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Home of Bill Sikes

At Our Lady of Guadalupe Church...

Traditional church fiesta is Sunday

The 2002 Diez y Seis de Septiembre Jamaica Mexican holiday is Sunday at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church.

This one-day event reflects the significance of Sept. 16 to Mexico's heritage and to Americans of Mexican descent.

"Come and enjoy fun, food and music," said Leo Mora, pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. "This will be a time for all nationalities of our community to come together as one entity and enjoy ourselves as equals in all the festivities."

"The 16th of September in 1810 marked the beginning of Mexico's struggle for independence from Spain," said Fr. Moras. "This day is similar in many ways to the American Fourth of July.

"Miguel Hidalgo, a Catholic priest, is known as the Father of Mexican Independence," said Fr. Moras. "He proclaimed Mexico's independence from the balcony of the Parish of Nuestra Senora de los Dolores (Our Lady of Sorrow).

Hidalgo rang the church's bells to call the Indians to mass, but he also rang the bells on that day for the people to unify and to march for freedom."

According to recorded history, Hidalgo took the banner of Our Lady of Guadalupe for armor and marched with his constituents toward the Spanish artillery.

"It took 11 years of war, decades of despotic political unrest for the real freedom to arise, but every year on Sept. 16, 'El grito de Dolores, Mexicanos, Viva Mexico' resounds in everyone's ears," said Fr. Moras.

To celebrate the day, booths will open at 8 a.m. Sunday and will remain open until 8 o'clock at night.

A volleyball tourney is set for 9 a.m. and the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist will be at 10 a.m. in the church.

Beginning at 11 o'clock, there will be almost continuous music from a variety of bands and DJs, Folkloric dances, talent shows, a variety of games, dancing and lots of food.

Jose and Maria Lopez and their family will have a booth selling barbecue ribs, while Frank Fuentes and Fernando and Mary Romero will be selling brisket and hamburgers.

The Joe and Gloria Lopez family will sell roasted corn and desserts, while Lupe and Hope Lopez will have a fajita booth.

The Andres Juarez family will sell cabrito, Frito pies and hot dogs, while Irma Guerrero and family will be selling nachos and fruit bags.

Snowcones, popcorn, pickles, Rice Crispies and candy can be found at the booth manned by Rebecca Peralez and Angelica Gonzales, while Mario and Maria Ortega and their family will be selling the rare delicacy, tripas.

Cool drinks, including Cokes and water will be at the Paul Landa booth, while Chris Benitez will man the "Pot of Gold" game.

Adelpha Sauceda and her family will be selling funnel cakes.

Sunday's fundraiser will benefit Our Lady of Guadalupe Church and all proceeds go directly to the church fund, said Fr. Moras.

The coordinators of the event are Debbie Landa and Gloria Lopez.

Community blood drive set for Tuesday

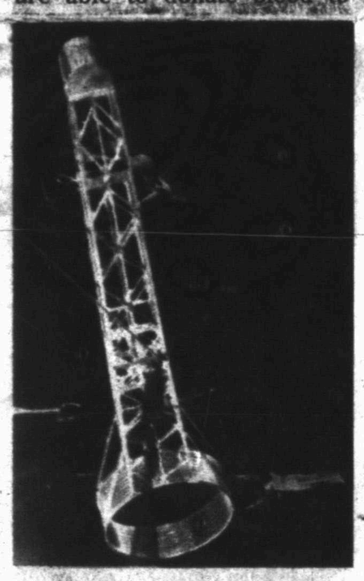
A blood drive by United Blood Services this week is in honor of those who lost their lives in the 9-11 terrorist attacks.

"A year ago, people in Snyder and all around the U.S. came together to donate blood immediately following the terrorist attacks," said Rhonda Teal, community relations representative of the blood service.

"We're now asking those who are able to donate blood to honor those who perished in the attacks by give lifesaving blood for patients who need it now," said Teal.

Teal said the community wide drive sponsored by Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary would be from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday at First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

The drive at Cogdell Hospital will be Wednesday from noon until 5 p.m. in the donor van parked at the hospital.



SHRINE CIRCUS — This acrobatic team will be featured Monday at Scurry County Coliseum as the circus will perform at 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Direction of Isidore is guess

PINAR DEL RIO Cuba (AP) — Oil workers fled their rigs [illegible] Isidore made its way into the Gulf of Mexico, still dumping heavy rain on western Cuba early Saturday.

Florida appeared to be out of danger as Isidore headed toward Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula, packing winds of 100 mph. It was expected to strengthen Saturday and could become a major hurricane.

A tropical storm warning and hurricane watch were in effect along the Yucatan coast from Progreso to the Mayan ruins of Tulum, including the island of Cozumel.

Apartments to host open house

While La Posada Apartments owner and developer Johnny Melton was born in Snyder, that was not the reason he bought the old Eastridge Apartments and turned them into an asset for the community.

Melton, who actually grew up in Burnet and now lives in Aransas Pass, sees positive things happening here.

"I really think the long range forecast for Snyder is very good," said Melton. "That is why we completely remodeled the apartments to make them a sophisticated gated community."

Remodeling might be an understatement as they were almost completely gutted and anything old that could be replaced, was replaced.

"Light fixtures, sinks, bathtubs, carpeting, you name it, its new," said Melton.

Melton even had a swimming pool added to the apartment's amenities.

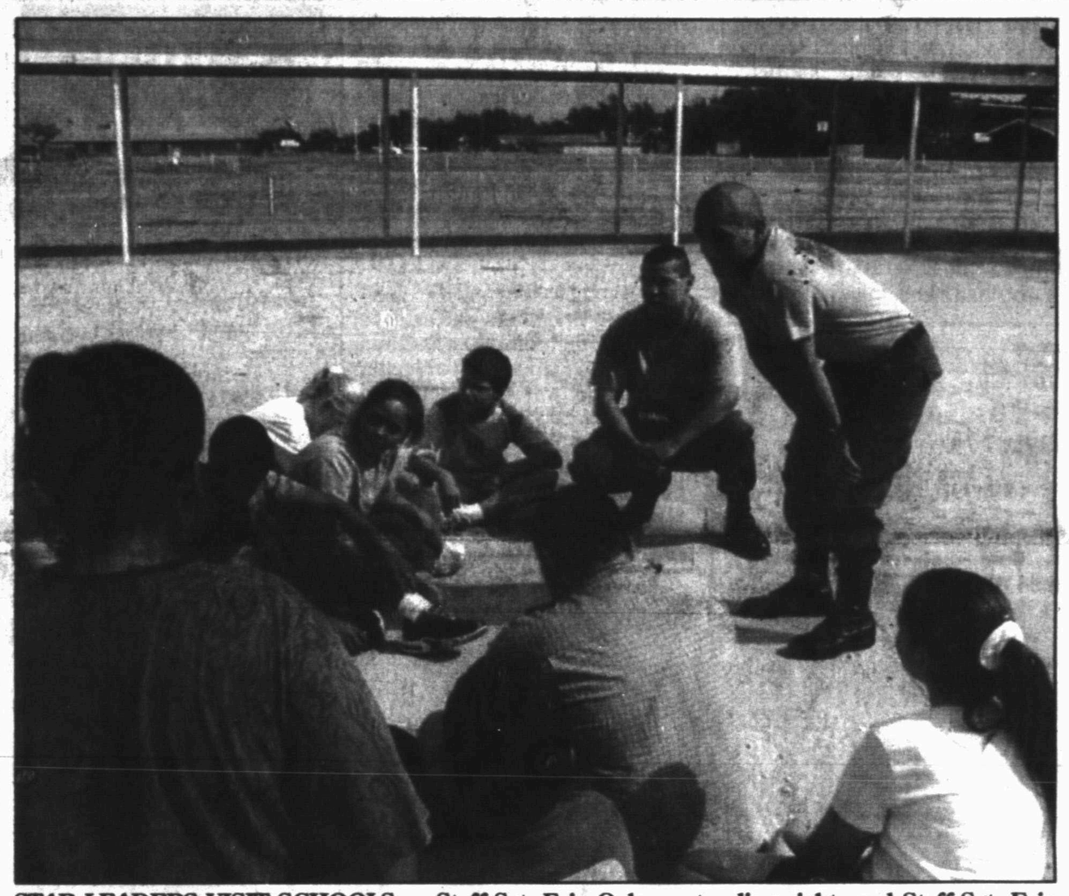
"We'll be having an open house at 4 p.m. Friday and the community is cordially invited to view the complex," said Melton.

"We've still got some small things to do and it looks like the electronic gate will be installed after our open house."

Melton said the sophisticated system would allow tenants to let visitors in by use of their telephones.

"We're happy and proud to be in Snyder," said Melton. "Of all small West Texas towns, Snyder stands out."

Dale Smith is the manager of the complex and six and 12-month leases will be offered on the one and two bedroom units.



STAR LEADERS VISIT SCHOOLS — Staff Sgt. Eric Ochoa, standing right, and Staff Sgt. Eric Hernandez visit PE classes at elementary schools. Sgts. Ochoa and Hernandez are pictured explaining the STAR program to the West Elementary students following some drills led by the instructors. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Engine 5 move will highlight annual event

Plans are nearing for the annual White Buffalo Festival set for Oct. 11-12 at the Scurry County Coliseum.

The festival will officially open on Friday, Oct. 11, when the Cornelius-Dodson House and the Dermott School host open houses from 4-6 p.m.

Vendors inside the coliseum will be open from 4-9 p.m. Bull riding is scheduled in the coliseum annex starting at 7 p.m. Admission is $5 for adults and $3 for children.

RS&P Engine No. 5 is scheduled to arrive at the coliseum on Saturday morning, Oct. 12. The time of arrival is not definite but a welcome ceremony is planned at noon.

Registration for an open horse shoe pitching tournament will begin at 8:30 a.m. and pitching begins at 9:30 a.m. There is an entry fee of $5 per person and trophies will be given for first through third places..

Vendor booths will open at 9 a.m. and remain open until 6 p.m. A team roping contest in the coliseum annex will begin at 10 a.m. and admission is free. A stick horse rodeo and pet parade are scheduled in the coliseum breezeway starting at 10 a.m.

Western art by Brian Asher will be displayed in the coliseum throughout the day. The Snyder Garden Club will host a flower show and the show is open to everyone.

Snyder Wheels will host a car show with no entry fee that will feature people's choice awards.

Festival visitors will be treated to music starting at 9:30 a.m. when Heart and Sole take the stage. Blue Prairie promises a musical trip through the Wild West when they perform at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Bluff Creek Edition will perform from 2:15-3:15 p.m. and the mumble some band will play from 5-6 p.m. The Deep Creek Cloggers will perform from 4-5 p.m.

Jody Nix will play for dancing from 8 p.m. to midnight, with admission $5 per person.

Admission to the coliseum will be $1 per person with proceeds helping offset the costs of the festival.

The Festival pays tribute to J. Wright Mooar and Scurry County's pioneer heritage. Mooar is best known in western lore as the man who killed a rare white buffalo on Deep Creek northwest of Snyder on Oct. 7, 1876, but he is also recognized as the first settler of the county and came to be fondly called "Scurry County's No. 1 Citizen."

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Even if you're on the right track, you'll get run over if you don't keep moving forward."

There's more heat about the Baylor Bears mascot than there is about the Bears' won-loss record.

Not only are the Bears having to worry about Big 12 opponents, now the Waco school is having to do battle with a Chicago-area animal rights group.

On one side is the Baptist university which bristles at accusations that its two North American Black bears are mistreated.

On the other side is a small, determined group called Showing Animals Respect and Kindness (SHARK). The founder of the organization says he doesn't care how long it takes, the plan is to get the mascots' habitat changed.

The group held a press conference on campus where they broadcast videotaped footage of two bears pacing about cages in the on-campus pit.

The president of SHARK has said the bears have been "driven into a state of psychosis" because they're living in a concrete environment.

That may just what the football team needs to focus on football techniques and assignments. The team could spend the night before in the concrete pits with the bears to reach a mighty level of psychosis and learn to growl at opponents.

Pushing and shoving and wrestling for raw meat could raise the team's adrenaline to a new height.

It sounds good, but working on the mental state didn't do much for the Texas Tech Red Raiders.

Coach Mike Leach has made it mandatory that the Lubbock team watch at least 30 minutes of an action or macho movie prior to practice in order to get the juices flowing.

After two lackluster performances, Tech has abandoned the practice, much to the delight of team members who thought, like many fans, that the ritual was down-right dumb.

After the Red Raiders started thinking football instead of Star Wars, Texas Tech had a pretty respectable game in its win over Ole Miss.

In the ole days, the band playing the school fight song and a cheering crowd was enough to bring out the best down on the field.

We thought about going to Lubbock for a game, but feared that the car would get towed. Was Leach ever missing from the sideline?

ASK US

Q—When is the average first freeze date in Scurry County in the fall?

A—Nov. 4.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 85 degrees; low, 51; 7 a.m. Saturday, 58; no precipitation; total for 2002, 16.30 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, partly cloudy; low 55-60; light E winds evening; then NE 10-15 mph. Sunday, partly cloudy, cooler; high upper 70s; NE winds 10-20 mph.



Taylor Presley
Cooler

Sunset:
7:42 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:32 a.m.
Of 263 days in 2002, the sun has shone 256 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Take pleasure not in the score, but in the game.
—Bobby Jones

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Possible suspect eyed in theft

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Authorities said Friday they have identified a possible suspect in the recent theft of bacteria used to create a vaccine for a common pig virus.

The bacteria were stolen from a lab at Michigan State University in East Lansing on Sept. 12 or Sept. 13.

The person law enforcement officials believe took the vials wasn't authorized to be in the secured lab but worked in the lab's building, school spokesman Terry Denbow said.

Denbow wouldn't say whether the suspect was in custody Friday.

Evidence suggests that the two stolen strains of the bacterium actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae, or APP, were destroyed, Denbow said.

After the theft was discovered, the university told veterinarians and pork producers to watch pigs for illness out of fear the bacteria were stolen by a terrorist.

APP causes respiratory infections in pigs and can kill them, but it is harmless to humans.



IN HONOR OF — Members of the American Legion lowered the U.S. flag to half staff at Snyder Healthcare Center Wednesday in honor of the people who lost their lives in the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. Residents and Legion members are pictured. (Contributed Photo)

Videotaped mom to turn herself in

MISHAWAKA, Ind. (AP) — A weeklong search appears over for a mother who punched, shook and slapped her 4-year-old daughter in a beating captured on a department store videotape and televised around the country.

Madalyne Gorman Toogood, 26, was expected to turn herself in to police Saturday, according to Steven Rosen, a Houston lawyer who said he represents the woman.

Rosen made the announcement at a news conference in Chicago on Friday night, several hours after he contacted police who had been searching for the mother and daughter since Sept. 13.

"It was a bad choice, and it was captured on Candid Camera," Rosen said. "She's very remorseful. She regrets it."

Police in Mishawaka, about 60 miles east of Chicago, said they had been in contact with Rosen by telephone, but had no specific information about when or where Toogood might turn herself in.

Authorities feared the girl, Martha Toogood, might have been seriously injured in the beating outside a Kohl's store in Mishawaka.

Rosen said Toogood's extended family members and friends told him the child was fine and had been examined by a doctor. "The child was examined, and the child was mentally and physically stable," he said.

The girl was with her mother Friday night, and the woman's two sons, ages 5 and 6, were in "good, safe hands," Rosen said in Saturday's Chicago Sun-Times.

An arrest warrant issued Friday charged the mother with battery to a child.

Rosen said Toogood grew up as part of a group of Texas-based Irish Travellers, itinerant laborers.

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Many activities planned for Ira's big homecoming

Ira School's Oct. 11-12 homecoming will be the 16th celebration of the big homecoming, which is celebrated every three years.

Activities will officially begin at 6:30 p.m. Fri., Oct. 11, with exes basketball games, followed by a victory bonfire at the baseball field (weather permitting).

On Saturday, Oct. 12, the noon meal will be a brisket and sausage plate with all the trimmings cooked and served by the senior class. Tickets are $6.50 for adults and $3.25 for children under 10.

Meal tickets must be pre-paid by Oct. 1. Send funds to Ira School, P.O. Box 121, Ira, 79527.

Registration will be $5 per family and meal tickets may be picked up at registration.

Activities will conclude with the Ira vs Trent grid match at 7:30 p.m. Supper from 5:30-7 p.m. will be concession items sold by the senior class.

Schedule of activities
Friday, Oct. 11
Pep-Rally Roy Sallee Gym: 2:45 p.m.
Exes basketball: 6:30-8:30 P.M.
Bonfire Pep Rally Baseball Field: 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 12
Registration: Sallee Gym: 9:a.m. to noon.
Open House: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Lunch: 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Business meeting, dedication: 2-4 p.m.
Supper: 5:30-7 p.m.
Ira vs Trent (first district game) 7:30 p.m.

events LOTTO TEXAS TEXAS LOTTERY RESULTS

Friday's Lottery Numbers
Texas Two Step
AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn (Friday by the Texas Lottery:
5-10-24-30
Bonus number 29
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Pick 3
(Day) 3-6-1
(Night) 2-9-1
Cash Five
8-9-11-18-22

Senior Center News

The Advisory Board is the policymaking board for the Scurry County Senior Center. The members are representatives of the city, county, college, schools and several other organizations including the center. Senior citizens will be electing two new representatives Oct. 1st & 2nd from 9-noon. Nominations for your choice of representative can be made Monday through Friday. Those making nominations and voting must be sixty years of age and Scurry County residents

The computer schedule is now available at the center. The schedule includes October, November and December classes at Western Texas College as well as the Senior Center. All seniors that have expressed an interest in the classes are asked to pick up a schedule and pre-register for the courses by phoning the Senior Center at 573-4035.

MONDAY

Seniors may play party bridge beginning at 9:30 a.m. and continuing throughout the morning. Juanita Ellington leads a daily exercise class beginning at 11 a.m.. Seniors are encouraged to exercise at their own level of ability. Eighty-eight begins at 1 p.m. We will draw for partners.

TUESDAY

Join us for May Day crafts. Valerie has another craft for us to make for our fundraiser in May. Eighty-eight begins at 10 a.m. and continues until noon. Seniors may participate in swimnastics at the Western Texas College pool beginning at 10 a.m. The Golden K Kiwanis meet at noon every Tuesday for lunch and a program. Visitors are always welcome. The center will open at 6:30 p.m. for games and the dance from 7-10. Bobby Arista & Country Gold will provide the music for the dance. The cost for the dance is $4 per senior. Bring your favorite snack. Punch and coffee will be provided.

WEDNESDAY

Ladies pool begins at 9 a.m. and daily exercise at 11 a.m. Beginning at 1 p.m. seniors may line dance or play pinochle. Clogging begins immediately after line dancing. Line dancing and clogging are in the dining room and the pinochle is in the quilting area.

THURSDAY

Swimnastics at WTC is from 10-11 a.m. Newcomers are always welcome as well as for all other senior activities. The swimnastics is free and parking is free. For more information phone 573-4035. Sunshine Choir members have this week off

FRIDAY

Bridge and the blood pressure clinic both begin at 9:30 a.m. Eighty-eight begins at 11 a.m.

Senior Menu

MONDAY
Steak Fingers w/Gravy
Fried Potato Rounds
Green Beans
Tossed Salad
Sugar Cookie
TUESDAY
King Ranch Chicken
Golden Carrots
Vegetable Sticks
Broccoli/Cauliflower Salad
Cutie Pie
WEDNESDAY
Braised Pork Chop w/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Broccoli with Cheese
Three Bean Salad
Chocolate Cake w/White Frosting
THURSDAY
Beef Stroganoff
Hominy
Spinach
Cucumber/Onion Salad
Banana Pudding
FRIDAY
Fried Fish
Southern Fried Okra
Great Northern Beans
Copper Penny Salad
Blueberry Cobbler

Scissors barred

IMPERIAL, Pa. (AP) — When it was time to cut the ribbon on a new exhibit at Pittsburgh International Airport, there were no scissors to be found. The reason? Security.

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Two Snyder paintball teams win second, third

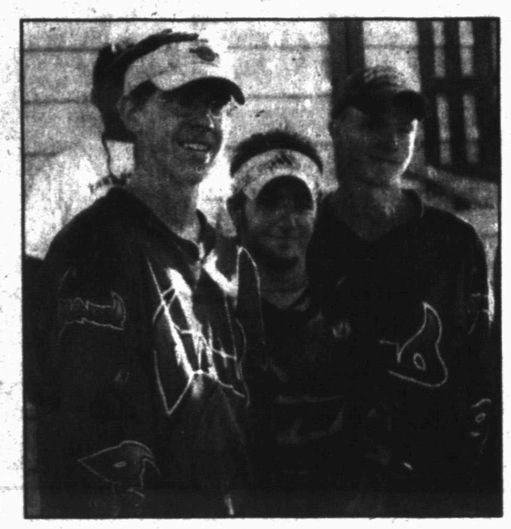
Snyder paintball teams Royal Assassins and Dark Angels took second and third place, respectively, in the East of the Pecos Tournament held in Odessa in August.

They were two of 14 teams participating in the tournament. This was the first tournament for the Royal Assassins who were in 11th place at noon, but rallied to their second place victory for which each received a high-end-gun case. Members of the team Dark Angels received 2,000 rounds of JT paintballs for their third place win.

Team Royal Assassins is scheduled to participate in another tournament in Odessa Oct. 5.



TEAM DARK ANGELS — Team Dark Angels from left are Brandon Robbins, Chase Burleson, Tanner Reed, Cody Reed and Josh Baldwin. In back is Joe, the owner of the 12-Mile Paintball where the tournament was held. (Contributed Photo)



TEAM ROYAL ASSASSINS — Team Royal Assassins from left are Brent Tyler, Chris Smauley, Patrick Jones, and Alex Neal. Team member Patrick Van Deventer of Midland is not pictured. (Contributed Photo)

Hit-and-run driver faces charges of murder

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A motorist was charged with murder Friday for allegedly running down a mother and her three children in a crosswalk, dragging their bodies for 100 feet under his van.

Martin Valadez, 30, faces four counts each of murder and gross vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated, Los Angeles County prosecutor Pat Connolly said. He was held on $4 million bail.

Valadez had been drinking with his girlfriend when they got into an argument Wednesday evening, authorities said. The woman, who was driving, stopped the car and got out. When she tried to take the keys from the ignition, Valadez jumped into the driver's seat and drove off, prosecutors said.

Witnesses said the van was traveling at more than 40 mph when it struck Evelia Sanchez and her children as they crossed the street.

AG candidate's mother dies, takes break from campaign

AUSTIN (AP) — Doris Rowley, the mother of Republican attorney general candidate Greg Abbott, has died of heart failure. She was 76.

Abbott has canceled campaign events until Monday.

"I credit her with instilling in me the drive and determination to deal with the obstacles I had to face in life," Abbott said in a statement. "It was through her strength and the strength she instilled in me that I was able to deal with the adversity in my own life."

Rowley was born and raised in Wichita Falls, where she married Roger Abbott and was a homemaker. In 1969, the couple moved to Duncanville, where she worked as a real estate agent, the Austin American-Statesman reported.

Rowley's first husband died in 1974 and she later remarried and lived in Cedar Hill.

She is survived by two sons, Greg and Gary Abbott, two stepchildren and six grandchildren.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Cedar Hill.

Sanchez takes bus tour to retirement home

The message went over well; it was timing that nearly cost gubernatorial candidate Tony Sanchez his audience Friday.

When the Democrat showed up late for his appearance at an Austin retirement home, he delayed the hot lunch the crowd had been waiting for.

"You just lost one vote," one Ameripark resident said as Sanchez shook his hand.

All was mended by the time Sanchez hit the road again, though. Sanchez drew applause for his promises to fight for better health insurance, cheaper medicine and quality long-term care, and the residents sent him off with a box of candy.

Republican opponent Gov. Rick Perry's campaign was not so sweet to Sanchez.

Perry campaign manager Deirdre Delisi released a statement accusing Sanchez of supporting policies hurtful to senior citizens, such as federal tax hikes, and not supporting state tax cuts Delisi said helped seniors.

Later Sanchez discussed insurance with residents in Austin, where he said he will propose setting up an insurance board of three to five members appointed by the governor. Sanchez said he still needed to study the idea in more detail, but a campaign spokesman said the board would set the rates.

Perry spokesman Ray Sullivan said Sanchez cannot be taken seriously on homeowners insurance rates until his own agency stops writing unregulated insurance policies.

Sanchez's IBC Insurance Agency, a subsidiary of Sanchez's International Bank of Commerce, sells polices from regulated companies and from unregulated companies that Sanchez has attacked. Sanchez says his agency does not create the policies.

Happy Birthday Pooh bear



Low Cost Computers Now Available...

