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Home of Jo Henry

New museum exhibit...





EXHIBIT TO OPEN — Scurry County Museum's western Christmas exhibit will officially open today with a reception open to the public from 5-7:30 p.m. Museum board member Paul Hudgins looks at one of David R. Stoecklein's photographs entitled *Yellow Slickers*. Stoecklein's photographs are on loan from the American Quarter Horse Association. The Christmas wreath has been loaned by Jimmy and Pat Cornett. Items on the wreath depict things belonging to Mrs. Cornett's dad. The museum's exhibit also features a western Cowboy Santa and other western and holiday artifacts. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)



To update aging fleet...

College buys 4 used vehicles

By Brian Brisendine
SDN Staff Writer

Western Texas College trustees made quick work of its agenda Monday night, adjourning in less than an hour.

That was plenty of time though to purchase four new vehicles to update the college's aging fleet.

All of the vehicles purchased — three mid-size sedans and a minivan — are used program cars, according to Dr. Greg Williams, WTC president.

"By purchasing lightly-used vehicles with low mileage we are able to buy more vehicles with less money," he said. "And they are still quality cars that we can get a lot of use out of."

The board accepted three bids for the four vehicles.

A bid from Wilson Motors was accepted for two 2002 Ford Taurus SES program cars with mileage in the "high teens" for a total of $23,500.

Also accepted was a bid from Big Country Autoland for a 2002 Alero program car with 14,000 miles and a price tag of $10,900.

The minivan also will be purchased from Big Country. The board accepted a bid on a 2000 Ford Windstar LX program vehicle with 23,000 miles. The price of the minivan is $12,500, but WTC will sell one of its current vans to the Scurry County Senior Center for $1,850.

"The college will be out-of-pocket $10,650," Williams said. "We're getting four vehicles for $45,050 by purchasing program cars. In the past we would have spent well over $80,000 to get what we got tonight, so we're moving in the right direction."

The administration had originally asked the board's authority to purchase two mid-size sedans and the minivan, but Patricia Claxton, director of fiscal services, said the bids came in lower than expected, enabling WTC to purchase an additional vehicle within the money budgeted.

In other business, the board approved 24 policy changes with little discussion.

Dr. Williams said the changes were logistical. "Most of these

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THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "It's not difficult to meet expenses. They're everywhere."

John Greene never intended to wear a suit and tie everyday, but he's done it for 40 years.

A reception is being held today at West Texas State Bank to honor Greene's long tenure that started in 1962.

Greene, the bank's executive vice president, is a Snyder native and a 1962 graduate of Snyder High School.

In high school, Greene was a member of the Future Farmers of America and held-down an after-school job at the Massey-Ferguson tractor dealership.



John Greene 1961

"I was at work one afternoon when my dad called and told me that Joe Cargile was leaving West Texas State Bank and that I should go apply.

John said he was happy working at the tractor dealership. "But you didn't argue with dad." That was the late Geral G. Greene, longtime Scurry County tax-assessor collector.

John interviewed with Hubert Cargile, then president of WTSB which had been in operation just 12 years.

In the 40 years at the bank, John has worked for just two other presidents, Martin Brooks and the current president, Bill Parker.

John said he graduated in May and went work in bookkeeping filing checks. He did a variety of jobs including teller and note department before becoming a loan officer in 1970

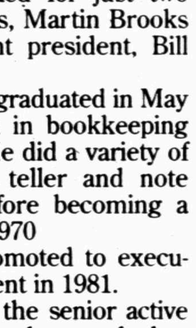
John was promoted to executive vice president in 1981.

John, who is the senior active loan officer in Snyder, says he has no plans to retire, but does miss some of the former days of banking when it was more personal.

"Character is still important in making a loan, but you have to back it up with documentation."

Regulations, paper work and computers are the biggest changes that he's seen in the past 40 years. "Used to a customer just signed their name on one sheet of paper."

John was the youngest of four Greene children. Mackey Greene is retired from the Snyder ISD, and sister Judy Moss is a teacher at Central Elementary. Youngest brother, Pete, is a Snyder attorney. Their mother, Gaye Nelle Greene, still resides at the family home on 31st Street.



John Greene 2002

John is married to another Snyder native, Carolyn Hollis Greene, who has worked for Patterson-ITU for six years.

John and Carolyn have one daughter, Ninette Arena, who lives in abilene. And they enjoy two grandchildren, Blake and Alec.

During his 40 years at the bank, John has done his share of civic work and currently serves on the Scurry County airport board.

Although John is an avid golfer, he has no plans to retire.

"I guess I'll be here 'till they run me off."

Dental records help identify wreck victim

Justice of the Peace Deborah Boyd Monday afternoon released the name of the accident victim that died in a two-vehicle collision last Wednesday.



Kelly Luna Southard

Kelly Luna Southard, 24, of 401 Innsdale Terrace in Clovis, N. M., was identified Monday through dental records obtained from Clovis.

She attended schools in Ira, Snyder and the Hobbs Alternative School.

Following the accident between the 1994 Toyota pickup driven by Southard and a 1998 Freightliner driven by Jerry Durham of Crowell, the victim's body was taken to the Lubbock County medical examiner's for identification.

The Freightliner was southbound on Highway 208 and the pickup was northbound. The collision occurred in the southbound lane. Durham was not injured.

Services are pending with Franklin-Bartley Funeral Home in Lubbock.

For $70,000...

In-kind work for parks project on city's agenda

A proposal to provide $70,000 for in-kind services over a three-year period for the park master plan will be considered by the Snyder city council in a 6:30 called meeting this evening.

This item was tabled in the council's regular meeting last week, and the proposal will be presented by the parks committee chairman Dayton Robertson.

Robertson also is seeking a letter of support from the council in support of the fund-raising project to match a $500,000 grant from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission.

The council also will review and consider for approval budget amendments from the 2001-2002 fiscal year.

Police Chief Steve Warren also will present a resolution seeking grant funds for a seatbelt enforcement program.

The meeting will be held in council chambers at city hall.

Four misses wins contest

The winners had four misses in last week's SDN football contest, with the tie-breakers deciding the winners.

The first criteria is picking the winner of the tie breaker contest, and then picking a total score (both team's scores added together) for the contest. The winner of last week's tie-breaker was Denver City, and the total score was 45 points.

Jo Alyce McMullan of 2804 35th St. correctly picked Denver City and guessed 44 points, earning her the first place $50.

The other entrants picked Snyder to win, thus their order of finish was determined solely by the points.

Freddie Martinez of 1409 24th St. picked 47 total points, giving him the $25 second prize.

Three entrants picked 42 points, causing them to share the $15 third prize. They are Alex Perez of 211 33rd St., Geral M. Greene of 2409 31st St. and Chris Halbert of 4506 Galveston.

For extra-curricular activities,..

Meal policy changed for Hermleigh trips

On a split vote Monday evening, the Hermleigh ISD board of trustees approved a revised policy for feeding students on out-of-town trips.

Supt. Jerry Church said the district would provide a meal in a restaurant for high school students on out of town extracurricular activities, but junior high students would eat from the host school's concession stand.

"I feel this will be revisited in our December meeting," said Church.

Trustees Alan Culp, Joe Roemisch and Larry West voted for the policy, while Sherene Digby cast the lone dissenting vote and David Higgins abstained.

Roy Gill and Tim Dacus were absent.

In other action items, trustees approved the audit report as presented by Davis, Kinard and Co., and approved the district's textbook committee.

Snyder ISD...

Six applicants will be interviewed for superintendent's job

Snyder's school board voted Monday night to interview six of the 38 applicants for the district's vacant superintendent's post.

Interviews will begin at 5:30 this evening and two applicants will meet with the board in separate closed sessions.

The same format will be followed Wednesday and Thursday.

Follow-up interviews will be held next week.

Prior to going into closed session to pare down the list of hopefuls, the board met with Dr. Don Killough and Kathee Lupton of the Texas Association of School Boards' superintendent search services.

Dr. Killough told the board that he felt a number of highly-qualified applications had been received. "You really did well.".

Dr. Killough said several applications had been received from out of state, and also from neighboring school districts.

"When you receive applications from neighboring districts who know your schools, that is a good sign the district is held in high regard," he said.

A finalist for the job is expected to be named Dec. 5, with the final vote coming on Jan. 6. State law requires a 21-day waiting period form the time a finalist is named and the district votes on the applicant.

The school board does not plan to release any applicant's names until the finalist is named in December.

Board president Mark McCormick presided and all board members were present to include Luann Burleson, Richard Chambers, Cathy Peoples, Glenn Clarady, Mike Levens and Doug Neff.

ASK US

Q—Are tickets available locally for the Tigers' playoff game in Odessa Friday night?

A—They will be available through 2 p.m. Friday at the school administration building. Adult tickets are $5, and student tickets are $2.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Tommy Doyle...

...is a teacher at Snyder High School and the head coach of the freshman football team. Tommy has lived in Snyder for 26 years and in his spare time, he enjoys gardening, woodworking, fishing and playing with his dogs. He and his wife, Nancy, have two children — daughter Brandi and son Casey, both SHS graduates.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The proud man counts his newspaper clippings — the humble man, his blessings.

—Bishop Fulton J. Sheen

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

4-H horse club meeting cancelled

The 4-H horse club has cancelled scheduled tonight's meeting.

AARP board meeting

The AARP board will meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Senior Center.

SJHS sets play

Snyder Junior High School's drama department will present *Night of the Living Beauty Pageant* at 7 p.m. Thursday and also next Tuesday. Tickets are $2 in advance and $3 at the door. All seats are reserved. Tickets must be picked up at the junior high office.

FBC support groups

Support groups dealing with divorce, death, cancer or caring for elderly parents meet at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church educational building. A special group for students facing these problems is held at the same time.

Drama Production

Snyder High School drama department will present *Cat On A Hot Tin Roof* at the Ritz Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are $5 for adults and $4 for students. To make reservations call the box office at 573-8880 from 2-5 p.m. through Friday.

Parenting seminar

"Tired of Yelling," a parenting seminar hosted by Joy School at East Side Church of Christ, will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the East Side multi-purpose building. Call 673-8971 to register.

Lord's Acre

Lord's Acre, hosted by the First United Methodist Church, will be held Sunday at the Scurry County Coliseum starting with a brisket meal with all the trimmings from noon to 1:30 p.m. Price is $7 for adults and $4 for those under the age of 11. There will be an auction at 12:20 p.m. and the event also will feature crafts, baked goods and homemade items.

Alzheimer information meeting

A meeting on Alzheimer's will be held from 6-7 p.m. next Tuesday at Colonial Hill Baptist Church library. Sponsored by Snyder Oak Care Center, those attending will continue watching the film, "Alzheimer 101."

Mesquite Country Emmaus Thanksgiving

Mesquite Country Emmaus annual Thanksgiving celebration will be at 6:30 p.m. next Tuesday at the Wagon Wheel Ranch. RSVP to Elois Pruitt at 573-6603 before Friday. Initials A-L bring vegetables, and M-Z bring desserts.

