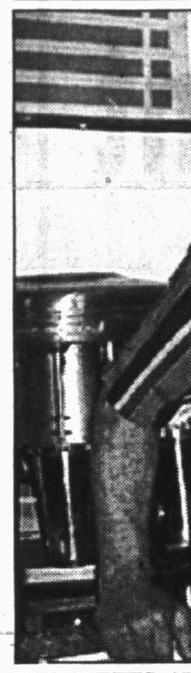
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BSP MEETS AT BRYANT HOME — Xi Alpha Alpha Theta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met last Tuesday in the home of Franklin and Sherry Bryant. The Bryants, collectors of Coca Cola memorabilia for the past 10 years, gave a program on restoring vintage vending machines. Members viewed their collection and were treated to soft drinks and a short business meeting was held. (SDN Staff Photo)



ALTRURIAN BRUNCH, TOUR — Altrurian Daughters Study Club prefaced a tour of Lorber Industries with a brunch at the Martha Ann Woman's Club Wednesday. In keeping with the theme "Progress in Scurry County," Beth Teal, Mary Ann Key and Wyvone Davis were hostesses. Pictured from left are guest Carolyn Bostick, Teal, Key, Davis and guest Rita Carter. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

ABWA hears program on banking in Snyder

Aline Parks, author of several local history books, presented the program for Scurry Charter Chapter American Business Women's Association in mid-March.

Mrs. Parks gave the history of banks in Snyder from the first bank located at 1825 25th Street, which will mark its 100th anniversary in August, to the present banks.

A longtime member of the Scurry County Historical Commission, Mrs. Parks said the commission has applied to the Texas Historical Commission for an official Texas Historical Marker for the First National Bank.

Because of harsh economic conditions, the First National Bank and the First State Bank merged in 1927. The bank continued to operate in the First State Bank building until it was forced to close in 1931 as the Great Depression settled in.



Aline Parks

Dr. H.G. Towle, who located his optometry office and jewelry store there, purchased the First National Bank building. The building is now owned by Jim Shearer and houses his appraisal office.

In the business session, ABWA named Ashley Baremore scholarship recipient for 2000-2001. Carol Young was named Woman of the Year. March birthday ladies were Kathy Landes and Vera Pruitt. Anita Felan gave the invocation and the benediction was by Young.

Vera Pruitt was hostess to 11 members and one guest at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: April 17 — Treva Abercrombie, Amilia Anguiano, Judith Davidson, Michael Nettik, Alexia Gilbert, Blanche Murry, Zachary Schulze and Sue Trice.

DISMISSALS: Tommy Campbell, Mary Cervantez, Joe Deavers and Lee Jones.

CENSUS: 45 (Med./Surg.-20 and Long-term Care-25)

Births

Sarah and Rebecca Pyburn announce the arrival of their brother, Nathan Caleb, at 8:12 a.m. on April 13 in Lubbock's University Medical Center. Nathan weighed six pounds, 13 ounces. Parents are John and Carly Pyburn of Snyder.

Grandparents are Nate and Johnnie Pyburn of Snyder and Wayne and Vicki Jenkins of Midland, and the late Debbie Jenkins. Great-grandmother is Faye Moore of Snyder.

David and Evelyn Zalman of Huntsville are parents of a son, Christopher James Zalman, weighing 10 pounds, one ounce. He was born at 5:37 p.m. on April 14 at Bryan.

Grandparents are John and Donna Zalman of Hermleigh. Great-grandparents are Ealon Stinnett and Mr. and Mrs. John Zalman Jr., all of Snyder.

Cody Gifford sues tabloid over article

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Ten-year-old Cody Gifford, made a household name by his television host mother Kathie Lee Gifford, sued a tabloid Thursday over an article claiming he is incorrigible.

The libel lawsuit filed in Palm Beach County claims The Examiner tabloid fabricated stories that Cody misbehaved on the set of the ABC movie "Janine & Alex: Cover Girls," in which he had a role.

"It's a gratuitous, nasty article about a ... child and they think they ought to take some action," Los Angeles lawyer Barry Langberg said about the Feb. 8 article with the headline, "Kathie Lee's Turning Poor Cody into a Monster."

Lawyers for the tabloid said they had not seen the lawsuit and wouldn't comment Thursday.

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	♥ 9 6	
	♦ K Q 7 5 4	
	♣ A K 8	
West		East
♠ K Q J 7		♠ 10 8 3
♥ A J 10		♥ K Q
♦ 8 6 3		♦ A J 10
♣ J 9 2		♣ 10 7 6 5 3
	South	
	♠ 9 5 2	
	♥ 8 7 5 4 3 2	
	♦ 9 2	
	♣ Q 4	

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		1 NT	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ K

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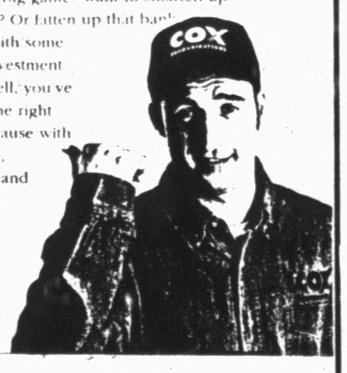
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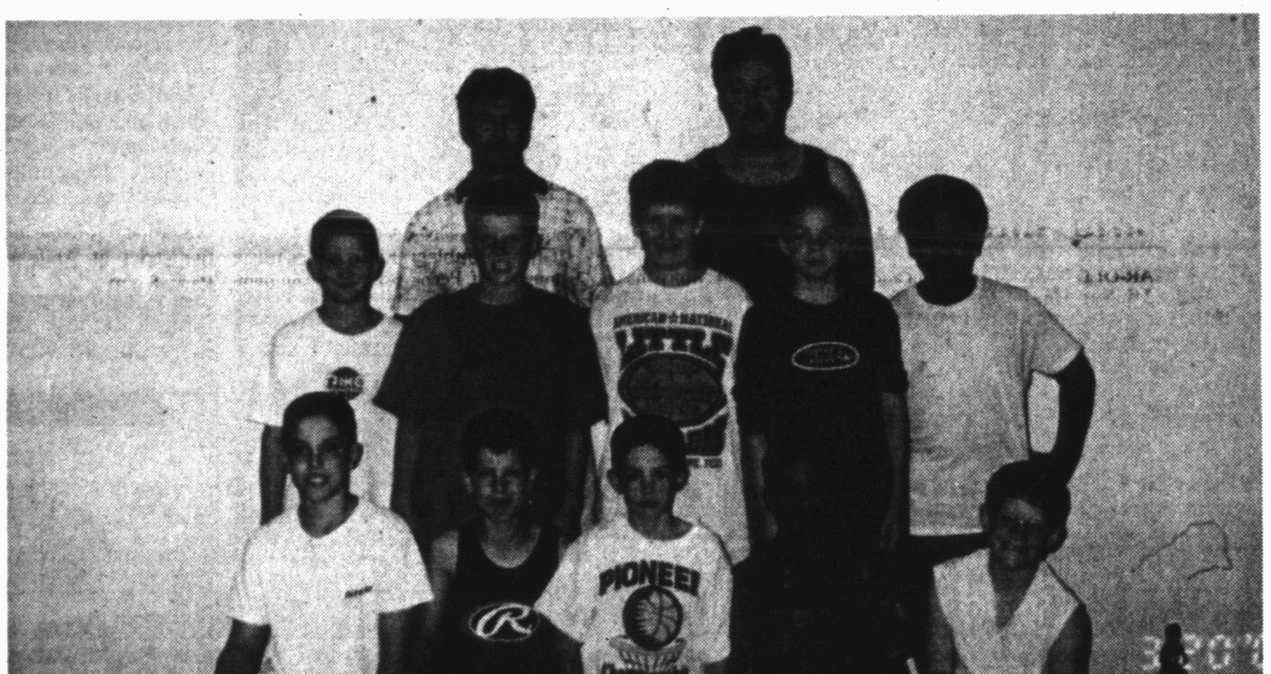
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MAJOR ALL-STARS - Members of Snyder's Little Dribblers Major All-Star Team are, front row from left, Tyler Hogan, Jason Cave, Dustyn Williams, Chris Smith, Garrett Pinson and Coach Randy Hogan. On the back row are Coach Bryan Cave, Eric Martinez, Barrett Bowlin, Blake Seale, Jay Weaver, Cade Simpson, Blake Scott and Coach Eddie Pinson.