Computer Solutions Certified as Dell "White Box" Dealer

Bullard's Computer Solutions, Inc. is now a dealer for Dell "white box" computers. In an effort to offer better service. Dell is allowing selected retailers to sell Dell computers packaged in a white box instead of their traditional black case.

"Dell has sold so many computers that they are having trouble servicing them," said Drew Bullard, President of Computer Solutions. "They came up with the idea of letting some of the local computer shops sell Dell computers and support them. Thus, our customers can now get the low price of Dells, but not have to wait hours or days to talk to someone on the phone about a problem with their machine. We are one of the first retailers with access to the Dell 'white box.'"

Bullard will be able to sell a complete system with a 17" monitor for $850.

"Anyone who has used a computer for any length of time knows things happen to them. They are not like a TV set. Trying to get help over the phone is not much fun. We have a great support staff here and being able to call up locally or bring the machine down to get it worked on is a big plus for most people," Bullard said.

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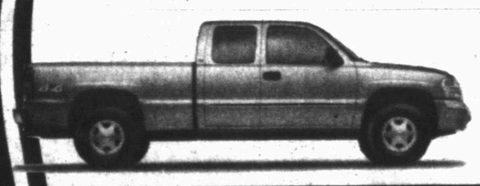
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Adoption agency was eyed in earlier border baby plot

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A San Antonio adoption agency whose employee has been accused of running an illegal adoption scheme in which pregnant women were smuggled across the Rio Grande to sell their babies in the United States had been placed under monitoring after earlier questions were raised.

Four years ago, state inspectors expressed their skepticism to officials of AAA-Alamo Adoption Agency about their assertions that none of the agency's birth mothers were brought over from Mexico, the San Antonio Express-News reported in its Saturday editions.

"You explained that your agency does not bring girls from Mexico with the intention of placing their babies for adoption," read an Oct. 19, 1998, letter to AAA agency director Eleanor Gray from the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.

"You further explained that although a girl may have been from Mexico originally, she is already residing in Texas when she seeks service from your agency. I was unable to verify your information with certainty as your files had contradictory entries regarding birth mothers' addresses," wrote Margaret May, a licensing representative with the regulatory agency.

As a result of these and numerous other violations found in the 1998 inspection, the agency was placed on a one-year intensive monitoring program. No similar violations have been reported since.

The adoption service's name surfaced again this week when a Laredo employee, Maria Dolores Bondoc, 53, was charged with baby buying and immigrant smuggling. She's being held in a privately run federal facility in lieu of posting more than $1.8 million in bonds.

According to state authorities, Bondoc recruited pregnant Mexican women in Mexico, smuggled them across the border illegally to give birth and then paid them after they relinquished parental rights.

Bob and Eleanor Gray, owners of the AAA agency, have declined to comment on the case, other than to release a statement affirming their faith in Bondoc's innocence.

"All of our clients are in the United States when they begin their contractual relationship with us. All of our clients' babies are born at hospitals in the United States," said the statement, delivered by their lawyer Ron Prince.

The 1998 inspection report criticized the AAA-agency for vague records and "questionable and contradictory" expenditures involving birth mothers that left it unclear where the women were from and why they were paid.

The report described numerous cash payments made by the agency to the women for toiletries, housing, food and travel, in one case totaling more than $2,500. Inspectors noted that most of the cash payments were made through Bondoc, who worked as AAA's representative in Laredo.

Attached to the report is Eleanor Gray's response, in the form of a "Corrective Action Plan," to the problems outlined by state regulators. Gray rejected any implication that her agency paid for babies.

On Friday, a group of Mexican women who say they were smuggled into the country as part of an illegal baby-buying scheme issued a joint statement.

"The decision to come to the United States was quite difficult, but we did it because we thought that it was the best decision for our children," the statement said. "However, when we came here, we were exploited and lied to."



FIRST PLACE — The Snyder Stars junior squad won first place in the all-star division during the recent Cheer Fest held at the Permian Basin Fair. The third through ninth grade girls include bottom row from left, Heather Medrano, Avery Wirsching, Megan Smith, Hayley Taylor and Kalyn Massingill; middle row, Madeline Moreno, Keylee Glass, Brittany Rios, Naudia Gonzales, Gabriella Sanchez; front row, Olivia Blum, Kaci Archer and Cenna Lane. (Contributed Photo)



SECOND PLACE — The Snyder Stars mini squad earned second place in the pre-school through third grade division. From left are, back row, Ember Proffitt, Aspen Mann, Jana Lewis, Whitney Ashford, Whitley Fulford, Tana Sullenger; middle row, Jaclyn DeLeon, Haylee Piland, Megan Kariainen, Melanie Kariainen and Jessica DeLeon; front row, Samantha Rogers, Carly Gill, Brook Bollinger, Savannah Valdez. (Contributed Photo)

Two receive scholarships from DeVry

Two students from Snyder are the recipients of a 2002 dean's partial-tuition scholarship to DeVry University.

Jon A. Medrano and Tyson Kubena, graduating seniors at Snyder High School, each received a scholarship from DeVry University's Irving Campus.

Court dismisses privacy suit

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A federal appeals court dismissed a lawsuit Friday alleging ABC News trespassed at an Arizona medical laboratory when it clandestinely videotaped discussions with lab executives.

Lawyers for the lab said journalists for ABC's PrimeTime Live newsmagazine also invaded the executives' privacy because the journalists concealed that they were reporters and lied about their identities to gain access to the Scottsdale lab. One ABC representative videotaped the discussions with a camera hidden in a wig for the "Rush to Read" segment, which focused on medical lab error rates in analyzing pap smears for cancer.

Owners of Medical Laboratory Management Consultants, which no longer exists, sued over the 1994 broadcast. But the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled the lab owners had no expectation of privacy and dismissed the suit.

The appeals court wrote that the owners invited the undercover journalists to the private area of the clinic and that they had no reason to believe their conversations with strangers would remain confidential. Nor was confidentiality requested, the court said.

"In Arizona, any person present at a conversation may record the conversation without obtaining the consent of the other party to the conversation," Judge Procter Hug Jr. wrote.

Hug added that the public interest in the news gathered for the ABC segment outweighed any possible offense that occurred.

The broadcast was about pap smear technicians and whether they make too many mistakes in the tests that can diagnose if women have cervical cancer.

ABC producer Rhondi Charleston posed as a representative of a fictitious women's health clinic and asked if the Arizona clinic would process 623 real pap smear samples over the weekend. Another ABC producer, Robbie Gordon, claimed she wanted to start a pap smear laboratory. Gordon accessed the clinic with another ABC employee who had a secret camera in a wig.

In its broadcast, ABC [illegible] clinic of certifying as normal five of the 23 allegedly abnormal pap smears that were examined before the Arizona clinic analyzed them. The clinic challenged the findings.

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Anson 20, Coleman 0
Arp 42, Timpson 3
Bangs 28, Eastland 22
Banquete 20, Ben Bolt 12
Big Sandy 33, Harleton 13
Blue Ridge 36, Argyle 14
Cisco 51, Rising Star 12
Clifton 27, Italy 0
Colorado City 27, Haskell 0
Comfort 30, Brady 15
Crane 21, Seminole 18
Crawford 28, Valley Mills 25
Danbury 40, High Island 0
Dilley 41, La Pryor 12
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Eldorado 21, Rankin 14
Floresville 35, Pearsall 0
Floydada 28, Springlake-Earth 19
Fort Hancock 44, EP Faith 31
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Ganado 28, Palacios 14
Garrison 34, Trinity 0
Grandview 21, Tolar 0
Hamilton 52, Early 27
Hawley 47, Baird 20
Hemphill 30, Corrigan Camden 26
Hico 61, San Saba 24
Hitchcock 33, Galveston O'Connell 0
Honey Grove 44, Aubrey 6
Hughes Springs 34, Ore City 0
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Johnson City 27, Medina 12
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Panhandle 47, Clarendon 0
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Crosbyton 16, Olton 14
Crowell 21, Shamrock 6
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Dawson 54, Texas Christian 20
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Falls City 25, Nixon-Smiley 14
Fort Davis 60, Klondike 12
Frost 36, Riesel 7
Fruitvale 62, Rowlett Christian 12
Gorman 42, Perrin-Whitt 0
Gunter 21, Anna 8
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Hubbard 55, Bosqueville 14
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Knox City 28, Olney 10
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Heading into short round...

Landon on top in roping

PORTALES — Randus Landon stands in first place in the breakaway roping after two rounds at the Eastern New Mexico University rodeo in Portales.

Landon's score of 2.7 leads all women in the event heading into Saturday's short round.

In the women's goat-tying competition, Ashley Hadley scored a 7.7 to put her in sixth place.

Several members of the men's team placed Friday, with Bruno Paoliella placing second in steer wrestling with a 4.2. Steven Turner also finished up the round in second place with a score of 78 in the bull riding event, and Will Morris placed ninth.

Tyson Thompson's 74 in the bareback riding was good enough to earn a second place standing, and Jake Marshall and Clay Bunney placed fifth and ninth, respectively.

Other riders and ropers that stood out in Friday's competition include Cody Horwedel, who scored a 66 for eighth in the saddle bronc ride, and Clay Long is in seventh in calf roping after notching a time of 11.10.

Paoliella teamed up with Reg Culley for a 6.1 in team roping, and also worked with Tyler Riggans for 10th place with a 7.5.

The ENMU rodeo is scheduled to run through Saturday.

Chicago hooligans charged for attacking Royals' coach

CHICAGO (AP) — A father and son contend they were provoked before bursting onto the field at a baseball game and attacking the first base coach of the Kansas City Royals.

Coach Tom Gamboa, however, maintains he had no exchanges with the two before they slammed him to the ground and started punching and kicking him during Thursday night's game against the Chicago White Sox.

The father, William Ligue Jr., was charged Friday with aggravated battery, a felony. He was in custody and expected to appear in court Saturday in a case that has raised fear among major leaguers and questions about safety at ballparks nationwide.

Ligue's 15-year-old son was charged with two juvenile counts of aggravated battery, one for attacking Gamboa and the other for hitting a White Sox security guard, an off-duty police officer. He was released to his mother. Calls to her home went unanswered.

According to a law enforcement source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, Ligue was at the game with two sons and several of their young cousins.

Sitting in the first row along the right-field line, the group shouted insults at Gamboa all night. The source said Ligue and his family contended there was some back and forth until Gamboa made an obscene gesture.

Around the seventh inning, Ligue called a female relative on a cell phone to ask if she was watching the game, and when she could not find the channel, he said, "Well then, just watch the news," the source said.

The Royals rushed to Gamboa's aid after he was knocked to the ground, and the 54-year-old coach escaped with a few cuts and bruises. A folded-up pocket knife was found on the ground afterward.

Gamboa said he had no idea why he was attacked in the top of the ninth inning of a game the Royals won 2-1. He said one of the fans was speaking but he couldn't tell what he was saying.

"He was yelling something, but it was incoherent," Gamboa said.

As they were being put into police cars following their arrests, the father and son, both shirtless, contended Gamboa had made an obscene gesture.

"He got what he deserved," said Ligue, who has past convictions for burglary and domestic battery.

But Gamboa insisted he had no exchange with them before the attack.

"The only thing that's really got me upset even more than the incident itself is the charge that there was something going on between us," Gamboa said. "I have never in my professional career ever responded" to fans.

"At no time, no matter how bad it got, have I ever made a hand gesture or verbally done anything to the fans."

Major league baseball said it would look into whether it needs to make changes in security at ballparks. Ligue and his son hopped a waist-high sign to get on the field, but there's no guarantee a larger wall would have kept them out.

"We're going to review all of our procedures in and around the dugouts and bullpens," said Kevin Hallinan, executive director of security for the commissioner's office. "We need to go back to the drawing board because of what appears to be happening in the late stages of games, with fans moving to those areas. We want to make sure we are addressing that problem."

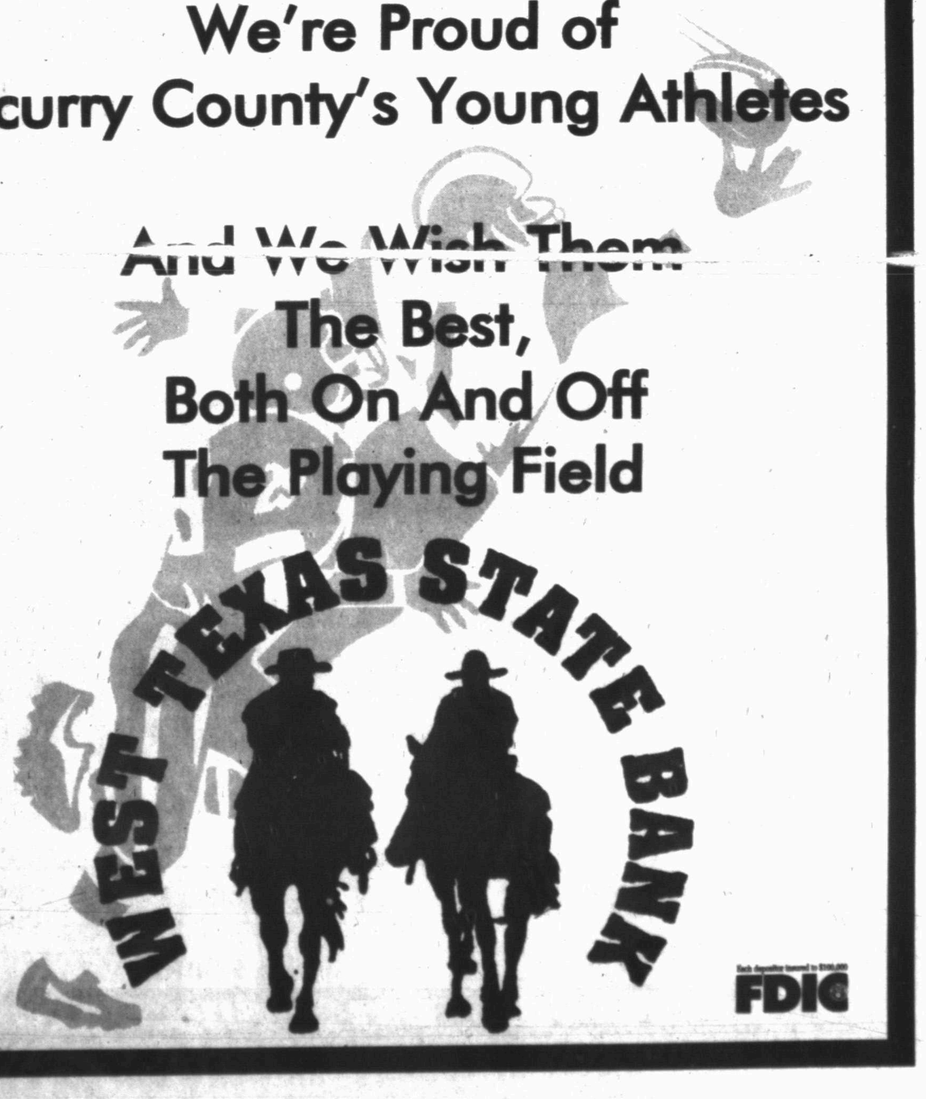
White Sox spokesman Scott Reifert said he couldn't discuss any possible security changes. Security guards — all of whom are off-duty police officers — already are positioned at both ends of each dugout and elsewhere on the field.

"Whenever something happens you're not being responsible if you don't at least re-examine what you're doing," White Sox general manager Kenny Williams said.

The White Sox began a three-game homestand with AL Central rival Minnesota on Friday night, and Twins manager Ron Gardenhire said his team had no fears about coming to Comiskey Park.

"We've always had a lot of fun here," Gardenhire said. "We've never had a problem."

This was the second unusual disruption during a game this week. On Monday night, police trying to break up a fight in the stands at FedEx Field in Landover, Md., used pepper spray that drifted onto the field and sickened some players as the Philadelphia Eagles played the Washington Redskins. There were no serious injuries.



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SPORTS

Tigers mauled at Greenwood, 35-7

By Bobby Allen
SDN Sports Editor

The game started out well for the Tigers Friday night, but it ended in misery.

Following an open date last week, the Tigers were expected to come out healthy and hungry and looking for their first win of the season.

Instead the team looked listless on its way to a 35-7 defeat at the hands of host Greenwood in a sloppy, penalty-marred game.

Snyder was penalized five times for 65 yards, and Greenwood lost 75 yards on seven penalties, including four personal foul penalties.

"We didn't play well," Head Coach Chad Rogers said. "It looked like we came out flat, and they had intensity all night."

The Tigers recovered an early Greenwood fumble on the Snyder 25-yard line, and drove 75 yards on eight plays for what would be its sole touchdown of the evening.

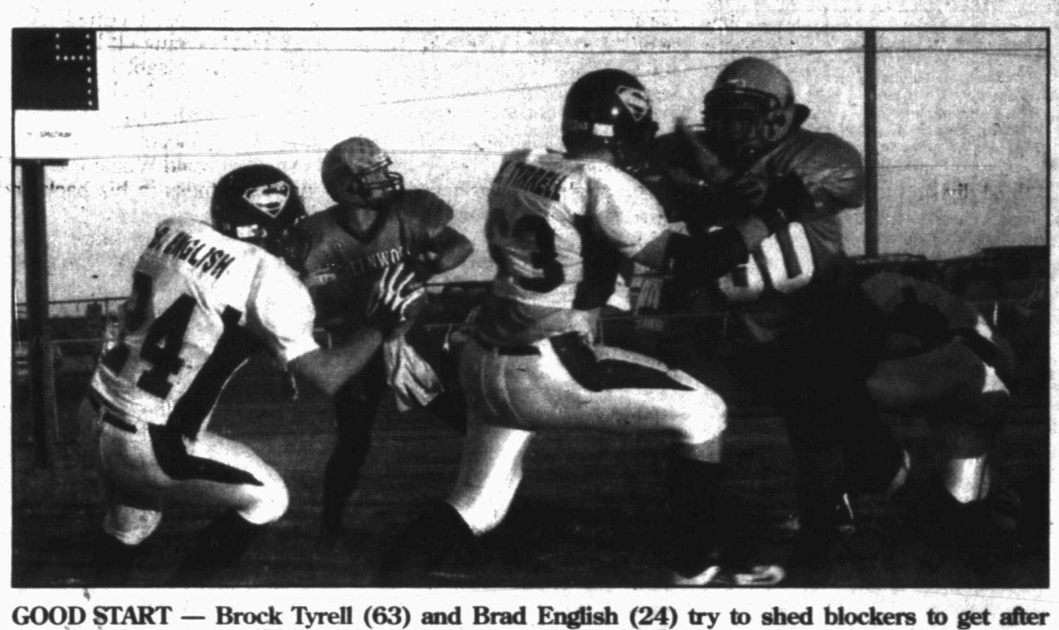
Snyder scored the only points of that first quarter on a 6-yard run by Josh Montoya with just over two minutes left in the frame.

However, the evening went south after that.

Greenwood reeled off 14 points in just over a minute, to take control of the scoreboard and the game.

"They seized the momentum and kept it," Rogers said.

Greenwood allowed 18 Snyder first downs, but kept them out of the end zone, just as they did to Sweetwater the previous week, when the Mustangs gained over 300 yards and 21 first downs — and scored only 6 points.



GOOD START — Brock Tyrell (63) and Brad English (24) try to shed blockers to get after Rangers' QB Dawson Wilber. Snyder went on to score the first touchdown of the game, only to be stifled by Greenwood in the 35-7 loss. (SDN Staff Photo)

The Rangers' first score was a microcosm of Snyder's night, as Greenwood quarterback Dawson Wilber fumbled on the Greenwood 9-yard line. The ball bounced right back into Wilber's hands, and he scampered in for a touchdown to make it 7-7.

On the first play after the kickoff, Snyder lost the ball on a fumble on its own 30-yard line, and four plays later, Wilber walked in from 1 yard out to give Greenwood a 7 point advantage.

The Tigers again coughed up the ball on their next possession, but the defense stiffened on a fourth-and-one at the Greenwood 22 with 3:59 left in the half, and the Tigers went to the locker room down by only one touchdown.

Greenwood opened the game looking for the big play through the air. When that failed, they went exclusively to the run, bulldozing the Snyder defensive line on their way to 21 second-half points.

"I thought we were ready to play, but we never responded," Rogers said. "That's coaching — it's my responsibility to have us ready."

Snyder had opportunities all night, as Greenwood fumbled five times. However, the Rangers fell on four of the loose balls to retain possession and the momentum.

"We kept waiting for something to happen instead of making it happen," Rogers said. "They just outplayed us. They are a good team, obviously."

The Tigers' defense forced a punt on Greenwood's first drive of the third quarter, but the offense was stopped on fourth and short on their own 41-yard line.

Greenwood then capped a five-play drive with a 9-yard run from tailback Jeremy Audus with 1:30 left in the third quarter.

Greenwood forced a Snyder punt to start the fourth quarter, and two plays after gaining possession, Audus sprinted into the end zone from 36 yards out to make it 28-7.

Snyder went to the air in an effort to get back into the game, but Greenwood's John Mark Hopper intercepted Jones' pass at the Snyder 24-yard line.

The defense kept the Rangers out of the end zone on a fourth-and-goal from their own two, but Snyder was forced to punt.

Greenwood rounded out the scoring on a 16-yard scamper by Adam Walsh with five minutes left in the game.

As the Tigers walked off the field after the game, someone in the horn section of the Snyder band began playing Taps, which summed up Snyder's trip to Midland.

Rogers gathered his team outside the locker room after the game, telling his team they would keep working to fix the errors that have landed Snyder in an unexpected 0-3 hole.

"We have to keep playing football," he said.

Game Summary

Snyder	07	00	00	00	—07
Greenwood	00	14	07	14	—35

First Quarter

Snyder — Josh Montoya 6-yard run (Isaac Ramon kick), 2:05

Second Quarter

Greenwood — Dawson Wilber 9-yard run (Wilber kick), 10:06

Greenwood — Wilber 1-yard run (Wilber kick), 8:47

Third Quarter

Greenwood — Jeremy Audas 9-yard run (Wilber kick), 1:30

Fourth Quarter

Greenwood — Audas 36-yard run (Wilbur kick), 11:22

Greenwood — Adam Walsh16-yard run (Wilber kick), 5:42

	Sny	Grw
First Downs	18	13
Rushes-yards	46-205	42-254
Passing yards	35	34
Comp-Att-Int	4-9-1	2-5-0
Punts	2-25	2-31
Fumbles-lost	3-3	5-1
Penalties-yards	5-65	6-75

RUSHING — Snyder: Josh Montoya 14-88, Boicy Martinez 8-52, TJ. Jones 17-40, Chance Greenwood 3-10, Jacob Rodriguez 3-9, Justin Boyd 1-6. **Greenwood:** Adam Walsh 12-77, Cody Hollums 7-49, Audus 7-49, Wilber 8-38, Brian Zachry 7-25, James Brown 4-12, Kyle Maskell 1-4.

PASSING — Snyder: Jones 4 of 9 for 34 yards 1 int., Boyd 0 for 1. **Greenwood:** Wilber 2-5 for 34 yards

RECEIVING — Snyder: Greenwood 2-71, Martinez 1-38,Montoya 1 for -3. **Greenwood:** Jerod Swafford 1-16, Audas 1-18.

Holds Coyotes to 202 yards...

Ira defense too much for no. 7 Borden Co.

Before Friday's game with Borden County, Ira Head Coach Toby Goodwin said the game would give him an idea of just how good his team really was.

Mission accomplished.

Ira used a stifling defense and a fluid offense to breeze past the seventh-ranked Coyotes, 30-8.

"I'm excited — without a doubt we rose to the challenge," Goodwin said. "This gives us a lot of confidence, and shows that we can play with the better teams."

The Bulldog defense held Borden County to 202 total yards, and Goodwin was unequivocal in his assessment of the defense.

"Our defense did the job — period," he said. "It was one of the best team defensive games we've ever played."

Borden County could never get off the ball, as Ira dominated every facet of the game.

Eric Dickerhoff ran for 104 yards and Goodwin singled out Brandon Graves and Jess Wall for outstanding effort and execution throughout the game. Jake Barnes caught two touchdown passes for the Bulldogs.

"Jake changes the whole complexion of a game," Goodwin said. "But a lot of kids stepped up, and I can't pick out one because it was a total team effort."

Goodwin said Coyotes' coach Bobby Avery told him after the game that the Ira defense had an answer for every play Borden County tried to run.

"What we did prevented them from executing their offense," he said.

Ira will most certainly move up from 24th in the ranking after Friday's victory.

"This gives us a lot of momentum," Goodwin said. "Everything could start to come together heading into district play."



LET ME AT 'EM — Jake Barnes (45) and Brandon Graves (72) bowl over Borden County's linemen while going after Coyotes' quarterback Ben Griffin. The Bulldogs trounced the seventh-ranked Coyotes 30-8 Friday night. (Contributed Photo by Becky Hudgins)

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Oakland beats Rangers, clinches playoff spot for 3rd straight year

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Art Howe took a long look at the plastic champagne flute on his desk, contemplating both what it contained and what it symbolized.