Home for the holidays

Home for the holidays is set for 6:30 p.m. next Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church. The event will feature recipes, holiday gift wrapping ideas, food garnishing, door prizes and music by Cindy Nix. The $5 fee will cover the cost of food. Seating is limited and the deadline for making reservations is Wednesday. Call the county extension office at 573-5423 to reserve a spot.

Workshop for parents

A workshop for parents and other early childhood educators will be held from 1-2:30 p.m. and 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, at the Region 14 Education Service Center. VaLynda Miller, early childhood education consultant, will be the presenter. Call Central Elementary at 573-8592 to register.

Junior high yearbook

The Snyder Junior High yearbook is on sale through Nov. 26 in room 110. Price is $16 with a deposit of $8 required when ordering. No extra copies will be available.

Community Services raffle

Scurry County Community Services is holding a raffle for a $75 gift certificate to United and $75 to Wal-Mart. Tickets are $1 and all proceeds will be used to buy Christmas gifts for children.

Washington, D.C. trip

Applications are due by the end of November for persons wishing to participate in next June's trip to Washington, D. C. and surrounding areas. For an application booklet or for further information, contact Charlotte Clifton at 573-2430, or Darlene Robbins at 573-0795.

Tiger's Lair on sale

Orders for the 2003 Tiger's Lair are being taken. Cost is $45 with options available at an addition fee. The price will increase to $50 after Dec. 1. Also deadline for senior dedications is Dec. 1. Dedications are $45 per photo and message. Call 574-6138 for information.

Ira Bulldog annuals on sale

The 2003 Bulldog annuals are on sale. Reserve your copy from now until Nov. 26. Cost is $26 with your name on the cover or $22 without. The supply is limited, so reserve your copy as soon as possible. To order, contact Becky Hudgins at Ira School.

White Buffalo Festival T-shirts

White Buffalo T-shirts featuring a train are on sale at the Whistle Stop or the coliseum office for $7 each.

WTC adult basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at Western Texas College will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. until noon, and from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Classes include E.S.L., GED and refresher courses. Certified teachers and Spanish speaking aides teach the classes. Call 573-8511, ext. 322.

WTC pool, gym hours

The WTC pool and gym are now open Monday through Thursday. The gym is open from 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. The pool is available from 6:30 to 8 a.m., noon to 1 p.m. and 7 to 8:50 p.m. The gym closes at 4 p.m. on Friday and the pool is open only in the morning and at noon on Fridays. Memberships are $50 per semester or visits are $2. Contact Christy Cerecedes for information at 573-8511, ext. 290.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland is available free of charge. Call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakey Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Judge refuses to reappoint Penry's lawyer

HOUSTON (AP) — A judge has refused to reappoint a lawyer who has represented convicted rapist and killer Johnny Paul Penry for more than 20 years in a case that has lingered in the court system over questions of mental retardation.

Huntsville attorney John Wright, who has represented Penry since 1980, offered Monday in a special hearing in Livingston to represent the death row inmate free of charge and asked to be named counsel of record.

But State District Judge Elizabeth Coker of Polk County refused, saying Penry did not "knowingly, intelligently and voluntarily" waive his right to be represented by an appellate attorney who could question the competency of his trial defense.

Wright said he intends to appeal to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

"We're not through with this yet," he said in today's editions of the Houston Chronicle. "We think a fellow should, if he's able, be allowed to acquire counsel. The fact that he didn't have to pay money shouldn't matter. ... "If (the lawyer) has got all the qualifications then you should be able to do it."

Penry, 46, has spent half his life in prison, primarily on death row, for killing Pamela Moseley Carpenter in October 1979 at her home in Livingston, 80 miles northeast of Houston.

He was on parole for rape when he was arrested and charged with killing 22-year-old Carpenter, the sister of former Washington Redskins kicker Mark Moseley. She was raped and stabbed in the chest with scissors, but remained alive long enough to describe her killer.

In July, a Texas jury rejected arguments that Penry was mentally retarded and sentenced him to death. Penry twice before had escaped death sentences. The U.S. Supreme Court overturned the sentences in 1989 and June 2001.

Stephen Taylor of Humble, the defense attorney whom Coker appointed to represent Penry on appeal, said he believes the judge wanted to inject a fresh defensive perspective into the case.

"I think the judge wanted somebody else to take a look at it," Taylor said. "This case has hung around for a very long time. The people of Polk County have a vested interest in this. She wants to make sure that it is done right."

Taylor said it is not uncommon in Texas for the court to appoint one attorney for the trial and a second attorney for the appeal as a way to ensure the quality of defense.

The issue of a competent defense has never been raised in Penry's case.

During all three of Penry's trials, Wright introduced evidence that Penry is mentally retarded, which is generally defined as having an IQ below 70, an inability to function normally and an onset of symptoms prior to age 18. Prosecutors disputed the evidence and juries rejected it all three times.

Jim Marcus, an attorney with the Texas Defenders Service, which specializes in representing capital defendants on appeal, said Coker's ruling that Penry could not intelligently waive his right to court-appointed counsel is troubling.

"So now he's retarded?" Marcus said. "It raises a lot of questions if now all of a sudden (Penry) is incompetent to make this decision. When did he become incompetent?"

Marcus said he did not believe the judge had a right to tell Penry he could not choose his own attorney over a court-appointed lawyer.



IRA CHEERLEADERS — Ira High School cheerleaders for 2002-2003 include standing from left, Franki Briseno, Candace Sanchez (captain); Brenda Torres; middle from left, Sarah McCown and Shea Allen. Rusty Josey is the mascot. Kristi Goodwin is the sponsor. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Voting problems' inquiry slated

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Bexar County officials planned to launch an inquiry this week into voting problems that delayed the tabulation of General Election results. Officials will also consider the fate of embattled elections administrator Cliff Borofsky.

At least two commissioners have called for Borofsky to be fired because of the sluggish vote counting, which took nearly 30 hours to complete.

Bexar County commissioners and members of the county Elections Commission were scheduled to meet Monday.

"I have been accused of exercising no leadership and no planning, and it's not the case," Borofsky said Monday, vowing to defend the actions he took before the election and during tabulation of the results.

By the time the polls closed at 7 p.m. on Nov. 5, one-third of the 127,595 early voting ballots cast in the election had been counted. Early ballots are usually counted and prepared to report to the public by that hour.

The Elections Commission, made up of the county judge, tax assessor-collector, county clerk and the local chairmen of the Democratic and Republican parties, were scheduled to discuss Borofsky's fate Thursday.

"I'm interested in convincing Commissioners Court and the Elections Commission that there was a pretty significant planning element that went into this election," he said in today's editions of the San Antonio Express-News. "That we had difficulties because things were planned, but not executed, was not my specific fault."

Date Book

Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2002

Today is the 316th day of 2002 and the 52nd day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1799, astronomer Andrew Ellicott Douglass made the first known record of a meteor shower in North America.

On this day in 1969, Seymour Hersh, an independent investigative journalist, broke the story of the My Lai Massacre in Vietnam.

During the massacre, hundreds of Vietnamese civilians were rounded up and U.S. soldiers were allegedly given instruction from 1st Lt. William L. Calley to "finish them off." Calley was the only member of those involved in the murders to be held accountable. He was eventually pardoned by President Richard Nixon.

On this day in 1980, Voyager I came within 77,000 miles of Saturn, sending back pictures that revealed Saturn's hundreds of rings (rather than the six that it had previously been thought to have) and helping scientists to discover further moons around the giant planet.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Elizabeth Cady Stanton (1815-1902), reformer; Auguste Rodin (1840-1917), sculptor; Grace Kelly (1929-1982), actress and princess of Monaco; Nadia Comaneci (1961-), gymnast, is 41.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1892, William "Pudge" Heffelfinger was paid $500 to play in a football game. He is considered the first professional football player.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Nothing strengthens the judgment and quickens the conscience like individual responsibility." — Elizabeth Cady Stanton

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Nov. 11) and full moon (Nov. 19).

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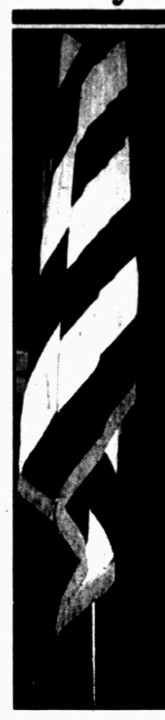
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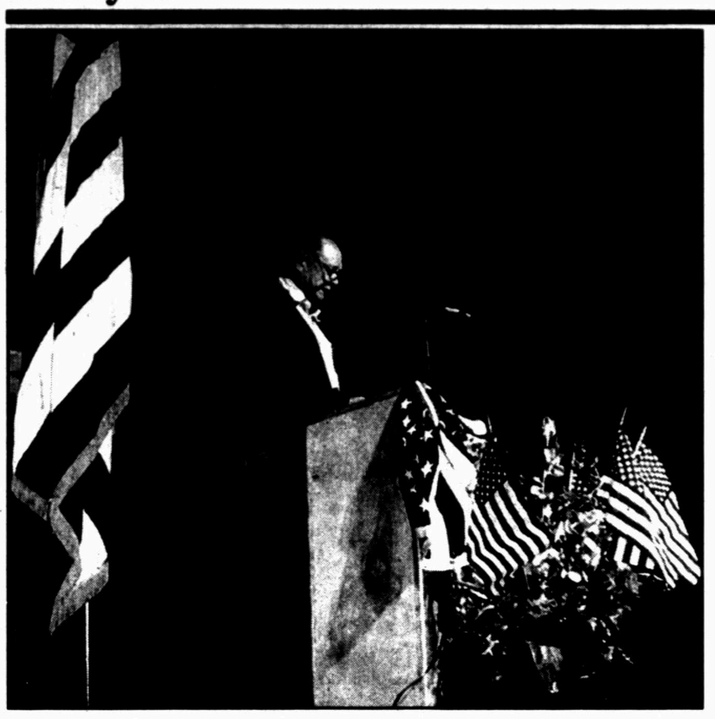
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VETERANS SPEAK AT SHS — Rex Nall, who served in the U.S. Army during World War II from 1943-1945 in the European Theater, was one of four speakers during the Veterans Day service in their honor at Snyder High School Monday. Others speaking were Eddie Don Floyd, Korean War; Doug Foster, Vietnam; and Kyle Burleson, Desert Storm. Each gave an experience during their service in the respective wars. All veterans were recognized during the program. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

DAR; The Shack; Lois Bartels, program; 11:30 a.m.

Gateway Family Services parenting discussion group, focuses on a variety of parenting issues and special challenges; no charge; call 573-1822 for more information; 10:30 a.m.

Weight Watchers meeting; Colonial Hill Baptist Church; for more information call Kathy at 573-1289 during the evening; weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m.