SNYDER JUNIOR ALL-STARS VS BRYAN THURSDAY 9:15 A.M.



JUNIOR ALL-STARS - Members of Snyder's Little Dribblers Junior All-Star Team are, front row from left, Ryan Claxton, Jesse Connor, Colton Brewster, Brandon Jones and Travis Hatfield. On the middle row are Dustin Murdock, Lance Day, Brooks Gafford, Brent Bollinger and Kadrian Groage. On the back row are Coaches Jody Day and Russell Gafford. Not pictured is Coach Charlie Bollinger.

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SPORTS

All-stars seek national crown

A pair of Snyder all-star teams will battle for a national hoops title when the Little Dribblers National Tournament tips off Wednesday in Fairfield.

Snyder's Major and Junior squads secured runner-up finishes last month at the regional tourney in Lamesa to earn their spots at the national event.

Snyder Major, ages 11-12, will be the first local team to hit the floor when it takes on Mercer Island, Wash. in a first-round match-up Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Also vying for the Major Division crown will be Plainview, San Antonio, Martins Mill, Lamesa, Athens, Beaumont, Dallas, El Paso, Bryan, Whitehouse and Minneapolis, Minn.

Snyder Junior, ages 9-10, sees its first action Thursday at 9:15 a.m. when it takes on Bryan.

Filling out the Junior Division bracket are Athens, Waco, Huntsville, Kennedale, Brownsboro and two teams from Plainview.

The tournament is double-elimination format, with the finals slated for Saturday.

Competing for Snyder Major are Cade Simpson, Jay Weaver, Blake Seale, Blake Scott, Jason Cave, Barrett Bowlin, Dustyn Williams, Garrett Pinson, Chris Smith, Tyler Hogan and Eric Martinez.

Snyder Major is coached by Eddie Pinson, Randy Hogan and Bryan Cave.

On the court for Snyder Junior will be Ryan Claxton, Jesse Connor, Colton Brewster, Brandon Jones, Travis Hatfield, Dustin Murdock, Lance Day, Brooks Gafford, Brent Bollinger and Kadrian Groage.

Snyder Junior is coached by Russell Gafford and Jody Day.

Snyder, Brownwood to meet Friday in playoffs

After consecutive first-round exits, the Snyder Lady Tigers will be looking to notch a postseason victory Friday under new Head Coach Robby Dickenson.

Snyder and Brownwood will square off Friday at 8 p.m. in a bi-district softball playoff at Abilene's Will Haire Park.

The Lady Tigers enter the contest as the District 5-4A runner-up with a record of 19-14, while the Lady Lions were third in District 6 with an overall record of 20-7.

In his first year as skipper of the Snyder squad, Dickenson brought the Lady Tigers within one game of the district title. Big Spring claimed the crown, with Fort Stockton taking third.

Snyder will be the visitor for Friday's contest. Ticket prices are $3 for adults and $1 for students.

The winner advances to face Weatherford in the area round next Tuesday.

Mustangs top Snyder JV

SWEETWATER — Snyder JV out hit the Sweetwater Mustangs, but still fell short in the run category.

Snyder limited Sweetwater to only three hits, but couldn't overtake the Mustangs, falling 5-4 Monday in junior varsity baseball action at Newman Park.

The Tigers managed only five hits of their own, and committed four errors in the field.

Tito Alaniz threw the first three-plus innings, before giving way to Shay Franks in the fourth.

Zach Rollins, Josh Heaton and Jared Boyd belted doubles for the Tigers, while Patrick Vantine slapped two singles.

Snyder will be on the diamond again Monday when it visits Frenship at 5 p.m.

Girls' Little Dribblers

8-YEAR-OLDS

Swifts 16, Suns 5

Swifts: Samantha Medrano, 12; Heather Newton, 4. **Suns:** Avery Ware, 3; Monique Torres, 2.

Swifts 13, Dynamites 4

Swifts: Medrano, 7; Newton, 6. **Dynamites:** Larissa Arellano, 4.

JUNIOR LEAGUE

Swoopsters 23, Hot Shots 17

Swoopsters: Cayelea Rhodes, 13; Kelly Holdren, 8; Cecelie Slaughter, 2. **Hot Shots:** Devin Davidson, 6; Kelby Seale, 5; Destinee Neagle, 4; Vallie Foreman, 2.

MAJOR LEAGUE

Jazz 32, Nikes 27

Jazz: Brittany Dickerhoff, 17; Whitney Payne, 11; Kate Wall, 4. **Nikes:** Ashton Wall, 14; Kendra Burns, 8; Megan Crisp and Temi Thompson, 2; Candace Chandler, 1.

Jawbreakers 35, Hornets 29

Jawbreakers: Jessica Taylor, 22; Sirena Medrano, 11; Gena Dooley, 2. **Hornets:** Aeryal Peoples, 19; Jaedi Baze and Erica Little, 4; Teisha McGlouthlin, 2.

Panthers 38, Lady Raiders 25

Panthers: Terann Ragland, 22; Ciara Latta and Sequoya Powell, 6; Morgan Bilderback and Jordan Stansell, 2. **Lady Raiders:** Glyn Wright, 17; Alana Culp, 7; Wendy Reed, 1.

Sonics 31, Rebels 15

Sonics: Katy Crenwelge, 12; Shaela Thompson, 11; Teddi Crenwelge, 8. **Rebels:** Brianna Bernal, 10; Kaitlyn Greenlee, 4; Victoria Martinez, 1.

Fastbreak 28, Sonics 18

Fastbreak: Emily Jones, 12; Audrey Jones, 9; Dondi Brock, 3; Amber Luecke and Ashley Pavlousky, 2. **Sonics:** Thompson, 10; T. Crenwelge, 4; K.Crenwelge, 3; Christi Williams, 2.

Rebels 22, Bullettes 8

Rebels: Bernal, 12; Greenlee, 4; Ami Foreman and Lindsey Morin, 3. **Bullettes:** Kenetra James, 6; Kiki Wofford, 2.

Jawbreakers 29, Starzz 14

Jawbreakers: Medrano, 16; Taylor, 11; Brittany Kelly, 2. **Starzz:** Kelbi Pitner, 7; Samantha Pena, 4; Khristian Torres, 2; Stephanie Grant, 1.

