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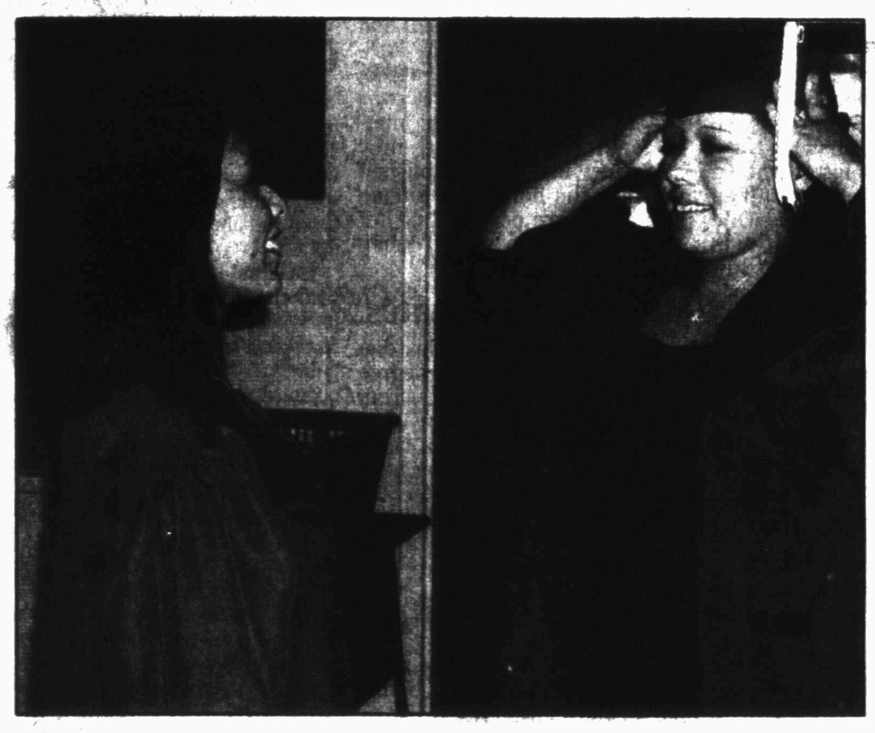
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No longer seniors...



GETTING READY — Hermleigh School graduated 18 students Friday night, eight seniors and 10 eighth graders. Seniors preparing for the ceremony are Clarissa Sauceda, left, and Amber Yruegas. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)



FINAL TOUCHES — Ira grad Corbin Clements gets a hand with his cap from classmate Jessica Odom just before graduation Friday. Eighteen seniors and 11 eighth graders walked the stage. (SDN Staff Photo)

'Never gave up'

Raul Alcala's journey is inspiring for family and friends

By Brian Brisendine
SDN Staff Writer

When Raul Alcala was 21 years old, he was a newlywed with a good job and had plans to build a house with his new bride in his hometown of Monclova, Coah. in Mexico.

With his wife, Sandra, six months pregnant with the couple's first child, Raul decided Mexico couldn't offer the future he wanted for his new family. Thus began one of many chapters in an incredible story Raul is now proud to tell.

This month, eighteen years after crossing illegally into Texas and walking for eight days with no food and little water, Raul graduated simultaneously from Western Texas College with an associate degree and Midwestern University with his bachelor degree.

Even more extraordinary is that until nine years ago, Raul couldn't speak English and had no secondary education.

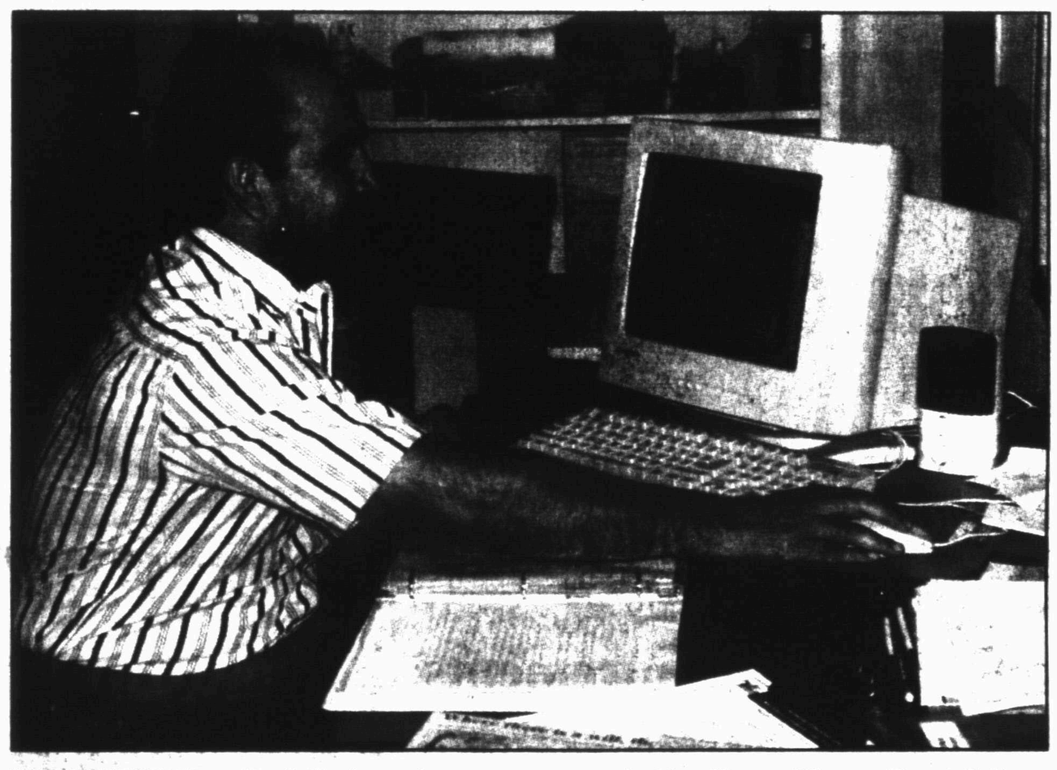
"It feels amazing to be a college graduate and to be able to tell my children 'if I can do this, so can you,'" he said. "I couldn't have done any of this without the help of many people and without God. I want people to know that anything is possible if you work for it. I never gave up."

Without skipping a beat, or taking time to relax after graduation, Raul already is pursuing his master's degree from the University of Texas at Brownsville, via Internet courses. He hopes to complete the program in a year.

Raul thought of quitting numerous times over the years, but because of his own determination and the encouragement of many, he continued to work toward his goal.

"From the start, there were times when I thought I was making a mistake," he said. "When I first crossed into Texas, we walked a week and a day without food and we were drinking water from puddles on the ground. I prayed that immigration would find me and take me back to Mexico, but that wasn't meant to be."

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HARD WORKER — Raul Alcala works on a computer in his office at Western Texas College, where he is a computer technician. In August, Raul will begin his new post in continuing education. Only 10 years ago Raul spoke no English, but has since received his GED, Associate and Bachelor degrees and is now pursuing his Masters degree. (SDN Staff Photo)

HEPA appeals court decision

A federal district judge in Lubbock ruled in March that the Air Force's Realistic Bomber Training Initiative (RBTI) does not have a negative effect on an eight-county area, including Scurry County, as far as the environment is concerned.

Now the group that filed the original lawsuit, the Heritage Environmental Preservation Association (HEPA), has filed an appeal to that ruling to again try to stop the Air Force from training over this area.

The flights of the B-1 and B-52 bombers are electronically scored from the AHNTECH facility at Winston Field.

The next action will be in the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans. Judges in that court will decide whether the appeal has enough merits to hear oral arguments.

Led by Fisher County rancher Buster Welch, HEPA members have always stressed they favor a well-trained Air Force and recognize the need of such a facility as the one in Snyder.

However, HEPA members argue that the federal government has plenty of land to fly over and flights should not occur over areas where prime livestock is being raised, or areas being developed for hunting.

Baccalaureate service Sunday

Baccalaureate service for the 2003 Snyder High School senior class is at 3 p.m. Sunday in Worsham Auditorium.

Graduating seniors participating in the program are Zipporah Peoples who will lead the invocation, Catherine Whitworth, senior class president who will deliver the welcoming address, and Josh Knox who will give the scripture reading.

Rachel Cave will sing "Roots and Wings", and Jacinda Judah will sing "Oh the Places You'll Go."

Issac Sanchez will deliver the benediction.

Class of 2004 ushers will be Andra Dunham, Josh Kemp, Josh Payne, and Stephanie Williams.

The speaker for the services will be Wes Hamilton.

Hamilton is a graduate of Arkansas' Quachita Baptist University, and the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Ft. Worth.

In 1999, he started Shoeless Ministries and currently travels across the United States speaking to high school and college youth.

The public is invited.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Real wisdom is pulling your own weight rather than trying to throw it around."

A friend sent us this story, which seems appropriate at graduation time:

On the first day of classes, the professor challenged students to get to know someone they didn't already know.

I stood up to look around when a gentle hand touched my shoulder.

I turned to find a little old lady beaming with a smile that lit up her entire being. She said, "Hi, handsome. My name is Rose. I'm 87 years old. Can I give you a hug?"

She gave a giant squeeze.

When asked why she was in college at such a young, innocent age, she jokingly replied.

"I'm here to meet a rich husband, get married, have a couple of kids, then retire and travel."

But she continued, "I always dreamed of having a college degree and now I'm getting one."

After class we walked to the student union building and shared a chocolate milkshake. We became instant friends. For the rest of the semester we would leave class and talk nonstop. I was always mesmerized by this time machine as she shared her wisdom and experience.

Over the course of the year, Rose became a campus icon, easily making friends wherever she went. She loved to dress up and reveled in the attention bestowed upon her other students. She was having the time of her life.

Rose was invited to speak at our end-of-year banquet. The speech itself was an education.

As she began to deliver her prepared remarks, she dropped her 3x5 cards. Frustrated and a little embarrassed, she leaned into the microphone and said, "I'm sorry I'm so jittery. I gave up beer for Lent and this whiskey is killing me. I'll never get my notes back in order, so let me just tell you what I know."

As we laughed, she cleared her throat and began:

"We do not stop playing because we are old. We grow old because we stop playing. There are only four secrets to staying young, being happy and achieving success.

"You have to laugh and find humor every day. You've got to have a dream. When you lose your dreams, you die. We have so many people walking around dead and they don't even know it.

"There is a huge difference between growing older and growing up. If you are 19 years old and lie in bed for one full year and don't do one productive thing you will turn 20 years old.

"If I am 87 years old and stay in bed for a year and never do anything, I will turn 88. Anybody can grow older. That doesn't take any talent or ability. The idea is to grow up by always finding the opportunity to change.

"Have no regrets. The elderly usually don't have regrets for what we did, but rather for things we did not do. The only people who fear death are those with regrets."

Rose finished her college degree, and one week after graduation, Rose died with no regrets. More than 2,000 students attended her memorial service.

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ASK US

Q—Is it legal for a restaurant owner to keep tips left for the wait staff?
A—According to the Texas Workforce Commission, it depends on the employment agreement in each case. If an employee earns at least minimum wage, they are not necessarily entitled to gratuity.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Frances Denman...

...has lived in Snyder with her husband, Jack, for 20 years. The couple have a son, David Cox, and a daughter of Snyder, Catchy Post and four grandchildren. Frances is a retired nurse and enjoys crocheting, being with family and watching reruns of *Gunsmoke* on TV.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Motivation is what gets you started. Habit is what keeps you going.

—Jim Ryun

Free Checking at Snyder National Bank
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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Memorial Day events

The VFW will conduct a flag ceremony at 8 a.m. Monday at the VFW and the American Legion and then go to the Snyder cemeteries. A dinner featuring a brisket with all the trimmings will be served at 6 p.m. at the post home. Auxiliary ladies need to bring a dessert. Cost is by donation. And in Gail, the Snyder VFW will hold a flag-raising ceremony at 11 a.m. at the Borden County Cemetery located just off Hwy. 180.

Ritz auditions

Auditions for *You Can't Take It With You* will be from 5-8 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at the Ritz Community Theatre. Tanner Beard will direct.

Retirement reception

A retirement reception for Mary Ann Caldwell will be from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Monday in the West Elementary library.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "A Sure Word from God," followed by "If I Be Lifted Up."

Scurry County Child Welfare

The Scurry County Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at 3409 Snyder Shopping Center for its monthly meeting.

Retirement reception

A retirement reception for Dale Hamby, Janeen Patterson, John Richardson and Frances White will be from 3:45-5 p.m. Tuesday in the Snyder Junior High library.

SISD family literacy

Closing ceremonies for SISD's Family Literacy Program will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Region XIV Service Center.

Genealogical society

The Scurry County genealogical society will met at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Scurry County Library. The program will be a continuation of "U.S. Migration and Settlement, 1607-1900." Visitors are welcome.

Car wash

Hermleigh Junior High cheerleaders will have a car wash-bake sale from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday, May 31, in the Wal-Mart parking lot.

WIN Women's Conference

WIN Women's Conference, sponsored by His Joy Ministries, is set for May 30-31 at Thee Place, 904 26th St. Music will be by Mercy & Truth, Dance Troupe Doorkeepers of His Glory. Speakers are Barbara Murrell of Forney and Jay Hawkins of Toccoa, Ga. Call 573-9799 for more information.

Camp Spring homecoming

The annual Camp Spring homecoming will be fro 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Sunday, June 1 at the Northeast Community Center. Meat will be provided, as will paper goods and ice. Please bring side dishes and desserts. Donations will be accepted to offset expenses.

Avenue D Baptist VBS

Avenue D Baptist Church, 324 30th St., will have Vacation Bible School from 9 a.m. until noon June 9-13. Theme is "The Great Kingdom Caper – cracking the character code." All children first through sixth grade are invited.

Colonial Hill Baptist VBS

Like a good mystery? Come to the Great Kingdom Caper – Vacation Bible School at Colonial Hill Baptist Church June 16-20 for grades K-6. Call 573-8596.

Gateway Family Services raffle

Gateway Family Services is raffling a 2003 anniversary edition Harley Davidson Road King motorcycle. Only 2,500 tickets will be sold. The raffle will be held July 4th in Towle Park. Tickets may be purchased at D&D Auto, Purple Sage Motel, Ira Pump & Supply and by calling Gateway's administrative office at 573-4351.

Class of 1993 reunion

The SHS class of 1993 is planning a 10-year reunion on July 12. Classmate addresses are needed. Contact Catalina Jones at 573-5045, or e-mail class of 93shs@yahoo.com.

SHS 1967-68 reunion

Snyder High School classes of 1967 and 1968 will have a class reunion July 5 at Jack Greene's park starting at 7 p.m. Barbecue and music will be provided. Cost is $15 per person and those attending are asked to bring lawn chairs or blankets. RSVP by June 25. Contact Gina Rhodes at 573-2400, or Janet Lay at Janetlay@remax.net.

Cancer treatment transportation

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

FBC support groups

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

Man who carved eyes to be released

HOUSTON (AP) — While doctors agree that a man found to be legally insane when he carved out his girlfriend's eyes is ready to return to society, they and court officials agree it should be on a limited basis.

Nathan Dale Campbell, 29, may be released from a mental hospital next month.

Campbell attacked Kristen West in July 1996 after she refused a marriage proposal. Campbell, who choked her into unconsciousness and cut out her eyes with a steak knife, said he thought her eyes were demons. West had several surgeries to repair an eye socket. One eye was saved, but her vision remains impaired.

The victim's family is concerned about his release from Kerrville State Hospital.

"My gut feeling is no (he should not be released)," West's mother Jan West said Friday. "... I feel like he will always be a danger, We knew sooner or later this day would come."

Investigators searching bombed classroom at Yale University

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — As bomb experts searched a debris-strewn classroom at Yale law school for fingerprints and other clues Friday, authorities were looking into reports of a man seen leaving the site about two minutes before an explosion.

Authorities searching the law school building found a shotgun in a student dorm room in the building, but they don't believe the gun is connected to the case, mayor's spokesman James Foye said Friday.

Foye said the student who owns the gun had not been arrested, though he might "be in trouble" with the university.

The FBI has identified the man who witnesses reported seeing near the classroom just before the bomb exploded Wednesday but hasn't said if he was a suspect, New Haven police spokeswoman Bonnie Winchester said Friday.

She said she didn't know whether authorities had questioned the man or knew his whereabouts. FBI spokeswoman Lisa Bull declined to comment.

The explosion Wednesday damaged the classroom and adjacent alumni lounge, and about 300 rare law books in a room below were soaked with water from the sprinkler system, but no one was injured.

Several students reported seeing a fireball in the corridor outside the classroom, which was used by various professors all semester. A partition between the room and a lounge collapsed, and some of the ceiling also fell down, littering the room with debris, police said.