"I don't even like this stuff, but somehow it tastes better tonight," the Oakland Athletics manager said. "We had a little toast, but they all know we have another goal."

The A's clinched their third straight postseason berth on Friday night, with Jermaine Dye hitting a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the eighth inning to give Oakland a 4-2 victory over the Texas Rangers.

Oakland's victory and Seattle's 8-1 loss to Anaheim guaranteed at least a wild-card berth for the A's, who won the AL West in 2000 and got the wild card with 102 victories last season.

"It's great that we're going to the playoffs, but the reality is that we've got more work to do," 22-game winner Barry Zito said.

Hermleigh jr. high falls to Klondike

Hermleigh scored first Thursday on a 2-yard run by Steve Hembree before falling to Klondike 46-19 Thursday night.

Scotty Arellano had two long touchdown runs, including a 50-yarder, for the Cardinals, and Head Coach Don Jones said Arellano was the defensive standout in the losing effort.

Jones also praised the work of quarterback YJ Fuentes, who completed a two-point conversion to Nick Eaton.

Jones also said Jonathan Mireles and Nick Eaton had good games blocking for Fuentes.

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SPORTS



AERIAL ATTACK — Josh Gutierrez leaps to snare a pass from Ira quarterback Wes Kellner in the first half of the Bulldog's 30-8 win Friday night. (Contributed Photo by Becky Hudgins)

Investigators find blood on boat, suspect brother

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Investigators who found apparent blood traces on the sailboat of Bison Dele suspect the former NBA player and two others were murdered by his brother.

Authorities searching Dele's 55-foot catamaran at a Tahitian port discovered traces of what appeared to be blood inside and outside the vessel, said Michel Marotte, Tahiti's chief prosecutor.

The findings must be verified in a laboratory "but it does seem to be blood traces," he told The Associated Press on Friday.

Dele's brother, Miles Dabord who is also known as Kevin Williams, was in a coma and in critical condition at a hospital in Chula Vista. He was found unconscious in Mexico last week. The FBI arrested him Thursday on a fraud charge after learning his identity. Dabord allegedly used his brother's former name, Brian Williams, while trying to buy $152,000 in gold in Phoenix earlier this month.

Dabord's mother, Patricia Phillips, told the Los Angeles Times she fears her son may have tried to commit suicide in a fit of guilt, somehow believing he was responsible for his brother's disappearance. On Friday, she stood at his bedside in a San Diego hospital.

"I wanted to hug him, to stroke his face, to hold his hand," she said.

In a Sept. 13 telephone call, Phillips said Dabord sounded groggy and spoke of committing suicide. He told her he hadn't killed his brother and that he wanted her to know this before ending his life, she said.

FBI agent Josephina Regula said Dabord had no apparent external injuries when he was found on a beach next to the U.S. border fence. Regula said she had no information on the cause of the coma.

MLB Standings

National League
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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Atlanta	96	56	.632	—
Montreal	78	76	.506	19
Philadelphia	75	78	.490	21½
Florida	74	80	.481	23
New York	73	80	.477	23½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-St. Louis	90	63	.588	—
Houston	81	73	.526	9½
Cincinnati	75	78	.490	15
Pittsburgh	68	86	.442	22½
Chicago	64	90	.416	26½
Milwaukee	54	99	.353	36

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	94	59	.614	—
San Francisco	88	66	.571	6½
Los Angeles	86	68	.558	8½
Colorado	70	84	.455	24½
San Diego	65	89	.422	29½

x-clinched division

Friday's Games

Pittsburgh 5, Chicago Cubs 4
Montreal 6, N.Y. Mets 1
Philadelphia at Cincinnati, ppd, rain
Florida 6, Atlanta 2
San Francisco 5, Milwaukee 1
St. Louis 9, Houston 3
Colorado 9, Arizona 4
San Diego 8, Los Angeles 4

Saturday's Games

Philadelphia (Mercado 2-1) at Cincinnati (Dessens 7-8), 12:05 p.m., 1st game
Philadelphia (Wolf 11-8) at Cincinnati (Graves 6-3), 7:05 p.m., 2nd game
Florida (Penny 7-6) at Atlanta (Millwood 17-7), 1:15 p.m.
Arizona (B.Anderson 6-11) at Colorado (Neagle 8-10), 3:05 p.m.
Houston (Miller 14-3) at St. Louis (Morris 16-8), 4:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Mahomes 1-0) at Pittsburgh (K.Wells 12-14), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Schmidt 11-8) at Milwaukee (Diggins 0-2), 7:05 p.m.
Montreal (Vazquez 10-13) at N.Y. Mets (Astacio 12-10), 7:10 p.m.
Los Angeles (Nomo 15-6) at San Diego (Peavy 6-7), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Florida (Burnett 12-9) at Atlanta (Maddux 14-6), 1:05 p.m.
Montreal (Kim 0-0) at N.Y. Mets (Leiter 13-11), 1:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Duckworth 6-9) at Cincinnati (Rijo 5-3), 1:15 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Al.Benes 2-1) at Pittsburgh (Benson 8-6), 1:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Rueter 13-8) at Milwaukee (Sheets 10-16), 2:05 p.m.
Houston (Saarloos 6-6) at St. Louis (Finley 5-4), 2:10 p.m.
Arizona (Batista 7-9) at Colorado (Santos 0-4), 3:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Daal 11-9) at San Diego (Eaton 1-1), 5:05 p.m.

American League
At A Glance

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	96	57	.627	—
Boston	87	66	.569	9
Toronto	71	83	.461	25½
Baltimore	67	86	.438	29
Tampa Bay	52	101	.340	44

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Minnesota	89	64	.582	—
Chicago	77	77	.500	12½
Cleveland	69	85	.448	20½
Kansas City	59	95	.383	30½
Detroit	54	99	.353	35

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Oakland	97	57	.630	—
Anaheim	96	58	.623	1
Seattle	88	66	.571	9
Texas	70	84	.455	27

x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division

Friday's Games

Boston 4, Baltimore 2
N.Y. Yankees 5, Detroit 1
Tampa Bay 11, Toronto 7
Cleveland 6, Kansas City 2
Chicago White Sox 10, Minnesota 2
Anaheim 8, Seattle 1
Oakland 4, Texas 2

Saturday's Games

N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 11-5) at Detroit (Beverlin 0-1), 1:25 p.m.
Anaheim (Lackey 8-3) at Seattle (Garcia 15-10), 4:05 p.m.
Texas (Lewis 1-2) at Oakland (Lidle 8-10), 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 9-4) at Chicago White Sox (Rauch 1-1), 4:05 p.m.
Toronto (Walker 9-4) at Tampa Bay (Kennedy 8-11), 6:15 p.m.
Boston (Burkett 11-8) at Baltimore (Johnson 5-13), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Lee 0-1) at Kansas City (Ru.Hernandez 4-4), 7:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

N.Y. Yankees (D.Wells 17-7) at Detroit (Maroth 6-8), 12:05 p.m.
Toronto (Miller 7-5) at Tampa Bay (P.Wilson 6-10), 1:15 p.m.
Boston (P.Martinez 19-4) at Baltimore (Ponson 7-7), 1:35 p.m.
Cleveland (Sabathia 11-11) at Kansas City (Asencio 3-7), 2:05 p.m.
Texas (Park 9-6) at Oakland (Mulder 17-7), 4:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Washburn 18-5) at Seattle (Franklin 6-4), 4:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Mays 4-7) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 18-11), 8:05 p.m.

Cards down Astros, claim NL Central

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The Cardinals clinched the NL Central title Friday night, getting four hits from Eli Marrero and four home runs in a 9-3 victory over the Houston Astros that put St. Louis in the playoffs for the third straight year.

The Cardinals clinched their third division title in seven years under manager Tony La Russa. But this one clearly came under the toughest of circumstances.

Starting pitcher Darryl Kile died in the team's Chicago hotel on June 22 from a blockage of the arteries supplying the heart. It came just one week after the death of longtime announcer Jack Buck, leaving a huge hole in the rotation and a team in depression.

"I think it's close to overwhelming to think we're in this position," La Russa said before the game. "It's almost impossible to describe."

Third baseman Scott Rolen, one of St. Louis' key in-season additions, made a diving catch to rob Brian Hunter and end the game. The Cardinals celebrated near the mound at Busch Stadium as Albert Pujols carried Kile's jersey onto the field.

The Cardinals sprayed Kile's jersey with champagne in the clubhouse.

"I thought this was appropriate to remember Jack and Darryl," said La Russa, who talked to the team after the win.

St. Louis will probably open the playoffs at Arizona on Oct. 1. The Diamondbacks eliminated the Cardinals in five games in the opening round last season and went on to win the World Series.

Starting pitching has been a problem all season for St. Louis, with the Cardinals using 14 starters and 26 pitchers this season. Andy Benes' triumphant return from the brink of retirement, the emergence of 28-year-old rookie Jason Simontacchi and July pickup Chuck Finley helped the Cardinals fill the void.

Typically, the Cardinals lost another pitcher in the clincher. Woody Williams, making his fifth start since coming off his second stint on the disabled list for a pulled muscle in his left side, left the game with two outs in the fifth and a 5-3 lead.

The team said Williams experienced tightness in his back and rib cage.

"For me this is bittersweet," Williams said. "I don't know how bad this is."

None of it has slowed down the Cardinals, who have won 14 of their last 16 to bury the Astros, their closest competition in the Central. Houston is seven games behind wild-card leading San Francisco with eight games to play.

"I think we've been pushing all season long," La Russa said. "When they smelled that finish line they were relentless."

The Astros won the Central last year and clinched it at Busch Stadium on the final day of the season as the Cardinals, who ended with an identical record, settled for the wild card because the Astros had a 12-5 head-to-head record.

Brian Hunter drove in all three runs for the Astros with a run-scoring single in the third and a two-run homer in the fifth.

Two-run innings in the first and second gave the Cardinals a quick 4-0 lead. Fernando Vina provided an immediate spark when he tripled off the wall against Pete Munro (5-5), and scored on Marrero's single.

Tino Martinez added an RBI single and Pujols hit a two-run single with two outs in the second. Rolen added an RBI single in the fourth.

Marrero and Jim Edmonds hit consecutive homers in the sixth off rookie Jeriome Robertson and after Pujols flied out, Rolen hit his 29th to make it 8-3. All three players gave curtain calls to a half-filled yet noisy crowd at Busch Stadium.

Sports Briefs

Basketball booster club

The boys' basketball booster club will meet at 7 Monday night at the student center.

Hunter education course

A Texas parks and wildlife hunter education course is scheduled for Oct. 12 at the SHS agriculture building for a fee of $10. To register, call 574-6046.

Volleyball tournament

Our Lady of Guadalupe will be hosting a Jamica volleyball tournament Sunday at 9 a.m. at the church. Entry fee is $60 per team. Call Louis at 573-7321 for more info.

WTC golf tournament

The second annual WTC SGA four-man select Golf Tournament will be held Oct. 5 at the WTC Golf Course. Shotgun starts are slated for 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Entry fee is $160 per team and first prize is $360. Proceeds will benefit the Student Government Association.

Flag football

Any teams interested in playing TAAF flag football should contact Earl Ware at 573-0800 before Oct. 7.

Couples golf tournament

The second annual Putters and Duffers couples golf tournament will be held Oct. 5-6 at the Scurry County golf course. Cost is $140 per couple. To register contact Xalyn Palacios at 574-3343.

McCain boxing bill approved

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. John McCain's bill to create a government commission to clean up boxing and protect the health of fighters was approved by a Senate committee.

Hampton's struggles continue

DENVER (AP) — Mike Hampton will miss the rest of the season because of a strained ligament in his right foot, yet another disappointment for a pitcher who has failed to live up to expectations since signing a $121 million contract with the Colorado Rockies.

U.S. downs France

CHANGZHOU, China (AP) — Katie Smith and Sheryl Swoopes scored 19 points each to lead the United States to a 101-68 victory over France in the World Basketball Championship.

Davis Cup action

PARIS (AP) — The United States fell flat in the Davis Cup semifinals, as Andy Roddick and James Blake each lost their matches to Frenchmen on the red clay of Roland Garros.
Arnaud Clement sealed a 4-6, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (5), 6-1 victory over Roddick, while Blake was beaten by Sebastien Grosjean, 6-4, 6-1, 6-7 (7), 7-5.

Jones goes undefeated

MADRID, Spain (AP) — Marion Jones completed an undefeated season in the 100 meters.
The three-time Olympic champion shrugged off a false start and a wet track to win the 100 meters at the World Cup, finishing in 10.90 seconds, fractions slower than her season-best time of 10.84.

Woods still in the lead in Ireland

THOMASTOWN, Ireland (AP) - Tiger Woods had his second straight 7-under 65, giving him a two-stroke lead over Jerry Kelly in the American Express Championship.
Kelly, who grew up in Wisconsin but has Irish in his blood, is making his first trip to the Emerald Isle a memorable one. He had a 65 that put him at 12-under 132.

Cowboys have high hopes for backup QB Hutchinson

IRVING (AP) — Chad Hutchinson stands in the glaring sun long after most of his teammates have left the practice field. He keeps flinging footballs, trying to solve the flaw in his motion that keeps sending them wide of his target.

The rust on his powerful right arm is understandable. The 25-year-old rookie quarterback for the Dallas Cowboys hasn't played a football game in four years. He's spent the time away trying to throw fastballs past major and minor leaguers.

Still, the Cowboys felt strong enough about his ability that they outbid several other clubs and immediately made him the backup to unproven second-year starter Quincy Carter.

"There is no question that he is raw," said quarterbacks coach Wade Wilson. "But he certainly has a ton of upside and potential, and that is what we are hoping to tap. It's an ongoing process."

Hutchinson is no eager-eyed rookie. He's already had an up-close view of the circus surrounding Mark McGwire when he was baseball's single-season home run king, and he's spent time with Roger Staubach, who also took time off from football between college and a Hall of Fame QB career with the Cowboys. Troy Aikman has watched him practice and Hutchinson's locker is side-by-side with Emmitt's.

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East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	2	0	0	1.000	70	34
New England	2	0	0	1.000	74	21
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	76	76
N.Y. Jets	1	1	0	.500	44	75

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	1	1	0	.500	22	34
Indianapolis	1	1	0	.500	41	46
Jacksonville	1	1	0	.500	48	44
Tennessee	1	1	0	.500	40	45

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	59	47
Baltimore	0	2	0	.000	7	35
Cincinnati	0	2	0	.000	13	54
Pittsburgh	0	2	0	.000	31	60

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	2	0	0	1.000	47	30
Oakland	2	0	0	1.000	61	34
San Diego	2	0	0	1.000	58	9
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	56	62

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	1	1	0	.500	31	32
N.Y. Giants	1	1	0	.500	39	37
Philadelphia	1	1	0	.500	61	34
Washington	1	1	0	.500	38	60

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Carolina	2	0	0	1.000	41	14
New Orleans	2	0	0	1.000	61	40
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	.500	45	26
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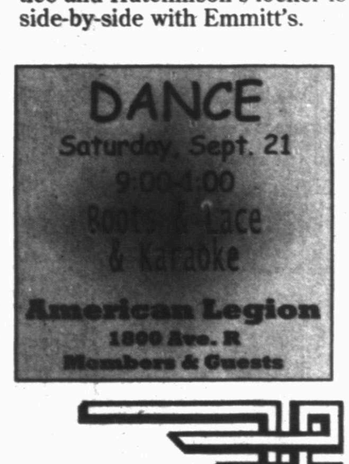
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Chicago	2	0	0	1.000	41	36
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Minnesota	0	2	0	.000	62	72

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	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	1	1	0	.500	47	44
San Francisco	1	1	0	.500	30	37
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St. Louis	0	2	0	.000	37	49

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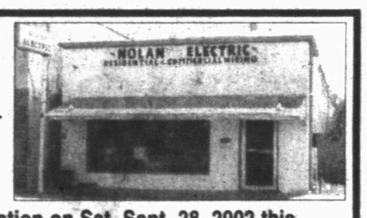
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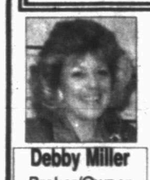


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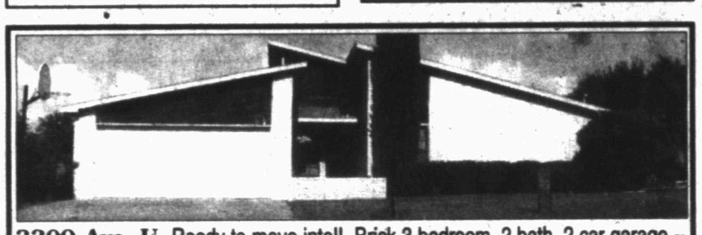
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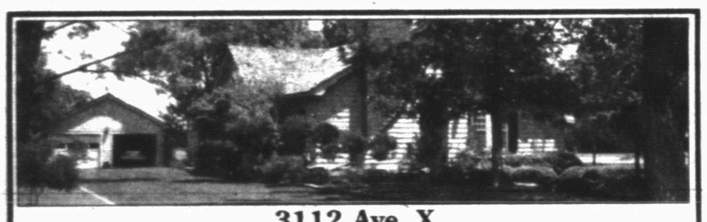
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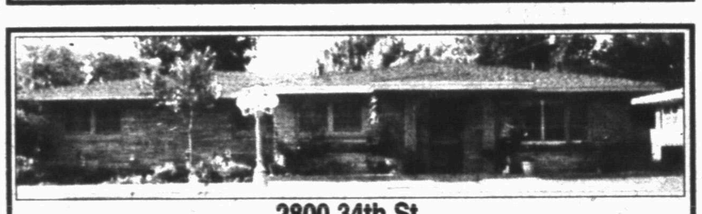
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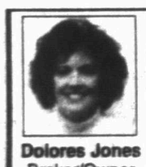


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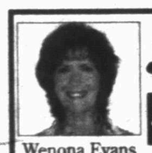
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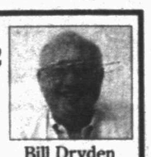
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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Alternative therapy for psoriasis

DEAR DR. GOTT: You have often told readers psoriasis sufferers that the skin disorder is very difficult to treat. Maybe so, but let me share a little secret that may be a blessing.

I suffered from psoriasis for years. Various therapies gave me only temporary relief. Then a friend suggested that I use a dandruff-fighting shampoo as a body soap. No more smelly coal-tar or expensive steroid creams — just plain old shampoo, followed by a petrolatum jelly / vitamin E combination lotion after toweling dry. What a relief!

DEAR READER: This is new to me but I am passing on your tip to readers in hopes that 1) your remedy will work for others, and 2) I can get some feedback — pro or con — from the public. If your tip for psoriasis-sufferers is half as effective as Vicks Vaporub for toenail fungus, you will be historically held in high regard.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: My doctor prescribed one Dyazide capsule a day for my high blood pressure. Can you alleviate my fear that the medicine could damage my organs?

DEAR READER: I'll try.

Dyazide, a combination of hydrochlorothiazide and triampterene, is a diuretic (kidney stimulant) used for treating hypertension and fluid retention (edema). In my experience it is a safe drug with few, if any, side effects. Also, it's inexpensive.

Patients on Dyazide will sometimes develop a potassium deficiency (leading to fatigue and weakness) that is easily corrected by potassium supplement pills or high-potassium fruit, such as bananas and prunes. In addition, Dyazide has been reported to trigger gout attacks, worsen diabetes and lead to inflammation of the pancreas. Such complications are very infrequent, however.

Follow your doctor's advice and obtain periodic blood tests for sugar and potassium levels. For all practical purposes, Dyazide is not associated with serious organ problems in the average user. I am sure your fear can be further alleviated if you confirm this information with your family physician.

DEAR DR. GOTT: A year ago, after a prolonged bout of stomach pain, I had upper gastrointestinal X-rays. The findings were negative. My doctor thinks my problem may be mental, because I persist in having symptoms. I was diagnosed with peptic disease 20 years ago. Could this be the problem or is it nerves?

DEAR READER: Abdominal pain has many causes, including peptic disease (ulcers, gastritis), hiatal hernia (with acid reflux), gallstones, intestinal infection, tumors, aortic aneurysm and pancreatic inflammation, to mention just a few. In some people, stress can lead to abdominal discomfort because anxiety increases gastric contractions and the flow of stomach acid.

Ordinarily, the nature, location and pattern of abdominal pain gives a clue to the cause. Ulcer pain, for example, is usually burning in quality, confined to the upper abdomen, and may be relieved by drinking milk or consuming antacids.

On the other hand, gallstones cause pain that is sharp and penetrating, worsens after eating rich or greasy foods, may radiate to the back or right shoulder, and can last for several hours.

As a general rule, X-ray studies of the stomach and small intestine will show an ulcer or a hiatal hernia. Nonetheless, these X-rays can miss small ulcers and acute gastritis, an inflammation of the stomach lining.

Therefore, before accepting the diagnosis of "nervous stomach," you should be examined by a gastroenterologist, who will perform tests to identify the cause of your discomfort. Such tests should include blood work, a gallbladder ultrasound, an abdominal ultrasound (to detect an aneurysm), and upper endoscopy (an exam of your upper GI tract with a fiberoptic instrument).

If these tests are normal, the doctor may choose to treat your symptom only. But, in my experience, significant abdominal distress is not caused by stress. Keep searching for a physical explanation for your pain.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Last week I went to see my cardiologist because I'm having side effects from my many medications. He is part of a group of 10 doctors who share the same staff and waiting room. The physician who tests my pacemaker came in, examined it and said it was OK. He was with me only a minute or two. I waited for the cardiologist, but he never appeared. Finally, a nurse asked me why I was still in the examining room. When I told her, she exclaimed: "Oh dear, we sent in the wrong doctor!" Now I anticipate that my insurance will refuse to pay for the two back-to-back office calls. Since the mix up was not my fault, why should I have to pay out of pocket?

DEAR READER: You shouldn't have to pay for a miscommunication that was not your responsibility. In my experience, most reasonable physicians would waive one of the office fees — or, as an alternative, the billing staff could code for two different events: the pacemaker check and a separate office visit with your cardiologist.

I'm certain that if you bring your concern to the cardiologist's attention, he will be willing to resolve the issue. Busy office staffs are not above making scheduling errors on occasion.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My aunt has Alzheimer's disease and requires care in a skilled nursing facility. Her dementia has been relentlessly progressive. When I got a bill from the pharmacy, I discovered that her physician had prescribed Neurontin, which (according to the pharmacist) can cause memory loss, drowsiness, tumors and tiredness — exactly her symptoms to date. The nurses tell me that my aunt is receiving this medicine because of arthritis pain. Could the medicine be contributing to her decline?

DEAR READER: Without a doubt.

Neurontin is useful in treating nerve pain but is not, in my experience, appropriate therapy for the discomfort of arthritis. In this instance, other meds are preferable. And, Neurontin can, in some patients, lead to worsening brain function.

To be honest, I don't know why in the world your aunt's physician prescribed Neurontin in the first place. His choice seems irresponsible to me, when other options, such as ibuprofen, Celebrex, Vioxx, Arthrotec or others, would certainly be more effective.

Call the guy on the phone and insist on an explanation — which, incidentally, may be perfectly valid. But you need one nevertheless.

Unless I miss my guess, the doctor will blush (but you won't see this), apologize, mumble a few rationalities, and "get back to you." Once you hang up, he'll call the nursing home, take your aunt off Neurontin and prescribe a more suitable antidote. Then, when your aunt has improved, he will call you back and take full credit for the "amazing change," at which point you will smile (he won't see this), thank him, hang up the telephone, and shake your head about the wonders of modern medicine.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, Sept. 22, 2002

The year ahead will offer you opportunities to get involved in an enterprise or venture you originate yourself. Put on your thinking cap and allow your creative juices to flow; you could come up with something good.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today's conditions are clearly shifting in your favor. There are several possibilities that'll give you chances to fulfill two secret ambitions. Don't waste your time on anything else. Virgo, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and an SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Valuable contacts can be established in places where gatherings occur which consist of new people you've never met. Don't turn down any social invitations you receive at this time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Give vent to your ambitious urges, even if others think your goals are out of your reach. You have a big ace in the hole now, and her name is Lady Luck.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — You can be extremely fortunate in involvements that may not be of a material nature, but yet could result in having just such ramifications at a later date.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Push all pessimism out of your head and have faith in that something about which you have been concerned. Your chances for success are far greater than you believe.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — If a go-getter you know has something on the fire that you can fit into, don't hesitate to go along for the ride. A partnership arrangement can be quite fortunate for you at this time.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — It's to your benefit to focus upon arrangements that can be meaningful to you in material ways. You are blessed with a bit of the Midas touch at this time.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Don't be surprised if you're one of the popular guys/gals in your group. Your enthusiasm and optimism will be infectious and serve to lift up the spirits of your companions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Visualize positive results regarding the outcome of events, and your chances for success will be enormously enhanced, no matter what you get involved in. Think victory.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Contact friends you haven't seen for quite awhile and try to get together. This is an opportune day to do something other than your usual routine, so why not do something with pals?