Lady Raiders 40, Jazz 26

Lady Raiders: G. Wright, 19; Alana Culp, 14; Reed, 5; Ashley Pruitt, 2. **Jazz:** Payne and Wall, 8; Dickerhoff, 6; Jessica Odom, 4.

Sports Briefs

Lions Club to host tourney

The Lions Club golf tournament will be April 29 at Western Texas College. Format is a four-person scramble, and each team must have a combined handicap of at least 50.

Entry fee is $50 per player, including green fee, cart rental and lunch. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top five teams, with $1,000 going to the winners. Hole-in-one prizes are a $5,000 CD and a 2000 Ford Ranger pick-up.

The field is limited to the first 20 paid teams. For more information, call 573-7627 or 573-1423.

SCC holds weekly events

The Men's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold a Tuesday evening scramble and a Thursday MGA event. Play starts at 5:30 both days.

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Midland blanks Cooper, 2-0

Midland High hurler Collin Lange was too much to handle for Abilene Cooper.

On the strength of Lange's pitching, Midland shutout Cooper, 2-0, Monday in a District 4-5A softball playoff at Cates Field.

Cooper managed six hits off Lange, all of them coming in the first five innings, as Lange retired the last seven Lady Cougars in order. The Midland hurler struck out nine and didn't issue a base on balls.

The Lady Bulldogs posted their first run in the opening frame on a double by Lange. Midland padded its cushion to 2-0 in the third on a Lange single.

Midland will face cross-town rival Midland Lee today in Midland to decide the second and third seeds from District 4-5A.

SJHS netters nab third, fifth

ANDREWS — Snyder's junior high tennis squads turned in solid performances Saturday at the Andrews tournament.

Snyder eighth grade secured third place, while SJHS seventh grade grabbed fifth.

The eighth-grade squad was led by the girls' doubles duo of Andra Dunham and Stephanie Williams that finished second.

SEVENTH GRADE

Boys' singles: Logan Martin def. Crane, 6-1; Brent Tyler def. Fort Stockton, 6-1.

Girls' singles: Kalli Wesson def. Andrews, 6-1; Annie Martinez def. Goddard, 6-3; Martinez def. Alamo, 6-2.

Girls' doubles: Heather Zajicek-Jacy Beccue def. Crane, 6-2; Cindy Morin-Sarah Carpenter def. Fort Stockton, 6-3.

EIGHTH GRADE

Boys' singles: Tanner Reed def. Andrews, 6-3; Joseph Ynguanzo def. Fort Stockton, 6-0; Reed def. Fort Stockton, 6-1; Ynguanzo def. Andrews, 6-4; Reed def. Sweetwater, 8-6; Reed def. Abell, 6-0.

Girls' singles: Gerrico Greenlee def. Crane, 6-1; Greenlee def. Alamo, 7-5.

Girls' doubles: Katie Neves-Hollie Lammert def. Pecos, 6-3; Andra Dunham-Stephanie Williams def. Big Spring, 6-4; Dunham-Williams def. Levelland, 6-0; Dunham-Williams def. Andrews, 6-2.

Local Sports Schedule

TODAY

Baseball: Sweetwater at Snyder varsity, 7 p.m.

Baseball: Ira vs. Paducah, at Aspermont, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY

Baseball: Snyder varsity at Big Spring, 4 p.m.

Basketball: Snyder All-stars at Little Dribblers National Tournament, in Fairfield

Track: Snyder at Lamesa regional qualifiers meet

Track: Ira and Hermleigh at 1A Area Track Meet, at Abilene Wylie

FRIDAY

Softball: Snyder vs. Brownwood, bi-district at Abilene's Will Haire Park, 8 p.m.

Basketball: Snyder All-stars at Little Dribblers National Tournament, in Fairfield

Horseshoe champ crowned

The Duncan Classic Horseshoe Tournament crowned a new champion on Saturday.

Arlena Hudson of Dumas captured the tournament title by claiming the top spot in Class A.

The event, held at the horseshoe courts adjacent to Scurry County Coliseum, crowned champions in three classes.

Local winners were Bernard Bartels, Raymond Holdridge and Dorothy Duncan who swept the top spots in Class C.

Finishing behind Hudson in Class A were runner-up Pete Wheeler of Lubbock and Johnny Davenport of Post.

Littlefield's Greg Pillow won Class B, with Bert Pope of Marble Falls taking second, and Bob Briggs of Merkel grabbing third.

Snyder Slingers, a local horseshoe pitching club, holds league play every Thursday at 7 p.m. at the courts next to the coliseum.

Major League Baseball

American League

All Times EDT

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	9	3	.750	—
Baltimore	7	5	.583	2
Boston	7	6	.538	2½
Tampa Bay	5	8	.385	4½
Toronto	5	9	.357	5

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	8	4	.667	—
Kansas City	8	6	.571	1
Chicago	7	6	.538	1½
Detroit	4	8	.333	4
Minnesota	4	10	.286	5

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	8	4	.667	—
Anaheim	7	6	.538	1½
Texas	6	7	.462	2½
Oakland	5	8	.385	3½

Monday's Games

Oakland 1, Boston 0
Toronto 7, Anaheim 1
N.Y. Yankees 5, Texas 4, 11 innings
Tampa Bay at Baltimore, ppd., rain
Seattle at Chicago White Sox, ppd., rain
Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Boston (Schourek 0-1) at Detroit (Mlicki 0-2), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Mulder 0-0) at Cleveland (Nagy 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Dickson 1-0) at Toronto (Castillo 0-1), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Trachsel 1-1) at Baltimore (Mussina 0-1), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Hernandez 2-0) at Texas (Rogers 1-2), 8:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Suppan 1-0) at Minnesota (Radke 0-2), 8:05 p.m.
Seattle (Sele 1-0) at Chicago White Sox (Eldred 0-0), 8:05 p.m.

National League

All Times EDT

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Florida	8	6	.571	—
Atlanta	6	6	.500	1
Montreal	6	6	.500	1
New York	6	7	.462	1½
Philadelphia	5	6	.455	1½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	8	5	.615	—
Cincinnati	6	6	.500	1½
Milwaukee	6	6	.500	1½
Houston	5	7	.417	2½
Pittsburgh	5	7	.417	2½
Chicago	6	9	.400	3

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	9	4	.692	—
Los Angeles	7	5	.583	1½
Colorado	8	6	.571	1½
San Diego	7	6	.538	2
San Francisco	3	9	.250	5½

Monday's Games

Florida 6, Chicago Cubs 5
Montreal at Philadelphia, ppd., rain
Colorado 9, Arizona 1
Houston at Los Angeles, ppd., rain

Tuesday's Games

Chicago Cubs (Tapani 0-1) at Montreal (Pavano 1-0 or Vazquez 1-0), 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Cordova 1-0) at Florida (Penny 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Nathan 0-0) at Cincinnati (Villone 2-0), 7:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Navarro 0-2) at N.Y. Mets (Hampton 0-3), 7:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Person 1-0) at Atlanta (Maddux 2-0), 7:40 p.m.
San Diego (Meadows 2-0) at St. Louis (Benes 0-1), 8:10 p.m.
Colorado (Karl 0-0) at Arizona (Reynoso 0-2), 9:35 p.m.
Houston (Dotel 0-1) at Los Angeles (Dreifort 0-1), 10:10 p.m.

At SCC Pro-Am...

Midland pro leads team to 4-shot win

Midland Country Club pro Scotty Nieman led his foursome to victory Monday in the Snyder Country Club Pro-Am, but it had three teams clicking at its heels.