Investigators have shown witnesses two sketches of men they are trying to identify. One sketch shows a white man in his late 20s or early 30s with long dark hair; the other shows a black man with a round face wearing sunglasses.

Law student Carsten Jungmann, who helped the FBI draw the sketch of the man with long hair, said the man was clean-shaven and appeared to be in his 20s or 30s with black hair that hung just below the ears.

"He appeared to be not suspicious at the time, but he was moving more quickly than people normally appeared to move through the law school," Jungmann said.

No threats were made before the explosion, and no one claimed responsibility, police said.

Investigators have said that because the explosion Wednesday afternoon was small and in an empty classroom, it was probably not the work of international terrorists. But they said they had not established whether the bomb was intended to be more powerful or if it was intended to go off when people were in the room.



Brandi Gaskins

Gaskins to graduate

Brandi Gaskins will graduate from Woodlands High School Thursday. She is the daughter of Denise and Kris Kimmel of the Woodlands and the granddaughter of Bill and Gay Kimmel of Snyder.

Gaskins is a member of the National Roll Society and is listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*. She participated in the Woodlands Colorguard ninth through the twelfth grades and attended the 2002-2003 National Competition in Indiana where they placed eighth.

She was awarded her school jacket earning letters in academics, Colorguard, Student Council and Interact-a-Rotary affiliate.

Gaskins attends and is on the Leadership team and choir/band at the Fellowship of the Woodlands Church along with her parents. She is employed at the Olive Garden.

Gaskins will attend Sam Houston State University in Huntsville and major in biology and then enter Physician's Assistant School.

Bearden graduates

ABILENE — Keila Bearden has received a bachelor's degree in behavioral science from Hardin-Simmons University.

Bearden graduated cum laude with a GPA of 3.56. She has been accepted into the physical therapy department of studies at HSU where she will begin working toward a doctorate degree in physical therapy.

Upon completion, she will graduate in December of 2005.

She is married to Shane Bearden and is the daughter of Danny and Janna Helms of Rotan.

Band meeting set for Tuesday at Northeast

There will be a meeting Tuesday at Northeast Elementary's auditorium from 3:45-5:45 for all 5th grade students and parents who are interested in being in the band next school year.

Students and parents will meet with directors Donnie Reston and Kay Kennedy to decide which instrument is best suited for their child.

Scholarship awarded

CANYON — More than 25 students in the department of music and dance at West Texas A&M University have received scholarships for the coming academic year for their outstanding musical achievement. The endowed scholarships totaled more than $11,000.

Among those receiving scholarships is Michael Gibson, son of John and Denise Gibson. Gibson was presented the Marion and Kenneth Porter voice/piano scholarship.



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Despite adversity along the way...

Raul Alcala completes degrees

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Upon reaching Snyder, where a brother lived at the time, Raul, with $50 in his pocket, began looking for work. He found it on a construction crew and eventually worked in many different places.

For years, he worked in cotton gins and oil fields — wherever he could find pay. Still unable to speak or read English, Raul found it difficult to find anything other than manual labor.

"I'm not afraid of work, I have never minded doing hard work," he said. "But there came a point when I knew something had to change."

That point came when Raul's oldest son, Kenny, was in the second grade and asked him for help on a homework assignment one night after dinner. Raul couldn't decipher the elementary paper and knew then that he needed an education.

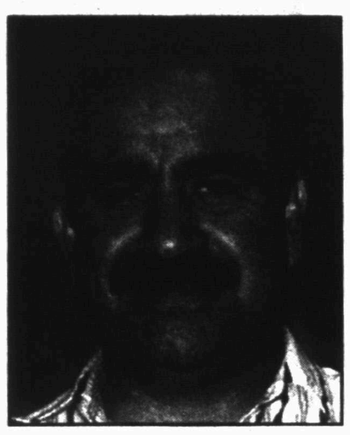
Raul completed nine years of schooling in Mexico and he was a good student, but that was a long time ago and in a language he was familiar with. The task at hand was a daunting one, but he knew it was necessary for himself and his growing family.

His first step was attending a bilingual meeting at Winston Park led by Western Texas College instructor Robert Adams.

The pair formed a quick bond and the rest is history, Raul said.

"Robert's Spanish is beautiful," he said. "He speaks the language better than I do and I immediately asked him if he would teach me English."

The pair met frequently at Scurry County Library and Raul



Raul Alcala

began learning the English language, a difficult undertaking.

Today, Robert said the men consider themselves best friends and refer to themselves in Spanish as brothers.

"It's hard to believe it's been 10 years ago that I first met Raul," Robert said. "At the time, he understood some English, but he wouldn't speak it because he had no confidence. We got to know each other strictly through the Spanish language."

Robert said he helped Raul with English, but his best offering was moral support and the suggestion that Raul obtain his GED.

Raul got the important document and, as Robert puts it, was off and flying. "It's amazing over a period of 10 years, what that man has done. It's inspirational."

Raul also enrolled in ESL (English as a Second Language) classes at WTC and received help from many Snyder residents.

While on campus for his first ESL class, Raul was introduced to Dr. Jim Palmer, who remains one of his closest friends.

Dr. Palmer, dean of academic instruction, didn't speak Spanish and reports that their first conversation "wasn't much of a conversation."

"We did a lot of grunting and pointing that first time," he said. "Now we converse almost every day about almost anything. Raul is the neatest guy I know — he has a heart as big as all outdoors."

As his understanding of English increased, Raul began seeing rewards.

"I was able to read my kids' correspondence from school," he said. "And I was able to write letters back to their teachers. It seems small, but that meant so much to me."

Today, Raul is not only reading correspondence from his kids' teachers, but he too is teaching.

Raul took the lead in teaching a Spanish class at WTC after Robert became ill, and got high marks from students and peers alike.

Raul's graduation this month was a milestone in his long journey, but certainly not an ending point. Asked recently whether or not he would study for a doctorate, his reply was simple and immediate — "why not?"

Robert said there were many proud onlookers as Raul crossed the stage and received his degree.

"It was absolutely wonderful to see Raul graduate," he said. "To me and to many others I know, Raul is a walking, living example of what a man can do. Even in the presence of adversity, he has shown that anyone can succeed."

Even with the onlookers at the graduation ceremony, none were prouder than Raul's family. Wife, Sandra, and sons, Kenny, 17, Omar, 15 and Alex, 11 and a daughter, Elisa, 7, all were bursting with pride.

And thanks to their dad, they all know that anything is possible. Robert said everyone admires how Raul has set a good example — "for his children and for his people."

Raul works everyday to keep that admiration. He said another individual who inspired him was a woman in Colorado City who taught a course he was enrolled in.

"She has passed away, but I remember her every day," he said. "She told me the first time I met her not to hesitate to do what was necessary to get my education and I had to ask what hesitate means. I'll never forget that definition."

Raul is quick to share the praise for his accomplishments with his friends and family and with God, who he credits with giving him the strength to endure.

But one thing that always prods him to push on is something that instructor told him one night in Colorado City.

"She told me 'Raul, a lot of people are behind you to get your education and to do well,'" he said. "And then she said something else that really struck me. She said 'don't betray us.'"

And he hasn't.

Prom celebrated with dancing, fun

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — They dance for hours.

Boys pinball around the crowd while girls sway in donated gowns. Many slow dance and side step under the mirror ball. Others are wheeled to the edge of the dance floor and move their hands to the music.

"We're staying all night!" says Mark Nikolaus, bopping with his classmates on the dance floor. "All night, we're dancing!"

This is prom night. But this is no ordinary prom.

About 170 people came to this year's Board of Cooperative Educational Services spring prom, an annual dance attended by Albany-area high school students who receive the agency's special education services. It's a diverse group — some are developmentally disabled, others are deaf or hard of hearing. For 22 years, Samaritans have provided a prom just for them.

"For some of them, it's just an opportunity to be somebody different for the evening, you know?" said Lin Polster, BOCES transition coordinator. "It's the one area of their life where their disability is forgotten."

The proms started in 1981, spurred by students who lamented they didn't have a prom to go to like their brothers and sisters.

"Our children had nowhere to go," said Sylvia Georg, the former principal of BOCES's Maywood School.

Teachers and administrators staged a small dance in the school gym, handling the details and decorations themselves. The prom grew over the years as more students were invited and graduates kept coming back. Michelle Rosenberger, one of the students who inspired the prom, showed up this year. She is 44.

"This is our high school prom," she said.

Rosenberger came to the Albany hotel with her mother, a common practice at this prom. Others are chaperoned by group home workers or friends. While there are some couples in the crowd, many just hang out with their friends.

For a $20 ticket, prom goers last weekend received a sit-down dinner, a picture in front of a starry backdrop and a chance to dance until 11 p.m.

A disc jockey pumped out crowd-pleasing favorites by the Baha Men and Shania Twain, inspiring a happy anarchy of dance styles. One guy in tails spun and did James Brown-like drops alongside couples sticking to ballroom dancing. Hilary Paige, 16, danced with the same boy most the night. Nikolaus, 17, clustered much of the time around his classmates at Guilderland High School. He danced so vigorously his boutonniere flew off.

Many of these kids could go to the prom at their high schools. But as Guilderland teacher Anne Gabriel notes, the teens may sit on the sidelines at those dances. "Here," she said, "they're the stars."

As the prom approaches, Mark talks about the dances he wants to do — the Hokie Pokie and YMCA. Hilary giggles as she talks about the blue dress she'll wear.

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Summer vacation starts early for Oregon students after cuts

HILLSBORO, Ore. (AP) — The scene at Glencoe High School in Hillsboro is classic two-days-before-school's out — debris from just-emptied lockers litters the floor, students in flip-flops roam the halls, sun streams in through open windows.

There's just one thing missing: June.

Students all over Oregon are getting out of school early this year, after severe state budget cuts led almost 100 of the state's school districts to cut days from the calendar to save money.

And nowhere are students being sprung earlier than in this leafy, wealthy suburb of Portland, where officials chopped 17 school days from the calendar, which made Friday the last day of school. The cuts have left Hillsboro with one of the shortest public school years in the nation.

"I think we have lost a lot more than 17 days," said Hugh O'Donnell, who is retiring this year from teaching at Poynter Middle School. "The kids that are looking forward to getting out of school, they probably checked out two weeks ago."

While some students at Glencoe furiously crammed for advanced placement classes and worried about any fallout on college applications, there were also some this week who skipped class to tan outside on school grounds.

"People say, oh, we're cutting 17 days, we've got to cram it in, but this week we're not doing anything — we're playing games in class," said 15-year-old Melissa Taylor, who was soaking up the sun outside Glencoe on Wednesday.

The 17-day cut has drawn national attention. It was caricatured in Doonesbury and detailed by a New York Times columnist.

At first glance, Hillsboro seems an unlikely place for such woes: the town is home to a division of computer chip maker Intel, Oregon's largest private industrial employer, and has a median household income of $51,737, about $10,000 above the state average.

Pool Well Service receives award

HOUSTON — The Association of Energy Service Companies (AESC) recently honored Pool Well Services Co. with a safety award for outstanding accident prevention in oil and gas well servicing operations for the year of 2002.

Pool was presented the Group V, Gold Award at the association's National Winter Meeting in Lafayette, La. Energy service companies representing over 2,900 well servicing rigs participated in the association's safety awards program by following strict reporting guidelines.

Pool Well Service Co. has won the coveted Gold Award each of the past 6 years. The AESC is an international trade organization, which represents oil and gas well servicing contractors who service the energy sector.

In addition to contractors, the AESC's membership includes companies that manufacture and supply equipment, products and services to the oil and gas exploration and production industry.

Pool Well Service has a yard located on west Hwy. 180.

WTC Western Texas College
Snyder Campus
Summer Registration
*Registration will begin in the student center at 8am
Tuesday, May 27
8am-7pm
Returning students begin in counseling office
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Check our website for a complete schedule of classes wtc.edu and click on schedules.
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Cogdell Memorial Hospital will check blood pressures in May

National High Blood Pressure Month begins a year-long intensive focus on preventing and controlling high blood pressure. Recent data from the Framingham Heart Student reported that as a person's blood pressure rises above the normal level of 120.80 mmHg, the risk of suffering a stroke, a heart attack or heart failure increases.

Now is a good time to get your blood pressure checked and take action to prevent high blood pressure or to keep it under control. In support of National High Blood Pressure Education Month, Cogdell Memorial Hospital will perform free blood pressure measurements at their Rural Health Clinic on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during the month of May, and at Cogdell Home Health on Fridays. The Rural Health Clinic is located across the street from the main hospital at 530 Trinity, Suite F. Cogdell Home Health is at 1800 Cogdell Blvd, Suite B.

Can you prevent and control high blood pressure? Yes, everyone can take steps to prevent and control high blood pressure. Here's how:

1. Maintain a healthy weight.

•Check with your health care provider to see if you need to lose weight.

•If you do, lose weight slowly using a healthy eating plan and engaging in physical activity.

2. Be physically active.

•Engage in physical activity for a total of 30 minutes on more days of the week.

•Combine everyday chores with moderate-level sporting activities such as walking to achieve your physical activity goals.

3. Follow a healthy eating plan.

•Set up a healthy eating plan with foods low in saturated fat, total fat, and cholesterol and high in fruits, vegetables and low-fat dairy foods such as the DASH eating plan.

•Write down everything that you eat and drink in a food diary. Note areas that are successful or need improvement.

•If you are trying to lose weight, choose an eating plan that is lower in calories.

4. Reduce sodium in your diet.

•Choose foods that are low in salt and other forms of sodium

•Use spices, garlic and onions to add flavor to your meals without adding more sodium.

5. Drink alcohol only in moderation.

•In addition to raising blood pressure, too much alcohol can add unneeded calories to your diet.

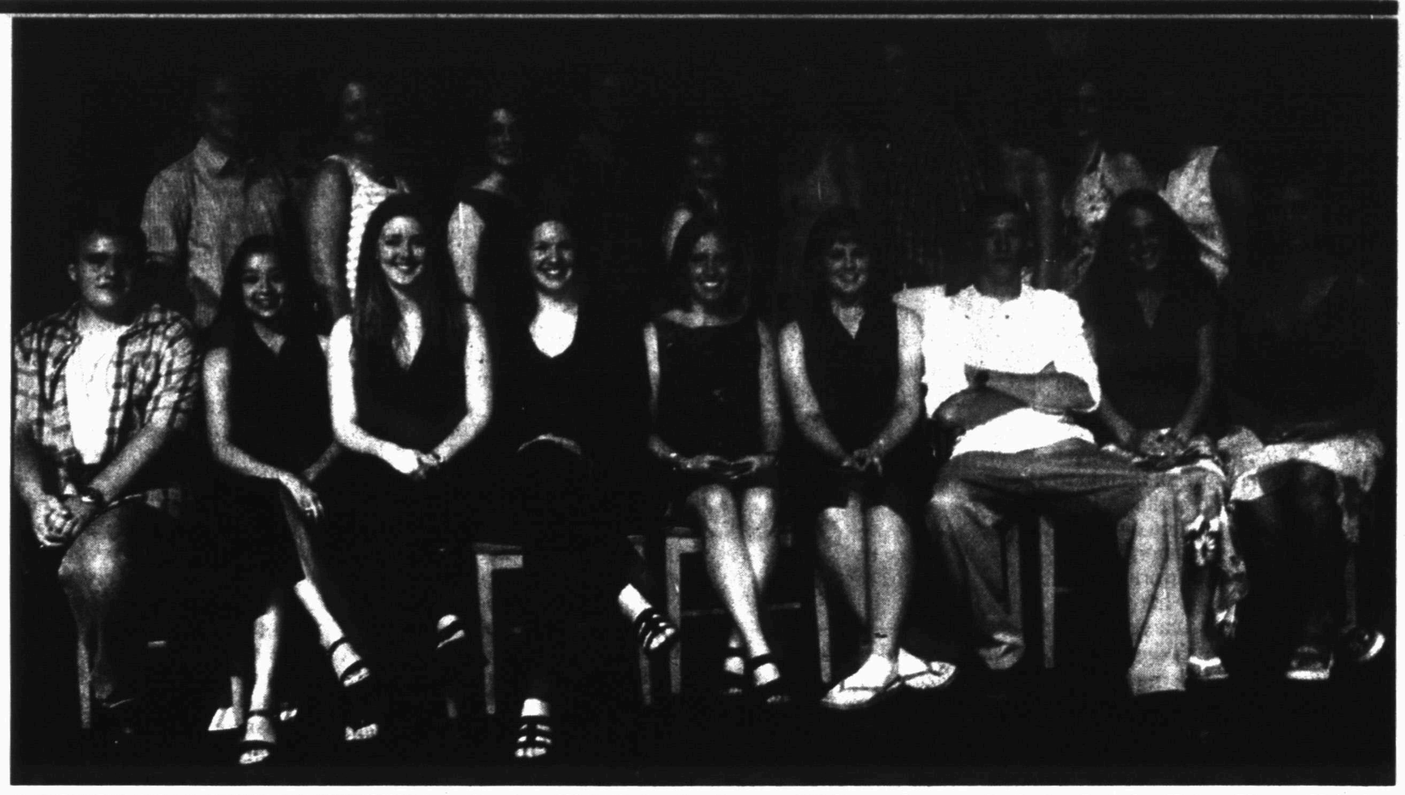
•If you drink alcoholic beverages, have only a moderate amount — one drink a day for women, two drinks a day for men.