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Engage in those events, activities or endeavors that have the possibilities to feather your nest. Major improvements can be made at this time to shore up your resources.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Take an active role in furthering your own destiny, because it's a period when personal interests can be substantially advanced. Design plans that you want in your future.

Your Birthday

Monday, Sept. 23, 2002

It'll be your experiences of the past, both bitter and sweet, that will get you over troubled waters in the year ahead. The way you handle people and events will make everything seem like child's play.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Negotiate today with the knowledge that your counterpart is eagerly anticipating as many benefits from the deal as you are. Otherwise, neither of you would be talking in the first place. Major changes are ahead for Libra in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and an SASE to Astro-Graph c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167 Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Put that splendid compassion you possess to effective use today to lighten the spirits of those who are laboring at your side. Everyone's workload will become more carefree.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — You may find a way today to fulfill that special wish your mate or loved one has been harboring. When you see the way, jump at the chance to make it possible.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — This is the day to take on that special job you've wanted to get to in the home. Not only will you accomplish your purpose, it'll turn out to be a bigger asset to everyone than you thought.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Through the use of gentle persuasion, you should be able to get another to see your side of a hard issue that needs airing. Everything will work out just fine.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Conditions that have a direct effect upon your material security look especially promising today. Something that you didn't think was possible can be attained at this time.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Much to your credit, the true motives behind your actions toward others today will be to be charitable. You'll sense what others need and try to fulfill it for them without being asked.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — A friend who feels a sense of obligation toward you may be diligently working on your behalf today without your knowledge. S/he is setting something up for you that you can't do on your own.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Something you're desirous of doing today may appear to be wishful thinking to the casual observer, but know it can be done and you'll have everything figured out ahead of time.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — A pat on the back from you will be greatly appreciated by your associates, especially if they played only a minor part in an accomplishment you pulled off. Everyone needs to feel appreciated.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — If you're in need of some hard advice today, go to an old friend who has helped you in the past. Your pal can be relied upon to tell you what needs to be said as well as what not to say.

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Most dioceses complying with new policy on abuse

By The Associated Press

The panel of Roman Catholic bishops who drafted a national policy on how to deal with child molesting priests said most dioceses are implementing the 3-month-old plan.

However, the report released Friday did not say whether bishops were complying with a key part of the reforms that has met the most resistance: removing guilty clergy from church work and, in some cases, the priesthood altogether.

The panel did say that most bishops had formed a review board mainly of lay people, crafted a written policy on responding to abuse and adopted procedures for revealing complaints against priests.

The committee did not identify which dioceses had failed to implement the policy. Monsignor Francis Maniscalco, spokesman for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, did not return messages left at his office and home late Friday.

Dioceses are under intense scrutiny over whether they have adopted the plan the bishops' conference approved in June to stem the sex abuse crisis plaguing the church.

Several bishops have said they will not try to oust abusers from the priesthood until the Vatican approves the plan. However, the bishops' conference insisted most dioceses were in compliance.

Victims' advocates said they have evidence that 13 of the 195 U.S. dioceses were not following the policy. The National Review Board, the panel of lay persons the bishops appointed to evaluate how dioceses handle abuse claims, suggested the committee conduct a survey. However, Oklahoma Gov. Frank Keating, chairman of the review board, said this week he would soon reveal the names of bishops who failed to meet the new standards.

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Ira

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BREAKFAST
Monday
Breakfast Burritos
Tuesday
Pancakes
Bacon
Wednesday
Cinnamon Rolls
Thursday
Sausage on a Stick
Friday
Oatmeal or
Cream of Wheat

LUNCH
Monday
Steak Fingers & Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Bread
Apple Crisp
Tuesday
Pizza
Salad
Corn
Chocolate Chip Cookies
Wednesday
Beef Enchilada Casserole
Spanish Rice
Refried Beans]
Crackers
Fruit Salad
Thursday
Sausage on a Stick
Juice
Friday
Spaghetti
Salad
Garlic Toast
Pineapple

Snyder

All meals are served with milk and orange juice is added to the breakfast menu.

BREAKFAST
(Classroom)
Cereal w/Teddy Grahams
Tuesday
Pigs in a Blanket
Wednesday
Cinnamon Roll
Thursday
Sausage on a Muffin
Friday
Ham & Egg in a Biscuit

(Other Schools)
Monday
Cereal w/Teddy Grahams
Tuesday
Pigs in a Blanket
Wednesday
Cinnamon Roll
Thursday
Sausage on a Muffin
Friday
Ham & Eggs in a Biscuit

LUNCH
Monday
Cheese Enchiladas
Or Crispy Beef Tacos
Refried Beans
Broccoli Wedges Topped w/Cheese
Chilled Fruit
Tuesday
Pepperoni Pizza or
Country Steak Fingers w/Gravy
Black-eyed Peas
Celery Sticks w/Peanut Butter
Apple Cobbler
Wednesday
Nacho Grande or
Chicken Cheese Quesadilla
Campfire Beans
Tomato & Cucumber Salad
Pineapple Tidbits
Thursday
Ham & Cheese Sandwich
Or Turkey Caesar Wrap
Fritos
Pickle Spears
Friday
Chicken BLT on a Bun
Or Beef Lasagna w/Bread Stick
Seasoned Green Beans
Tossed Salad w/Ranch
Sugar Cookie

Hermleigh

All meals are served with milk.

BREAKFAST
Monday
Juice
Toast/Peanut Butter & Jelly
Tuesday
Juice
Scrambled Eggs
Sausage
Toast
Wednesday
Juice
French Toast Sticks
Ham

LUNCH
Monday
Sliced Beef/Barbecue Sauce
Potatoes/Cheese Sauce
Green Beans
Hot Rolls
Pineapple Slices
Tuesday
Pinto Beans
Buttered Cabbage
Glazed Carrots
Corn Bread
Peaches
Wednesday
Chili Cheese Fries
Pickle Spears
Dorito Chips
Blonde Brownies
Thursday
Chicken Spaghetti
Tomato Wedges
Corn
Hot Rolls
Vanilla Pudding
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Bush receives military plan for Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush has received a detailed Pentagon plan containing military options for deposing Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, a senior defense official said Saturday.

The highly classified plan, delivered to the White House in early September by Gen. Tommy Franks, the Central Command chief who would execute any military action in Iraq, will undergo additional refinements in the weeks ahead, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

On a visit to U.S. troops in Kuwait, Franks said Saturday his forces are ready if called upon.

"We are prepared to undertake whatever activities and whatever actions we may be directed to take by our nation," he said at a news conference. But he also noted: "Our president has not made a decision to go to war."

Thousands of American and Kuwaiti forces are preparing to begin a large-scale training exercise, called Eager Mace, using amphibious, ground, air and naval forces. The exercise, which is held periodically in the Kuwaiti desert — most recently in May 2001 — has not been publicly announced.

Franks' delivery of his war plan to Bush was first reported in Saturday's New York Times. The newspaper cited officials familiar with war planning as saying the Franks' plan contains the number of ground troops, combat aircraft and aircraft carrier battle groups that would be needed to knock out Iraq's air defenses and military communications and then seize Baghdad.

In testimony before the Senate Armed Services Committee this week, Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said a key concern of war planners is the possibility that Iraq would launch an attack on U.S. and allied forces in the region using weapons of mass destruction. He suggested that Iraq's means of delivering such weapons — by ballistic missile, aircraft or other means — would be among the priority targets at the outset of a U.S. attack.

Explosions rock Arafat's compound

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Explosions rocked Yasser Arafat's compound Saturday, including one that showered him with debris, as the Israeli army systematically blew up or bulldozed nearly every building around him in the Palestinian Authority's headquarters.

Arafat, a few aides and about 20 men wanted by Israel were pinned to a few rooms in a wing of the main office building — the only main structure left standing in the once sprawling complex.

The White House and the European Union on Friday urged Israel not to go too far in its reprisal for a Tel Aviv bus bombing that killed six people.

Israel's defense minister said he wanted to isolate Arafat, but not harm or expel him. He said troops would stay until the surrender of the wanted men, including the West Bank intelligence chief.

However, Israel TV's Channel Two, citing defense officials, said the ultimate objective of the assault was to confine Arafat to a tiny area in difficult conditions and prompt him to seek exile. Arafat has said he would never again leave the Palestinian lands.

"I reiterate my call to our people and all our factions to halt any violent attacks inside Israel because (Israeli Prime Minister Ariel) Sharon exploits these operations as a cover to implement his plans to destroy the peace of the brave," Arafat said in a statement published on the Web site of the Palestinian news agency, Wafa.

Arafat's advisers said they feared the office building might collapse.

Slone campaigns in Snyder, Hermleigh

Jeri Slone, Democratic candidate for Texas House of Representatives for District 72, is campaigning in Snyder and Hermleigh this weekend.

Slone will attend the Jamaica Celebration at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church Sunday, and she and Tom Ramsey, Democratic candidate for Texas Agriculture Commissioner will be special guests at a Dallas Cowboys watch party at the home of Don and Karen Bollinger at noon Sunday.

Police investigating three criminal mischief complaints

• ***Criminal mischief reports***

Snyder police officers Friday investigated three reports of criminal mischief.

Citizens reported having tires cut on vehicles in the 200 block of 32nd Street, a vehicle causing property damage on Round Top Rd., and a broken window in a building in the 3600 block of College Avenue.

• ***Arrests***

Sheriff Darren Jackson arrested Jacob Fuentez, 21, at 606 24th St. at 2 p.m. Friday on a felony warrant to adjudicate guilt.

Officers arrested a 23-year-old man at 11 a.m. Friday at the adult probation office on a misdemeanor warrant to revoke his probation.

• ***Meter hit***

Kay Bradberry notified officers that the gas meter in the 1100 block of 20th Street had been struck by a vehicle and was leaking gas. TXU gas workers were notified.

• ***Family violence***

Officers filed a report of family violence at 10:12 p.m. Friday.

Obituaries

Ruby Reeves

1913-2002

Ruby Lee Reeves, longtime Scurry County resident, died Thursday, Sept. 19, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

Service for Mrs. Reeves, 89, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Buddy Payne, minister, officiating.


Ruby Reeves

Burial will follow in the Hermleigh Cemetery under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born March 16, 1913 in Panola County. She married Lloyd Reeves on June 13, 1958 in Hermleigh. He died in 1988.

Her first husband was Howard Taft Fritz. They married in 1930. He died in 1980.

Mrs. Reeves was a cook at the Hermleigh school cafeteria for 18 years and was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Hermleigh from 1941-80.

After moving to Snyder, she was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Crusader Sunday school class.

She also was preceded in death by three brothers, Lynn Johnson, Neal Johnson and Walter Johnson; two sisters, Louise Ervin and Laverne Smith; two stepsons, Delmar and Elroy Reeves; three stepdaughters, Hazel Lee, Marianne Neblett and Katherine Boothe.

Survivors include two daughters, Sherry Jenkins of Snyder and Sandra Simmons of Midland; three sons, Donald Fritz of Snyder, Richard Fritz of El Paso and Jimmy Fritz of Del Rio; one sister, Aileen Emerson of Jacksonville; two stepdaughters, Bobbie Hilchey of Longview and Willie Mae Vaughan of Carthage; a stepson, Kenneth Reeves of Potosi; 13 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Family visitation will be from 6-8 Saturday at the funeral home.

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Herbert Grover

1917-2002

Herbert J. Grover of Snyder died at 9:10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 20, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Service for Mr. Grover, 85, is set for 10 a.m. Monday in the Hermleigh First Baptist Church. Dr. Rex Reynolds will officiate and burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born on Aug. 25, 1917 in Buffalo, N.Y., he married Juanita Williams on Oct. 30, 1987 in Phoenix, Ariz. Mr. Grover was a salesman in the wholesale industry.

Survivors include his wife, Juanita Grover of Snyder; a son, Herbert Grover of Boston, Mass.; three daughters, Gail Toy, Lynn Delnegro and Dawn Marie Miller, all of Buffalo; three stepsons, Arthur Baldwin of Grand Island, N.Y., Norman Baldwin of Phoenix, Ariz., and James Farren of Roundrock; three stepdaughers, Jeri Speegle of Mineral Wells, Judy Jennings of Andrews and Patricia Frasard of Atlanta, Ga.; a half sister, Geraldine Liscio of New Haven and a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Tom Williams, Rick Williams, Joe Culp, Willie Davis, Jim Sarren and Herb Grover III. The men of First Baptist Church in Hermleigh will be honorary ballbearers.

Family visitation will be held 7-8:30 Sunday at the funeral home.

The family suggests memorials to the Hermleigh First Baptist Church Building Fund, 460 Harlan St.

Bennie Hellums

1925-2002

Bennie Hellums Jr., 77, was found dead Monday, Sept. 16, at his home in Snyder.

Graveside service for Mr. Hellums is set for 10 a.m. Monday in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home. The Rev. Jessie Benson, pastor of Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church, will officiate.

Born June 15, 1925 in Lincoln County, Ark., Mr. Hellums was a cement contractor and a member of the Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church.

Survivors include a son, Bryant Keith Hellums of Snyder; four daughters, Michelle Hellums of Temple, Felicia Hellums, Bennie Hellums and Kimberly Hellums, all of Cleveland, Ohio; three brothers, Roosevelt Hellums of El Centro, Calif., McKinley Hellums Sr. of Pickens, Ark., and Mark Hellums of Yorktown, Ark.; three sisters, Mattie Jackson of Snyder, Clara T. Whalley of Yorktown and Rachel Mae Horton of El Centro; nine granddaughters; three grandsons; one great-grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

Family visitation at Wright Colonial Funeral Home will be 7 to 8 Sunday.

Carol Courtney

1955-2001

HOUSTON — Carol Cogdell Courtney, Snyder native, died Thursday, Sept. 19, in Houston.


Carol Courtney

Service for Mrs. Courtney, 46, was set for 4 p.m. Saturday at Martin's Episcopal Church with the Rev. Dr. Laurence A. Gipson and the Rev. Dr. Peter G. Thomas officiating. Graveside service is set for 3 p.m. Monday in the Snyder Cemetery in Snyder.

Mrs. Courtney was born Nov. 6, 1955 in Snyder to Johnnie Brock Cogdell and the late D.M. Cogdell Jr. Mrs. Courtney was a graduate of Mary Baldwin College. She attended Harvard and was a graduate of the University of Texas School of Law where she was a Phi Beta Kappa. Mrs. Courtney was a member of St. Martin's Episcopal Church, the Garden Club of Houston, Kinkaid School Parents Association, a past member of the Board of Trustees of the Fay School and was a sustaining member of the Junior League of Houston. She was on the board of ECW at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, a member of the State Bar of Texas, and was a former associate at Vinson & Elkins, LLP.

She was preceded in death by her father, D.M. Cogdell Jr., and her father-in-law, William R. Courtney.

Survivors include her husband, John P. Courtney of Houston; two sons, John Cogdell Courtney and David Martin Courtney, both of Houston; her mother, Johnnie Brock Cogdell of Lubbock; a sister, Connie Cogdell Clark and her husband Gaylon of Lubbock; her mother-in-law, Shirley Courtney of Temple; an uncle, Billy Cogdell of Silverton; and numerous cousins.

The family suggests memorials to the MD Anderson Cancer Center, P.O. Box 297153, Houston, 77297.

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ONGOINGS

Snyder Girl Scouts ceremony

On the anniversary of the scout hut being vandalized, the Girl Scouts will hold a flag ceremony at 3 p.m. Sunday where old flags will be disposed of. The public is invited. For more information, call JoAnn Cearley at 573-3926 or Judi Martin at 573-7556.

Support groups

Adult family violence support group and children's family violence support group meets at 6:30 p.m. each Monday at Gateway Family Service. For information call 573-1822.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Seeing Scripture as Jesus Did," followed by "I Have Sinned, I Have Excuses."

Hermleigh Booster Club

The Hermleigh Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the school cafeteria.

Technology student booster meeting

SHS Technology Studenet Association Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the SHS shop classroom. Parents of shop students are invited as well as trade and industry leaders. The drawing for the handmade oak, cedar-lined chest will be discussed.

Ira School pictures

School pictures of all students will be taken at Ira Tuesday. Also to be taken will be high school and junior high football, cheerleaders and mascot. This is a pre-pay program, so students must have the money in their envelopes if they are buying a package of pictures. All students will be photographed for the annual, even if they don't buy picture. Class officers for grades 6-12 will be photographed. Picture envelopes will be sent home with students.

Historical commission meeting

The Scurry County Historical Commission will meet at noon Tuesday at The Shack.

ACS board meeting

The Scurry Unit of the American Cancer Society will hold a board of directors meeting at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the boardroom of Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Scurry County Genealogical Society

The group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Scurry County Library. Visitors are welcome at the meeting that will feature tips and hints for successful research on computers.

Bible school

Son Canyon River Adventure Bible School will be held at Trinity United Methodist Church from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday and on Saturday, Sept. 28, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Open to all children from infants to 7th grade.

SHS homecoming parade

The homecoming parade is Thursday. The SHS student council invites all local organizations to enter. Entry fee is $15 for floats, $10 for vehicles and $5 for golf carts. Cash prizes will be awarded for best overall, most creative and best Tiger spirit. To enter, contact Christy Smith at SHS.

Tiger homecoming fajita dinner

The annual homecoming fajita dinner will be from 5-7 p.m. Friday at First Christian Church. Everyone is invited to park cars at the church and enjoy the meal before the game.

Joint class reunion

The Snyder High School graduating classes of 1943, 1944 and 1945 will have their reunion at Martha Ann Woman's Club Friday and next Saturday. Events include a social from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Friday, a 9 a.m. Saturday brunch and a 6:30 p.m. Saturday dinner.

SHS class of 1988 homecoming

The SHS class of 1988 will meet at 5 p.m. for the before game meal at the high school and then attend the game between the Tigers and Ft. Stockton Friday. There will be a get-together after the game. Call Meredith at 254-223-3193 for more information.

SJHS choir fundraiser

Snyder Junior High School's choir will serve a hamburger supper from 5-7:30 p.m. Friday. Tickets at $5 must be bought in advance from the junior high office or any choir student.

Leona Wiggins to retire

Leona Wiggins, Ira postmaster, will retire on Sept. 30. A reception is set for 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church in Ira.

Ira First Baptist Church revival

Ira First Baptist Church will hold a revival at 7 p.m. nightly from Sept. 28-Oct. 2. Murlyn Keller is the evangelist.

Lord's Acre fish fry

First United Methodist Church's Lord's Acre fish fry is 5-7 p.m. Oct. 1. Adult tickets are $7 and children's tickets – 10 and under – are $3.50. Tickets available at the church office or at the door.

Trains and things

Scurry County parks department is looking for loans of model trains and railroad-related items to be displayed during the Oct. 12 White Buffalo Festival. Items are needed by Oct. 7.

Ennis Creek reunion

Ennis Creek reunion will be held Oct. 19 at the home of Chuck and Velma Lou Lear, 8558 N. Ennis Creek Road. For more information call 573-8335 or 573-9478.

Head Start program

Scurry County's Head Start program still has openings for children. For information, call 573-7403.

Early settlers buried in Snyder Cemetery

(Editor's Note: This the second and final article on early settlers buried in Snyder Cemetery. Information provided by Aline Parks and the Scurry County Historical Commission.)

Confederate Capt. Andrew J. Scarborough brought his family to Snyder in 1881 and built Snyder's first hotel on the north side of the courthouse square. His grave marker in Snyder Cemetery notes that he served in Company B of the 4th Texas Cavalry during the Civil War but gives no dates for his birth or death. An obituary for Mrs. Scarborough published in the Snyder Signal on Aug. 22, 1913 says he died in 1904. Better remembered than Capt. Scarborough is his son Dr. A.O. Scarborough, born on Nov. 27, 1860 in DeWitt County. Dr. Scarborough married Nancy (Nannie) Goodwin in Snyder on Oct. 26, 1886. She was the granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Cornelius who had come to Snyder in 1877 to be near their sons, Tuck and Gus. Tuck had operated the trading post on Deep Creek that was purchased by Pete Snyder in 1878. Dr. Scarborough began to "read" (medicine) under Dr. Cornelius and in 1889 graduated from the Missouri Medical College in St. Louis. He then returned to Snyder to begin practice that continued for 66 years, most of that time in Snyder.

In 1910, Dr. Scarborough built a three-story building at the corner of 26th Street and Avenue R. The first floor housed the Snyder Drug Company while the second and third floors were fitted up as a well-equipped sanitarium. When the sanitarium proved unprofitable, he converted the building and the two adjoining buildings into the Manhattan Hotel, which operated through the Snyder's oil boom days. Dr. Scarborough was chief surgeon for the Roscoe, Snyder & Pacific Railroad and was the first public health office in Scurry County.

Dr. Scarborough was called the oldest practicing physician between Fort Worth and El Paso. in 1937 and continued to practice after that time. He died on Oct. 7, 1952. Mrs. Scarborough died on July 5, 1963.

The lure of free grazing brought young W.A. (Billie) Johnson to Scurry County in 1878. He told this story to his grandson, Weldon Johnson:

"I was on an easy fox-trotting gelding riding point on a mixed herd of South Texas cattle up the trail north and west from Burnet County — we had followed the Colorado River, then cut across the breaks toward Double Mountain — the cattle were in good shape on grass stirrup high, but the day was hot for the middle of May — when I heard the sweet sound of running water as my horse broke stride to jump the creek."

Johnson cut out a few head of young cows with calves and left them on Ennis Creek, then went back to Burnet County. He returned soon and built a half dugout and rock house. He married Nannie Sims in Burnet County on July 22, 1884 and they returned there to make their first home.

In 1879, three young men related to Johnson by marriage settled nearby. Thomas J. Faught, who had married Ophelia Sims, settled in the Rough Creek area. O.P. "Pack" Wolfe, whose wife was Mollie Sims, also came. W.D. Sims, a brother, settled near Dripping Springs. He later married Mrs. Cagie I. Grizzle.

R.T. Mellard and A. E. Cressup, a brother-in-law on the Johnson side, also took up land in the area. In 1881, George W., Jack and Lon Smith, brothers from Burnet County, bought them out. George Smith and Johnson were instrumental in organizing Snyder's First National Bank and built a new bank building at 1825 25th Street. Smith served as bank president until his death in 1902 when Johnson took over and also served as president of the Fluvanna State Bank. Both men also had large land holdings. Mr. Johnson died in 1931 and Mrs. Johnson in 1938.

Faught became Scurry County's second sheriff when W.W. (Billie) Johnson resigned that office. He was later elected to three terms. Faught was a big man who demanded and got respect for law and order during some rowdy times. He never carried a gun. He was a charter member of Snyder's Masonic Lodge and built a two-story building at 1801 25th Street to provide a meeting place for the lodge. What is now 27th Street was first named Faught Street in his honor. He died on Aug. 2, 1912 at the age of 65. An Official Texas Law Enforcement Grave Marker was placed on his grave in 1968.



SNYDER CEMETERY — Many early settlers are buried in Snyder Cemetery. (SDN Staff Photo)

Wolfe allowed a neighbor to water his cattle on Rough Creek and learned too late that the cattle were infected. He was forced to sell out and moved into Snyder, buying 66 acres along Deep Creek in north Snyder. That land became Wolfe Park and was the site of rodeos, a roller rink, ball games and horse races. In 1926, *The Scurry County Times* estimated that between 12,000 and 15,000 people swarmed the park for "the finest Fourth of July that was ever attempted in Snyder." In 1917 the second group of Scurry County men drafted for military service in World War I set up a temporary camp in the park. They had expected to go to Camp Travis but due to the large number of smallpox cases were ordered to remain in Snyder briefly.

Wolfe was appointed Snyder's city marshal in 1906 and served until 1926. During World War I he, along with several other prominent Snyder residents, was signed up as a Loyalty Ranger in the Texas Rangers in the event they were needed for protection of the home front.

When Wolfe died in September of 1927, The Scurry County Times wrote: "Thus passes another noble pioneer, 'Uncle Pack' Wolfe leaves a sweet memory to those who knew him best." An Official Texas Law Enforcement Grave Marker was placed on his grave in 1967. Mrs. Wolfe died in 1937.

Sims was a rancher and businessman and at one time a vice president of the First National Bank. He died in April 1937. Mrs. Sims died in 1931.