The team of Nieman, Mike Burton, Mike Rodriguez and Don Sasser fired a 53 to hold off a trio of teams by two strokes to win the 18-hole event.

Among the teams tied for second with a round of 55 was Snyder pro Rick Mammolite's squad. Teaming up with Mammolite were Ricky Daniel, Arty Rollins and Terry Juarez.

Also finishing with a 55 was the foursome led by Jimmy Cox, head pro at The Club at Mission Dorado. Joining Cox were Al Stepp, Abel Alvarez and Howard Sterling.

Big Spring Country Club's Larry Bryan rounded out the three-way tie. Bryan was teamed with Rawley McCullough, Wes Key and Joe Williamson.

In the battle of the pros, top honors were split three ways. Jason Ball of Bentwood CC, John Ironside of Ranchlind Hills CC, and Lance McMillan, a teaching pro from San Angelo carded rounds of 68 to tie for first place.

Only one stroke back in second place was a three-way tie between Bryan, Kyle Kolles of Bentwood CC, and Brent Boynton of Gaines County GC.

Top amateur honors went to Billy Brock who posted the low gross with a 69. Low net winners with rounds of 63 were Sasser, Carter Wiggins and Joe LaRoux.

Bryan and Don Timm of Sweetwater CC won the closest-to-the-hole competition in the pro division, with McCullough, Aaron Miller, Gary Dunkerson and Ed Douglas winning the amateur class.

SHS falls to Abilene, 8-7

ABILENE — Snyder got rolling in the early innings, but couldn't finish off Abilene High.

Snyder scored in each of the first four innings Monday, but couldn't post a run in the final three to suffer an 8-7 setback to Abilene High in freshman baseball action.

Snyder built a 7-3 advantage, before the Eagles tallied five runs in the fourth to take the lead for good.

Patrick Alderete belted a double and a triple to pace the Tigers at the plate, while Billy Pena was solid on the mound. Pena allowed seven hits and struck out nine.

Snyder will be in action again Saturday when it hosts Coahoma at 11 a.m.

Abilene 8, Snyder 7

Snyder: Alderete, double and single; Greenwood, Pollard, Pena, Perez, Hill, Rich and Hoyle, single.

National Basketball Association

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Miami	51	29	.638	—
x-New York	49	31	.613	2
x-Philadelphia	48	33	.593	3½
Orlando	40	41	.494	11½
Boston	33	47	.413	18
New Jersey	31	49	.388	20
Washington	29	51	.363	22

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Indiana	55	26	.679	—
x-Charlotte	47	33	.588	7½
x-Toronto	45	35	.563	9½
x-Detroit	41	39	.513	13½
x-Milwaukee	41	40	.506	14
Cleveland	31	49	.388	23½
Atlanta	27	53	.338	27½
Chicago	17	63	.213	37½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Utah	54	26	.675	—
x-San Antonio	52	29	.642	2½
x-Minnesota	50	31	.617	4½
Dallas	38	42	.475	16
Denver	33	47	.413	21
Houston	33	47	.413	21
Vancouver	21	60	.259	33½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-L.A. Lakers	67	13	.838	—
x-Portland	58	22	.725	9
x-Phoenix	52	28	.650	15
x-Sacramento	44	36	.550	23
x-Seattle	44	36	.550	23
Golden State	19	62	.235	48½
L.A. Clippers	14	66	.175	53

x-clinched playoff berth, y-clinched division

Monday's Games

Milwaukee 85, Orlando 83
Indiana 92, Philadelphia 90
San Antonio 100, Vancouver 93
Minnesota 101, Golden State 96

Tuesday's Games

Boston at Washington, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Miami, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Utah at Denver, 9 p.m.
Houston at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.
Portland at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Seattle at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

New York at Boston, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
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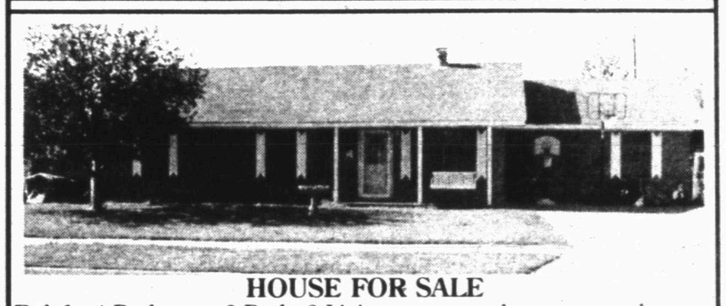
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DEAR READER: Patients — both male and female — can encounter two common problems from urinary catheters. The first is temporary incontinence. The rubber catheter stretches the opening of the bladder, which is controlled by a ring of muscle called a sphincter. Once the catheter is removed, there may be a time lag before the sphincter regains its normal function. Also, the bladder muscles themselves need to undergo "reconditioning" so that they contract properly. These two phenomena can mean several days of dribbling and wetting, because bladder control is lost until the necessary muscles tighten up and function properly.

The second, more serious complication of urinary catheters is infection. Ordinarily, the sphincter prevents outside bacteria from entering the bladder. However, a catheter provides a natural conduit for infection, not only because it is foreign to the body, but because germs can work their way around the catheter into the urinary tract. Usually such infection leads to painful urination, fever and a feeling of urgency.

I suspect that your temporary incontinence resulted from the mechanical stretching of your sphincter. And I'm sure that your problem has resolved itself naturally. Nonetheless, if symptoms persist — or return — you should check with your doctor and, perhaps, obtain a urine culture to rule out infection.

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

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DEAR READER: Polymyalgia rheumatica is a relatively common disease of unknown cause, marked by muscle stiffness and pain, sore joints, fever, malaise, weight loss, anemia and — in some cases — inflammation of medium-sized arteries, leading to headache, visual problems and heart disease.