6. Take prescribed drugs and directed.

•If you need drugs to help lower your blood pressure, you still must follow the lifestyle changes mentioned above.

•Use notes and other reminders to help you remember to take your drugs. Ask your family to help you with reminder phone calls and messages.

For more information on high blood pressure visit the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute's Web site at www.nhlbi.nih.gov.



A HONOR ROLL/ TOP 10 PERCENT — Snyder High School students named to the 12th A Honor roll and listed in the Top 10% are first row, from left, Glenn Burns, Sara Cantu, Rachel Cave, Bonnie Cleveland, Erin Cooley, Kellie Dodson, Jason Guynes, Amanda Hartzog and Cozy Jones; second row, T.J. Jones, Whitney Jones, Jacinda Judah, Tyler Kerr, Kristina Mayer, Afton Schwertner, Zach Starnes, Aaryn Stewart, Lilli Valdez and Catherine Whitworth. Not pictured are Wendy Proffitt and Tara Trammell. (Contributed Photo)



11th A Honor Roll and Top 10% — Snyder High School juniors named to the A Honor Roll and listed in the Top 10% of their class are first row from left, Ashlye Amox, Laura Arellano, Erin Burleson, Sarah Crawford, Andra Dunham, Kristel Fitts, Adrienne Garcia, Anna Henson and Gretchen Hollis; second row, Josh Kemp, Meagan Langham, Ashley Martinez, Rebecca Pavlovsky, Josh Payne, Tamara Taylor, Amanda Whitson and Stephanie Williams. Not pictured Katie Bryant and Cami Trout. (Contributed Photo)

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Financial Focus

Trusts Can Help You Achieve Estate Planning Goals

When you develop your estate plans, you might be surprised at all of the objectives you want to accomplish. Of course, you want to leave your assets to your family members in a way that's fair and beneficial to everyone. But while you're at it, can't you avoid the drawbacks of probate? And how can you make sure your wishes are carried out if you're incapacitated? And can't you support your favorite charity without shortchanging your heirs?

Clearly, these are major goals. And if you're going to achieve them, you'll need to employ the right estate planning strategies - and you may find that trusts can help.

Several different trusts are available. Let's look at a few of them, starting with a living trust.

When you create a living trust, you get some key benefits, including the following:

You may avoid probate - If you just have a will, your assets may have to pass through the probate process - which can be time-consuming, expensive and a matter of public record. But with a properly established living trust, your assets can pass directly to your beneficiaries, with no court interference, no legal fees, no lengthy delays and no public disclosure.

You can safeguard your children's interests - When your will is probated, the court sets up a guardianship for your minor children. You can name the guardian in your will, but the court could still appoint someone else. Just as importantly, the court, not the guardian - may control the inheritance until your children reach legal age. At that time, they may receive the entire inheritance. But with a living trust, you determine when your children or grandchildren will receive their inheritances. You can even have the money distributed in installments, over a period of years.

You can retain control of assets, even in cases of incapacity - When you establish a living trust, you designate a "successor trustee" who can immediately step in for you if you become incapacitated. And your trustee must follow your wishes as far as providing funds for you, and later, for your beneficiaries.

A living trust can help you deal with many issues that relate to your family. But if you want to include a charitable organization in your estate plans as well as make your appreciated low-yield assets more productive, you may want to consider a charitable remainder trust.

If you place appreciated stocks in a charitable remainder trust, you'll receive an immediate income-tax deduction and later an estate tax deduction. The trust can sell your appreciated stocks with no immediate capital-gain taxation, purchase an income-producing vehicle and pay you an income stream for life. Upon your death, the trust will pay out the remaining funds to the charity or charities you've chosen.

But if you set up a charitable remainder trust and fund it with appreciated stocks or other assets, won't you be depriving your family of those resources? Yes. But you could use some of the income you receive from your trust to pay the premiums on a life insurance policy on yourself, with your heirs as beneficiaries. To keep this policy out of your estate and avoid estate taxes, you may want to put it in another type of trust - an irrevocable life insurance trust.

Trusts are not suitable for everyone. And they can be quite complex instruments, so, before taking any action, consult with your tax and legal advisers. But if your trusts are correctly set up, they can go a long way toward helping turn your estate plans into reality.

Jury decides against damages in libel lawsuit against NY Times

CLEVELAND (AP) — A federal jury refused to award damages Friday to an Ohio Supreme Court justice in a libel suit against The New York Times and one of its reporters over an article about a lawsuit filed by the son of Dr. Sam Sheppard.

The jury said the story was false and defamatory, but ruled that the paper did so without malicious intent.

Justice Francis Sweeney was seeking $15 million. He accused the newspaper and Fox Butterfield of libeling him in an article published April 13, 2000.

Sweeney's lawsuit alleges the story defamed him by falsely saying he used his influence in a case he had been involved in earlier as a prosecutor.

The Times published a correction concerning Sweeney shortly after learning of the error.

The verdict "reflects that the jury recognized that (Butterfield) is a decent man who made an honest mistake and he was not out to harm Justice Sweeney or defame him in any way," said James Wooley, who represented Butterfield and the Times.

Butterfield declined comment.

Sweeney also declined comment and referred questions to his attorney, Don Iler, who said he has not decided if he will appeal.

"I feel that this jury did not understand about how to define actual malice for a public figure," Iler said.

Sheppard was convicted in the July 4, 1954, beating death of his wife. The doctor's conviction was overturned on appeal, and he was acquitted at a retrial in 1966. Sheppard, who died four years later, always maintained his innocence, and his story helped inspire the movie and television series "The Fugitive."

Sheppard's son, San Reese Sheppard, filed a lawsuit to have a court declare his father innocent, which would have qualified the Sheppard estate to make a claim against the state of Ohio.

The Times story noted that Sweeney would not recuse himself and had voted in the 4-3 minority when the Ohio Supreme Court decided against blocking the Sheppard civil lawsuit. It said he refused to step aside although he had been an assistant Cuyahoga County prosecutor when Sheppard was tried again in 1966.

Alvarez graduates

LUBBOCK — Almost 2,300 Texas Tech University students received diplomas during recent commencement ceremonies.

Lina Mabel Alvarez, a mathematics major from Snyder, was among the highest ranking students.

Starnes wins bronze medal

LUBBOCK — Leslye Starnes, a junior childhood education major from Snyder, was selected by the faculty of Lubbock Christian University as winner of the bronze medal.

The bronze medal awards are presented to students who excel in each department. Starnes was honored for receiving the Elementary Education's Service to the Teacher Ed Program award at the annual Student Appreciation banquet held at the end of the spring semester.

Starnes is the daughter of Rick and Kellye Starnes of Snyder.

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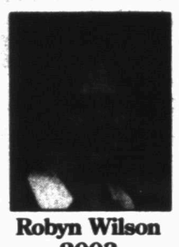
Whatever happened to...

Robyn Fambro Wilson, a 1987 Snyder High School graduate, is an executive assistant for Troy Chesnut Inc. in Odessa.

While in high school, Robyn was active in choir, musical productions and National Honor Society. She was junior and senior class president and participated in forensics, advancing to state in prose interpretation.



Robyn Fambro
1987



Robyn Wilson
2003

She graduated from Lubbock Christian University in 1991 with a degree in speech communication. Robyn married Denny Wilson who is now youth minister for Eisenhower Church of Christ in Odessa.

Robyn also stays busy with their three children and their activities. They are Bradley, 11; Brooke, 8; and Brenna, 2.

(Readers are invited to submit information and pictures for this feature. Bring by Snyder Daily News or mail to Box 949 in Snyder, 79550.)

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Scurry County students earn ASU degrees

SAN ANGELO — Angelo State University conferred degrees upon 480 students during spring commencement exercises May 10.

Included in the graduates are Carolynn E. Botts, bachelor of science; Ashley Lynn Grimmett, bachelor of business administration; Larry Joe Lambaren, bachelor of science; and Laura Gonzales Martinez, bachelor of business administration, magna cum laude, master of business administration.

Texas lawmakers agree on budget deal

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas House and Senate leaders agreed early Saturday to a budget proposal legislative leaders say increases money to public schools while trimming spending to higher education and elsewhere.

Bleary-eyed but smiling, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick emerged from a marathon meeting that began Friday afternoon to announce that the chambers agreed on a 2004-05 state spending plan, including maintaining the Children's Health Insurance Program and softening deep cuts previously proposed to Medicaid and other programs for the poor, elderly and disabled.

The Republican leaders said details were still being hammered out, but House Appropriations Chairman Talmadge Heflin said the budget would be finished before the end of the regular session June 2.

"We've got about a days' work of detail, putting it on paper and then it's done," said Heflin, R-Houston.

The announcement ended an impasse that budget writers feared would lead to a summer special session. The state budget is the only bill legislators are required by law to pass.

"We've come to an agreement in principle that I think is good for the state of Texas," Dewhurst said as he shook Craddick's hand outside the speaker's Capitol office. "I think this is a real win-win deal for the people of Texas."

Craddick said the deal would hold down state spending down while covering what the leaders believe are Texas' core needs.

The House and Senate each recommended two-year budget bills that totaled around $117 billion. Both had cut spending across state government in different ways to deal with a $9.9 billion shortfall. Before Saturday, they could not compromise on sticking points such as higher education, public schools and CHIP.

"Both sides worked really well together," Craddick said. "I think it really helped to just get in a room and try to hammer out the final part."

It was give-and-take, Dewhurst said.

"We showed flexibility in some of the items that we were asking for. The House did the same thing," he said.

Those close to the negotiations said about $500 million was the holdup: the Senate wanted to spend it on colleges and universities while the House wanted to spend the money on kindergarten through 12th grade.

The leaders had few details Saturday, but said the Foundation School Fund, the main source of money for public schools, would see slighuly increased funding. Higher education would be cut 4 percent, Dewhurst said.

Heflin and Senate Finance Chairman Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, participated in the meeting that lasted eight hours and five minutes. House education negotiator Rep. Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, several education analysts, members of the governor's budget staff and Health and Human Services Commissioner Albert Hawkins also made appearances.

After months of sometimes ugly tension between the chambers, the group hammered out the compromise over pizza and a few late-night laughs that could be heard outside a conference room door.

The final version of the 2-inch thick bill must be approved by the full conference committee, printed and laid out before both chambers. If approved, GOP Gov. Rick Perry would get the bill. He has line-item veto power with the budget, set to begin Sept. 1.

Not passing a budget would be a blow to the first all-Republican majority Texas Legislature, which insisted on handling the shortfall without raising taxes. The leadership required that the spending plan start from zero, every penny be justified and that cuts be made across state government.

When asked about CHIP, Dewhurst gave a thumbs up and said the sides agreed to keep eligibility the same as it is now. Families who earn twice the poverty level — $36,800 annually for a family of four— are eligible. About 508,000 Texas children are enrolled in the low-cost insurance program.

FDA issues recall for counterfeit Lipitor pills

WASHINGTON (AP) — An estimated 100,000 bottles labeled as the cholesterol-lowering medicine Lipitor are being recalled because they contain counterfeit pills, the Food and Drug Administration warned Friday.

The FDA said the fake pills were discovered after some health complaints but would not elaborate because a criminal investigation is under way.

Lipitor users should immediately check their bottles to see if they have the fake version, which could pose a potentially significant health risk because the counterfeit pills will not lower cholesterol, the FDA said.

The recall covers original 90-pill bottles. To spot the fake version, look for the words "Repackaged by MED-PRO Inc., Lexington, Neb." on the lower left corner of bottles that bear the following lot numbers:

—20722V, expiration 09-2004
—04132V, expiration 01-2004
—16942V, expiration 09-2004

Patients who have those recalled bottles should not take the pills but return them to the pharmacy where they were bought.

The recall was issued by Albers Medical Distributors Inc., which ships the medication to pharmacies.

Sterling gets DEKALB nod

Celeigh Sterling, Ira FFA member, has received the DEKALB Agriculture Accomplishment Award and the FFA chapter was recently presented the chapter's highest honor, the DEKALB Agricultural Accomplishment Award, sponsored by Monsanto Company.

Sterling, the daughter of Kirby and Pat Sterling, received the award for her excellence in academics, leadership and Supervised Agricultural Experience program (SAE).

An SAE is a work-based learning program where a student applies the concepts learned in the agricultural classroom.

Sterling's program consisted of lambs and pigs.

Jay Waller is FFA advisor at Ira.

Kerley graduates

Laurie Michelle Kerley, daughter of Mike Kerley of Abilene and Cecile Cheatham of Austin graduated from Texas Tech May 17.

She received a bachelor of science in early childhood, magna cum laude.

Kerley is the granddaughter of Elois Pruitt and the late Franklin Pruitt and the late Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Kerley.

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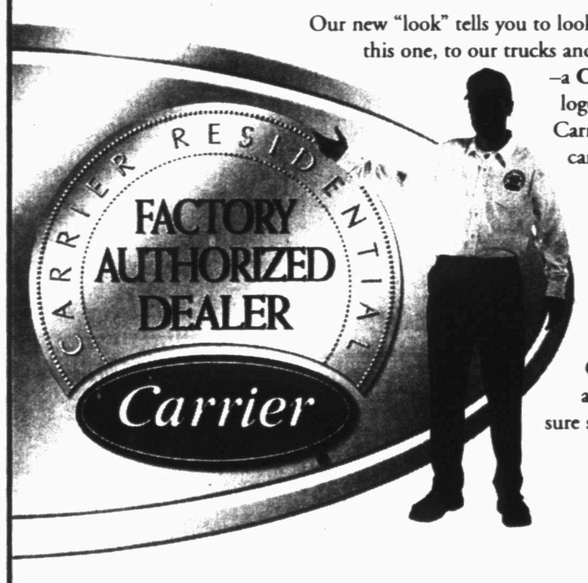
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Receives award

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Tori Whitmore from Altus, Okla. has been named a United States National Award winner in foreign language.

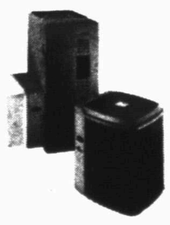
Whitmore attends Altus Junior High School. She is the daughter of Eric and Jean Whitmore from Altus Air Force Base, Okla., and the granddaughter of Donald and Mary Whitmore of Denton and Lany and Elsie Anderson of Rising Star, formerly of Snyder.

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PROPERTY TAX PROTEST AND APPEALS PROCEDURES

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- the market or special appraised value placed on your property
- the unequal appraisal of your property
- the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- any exemptions that may apply to you
- the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal
- the taxable status of your property
- the local governments which should be taxing your property
- the ownership of property
- the change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board that applies to and adversely affected you.

Informal Review

As a property owner, you are encouraged to make an appointment with an appraiser to discuss you property value. This may be done by contacting the appraisal district at 325-573-8549. You should have information to substantiate why you feel that your property value or any other information is incorrect. The appraiser will review your property and may recommend that the property value be adjusted. If you are satisfied with the adjustment, it will not be necessary to appear before the appraisal review board.

Review by the Appraisal Review Board

If you can't resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening, Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD will use to uphold their determination.

The CAD may ask you for a copy of the evidence you plan to present. The hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. The CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at: SCURRY COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT, 2612 COLLEGE AVENUE, SNYDER, TX 79549

Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order.

Tax Payment

If you appeal and your case is pending, you must pay the lesser of the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

More Information

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at:
SCURRY COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT
2612 COLLEGE AVENUE
SNYDER, TX 79549
325-573-8549

You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at P O Box 13528, Austin, TX 78711-3528.

Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB*
June 20, 2003

Usual Deadline

On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

Special Deadlines

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest you filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

*THE DEADLINE IS POSTPONED TO THE NEXT BUSINESS DAY IF IT FALLS ON A WEEKEND OR HOLIDAY.

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SPORTS

Spurs rout limping Mavs

DALLAS (AP) — Dirk Nowitzki remembers going up for a rebound and banging into Manu Ginobili. The next thing the Dallas star recalls is a strange, horrifying sensation.