C.R. Buchanan, who has been called "The Father of Scurry County," was born Oct. 3, 1869 in Smyth County, Va. His family moved to Scurry County in 1893 and Mr. Buchanan attended Baylor University and the University of Texas. He married Karen Almarine (Alma) Wright on May 21, 1901. In 1902 he was elected Scurry County clerk. In 1906, he was elected county judge and served two terms before leaving office to form a private law practice. He was elected county judge again in 1912 and then served two terms as state representative. In 1930, he was named to the county judge's office once more and died in office on Sept. 15, 1931. Mrs. Buchanan owned and operated the Scurry County Abstract Office for many years. Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. J.T. Whitmore, wife of a Snyder doctor, were the first women to be appointed to the Snyder school board. She died in Austin on Sept. 12, 1964.

Charley Lockhart, born in Dallas County, came to Snyder in 1898 and was elected county treasurer in 1900.

"The courthouse at that time stood on the northeast corner of the square," Lockhart told the *Scurry County Times* in 1937. "My office and the county attorney's office adjoined the jail and I roomed in my office and had my meals in a hotel next to a livery stale.

Lockhart was re-elected to the county office eight times. In 1919 he went to Austin to work with the sergeant-at-arms of the house of representative. In 1930, he was elected state treasurer. In 1931, *Ripley's Believe It Or Not* newspaper feature featured a drawing of Lockhart under the caption "Texas, the largest state in the Union, has the smallest treasurer, Charley Lockhart, 45 inches tall.

The *Houston Post* interviewed Lockhart when he entered the race for the state treasurer's office.

"I want you to make it perfectly clear that I am fighting this battle on manhood alone," he said. "I don't want the votes that are given to me through a feeling that life has not handed me a square deal. Life has been good to me. I have filled public office, earned the confidence and friendship of my fellows and educated my children ... I'm simply a little man with bit ideas and sufficient experience and ability to carry my idea out...."

Mr. Lockhart died in 1954.

Cullen Higgins was born in 1876, the same year that Surry County was created by the Texas Legislature, and came to Scurry County in 1899 to practice law. His father, John Calhoun Pinkney (Pink) Higgins, a well-known figure in the Higgins-Harrell feud in Lampasas County, had moved to Kent County in 1898.

Cullen was elected district attorney in 1902 and district judge in 1906. He and his wife, Olive, were active members of the Methodist Church and she was also active in women's clubs. Mr. Higgins left office in 1910 to devote his time to his private law practice. On Sunday, March 17, 1918, he had gone to Clairemont to attend court the following day and after attending evening church services, had returned to his hotel. He was shot through a window of the hotel and died two days later in a hospital in Spur. The Masonic Lodge of Spur formed a procession to escort the body 20 miles out of their town as the funeral party started toward Snyder.

The Methodist Church was filled to overflowing when funeral services for Mr. Higgins were held there. Three men were indicted in connection with the incident but there was no trial. In 1920, *The Snyder Signal* reported that R.I. Goodall, Kent County sheriff at the time of the shooting was entitled to the reward of $500 offered by the state for the arrest and conviction of the guilty person.

"Goodall arrested a man named (Sy) Bostick in Garza County and delivered the prisoner to two Rangers, who placed him in jail in Sweetwater," the newspaper article said.

"It is stated in the opinion that Bostick confessed to the two Rangers. Subsequently Bostick committed suicide and there never was a conviction."

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Covenant to hold PVD screenings at Cogdell

Covenant Health System will hold regional Peripheral Vascular Disease (PVD) screenings in Snyder Wednesday at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

The PVD screenings will take place from 1 to 4 p.m.

Covenant is holding the PVD screenings to promote the Legs for Life campaign, a public education and wellness program committed to improving the cardiovascular health of the community. Covenant is the only health system in the region promoting the Legs for Life campaign.

PVD is a common circulation problem in which the arteries that carry blood to the legs or arms become narrowed or clogged. PVD is sometimes also called "hardening of the arteries." PVD affects eight million people in the U.S., including five percent of the over age 50 population. Of these eight million people affected with PVD, only one quarter is receiving treatment.

Through the Legs for Life campaign, more than 316 million people have been reached with information about PVD. The campaign has also increased PVD awareness and better recognition of treatment options.

Anyone who thinks they might be at risk for PVD, or experiences leg pain while moving but not while at rest is encouraged to come by Cogdell Memorial Wednesday for their free PVD screening.

For further information about the PVD screenings or the Legs for Life Campaign, call 915-573-1300.

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Bridge Scores

Bridge was played at the Snyder Country Club and was directed by Monte West.

Friday, Sept. 13

A Group

1. Margaret Birdwell, Barbara Yorgesen.
2. Jane Hinton, Monte West.
3. Carol Miller, Betty Courtney.
4. Anita Talbott, Suzy Reed.

B Group

1. Carol Miller, Betty Courtney.
2. Anita Talbott, Suzy Reed.
3. Pat Floyd, Margaret Presswood.
4. LaVerne Hood, Margaret Dillaha.

Tuesday, Sept. 17

1. Margaret Birdwell, Billisue Stuard tied with Nonnie Ward, Jane Hinton.
2. Linda West, Monte West.
3. Darla Smith, Fritz Smith.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 09-21-02
♠ Q J 7 3
♥ J 10 3
♦ A Q 4
♣ K Q 3

West
♠ 6 5
♥ A 8 6 4
♦ K 8 3
♣ A 10 9 7

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

South
♠ A K 10 4 2
♥ K Q 9 5 2
♦ J 9
♣ 5

Dealer: North
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
		1 NT	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♦	Pass
5 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ A

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2002

Another psych, or was it?

By Phillip Alder

Following the analysis of John Adams' antics in the Washington Bridge League Bulletin (see yesterday's column) came a discussion of today's deal. Look at the North hand. You are the dealer with everyone vulnerable. What is your opening bid?

Now let's assume you pass! In third chair, partner opens one spade. What would you respond?

Now let's assume you pass! Is there a rational explanation?

We'll return to that in a moment. The deal occurred during the last preliminary round of the 1991 Bermuda Bowl in Yokohama, Japan, when Poland played against USA-2. At the first table, the American North opened one no-trump (15-17 points). South responded three spades, showing at least 5-5 in the majors with game-forcing or better values. After North raised to four spades, South, feeling he had too much to pass, trotted out Roman Key Card Blackwood. South signed off in five spades when he learned that two aces were missing.

West, Piotr Gawrys, led the club ace. Then, after seeing the dummy and knowing his partner had at most one heart, Gawrys cashed the heart ace and gave his partner a heart ruff for one down.

Now to the second table. Because of the conditions of contest, if Poland could lose this match, it would have an easier quarterfinal knockout match. So, some of its players tried various ways to lose points — as did Marek Szymanowski here, by passing as dealer and not responding to his partner's opening bid! In one spade, South, Krzysztof Martens, took 11 tricks, so Poland won seven international match points — and the match by a wide margin! (In the final, Poland lost to Iceland.)

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Talk not of wasted affection! Affection was never wasted.
—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

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The name *Peter* is *Petros* in Greek and comes from *petra*, the word for stone.



Mrs. Tyler Alan Warren
(Photo by Wade Warren)

In Calvary Baptist Church...

Lelek, Warren repeat vows

Kristen Nicole Lelek and Tyler Alan Warren exchanged nuptial vows at 6 p.m. on July 20 in Calvary Baptist Church. The Rev. David Lelek, uncle of the bride from Quitman, officiated the double-ring ceremony.

The bride's parents are Jerry and Rhonda Lelek and the groom's parents are-Wade and Carolyn Warren, all of Snyder.

A colonnade arch with lilac and white wisteria flowing over the top flanked by two columns with silver candelabras formed the background for the couple's vows. Pews were decorated with bows of lilac and white tulle and ribbon.

Jason Warren, brother of the groom from Dallas, served as pianist and accompanist and Kim Nolan served as organist. As the mothers entered the church and lit the unity candle, Jason played and sang "Parent's Prayer," by Greg Davis. Laurie Kerley, friend of the bride and groom from Lubbock, sang "I Will Be There For You" during a video featuring the couple as they grew up.

The wedding party entered to Pachelbel's "Canon in D" and the bride entered to "The Bridal Chorus," by Wagner, played by Kim Nolan.

Brandon Oaks, brother-in-law of the bride from San Angelo, sang "I Will Be Here," by Steven Curtis Chapman during a video featuring photos of the couple during the years they dated. The recessional, "Psalm 19," by Mardello, was played by Kim Nolan.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a pearl white tulle gown designed by Eden Bridals featuring an off-the-shoulder neckline with small cup sleeves and accented with crystal sequins and pearls. The drop-waist flowed into a bell shaped tulle skirt elegantly designed with a three-inch satin trim.

The bride carried a bouquet of white roses accented with baby's breath and silver ribbons. Shoulder-length tulle, trimmed in the same satin band as her dress and attached to an elegant pearl headband formed her veil.

The bride carried a white satin Bible that was carried by the groom's mother in her wedding as something old; something new was a heart necklace; something borrowed was the pearl headband attached to her veil, belonging to Kathy Doby, a friend; and something blue was her garter.

Matron of honor was Tonya Oaks, the bride's sister from San Angelo. Bridesmaids were Ratha Lelek, her sister-in-law from San Angelo, Mandy Chambers of Lubbock and Holly Goebel, also of Lubbock.

Bridal attendants wore full-length lilac empire waist gowns designed by Lizette Creations. Each carried a bouquet of white roses accented with lilac and white ribbons.

Kaitlyn Oaks, niece of the bride of San Angelo, and Kaitlyn Hargrove, niece of the groom of Austin, were flower girls. They were attired in dresses of lilac tulle with white polka dots and accented with a large bow in the back. Each carried a white basket with white rose petals.

Rylan Oaks, nephew of the bride of San Angelo, and Dylan Hargrove, nephew of the groom of Austin, were ring bearers. They wore tuxedos identical to the groomsmen and each carried a white satin pillow.

Jason Warren served his brother as best man. Groomsmen were Rafe Hargrove, brother-in-law of the groom of Austin; Cory Mandrell of Weatherford, Okla.; and Jared Hester of Alpine. Brandon Oaks and Corey Lelek, brother of the bride, served as ushers.

The groom wore a Classic black tuxedo with a silver vest and Windsor tie. Groomsmen wore classic black tuxedos with black ties and cummerbunds and boutonnieres of white roses and baby's breath accented with silver ribbon.

Terah and Tamara Lelek, cousins of the bride of Colorado City, registered guests at a round table with a white overlay. A picture of the bride and groom was placed beside the register book.

The reception was held immediately following the ceremony in the church fellowship hall. The bride's table was decorated in lilac and white tulle with tiny lights surrounding the wedding cake, silver fruit platters and a silver punch bowl.

Barbie Lelek, aunt of the bride of Colorado City, made the four-tiered ribbon cake with three small satellite cakes, each topped with white roses, purple daisies, baby's breath and silver and green leaves. Barbie also attended the bride's table along with Amiee Anderson from San Angelo.

The groom's table was covered with a white cloth and a deep purple topper. Coffee was served from a silver coffee urn and water with lemon slices was served from a crystal punch bowl. A candelabrum holding five candles centered the table and the groom's cake was a basketball, a glove and baseball, a soccer ball and a tennis ball, representing sports the groom played. Sisters of the groom, Leslie Ann Hargrove from Austin and Shannon Warren, also from Austin, served the groom's table.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at the Snyder Country Club.

The couple flew to Miami, Fla., then boarded a cruise ship to the Bahamas. They have made their home in San Angelo. The bride, a 1998 graduate of Snyder High School, attended WTC for two years, ASU one year and is currently working as a pharmacy tech. The groom graduated SHS in 1999, attended WTC and North Texas State University and now attends Angelo State University, majoring in kinesiology and history. He is employed by Premium Terrace Landscaping.

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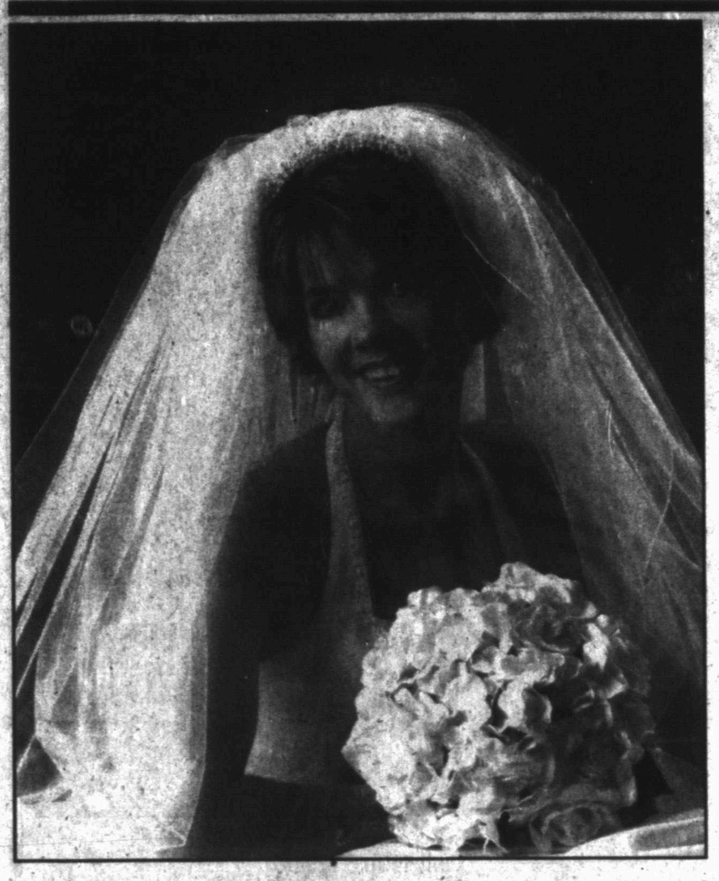
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Mrs. Jeffrey Stephen Pitner
(Contributed Photo)

Jacobs, Pitner wed in double-ring rites in FUMC Lubbock

LUBBOCK — Christy Earl Jacobs of Conroe and Jeffrey Stephen Pitner of Lubbock were united in marriage at 7 p.m. on Saturday, July 27, in the First United Methodist Church in Lubbock.

Dr. William R. Fleming and Pitts Davis performed the double-ring ceremony. Jerry Bubert, the bride's stepfather, and Dr. Mike Bennett gave readings.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry A Bubert of Conroe and Mr. and Mrs. John B. Jacobs of Humble. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Earl Webb of Durant, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. John D. Jacobs of Waco.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Pitner of Lubbock, formerly of Snyder, and the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. E.P. Alford and the late Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pitner.

Given in marriage by her parents and escorted by her father and her tuxedo outfitted service dog, Hoya, the bride wore a white satin gown designed by Jasmine. It featured a halter neckline with delicate beading around the edge. The empire waistline, accented with beading matching the neckline, fell into an A-line skirt and chapel-length train. She chose a beaded comb with a fingertip illusion veil to complement her gown.

The bride carried a hand tied bouquet of white roses accented with stephanotis. Attached to the stem of the bouquet was her grandmother's lace handkerchief.

Bridesmaids wore two-piece gowns of black crepe. Their halter-tops were accented with beading at the neckline. Each carried a hand tied bouquet of red roses surrounded with greenery.

Mrs. Jennifer Stone, sister of the bride of Dallas, served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Leslie Dedrick and Christine Garrett of Lubbock, Sheri Rutledge of The Woodlands and Kristal Kidd of Midland.

Flower girls were Emily and Sarah Katherine Stone, nieces of the bride. Ring bearers were Colin Stone, nephew of the bride, and Collin Pitner, nephew of the groom.

Steve Guengerich of Austin served as best man. Groomsmen included Chris Pitner, brother of the groom, and Paul Garret, both of Lubbock; Gary Pitner, brother of the groom of Amarillo, and Jon Marsh of Dallas.

Ushers were Taylor Stone, brother-in-law of the bride, Brandon Webb, cousin of the bride, Ben Guengerich and Bob Arend. Linda Pitner, sister-in-law of the groom, greeted guests at the registry table in the church narthex.

Organist Dr. Gordon McMillan provided music for the ceremony and a reception followed the ceremony at the Historic Baker Building where music was provided by Music to the Maxx. An elegant buffet and mashed potato bar were served to guests amidst the soft candlelit ballroom. A champagne toast immediately preceded the couple's first dance to "Unforgettable," by Nat King Cole. "Stardust" was played as the couple danced a special dance in honor of the bride's grandparents.

On the eve of the wedding, the groom's parents hosted a rehearsal dinner at the 50Yard Line Restaurant.

The bride is a 1990 graduate of Oak Ridge High School and a 1996 graduate of Texas Woman's University. She is employed by University Medical Center in Lubbock as a Pediatric Occupational Therapist. The groom is a 1977 graduate of Tascosa High School and a 1981 graduate of Texas Tech University. He is employed by Lubbock Regional Mental Health Mental Retardation Center.

The couple's honeymoon trip was to New Orleans, La., and a cruise to the Western Caribbean. They have made their home in Lubbock.



Community Calendar

MONDAY

Storytime at the Scurry County Library for 4- and 5-year-olds; 10 a.m.

Rock and Roll Quilting Club; Hermleigh Community Center; everyone is invited for free quilting lessons, and special projects are to help someone in need; call 863-2426 for more information; 8 a.m. to noon.

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

NA-Just for Today; Park Club at Winston Park; 573-1438.

Manic Depression (Bipolar) support group; Family Life Community Church, 904 26th Street; 7 p.m.

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

TUESDAY

Gateway Family Services parenting discussion group, focuses on a variety of parenting issues and special challenges; no charge; call 73-1822 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.

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.

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

Martha Ann Woman's Club luncheon and game day; serving begins at 11:30, games of choice will follow; reservations should be made by calling 573-3427.

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with lunch break.

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.

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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.

Altrurians hold first meeting of 2002-2003

Ginny Griffith presented the program for Altrurian Daughters Study Club Wednesday, the first meeting of the 2002-2003 year, at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

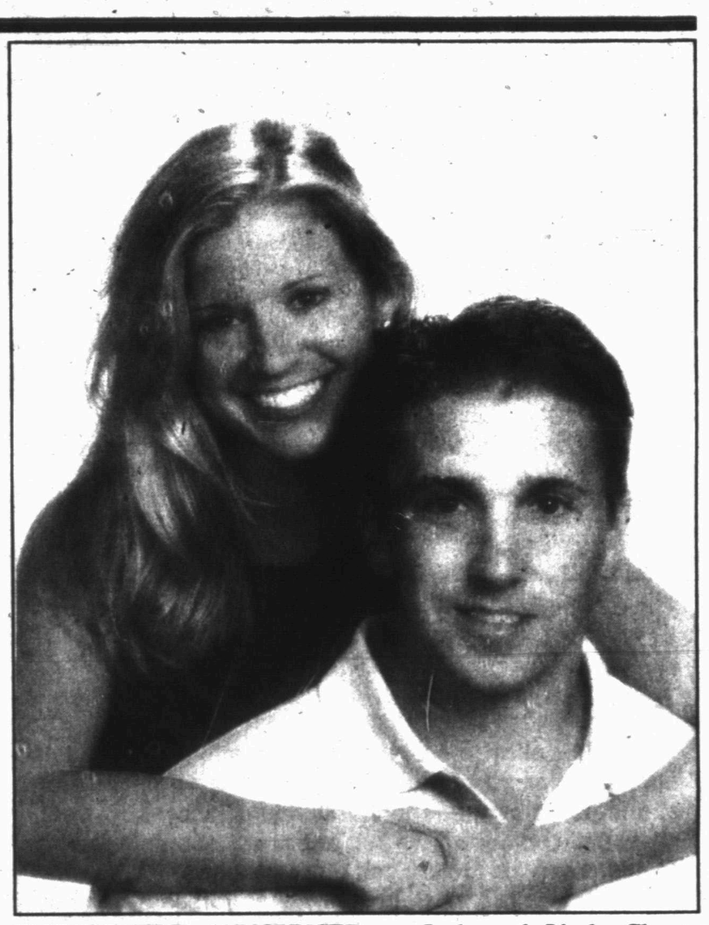
"My Life in Saudi Arabia" was the program subject as Griffith showed pictures, clothing, tapestry and food that depicted the native culture.

The luncheon used a patriotic theme and the New York victims and survivors were remembered with a time of silence.

Hostesses were Bobbie Taylor, Jackie McNew and D'Ann Grimmett.

The next meeting will be Oct. 9 and members will tour Farmer's Design Group near Ira.

Altrurian Daughters officers include Jackie McNew, president; D'Ann Grimmett, vice president; Jo Ann Littlepage, recording secretary; Nona Morrison, corresponding secretary; and Dora Blakey, treasurer.



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Jack and Linda Choate Greene of Snyder announce the engagement of her daughter, Amy Carol Choate, to Joel Knutowski, son of Ray and Pam Knutowski of Milwaukee, Wis. The couple will be married Nov. 23 in a small private ceremony on the beach at Sunset at Seaside, Fla. The bride-elect teaches kindergarten at Daniels Elementary Academy in Grand Prairie while the future groom is employed at Cutler-Hammer, an Eaton Corporation in Grand Prairie. (Contributed Photo)

Woman spots her stolen car quickly

SEATTLE (AP) — It didn't take long for Barb Trenchi to spot her car after she reported it stolen: It was speeding toward her, with police in hot pursuit.

"I guess it missed me by about 4 inches," she told The Herald of Everett.

Trenchi reported the stolen car Thursday morning and then took the bus to her job in downtown Seattle.

After getting off the bus, she was crossing the street when she spotted a car barreling toward her, followed by police cars, their lights flashing.

Trenchi said she barely stepped out of the way of the speeding car when she noticed the Vanderbilt sticker in the window and recognized it as her own.

Police said the car ran a red light, swerved onto a sidewalk, hitting a woman, and then crashed into cars in a parking lot.

The injured 67-year-old woman was taken to Harborview Medical Center with a broken leg and other injuries.

Police arrested the driver and two other young men in the car.

Trenchi said the heavily damaged car was being held by police for their investigation.

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BOOK FEATURE

Dare to Repair, by Julie Sussman

Dare to Repair demystifies home repairs by providing information that other books leave out. It is filled with detailed instructions, for tasks as varied as unclogging a toilet, to replacing a doorknob, to installing a dimmer switch. It provides even the most repair-challenged woman with the ability to successfully fix things around the home. With this book, you can skip the repairman, and do it yourself.

NEW NON-FICTION

The Miracle of the North Platte Canteen, by Bob Greene

Among the Heroes: United flight 93 and the passengers and crew who fought back, by Jere Longman.

My House is Killing Me: The home guide for families with allergies and asthma, by Jeffrey C. May.

The 150 Best Slow Cooker Recipes, by Judith Finlayson.

Aging With Grace: What the Nun study teaches us about leading longer, healthier lives, by David Snowdon

NEW FICTION

Man and Wife, by Andrew Klavan.

Whispers in the Dark, by Eleanor Bland.

Eyes of the Calculor, by Sean McMullen.

Whispers and Lies, by Joy Fielding.

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Trailer park may be on historic list

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The city's next historic monument could very well be something a lot of residents consider an eyesore: a trailer park.

The City Council is considering naming the Monterey Trailer Park to the list of historic and cultural monuments, joining 715 other sites that range from an avocado grove to the famed Hollywood sign.

State and federal officials say it may be the first U.S. trailer park given historical status.

The park's new owner doesn't want the honor. Peter Young says he is trying to restore the 1.7-acre property, one of about five-dozen mobile home parks in Los Angeles.

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Johnston, Allred pledge vows in Trinity United Methodist

Sabrina Rachel Johnston and Zachary Andrew Allred were united in marriage at 7 p.m. on Aug. 9 in Trinity United Methodist. Tom Woodward, minister of the church, officiated the double-ring ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. David Johnston and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Allred Sr., all of Snyder, are parents of the bride and groom.

The church was decorated with a wrought iron column archway draped with white organza entwined with miniature lights and white rose garlands. A wrought iron stand held the unity candle.

Cole McLeod played several songs including "The Bridal March," "Everything I Do, I Do For You," "Canon in D Major" and assorted prelude songs.

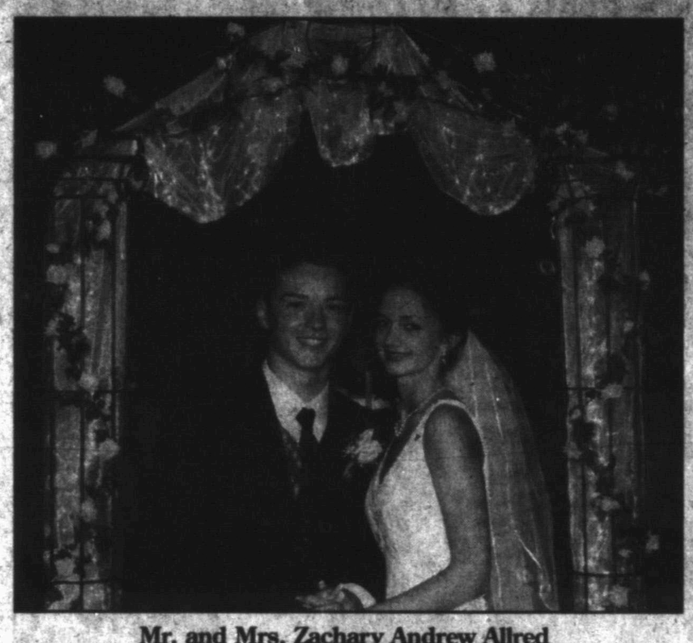
The bride's father presented her in marriage as she was attired in an original wedding dress created by Saison Blanch Bridals. The form fitting gown was created out of Italian lace and flowed into a demi-train. The tank straps framed a beautiful V-neck bodice edged with individually hand-sewn pearls and sequins. She wore pearl and diamond stud earrings with a pearl necklace featuring diamonds.