Snyder Shrine Club; call 863-2702 for meeting place; 6 p.m.

ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m.

Beginners' AA open meeting; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 573-8268, 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

Canyon Gun Club; 1910 25th Street; 7:30 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for more information call 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; Trinity United Methodist Church. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

Altrurian Daughters Club; Martha Ann Woman's Club; 11:30 a.m.

NA Just For Today, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-1438; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal bldg., W. 37th; Kathy Lubke, watercolor demonstration; Virginia Lowrance, hostess; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

LLL Club; fellowship hall of First Baptist Church; 9:30 a.m.

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

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; at the coliseum annex; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

AA Big Book Study; closed meeting; contact numbers are 574-8015, 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd., Suite B; 1-2 p.m.

ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-0538 or 573-0770.

Scurry County AA closed meeting; Park Club at Winston Park; for information call 574-1292 or 573-9458; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

NA-Just For Today open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-1438; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 574-1292 or 573-9458; 10 a.m.

Births

Chris and Kay Taylor of Sweetwater announce the birth of their son, Cameron Dylan Taylor. He was born, weighing nine pounds, at 10:26 a.m. on Nov. 8 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Paternal grandparents are Debi Fletcher of Snyder and Lary Taylor of Snyder. Maternal grandparents are Dale and Daina Burgess of Sweetwater.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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♥ K 6
♦ Q 4 3
♣ 9 6

West
♠ A K 2
♥ J 10 5 4 3
♦ —
♣ J 10 7 4 2

East
♠ Q J 7 6
♥ A 9 8 2
♦ 10 8 7 5
♣ 8

South
♠ —
♥ Q 7
♦ A K J 9 6 2
♣ A K Q 5 3

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
5 ♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ A

Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2002

A third look at the "same" deal

By Phillip Alder

Once in a while, the analysis of a deal merits a second, or even a third, look. I do not know the origin of this deal, but it was in the April 1999 issue of Australian Bridge, and it re-emerged earlier this year in a syndicated column (with the majors reversed and a few irrelevant cards changed).

The contract is five diamonds. West leads the spade ace, and you (South) ruff. What next?

In the Australian version, the declarer immediately tried to cash two clubs, but East ruffed, and the contract was history. The dummy, Dianne, then proposed the "right" play: After cashing the club ace, continue with a low club. However, as a reader pointed out, Dianne's line doesn't work either. West wins the second club and leads the spade king. When declarer knocks out the heart ace, a third spade forces South down to three diamonds, while East still has four. Out of trump control, declarer must fail. The reader claimed that the contract is unmakable

Our columnist gave the winning line: After one top club, lead the heart queen from hand. If East ducks, continue with a low club. Alternatively, if East wins with his heart ace and returns a spade, ruff, cross to the heart king, and lead a club toward hand. It cannot help East to ruff, so he discards. But now South wins, cashes the diamond ace to see the trump break, ruffs a club with dummy's diamond queen, plays a diamond to his nine, and cruises home.

Finally, note that an early round of trumps is fatal. East grabs the heart queen with the ace and returns a trump, disrupting the timing.

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Puppies help class show improvement

AKRON, Ohio (AP) — In Renee Smith's classroom, attendance is up, trips to the principal's office are down and students are handing in assignments on time.

The Springfield High School teacher says she's seen great progress since adding a few new students to her class — five Labrador puppies and their father.

The seven human students in Smith's class have a history of discipline problems. But since they've started teaching the dogs obedience, their own behavior has improved, Smith told the Akron Beacon Journal for a Saturday story.

Chuck Reynolds, a dog trainer who owns a kennel in suburban Cuyahoga Falls, teaches the students a new trick each week that they then work on with the puppies.

At night, the dogs go home with the staff members who have adopted them. They get dropped off in the morning, much as a parent would take a child to day care.

Smith said she came up with the idea when her dog had puppies and she saw how well her own children responded to them.

She consulted with school psychologist Kristin Edinger, and they took the idea — along with letters from students supporting the program — to the school board.

A national expert says the technique used at Springfield High is similar to the system applied in prisons, in which training a dog is used as a reward for good behavior.



RIBBON CUTTING —Jon and Michelle Herring, owners of Connections located at 1806 26th St., held a grand opening and chamber of commerce ribbon cutting Thursday. Featured was Stran Smith, professional calf roper. Chamber Executive Director Donna Fowler is shown as she presented a plaque to the Herrings. Smith is shown far right on the back row, and others are members of the Snyder Gold Coats. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



WILLIAMS SPEAKS TO SGC — Burr Williams, educational director of the Sibley Nature Center in Midland and founder of the Gone Native Arboretum, spoke to the Snyder Garden Club and guests Thursday at the Scurry County Library on " Native and Drought Tolerant Plants for West Texas." Williams enjoys researching and teaching history of the use of plants by our ancestors. Williams is shown visiting with Jim Boren, Millie Sentell and Bebe Boren. SGC meets Dec. 5 where members will decorate native material for decorations for nursing home residents. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

2.2 pound truffle was worth $35,000

LOS ANGELES (AP) — This truffle was no trifle.

A restaurateur and director of television commercials spent $35,000 on an enormous, 2.2-pound white truffle — an exotic mushroom grown in Italy and prized by gourmets around the world.

Joe Pytka, 64, made the purchase during Sunday's fourth annual charity truffle auction known as Asta Mondial del Tartufo Bianco d'Alba. It was the largest ever paid for a single truffle.

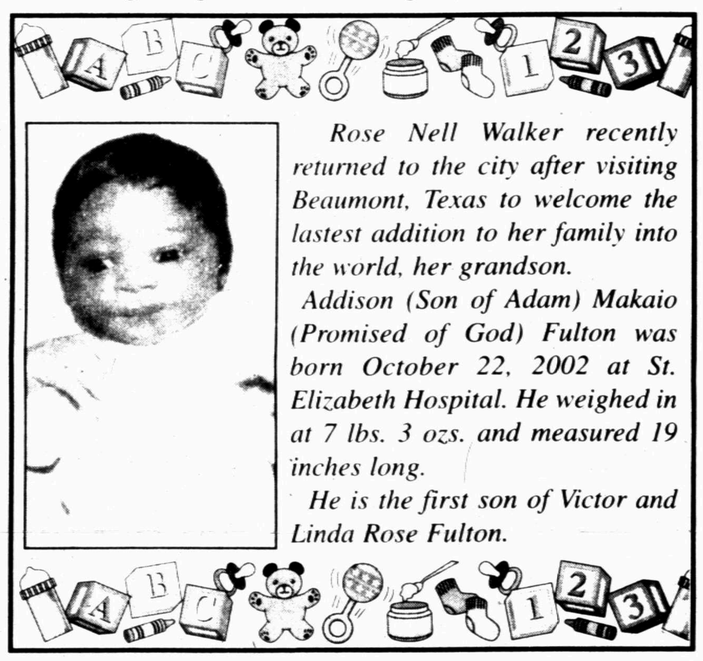
Pytka, who recently opened the French restaurant Bastide in West Hollywood, said he will use the truffle in a variety of dishes made by chef Alain Giraud.

The rare mushroom — most truffles weigh a few ounces — caused a spirited bidding war between Pytka, Tony May, the owner of San Domenico restaurant in New York and a dog named Gunther IV, heir to a large German fortune, whose bids were made by owner Maurizio Dial.

The truffle auction was held simultaneously in three places, linked by closed-circuit satellite television.

Pytka bid at Valentino restaurant in Santa Monica, where 75 other truffle aficionados gathered.

The giant squid is the world's largest invertebrate animal.



Rose Nell Walker recently returned to the city after visiting Beaumont, Texas to welcome the lastest addition to her family into the world, her grandson.

Addison (Son of Adam) Makaio (Promised of God) Fulton was born October 22, 2002 at St. Elizabeth Hospital. He weighed in at 7 lbs. 3 ozs. and measured 19 inches long.

He is the first son of Victor and Linda Rose Fulton.



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Dale Huff, Minister

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Yesterday we showed our appreciation for the men and women who have served our country in the military. We owe a debt of gratitude for the service they have given and the sacrifices that they have made. We try to say "thank you" by public ceremonies and private expressions of thanks. Those things help and mean a lot to those who have served. But we know it is not enough. To simply say "thank you" when people have risked their lives and often given their lives so that we could live in the land of the free is not enough. How do we show our appreciation so that they know how much their sacrifice means to us?

Excellent lives are the only way to really honor those who have sacrificed themselves for us. Men and women who have given their lives for our freedom gave that sacrifice so that we could have the quality of life that we enjoy in America. Using our lives for excellent things is the only way to show that we appreciate the freedom we have been given. Freedom of religion allows us to choose that which is true and best. We must use that freedom wisely. Christians choose excellence in life because this is the command of Jesus, Matthew 5:48. The freedom that we have in America allows us to exercise that choice fully and without hindrance. We can take our freedom for granted and use it in self-indulgence. That is our right as Americans. We can take our freedom and use it to serve God and Christ in the fullest way possible. That is our privilege as Americans. The sacrifice of Jesus is the greatest sacrifice ever made. Let us use the freedom that others have given us to honor Him fully by the excellence of our lives.