"I couldn't move my leg any more," Nowitzki said.

Nowitzki sprained his left knee midway through the fourth quarter of Game 3 of the Western Conference finals Friday night. The Mavericks went on to lose 96-83 to San Antonio, giving the Spurs a 2-1 series lead. Game 4 is Sunday night.

"I think we have enough soldiers in this locker room to put us in position to win," Mavericks guard Michael Finley said, "but it'll be tougher."

Nowitzki was scheduled for an MRI exam Saturday. Dallas coach Don Nelson is preparing for the worst, saying there's a chance the team's leading scorer and rebounder won't play again this series.

"We should not take a gamble or a chance on Dirk Nowitzki," said Nelson, also the Mavs' general manager. "I told Dirk he must feel he's totally 100 percent for me to play him again this series."

Nowitzki left the building on crutches, trying his best to be optimistic. But he also could be underestimating what happened. He said he's never had a knee injury before, "so really the pain is new to me."

"It's a bad break, but we'll just have to see how it feels tomorrow," he said. "This series is a long ways from being over."

Not if Tim Duncan and Tony Parker play like they did in Game 3.

Duncan was a force all over the court, scoring 34 points and grabbing 24 rebounds. His defense in the paint prevented the Mavericks from driving.

Parker matched his career playoff high with 29 points, scoring 19 in the third quarter alone. The Spurs had a 15-2 run in that period, then went on a 12-0 spurt to open the fourth quarter. Duncan scored 14 points in the final period.

It was as if they'd flipped a switch after scoring only 18 points in the first quarter and 20 in the second against what Nelson called Dallas' best defense in the playoffs.

Coach Gregg Popovich said the turnaround started with some defensive changes, and some words of encouragement for Parker.

"Pop told me at halftime he wanted be to be more aggressive and help Timmy out," Parker said.

Duncan surpassed 30 points for the fourth consecutive game, and San Antonio outrebounded Dallas 59-36.

Nick Van Exel led Dallas with 16 points, Nowitzki had 15 and Raja Bell added 14. Steve Nash was outplayed by the 21-year-old Parker, who scored 19 in the third quarter and finished 13-for-23 from the field.

Dallas had a few good moments, such as taking an 11-point lead early in the third quarter, before Nowitzki banged his left knee against Ginobili in the fourth while going for a rebound.

Tomjanovich resigns head coach position

HOUSTON (AP) — After two NBA titles and 12 years as coach of the Houston Rockets, Rudy Tomjanovich decided it was time to be a regular guy.

Tomjanovich, whose season was cut short for treatment of bladder cancer, stepped down as coach Friday after negotiating a settlement of the remaining two years of his contract with the Rockets worth $12 million.

Tomjanovich will take another job in the organization he has been with for the past 33 years.

"The best thing for me is to back off and be just a regular guy for a while," Tomjanovich said in a tearful announcement. "In the Army, they rotate the guy at the point because you can only stand it up there for so long."

"For a while, I'd like to be a soldier instead of a general."

Tomjanovich guided the Rockets through some of their most glorious seasons, including their NBA titles in 1994 and 1995. Since then, the Rockets have seen the end of Hakeem Olajuwon's career and they've missed the playoffs the past four years.

"This is a very difficult day for the entire Rockets organization," owner Les Alexander said in a statement. "I know this was a hard decision for Rudy, but I respect it. Rudy is a great championship coach. While I am saddened to see him move from the sideline, I look forward to working with him to make this a championship team again."

The Rockets now joins Cleveland, Toronto, the Los Angeles Clippers and New Orleans in seeking a coach.

Jeff Van Gundy and Paul Silas are the leading candidates for the Cavaliers, who won the NBA lottery for the right to select high school star LeBron James. The new Rockets coach will have a chance to coach 7-foot-6 center Yao Ming.

Dawson said Tomjanovich would help the Rockets in scouting and evaluation.

Sports Briefs

Memorial Day scramble

A Memorial Day scramble will be held Monday at Scurry County golf course. Tee-off is 10 a.m.

Volleyball booster club

The volleyball booster club will meet at 6 p.m. Monday at the high school gym. Head coach Laura Moses requests all parents attend the meeting.

Girls basketball camp

SHS girls' basketball coach Mike Martin will host a basketball camp June 10-13 at the high school gym.

Incoming 3rd-5th graders will get instruction from 8 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., incoming 6th and 7th grade players at 10:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., and incoming 8th and 9th graders go from 1:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Forms can be picked up at each SISD campus and at the SHS athletic office.

Williams out four-to-six weeks

NEW YORK (AP) — New York Yankees center fielder Bernie Williams has torn cartilage in his left knee and will likely need surgery that will sideline him for four-to-six weeks.

An MRI on Thursday revealed a sprain and tear of the medial meniscus.

McNair apologizes for arrest

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Tennessee Titans quarterback Steve McNair apologized for his arrest on charges of drunken driving and illegal possession of a handgun.

He didn't take any questions and concluded by apologizing to his fans, particularly the children who look up to him.

McNair was stopped just after midnight by a police officer who saw his sports utility vehicle weaving on a downtown street.

He failed a field sobriety test and a blood-alcohol test produced a reading of 0.18 — above Tennessee's level of intoxication of 0.10.

Rangers beat Orioles for 7th straight victory

ARLINGTON (AP) — Rafael Palmeiro's 501st homer went a long way toward helping Texas move within a game of .500.

Palmeiro homered and drove in three runs to lead the Rangers to their season-high seventh straight win Friday night, 5-3 over the Baltimore Orioles.

Texas (23-24) has not been at .500 since the second game of the season. A win Saturday would put the Rangers there through 48 games for the first time since 2000.

Palmeiro had a two-run blast in the first and an RBI single in the fifth that hit the top of the wall in right field.

After a brief meeting, the umpires determined the ball hit just below the yellow line. The single put Texas ahead 4-3.

"In the past my numbers have been pretty good against Palmeiro," Baltimore starter Pat Hentgen said. "The guy has 500 homers and almost added two tonight."

Ismael Valdes (4-2) earned his second consecutive win since coming off the disabled list. He gave up three runs and 10 hits, all singles, in six innings.

"There is some pressure with a long winning streak," Valdes said. "I just wanted to do my job and keep the team in the game."

Ugueth Urbina pitched the ninth for his 16th save in 17 chances, his fourth consecutive game with a save. Urbina struck out Melvin Mora with runners on second and third to end it.

He has saved six games during Texas' winning streak.

"Ugueth has been awesome for us," Valdes said.

The Rangers are on their longest winning streak since winning eight straight June 19-25 last season.

Astros hammer Chicago ace

HOUSTON (AP) — The worst inning of Mark Prior's career was too much for the Chicago Cubs to overcome.

Houston scored six runs against Prior in the first inning and the Astros' stellar bullpen helped them hang on for a 7-5 victory Friday night.

Jose Vizcaino had a three-run homer and Orlando Merced hit a two-run single in the first, but two Chicago miscues extended the inning.

Craig Biggio reached base on shortstop Ramon Martinez' error to start the first and a wide throw home by third baseman Mark Bellhorn allowed a run to score.

"If you'd have told me we'd get six runs off Prior in the first inning, I'd have said there's no way," Astros bench coach John Tamargo said. "But we had some great hitting and some great defense and some solid pitching."

Tamargo managed the team in place of Jimy Williams, who took the night off to attend his daughter's high school graduation.

The six runs in an inning were a career high for Prior (5-2). He was lifted after allowing Jeff Kent's RBI single in the seventh.

Prior pitched 6 2-3 innings, allowing seven hits. He struck out six and walked three.

The Astros won for the 11th time in 14 home games and moved within a half-game of the first-place Cubs in the NL Central. Chicago has lost five of seven.

Major League Baseball

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National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	32	16	.667	—
Montreal	30	18	.625	2
Philadelphia	27	21	.563	5
New York	22	26	.458	10
Florida	20	29	.408	12½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	26	21	.553	—
Houston	26	22	.542	½
St. Louis	24	22	.522	1½
Cincinnati	24	24	.500	2½
Pittsburgh	19	28	.404	7
Milwaukee	18	30	.375	8½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	29	18	.617	—
Los Angeles	28	20	.583	1½
Arizona	22	26	.458	7½
Colorado	22	26	.458	7½
San Diego	13	35	.271	16½

Friday's Games

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

Saturday's Games

N.Y. Mets (Glavine 5-3) at Atlanta (Ramirez 3-2), 1:15 p.m.
San Francisco (Ainsworth 3-4) at Colorado (Elarton 0-0), 4:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Estes 4-3) at Houston (Redding 3-3), 7:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Nomo 5-4) at Milwaukee (Kinney 3-3), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Morris 5-3) at Pittsburgh (Suppan 4-4), 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Duckworth 3-1) at Montreal (Ohka 3-5), 7:05 p.m.
Florida (Penny 2-3) at Cincinnati (Wilson 2-3), 7:10 p.m.
San Diego (Lawrence 2-5) at Arizona (Schilling 3-2), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

N.Y. Mets (Seo 1-2) at Atlanta (Maddux 3-5), 1:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Myers 4-3) at Montreal (Vazquez 4-2), 1:05 p.m.
Florida (Willis 1-1) at Cincinnati (Graves 3-2), 1:15 p.m.
St. Louis (Stephenson 3-3) at Pittsburgh (Wells 1-2), 1:35 p.m.
Los Angeles (K.Brown 5-1) at Milwaukee (Sheets 4-3), 2:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Zambrano 4-4) at Houston (W.Miller 2-5), 2:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Foppert 2-3) at Colorado (Oliver 1-3), 4:05 p.m.
San Diego (Keisler 0-1) at Arizona (Dessens 3-4), 4:35 p.m.

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	29	18	.617	—
New York	29	19	.604	½
Toronto	25	24	.510	5
Baltimore	21	26	.447	8
Tampa Bay	19	28	.404	10

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	27	20	.574	—
Kansas City	25	21	.543	1½
Chicago	22	25	.468	5
Cleveland	17	30	.362	10
Detroit	11	35	.239	15½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	31	16	.660	—
Oakland	28	19	.596	3
Texas	23	24	.489	8
Anaheim	22	24	.478	8½

Friday's Games

Boston 9, Cleveland 2
Toronto 6, N.Y. Yankees 2
Texas 5, Baltimore 3
Detroit 3, Chicago White Sox 2
Oakland 4, Kansas City 1
Seattle 5, Minnesota 2
Tampa Bay 3, Anaheim 1

Saturday's Games

Cleveland (B.Anderson 2-4) at Boston (Burkett 2-2), 1:20 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Kennedy 3-3) at Anaheim (Lackey 2-4), 4:05 p.m.
Toronto (Lidle 7-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Wells 6-1), 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City (K.Wilson 0-0) at Oakland (Lilly 3-2), 4:05 p.m.
Detroit (Knotts 1-3) at Chicago White Sox (Loaiza 7-1), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Daal 2-5) at Texas (Thomson 3-4), 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Lohse 3-3) at Seattle (Pineiro 4-3), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Toronto (D.Davis 1-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Weaver 3-2), 1:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Ja.Davis 3-4) at Boston (Fossum 4-2), 2:05 p.m.
Detroit (Bernero 0-6) at Chicago White Sox (Wright 0-2), 2:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Helling 2-4) at Texas (Benoit 2-1), 3:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Brazelton 0-3) at Anaheim (Appier 2-2), 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City (May 0-1) at Oakland (Hudson 4-1), 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Reed 2-5) at Seattle (Franklin 3-2), 8:05 p.m.

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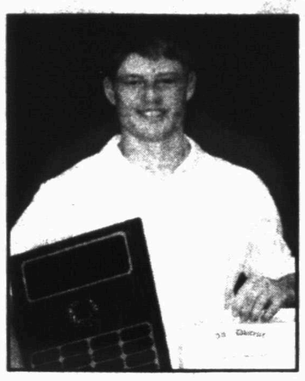

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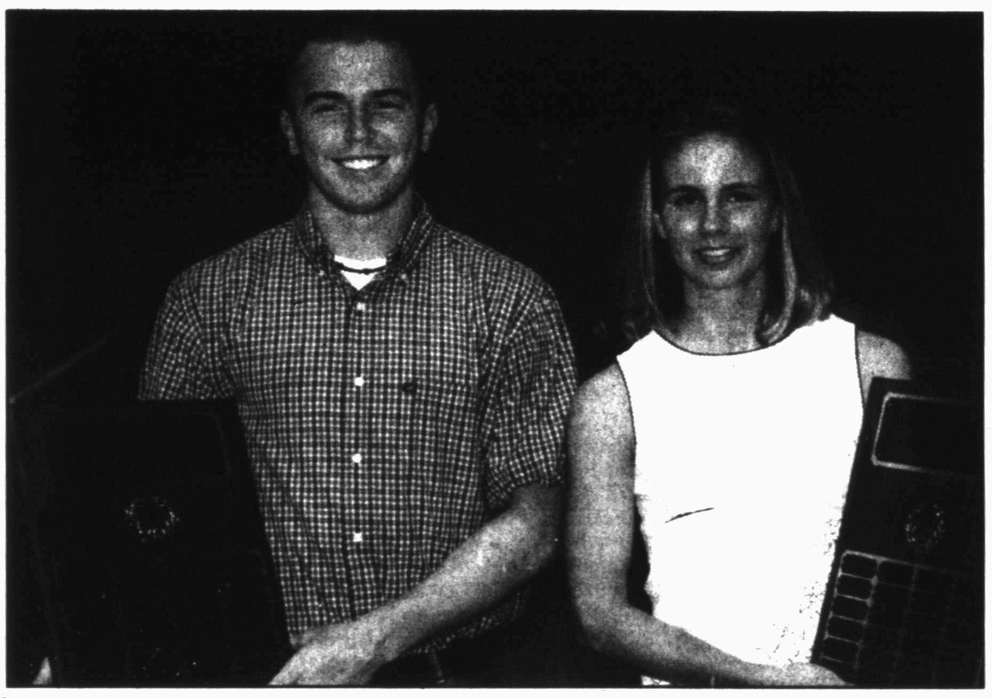
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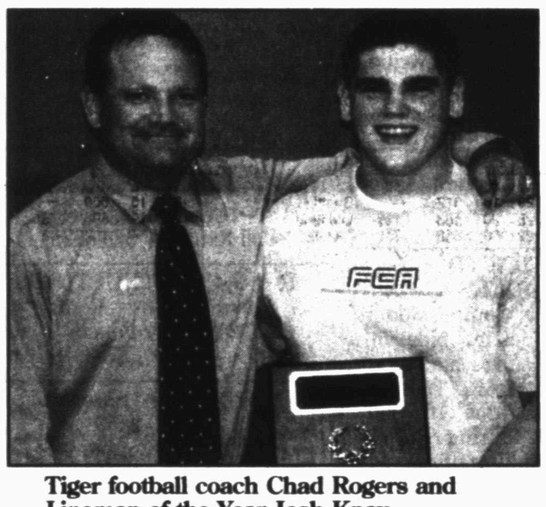
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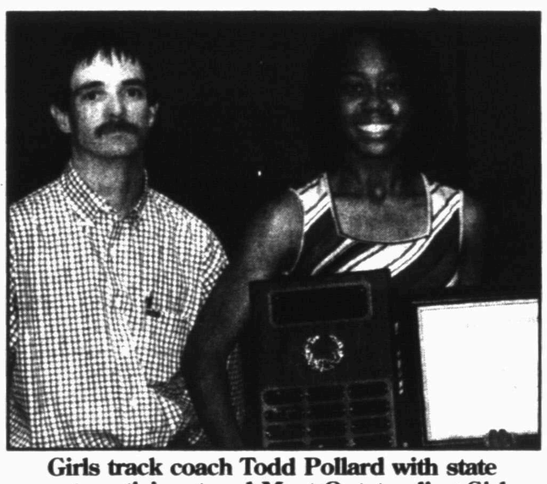
Snyder High School honored its athletes at the 2003 All-Sports banquet held at Scurry County Coliseum Thursday. (Contributed Photos by Jo Henry)



Athlete of the Year awards went to T.J. Jones and Hailey Putnam



Tiger football coach Chad Rogers and Lineman of the Year Josh Knox



Girls track coach Todd Pollard with state meet participant and Most Outstanding Girls Track honoree, October Wells



Snyder basketball coach Bud Birks presents Lee Scott with the Most Improved award.

Sorenstam misses cut

FORT WORTH (AP) — Annika Sorenstam ended her experiment on the PGA Tour the same way it started: making a pressure-packed shot in front of an enormous, cheering gallery.