She carried a large bouquet of white and burgundy roses entwined with pearls, fern, lavender and pitisporum. It was completed with cascading burgundy and white ribbon, designed by Glenda Glasscock at Countryplace.

The bride wore a simple two-tiered veil on the back of her hair.

Matron of honor was Kandice Kimmel of Gail and bridesmaids were Scarlett Allbright of Snyder, and Tabitha Strong, her sister of Snyder. They wore long cream ankle-length, A-line gowns with spaghetti straps featuring a high-waisted burgundy band.

Chandler Elyse Strong, niece of the bride, was flower girl. Evin Michael Allbright, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer.



Mr. and Mrs. Zachary Andrew Allred
(Contributed Photo)

Best man was the groom's brother from Lubbock, Duane Allred. Groomsmen were Labow Rivers and Brian Long. Ushers included Brian Allred, the groom's brother, and Colton Harper. They wore black tuxedos with vests and ties and cream rose boutonnieres.

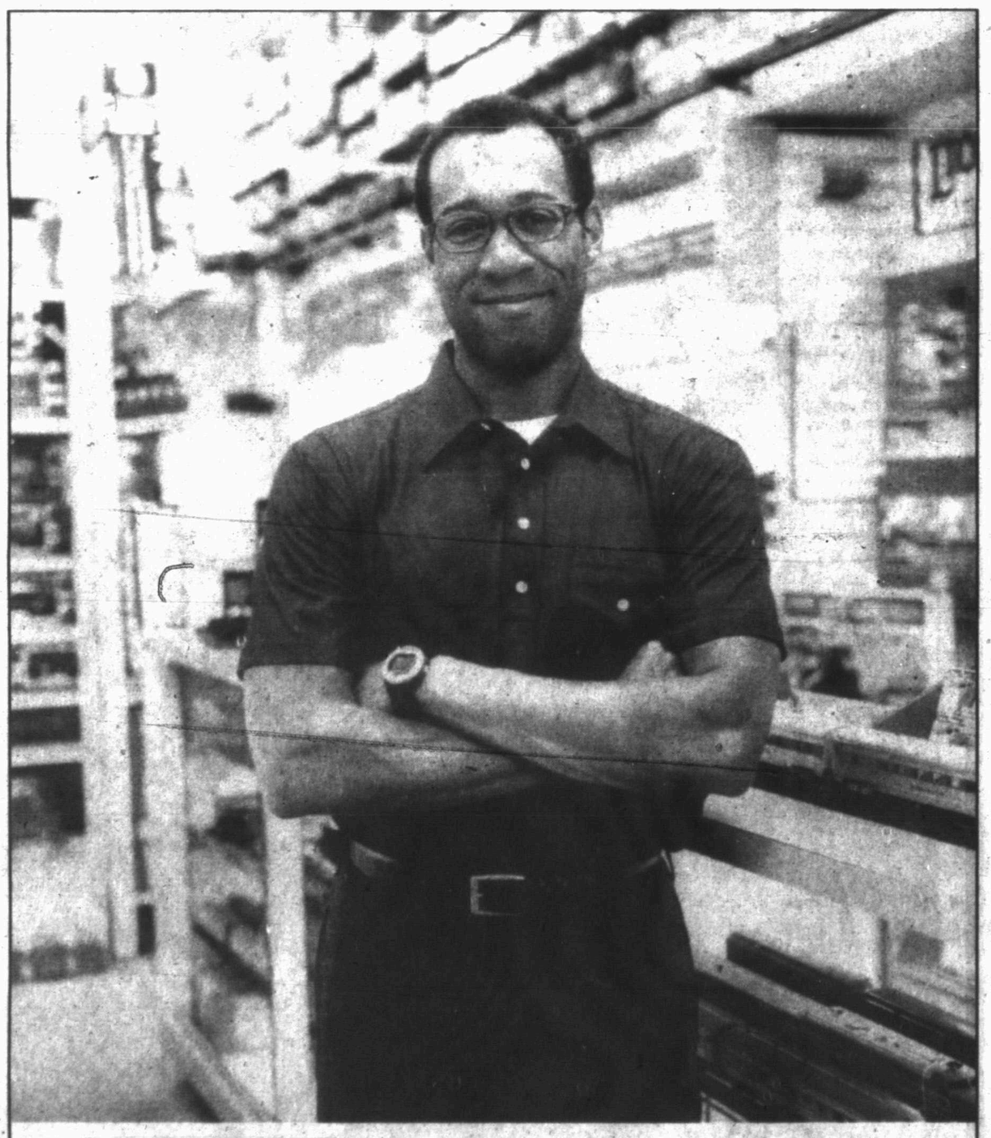
The reception was held in the church fellowship hall where the bride's table was backed by white lattice embellished with greenery. The three-tiered wedding cake was decorated with roses and topped with pearl double hearts on a cloud of lace. The table held two etched champagne glasses. A large burgundy candle was flanked by two white tea candles and napkins with the couple's names and wedding date. Jade Taggert and JoAnna Burk served.

The groom's table held a cake baked and decorated by Rodney Andrews, his uncle. The chocolate confection had a light chocolate frosting and decorated with chocolate covered strawberries. Coffee and mints were served in a sterling silver tea set borrowed from David and Shirley Hines.

Their honeymoon trip was to Honolulu, Hawaii, where they made their new home at Hickam Air Force Base.

The bride graduated from Snyder High School in 2002 and will attend Hawaii Pacific University in Honolulu. Born and reared in Snyder, Airman First Class Zach Allred is stationed at Hickam AFB.

Special guests included Connie Pindell, grandmother of the groom from Alexandria, Va.; Warren and Terry Kupp, his grandparents from Salt Lake City; Marc and Debra Mandt, aunt and uncle from Tampa, Fla.; LaNelle Johnson, his grandmother from Deming, N.M.; Lana Richardson, his aunt of Deming; and Rena and Rodney Andrews, his aunt and uncle from Lampasas.



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Saint Elizabeth in Snyder...

Catholic church will observe 50th anniversary on Sept. 29

Saint Elizabeth Catholic Church, 3005 Ave. A., will celebrate its 50th anniversary next Sunday.

Activities include a Golden Jubilee Mass slated for 2 p.m., with Bishop Placido Rodriguez, CMF, as the principal celebrant. There will be no 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Elementary and high school students in religious instruction classes and other parishioners will also take part in the Mass. In addition, altar servers will be the honor guards.

The theme of the Golden Jubilee will be "50 years of Thanksgiving and Graces from God through Saint Elizabeth of Hungary."

Former pastors and parishioners of Saint Elizabeth as well as all pastors in the Diocese of Lubbock are invited. Parishioners are writing an original prayer and song for Saint Elizabeth of Hungary for the anniversary Mass and future special occasions.

A short program will be held following the afternoon Mass. Plans include recognizing people who have been part of Saint Elizabeth Parish since it was established in 1952.

The historical committee has collected newspaper clippings and photographs to trace the history of the church from its beginning.

The historical committee is also working on a commemorative booklet to distribute at the Jubilee celebration. Names and addresses of former parishioners are still being sought. Lucille Beuerlein is the committee's chairman.

A memorial or prayer garden on the land where the church's convent once stood is also being considered. Barbara Parker heads the committee. Plans include keeping the flowers that already grow there. Other ideas under consideration may include adding a walkway and a statue of Saint Elizabeth.

Other heads of committees include Joe Hernandez, publicity committee for the Golden Jubilee. John Cline, Parish Pastoral Council president, has oversight of all the committees.

Saint Elizabeth church has 150 registered parishioners and some 240 people who attend Mass. The church has many ministries and about 100 students attend the religious classes.

The Men's Club sponsors scholarships for college-bound high school seniors. Parishioners also serve as communion ministers, lectors and altar servers.

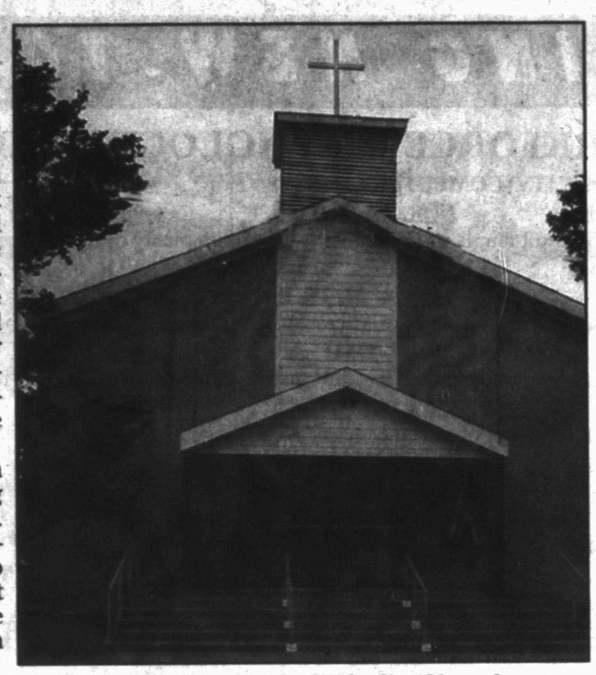
Fr. Roy José Badilles, pastor, ministers to the prisoners at the Price Daniel Unit, including offering Mass, the Sacrament of Penance and counseling for Catholic inmates.

Fr. Badilles is also a member of Snyder's Ministerial Alliance.

Saint John's in Hermleigh is Saint Elizabeth's sister church. Before Saint Elizabeth was built and because Hermleigh then had a larger population, Snyder Catholics attended Mass in Hermleigh.

Snyder also has another Catholic church. In 1951, Our Lady of Guadalupe began as a mission for Spanish-speaking Catholics. Guadalupe became its own parish in 1955, and Fr. Leo Moras is the current pastor.

Saint Elizabeth Church was dedicated on Oct. 14, 1952, and was established as a parish on Jan. 15, 1953. Originally, it was part of the Amarillo Diocese until January of 1962, then it became past of the San Angelo Diocese. In 1983, it was incorporated into the then newly created Diocese of Lubbock.



Saint Elizabeth Catholic Church

In 1949, the Catholic population in Snyder experienced many changes, which began with the discovery of oil in 1948. Snyder became a boomtown after 5,000 wells were drilled nearby. The Catholic population quickly grew from 3 to 85, with many living and working in oil camps located within a 35-mile radius of the city.

Before the boom years, Snyder Catholics attended St. John's in Hermleigh. In due time, a Fr. Ed Chrisman spearheaded the construction of a new church for Snyder, one that was dedicated on Oct. 14, 1952. At the request of a donor, Katherine Ryan, in memory of her mother, the church was named after Saint Elizabeth of Hungary.

Construction on a parochial school began in 1957. Katherine Ryan again contributed funds for its construction and the school was named in her honor. Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart staffed the school. Houses were moved from the Sun Oil Company camp to serve as a rectory and a convent.

Snyder's population has now grown to more than 12,000 and the Catholic Community has grown along with it.

Date Book

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2002

Today is the 264th day of 2002 and the 93rd day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1937, J.R.R. Tolkien's "The Hobbit" was first published.

On this day in 1939, President Franklin D. Roosevelt asked Congress to change the Neutrality Act by repealing its arms-embargo provision.

On this day in 1989, General Colin Powell was confirmed by the U.S. Senate as the new chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: H.G. Wells (1866-1946), writer; Larry Hagman (1931-), actor, is 71; Stephen King (1947-), writer, is 55; Bill Murray (1950-), actor, is 52; Cecil Fielder (1963-), baseball player, is 39.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1980, quarterback Richard Todd completed a record 42 passes for the New York Jets in a game against the San Francisco 49ers.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Our true nationality is mankind." — H.G. Wells

TODAY'S MOON: Full moon (Sept. 21).

Sunday, Sept. 22, 2002

Today is the 265th day of 2002 and the first day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1776, Nathan Hale, an American patriot, was executed by the British for spying.

On this day in 1961, the U.S. Congress formally authorized President Kennedy's Peace Corps as a permanent government agency.

On this day in 1971, Capt. Ernest Medina was acquitted on charges related to the My Lai massacre of over 200 Vietnamese civilians. Only one military official was ever held accountable for the killings.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Michael Faraday (1791-1867), scientist; Tommy Lasorda (1927-), baseball manager, is 75; Faye Weldon (1933-), writer, is 69; Debby Boone (1956-), singer, is 46; Joan Jett (1960-), singer, is 42; Scott Baio (1961-), actor, is 41.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1968, Cesar Tovar of the Minnesota Twins played all nine positions during a game against the Oakland A's. The Twins won 2-1.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Men are irrelevant." — Faye Weldon

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Sept. 21) and last quarter (Sept. 29).

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Graduates, honor students announced at Texas Tech

LUBBOCK — Summer commencement at Texas Tech University was held Aug. 10. Students were also named to either the Dean's List or President's List.

Those receiving degrees from Scurry County include:

• Amanda Kay Baker, summa cum bachelor of science in family studies;

• Michelle Brooke Tuttle, bachelor of science in exercise and sports sciences; and

• Brady Keith Collier, master of business administration in general business.

• Susan Elaine Blackard of Hermleigh, magna cum bachelor of science in multidisciplinary studies.

• Misty Lynn Chance of Ira, bachelor of science in chemical engineering.

President's List

Named to the President's List were:

• Sally Jo Barham of Snyder, senior, general business international.

• Vanessa Danielle Jones of Snyder, senior, early childhood.

• Susan Elaine Blackard of Hermleigh, senior, multidisciplinary studies.

Dean's List

Included on the Dean's List is:

• Shelley Renee Shifflett of Snyder, senior, advertising.

To be eligible for the President's List, a student must earn a 4.0 grade point average while taking 12 or more course credits.

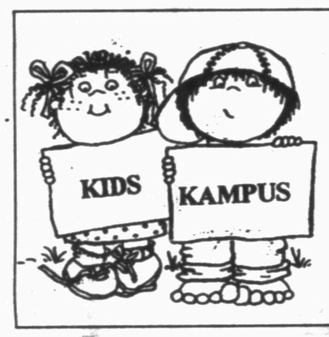
Those on the Dean's List earned 3.5-3.9 while taking 12 qualifying hours.

Heston plans visits

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — Charlton Heston plans to visit three cities in the state to raise money for the Alabama Republican Party.

Heston's visit on Friday came six weeks after the 78-year-old actor announced that he had been diagnosed with symptoms consistent with Alzheimer's disease.

Michael Davis, director of the Alabama Republican Party's Victory 2002 Campaign, said Heston's Alabama tour will begin with a breakfast at a Mobile hotel. Tickets are $100 per person for the breakfast, sponsored by Republican candidates.



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Fault found in earthquake prediction model

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A new Stanford University study could undermine a long-held theory that helps geologists forecast earthquakes.

The theory holds that earthquakes are "time-predictable," meaning the energy buildup that causes them happens on a somewhat regular basis. But the scientists found that wasn't the case in a rather geologically simple area of the San Andreas fault near Parkfield.

Stanford geophysicists Jessica Murray and Paul Segall reported in the Sept. 12 issue of the journal Nature that their research in Parkfield shows the time prediction model failed in what should have been an ideal locale for its application.

"I think that this will lead people to realize how uncertain this model is," Murray said.

The findings suggest that it could be even harder to apply the theory accurately in complex fault regions such as the San Francisco Bay area.

Scientists in Parkfield have been waiting for a substantial earthquake since 1988, when time prediction said the area was due for a quake. Midsize earthquakes have hit the area roughly every 22 years since 1857.

The Stanford researchers used a long history of data on the frequency of earthquakes at Parkfield, as well as data on how much the earth had moved.

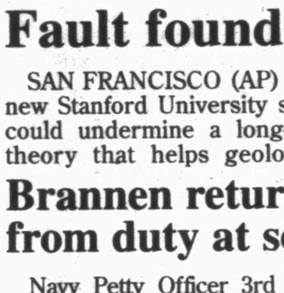
Brannen returns from duty at sea

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Johnny E. Brannen, son of Ruthie A. Rohrbaugh of Holcomb, Kan., and Allison E. Brannen of Snyder, recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf in support of Operation Enduring Freedom while assigned to the guided missile cruiser USS Hue City, homeported in Mayport, Fla.

Brannen was one of more than 10,000 Atlantic Fleet sailors and Marines aboard the ships of the USS John F. Kennedy Carrier Battle Group and USS Wasp Amphibious Ready Group participating in joint-service, multinational operations in the U.S.-led was against terrorism

Brannen is a 1995 graduate of Fort Elliott High School of Briscoe and joined the Navy in June 2000.

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This course is designed to teach both owner and pet the basics of dog handling, obedience and care. You will need a 6-foot leather leash and a choker chain. You must also provide documentation that your dog has received all vaccinations and been wormed. Class is open to adults and children but dogs must be at least 8 months old.

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(Basic Greenhouse) A study of container and field-grown plants generally used in nursery operations. Topics include seasonal bedding plants such as annuals, perennials, and vegetables. May also include the identification and use of woody plants.

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Concealed Handgun Preparation Oct. 24 & 26 6:00pm Cost: $75.00
This course meets the training requirements necessary before you may apply for a concealed handgun license. During the course topics of discussion will be use of force, public contact with law enforcement, non-violent dispute resolution, weapon storage, safety practices (child safety), range safety, basic marksmanship, handgun use and evaluation, handgun proficiency, and a final exam. We will also discuss concealed handgun license requirements and restrictions. You will need to provide your own weapon and ammunition.

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EMT – Instructors Update Sept. 29 1-7 pm
***Course description*:** Instruction in teaching methodology for instructors and coordinators of EMS classes.

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EMT-Basic Jan. 13 6-10 pm Cost: $450.00
Course description: Introductory course to train students to become EMT's. Includes all the skills necessary to provide emergency medical care at a basic level with an ambulance service.

EMT-Basic Update Jan 13 6-10 pm Cost: TBA
Course description: enrichment course for certified EMT's to obtain CEU's in order to maintain certification.

EMT-Intermediate Jan 14 6-10 pm Cost: &580.00
Course description: Intermediate level training course for Basic EMT's with emphasis in advanced airway techniques and intravenous therapy.

EMT-Update Intermediate Jan 14 6-10 pm Cost: TBA
Course description: enrichment course for certified EMT-Intermediates to obtain CEU's in order to maintain certification.

Pharmacy Technician Jan. 20 1-5 pm Cost: $350.00
Instruction in the qualifications, operational guidelines, and job duties of a pharmacy technician. Topics include legal and ethical guidelines, job skills and duties, verbal and written communication skills, professional resources, safety techniques, and supply and inventory techniques.

Medical Terminology Jan. TBA Cost: TBA
Course description: A study of common medical terminology, work origin, structure, and application.

EMT-Paramedic Update Jan 13 6-10 pm Cost: TBA
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(Senior Center) A continuation from Basic Windows

Advanced Internet Dec. 2, 4, 9, 11 2-4pm $18
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Genealogy Online Dec. 4, 6, 11, 13 9am-12pm $25
(Senior Center)

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Quickbooks 2002 Dec. 5, 12, 19 6-10pm $45
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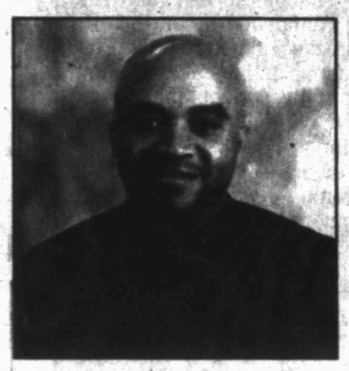
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A Note from the President



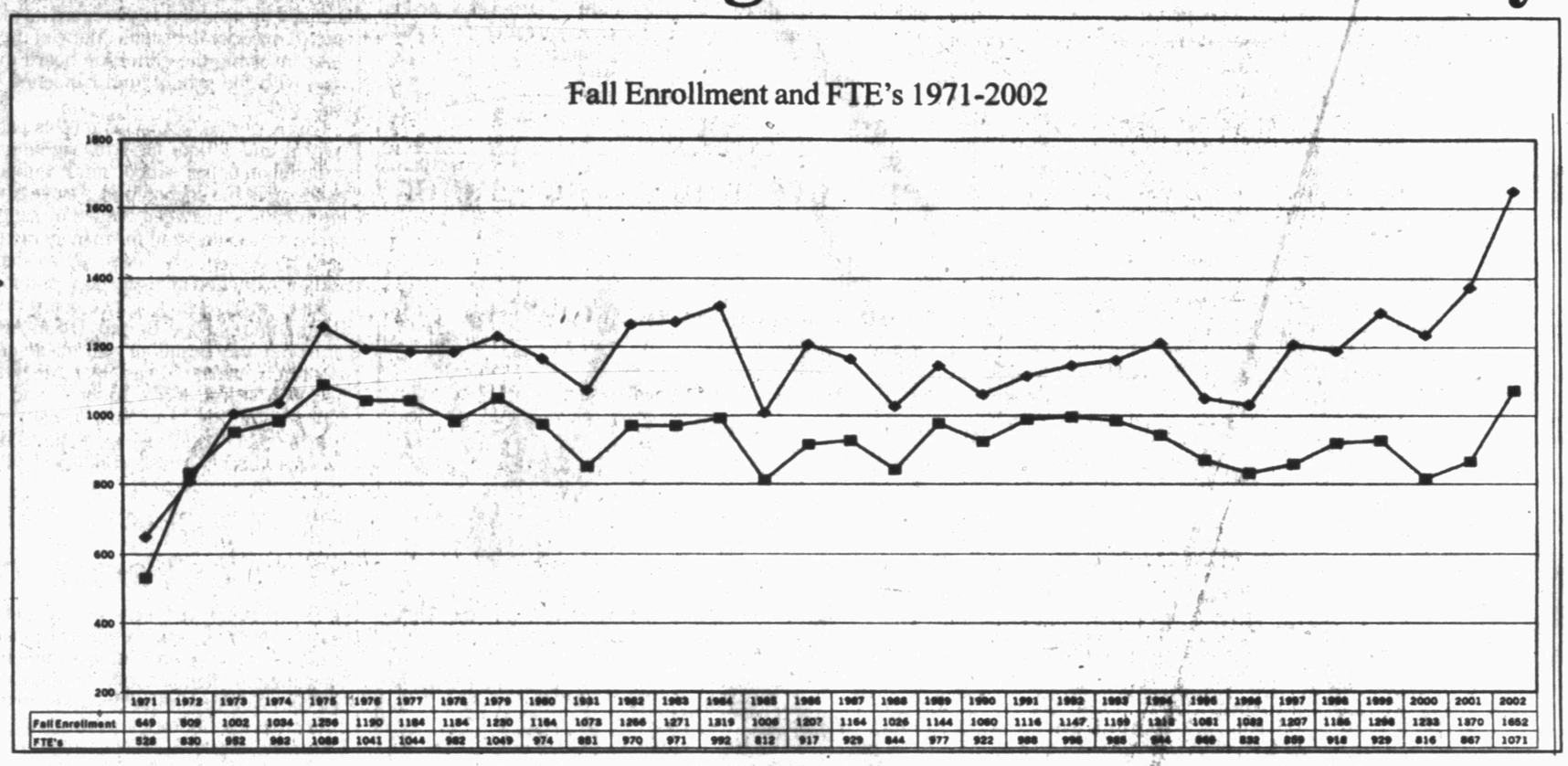
Dr. Greg Williams

I would like to begin this column by thanking the people of Snyder for your assistance and aid in getting Western Texas College back to fulfilling our original mission, which is to serve all citizens of Scurry and neighboring counties. Yes, I know that we struggled for a time, but now we are back on tract and working to be even better. Again, for that I thank you for your kind words of support; your sharing of facilities and staff; your willingness to take the courses we offer; and finally, I thank you for the contributions and participation that you have provided as we have worked hard to raise money for new programs and new students. As you have probably heard and hopefully noticed, Western Texas College has returned to its roots, while at the same time taken full advantage of the new possibilities and ideas that exist in the today's higher education world. And for that commitment to honor our history while grasping our future, we have been greatly rewarded with the best enrollment numbers in the school's history! For past and for this most recent success, I reach out my hand of thanks and appreciation to you, a community that has fully embraced its college.