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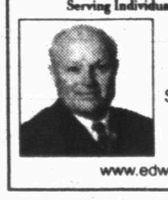
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CocaCola	49⅛	47 3-16	47⅜	— 1⅛
ColgatePal s	57	54⅝	54⅝	— 3
ComclMetals	28¼	28 3-16	28 3-16	
CooperIn	36¾	36⅛	36¼	+ 1-16
DaimlrChry	65	64 5-16	64 9-16	—11-16
DallSemicn s	38 7-16	36⅜	37 13-16	+ 1 5-16
DeltaAirl	51 7-16	49⅞	51⅛	+ 2⅛
Dillards Inc	13 11-16	13⅛	13 11-16	+ 1-16
DowChem	107⅛	105 1-16	105⅞	—1 13-16
DuPont	55⅞	54⅛	54⅜	—1 13-16
EastmanChem	46 3-16	45⅛	45⅜	— 9-16
EstKodak	61 13-16	59 15-16	59 15-16	— 1⅞
EDS Corp	66 15-16	64½	66½	+ 1⅝
Entergy	23 7-16	23 3-16	23 5-16	+ ⅛
ExxonMobil	76 13-16	75 13-16	75 15-16	+ 7-16
Flowers	14¾	14½	14½	— ⅜
FordMotor	56⅛	55 3-16	55 15-16	— 1⅛
GTE Cp	71 5-16	69⅞	71¼	+ ⅜
GenDynam	49 9-16	48	49 5-16	— 1⅛
GenlElec	155	151 15-16	153 15-16	+ 1 15-16
GenMills s	36 11-16	36	36	—11-16
GenMotors	85¼	83⅞	84 15-16	— 7-16
GaPacGP s	38¾	36½	37 1-16	— 1¼
GlobalMar	22	21½	21¾	+ ⅞
Goodrich	30⅛	29 13-16	29⅞	— ⅜
Goodyear s	29⅛	28 7-16	28⅝	
GtAtlPac	18⅛	17⅜	17⅝	—11-16
Halliburtn	39 15-16	38⅜	39 9-16	+ 1⅛
Hanson ADS	35⅜	35 1-16	35 1-16	— ¼
HarteHanks	22¾	22 1-16	22⅝	+ 11-16
HomeDepot s	57⅞	56 1-16	57 7-16	+ 7-16
Honeywellntl	54 7-16	53⅜	54 7-16	— 9-16
IBM s	113 7-16	110 1-16	112 3-16	+ 7-16
IntlPaper	41 3-16	40	40 1-16	+ 1-16
JohnsonJn	82	79¼	80 13-16	+ 3 1-16
K mart	8⅝	8 7-16	8½	— 1-16
Kroger Co s	17⅛	16 11-16	17 1-16	— ⅞
Litton	39¼	38⅛	38⅞	— 5-16
LockheedM	21⅛	20⅝	20 11-16	— ⅝
Lowes Cos	54 1-16	52 9-16	53 11-16	— ¾
Lubys	8 15-16	8½	8 13-16	— 1-16
LucentTech	55⅛	53⅛	54⅝	
MayDeptStr	28	27 13-16	27 15-16	+ 1-16
MediaOne	77⅛	75⅜	76⅞	+ 1½
Medtronic s	50 9-16	48 13-16	50⅛	+ 1⅞
MorganJP	127½	124⅛	127	+ 2
Motorola	116½	112½	114½	— 2
NCR Corp	40⅞	39 15-16	40⅝	+ 1⅛
Navistar	35½	34⅞	35	— 3-16
Penney JC	13 7-16	13 1-16	13⅛	— 1-16
PepBoys	6 7-16	6⅛	6 3-16	— 5-16
PepsiCo	36¼	35	35½	— 1⅛
Pharmacia	53½	52⅜	52½	— 1⅝
PhelpDodge	44 15-16	44 5-16	44 7-16	+ ⅛
PhilipPet	47 7-16	46 13-16	47 1-16	
PilgrmPrd B	7⅛	7⅛	7⅛	— 1-16
Polaroid	20 15-16	20⅜	20 11-16	— ¼
Praxair	39¾	38 13-16	38⅞	—1 1-16
ProctGamb	68 9-16	66 3-16	66⅜	— 2⅜
PubS NwMx	16½	16¼	16⅜	— 3-16
ReliantEngy	26 7-16	26⅛	26 7-16	— 1-16
RoyalDut	56 7-16	55 9-16	55 13-16	—15-16
SBC Comm	41 15-16	41 1-16	41 7-16	— 7-16
SaraLee	16 13-16	16⅝	16¾	— 1-16
Scripps EW	45⅞	45 11-16	45 11-16	— ⅛
SearsRoeb	37 11-16	36 9-16	37⅛	+ ⅜
SherwinW	26¼	25½	25¾	— 7-16
SmithkiBchm	65 1-16	64 1-16	64 9-16	—15-16
SouthernCo	26	25⅜	25⅝	+ 1⅛
SwstAirl s	19 11-16	19 5-16	19 9-16	+ 7-16
SprintFON s	58½	57¼	57 7-16	+ 11-16
SprintPCS s	51¾	50 3-16	51 9-16	+ 4 13-16
Sunoco Inc	26½	25 15-16	26 3-16	+ ⅛
Tandy s	48 5-16	46 5-16	47¼	— ¾
TempleInland	48 7-16	47¼	47½	+ ¾
Texaco	50 1-16	49 3-16	49⅝	— ⅛
TexInd	31⅞	31 5-16	31 7-16	— 3-16
TexasInst s	146⅝	137	138¼	— 14¼
Tex Util	33 1-16	32⅝	32¾	— 5-16
Textron	59½	58	58⅛	— 1¾
TriconGlbR	30 3-16	30	30 1-16	— ¼
Trinityinds	22⅛	21 15-16	21 15-16	— 5-16
TritonEngy	34¼	32¾	33¾	+ 1
TylerTech	5 15-16	5½	5⅝	— 3-16
US West Inc	68½	66 11-16	68 1-16	+ 1 1-16
USX-Marathn	24⅛	23 9-16	23¾	+ ⅛
USX-USS	23 15-16	23 13-16	23⅞	+ 1-16
UnCarbde	55 1-16	53 11-16	54 1-16	—13-16
UnionPacif	40½	39⅞	40⅜	+ 9-16
UnitedTech s	58⅞	57	58⅛	—1 7-16
Unocal	28⅞	28¼	28½	+ ⅜
Venator Grp	9 13-16	9 11-16	9¾	
WalMart	55⅞	53⅛	55 7-16	+ 1 7-16
WellsFargo	40 9-16	38 13-16	40⅜	+ 1
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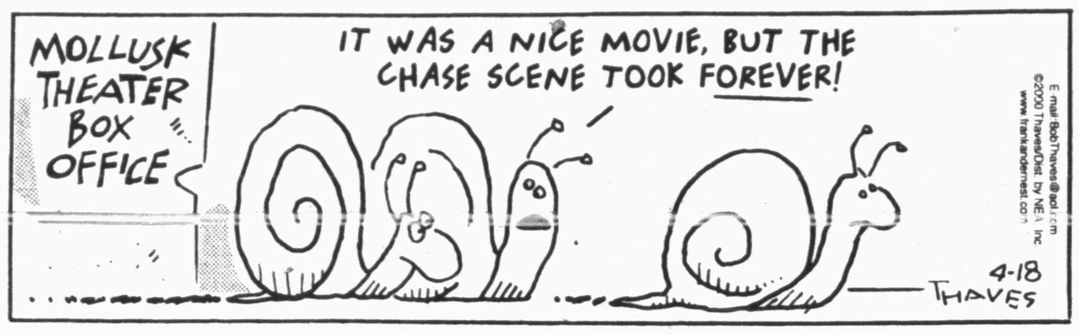


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7 Prosper
13 Friend of the Beast
14 Religious holiday
15 Ammonia compounds
16 Body organs
17 Tenant's expense
18 Lubricate
20 Head
21 Start
23 Chocolate tree
27 Storage area for weapons
32 Large antelope
33 Kate Nelligan movie
34 Orange type
35 Twists
36 Wobbles
39 Sailing vessel
40 Burn
42 Sloppy person
46 It's for the course!
47 Type of chowder
51 Shaped like a crescent
53 Publishing blunders
55 Wears away
56 Swarmed
57 Didn't exist
58 Army order (2 wds.)