Nobody knew what to expect before Sorenstam striped her opening drive into the No. 10 fairway to start her first round and become the first woman in 58 years to play on the PGA Tour.

By the time Sorenstam ended her historic appearance in the Colonial with a 15-foot par putt Friday, the fact she missed the cut by four strokes didn't matter.

"I'm far away from the leaderboard. That's obvious," said Sorenstam, who shot a 3-over 74 for a 5-over total. "But I'm very proud of the way I played all week under all of the circumstances."

Under intense scrutiny in an atmosphere only Tiger Woods could appreciate, Sorenstam showed she could hold her own against the men — at least for a couple of days. And she did it on a course longer (7,080 yards) and tougher than any she had ever played in competition.

Sorenstam broke down in tears as she walked off the green to a raucous and well-deserved ovation. She cried as she signed her scorecard, realizing that it was all over.

"'Being under the microscope and then when I didn't really perform as well as I think I can, I'm emotionally drained right now because I gave it all I had," she said. "That's what I had to do, come here and perform my best."

She teed off Thursday morning amid resounding cheers, before and after her opening drive went 243 yards in the fairway past playing partners Dean Wilson and Aaron Barber — granted the PGA Tour rookies used irons for their first shots.

Late Friday afternoon, her group the last to play the 18th hole, Sorenstam approached the green to a standing ovation from the thousands of people crammed around the hole.

Sorenstam responded by holding her hands above her head and applauding them. Then, having gotten her third shot on the green after a wayward tee shot into the trees, she made the par-saving putt.

Second round co-leader Kenny Perry was among those impressed with how Sorenstam handled things. Again, the score didn't matter.

"I played with Tiger two times last year ... and the media scrutiny was really intense out there," Perry said. "I performed very poorly. My hat's off to her. I think she did a great job."

Sorenstam wound up 13 strokes behind Perry (64) and Dan Forsman (66), who at 8 under took a one-stroke lead into the weekend. She tied for 96th, with the same score as four other players and better than 11 others who finished the first two rounds.

Sorenstam said she wasn't trying to prove anything to anyone, least of all that she could beat the boys. The Colonial was a chance to test herself at the highest level.

Now she wants to take what she's learned back to the LPGA Tour, where she has already won 43 times.

"I know where I belong," she said. "And I'm going to go back with all the experience that I've learned this week. I want to win tournaments and I want to set records. This week here is going to help me do that."

James pick already transforming Cavs

CLEVELAND (AP) — Gund Arena, home of the dreadful Cavaliers, wasn't the same place Friday. LeBron James had changed it, but nobody was complaining.

Office phones rang off their hooks. A convoy of TV news trucks were parked bumper-to-bumper on the streets. Fans waited on line in the lobby studying season ticket brochures, hoping that good seats were still available.

In less than 24 hours, James transformed the normally serene Gund — one of the NBA's emptiest and quietest arenas — into the hottest spot in town.

LeBron Mania arrived Friday to a city still in shock.

One day after hitting the NBA lottery jackpot and winning the rights to draft James with the No. 1 overall pick in the June 26 draft, the Cavaliers got their first taste of what life will be like once the Akron high school superstar is wearing one of their wine-and-gold uniforms.

Everything, it seems, has changed overnight.

"The reaction of the city has been unbelievable," Cavaliers general manager Jim Paxson said. "It still hasn't sunk in yet."

It has for hundreds of Cavaliers fans who rushed to buy season tickets for next season on Friday. The team had 25 sales representatives answering phones and taking ticket orders from the moment Cleveland learned it had won the lottery Thursday night.

"At 8:22, the phones started ringing and I don't think they've stopped," Paxson said. "It's a huge lift for everyone here. We got lucky, and it's about time."

By 5 p.m. Friday, Cavaliers spokesman Tad Carper said the club had sold hundreds of season ticket packages on what he described as the best sales day since the Gund opened in 1994.

Cleveland's season ticket base dropped as low as 3,000, and the club was last in the league in attendance this season with just under 11,000 fans per game.

"Put it this way," Carper said. "This is a salesman's nirvana."

One of the Cavs' sales people had some bad new for James' agent, Aaron Goodwin, who inquired about getting season tickets for James and his family.

"We called and tried to get seats, too, and the good ones were all gone," Goodwin said. "True story."

Wylie blanks Monahans

Abilene Wylie got a four-hit shutout from starter Jeff Rariden, taking the first game of a best-of-three series from Monahans, 4-0, Friday night at Moffett Field.

Wylie jumped on the board with two runs in the first inning. Hank Casey, who recently signed with Western Texas College, struck out with the bases loaded, but a passed ball plated a run. Monahans pitcher Noah Miles then hit the next batter, forcing in another run.

Wylie added two more runs in the top of the seventh to round out the scoring.

The teams were scheduled to play game two at 2 p.m. Saturday.

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Female Athlete of the Year: Hailey Putnam
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MVP: Josh Montoya
Offensive Player: T.J. Jones
Defensive Player: Isaac Ramon
Lineman: Josh Knox
Tiger Heart: Tyler Kerr

BASKETBALL AWARDS
MVP: T.J. Jones
Defensive Player: Clay Williams
Most Improved: Lee Scott
Fighting Tiger: Logan Hill
Girls Pride Award: Hailey Putnam

VOLLEYBALL
Player of the Year: Shelley Fisk
Defensive Player: Kelsi Johnson
Tiger Heart: Kelby Drum
Amy Armstrong Memorial Award: Chaelyn Robinson

BASEBALL
MVP: Chance Greenwood
Robert Hobbs Award: Logan Hill
Albert Lewis Award: Blake Grimmett and Shawn Roemisch

SOFTBALL
MVP: Jacque Alvarez and Ashley Martinez
Big Stick: Shelley Fisk
Tiger Heart: Chaelyn Robinson and Kelsi Johnson
Golden Gloves: Dara Chambers, Valerie Hernandez and Missy Vasquez

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BOYS
MVP: Stafford Gray
Fighting Heart: Matt McCormick and Brady Reed
Most Improved: Vaughn Wiggins
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Fighting Heart: Lauren Day, Kellie Dodson and Hailey Putnam
Most Improved: Catherine Whitworth

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

KINDER MORGAN SACROC LP, 4632 W. Hwy. 180, Snyder, Texas 79549, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject water, CO2 with H2S & hydrocarbon gas into the Canyon Reef formation, SACROC Unit Lease, Well No(s). 50-4, 85-7, 86-6, 90-4, 91-4, 91-5, 92-9, 110-3, 111-1, 112-3, 115-4, 154-2, 156-5, 157-4, 159-2, 184-1, 189-1, 190-1, 199-3, 200-5, 203-4, 205-2, & 206-2. The proposed injection wells are located approximately 1.5 to 7.0 miles Northwest from Snyder, Texas in the Kelly-Snyder Field, in Scurry County. Proposed injection Well No(s) 280-3, 285-1, 285-10, 285-12 & 291-3 are located 2.0 to 2.5 Miles Southwest from Snyder, Texas. Water & CO2 with H2S & Hydrocarbon gas will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth intervals from 6350' to 7250'.
LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Scurry County Commissioners' Court are requesting bids on a 7-acre tract of land located on the Old Lubbock Road. Bids will be opened on June 16, 2003, at 10:00 a.m., during Regular Session of the Commissioners' Court. The land is out of Section 18 in Block 1, JP Smith. Minimum bid has been set at $7,000.00. Specifications may be obtained at the County Judge's Office, Scurry County Courthouse, Snyder, Texas 79549.

Lost & Found

Lost around May 12th English Pointer, male, 7mo. old. White & brown w/black collar. Call 915-721-4761.

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Men's wallet, around 42nd St. Small reward if returned. Call 573-7065.

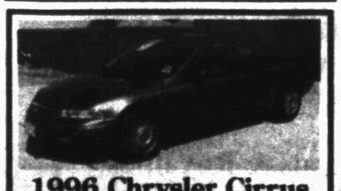
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1993 Ford F150 Super cab LWB. Captain seats, CD player. $5,250 Call for details, 325-573-4714.

1993 Pathfinder
Good condition. 118K
$4,500 OBO 573-4136

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New tires, New JVC CD and Pioneer speakers. Drives great!! $4,000
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Established automotive shop, specializing in air conditioners and radiators, for sale. Equipment and tools included. Call 573-6596.

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Clean your garage or house. Will move furniture. For estimates call Tim **573-3047**

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Responsible college student will provide complete lawn care. Experienced, w/references available. 766-3669 or 868-0133

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Employment

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Experience necessary. Great customer service skills & valid TX DL required. Apply at King Carpet Cleaning & Floor Coverings.

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Need someone qualified to do painting, carpentry & plumbing repairs. Experienced only need apply. 573-2251

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Employment

Experienced Construction Builder/Foreman
Requirements: Manual, mechanical and technical skills. Able to erect steel buildings and work with masonry and concrete. Read blueprints, work with rough materials, & finished components. May perform metal welding and require heavy lifting. Completes work in compliance w/local building codes & job site requirements. Mail or fax resume to below or call 325-573-8005. Office Manager
7365 W. Hwy 180
Snyder, TX 79549
Fax: 325-573-8047

Make up to $2,000.00 in 11 days.
Looking for enthusiastic adult to manage a fireworks stand outside Snyder June 24 thru July 4. No investment required. Phone 10am thru 5pm for more info. 830-429-1408 or 830-429-3808.

PART-TIME NURSERY WORKER
for First Baptist Church. Must be able to work during Sunday Worship Services. If interested, please pick up an application at 1701 27th St.

Snyder Country Club
needs certified life guards. Apply in person.

Employment

Richeson Companies
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Snyder Oaks Care Center
is now taking applications for LVN's on all shifts. Starting pay is $14.50 hr. plus we pay 3/4 of your health insurance. Call Kellie or Darla at 573-9377 if interested or apply in person at 210 E. 37th St.

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Human Resource Department
409 Runnels Street
Big Spring, TX 79720

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Applications may be obtained at 3100 ½ 37th Street
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EOE

Mitchell County Hospital in Colorado City
is accepting applications for:
- Registered Nurse for 7pm to 7am
- 2 LVNs for 7pm to 7am
- CNA for 7am to 7pm
- CNA for 7pm to 7am

Competitive salary and good benefits.
Contact JoAnn Merket, R.N., D.O.N. at (325) 728-3431

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- 2 RNs for 8-5 shift

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Crew Workers

Crew Chief candidates must have good management and communication skills as well as a high priority for safety and quality. Applicable D.O.T. and OSHA regulations knowledge along with knowledge of applicable state and federal regulations will be required.

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Snyder, TX 79549
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EOE. Subject to drug screen. Experienced required.

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Employment

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Farm Equipment

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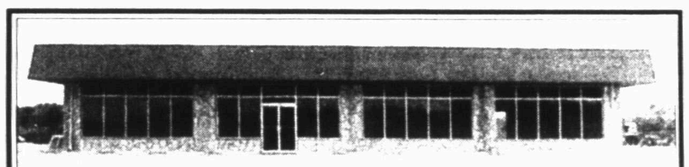
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3-FAMILY YARD SALE
1100 26th St.
Sunday 8a.m. – ??
Lots of misc.

Apartments For Rent

Furnished 1 bedroom apartment for rent, has refrigerated air. In Hermleigh, clean and quiet. 863-2700

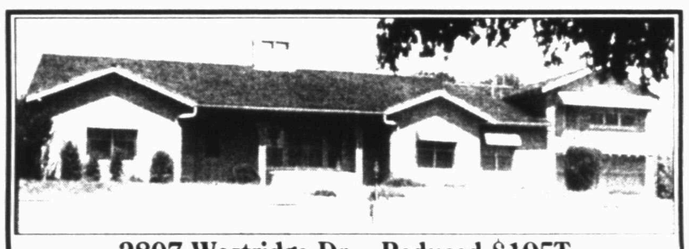
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Custom Built - 5603 Cedar Creek 3-3 + office	**Mobile Home** 3-3, 2000 Palm Harbor $49T
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	2307 28th 2-1 + shop $19.9T
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Over 30,000 + sq.ft. - Great Condition - Approx. 11 acres -- Priced below tax appraisal	**Downtown** - 1818 26th $35T
Great Location - Apx. 4 acres - 10,000 sq.ft. + or -, 600 37th St. ..... Reduced $100's	College Ave. & Ave. R $15T
Need Several Offices? 2515 College Ave. Living Quarters in back ..... Call!	**1100 25th St.** $25T
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FOR SALE
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Contact Lee Bledsoe
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111 Peach 2 or 3-1.....$12.5T
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Good Floor P [redacted] $54.9T
80 acres 5 mi. SW of Hermleigh, 3-2-2 + office + shop & out building.....Call
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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.

HOW FAST THEY DO GROW UP

As final preparations are made for 2003 seniors to cross the stage, many moms and dads will be reflecting on just how fast their babies grow up. Countless sentences will begin with "it seems like just yesterday…"

Time does seem to fly, and before you know it, the day has arrived to set them free into to the world, either to go off to college, enter the workforce or start a family. It is a time when you hope you have instilled in them all that is necessary to face the temptations, struggles and hardships that go along with this thing called life.

The snares are everywhere, making it easy for a young person to detour down the wrong road. Popular culture more than ever promotes detrimental lifestyles and glamorizes drinking, drugging and promiscuity. Young people seem to be buying into it as evidenced by the popularity of tee-shirts, posters, keyrings and the like with messages such as "been there, drank that" or "one tequila, two tequila, three tequila, floor." Some people are prone to dismiss this type of merchandise as funny and innocent. In fact, some adults can also be seen displaying the items. "It's just a joke. Don't be so uptight and self-righteous" might be the response to criticism about such merchandise.

Perhaps on the surface it is seemingly innocent fun, but there is the underlying issue of what messages we are sending out to our future generations. Not only do we adults need to be careful about what behaviors we are consciously or unconsciously justifying, but those older teens and young adults who are in a position to influence younger people need to be careful as well. Kids can have a tendency to idolize big brother or big sister and attempt to follow in their footsteps. If that older sibling, cousin or neighbor makes a certain lifestyle or behavior look fun and exciting, the younger person gets the message that that is the way to go.

So, when talking to the young people in your life about the negative aspects of drinking, smoking, drugging or engaging in sexual behavior, remember to remind them of the broader spectrum of their behavior. This does not mean putting a guilt trip on them or the unnecessary weight of the responsibility for someone else's choices, but our young people need to know that they are not alone in this world. The choices we all make affect other lives. That is the case whether we are talking about promoting the message that getting falling down drunk is okay or if we are talking about driving under the influence.

Somewhere along the line our young people have gotten the message that it is cool to get to brag about the minor in possession ticket they got last weekend or their keg party that got busted at the local pasture. We need to teach our young people to "play the tape all the way through." It is not cool when someone dies in a drunken crash, when someone overdoses on drugs or alcohol, or when someone is raped because they blacked out at a party.

Responsibility is the key. Young people are curious, and they want to try new things. Keeping up with the latest and greatest is a priority for many of them. That is why it is our job as influential adults in their life to reinforce the message that there is plenty out there to experience that does not involve the danger and harm that comes from drinking, drugging and early sexual activity.

Kids grow up way too fast. Enjoy them, encourage them, and help them to positively shape their lives now. It is all too soon that they will be walking across the stage and out into the world.

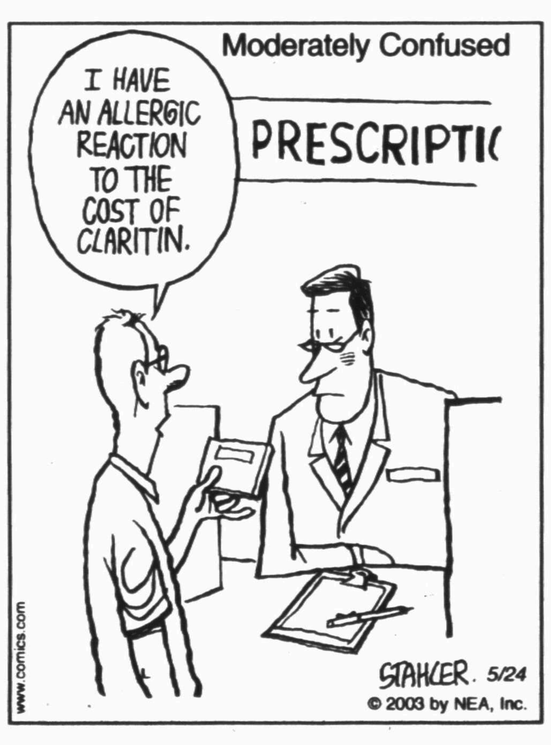
For more information on how you and/or your business or organization can be involved in promoting a drug-free community, contact the Scurry County Anti-Drug Connection at the Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 574-1931 or 573-1411.