Western Texas College's commitment to you is to continue what we are doing and to get better and more active in the community as time goes on. I realize that we have been quite visible latterly, and that is by design. Still, while we plan to increase our activities in the community, we never wish to become annoying. Please remember that our goals and requirements force us to be proactive. Our plan is simple. We want to be the best community college in the country. How long that will take, I do not know, but my challenge to the faculty, the staff, the administration, and myself is to be the best. In order to become the best college possible, we must continue to plan, work hard, and remain as current as possible in all areas of our work. Again, I feel that we are on the right path to achieve our goals.

My vision for WTC includes a eampus atmosphere that is welcoming and pleasing to our community; facilities on campus that will both attract students and make our community proud; and a college that stands out in the minds of our citizens as a place that we can all be proud of. I hope that you will continue to stand with us as we deal with some of our growing pains. We will make some mistakes; we will drop a few balls from time to time; but in the end you will notice that our plans are to push the envelope until we are indeed the best. Therefore, we request your patience, your support, and your business, but most of all, we want to earn your respect.

Fall Enrollment Highest in WTC History



	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Fall Enrollment	649	809	1002	1034	1256	1190	1184	1184	1230	1184	1073	1266	1271	1319	1006	1207	1164	1026	1144	1060	1116	1147	1199	1313	1081	1082	1207	1186	1298	1233	1370	1652
FTE's	528	830	982	982	1088	1041	1044	982	1049	974	951	970	971	992	812	917	929	844	977	922	988	996	985	994	969	892	899	918	929	816	867	1071

By Jim Clifton
Dean of Student Services

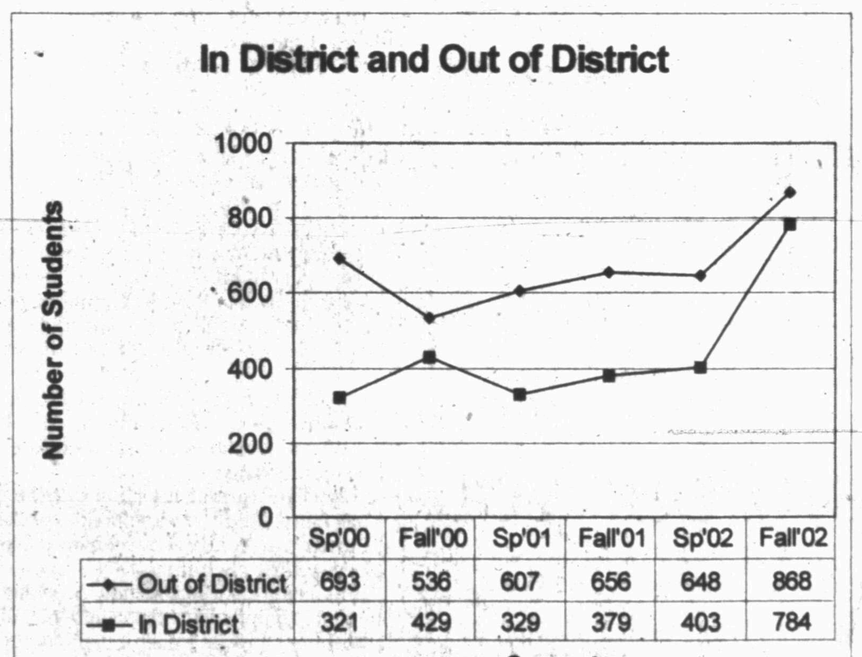
It's September, Western Texas College has completed its Fall registration for the year, and the final numbers are in. In terms relative to those of us in education the types of numbers we look at, and what they mean, are critically important to funding from the State. Many people do not realize that the money a student pays to an institution is only about one-third of the cost of attendance. The State of Texas pays another third through a funding formula, and the last third comes from district taxes. It is that formula that the enrollment report is inextricably tied to. Texas allocates a certain amount to education for all public institutions, then says it will provide a percentage of it based on contact hours, In the past few years, colleges have been funded somewhere between 61 and 72 percent of the formula.

There are a couple of tables of information that accompany this narrative, and if you take a minute to study them very closely, you may begin to understand just how much growth WTC has experienced in the past two years. While total enrollment numbers are the highest since the college opened in 1971, 1652 students, the true success story comes with an explanation of "full time equivalencies" (FTE's). We take the total number of contact hours, seat time so to speak, of all the students, and divide it by twelve, the number of hours it would take to be a full time student, hence, an equivalency.

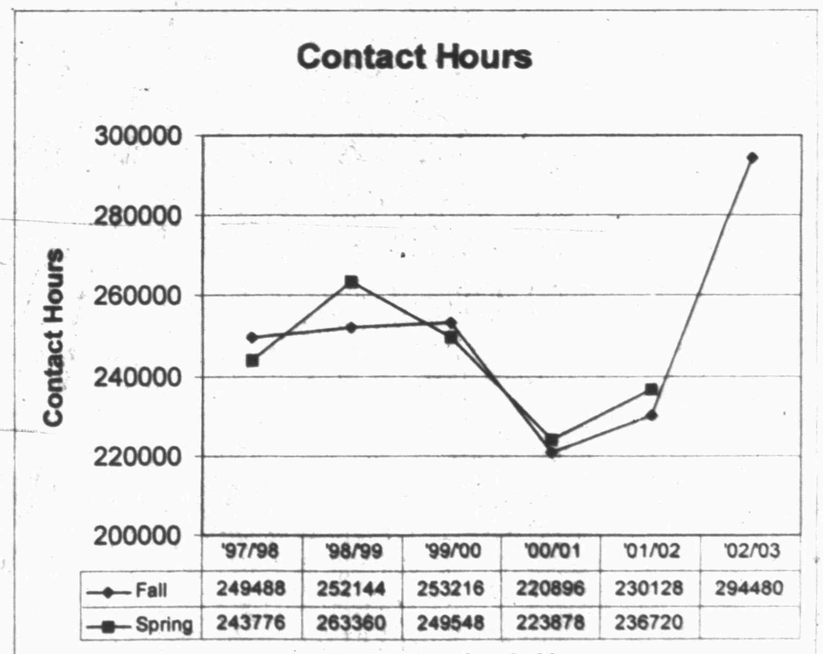
Since the school opened, the highest number of FTE's we've ever had was 1087, in 1975. If you'll remember your youth, or perhaps a history class for those of you who are younger, this was right after the Viet Nam conflict ended, and there were many federal assistance dollars out there to help veterans and displaced wage earners. This year, WTC has been blessed with 1071 FTE's, its second highest record, and this in a time of resource scarcity. If our track record is any indication, our contact hours for this next spring may exceed 300,000 for the first time in our history. We have over 300 more students attending the college this semester from inside Scurry County than we did last Fall, and over 400 since the Fall before that. While there are lots of small factors that have led to this type of positive growth, the big picture is that WTC is serving its taxing district exactly as its founders intended. Not only that, but the diversification of educational delivery has enabled us to reach over 500 other students from outside the district, some of them in as many as 46 high schools, and others in even more remote locations.

I recently attended an enrollment workshop in San Angelo and listened to several other community colleges lament growth that did not meet their expectations. I also heard a couple of universities state that their projections were not reached. WTC met its goal of 12% growth and exceeded it by another 13%! This isn't all due to sports programs either. Students attending WTC brought with them over $48,000 in designated scholarships (not from the usual WTC student services funds). This is a testimony for the quality of the students this college is attracting now. Not only has the institution maintained a low cost of attendance and fostered a quality level of instruction, but it is also being sought as a feeder school for some major universities.

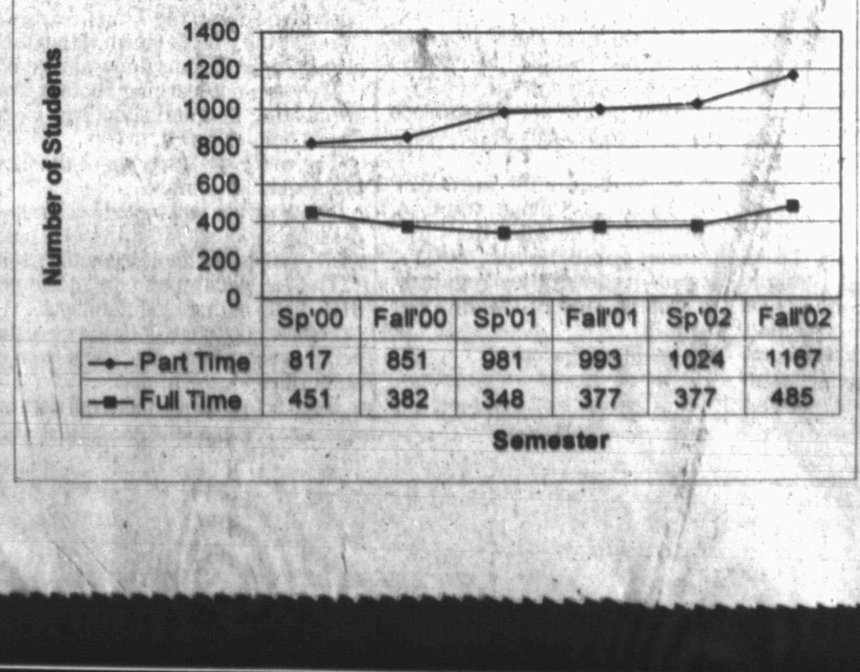
There is much more that can be said about the future for Western Texas College, a lot of it pretty detailed and involved, but all of it headed the right way. Consider your own directions, and come be part of the excitement.



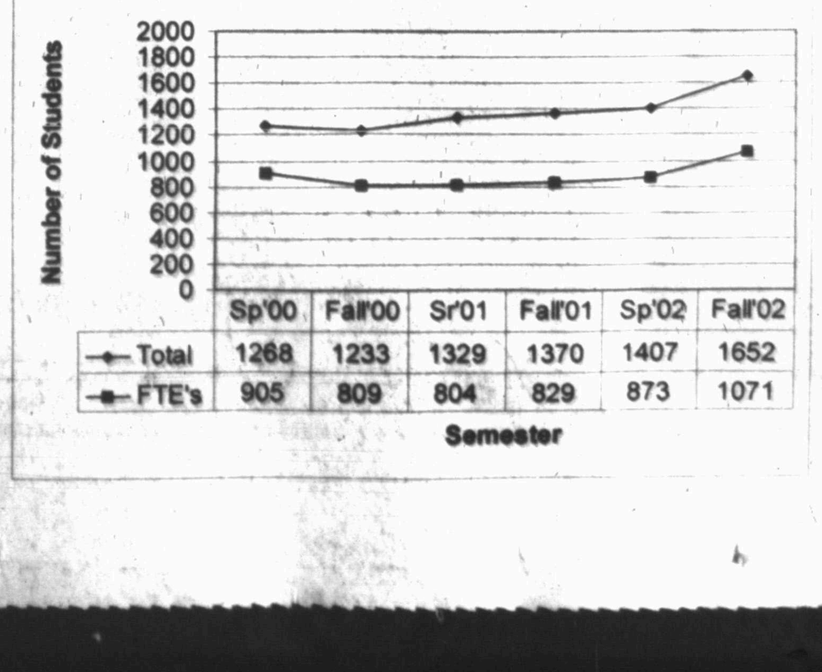
	Sp'00	Fall'00	Sp'01	Fall'01	Sp'02	Fall'02
Out of District	693	536	607	656	648	868
In District	321	429	329	379	403	784



	'97/98	'98/99	'99/00	'00/01	'01/02	'02/03
Fall	249488	252144	253216	220896	230128	294480
Spring	243776	263360	249548	223878	236720	



	Sp'00	Fall'00	Sp'01	Fall'01	Sp'02	Fall'02
Part Time	817	851	981	993	1024	1167
Full Time	451	382	348	377	377	485



	Sp'00	Fall'00	Sr'01	Fall'01	Sp'02	Fall'02
Total	1268	1233	1329	1370	1407	1652
FTE's	905	809	804	829	873	1071

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Saints and Sinners by George Plagenz

Drinking from the common cup

President Bush had returned to his ranch in Texas but his father was in the congregation at the 8 o'clock outdoor communion service at St. Ann's Episcopal Church in Kennebunkport, Maine. The noise of the ocean waves lapping at the gigantic rocks a few feet away added to the magnificence of the setting.

I was sitting four rows behind the former president and got to exchange a few pleasantries with him after the service, but I didn't get to ask him whether he drank from the "common cup" when he went up to the altar to receive communion.

The visiting minister had told those who were to partake of the sacrament that they could drink from the common cup or use the method of intinction, a way of receiving communion that involves holding the wafer between the thumb and forefinger and dipping it in the wine in the cup.

This is for the over-fastidious who are fearful of "catching something" by drinking from a cup that has touched another's lips.

Intinction isn't for everyone. The possibility that some "deep dippers" (maybe with dirty fingernails) will inadvertently put their fingers in the wine when the cup comes around to them makes some people squeamish.

Other alternatives have been tried in some churches — from the use of "shot glasses" passed to communicants on a tray to the use of straws and plastic spoons that are made available to people as they approach the altar.

Germs were unknown in Bible times. Hygienic practices were therefore lax. It was more important to be ceremonially clean, following the rituals prescribed for worship in the Old Testament.

Medical doctors and epidemiologists do not all agree on the health dangers posed when many people drink from the same communion cup.

Those who say the common cup may be a means of transmitting disease admit the risk is very small.

A doctor quoted in a Catholic brochure says, "The alcoholic content of the wine, plus the practice of wiping the cup and turning it to a new position for each communicant, seems to remove any danger of disease being transmitted."

Other physicians, however, dispute the claim that the wine (14.5 percent alcohol in sacramental wine) kills any bacteria.

Many religious people have no fears about drinking from a common cup. They have faith that no harm can come to them while they are consuming wine that represents — or has been turned into — the Lord's blood.

Some churches, nevertheless, urge people with colds or other communicable diseases not to drink from the common cup.

A certain amount of protocol goes into the receiving of communion, particularly in churches such as the Catholic, Episcopal and Lutheran.

It is expected, for example, that people will stay till the end of the communion service and not leave church after they have "communed."

A Catholic church in Florida has a sign on the door at the back of the church for those who skip out early. It reads, "Judas left early, too (John 13:30)." This is a reference to the story of the Last Supper of Jesus and his disciples on the Thursday evening of Holy Week. The gospel records that "as soon as Judas had taken the bread, he went out."

George Washington, a lifelong Episcopalian, had an even worse habit. He would slip out of church even before the communion part of the service began.

This so incensed one rector that he preached a sermon, with Washington in the congregation, deploring the bad example of "those in elevated stations who turn their backs on the Lord's Supper." Washington promised not to repeat the offense.

He didn't. He never appeared in church thereafter on a communion Sunday.

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Letter to the Editor

Good Samaritan

Dear Editor:

We have a Good Samaritam in this town. His name is Ken Slaughter.

Driving back from Sweetwater, recently, he picked up a hitchhiker. The man had recently got out of jail, he told Ken.

Ken took him to the Plaza Restaurant in Snyder, bought his supper, and gave him $10. Ken wanted to take him to Lubbock where he lived with two grown sons. But the man insisted on hitchhiking there after supper.

The hiker wanted Ken's address so he could repay him but Ken refused.

Ken and I are described in Ephesians, chapter 2 in the Bible — the way we used to be by nature, "The children of wrath," but God, who is merciful, redeemed us.

Read Matthew chapter 24 for more of God's light on this deed of Ken's.

Sincerely,
Buck Sitton



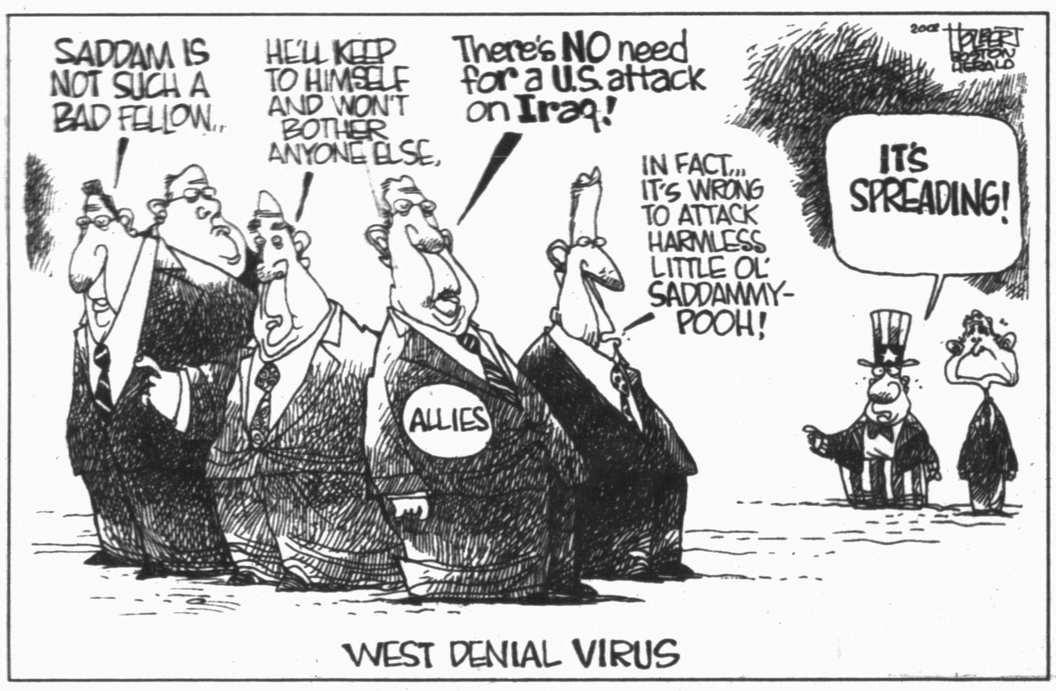
Open Government Barometer

Number of Executive Sessions held by public entities in 2002.

Scurry County	8
Snyder ISD	5
City of Snyder	4
DCOS	4
Cogdell Hospital	2
Hermleigh ISD	2
Ira ISD	2
WTC	2







EDITORIAL COMMENT

Austin American-Statesman

Board needs ethics policy

Business dealings between the State Board of Education and those who provide services to the public school fund that the board oversees would be more transparent under a tougher ethics policy the board tentatively approved last week.

It is disheartening that the board has taken so long to approve a policy. It is also unfortunate that the 15-member elected board won't give final approval to the policy until after November's election. It will be telling if board members, who approved the policy overwhelmingly last week, reverse that decision after the election.

Board members can show they are serious about rebuilding public trust by giving final approval to a tougher ethics policy. But more has to be done to safeguard the $17 billion Permanent School Fund.

We believe the Legislature should enact ethics rules governing the board and enforce them with penalties. The board has been inclined on occasion to disregard its own rules when they got in the way of majority decisions. Many of the current alleged ethics violations involving the education board members and those who contract with the school fund happened because rules were bent or cast aside.

On numerous occasions on this page, we have called for ethics reform and school fund management changes to safeguard the multibillion-dollar school fund. Public confidence in the board's handling of the school fund, a trove of stocks and bonds and oil and gas royalties, has been eroded by allegations of influence-peddling, backdoor dealing and mismanagement of investments that stretch back more than five years. (A legislative committee and the state auditor launched investigations and found problems.)

Just a few weeks ago, two board members — David Bradley, R-Beaumont, and Joe Bernal, D-San Antonio — were indicted by a Travis County grand jury on misdemeanor charges for conspiring to circumvent the Texas Open Meetings Act. Former board member, Bob Offutt, R-San Antonio, and three financial advisers, Joe Alderete of San Antonio, Russell Stein of Houston and Brian Borowski of Austin, also were indicted and charged in that case. At issue is whether the six conducted an illegal meeting at Katz's Deli and Bar in August 2000.

Houston Chronicle

Plight of Mexican middle class

The Mexican economy depends on Mexico's middle class, and middle-class Mexican families are making little progress or losing ground. Mexico suffers unique ailments, but some of the pressures on struggling families in Mexico are exerting themselves on working-class families in the United States.

In a series of stories in the Sept. 1-4 editions of the Houston Chronicle, reporter Jenalia Moreno did more than recite the well-known litany of woes inflicted on Mexico's citizens by official crime, corrupt officials and a superwealthy, self-absorbed oligarchy. The series also sharply observed how this pathology, long resistant to treatment, infects the lives of hardworking and educated Mexicans, to say nothing of the millions living in abject poverty.

Every six years, coinciding more or less with the inauguration of a new president, Mexico endures a setback ranging from an economic downturn to a full-blown crisis requiring a foreign bailout. As a result, middle-class Mexicans have no money to save and can't borrow any, except from friends and family.

Even professionals who have jobs cannot count on keeping them. The unemployed and those just graduating have little chance of climbing the job and income ladder.

Many of Mexico's public schools are bad, and all of them are regarded with a jaundiced eye by prospective employers. Private school education is essential for ambitious Mexicans and increasingly beyond the means of middle-class families.

Corrupt bureaucracies write and enforce ever-changing regulations that carelessly or deliberately discourage the formation of small businesses and close many that otherwise would thrive.

In Mexico, it is said, the poor cannot pay taxes and the rich won't. The burden falls on the middle-class, reducing its buying power and ability to stimulate the economy. In a country of more than 100 million citizens, fewer than 8 million file income tax returns.

NAFTA has reduced the price of U.S. imports, but middle-class incomes have remained stagnant, leaving little left over after the purchase of necessities.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Armey's stall

When it comes to gridlock, Congress could put the most congested Los Angeles freeway to shame. Among the many reasons for Congress' frequent failure to act decisively on bills is the tendency of representatives on both sides of the hot-button abortion issue to tie it to unrelated legislation.

House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Flower Mound, who is fiercely anti-abortion, is the latest example of that predilection. He has been holding up legislation for renewed federal funding for community health centers until he gets a vote on a much more controversial issue involving abortions at publicly funded institutions.

There is widespread, bipartisan support for the community centers, including from President Bush. Approximately 1,000 centers provide health care for about 12 million people annually — half of whom have no health insurance. The community centers do not perform abortions. Armey therefore should cease holding this legislation hostage.

Believe it or not, abortion was the primary sticking point that led to a bankruptcy reform bill unexpectedly being stalled in the House in July. The controversy centered around a measure introduced by Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., an abortion-rights supporter, to prevent lawbreaking abortion protesters from using bankruptcy to avoid paying court fines and penalties. That never should have become a pivotal issue of bankruptcy reform, but it did.

San Antonio Express-News

Work proceeds on corridor plan

Texas is embarking on what the Texas Department of Transportation describes as "the largest engineering project ever proposed for Texas," the Trans Texas Corridor.

Yet, as the wheels churn within the department preparing for this project, most Texans know almost nothing about it.

They are not learning about it from the governor's race. Voters are hearing no more about transportation than they are about the state's budget deficit.

The more we learn about the Trans Texas Corridor, the more problematic it sounds.

The corridor will include separate highway lanes for trucks and passenger vehicles; high-speed passenger rail; freight rail; commuter rail; and a dedicated utility zone.

The estimated total cost of the project is from $145.2 billion to $183.5 billion that's right, billion.

Because the state does not have the means to pay for such a project, it is requesting proposals from private contractors or regional authorities for toll projects.

Contractors must make rail part of any proposed project.

The Village Idiot by Jim Mullen



Coming soon to a theater near you

The nearest movie theater to our farm is thirty miles away. That sounds worse than it is. When we lived in Manhattan, it often took us thirty minutes or more to get to an uptown theater from downtown, or vice versa. And for a hit movie, you'd always have to wait in line. Still, it seems like a minor adventure every time we drive to the county seat, which is so big it has a mall and a two-screen multiplex. It's so small our Star Wars imbecile only had to come two minutes early to be the first in line.

Tiny though it is, some things are exactly like the big city. The couple behind us thinks no one can hear them. They are talking in an absolutely normal tone of voice, as if the rest of us are invisible and there is no one else in the movie theater.

"At five minutes to five she asks me to type this report. Can you believe it? She knew I was going out tonight, too."

"Yeah," says her partner, "you give someone a Harvard degree, a Rhodes scholarship, a Supreme Court clerkship and a Nobel Prize and they think they know everything. Where do they get off?"

In front of us, two college kids are necking. The guy is scraping the back of her throat with his tongue stud. It looks like he's trying to reach something she had for lunch.

"It's right out of a Fred Astaire-Ginger Rogers movie, isn't it?" Sue says. I wonder what the proper etiquette is? Is it rude to ask another paying customer to please stop making us sick?

Finally, blessedly, the lights go down. A notice appears that this preview has been approved for all audiences. Then, in Dolbyized quadraphonic sound we hear an agonizing human scream; a picture of a shiny carving knife plowing through a chest. The movie we have come to see is a lighthearted romantic comedy. A filthy hand reaches into the body cavity and pulls out a still-beating human heart. The hand throws the heart on the floor and a large black boot stomps it flat then kicks it away. A voice announces "You've never seen anything like this before!"