Dale Huff



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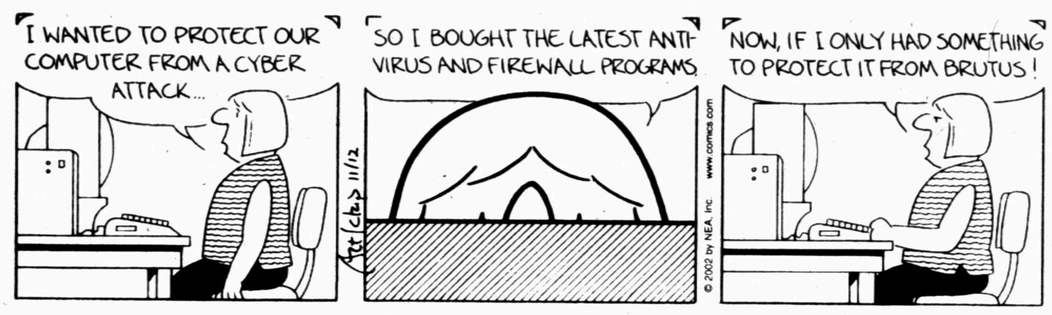
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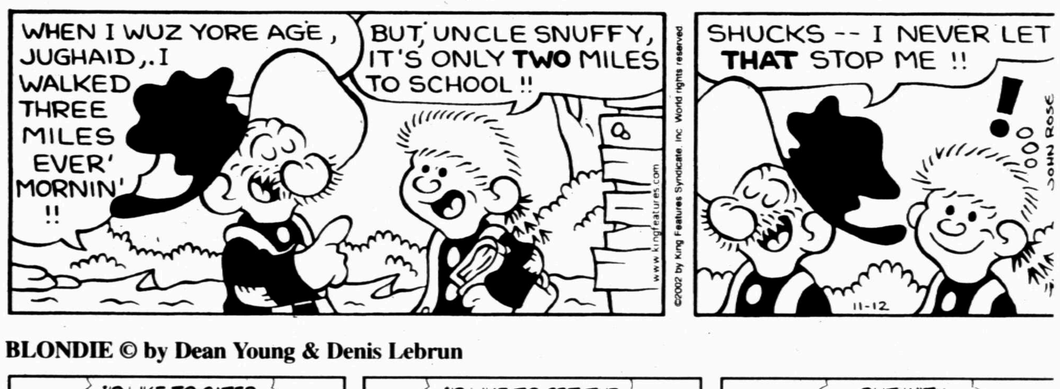
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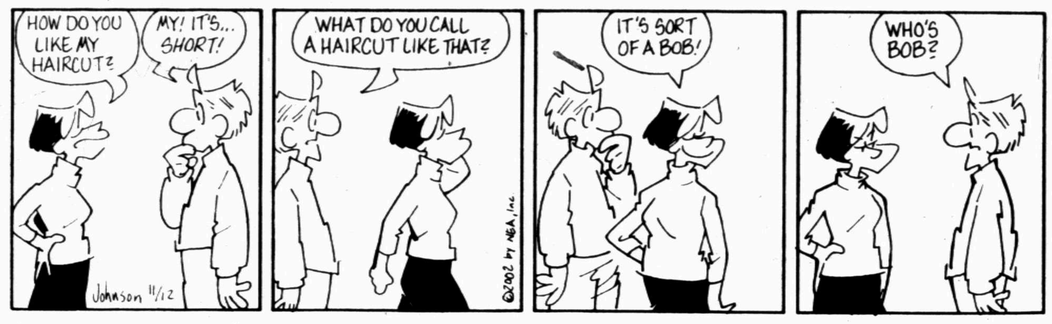
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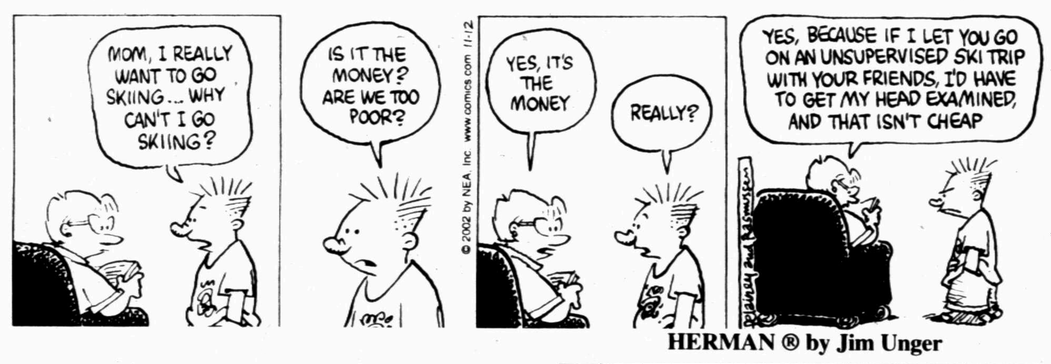
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4 9-digit ID
7 Fresh
11 Kind of rack
12 To — it may concern
14 "Et tu" time
15 Military addr.
16 Drachma successor
17 Caravel of 1492
18 Whale or elephant
20 Room warmer
22 Hagen of "The Other"
23 Well-put
24 Recently
27 Pinches
30 Aloud
31 Yoda's student
32 That woman
34 Musician's job
35 Fronts of overalls
36 Fly in the ointment
37 Meat on skewers
39 Stoops
40 Flub
41 House pet
42 Eye part
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53 Wolf tooth
54 Cry of dismay
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56 Clucking sounds
57 Santa Fe hrs.
58 Talk, talk, talk

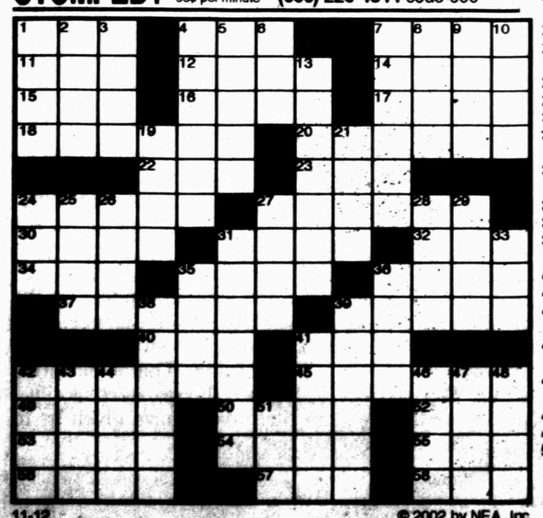
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2 Family member
3 Physicist's study
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5 Football coach Don —
6 Also not
7 Fiesta decor
8 Revise
9 Artist — Magritte
10 Bygone despot
13 Punk hairdos
19 Ruminate
21 Light sword
24 Egg drink
25 Estrada of films
26 Carry on
27 Bathroom fixtures
28 Tatar chief
29 Fax button
31 Book source
33 Legal matter
35 Silo companion
36 Wagers
38 Creatures
39 Long-eared hound
41 Roughs it
42 Crevice
43 Memorable times
44 Water reservoir
46 Out, in baseball
47 Wee bit
48 Mild onion
51 Intend

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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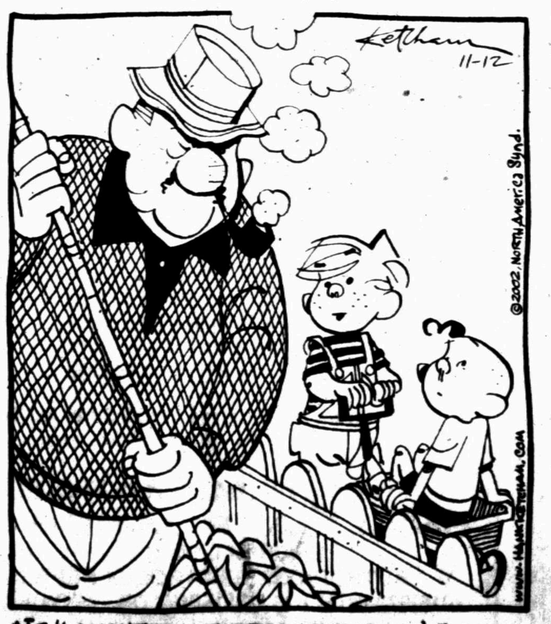
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KIT 'N' CARLYLE ® by Larry Wright



SPORTS

Gannon picks apart Denver

DENVER (AP) — Denver was determined to not let Oakland beat them deep. The Raiders didn't, but Rich Gannon sure picked the Broncos apart.

Gannon threw for 352 yards and three touchdowns, and completed 21 straight passes during one stretch as the Oakland Raiders ended a four-game losing streak with a 34-10 victory over the Denver Broncos on Monday night.

Gannon was sharp as Oakland opened the season 4-0, but struggled at times during the Raiders' losing streak. Against Denver, he could hardly miss.

Gannon completed 29 of his first 30 passes, and his 21 straight completions in the second and third quarters broke Ken Anderson's single-game record of 20 set nearly 20 years ago.

"He takes a three-step drop and they're max-protecting him, it's hard to get to the QB," Denver DT Lionel Dalton said. "We tried to push and get our hands up in his face, and he kept throwing it over our hands. Unfortunately, he was hot."

Denver (6-3) dropped its safeties deep in coverage and rushed Gannon with as few as two players, which Gannon used to his advantage. He repeatedly dropped off passes underneath, then threw over the top when Denver tightened its coverage.

Gannon didn't miss until his ninth pass, and that came when running back Charlie Garner was unable to come down with both feet inbounds. He threw touchdown passes of 6 and 34 yards to Jerry Rice, and was 9-for-9 for 94 yards during a third-quarter scoring drive that Jerry Porter capped a 22-yard TD reception.

"They weren't going to let us take a whole lot of shots downfield, so we were real patient," said Gannon, who had a quarterback rating of 131.6. "And that's the thing, you need a quarterback who is going to be patient against a defense like that, and not try and jam it in the seams and turn the ball over. We knew if we could do that, we'd have a chance."

The 36-year-old Gannon had help from the rest of Oakland's old folks.

The 40-year-old Rice continued to play like he's 20, catching nine passes for 103 yards to break the NFL record for all-purpose yards and become the first player with 200 touchdowns.

He reached 200 TDs by adjusting his route for a 6-yard score over Tyrone Poole in the second quarter, and his 34-yard touchdown pass over Deltha O'Neal in the third quarter gave him 21,817 total yards — 14 more than Walter Payton's record.

"They guy's phenomenal," Denver safety Izell Reese said. "To be able to do that at his age and be able to do it continuously, what can you say about the guy? He's still doing, he still can do it."

Rod Woodson, Oakland's 37-year-old free safety, turned the game by doing what he does best — returning an interception for a touchdown.

Denver never recovered.

The Broncos managed just 342 yards against an Oakland defense that has struggled in recent weeks. Denver's only points came on a 1-yard touchdown run by Portis in the second quarter and a 27-yard field goal by Jason Elam in the third.

Worse yet, Broncos tight end Shannon Sharpe is expected to miss 2-to-4 weeks with a partially dislocated right elbow, and defensive end Trevor Pryce will have an MRI on Tuesday on his injured knee.



ANOTHER RECORD — Jerry Rice dives to score his 200th touchdown Monday night against the Broncos. Rice is the only man in NFL history to score 200 TDs. (AP Photo)

Frosh win opener; varsity and JV games cancelled

The freshmen girls basketball team opened the regular season Monday night, defeating visiting Denver City, 43-39.

Snyder led the entire contest, but foul trouble kept the team from pulling away at the end.

Snyder led, 30-22, heading into the final period, but head coach Wendi Parks was forced to juggle her lineup because of the fouls.

"We had four starters with four fouls," said Parks.

Parks said the team may have had a bit of the first game jitters.

"We got a little out of control," she said. "We need to work on our defensive footwork so we don't get into foul trouble."

Shaela Thompson and Teddi Crenwelge led the freshmen Tigers with 10 points each, and Sarah Henson contributed eight points for the victors.

The freshmen's next tip off will be at 7:30 Friday night at Lake View.

Tonight's junior varsity and varsity girls basketball games against Denver City have been cancelled.

Denver City is in the midst of the state volleyball playoffs, and would not be able to field a team.

In place of the basketball games, Snyder is hosting a volleyball playoff match-up between Hereford and Aledo at 7 tonight.

Sports Briefs

Bonds wins unprecedented fifth MVP

NEW YORK (AP) — Barry Bonds became baseball's first five-time Most Valuable Player, winning the NL award unanimously in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

St. Louis outfielder Albert Pujols was second with 26 second-place votes, followed by Houston outfielder Lance Berkman and Montreal outfielder Vladimir Guerrero.