Giuliani will wed in Grace mansion

NEW YORK (AP) — Driven from Gracie Mansion by his previous wife, former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani returns Saturday to his old residence under happier circumstances — for his wedding to girlfriend Judith Nathan.

"I'm very, very happy," Giuliani told reporters after the beaming couple picked up their marriage license this week. "I'm looking forward to spending the rest of our lives together."

Mayor Michael Bloomberg will perform the ceremony.



CARD OF THANKS

THANK YOU

The family of Verna Knight wishes to express their sincere thanks to everyone for the beautiful flowers, food, prayers, and phone calls. Odyssey Health Care, Cogdell Home Health, the 3rd floor nurses at Cogdell, the Rev. Buddy Payne, Dr. Rakov, and Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home were wonderful.

A special thanks goes to Velma Lou Lear, Chuck Lear, and Jimmie Day for their endless hours of sitting with Verna at the hospital. We so appreciate all the acts of kindness during this difficult time.

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Soldiers' sacrifices to be remembered

By HELEN O'NEILL
AP Special Correspondent

The soldier was listed as missing but others in his unit had been found, and the veterans at the American Legion in Los Fresnos, Texas, were sure that it was only a matter of time before Army Spc. Edward Anguiano would be rescued too.

So they planned a homecoming, a lavish community welcome for a soldier returning from war — the last American soldier listed as missing in action in Iraq. There would be a band and dancing, and all the home-cooked rice and beans and smoked chicken folks could eat for $5 a plate. The money would be donated to the family.

Anguiano did come home, but not as they had hoped. The 24-year-old mechanic's remains were found April 24 near the site in Nasiriyah in southern Iraq where he and his comrades had been ambushed.

And so the May 10 gathering turned into a memorial rather than a celebration. The dancing was canceled, but speeches flowed and plates were piled high. The family was presented with an Amerian flag and everyone said it was nice that so many people cared.

This Memorial Day veterans will plant flowers on Anguiano's grave and on those of all the other fallen fighters from Iraq, and people will care all over again — deeply care, even if just for a day.

"He's one of a very elite group now," says post commander Baldamero Alcala, a 67-year-old Korean War veteran. "One who gave his life to his country."

There are many newcomers to that elite, from every ethnic group, every religion, every occupation, every corner of America. Their names will be read in somber roll-calls at church services and memorials and cemeteries across the country on Memorial Day.

— Marine Lance Cpl. Michael J. Williams from Phoenix, so imbued with patriotism after the Sept. 11 attacks he gave up his flooring business to join the Marines. He told his fiance, Heather Strange, that if anything ever happened to him, he would be her guardian angel for life.

— Marine Maj. Jay Thomas Aubin of Waterville, Maine, possessed of such a gentle nature that his Marine buddies called him "Sweet Pea."

— Army Capt. James F. Adamouski of Springfield, Va., who had just been accepted to Harvard Business school and planned to teach economics at West Point after he graduated. Knowing how much his mother worried about him flying helicopters, Adamouski assured her that he was in the safest position. "I'll be safe, and I'll fly low, and I'll fly fast," he told her.

SARS is proving to be hard to contain in spite of efforts

BEIJING (AP) — Despite a possible scientific breakthrough linking SARS to animals, the disease continued to vex health authorities trying to contain it Saturday. Asia reported progress in slowing the pace of infection, but Canada feared a new bout with the illness.

For the first time since late March, no new cases of severe acute respiratory syndrome were reported in Hong Kong during the previous 24 hours on Saturday. Taiwan had no new deaths for a second day in a row and just ten new cases, and Beijing announced a "notable downward trend."

But in Toronto, authorities reported a cluster of about 20 possible new cases, prompting U.S. health officials to issue another travel alert for the city.

The alert came as a harsh blow for Toronto, which was removed from the World Health Organization's list of SARS-affected areas last week after apparently snuffing out the biggest outbreak outside of Asia.

The alert from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention asks Americans to take precautions but stops short of advising against travel to Toronto.

SARS has spread to more than 8,000 people around the globe, and killed nearly 700, the vast majority of them in Asia.

Researchers in Hong Kong have found evidence of the SARS virus in three types of small mammals including the civet cat, which is eaten as a delicacy by some Chinese. But WHO said Friday it cannot rule out the possibility the animals acquired the virus from humans.

Singapore is culling some of the island's estimated 80,000 stray cats as part of a nationwide hygiene campaign to control SARS, but authorities said it was not linked to the recent findings. Civet cats are from the same animal family as ferrets.

On Friday, the WHO lifted its advisories warning against travel to Hong Kong and China's southern Guangdong province, where the disease was first detected.

Birth

Hannah Rene' Robinson was born at 12:40 p.m. on May 21 at Shannon Women and Children's Hospital in San Angelo. She weighed 7 lbs. 4 oz.

Parents are Brian and Cynthia Robinson of San Angelo. Maternal grandparents are Bobby and Carolyn Stansell of Fluvanna. Paternal grandparents are Howard and Judy Robinson of Snyder.

Jobless extension awaits Bush's signature

WASHINGTON (AP) — With the bleak jobs outlook unlikely to improve soon, legislation that makes federal unemployment benefits available through December is awaiting President Bush's signature.

Only people who exhaust all their state aid — generally 26 weeks — will be eligible for the 13 weeks of emergency benefits once the bill becomes law.

However, jobless Americans who live in the high unemployment states of Alaska, Oregon, Washington, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania will get 26 weeks.

But about a million people who have already used up their state and federal benefits won't get any new aid.

Congress sent the bill to Bush's desk Friday before adjourning for a weeklong holiday recess, beating a May 31 deadline when the program expires.

The nation's unemployment rate is 6 percent, almost 2 percentage points higher than when Bush took office. About 8.8 million people are out of work, victims of a struggling economy that is stuck in low gear without producing new jobs.

Meanwhile, layoffs mount. Boeing Co. announced Friday it will let go 1,150 employees as part of continuing cutbacks.

Republicans are mindful that a bleak economic outlook could be a problem when they try to hold the White House and Congress in next year's elections.

In an effort to jump-start a recovery, Congress also sent Bush on Friday a $350 billion package heavy on tax cuts. Blunting Democrats' attacks, Republicans then followed by quickly pushing through the $7.4 billion extension of unemployment benefits.

"We've demonstrated that we accomplish things, not just talk about them," said Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn.

In passing the unemployment extension, the Senate voted to approve a House bill that passed Thursday night, speeding the process.

Democrats lost another attempt Friday to provide more generous jobless benefits.

"We are not going to pass a major expansion," said Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., chairman of the Senate Budget Committee. "We're not going to do it; I'll tell you that right now. So you can make all the speeches you want to."

Congress completes $984 billion borrowing boost, the largest ever

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress is sending President Bush a record $984 billion boost in the government's authority to borrow money.

The Republican-led Senate's approval in a largely party-line, 53-44 vote Friday completed Congress' work on a measure that will let lawmakers avoid the politically sensitive issue until sometime next year, when another increase in borrowing authority will be necessary.

Congress had breached the current $6.4 trillion limit on borrowing early this year, and the government has averted an unprecedented default only by having the Treasury Department shift money from various funds it oversees.

The vote had strong partisan overtones, with Democrats trying to link the need for vast new government borrowing to the record annual deficits that have emerged under Bush. Approval came just hours after lawmakers approved $330 billion in tax cuts through 2013.

"That we have to borrow even more money to pay for (Republicans') failed economic agenda ... is proof positive that their latest tax package is on the wrong economic track," Sen. Jon Corzine, D-N.J., said.

GOP senators defeated a pile of Democratic amendments, knowing that passage of any would have forced the House, which had passed the bill in an automatic procedure last month, to reconsider the bill and prolong the chance for Democrats to draw attention to the issue.

Democratic amendments included one that would have limited the debt increase to the same size as the tax bill, and forced Congress to consider new borrowing sometime this fall.

"It's nothing but political gamesmanship," Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., said of the Democratic efforts.

Obituaries

Bobbie Marchel

1908-2003

A memorial service for Bobbie Lou Marchel of Snyder was held Saturday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. W.M. Jackson of Hellum Heights Baptist Church was to officiate.



Mrs. Marchel

Mrs. Marchel, 95, died Wednesday, May 14, in Snyder Oaks Care Center after a lengthy illness. Mrs. Marchel was cremated.

Born on Jan. 22, 1908 in Dangerfield, she married William Marchel in 1975 in Snyder. He died July 24, 1981. Mrs. Marchel was a homemaker and a member of the Jehovah's Witness.

Survivors include a daughter, Sallie Mae Peterson of Snyder; three sons, Curtis H. Thompson of Snyder and Billy Ray Thompson of Phoenix and Lucious Sylvester Thompson of Dallas; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

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Man arrested for PI

•Arrest

A resident in the 3800 block of Highland reported a disturbance at 6 a.m. Saturday involving several noisy subjects. Officers responded and took a 34-year-old man into custody for public intoxication.

•Theft

Juan Dominguez reported the theft of his lawn furniture Friday afternoon. He advised two lawn chairs and a table were taken.

Monday closings slated in Snyder

Monday is Memorial Day and since it is a national holiday, all financial institutions will be closed.

Also, city hall and the courthouse will be closed for the holiday, as will the Scurry County Museum and the county library.

Mail will not be delivered to homes Monday, but will be placed in post office boxes.

Snyder schools will be in session, and the WTC offices will be closed, as will Ira and Hermleigh's business offices.

The city's landfill will be open normal hours Monday.

•Disturbance

A man requested a deputy at his residence at 7:30 p.m. Friday because his wife and her mother were causing a disturbance. Deputies advised the women had separated and an offense report for family violence was submitted.

•Close patrols

A woman requested a close patrol of the Park Village apartments over the weekend after having a subject served with a criminal trespass warning.

•Gas drive off

A clerk at Town and Country North reported a gas drive off Friday evening worth $16.96.

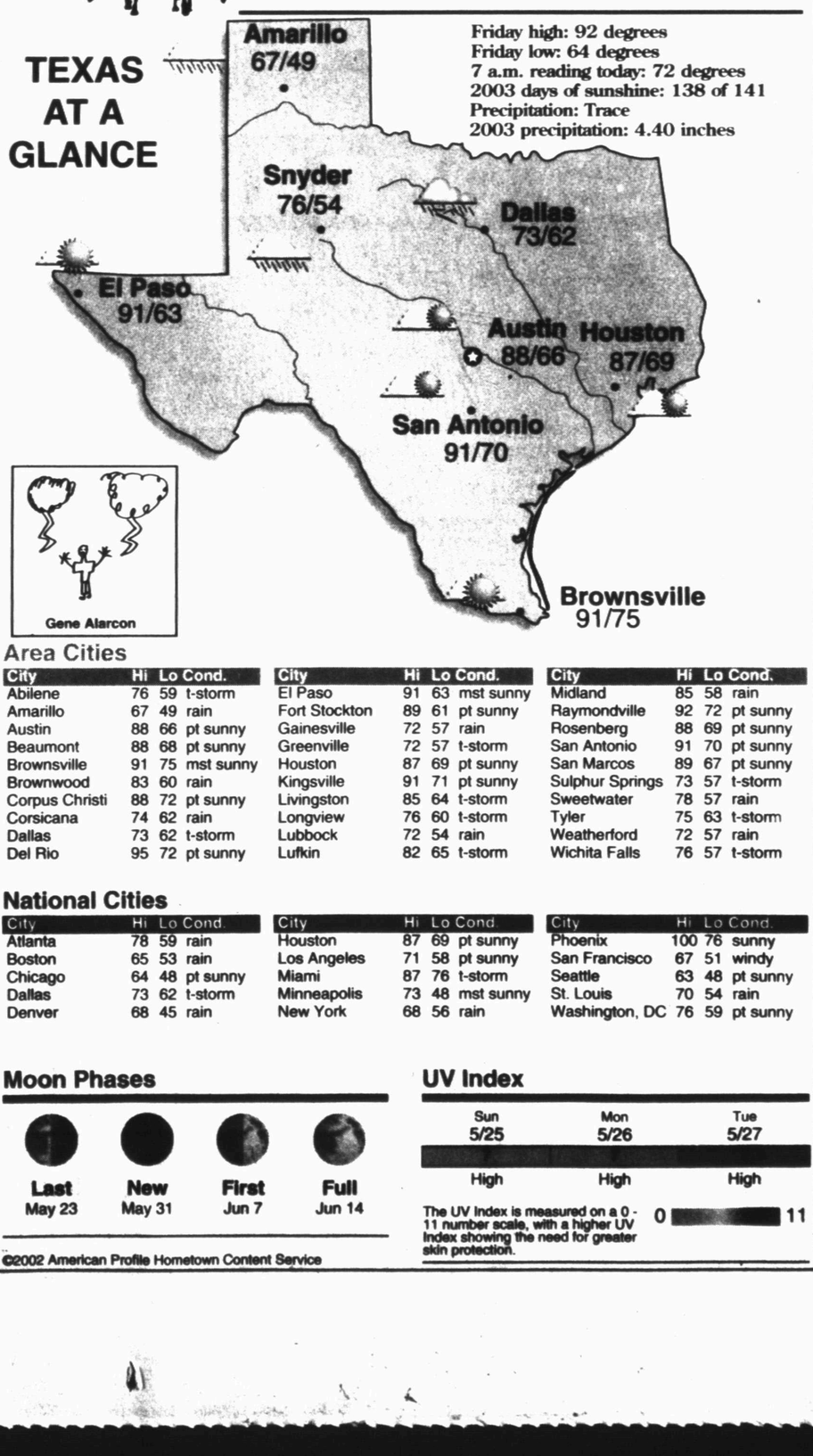
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Local 3-Day Forecast

Sun 5/25	Mon 5/26	Tue 5/27
76/54	71/58	70/56
Considerable cloudiness with occasional rain showers. High 76F.	Mostly cloudy with rain likely.	Chance of showers. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the mid 50s.
Sunrise 6:39 AM, Sunset 8:42 PM	Sunrise 6:39 AM, Sunset 8:43 PM	Sunrise 6:38 AM, Sunset 8:43 PM

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Friday high: 92 degrees
Friday low: 64 degrees
7 a.m. reading today: 72 degrees
2003 days of sunshine: 138 of 141
Precipitation: Trace
2003 precipitation: 4.40 inches

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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	76	59	t-storm	El Paso	91	63	mst sunny	Midland	85	58	rain
Amarillo	67	49	rain	Fort Stockton	89	61	pt sunny	Raymondville	92	72	pt sunny
Austin	88	66	pt sunny	Gainesville	72	57	rain	Rosenberg	88	69	pt sunny
Beaumont	88	68	pt sunny	Greenville	72	57	t-storm	San Antonio	91	70	pt sunny
Brownsville	91	75	mst sunny	Houston	87	69	pt sunny	San Marcos	89	67	pt sunny
Brownwood	83	60	rain	Kingsville	91	71	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	73	57	t-storm
Corpus Christi	88	72	pt sunny	Livingston	85	64	t-storm	Sweetwater	78	57	rain
Corsicana	74	62	rain	Longview	76	60	t-storm	Tyler	75	63	t-storm
Dallas	73	62	t-storm	Lubbock	72	54	rain	Weatherford	72	57	rain
Del Rio	95	72	pt sunny	Lufkin	82	65	t-storm	Wichita Falls	76	57	t-storm

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	78	59	rain	Houston	87	69	pt sunny	Phoenix	100	76	sunny
Boston	65	53	rain	Los Angeles	71	58	pt sunny	San Francisco	67	51	windy
Chicago	64	48	pt sunny	Miami	87	76	t-storm	Seattle	63	48	pt sunny
Dallas	73	62	t-storm	Minneapolis	73	48	mst sunny	St. Louis	70	54	rain
Denver	68	45	rain	New York	68	56	rain	Washington, DC	76	59	pt sunny

Moon Phases

Last	New	First	Full
May 23	May 31	Jun 7	Jun 14

UV Index

Sun 5/25	Mon 5/26	Tue 5/27
High	High	High

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 — 11

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Senior Center News

The summer schedule for senior citizens swimnastics offered by Western Texas College will begin June 3rd. Seniors may exercise Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10-11 a.m. The class and parking are free. A volunteer instructs the class with a lifeguard on duty. For further information please call the Center at 573-4035.

Citizens are encouraged to volunteer at the center. Our regular volunteers will be taking time off for vacations during the summer months, so we invite anyone that has extra time to volunteer daily, once a week, or once a month. Any donation of time will be appreciated. On a daily basis we have 25-30 volunteers participating in senior projects. The meals-on-wheels program requires 15 volunteers from 10 a.m.-noon.