Like that would be a bad thing? I've never seen a man fall into a wood chipper. I've never seen anyone swallow a live rattlesnake. I've never seen one Siamese twin drink milk and the other one blow it out his nose. That doesn't mean I want to.

Once again, the green notice: "This preview has been approved for all audiences" then "He's unpleasant and stupid! She's topless most of the time! Lots of body part jokes! From the man that directed 'Straight to Cable!' and the producers of 'Expensive, Celebrity-Filled Crap' comes the laugh-free comedy, "Obscene Gesture"! It's the movie your whole middle school will be talking about!"

Will the movie we paid to watch ever start? Remind me to come ten minutes late next time. The two in front of us finish necking and light up a joint. "Isn't this a no smoking theater?" I ask Sue in a stage whisper.

The guy in front of us turns around and says, "They mean cigarettes, dude."

"We've really got to do this more often." I say.

"Do you mind?" says one of the women behind us. "We're trying to watch a movie here!"

"Some people are so inconsiderate," says her friend.

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Scurry County Anti-drug Connection

The best things in life are drug free

The Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with the Scurry County Anti Drug Connection and Al-Anon support groups devote this column to current information on substance abuse, and how we, as a community, can work together to create a safe and drug free environment for our children.

Celebrate Family Day in Scurry County Monday

"Family Day—A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children" is a national effort to promote family dinners as a natural, effective way to reduce teen substance abuse risk. The goal of Family Day is not simply to promote family dinners on the day in question, but to symbolize the importance of regular family dinners and to encourage Americans to make family dinners a regular feature of their lives. Parent Power is the most potent—and underutilized—tool in preventing substance use.

Research has shown that teens who eat frequent family dinners are less likely than other teens to have sex at young ages, get into fights or be suspended from school, and are at lower risk for thoughts of suicide. Frequent family dining is also correlated with doing well in school and developing healthy eating habits. This pattern holds true regardless of a teen's sex, family structure, and family socioeconomic level.

Frequently Asked Questions

Where can I find the research that Family Day is based on?

Since 1996, research by The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University has consistently shown that the more often a child eats dinner with his family, the less likely that child is to smoke, drink or use illegal drugs. This research is published in CASA's annual Teen Surveys, which are available in the publications section of our website, www.casacolumbia.org. The key findings on family dinners appear in the surveys from 1998, 1999 and 2000.

My schedule doesn't permit me to have dinner with my family on Family Day. Can I still celebrate it?

Family Day is a symbolic event. It is meant as a reminder of the importance of parental involvement in a child's life. The important part of the day is spending quality time together. If you cannot have dinner together, pick another meal or activity that you can do as a family.

I am a child's primary caretaker, but I am not that child's parent. Does Family Day exclude me?

Family Day is meant as a celebration of the family-however that family may be structured. What is important is that a child has a parental figure that is actively involved in that child's life.

The 2000 Teen Survey by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University revealed that being a "hands-on" parent who is involved in a teen's life can significantly lower the teen's substance abuse risk, regardless of family structure. For example, a teen living with a single mother who is "hands-on" has a lower risk of substance abuse than the average teen living in a two-parent household.

Besides eating dinner with my child, what else can I do to help prevent substance abuse in my teen?

CASA's 2000 Teen Survey found that teens with "hands-on" parents-parents who have established a household culture of rules and expectations for their teen's behavior and monitor what their teen does-are at one quarter the risk of smoking, drinking and using drugs as teens with "hands-off" parents.

"Hands-on" parents consistently take at least 9 of the following 12 actions: eat dinner with their teen most every night; turn off the TV during dinner; make clear they would be "extremely upset" if their teen used pot; expect to be and are told the truth by their teen about where they really are going in evenings or on weekends; know where their teen is after school and on weekends; are "very aware" of their teen's academic performance; monitor what their teen watches on TV; put restrictions on the music CDs they buy; monitor their teen's internet usage; impose a weekend curfew; assign their teen regular chores; have an adult present when the teen returns from school.

In short, CASA has found that parent power is the single most important weapon in the effort to give our children the will and skills to say no to illegal drugs, cigarettes and alcohol.

My teen complains when I ask him where he is going or tell him he has to be home at a certain time. I am worried that imposing rules on my teen will harm our relationship. What should I do?

Despite the conventional wisdom that many teens do not want their parents to establish rules and expectations, our 2000 Teen Survey found that teens with "hands-on" parents are much more likely to have an excellent relationship with their parents than teens with "hands-off" parents. Fifty-seven percent of teens in "hands-on" households report an excellent relationship with their mother, and 47 percent report an excellent relationship with their fathers. Only 24 percent of teens with "hands-off" parents report an excellent relationship with their mother, and only 13 percent report an excellent relationship with their father. Though your teen may complain about having to tell you where he is going or having a curfew, your teen knows that you impose these rules because you care.

How do I talk to my teen about drugs?

Advice on how to talk to your teen about drugs is available in the "Parent Power" section of "FYI—Family and Youth Information" on CASA's website.

Other useful resources include the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation's Talking with Kids About Tough Issues (www.talkingwithkids.org, 1-800-CHILD-44), the National Institute on Drug Abuse's Preventing Drug Abuse Among Children and Adolescents (1-800-729-6686), and the National Education Association's Can We Talk? Campaign (www.canwetalk.org).

Information provided by The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University website.

For more information on how you and/or your business or organization can be involved in promoting a drug-free community, contact the Scurry County Anti-Drug Connection at the Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 574-1931 or 573-1411

Abduction suspect had been out on bail

HOUSTON (AP) — A Southeast Texas man free on bond on a charge of killing his mother-in-law was back in jail after being charged in the abduction and sexual assault of a 15-year-old girl.

Kerry Ashley O'Neal, 23, is accused in the Sept. 11 abduction of an Aldine High School sophomore who was waiting at a school bus stop when she was forced into a truck at knifepoint, robbed and raped.

Douglas Neil Tickner, 23, was also arrested in connection with the crime.

O'Neal had been arrested and charged with murder in June. He was accused of strangling Nettie Fox, 53, in her north Harris County home on June 29, while his 22 month-old slept in the house.

He was arrested the next day and posted $100,000 bond.

A sheriff's detective who investigated Fox's death noticed that a composite drawing of one of the rape suspects resembled O'Neal. His photo was included in a lineup, and the victim identified him as one of her attackers, sheriff's Lt. Ruben Diaz told the Houston Chronicle for its Friday editions.

Doctor pleads guilty

CHICAGO (AP) — A cardiologist pleaded guilty Thursday to fraudulently billing Medicare for six years — including visits with patients who were dead.

Dr. Krishnaswami Sriram pleaded guilty to mail fraud and other charges apologized to his family and to federal agents who investigated the case.

"I apologize to everybody that I have offended by my foolishness," said Sriram, sobbing.

Sriram, 44, once billed Medicare for visits with 187 patients in a single day. Thirty-two of them were dead, prosecutors said.

He billed Medicare for visiting 31 patients in their homes and 18 others in medical facilities on a January day in 1999 when the Chicago-area was buried under a snowstorm.

Prosecutors say the bogus Medicare bills topped $1 million.

While Sriram acknowledged he was guilty of fraud, he would not agree to a specific amount.

Prosecutors said Sriram also padded his bills by ordering unnecessary angiograms for his patients. Sriram has consistently denied that accusation.

U.S. District Judge John W. Darrah allowed the doctor, who is married and has three children, to remain free pending his sentencing. Prosecutors had argued the Indian-born Sriram may flee.

Sriram faces up to 18 years in prison when sentenced Feb. 3.

Kid Rock in concert

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Kid Rock will join Willie Nelson, Neil Young, John Mellencamp and others for Saturday's annual Farm Aid concert outside Pittsburgh.

Dave Matthews, who joined Farm Aid's board of directors last year, will also perform at the sold-out concert at the Post-Gazette Pavilion in Burgettstown, Pa.

Public Records

Filed in District Court

Rebecca Vera vs. Care Inn Properties Inc., dba Snyder Oaks Care Center, suit for injuries.

Associates Housing Finance vs. Richard Moore and Jonette Moore, suit on contract.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Kirk Kelly Evans and Shawna Lynn Evans, divorce granted.

Mary E. Rinehart vs. Anadarko Petroleum Corp. and Dexter O'Neil Rinehart, order of motion for non-suit as to Anadarko Petroleum Corp.

Deed Records

Barbara Hardin to Kimmia Nadine Hardin Johnson and Kennith Wesley Hardin, one 171.02-acre tract and one 15.0-acre tract in Sections 643 and 644, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Barbara Hardin to Kimmia Nadine Hardin Johnson and Kennith Wesley Hardin, four 20.2851-acre tracts in the southeast one-quarter and the south part of the northeast one-quarter of Section 643, Block 97, H&TC survey; also 19.849 acres out of the northeast one-quarter of Section 643, Block 97 H&TC survey.

Florentz Winston Joyce to Travis E. and Helen Joyce Hatter, Lot 8 and the west 2 feet of Lot 9, both in Block 27 of the Winston Company Replat of the Colonial Hill Addition.

Hazel and Vetta Underwood to Abelina Tercero, the north 60 feet and the south one-half of Lot 1 in Block 5 of the Lundy's Park Addition.

Loyd Wayne Pinkerton Sr., independent executor of the estate of Dovie Lavenia Pinkerton, to Loyd Wayne Pinkerton Sr., the east 30 feet of Lot 3 and the west 29 feet of Lot 4, both in Block 74 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition.

Hermleigh Independent School District to Donald and Kathy Patten, the south one-half of the west one-half of Lot 2 in Block 33 of the Original Town of Hermleigh.

Herman and Scharyel Smith to Calixtro Gomez Lagunas, Lot 3 and the east one-half of Lot 2 in Block 51 of the A.C. Wilmeth's addition.

Bank of America to Copal Investments, Lot 28 of the 2nd Replat of Block 3 of the Parkway Addition, 1st Section.

Rosie Williams to Asburn Gale Branscum, 1.0-acre tract out of the southeast corner of the southwest one-quarter of Section 240, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Terry B. Hagins and Teresa A. Lindsey to Shirley Hagins, Lot 14 in Block E of the Replat of the Highland Park Addition.

David and Julie Strunk to Donnie L. and Shirley A. Newman, Lot 4 in Block 2 of the Bassridge Addition, Section 2.

Dale B. and Virginia Martin Johnston to Freddie H. and Rebecca A. Johnston, Lot 3 in Block K of the Replat of the Towle Place Addition.

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13 Utmost degree
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15 Dinghy, e.g.
16 Fragrant blossom
18 Seafood choice
20 Icky & disgust
21 Bobby — of the NHL
22 Casual shoes
25 Hang back
28 Take a flier
29 Got in debt
33 Castaway's refuge
35 Emerging magma
36 Collar style
37 Cheated a bit
39 Early morning
40 Ooze
42 Coast Guard off.
43 Ripped apart
46 Car-grill cover
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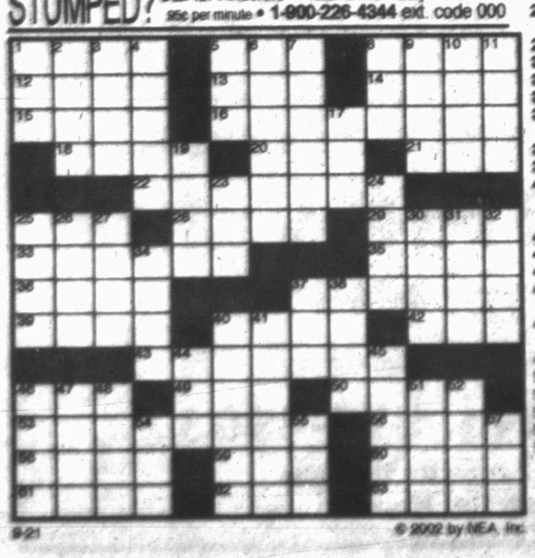
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25 More than misled
26 Whodunit terrier
27 Burn softly
30 Earning
31 Level
32 Family men
34 Sigmund's daughter
37 Craze
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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Wife's life has never been better since her husband left

DEAR ABBY: My husband's mother and sister died within the past two years. My husband of 26 years suffered a great loss. Nine months ago, he walked out on me and our children. He said he was no longer in love with me and hasn't been for five years. He said he was confused and needed time away to think. He told me he was moving in with a guy from his office.

I learned that was a lie. He's been living in New Jersey with a woman he'd been seeing for months. He had treated me like dirt for years, but I loved him anyway, so I accepted it.

He called last night to say he wants to come home. Since he's been gone, I have turned my life around, and I've never been happier. I think I deserve to be with a person who values me — and he deserves everything that's coming to him. My family and friends think I should take him back. Am I doing the right thing? — **DOUBTING IN DELAWARE**

DEAR DOUBTING: Your family isn't going to have to live with him — you are. He treated you like dirt for years and damaged your self-esteem. Only in his absence have you been able to rebuild it. Don't take him back unless you still want to after many months of marriage counseling.

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DEAR ABBY: I am married to a wonderful man who has a well-mannered 8-year-old son, "Derek." We also have two young children of our own. My husband is supposed to see Derek every other weekend. The problem is, Derek visits our home every weekend because his mother is off "doing her own thing."

I don't mind having Derek around, but it makes me angry that his mother is using us as free baby sitters. If we refuse, she sends Derek to one of her low-life relatives. She even drops him off at our house when he has a temperature and is contagious.

My husband says he would rather have Derek with us than with her family, but I am growing resentful because I work and have my own children to care for. What do you think? — **FEELING USED IN CLEVELAND**

DEAR FEELING USED: Derek is your husband's child, and the only stabilizing influences in his life are his father and you. None of this is his fault. You are in a position to make a huge difference in his life — and he will love you for it. Please try harder not to resent him.

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DEAR ABBY: I am 17 and have been dating "Matt" for two years. We just started attending a small college together. Although I care for Matt, I am hoping that as our freshman year progresses, I can date other boys. (Matt is the only boy I have ever dated.) My mother is furious that Matt and I are attending the same school. She doesn't like him and has made it clear she wants me to break up with him.

Abby, should I tell Matt now that I want to date other people and just break up with him out of the blue? I tried to break up with him once before, and he became hysterical.

What should I do? — **STRESSED IN THE MIDWEST**

DEAR STRESSED: It would be beneficial for both of you to make a fresh start in college. Tell him you want to date others — your mother demands it — and that he should date others, too. If he becomes "hysterical" again, urge him to seek counseling at the student health center. He appears to need it because he is overly dependent on you, and that's not healthy for either of you.

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Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $5 (U.S. funds only) to: Dear Abby — Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included in the price.)

DEAR ABBY: My husband, "Brian," volunteers for a wide variety of extracurricular activities outside our home. Consequently, he never has time to do things around the house that I need him to do — and believe me, I don't ask for much.

Last year, Brian elected to take charge of all social functions at his workplace. During the Christmas holidays, he became so immersed in his duties, we didn't even put up a Christmas tree at home. (I was laid up with a sprained ankle and couldn't do it.)

He has also volunteered to make monthly group lunches for his coworkers, yet he never lifts a finger in the kitchen at home. I feel like a broken record begging him to pitch in around the house, but what else can I do? — **WIFE OF VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR IN MARYLAND**

DEAR WIFE: Your husband appears to be using outside activities as a substitute for something that's missing at home. It's time you stopped "nudging" him and found out exactly what that is.

You can accomplish it faster through marriage counseling than beating around the bush, so stop nagging and ask your doctor for a referral. If Brian refuses to go, please go without him. You'll learn a great deal — and that's a promise.

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DEAR ABBY: Six months ago, my brother, "Don," and husband, "Bill," worked at the same company. Bill found out that Don was stealing merchandise and reported it. Bill's supervisor reported it to the police, and my brother was charged with a misdemeanor and sentenced to some community service.

Don and my parents discovered that Bill was the one who snitched on him, and they haven't spoken to us since. Abby, this is tearing me apart. I want Bill to be a part of my family. He feels he did what he had to do. My family thinks Bill should have kept his mouth shut. What do you think? — **STUCK IN THE MIDDLE**

DEAR STUCK: Had your husband kept quiet about the fact your brother was looting the company, he would have been an accessory to the crime. It could have cost him his job — or even jail time.

If your family persists in labeling your husband the villain, you and Bill should think twice about rejoining "the gang."

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DEAR ABBY: I am a teen-ager who recently found out my father had a child through adultery. I feel awful. Not because I found the paternity suit papers while "snooping" through my father's dresser drawers while he and my family were out of town, but because how this must affect my mother, his wife of more than 20 years.

Abby, I can't stand to even look at my father anymore. I've lost all respect for him. We visit the small town where my parents grew up, and I'm sure everyone knows about my father's "secret child."

I haven't confronted my father, mother or sister. I am hurt, confused and angry. They know something is wrong. I feel like I'm having an emotional breakdown. Should I ignore the situation because I have nothing to do with it? Is this even any of my business? — **DISTURBED TEEN IN ARIZONA**

DEAR DISTURBED TEEN: It wasn't your business until you made it so. Since you are feeling awful — and acting out — it's time to tell your parents what you discovered. Look at it this way: You and your father may both find confession is good for the soul.

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Man racks up bills using actor's name

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A man who racked up nearly $33,000 in credit card bills in the name of actor-rapper Will Smith has pleaded guilty to one count of the use of an unauthorized access device.

Carlos Lomax, 41, entered the plea Wednesday before Senior U.S. District Judge Alan N. Bloch. Lomax faces a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison and a $250,000 fine.

Federal prosecutors say Lomax used Smith's Social Security number and other information to obtain 14 credit accounts at various department and specialty stores in the Pittsburgh region.

High-tech items pitched as good for homeland security

WASHINGTON (AP) — Companies hawking portable decontamination showers, technology to identify anthrax and plague, and 1,500-pound boulders to guard against truck bombs vied Thursday for a piece of the growing homeland security market.

Law officers, military officials and federal security workers buzzed around some 300 exhibits at a trade fair catering to the government's increased security needs since the Sept. 11 attacks.

"The companies here do not see homeland security as simply a challenge, but also as an opportunity," Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge said after touring the high-tech displays. "They can help their shareholders, their consumers and their country at the same time."

The new technology and products "will be at the heart of our victory," he said.

The White House budget office says the government has spent or committed to spend more than $100 billion in response to the terrorist attacks, including $35 billion specifically for homeland security and $30 billion for the war on terrorism.

Verizon, Hewlett-Packard, Raytheon and Motorola were among the companies showcasing the latest in computer security, biotechnology, hazardous materials detection and telecommunications.

"Innovations are spurring new products, new companies and new jobs," crowed Commerce Secretary Donald Evans.

Carba Fire Technologies in Lewis Run, Pa., showed off its All-terrain Command Vehicle, designed for emergency workers responding to disasters.

The 6-wheel vehicle is capable of driving up steep grades and over rubble, mud and rocks. An outboard engine can be attached to convert it into a boat. For $50,000, it's equipped with a laptop, cell phone, electric winch, brush guard, search light and equipment box.

While most of the products involved sophisticated and costly hardware and software, there were some items that could be put to daily use.

For example, Toby's Disposable Nose Filters are small plastic canisters inserted into the nostrils to block pollutants. A package of 6 filters costs $7.95.

"I use the filters when I'm gambling in smoky casinos," said Toby McCormack, a Merritt Island, Fla.-based inventor.

Also, for $75 to $95 a boulder, Redi-Rock International in Charlevoix, Mich., combines massive rocks and cables to form barriers for homes, monuments and airports. The company also sells rocks for use as planters, benches and fountains.

Among the other products and services on display were:

—A 32-foot-long mobile decontamination unit by Kohler Co. of Wisconsin, which provides emergency workers and victims showers to remove chemical or biological agents. The cost: $140,000.

—Chemical warfare clothing by Tex-Shield, based in Washington, D.C., to filter out deadly agents. A mask, pants, jacket, gloves and boots costs $250.

Prison board official fired

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — The Texas Board of Criminal Justice has voted unanimously to dismiss the director of the State Counsel for Offenders, citing problems with his employment application.

The board said it fired John Fant on Wednesday after receiving word he lied 10 years ago when he was hired to the State Counsel, which defends indigent inmates in court on charges they incur after incarceration.

Fant was hired in 1992 but, according to a letter from the Texas Supreme Court, his legal license was suspended for nonpayment from Sept. 1, 1987, to February 2001, when he reinstated it.

The board said Fant filed false statements in Walker and Anderson counties, claiming to be fully licensed, and also lied on his resume when he was considered for the job in 1992.



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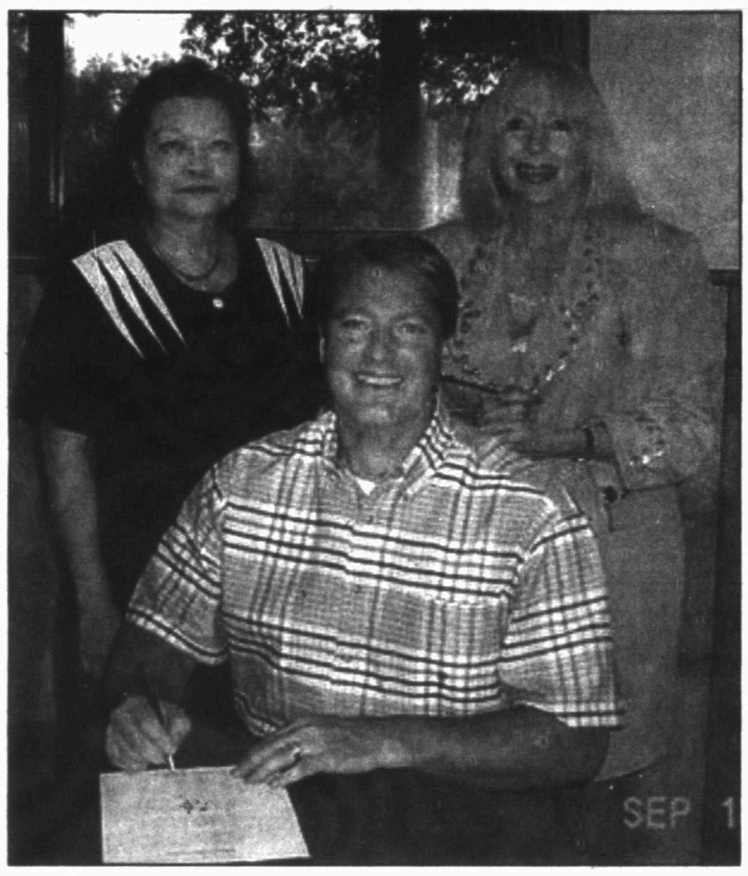
Special week honors older workers who can still work

WACO — Each year Hire the Older Worker Week, Sept. 22-28, spotlights older workers and the contributions they continue to bring to the labor force and encourages employers to profit from their skills, abilities and experience.

Since 1965, through its Senior Community Service Employment Program Experience Works, Inc. formerly Green Thumb, has provided seniors with training and part-time employment opportunities, which allow for transition back into the mainstream.

According to Experience Works regional director Diane Cowan, "as we observe this special week, let us focus upon the important contributions of seniors in Texas and further resolve to give older workers an equal opportunity to participate in the workplace. Let us commit to ensuring that we value their knowledge, skills and experience. Hiring experience, dependability, reliability and dedication is just good business."

Funded through the U.S. Department of Labor, the program serves primarily rural areas in 132 Texas counties. Experience Works gives older, economically-disadvantaged job seekers the opportunity of sharing their years of experience through training assignments with local non-profit organizations. Through their profit from jobs-skills training which allows the transition back into private sector employment.



SIGNS PROCLAMATION — Scurry County Judge Ricky Fritz signed a proclamation Monday declaring Sept. 22-28 as Hire The Older Worker Week. On hand were Elsie Boren, clerical assistant at the Texas Workforce Commission in Snyder; and Wendy Brown, field operations coordinator for Experience Works. For over 35 years, through its Senior Community Service Employment Program, Experience Works Inc., formerly Green Thumb, has provided seniors with training and employment opportunities to showcase their strengths, wisdom and productivity. (Contributed Photo)

Judge orders damage award

DETROIT (AP) — A federal judge has authorized a $9.8 million settlement between Dow Corning and the federal government for medical expenses stemming from breast implant-related injuries.

U.S. District Judge Denise Page Hood approved the settlement on Thursday. The federal government sought reimbursement on behalf of the U.S. Department of Defense, Veteran Affairs, Health and Human Services, the Indian Health Service and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

"We are pleased to be closer to providing relief to suffering women," said Sybil Niden Goldrich, founder and executive director of the Command Trust Network, a group for women with breast implants. "Simply removing a damaged implant can cost as much as $20,000, and is often paid out-of-pocket."

The agreement prevents the government from seeking any additional compensation for implant claims from Dow Corning or from claimants who had Dow Corning breast implants except in instances of criminal or fraudulent activity.

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