Bulger will play, Faulk may not

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Marc Bulger will get another start for the St. Louis Rams for the Monday night game against the Chicago Bears, more because of concerns for Kurt Warner's broken pinkie than the backup's outstanding play.

Marshall Faulk probably will miss the St. Louis Rams' next game with a right foot injury from Sunday's win over San Diego.

Augusta chairman remains defiant

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — As controversy over the all-male membership at the home of the Masters swirled well beyond its green gates, 71-year-old Augusta National chairman Hootie Johnson was as defiant as ever.

The Masters will be played the second week in April, no matter what, he said, and there is no chance a woman will be a club member by then.

Serena stunned at WTA Championship

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kim Clijsters stunned top-seeded Serena Williams 7-5, 6-3 to win the season-ending WTA Championships, handing Williams only her fifth loss of the year.

OSU tops Miami in new BCS standings

By the Associated Press

Miami might be No. 1 in two polls, but Ohio State is atop the latest Bowl Championship Series standings.

The Buckeyes (11-0) have 3.41 points to lead Monday's chart, while Miami (9-0) is No. 2 with 4.10 points. Each moved up one spot after previous BCS leader Oklahoma lost to Texas A&M 30-26 Saturday.

If Ohio State and Miami — the only unbeaten teams remaining — win the rest of their games, they will play for the national championship. The top two teams in the final BCS standings released Dec. 8 will play in the national title game at the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Ariz., on Jan. 3.

Miami, the defending national champion, temporarily lost the top spot in the AP media poll last week but is now a unanimous No. 1 following a 26-3 win over Tennessee.

The Hurricanes, also No. 1 in the coaches' poll, have won a school-record 31 straight games.

The Buckeyes are ahead of Miami for one big reason — quality win points. Ohio State has a 4.21 composite total, compared with Miami's 4.10. But the Buckeyes got a 0.8 deduction for a 25-7 victory over Washington State on Sept. 14. Miami has no bonus-point deduction.

Mavs remain NBA's lone unbeaten

DALLAS (AP) — Seven games into the season, the Dallas Mavericks still haven't lost. And they're not very excited about it.

"None of us are going home and saying, 'Yes! We're 7-0!'" guard Steve Nash said. "Everyone is saying, 'OK, let's go.'"

Dallas remained the only unbeaten team in the NBA by beating the Portland Trail Blazers 82-73 on Monday night in their toughest game yet.

The Mavericks started by turning the ball over on their first two possessions, then posted their lowest-scoring quarter and half. They were down by 13 at one point, 10 worse than they'd faced all season.

But Dirk Nowitzki hit consecutive 3-pointers to start a rally that got Dallas within four at halftime. Energized by halftime pep talks from Avery Johnson and Michael Finley, plus a call from an ailing Nick Van Exel, the Mavericks took over in the third quarter.

They finished the quarter up by 12 with Finley hitting a turnaround jumper at the buzzer, then running back to the bench hopping and flailing his arms. Portland, playing its third road game in four nights, never got closer than eight the rest of the way.

"We didn't expect they'd all be easy," Dallas coach Don Nelson said.

In other games, it was: Golden State 108, Memphis 101; San Antonio 91, Minnesota 75; and Boston 112, Utah 95.

This was the fourth straight game the Mavericks allowed less than 100 points and only the second time they scored under 100 — it was their lowest points total by 15.

"We showed a lot," said Finley, who had 21 points and eight rebounds. "We don't have to score in the 100s to win. We definitely took a huge step forward."

Nowitzki had 26 points, a season-high 17 rebounds and a career-best six steals. Nash had 12 points and seven assists, while Shawn Bradley had 10 points and a season-high 18 rebounds.

The Mavericks will try to keep up their franchise-best start on the road Wednesday at Cleveland, then at Boston and New Jersey, before returning home to play the Los Angeles Lakers next Tuesday.

Jones sees positive signs for Hermleigh's football future

The Hermleigh Cardinals closed out the 2002 season with a loss to Loraine Friday, falling 54-13.

David Duck rushed 19 times for a season-high 114 yards, and Joseph Yruegas recorded 23 tackles for Hermleigh, and Terrel Culp added 15 stops for the Cardinals.

Though the Cardinals suffered through injuries and a losing season, Head Coach Don Jones saw some things Friday that left him encouraged about the future.

"The team effort Friday was the best of the season," Jones said. "We accomplished a major goal, and that was to finish the season."

The Cardinals' roster was thin all season, and they lost starting quarterback Jonathan McClure for the season in the second week with a dislocated hip.

Jones said the team made some mental errors Friday, but Jones saw enough to leave him feeling optimistic about the future.

"There were some bright spots we can build on," he said. "Attitudes are good, and we are looking forward to the future."

Men's League Basketball

The Snyder men's basketball league continued action Monday evening, and the Snyder National Bank squad keeps rolling, beating West Texas State Bank, 85-55.

Matt Fambro had 29 for Snyder National, and Ryan Braziel led West Texas with 27.

American State Bank stopped Rotan, 100-82 behind 36 points from Bryan Cave. Adan Garza led Rotan with 23.

Big Country Autoland was idle.

Snyder National Bank	5	0
American State Bank	4	1
West Texas State Bank	2	3
Rotan	1	4
Big Country Autoland	0	4

National Football League

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	5	4	0	.556	248	269
Miami	5	4	0	.556	210	180
New England	5	4	0	.556	239	195
N.Y. Jets	4	5	0	.444	173	216
South						
Indianapolis	5	4	0	.556	195	180
Tennessee	5	4	0	.556	200	222
Jacksonville	4	5	0	.444	190	164
Houston	2	7	0	.222	117	231
North						
Pittsburgh	5	3	1	.611	226	194
Baltimore	4	5	0	.444	177	189
Cleveland	4	5	0	.444	205	195
Cincinnati	1	8	0	.111	140	252
West						
Denver	6	3	0	.667	217	204
San Diego	6	3	0	.667	210	191
Oakland	5	4	0	.556	260	198
Kansas City	4	5	0	.444	272	257

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	6	3	0	.667	234	153
N.Y. Giants	5	4	0	.556	140	152
Washington	4	5	0	.444	162	217
Dallas	3	6	0	.333	115	155
South						
New Orleans	7	2	0	.778	290	233
Tampa Bay	7	2	0	.778	203	109
Atlanta	5	3	1	.611	221	170
Carolina	3	6	0	.333	135	151
North						
Green Bay	8	1	0	.889	267	178
Detroit	3	6	0	.333	172	260
Chicago	2	7	0	.222	182	232
Minnesota	2	7	0	.222	206	257
West						
San Francisco	7	2	0	.778	220	177
Arizona	4	5	0	.444	156	185
St. Louis	4	5	0	.444	194	196
Seattle	3	6	0	.333	172	186

Sunday, Nov. 17

Dallas at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Houston, 1 p.m.
Arizona at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
Carolina at Tampa Bay, 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Detroit, 4:15 p.m.
Denver at Seattle, 4:15 p.m.
Baltimore at Miami, 4:15 p.m.
New England at Oakland, 8:30 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 18

Chicago at St. Louis, 9 p.m.

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Suspected serial rapist familiar figure in town where he struck

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A man believed to be a serial rapist who terrorized women in California and Washington state for more than six years was well known in the Long Beach neighborhoods where most of the attacks occurred.

Performing odd jobs and traveling on bicycle, Mark Wayne Rathbun lived in the same community 27 miles southwest of Los Angeles where police allege he hunted victims.

Although his mother lives in Long Beach, Rathbun, 32, had been staying with a series of friends before his arrest Sunday night, including a couple for whom he occasionally house sat during the last two years, police said.

"We feel betrayed and we feel used. This is someone we tried to help and we tried to be friends with," said Jenny Wilson, who along with her husband, Chris, rents a house where Rathbun sometimes stayed.

"I'm glad they caught him. I'm glad he's off the street. I'm glad everyone can sleep safely tonight," Chris Wilson added.

Police searched the property, which was listed as a permanent address on Rathbun's driver's license, and seized a box of his belongings and a computer he sometimes used.

Rathbun first came to the attention of authorities Thursday when he was seen riding a bicycle three blocks from a house where there had been an attempted assault on a woman earlier that day.

He was one of several people in the area questioned by police, and taken into custody for allegedly possessing a crack cocaine pipe.

"We have made it a practice to investigate anybody who's within the perimeter of these sorts of crimes," said police Sgt. Paul LeBaron.

A minor injury on his finger also aroused suspicion — the victim in Thursday's attack told police she had bitten her assailant on the hand before he fled.

Authorities said Rathbun voluntarily gave a DNA sample before being released on bail on a misdemeanor charge of possessing drug paraphernalia. He was kept under surveillance and arrested Sunday in Oxnard after authorities said lab results came back matching his DNA to 13 sexual assaults.

Nine of the 13 rapes had occurred in Long Beach since January 1997, police said.

Rathbun is also a suspect in 18 other assaults and attempted assaults with similar profiles, including another 1996 attack in Seattle, said Long Beach police spokeswoman Nancy Pratt.

In most cases, the unarmed attacker entered the homes of women who lived alone, gaining entrance either late at night or early in the morning through an unlocked window or door. He always wore a mask, was sometimes nude and sometimes covered the faces of his victims, who ranged in age from their early 30s to their 80s.

Court denies appeal in two drug sting cases

DALLAS (AP) — An appeals court has ruled against two men who remain in prison on drug charges that their attorneys say are based on testimony from an unreliable police informant.

Lawyers for Dario Luna Medrano and Jose Santos Gonzales appealed in May for a new trial because of witness credibility problems. A witness in the case, former police informant Enrique Alonso, acknowledged last month that he had lied to police.

The unsuccessful appeals mean Madrano and Gonzales will stay in prison, unless District Attorney Bill Hill steps in and asks for a pardon.

PTK to host symposium on health

The Psi Zeta Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society will host a health symposium, Wednesday, from 8 a.m. to 11:30 in the Fine Arts Theatre, Multimedia Room, and Science Lecture Hall at Western Texas College.

Each year, the honor society encourages academic advancement through its Honors Program, a yearlong interdisciplinary study program that helps students explore and develop ideas related to timely topics and issues.

The topic for this year is "Dimensions and Directions of Health: Choices in the Maze." Wednesday's event will kick off with an opening session beginning at 8 a.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre with a brief introduction by District I Vice President, Corey Knipe, who will give an overview of the itinerary for the morning sessions.

Shortly after 8 a.m., breakout sessions will begin. These sessions include a panel discussion of cancer survivors, a PowerPoint presentation on genetics, and a presentation on stress management.

Each session will be presented at 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. to allow everyone to attend all three sessions.

In the afternoon, the honor society will host a health information session in the gymnasium for local 5th graders. Christy Cerecedes will begin the session with a presentation about health and fitness. Following Cerecedes' presentation, a free-throw contest for the fifth graders. Those who are eliminated will participate in some teamwork activities. Following the free-throw contest, we will announce the winner of the poetry contest.