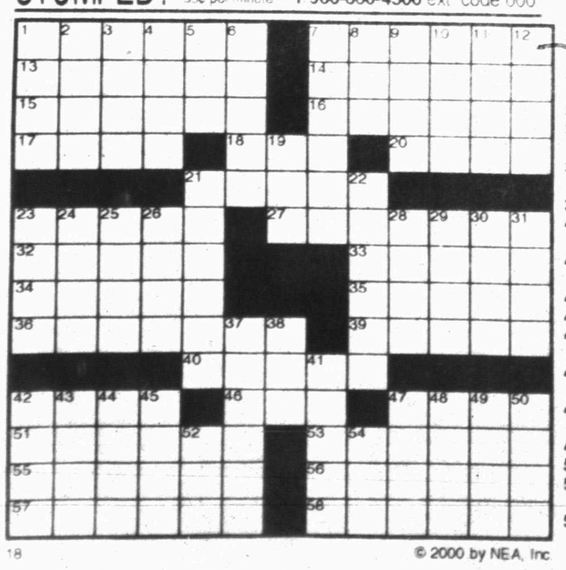
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1 Construction beam
2 Blood pigment
3 Large farm wagon
4 Female relative
5 Map abbr.
6 Boxer Mike —
7 Bank employee
8 "Bali —"
9 Invitation inits.
10 Virginia willow
11 Heraldic green
12 Irish
19 "Rose — — rose"
21 Lots and lots
22 Sleeping-sickness fly
23 Copper coin
24 Wings
25 Prehistoric dwelling
26 Work without — — (be daring)
28 Hebrew month
29 Roman emperor
30 — Domini
31 Speech problem
37 Most mature, as fruit
38 Nahoor sheep
41 Actress Garbo
42 Killed the dragon
43 Entice
44 — — about
45 Issued a command to
47 Algonquian Indian
48 Mongolian monk
49 The sweetsop
50 Fabricated
52 Decade number
54 Soak (flax)

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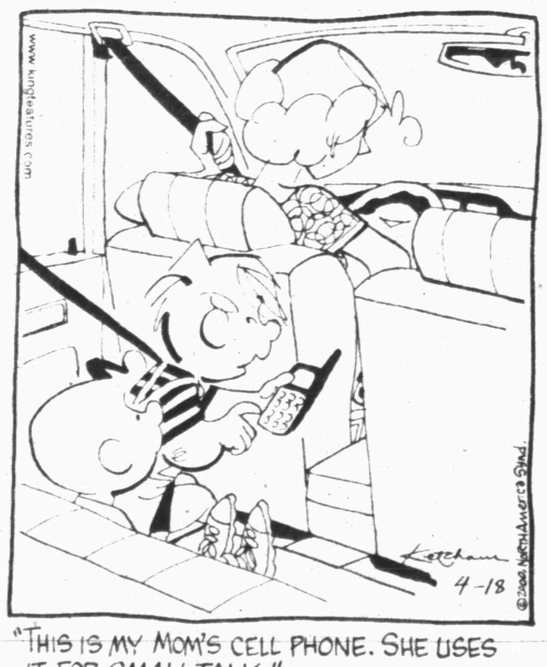
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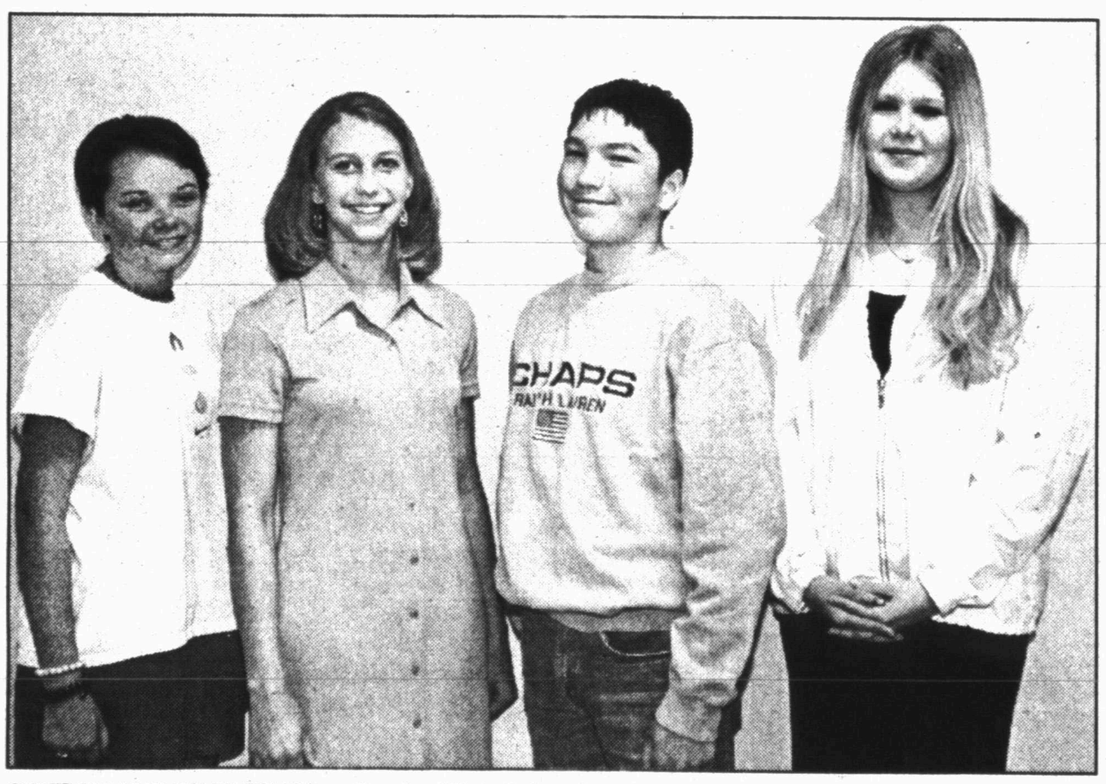




CROPS JUDGING TEAM — Snyder High School's crops judging team earned its sixth state title in seven years at Texas Tech University where the state contest was held Friday and Saturday. From left are, Mary Wesson, Shannon Chambers, Dana Stribling, Cliff Beights. Mary was 2nd high individual at state; Shannon was fifth high; Dana was 7th high and Cliff was eighth high. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)



THIRD AT STATE — Snyder High School's entomology judging team placed third in the state contest held Friday and Saturday at Texas Tech University. The team also placed first in district and second in area. Team members are from left, Valerie Lara, Vanessa Lara, Jennifer Lara. Valerie was 13th high individual at state and Vanessa was 18th high individual. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)



COTTON JUDGING TEAM — Snyder High School's cotton judging team placed 19th at the state contest held Friday and Saturday at Texas Tech University. The team also placed third in district and 11th in area. Team members are from left, Kasey Wemken, Casey Blackard, Brandon Gonzales, Anna Gryshchenko. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)



UIL CONTESTANTS — Eight Snyder High School students competed in the UIL academic regional contests at San Angelo State University on Saturday. Back row from left, Wade Ashby, Trevor Kerr, Trey Gorman, Cara Best; front row from left, Jennifer Bell, Kaycee Marricle, Liz Brown, Alesha Miller. Trey, Trevor, Wade and Kaycee advanced to the state meet to be held in Austin on May 13. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

4 SHS students qualify for state

Four Snyder High School students qualified for state at the regional UIL academic meet held Saturday at San Angelo State University.

Trey Gorman claimed first place in computer science for the second year in a row. He also tied for first place in chemistry and first place in physics, and he was second in biology. He also placed second overall high individual in science.

Trey advances to state and will be the only SHS student to compete in the both the computer science and science contests.

The science team of Trey, Trevor Kerr and Wade Ashby won second place and was named alternate team.

Kaycee Marricle placed fourth in computer applications.

All of the above students advance to state competition slated May 13 in Austin.