We have 5 routes each requiring a driver, the meal deliverer (hopper), and a volunteer in the back of the van to stack trays (stacker. We deliver an average of 150 meals daily Monday-Friday to recipients in need of help. Please phone 573-4035 or visit us at 2603 Avenue M for further information

If you need a gift for that special senior citizen who has everything, we suggest that you purchase meal coupons for the noon meal. The coupons are very convenient; in fact, some seniors purchase the coupons for themselves rather than be concerned with having $2.50 for their meal each day. Speak to Valerie for more information.

Citizens may purchase a senior cookbook, *Tasty Traditions*, at the Senior Center. Each book is $17.50.

MONDAY

The Scurry County Senior Center will be closed in observance of Memorial Day.

TUESDAY

Volunteers are invited to join us at 9:30 a.m. to make crafts for 2004 May Day. The projects made last year sold well at May Day. Valerie Drum is in charge of this project and the items are always easily made. Eighty-eight begins at 10 a.m. Join the Golden K Kiwanis weekly at noon for the meal and meeting. The building will open at 6:30 p.m. for games and the dance beginning at 7 p.m. The Prowlers will provide the music. Cost for the dance is $4 per person.

WEDNESDAY

Ladies are invited to join us for pool at 9 a.m. We now have five ladies participating and plenty of room for more. A volunteer is available to assist newcomers in learning the game. Join us for the noon meal and the afternoon activities beginning at 1 p.m. Seniors may play pinochle in the bridge room or line dance and clog in the dining room.

THURSDAY

The Sunshine Choir will perform at Snyder Oaks at 10 a.m. Other than scheduled activities, seniors may participate on a daily basis in dominoes, pool, and quilting. The eighty-eight room is always available for games and the bridge room is available every morning other than the 1st and 3rd Thursday

FRIDAY

Seniors may have their blood pressure checked from 9:30-11 a.m. Party bridge begins at 9:30 a.m. and eighty-eight at 10 a.m.

Senior Menu

MONDAY
CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY
TUESDAY
Spaghetti W/Meat Sauce
Whole Kernel Corn
Green Beans
Peaches & Cottage Cheese
Peanut Butter Cookies
Garlic Toast
WEDNESDAY
Chicken Salad
Sliced Tomato/Lettuce Leaf
Tater Tots
Banana Pudding
Assorted Crackers
THURSDAY
Country Fried Steak w/Gravy
Southern Fried Okra
Mashed Potatoes
Cucumber Shell Salad
Pineapple Upside/Down Cake
FRIDAY
Fried Fish
Baked Beans
Macaroni & Tomatoes
Pea Salad
White Cake w/Strawberries

Unarmed man killed by police during counterfeiting CDs raid

NEW YORK (AP) — An unarmed African immigrant visiting his rented storage room was shot and killed by a plainclothes police officer who was guarding counterfeit merchandise down the hall, police said Friday.

Ousmane Zango was shot four times after a chase through the hallway of a Chelsea storage facility where he repaired sculptures and drums imported from Africa, police and acquaintances said.

Police officers had just raided two rooms there while investigating a compact disc counterfeiting operation, Police Commissioner Ray Kelly said.

Zango was visiting his cramped, improvised studio around 4 p.m. Thursday afternoon, while down the hall, an officer was guarding the seized CDs. Zango had no connection to the counterfeiting operation and no criminal record.

Kelly said it was unclear why the officer began to chase Zango. According to supervisors, the officer said Zango tried to take his gun and described pushing and shoving between them, Kelly said. The department's internal affairs bureau is investigating.

The shooting brought back memories of the death of African immigrant Amadou Diallo, who was shot and killed by four white officers who said they mistook his wallet for a weapon.

The officers were cleared of murder and other charges in a state criminal trial in 2000, and the case inflamed racial tensions in New York.

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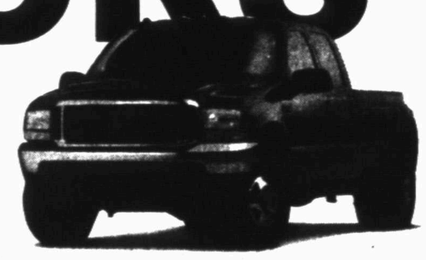
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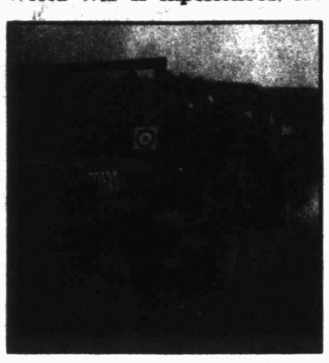
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Stokes family shares account of World War II experiences

By Shirley A. Gorman
SDN News Editor

"I think the hardest thing for me to understand today is seeing a swastika displayed on a building, or seeing the burning of the flag. When I go to football games I see people standing around, not honoring the flag. I sometimes wonder if it was all done in vain."

These are the closing words in Travis Stokes' account of his World War II experiences. He



U.S. convoy during WWII

was 18-years-old when he enlisted.

Before Stokes passed away in 1996, he wrote down his experiences because, according to his widow, Jerry Stokes, who lives in Ira, "Travis wanted his son and grandchildren to know something about the war."

Stokes took part in several battles including Normandy, D Day, Northern France, Ardennes Forest, Rhineland and Central Europe.

During his two years in the service, the decorated soldier received the campaign medal with five bronze stars, one bronze arrowhead, good conduct medal, distinguished unit badge, victory ribbon and four overseas bars.

Stokes was working in Abilene when he received his Draft Notice. He enlisted and when X-rays revealed a busted ankle, Stokes assured the doctors, "I can walk as far as the next guy."

Stokes was allowed to enlist but officials weren't sure he would be able to remain in the service. But he did. The new enlistee left Coleman on a bus headed for Camp Walters in Mineral Wells.

He was sworn in at the camp, given clothes and other items and asked his service preference — ground crew in the Air Force.

On Feb. 3, 1943 Stokes and the others boarded buses for Camp Swift close to Austin and Bastrop. Basic training lasted nine weeks and was followed by advanced training.

About that time, the 42nd T.D. Battallion moved in across the street.

The battalion had a duck for a mascot and it woke the enlistees up every morning with its incessant quacking. One morning they grabbed the duck and cooked it for breakfast.

"It was sure tough," Stokes wrote.

To cover-up their crime, Stokes and the other enlistees disposed of the duck's remains and flushed the feathers down the drain.

When the duck turned up missing, the captain and colonel of the T.D. started searching. As they were looking in the garbage can by the sink, Stokes wrote, "...the sink goes 'glug, glug' and up comes the feathers."

Naturally, this caused hard feelings and some fist fights that were eventually settled "in a big brawl one night at the P-X," Stokes wrote.

When Stokes completed training, he boarded a troop train for Boston and some time later was put on the Martania, the second largest ship afloat.

When he saw his first whale, Stokes said he mistook it for a German Sub. He noted that the subs "ran us off our course for 800 miles, ...but they couldn't catch us."

The Martania, with some 20,000 nurses on board, arrived in Liverpool, England.

Stokes said their first assignment was to run a rock quarry, crushing rocks to build pillboxes for the companies in assault training for the invasion of France.

Later Stokes said they participated in training maneuvers and then were moved to a camp on the coast, where they waited



Travis Stokes

a few days for D Day, the invasion of France to begin.

They crossed the channel the night of June 5 and, on June 6 they anchored a few miles off the coast.

When the landing boats pulled up by the side of the big boat, Stokes wrote that they climbed down the netting and into the landing boat.

Stokes said they were supposed to "land on Omaha Beach five minutes behind the first wave of men. The sailors didn't wait. This was D Day, H Hour."

According to Stokes' words, their job was to blow up the obstacles on the beach, so that the boats that followed could land without hitting mines.

The obstacles were railroad tracks that had been driven into the ground with mines on top. High tide concealed them from sight. If a boat struck one of them it blew up.

Boats began coming in and dropping their landing ramps. Stokes was in a rubber boat with 1,000 pounds of explosives. The Germans who were dug into the side of the hill strafed the beach with their machine guns while Stokes was helping unload the explosives.

Stokes grabbed his mine detector and ran down the ramp, throwing the detector in front of him, and he dove in right behind it. A machine gun cut it in to.

He lay behind the mine detector to "watch what was going on."

He could see soldiers get up and try to run for the protection of the cliffs about 100 yards, while Germans fired at them with their machine guns.

Because the Germans were so high up, Stokes wrote they could not see the soldiers until they got up and ran. As Stokes started crawling, men were being shot on both sides.

When the straffing got too close, he said he would "play dead." He crawled 500 yards until he reached water called a runnel. He witnessed a lot of soldiers being killed as they tried to run through the water.

When he entered the water, Stokes wrote that he crossed turtle-like, with just his nose and helmet sticking out. That's how he survived.

"I sat there and watched hundreds of boys die because they lost their heads. They would try to run, but the Germans had us pinned down, and there was no way up the bluff. They were dropping mortars on us. We stacked dead soldiers up to protect us from these mortars."

Around 4 p.m., Stokes said "Tex,"a captain for the 1st Infantry Division who wore a handle bar mustache and carried a pearl handle 45 in his holster, organized other infantrymen on a charge up the cliff. Stokes never saw him again, but he and his men stopped the machine guns.

Stokes describes another close call he had. After he dug a foxhole in the side of cliffs, he put an inflated life jacket in the bottom of the hole, about three feet deep.

One night he said he heard a German plane coming in to



J.W. Shamblin, right

drop bombs. One came right over his foxhole and he sat up to see if it had been hit. He heard a sound like a hornet bussing and then a 50-caliber machine gun bullet landed in his foxhole right where he had been sleeping, puncturing his life jacket.

After trucks and other equipment arrived, Stokes wrote they left the beach, moving inland right behind the infantry. They were never very far from the front lines.

In Northern France they discovered an apple orchard, filled with wine and sap apples. They would bivouac each night with each man responsible for his own foxhole.

After the Germans chose to make a stand at St. Low, Stokes wrote they almost starved to death because all of the supplies were sent to the front.

A sergeant went looking for food and came back with cream beans galore. Stokes said he loved cream peas but after that he never ate them again.

"I was put on guard on a high hill over looking St. Low when it was bombed. Thousands of planes flew over dropping their bombs. When it was over there wasn't a building left standing. This was when the Germans started their retreat. We built a barbed wire concertina stockade. We had over 20,000 in it at one time."

Stokes wrote that they chased the Germans across France, right through Paris. People cheered them and offered them champagne. The soldiers would throw cigarettes at the cheering crowds.

As they traveled through the Ardennes Forest, where World War I battles had been fought, they saw some 15 feet high stumps. But everything was dead. They saw a lot of trenches left over from the First World War.

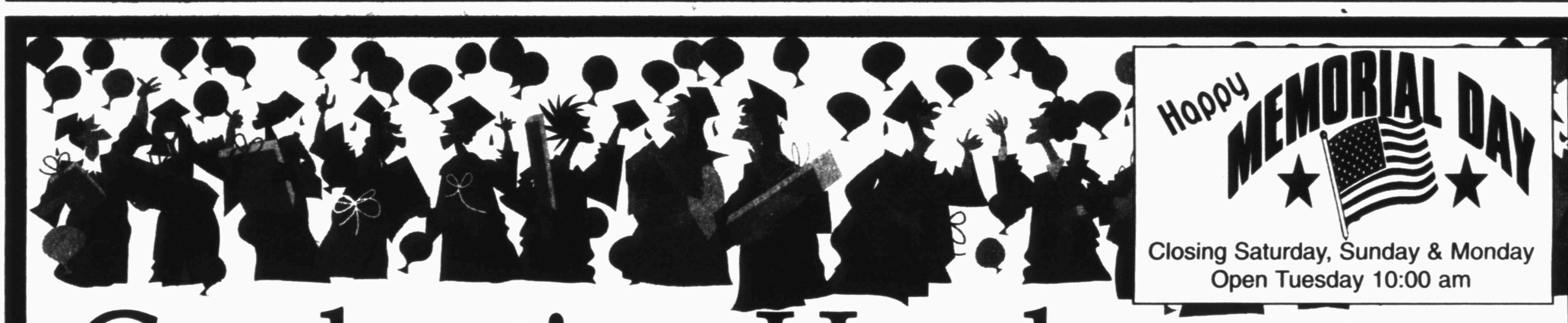
At the Belgian border, Stokes wrote that they were assigned to the 1st Cavalry, which now had tanks rather than horses. He noted that as they chased Hitler's SS troops, they found just one woman alive, because the SS had killed everyone else.

Stokes said he walked all across Belgian carrying a mine detector. He said they chased the Germans to the "Siegfried Line, a defense line between Belgium and Germany."

He said the Germans decided to make a stand where they built pill boxes with 88 artillery mounted in them. The walls were four-feet thick, with living quarters inside. Stokes and other American troops built a bridge and after several convoys of German trucks crossed it, they blew up the bridge and trapped the Germans.

Stokes described another close call. He and others in his

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RIBBON CUTTING HELD — Elite Fitness, 912 25th Street, was welcomed to the Snyder Chamber of Commerce Wednesday by Goldcoaters and guests. Owners are Wes and Skeeter Shook of Dunn and Monty and Vickie Wilkerson of Lamesa. Skeeter will manage Elite Fitness. They are pictured center receiving their chamber membership plaque from executive director, Donna Fowler. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

SHS Class of 1993 needs help with addresses

The Class of 1993 needs help in finding some of our classmates for the 10-year reunion. Contact Catalina Jones at 573-5045 if you have addresses of any of these former students.

Louis Aguilar, Anthony Alvarez, Steven Amato, Tiffany Anderson, Deanna Ball, Jennif4r Barnes, Je4nnif4r Beard, Amy Beaver, Phillip Becerra, Karri Blackledge, Michelle Blythe, Steven Bollinger, Israel Borrego, Michelle Brooks, Mark Bruns, Shelia Buchanan, Bryan Burton, Charlie Busby, Matthew Byrom, Sam Cain, Bobby Cawthron, Jennifer Cervantez.

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Births

Philip and Louise Payblas of Bedford announce the birth of their son, Peyton Nick, born at 11:35 a.m. April 29 in Harris Methodist HEB Hospital. He weighed 5 pounds and 11 ounces.

Grandparents are Ed and Lavada McDaniel of Snyder and Nick and Mary Payblas of Euless. Great-grandmothers are Emma Cates of Bonham and Matilda Hix of Burleson.

Jay and Randi Eiland of Newport Beach, Calif., announce the birth of their twins, a boy, Race Aston Eiland and a girl, Arden Carlyle Alice Eiland. They were born Jan. 28, 2003 at Hoag Memorial Hospital in Newport Beach. Race was born at 9:36 p.m. weighing 5 pounds and 12 ounces and he was 19¼ inches long. Arden was born at 9:37 p.m. weighing 5 pounds 2 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Grandparents are Bill and Mary Eiland of Snyder and Ed and Jan Buford of DeSoto. Great-grandmother is Alice Buford of Springdale, Ark.

Walker, Callaway pledge vows

Tosha Nicole Walker of Ira and Jay Milton Callaway of Snyder were united in marriage at 6 p.m. March 1 in Calvary Baptist Church.

Rocky Alexander, pastor of the Ira Church of God, officiated the double-ring ceremony.

The bride's parents are Kevin and Laurie Walker of Ira. The groom's parents are Jack and Lanette Callaway of Snyder.

The church was decorated with an arch and candelabras decorated with greenery, lights and white tulle. The church's recent remodeled décor, using burgundy, complemented the bride's decorations.

Cheyann Taylor and Seth Sanchez, both of Ira, were candlelighters.

Vocalist Russell Wall of Snyder sang "Keeper of the Stars." Another vocalist Gary Hubbard and pianist and vocalist Judy Hubbard, both of Earth, also presented wedding music.

The bride's father presented her in marriage as she was attired in a gown made of solid silk with an off-the-shoulder bodice that was embossed with pearls and sequins. A V-cut insert of pearls and sequins accented the skirt and pearls and sequins also decorated the train.

Her veil was attached to a pearl tiara made by the bride. She carried a bouquet of five cascading flowers including white calla lilies and small carnations.