The public is invited to attend any or all events throughout the day. Admission to any part of the day's activities is free.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



What is a normal blood presure?

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am confused about what constitutes a normal blood pressure in people 75 to 85 years old. What is too high? Also, can the pressure be too low?

DEAR READER: Several modern studies have proved that the upper limit of blood pressure in adults should not exceed 140/80. This is a modification of the traditional teaching that older folks need a progressively higher blood pressure as they age; the old aphorism that the blood pressure should be 100 plus your age is incorrect and misleading.

There is no one number that satisfies the definition of low blood pressure. Some oldies tolerate pressures in the 90/60 range; others feel faint at 120/75. Therefore, a blood pressure that is too low is one at which people have symptoms of weakness, loss of energy, lightheadedness, unsteadiness and fainting. In the absence of symptoms, the lower the blood pressure, the better.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my revised and completely updated Health Report "Hypertension." Other readers who would like a copy should send a self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167 Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am 85, active, eat normally and have gone from a stable weight of 170 to a skinny 135. Nonetheless, after extensive testing, my doctor cannot pinpoint the cause. I'm literally fading away. Any suggestions?

DEAR READER: Yes. As people reach their 70s and 80s, they often lose considerable amounts of weight. The causes for this are complicated and, in an otherwise healthy adult (without an underlying disorder such as a hidden cancer), may be difficult to identify. Older folks tend to lose muscle mass. Their metabolic rates change. They may actually eat less than they did at younger ages.

What you need is more calories in your diet. I suggest that you purchase a high-calorie protein supplement drink, such as Ensure, Carnation Instant Breakfast or others and consume one or two servings of it, in addition to your regular meals. Drink a supplement in the evening, and — perhaps — a second one in the afternoon. Such a ploy may more than double your caloric intake at no risk and little cost. With this strategy, I'd be surprised if you failed to gain back several pounds.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I rent a room in a house full of smokers. They smoke cigars and cigarettes in the den, the dining room, the bathrooms, the kitchen — everywhere. I can't get away from the smoke. I even share a bedroom with a smoker. I can't complain, because I rent. Is all this exposure doing me harm?

DEAR READER: Possibly. Sidestream or second-hand smoke can aggravate asthma and chronic respiratory disorders, as well as lowering lung resistance to microorganisms that cause bronchitis and pneumonia.

I don't have any sage advice for you. Short of moving to a nonsmoking environment, you are stuck. Your best bet is to open the windows in the common rooms (a viable option because your letter informed me that you live in Florida) and, perhaps, insist that your roommate not smoke in the bedroom. How can you leverage him to comply? Use your imagination.

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Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	6.64	6.31	6.42	+ .14
AOL TimeWrn	15.11	14.74	14.98	+ .03
AT&T Corp	13.91	13.53	13.81	+ .29
Albertsons	19.70	18.95	19.25	— .45
Alltel	49.22	48.01	49.22	+ 1.32
AmEl Pw	26.12	25.51	25.71	+ .33
AndarkPtr	46.93	46.60	46.76	+ .26
ATMOS Egy	21.89	21.72	21.87	+ .17
Aviall	8.17	7.80	8.00	+ .30
BP PLC	38.92	38.65	38.87	+ .62
BakerHughes	30.75	30.14	30.37	+ .13
Bank of Amer	68.33	67.18	68.13	+ 1.38
BellSouth	26.60	26.00	26.55	+ .70
BurlNoSFe	26.67	26.19	26.63	+ .48
Caterpillar	42.45	41.50	42.43	+ .98
CenterPoint	6.65	6.48	6.50	+ .05
ChevronTex	68.00	67.14	67.49	+ .31
Citigroup	36.50	35.70	36.38	+ .68
CocaCola	45.17	44.61	45.02	+ .46
ColgPalm	54.45	54.00	54.22	+ .27
CmclMetals s	16.63	16.20	16.60	+ .35
ConocoPhill	48.40	47.98	48.23	+ .15
Cooper Inds	31.47	31.04	31.34	+ .26
DaimlrChry	32.67	32.02	32.42	+ .06
DeltaAirl	11.30	10.60	10.90	— .29
Dillards Inc	16.78	16.49	16.78	+ .13
DowChem	26.16	25.40	26.12	+ .65
DuPont	42.10	41.23	42.07	+ .88
EastmanChem	37.58	36.86	37.54	+ .68
EstKodak	34.23	33.90	34.05	+ .57
EDS Corp	14.19	13.82	14.09	+ .32
Entergy	44.20	43.01	43.03	— .46
ExxonMobil	34.32	33.95	34.24	+ .37
FstBksAm	40.50	40.33	40.50	+ .19
FootLocker	10.22	10.11	10.16	+ .17
GenDynam	81.23	79.77	81.17	+ 1.47
GenlElec	24.59	24.10	24.15	— .06
GenMills	42.97	42.59	42.72	+ .26
GenMotors	34.58	33.60	34.27	+ .20
GaPacific	14.55	14.00	14.46	+ .67
Goodrich	15.23	14.57	15.13	+ .50
Goodyear	6.90	6.50	6.72	— .09
GtAtlPac	5.90	5.61	5.76	— .17
Halliburtn	16.44	16.10	16.11	+ .01
Hanson ADS	23.89	23.54	23.55	+ .81
HarteHanks s	18.72	18.38	18.71	+ .26
HomeDepot	26.83	26.15	26.60	+ .36
HoneywellIntl	25.34	24.90	25.23	+ .42
IBM	79.40	77.30	79.26	+ 1.97
IntlPaper	34.58	33.80	34.50	+ .64
JohnsonJn	60.48	59.70	60.16	+ .16
vjK mart	63	60	61	+ .01
KinderMorg	37.57	37.01	37.11	— .09
Kroger Co	14.20	13.62	13.78	— .04
LockheedM	55.50	54.23	54.91	+ .31
Lowes Cos	39.71	38.71	39.58	+ .86
Lubys	4.05	3.93	4.00	+ .07
LucentTech	1.16	1.09	1.15	+ .07
MarathonOil	20.79	20.54	20.66	+ .06
MayDeptStr	22.47	22.08	22.40	— .04
Medtronic	46.53	46.00	46.36	+ .34
Motorola	8.90	8.60	8.85	+ .47
NCR Corp	22.89	22.50	22.80	— .10
Navistar	22.69	22.25	22.52	+ .09
PNM Rescs	22.44	21.89	22.27	+ .19
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Pharmacia	45.47	45.11	45.21	+ .31
PhelpDodge	32.15	31.22	31.87	+ .73
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Praxair	52.98	51.75	52.85	+ .65
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RadioShack	18.80	18.20	18.80	+ .62
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SBC Comm	26.43	25.90	26.05	— .15
SaraLee	23.05	22.73	22.98	+ .09
Scripps EW	77.40	75.90	76.30	+ .50
SearsRoeb	23.30	22.52	22.97	— .12
SherwinW	28.45	28.05	28.25	+ .49
SouthernCo	27.95	26.70	26.75	— .75
SwstAirl	15.12	14.80	14.92	+ .07
SprintFON	13.10	12.92	13.08	+ .18
SprintPCS	3.95	3.60	3.94	+ .34
Sunoco Inc	28.90	28.54	28.58	+ .07
TXU Corp	15.17	14.80	15.01	+ .21
TempleInland	41.34	39.98	41.16	+ 1.24
TexInd	23.50	22.90	23.18	— .08
TexasInst	14.89	14.33	14.83	+ .59
Textron	42.13	40.89	42.05	+ .66
TrinityInds	18.51	17.84	18.50	+ .78
TylerTech	4.00	3.98	4.00	+ .03
UnionPacif	59.41	58.79	59.39	+ .64
USSteel	12.62	12.40	12.52	+ .17
UnitedTech	62.70	61.50	62.38	+ 1.47
Unocal	27.57	27.28	27.49	+ .29
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WalMart	53.94	53.33	53.82	+ .82
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WstnGasRs	33.84	33.10	33.28	+ .53
WinnDixie	14.45	13.75	13.99	— .27
Xerox Cp	7.23	7.06	7.19	+ .12
YumBrands s	22.10	21.15	21.59	+ .09

Teen drinking may be on rise in some affluent suburbs

HARRISON, N.Y. (AP) — The home-alone drinking party is nothing new on the suburban teen scene, and there's always a kid or two showing up drunk at the high school dance.

But this year in Westchester County, a prosperous suburban area north of New York City, one youngster died at an unchaperoned bash, and as many as 200 high schoolers showed up drunk at a homecoming dance.

These and other startling episodes of underage drinking have officials searching for answers and parents worried more than ever — including concerns about a possible link between youngsters' drinking and the adults' affluent lifestyle.

The anxiety is compounded by a new study that has found a connection between the burden of expectations placed on some suburban youths and their attraction to alcohol.

Nationwide statistics show kids may be starting earlier — weekend binge drinking is not uncommon in eighth grade — but there has been no sudden rise in underage drinking overall.

An advocacy group, the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University, reported earlier this year that nearly a third of high school students say they binge drink at least once a month. At the same time, the government's Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration estimated underage drinkers account for 11.4 percent of all alcohol consumed in the United States.

Many Westchester officials believe underage drinking is on the rise in their communities.

"Volume is definitely up," said Detective Richard Fatigate, Scarsdale's community resource officer. "As soon as they get to high school, the culture is one of Friday and Saturday nights, there's a keg or somebody gets cases of beer and they sit around and drink."

The routine has led to these incidents:

— In September 2001, a high school football team in Chappaqua celebrated the start of the season with heavy drinking and a professional strip show at the home of one of the players.

— One day in April, Harrison High School let out early because of a power failure. During an impromptu beer bash that followed, a 17-year-old boy was fatally injured when he was punched in the face and hit his head on a concrete patio. As he lay unconscious, other teens tried to hide evidence of the party rather than call 911.

— As many as 200 Scarsdale High School students were drunk on arrival at this year's homecoming dance. Five had to be taken to hospitals and 28 were suspended.

Fewer crashes but more injury claims

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Motorists are in fewer crashes than they were two decades ago, but are more likely to tell their insurance company they were injured, according to a study by an insurance industry group.

The Insurance Research Council said Monday the number of crashes per insured car on the road dropped 16 percent between 1980 and 2000. At the same time, the number of insurance claims filed by people who said they suffered a bodily injury rose 26 percent, the group said.

The increase in injury claims was led by a large increase in people seeking payment for "strain or sprain injuries" that didn't require hospitalization or keep them out of work, said Elizabeth A. Sprinkel, the council's senior vice president.

"With some of these injuries, it is probably the case where, 20 years ago, people took two aspirin and that was it. Now they call the doctor and file a claim," she said.