Others who placed in the regional meet are Cara Best, fifth place in accounting. Jennifer Bell was sixth in computer applications. Alesha Miller was sixth in literary criticism. Liz Brown was sixth in poetry.

Area 51 images posted on Web

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Buildings. Roadways. Buses. A swimming pool.

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The first detailed satellite images of Area 51, the top-secret Air Force test site in Nevada, apparently reveal nothing out of the ordinary. Then again, UFO buffs might just think it's another trick.

Raleigh-based Aerial Images Inc. — in collaboration with Microsoft, Kodak, Digital Equipment Corp., Autometric Inc. and the Russian agency Sovinformsputnik — posted five images Monday on the Web of the hush-hush location.

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U.S., Russia set June summit

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton will get a chance to pitch for missile defense systems and a lighter Russian hand in Chechnya when he meets at a Moscow summit with President Vladimir Putin in early June.

Close to three decades of U.S.-Russian cooperation to curb nuclear weapons could be nearing an end despite last week's ratification of the START II treaty by the Duma, the lower house of the Russian parliament.

Putin is threatening to jettison all major arms-control accords with the United States if the administration undercuts a 1972 treaty that bars development of anti-missile technology. Clinton is nearing a decision to go ahead with a limited system and wants Putin's approval.

The Russian president, a career KGB official largely untested as a politician, won election March 26 partly on a wave of public approval of his war against rebels in Chechnya. That has not ended the rebellion and Clinton is sure to appeal to Putin to engage in serious negotiations with Chechen leaders and to adopt a kinder approach to the republic.

Riding on Clinton's appeal is the certainty that Putin wants a good relationship with the West. The Russian president has scored some points with his early commitment to economic order and currently, on his first trip west with a visit to Britain, with his promise that Russia will not return to isolationism.

The summit will be June 4-5 in Moscow as part of a Clinton trip to Europe. The White House announced he would travel to Portugal May 30-June 1 for a summit with leaders of the European Union; to Aachen and Berlin, Germany, June 1-3; and from Moscow to Kiev, Ukraine, June 6.

In Aachen, the president will be awarded the Charlemagne Prize for contributions to European unification and in Berlin will attend with leaders of a dozen other countries a summit on "third way" politics hosted by Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder. The idea is to consider alternatives to the traditional liberal and conservative approaches to government.

Clinton winds up his European journey in Ukraine with a meeting with President Leonid Kuchma.

Jack Mendelsohn, a former U.S. negotiator, said today Russia is poised to ratify an international ban on nuclear weapons tests, which the Senate has defeated.

Taxpayers dash to post offices to file last-minute tax returns

LOS ANGELES (AP) — In Wisconsin, taxpayers used the Internet. In New York City, they hurried to a post office open 24 hours a day. Here in the heart of car culture, many just drove by one on the way home.

As the midnight tax deadline drew closer Monday, procrastinators careened toward post offices across the country to file their returns — or plead for extensions.

When asked why he had procrastinated, Felipe Perez, of Los Angeles, was stumped: "I don't know. It doesn't make any sense," he said. "I had them done two weeks ago."

Because April 15 fell on a Saturday this year, most Americans got two extra days to file their taxes. People in Massachusetts, Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont and most of New York outside the New York City area have until midnight today because of the Patriot's Day holiday.

Residents of the West coast weren't so lucky — but they also had drive-through service. At Los Angeles' downtown postal annex, a steady stream of cars rolled by, occupants thrusting fat envelopes out their windows to postal workers in yellow slickers.

"I just wanted to see these lovely postal workers," said Maureen Tabor who mailed off a request for an extension. "And I guess I like procrastinating."

This was the second year in a row that Isaiah Heard, of Chicago, found himself trying to beat the clock.

"I don't mind waiting to the last day." he said at the downtown post office, which was open until midnight. "It's almost like tradition now."

In Baltimore, postal worker Jae Kim stood in a steady rain, greeting last-minute filers as they pulled up to the city's main post office just before midnight.

"It's not as many people as I expected," he said, greeting the occasional patron through the slit of a car window. "Maybe it's the weather."

In Wisconsin, so many people chose electronic filing that the usual last-minute rush seemed calmer, one tax preparer said. "We're less swamped than usual," said Dan Griffiths, district manager for H&R Block's 11 offices in south central Wisconsin.

In New York City on Monday night, James A. Farley Post Office in Manhattan was packed.

Chamber focuses on Western Swing

Chamber of commerce directors met Monday to get an update on the Western Swing expense report and add $5,000 for salaries which brings the total to $15,000 from hotel/motel funds to host the event.

Executive director Donna Fowler said everything is coming together and the RV Park is one-half full, the motels are full and she is looking at this as a two-year project, in expectation of it being a financial success next year.

The chamber banquet has been set for Aug. 26. Other upcoming events include the Relay For Life, April 28-29; Snyder Arts & Crafts, April 29-30; Senior Citizens May Day, May 6; Legends Lamb Club Sale, May 20; Western Swing Festival, May 16-21; and Snyder High School graduation, May 26.

The chamber office will be closed on Good Friday and Memorial Day, May 29.

Benchmark Business Solutions, managed by Dee Blackwell, was welcomed to the chamber and will be honored with a ribbon cutting at 10 a.m. Thursday.

Attending were Mark Cypert, Wilhelmenia Howard, Jack Whitworth, Paula McWilliams, Trent Driggers and staff members Fowler and Sandra Barbosa.

Subject arrested on felony warrant

A felony warrant revoking a 22-year-old man's probation resulted in his arrest at 2:45 p.m. Monday.

Officers arrested Alejo "Alex" Suarez Jr. of 124 20th Place at 2:45 p.m. in the 1900 block of 27th Street.

Two offense reports were also filed Monday.

At 6:39 p.m., an offense report for dog bite was submitted.

Officers took a report for family violence at 8:40 p.m.

A two-vehicle mishap occurred at 3:50 p.m. in the Snyder High School parking lot. Involved were a 1993 Nissan pickup driven by Kristin Martinez, 18, of 3614 44th Street and a 1990 Oldsmobile Cutlass driven by Kristopher Lee Casas, 17, of 2201 Avenue E.

Officers worked a one-vehicle accident at 5:05 p.m. in the 4000 block of College involving a 1999 Chevrolet Malibu driven by Zeena June Raines, 49, of 3702 Muriel Drive that struck a fire hydrant owned by the City of Snyder.

At 5:25 p.m., officers were called to a minor accident in the 100 block of Old Lubbock Hwy. Involved were a 1989 Chevrolet pickup driven by I.E. Martin, 77, of 2603 35th Street and a 1999 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Sonja Maxfield, 24, of 113 25th Street.

Obituaries

Wes Chamness

1912-2000

Graveside service for John Wesley "Wes" Chamness is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Loraine Cemetery. The Rev. Larry McAden, minister of the Calvary Baptist Church, will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Chamness, 87, died Sunday, April 16, in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock following a lengthy illness.

Born July 29, 1912 in Myrtle Spring, Tex., he married Opal Mae Tillison on March 17, 1933 in Ranger. Mr. Chamness was a self-employed auto mechanic and a Baptist.

A daughter, Barbara Chamness, died on Dec. 7, 1998.

Survivors include his wife, Opal Mae Chamness of Snyder; two sons and daughters-in-law, Johnny and Linda Chamness of Garland, Mickey and Sharon Chamness of Memphis, Tenn.; a daughter, Bonnie Tigrett of Las Cruces, N.M.; a sister, Faye Miller of Robert Lee; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Eddie Merrell

1953-2000

MIDLAND — Eddie Merrell, son of the Rev. James and Edna Merrell of Snyder, died Monday, April 17, in an Abilene hospital.