The frequency of injury claims rose steadily from 1980, when insurers reported receiving about 0.88 claims for every 100 cars, and peaked at 1.22 claims per 100 cars in 1995. The claim rate declined to 1.11 per 100 cars in 2000, the council said.

At the same time, the number of property damage claims fell, from 4.94 per 100 cars in 1980 to 4.13 in 2000.

The reduction in property damage claims has probably been the result of safer cars, better roads, higher rates of seatbelt usage and lower rates of drunken driving, Sprinkel said.

Consumer advocacy groups said the insurance industry released the figures Monday with an aim toward pushing legislation that would cap what drivers can collect if they are hurt in a crash.

"What we don't need are draconian restrictions that are going to hurt people who have suffered legitimate injuries," said Travis Plunkett of the Consumer Federation of America.

The Insurance Research Council, which is based in Malvern in suburban Philadelphia, also ranked the frequency of accident claims in all 50 states. Generally, drivers in urbanized states filed accident claims more frequently than those in rural ones.

Massachusetts had the highest rate in 2000, with 6.88 property damage claims and 2.22 bodily injury claims per every 100 insured cars. Wyoming drivers were the least likely to file a property damage claim, with 2.83 per 100 cars. North Dakota drivers were least likely to file a bodily injury claim, with 0.17 per 100 cars.

Sprinkel blamed the higher frequency of claims in Massachusetts on population density, bad winter weather and "a strange road system," in cities that predated automobiles. The state also has fewer restrictions on injury claims than some other urbanized states, she said.

Ex-Air Force cadet says murder sign of devotion

FORT WORTH (AP) — A former Air Force Academy cadet serving a life sentence for killing a teen-age girl says he committed the murder to prove "ultimate devotion" to his girlfriend.

David Graham said he lured Mansfield High School sophomore Adrianne Jones, with whom he had a one-time sexual encounter, to go for a ride with him one night in 1995.

He said his then-fiance, former Naval Academy midshipman Diane Zamora, told him to kill the 16-year-old to prove his loyalty.

"There was a point when she (Jones) said something like, 'You're not going to kill me, are you David?' or 'Are you going to kill me?' I didn't answer," Graham told Dallas-Fort Worth television station KTVT in a broadcast airing Monday night.

Zamora also is serving a life sentence in the slaying.

"It feels like in retrospect that it was just fate," Graham said. "I can't explain what I was thinking, can't explain why Adrianne cooperated, or how I was able to just shut down my sense of right and wrong and go through with it.

"It doesn't add up. It certainly doesn't add up that my girlfriend would want to murder to solve our problems."

He wouldn't discuss Zamora's role but said "her heart wasn't in it" when she asked him to kill Jones, although "she also wasn't willing to stop it."

He said that at the time, he thought killing Jones would show the "ultimate devotion to your partner."

Graham, who said he expects to leave prison "someday," will be eligible for parole in 2036 at age 59.

He now works in a prison factory and is earning a college degree in psychology and sociology.

"I'm willing to apologize (to Jones' family)," he said. "I do apologize for taking your daughter's life."

Graham also said he sent Zamora a Christmas card last year but was told she does not want to hear from him.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Woman's loveless marriage is not part of God's plan

DEAR ABBY: "Sick at Heart" wrote that she is trapped in a loveless marriage because after being divorced, she made a religious commitment that she would never leave her second husband. She said the love is long gone and that her doctor has not been able to successfully medicate her severe depression. You advised her to talk with her spiritual adviser.

I am a spiritual adviser, and I would like to direct my comments to that woman:

I strongly feel that in a marriage made by God, two people become one. From your description of your marriage, it is clear that it was never sanctioned by God, therefore you are released from any pledge that you made.

The Bible tells us that God is present everywhere. This includes you. His spirit is within you. God is love and wants love to fill our lives. God does not want anyone to live in a situation such as you have described. There is no spiritual law that demands you stay in your loveless marriage.

Learn to forgive yourself for this "mistake" as Jesus forgave "the woman at the well who had five husbands and the one she was living with was not her husband." Listen to the Holy Spirit within you and you will be free to go your way. **— THE REV. NORMAN L. CONAWAY, EUSTIS, FLA.**

DEAR REV. CONAWAY: You are obviously a caring and compassionate man of God. I hope "Sick at Heart" sees your letter, and that it gives her the courage to do what she must for her own mental, physical and spiritual health. **Read on:**

DEAR ABBY: As a female ordained minister and spiritual counselor, I would like to comment on the letter from "Sick at Heart."

God has admonished us to love everyone. "Sick" must remind herself that "everyone" includes HER. Loving herself cannot include living with a spiritually and emotionally absent man.

Adultery comes in many forms. Being neglectful, inconsiderate and emotionally absent is a form of adultery. Such negligence is also abusive — and no scripture, teaching or God condones the continuation of a marriage where either adultery or abuse or both exist.

She is not only doing a grave disservice to herself, but also to her husband, because she is unable to love him. She is far better off leaving him so they BOTH can be free to find mates who will truly love them in the way God desires for them both.

It is never God's will for any of us to be sick, especially in our hearts. Medication cannot and will not cure such deep heartache as this woman is experiencing. The God in whom she believes is more than happy to grant her a new beginning. God desires to set her free. **— THE REV. DR. KATITI L. CESANA, ALISO VIEJO (LAGUNA BEACH), CALIF.**

DEAR DR. CESANA: Bless you for writing, because your message is an important one. We cannot love another person until we first learn to love ourselves — and we cannot make another person happy unless there is happiness within us.

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FROM MY COLLECTION OF LIMERICKS:

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2002

Although you may choose a course in the year ahead that you know going in won't be easy, you'll understand its true worth and will be willing to do what it takes to achieve it. You'll succeed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Playing the one-upmanship game could be extremely costly today, so do not be tempted to buy something similar to a friend's purchase that you can't afford just to do him/her one better. Scorpio, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astrograph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and an SASE to Astrograph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Guard against temptation to blame others for your mistakes or shortcomings. Your remarks will be carried back and cost you the friendship of someone you need. Keep your feelings to yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — A negative attitude could cost you victory before you even enter the fray today. Talk yourself into raising your hopes and expectations to a level that gives you optimism for success.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — This is one of those days when you could be too generous to the wrong people and ignore or overlook those who are truly deserving. Put your priorities in good order.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Unless you are free to operate as you see fit today, you're not likely to be very effective. Don't allow yourself to be put in a position where others are in control of your agenda.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — If you are entering into any legal agreement today, take the time to read all the fine print. It will be the hidden clauses that prove to be troublesome for you down the line.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Disappointment is likely today if you are unrealistic concerning your work or business dealings. Hopes built upon faulty premises will come tumbling down.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Should you find yourself in an unworkable relationship today, move on and do things your own way if you hope to achieve your goals. Get rid of dead weight as soon as possible.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Show proper gratitude to someone who has gone out of his/her way to help you today. Should this person feel unappreciated, your pal will find an excuse to back off.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Pressuring people into doing your bidding will not work today. If you want their cooperation, you are going to have to explain your aims and what's in it for them.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Beware of bringing up an old money issue with your mate today where you and s/he may have been playing the blame game. Once Pandora's box is opened, it'll be difficult to close it again.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Co-workers will follow the type of example you establish today. If you're too pushy or not prepared to handle your share of the load, they will match your behavior exactly.

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To avoid splitting the prize money a TIE-BREAKER slot will be provided on each entry blank. Pick the total points of the score for that game and in case of a tie the one who picks the winner and nearest number of total points will receive the prize money. The same formula will apply to second and third place winners. In case of a perfect score, the formula would apply for the $250 cash prize. To win the $1000 cash prize, all twenty games must be picked correctly, plus the exact score must be predicted on the tie-breaker.

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Iraq parliament rejects U.N. resolution

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraq's parliament unanimously recommended rejection of a U.N. resolution on arms inspections today, hours after President Saddam Hussein's son urged its acceptance if Arabs were included on the inspection teams. Lawmakers, however, said the final decision rests with Saddam.

The United Nations has asked Iraq to respond by Friday.

Today's vote by representatives who must pledge loyalty to Saddam to earn a place in parliament could be seen as strengthening Saddam's hand if he wants to push for a change in the U.N. resolution along the lines proposed by his son and earlier by Arab foreign ministers.

The United States, though, has said it will have no patience with any Iraqi attempts to manipulate U.N. demands.

Parliament Speaker Saadoun Hammadi described the vote as "a message to the United States that the people of Iraq are united behind their leadership, and it also shows that the people of Iraq know that in the U.N. resolution ... there are major allegations which are baseless."

"This decision by the Iraqi National Assembly is the right and patriotic stance, which expresses the Iraqi people's opinion," he told reporters.

Odai Saddam Hussein, Saddam's eldest son, appealed for approval of the resolution in a letter distributed to lawmakers as they reconvened today but said weapons inspectors should include experts from Arab countries:

"We have to agree to the U.N. Security Council resolution with limits on certain points, but not, we say, conditions."

Russia called on Baghdad "to exercise self-control and pragmatism" by accepting U.N. Resolution 1441, which would open the way for weapons inspectors to return to Iraq.

The resolution "offers the possibility of avoiding the development of a situation of force around Iraq and resuming U.N. inspection activity in accordance with existing resolutions," the Interfax news agency quoted Deputy Foreign Minister Yuri Fedotov as saying.

In the clearest such statement yet from France, French Foreign Minister Dominique de Villepin said today on France-Inter radio that force would be used against Saddam if he does not cooperate with U.N. weapons inspectors. France had opposed making the recourse to force automatic.

Meanwhile, The New York Times reported today that Iraq has ordered large amounts of atropine, a drug that can be used to counter the effects of nerve gas, mainly from Turkish suppliers. Quoting senior Bush administration officials, the Times said the United States is pressing Turkey to stop the sales.

Families remember first anniversary of Flight 587 crash

NEW YORK (AP) — Hundreds of mourners gathered today on the first anniversary of the crash of American Airlines Flight 587, observing a moment of silence and taking comfort from a girl's message that their loved ones are "resting from the sorrow and tears."

The plane crashed minutes after taking off for the Dominican Republic, killing all of 260 people on board and five people on the ground in the peaceful Queens neighborhood of Belle Harbor.

Mourners traveled to the crash site for a moment of silence at 9:16 a.m., the time that the plane crashed moments after taking off from John F. Kennedy International Airport.

The silence was punctuated with sobs. Strangers hugged and kissed as 12 white doves were released into the rainy sky. Many lingered afterward, placing roses at a fence.

Earlier, Mayor Michael Bloomberg opened the ceremony in Jacob Riis Park, about two miles from the site.

"It's a time to remember those who are gone and comfort those who remain. The tremendous loss we suffered on that day a year ago added new burdens to an already grieving city," Bloomberg told the crowd. "And the way the people of our city responded showed the true character of New York City."

He said the tragedy created "a bridge of compassion built between two communities, bringing Dominican Americans and the people of Belle Harbor close together."

About 500 mourners at the park sat or stood under umbrellas; many held white roses and covered themselves with blankets.

Faye Peithman, 14, a resident of Belle Harbor, read a poem: "Just think of them as resting from the sorrow and tears in a place of warmth and comfort, free from dates and years."

WTC slates tree lighting ceremony

The Christmas season will get an early start as Western Texas College hosts its annual "Christmas Happenings" tree lighting ceremony this evening.

The event will kick of at 7 in the courtyard with Christmas carols by the Colonial Hill Baptist Church adult choir and the Central Elementary choir.

Also providing entertainment will be the students of Tamara's Dance on Broadway and Cindy Nix.

Santa will be on hand with helpers to serve hot chocolate and cookies. The public is invited.

Commissioners court canvasses votes

Scurry County commissioners' court reconvened this morning to canvass last week's general election. The court was recessed from its Friday meeting.

The commissioners discussed the election and the recount in the county judge's race, then accepted by a vote of 3-0 the totals as presented by County Clerk Joan Bunch.

Bunch said candidates still have until 5 p.m. Thursday to request a recount.

"We're ready to put this election behind us in every way," she said. "But if there is a candidate that would get peace of mind from a recount, I would encourage them to request one."

Bunch said she is not allowed to recount a race unless the action is requested and paid for by a candidate.

She said the Secretary of State's office will order a recount of some races this week, but the action is normal in every election.

"They always have us recount a few choice races by hand just to verify that our process works," she said. "This is no big deal and I don't expect much of a difference after the hand count."

Commissioner Ralph Trevey presided and members of the court present were commissioners Howard Limmer and Roy Idom.

Absent were County Judge Ricky Fritz and commissioner Chloanne Lindsey.

WTC purchases vehicles

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changes are just making official what we've already done with the board's approval."

Eight of the revisions changed the structure of the college administration. The deans previously reported to the vice president, but now will report directly to the president.

Several of the revisions corrected employees' titles and another revision will require all on campus students, whether they reside in the dormitory or apartments, to purchase a meal plan at the school cafeteria.

The president said more policy changes would be coming.

"This is only the start. We have a lot of work to do on the board policies so there will be more in the future."

The 2003-2004 school calendar also was approved.

The board also accepted the resignation of Randy Auburg, Instructor of Computer Science.

Auburg has been at the college for a year and a half.

Information and discussion items included an update on the Northeast Outreach program by Mike Thornton, dean of continuing education.

Thornton said the program is off to a good start with more than 100 participants.

Kyle Smith addressed the board as the newly-elected president of the Faculty Association. Stephanie Ducheneaux is vice president.

The board also was presented with pre-bid information on a greens mower for the golf course.

Cost of the mower could be as high as $23,000, but Claxton said that it would be the first piece of equipment purchased for the course since before 1990. She also said it will be obtained through a lease-purchase agreement and the cost could be spread over three years.

The board was presented a memo concerning construction phases of the baseball and softball complex work that would begin soon.

Dr. Williams also gave his monthly report and said the administration hopes to utilize TPEG grant funds to increase prison enrollment, which could ultimately result in the hiring of two additional employees. He said more inmate students will add to the college's contact hours.

Lee Presswood presided and board members present were Jay Kidd, Eddie Peterson, Drew Bullard and Scott Richburg. Jackie Greene and Carolyn Barbee were absent.

Man arrested for felony DWI

Arrests

Gary Chesser, 41, of 5758 CR 485 was taken into custody at 9 p.m. Monday for felony driving while intoxicated after the 1968 Ford pickup he was driving collided with a Denver City school bus on College Ave.

The bus, a 2000 Ford E-450 driven by Nancy Foster, 59, of Denver City, was transporting eight students ages 14 to 15 and one 45-year-old male sponsor.

The police report stated the Chesser was driving north on College Ave. without his headlights and the bus driver pulled out of a restaurant parking lot when the mishap occurred.

No injuries were reported.

At 9:45 p.m., officers arrested a 40-year-old man in the 600 block of 30th Street for public intoxication. Officers responded to the scene after a woman reported the man causing a disturbance.

A 19-year-old man was taken into custody at 1:10 a.m. today on Ave. L or consuming alcohol as a minor.

Disturbances

A man called the police at 2:30 p.m. Monday to report his wife threatening to harm him and herself and then taking a large number of Tylenol. She was transported to Cogdell Hospital.

Bones found

Ernest Shattel requested a deputy in Hermleigh Monday afternoon after finding bones in a caliche pit. Two deputies responded and advised they were the remains of an animal.

Prostitute

A man requested deputies at the Cooper apartments just before 5 p.m. Monday in reference to a prostitute soliciting there. The woman was served with a criminal trespass warning to stay away from the apartment complex.

Close patrol

A woman on Ave. T Monday requested a close patrol of her neighbor's home because he is out of town and children are playing in his driveway.

Harassment

A woman reported that a man was harassing her and her family over the phone Monday. Deputies advised her of the proper steps.

At 7:30 p.m. Monday, a woman requested to speak to an officer to report another female subject harassing her.

Obituaries

Rev. James Coleman

1910-2002

SAN ANGELO – The Rev. James Coleman, former Catholic priest in Snyder and Hermleigh, died Sunday, Nov. 10, in Padua Place Priests' Retirement Home in San Antonio.



James Coleman

A rosary for Fr. Coleman, 91, is set for 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Maurice J. Voity, rector of the Cathedral Church of the Sacred Heart, presiding.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Sacred Heart Cathedral with The Most Rev. Michael D. Pfeifer, bishop of San Angelo, presiding. The Rev. Monsignor Benedict Zientek, pastor of the St. Mary Church in Brownwood, will be the homilist.

Interment will follow in the Priests' Section in Calvary Catholic Cemetery.

Born in Ballaghaderreen, Ireland on Nov. 26, 1910, he was ordained to the Catholic priesthood on June 9, 1946 in Spokane, Wash. He served in the Diocese of San Angelo from April 1962 until his retirement in July 1981.

He served St. John Catholic Church in Hermleigh from 1971-73 and St. Elizabeth in Snyder from 1972 until his retirement in 1981.

He also served churches in Carlsbad, Tex., Andrews, Sweetwater, Eden, Menard and Stanton.

Survivors include a nephew, James Coleman of New York City.

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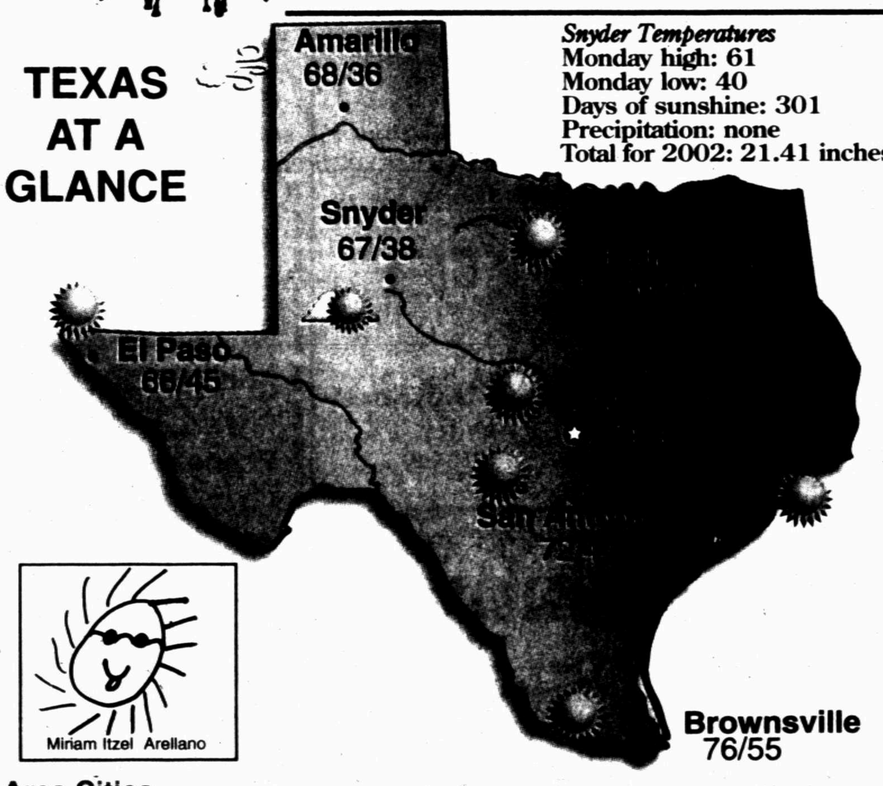
Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Wed 11/13	Thu 11/14	Fri 11/15
67/38	66/34	60/36
Mostly sunny skies. High 67F. Winds SSW at 10 to 15 mph.	More sun than clouds. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 30s.	Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 30s.
Sunrise 7:12 AM / Sunset 5:44 PM	Sunrise 7:13 AM / Sunset 5:43 PM	Sunrise 7:14 AM / Sunset 5:43 PM

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TEXAS AT A GLANCE



Snyder Temperatures
Monday high: 61
Monday low: 40
Days of sunshine: 301
Precipitation: none
Total for 2002: 21.41 inches.

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond
Abilene	69	45	sunny	El Paso	66	45	sunny	Midland	68	41	sunny
Amarillo	68	36	windy	Fort Stockton	70	44	sunny	Raymondville	75	50	sunny
Austin	71	43	sunny	Gainesville	68	44	sunny	Rosenberg	70	45	sunny
Beaumont	68	43	sunny	Greenville	69	45	sunny	San Antonio	72	44	sunny
Brownsville	76	55	sunny	Houston	70	45	sunny	San Marcos	72	44	sunny
Brownwood	71	44	sunny	Kingsville	74	49	sunny	Sulphur Springs	69	44	sunny
Corpus Christi	71	50	sunny	Livingston	69	40	sunny	Sweetwater	69	42	mst sunny
Corsicana	71	47	sunny	Longview	69	41	sunny	Tyler	71	47	sunny
Dallas	70	50	sunny	Lubbock	68	38	windy	Weatherford	70	44	sunny
Del Rio	73	48	sunny	Lufkin	71	42	sunny	Wichita Falls	69	44	mst sunny

National Cities

Atlanta	55	36	sunny	Houston	70	45	sunny	Phoenix	84	54	pt sunny
Boston	49	39	rain	Los Angeles	77	55	mst sunny	San Francisco	63	50	pt sunny
Chicago	50	42	pt sunny	Miami	76	60	t-storm	Seattle	56	45	rain
Dallas	70	50	sunny	Minneapolis	41	33	mixed	St. Louis	57	45	mst sunny
Denver	63	29	pt sunny	New York	51	39	rain	Washington, DC	52	38	rain

Moon Phases

First	Full	Last	New
Nov 11	Nov 20	Nov 27	Dec 4

UV Index

Wed 11/13	Thu 11/14	Fri 11/15
Low	Low	Low

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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