Graveside service for Mr. Merrell, 47, is set for 6 p.m. today in Resthaven Cemetery in Midland under the direction of Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home. A memorial service will be held Friday, time pending, in the First United Methodist Church in Abilene.

Mr. Merrell was born on Jan. 22, 1953 in Midland and graduated from Throckmorton High School and TSTC in Sweetwater. He worked for Mrs. Baird's Bread for 25 years. Mr. Merrell was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Abilene where he was active in the singles group.

Other survivors include a sister and brother-in-law, Mary and Jim Sweeney of Dubuque, Iowa; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Mark and Judy Merrell of Colorado City and Kirk and Ciana Merrell of Amarillo; three nieces and two nephews.

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Katherine Redwine

1909-2000

A memorial service for Katherine Redwine is set for 11 a.m. Wednesday in the First Presbyterian Church. A private graveside service was held.

Mrs. Redwine, 90, died Tuesday, April 11, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Born Dec. 16, 1909 in Bay City to Ada Payne Ruse and Edward Eugene Ruse, she graduated in 1927 from Jefferson Davis High School in Bay City and the family moved to Kerrville.

She attended Texas Presbyterian College in Milford and business college in Kerrville. Mrs. Redwine was employed for seven years at the Schreiner National Bank in Kerrville as secretary to the bank's legal advisor.

She married Dr. Harry Page Redwine on May 21, 1936 in Austin. He preceded her in death.

Dr. Redwine had moved to Snyder and opened a medical practice in the fall of 1935. Following their wedding, they moved to Snyder. Both were lifelong Presbyterians and served as elders in Snyder's First Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Redwine was active in Snyder community affairs with emphasis on West Texas Girl Scout Council and the Scurry County Museum. She began working with the fledgling Scurry County Museum in the early 1970s when the first acquisitions were being cataloged in space within the Diamond M Building. She contributed toward the first permanent exhibits that were initially housed in one room of the Learning Resource Center at Western Texas College. She continued serving as museum director after it moved into its present location.

She also was preceded in death by a son, Daniel Eugene Redwine.

Survivors include two daughters, Harriet Lee Redwine of Phoenix and Paula Katherine Lowe of Fort Worth; a son, David Page Redwine of Lubbock; one granddaughter; and two great-granddaughters.

Lenora Anderson

1929-2000

FORT WORTH — Funeral service for Lenora Anderson of Fort Worth, a former Snyder resident, will be at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Ferguson Funeral Home Parlor in Fort Worth. Burial will follow in a Fort Worth Cemetery.

Mrs. Anderson, 70, died Saturday, April 15, in a Fort Worth hospital following a sudden illness.

She was born on May 24, 1929 in Williamson County and lived in Snyder for several years.

Survivors include one daughter, Connie Davis of Fort Worth; three sisters, Cleora Sneed and Betty Thompson of Snyder and Charlene Morgan of Georgetown; one brother, R.Z. Anderson of Georgetown; three nieces, Shirley Tealer, Kay Tippens and Rolonda Tippens, all of Snyder; four nephews, Chester Cobb, Wayne Cobb, Tony Cobb and William Jackson, all of Snyder, and cousins Mary Helen Brandon, Ray Brandon and Molly Brandon, all of Snyder.

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Area-wide crusade

Colonial Hill Baptist Church is hosting an area-wide crusade through Wednesday, featuring Ken Freeman. Doug Pierce is the worship leader. Services begin at 7 p.m. A senior adult pot-luck luncheon with Freeman is planned Wednesday.

Parent education class

East Elementary is hosting a series of parent education classes from 6-7 p.m. each Tuesday in the school library. Tonight's topic is "Expanding Your Child's Math Ability." Refreshments are served. For more information, call 573-1769.

Family night out

Northeast Elementary will hold Family Night Out starting at 5:30 this evening at the Spanish Inn.

Masonic Lodge

Scurry Masonic Lodge No. 706 will work in the master degree starting at 7:30 tonight. All Master Masons are invited.

8th grade orientation

Parents of Snyder 8th graders are urged to attend a meeting at 7 this evening in the Worsham Auditorium at SHS. Debbie Phillips, counselor, will provide information about high school registration, course selections and graduation requirements. Incoming freshmen will be given registration materials, and they are encouraged to bring them to the meeting.

Tree dedication

A dedication ceremony will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Northeast Elementary for the planting of a tree in memory of Kelton Clayton. Everyone is invited.

Ira award assemblies

Ira School will hold its fifth six-weeks awards assemblies Wednesday in the school cafeteria. Grades 6-12 will be at 12:05 p.m. and the elementary at 3:05 p.m.

Immunization clinic

Scurry County Health unit's immunization clinic is held each Thursday in April from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-4 p.m.

East retirement reception

A retirement reception for East Elementary's Wayne Kennedy, Billie Adams and Kay Echols is set for 3:30-5:30 p.m. May 9 in the First Baptist Church Garden Room.

Combined choirs musical

The combined choirs of First Baptist and Colonial Hill Baptist churches will present "God For Us" at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the First Baptist Church.

Easter service

First Baptist Church will conduct its Easter service at 10:15 a.m. Sunday in the Worsham Auditorium at Snyder High School.

Easter celebration

First Church of Nazarene, across from Big Country Chevrolet, will have its Easter service at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, followed by an Easter Egg hunt.

Kids College instructors

Instructors and assistant instructors have until Monday to apply for a teaching position with Western Texas College's Kids College. The applications are to be turned in to Human Resources office. Catalogs listing classes to be offered will be available on May 5. Kids College registration is set for 2 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. May 15 at the Scurry County Museum.

R.C. Patton reception

A reception to honor R.C. and Amy Patton is scheduled from 10-11 a.m. next Tuesday in the First Baptist Church Family Life Center. Patton, an original member of the Western Texas College board, will be recognized at the reception for his service to the college and community. The public is invited.

Snyder Neighbors Sharing

SNS is in need of workers and monetary donations for the April 29 work day. For more information, contact Thomas Fogleman at 573-3538, or Sam Robertson at 573-4053.

Avenue D Baptist anniversary

Avenue D Baptist Church will celebrate its 50th anniversary April 30. A noon meal will be served following the morning service, and an afternoon service will also be held. Former pastors Calvin Brown and Jack Riley will speak, as will Darold Baldwin, Mitchell-Scurry director of missions, as will former interim pastor John Shugart. Charles Day is the pastor of the church.

Sonshine School

Pre-registration for the Sonshine School at 37th St. Church of Christ is now in progress for the next school year. Call 573-0549 or 573-1700 for more information.

Summer, fall pre-registration

Pre-registration for Children's Day out at the First United Methodist Church is underway through May 15 for the summer and fall. The program provides childcare on Tuesday and Thursday during June and July. The fall session begins in August. Call Barbara at 573-4770 for more information.

King's Kids pre-registration

Pre-registration for King's Kids and Mother's Day Out for next school year is underway. King's Kids is offered Mondays and Wednesdays for ages 1-5, and Mother's Day Out is Friday for ages three months to five years. Call the First Baptist Church for more information at 573-7401.

Pick 3

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

7-0-5

Cash Five

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

3-7-9-24-35