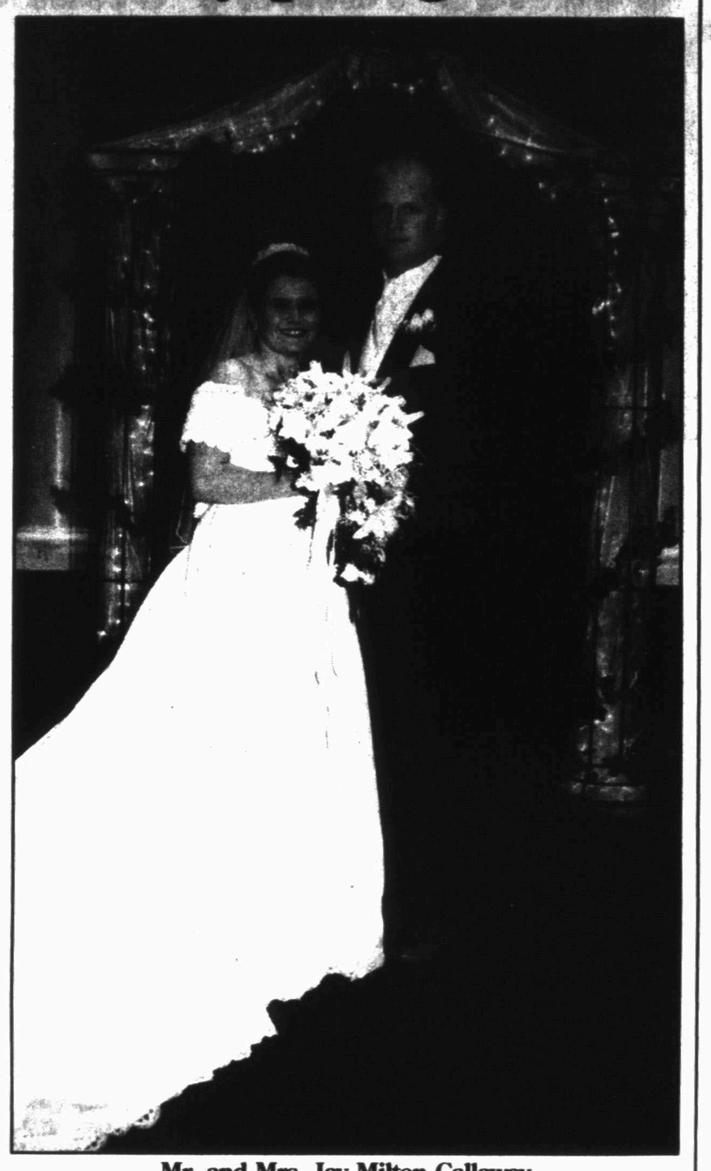
Tara Allen, maid of honor of Ira, wore a floor-length gown with matching teacup-sleeved cover. The bodice and cover were made of decorative velvet. Bridesmaids were Amber Sanchez, Candace Sanchez, both of Ira, Cassie Callaway sister of the groom of Snyder and Katie Howard of Brownwood.

Bridesmaids wore spaghetti strap burgundy, floor-length gowns with open backs and ties. The bodice was enhanced with burgundy lace; each carried a bouquet of roses.

Sarah and Rebecca Gunset, from Ira were flower girls and Jeffrey Dickey, from Big Spring was ring bearer.

William Wood, cousin of the groom, from Hobbs, N.M. was best man. Groomsmen were Bubba Walker, brother of the bride, of Ira; Sammy Black of Midland; Jerry Dickey, of Big Spring; and Shane Jones of Snyder.

David Frazier, Jason Gruben, Dale Cooper, Billy Evans all of Snyder were ushers. Ushers wore black tuxedo coats with bow ties and vests, black wrangler riatas and boots, the groom's tie and vest were white and the groomsmen's vests and ties were burgundy. The fathers were attired in silver vests and ties.



Mr. and Mrs. Jay Milton Callaway
(Contributed PHoto)

Carla Sanchez of Ira registered guests.

The reception was held at Towle Park Barn. A rose centerpiece decorated the bride's table along with a 5-piece crystal candle set and rose petals. Rhonda Taylor and Sheila Alexander both of Ira served at the bride's table. A 4-tier white wedding cake adorned with fresh white roses topped with a cowboy and bride was served to guests.

The groom's table was decorated in a fireman's theme with firemen's boots filled with fresh flowers, Jay's fire helmet along with fire truck and fire hat shaped mints, and the volunteer fire department flag. The groom's cake was a 2-tiered chocolate cake topped with a Maltese cross showing the Snyder Fire Department. Cindy Wood, cousin of the groom, from Hobbs, N.M. and Shannon Jones of Snyder served at the table.

The bride is a 2001 graduate of Ira High School and a May 2003 graduate of Western Texas College with an associate of science degree in emergency medical services. She is the assistant manager of Bealls in Snyder.

The groom is a 1999 graduate of Snyder High School and is a member of the Snyder Volunteer Fire Department. He is employed by Grimmett Bros. in Snyder.

After a honeymoon trip to Galveston the couple will be at home in Snyder.

Bridal Registry

Vanessa Jones and Chad Arnwine
Riley Tatum and Russell Wall
Lisa McNair and Brandon Jones
Laurie Kerley and Jerry Burton
Ellen Strayhorn and Hisham Musallam
Jodi Dennis and Cory Mandrell
Jina Miller and Brandon Rollins
Jessica Perkins and Danny White
Amanda Scott and Clint Chandler
Andrea Peraza and Ryan Landes
Shahala Marricle and Allen Hoelscher
Allison Cornett and Jay Ball
Ali Billips and Robby Huestis
Sarah Moore and Lyndell Lee
Jillian Vieth and Isaac Spoor
Marsha Pate and B.K. Box
Teresa Falcon and Terry Anderson
Alison Ivy and Nickolas Means

Infant Registry

Witherspoon is certain in her choice of clothes

NEW YORK (AP) — When it comes to style, Reese Witherspoon is just as certain in her choices as Elle Woods, the fashion-conscious lawyer she plays in the "Legally Blonde" movies.

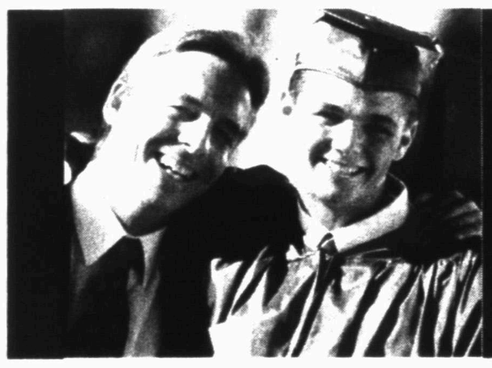
"I don't like sexy-sexy clothes," the 27-year-old actress tells Vogue magazine for its June issue. "It's just not me.

"Some women look fantastic in sexy clothes, and that's great," she said. "But I realized a few years ago ... I don't know, I just have this sort of idea, particularly as an actress, that when you sell yourself as a sexy thing — 'I'm a sexy actress!' — there's going to come a time when you're that used-to-be-sexy actress."

Witherspoon's character in "Legally Blonde 2: Red, White & Blonde," the sequel to the 2001 hit "Legally Blonde," goes from the Jackie Kennedy look to a Brigitte Bardot style to hippie chic — with a little Prada, Marc Jacobs and Juicy Couture in between.

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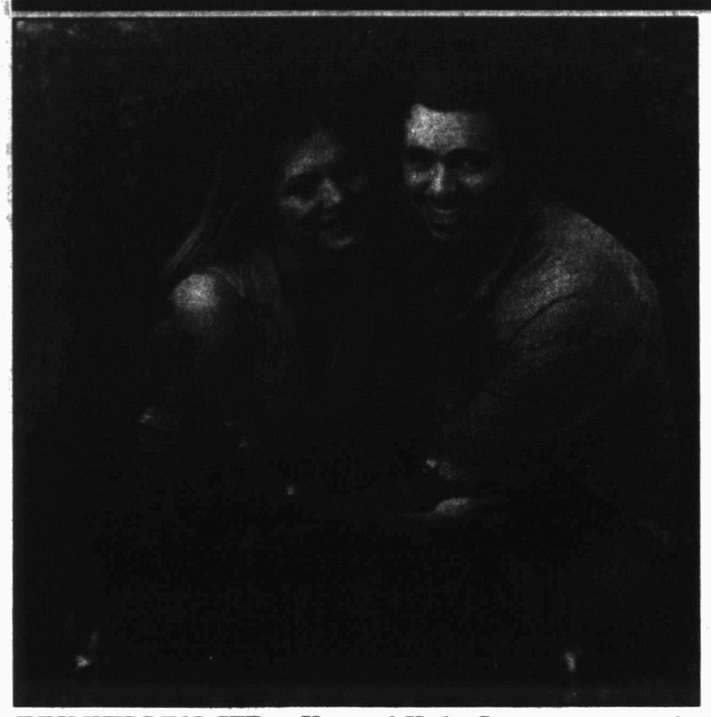
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JULY WEDDING SET — Ken and Kathy Spoor announce the engagement of their son Isaac Nervin Spoor to Jillian Elise Vieth both of Abilene. The future bride's parents are Eric and Rita Vieth of Hamby. The wedding will take place July 26 at 3 p.m. in the Elmwood West Methodist Church in Abilene. (Contributed Photo)

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 05-24-03
♠ K 7 2
♥ 10 7
♦ A Q J 6 2
♣ K Q 8

West
♠ Q 9 8
♥ K Q 9 8
♦ 9 8 4 3
♣ 6 2

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

South
♠ J 10 6 4 3
♥ A 3
♦ K 5
♣ A 7 4 3

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: North-South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
2 NT	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ K

Saturday, May 24, 2003

How many tricks will South win?

By Phillip Alder

There are deals in which the declarer wins either a surprisingly small or surprisingly large number of tricks. Which applies on this layout? South is in four spades, and West leads the heart king. What is your prognostication?

The deal occurred during a pair event at the Fall Nationals in Phoenix last year. In the tournament world, almost all pairs play that a two-over-one response is game-forcing, or forcing to game unless the responder rebids his suit at the three-level. Thus, North's three-spade rebid was forcing, and hence South's raise, despite his holding a hand that some people would have passed as dealer.

The unnamed declarer won with the heart ace and immediately played three rounds of diamonds. East ruffed the last low, and South overruffed. A club to the queen was followed by another high diamond. When East discarded a heart, so did South.

What was the trump position? East had begun with either the singleton five or ace-five-doubleton. Hoping it was the latter, declarer called for dummy's spade two, bringing down the ace.

South ruffed the heart return and ran the spade jack through West, picking up that suit without further loss. Then declarer took two more club tricks and the diamond six, on which his last club evaporated. So, South won 12 tricks. Did you guess that?

East could have done better. At trick four, if he had either discarded or ruffed with the spade ace, his side would have won two spade tricks. Stopping the second overtrick would have saved a lot of matchpoints.

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JULY WEDDING SET — Tamara June Cox of Snyder and James C. Hanks, D.C., of Irving announce their engagement and upcoming marriage. Parents of the couple are Wes and Dolores Cox of Allen and Dorthey Norwood of Snyder and S.R. Hanks of Hot Springs, Ark. Grandparents of the bride are Raymond and June Schwarz of Inadale and her great-grandmother is Ora Reed Heath of Sweetwater. The wedding is planned for July 26 at 3 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Snyder. All former patients of Dr. Hanks are invited to the wedding. (Contributed Photo)

Library News & Views

By Janie Romine, librarian

MISSION POSSIBLE: Spy a Book is this year's theme of the Summer Reading Program throughout Texas.

Linda Jones, the children's librarian, has scheduled some fantastic activities for your children this year, so come to the Scurry County Library and enjoy some fun times.

The preschool read-to-me program begins at 10 a.m. Monday and will continue each Monday at the same time through July 7.

On Wednesday, July 16, we will have the awards presentations.

Some of the activities planned for our preschoolers include stories and activities about dinosaurs, pirates, nature and patriotism. Parents may begin registering their preschoolers for the summer program on Monday, June 2.

Again this summer, we will have lunch break every Tuesday at noon. Students are invited to bring their lunches, sit on the floor and listen to a child's novel being read while they eat their lunch. We will start the summer by reading *Bernie Magruder and the Bats in the Belfry.*

On Wednesday the K-6th grade summer reading program begins. Parents may begin registering their children for this program Monday.

Activities planned for this age group include programs on safety by the Snyder Police Dept., water safety by a lifeguard, and fire safety by the Snyder Fire Dept.

The annual watermelon seed spitting contest and sidewalk art is included. The last day of programs will be Wednesday, July 9 and awards will be presented on July 16. All children are invited to participate.

The library will be closed this Saturday and Monday in honor of Memorial Day. It will reopen Tuesday with regular hours.

Bridge Scores

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

Tuesday, May 13

1. John Gibson, Betty Gibson tied with Linda West, Monte West.
2. Maribeth Vestal, Nona Morrison.
3. Margaret Dillaha, Betty Courtney.

Friday, May 16

1. Anita Talbott, Suzy Reed.
2. Margaret Birdwell, Barbara Yorgesen.
3. Maribeth Vestal, Vera McSpadden.
4. Monte West, Billisue Stuard.

Tuesday, May 20

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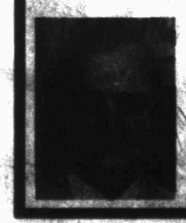
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One-armed Austin man climbs Mount Everest

DALLAS (AP) — An Austin man stood atop Mount Everest's 29,035-foot summit on Friday, becoming the only person with one arm to scale the world's highest mountain.

Gary Guller, 36, reached the peak at about 12:15 p.m. Nepal time (2 a.m. Dallas time). That was just over 17 hours after starting his final push from a camp at 26,000 feet, his expedition's base camp manager told The Dallas Morning News. A brief interview was conducted by satellite telephone Friday morning.

"Communications have been really difficult, said base camp manager Christine Kane, a teacher at the Texas State School for the Deaf in Austin. "But we heard him say, 'Its beautiful up here!'"

In mid-March, Guller began leading a team of 10 Americans and two Nepalese Sherpa with conditions ranging from lost limbs to quadriplegia on a trek to Everest.

Four Nepalese Sherpa climbers reached the summit alongside Guller.

Kane said sixth team member, professional mountain guide Gary Scott of Colorado Springs, Colo., was forced to turn back before reaching the peak. He was climbing without using supplemental oxygen and felt too weak to continue safely without it.

Only a small fraction of the 1,200 people who have reached Everests peak have done so without supplemental oxygen.

Guller, who lost his left arm in a mountaineering accident in the 1980s, first tried to climb Mount Everest in 2001. He was turned back then when fixed ropes in the first and deadliest section of the mountain, the Khumbu icefall, were torn away by an avalanche.

He decided to make a second bid this year, organizing his Team Everest 03 expedition with the Coalition for Texans With Disabilities to draw international attention to the potential of people who live with physical challenges.

Team Everest 03s expedition began in mid-March with a 23-day challenge trek, in which five Americans in wheelchairs, five others with disabilities ranging from lost limbs to chronic pain conditions, and two Sherpas with lost limbs climbed with a group of U.S. an Nepalese supporters and helpers to the foot of Mount Everest.

Several Challenge Trek members were forced to turn back because of altitude-related ailments and other problems, but seven people with disabilities made it with Guller to Everests base camp at 17,600 feet.

Dennis Borel, executive director of the Coalition for Texans with Disabilities, said early Friday that Gullers accomplishment crowned an effort that drew wide attention and praise in across the United States and Nepal.

Guller became the third person with a significant physical disability to reach the summit. In 1998, Tom Whittaker of Arizona, a leg amputee, reached the top, and in 2001, Eric Weihenmayer of Colorado became the first blind Everest summitteer.

George Martin, general manager for everestnews.com, an Internet Web site that has become a leading source of information on Everest expeditions, said Guller's efforts in getting the Texas-based group of disabled people to Everest's base camp had "impressed and touched" many in the mountaineering community.

He said Guller's Friday summit accomplishment will "probably encourage more people with disabilities to reach out and attempt to do more."

U.S. beef supply continues to be safe source of food

COLLEGE STATION — Continuous surveillance efforts throughout the beef industry has provided assurance that U.S. beef is safe and a nutritious food source, Texas Cooperative Extension officials said Wednesday.

No cases of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE), widely known as mad cow disease, have been confirmed in the United States in the past 12 years with active surveillance at both slaughter firms and on the farm.

"Surveillance and testing of cows is a good protective measure of keeping our beef safe," said Dr. Buddy Faries, Extension program leader for veterinary medicine. "Any cows that show neurological signs, are weak or thin in body condition are tested at slaughter. These animals do not enter the food chain."

BSE was reported in Canada Tuesday — the first such reported case in that country in more than a decade. A cow in Alberta tested positive for the disease after tests were taken from the cow after slaughter. The meat did not enter the food chain, Canadian officials said. BSE are found only in the brain and spinal cord.

Faries noted some important facts about the surveillance systems and about mad cow disease:

— Surveillance systems in the U.S. and in Canada have been in place to monitor cattle for diseases and unwholesomeness. Surveillance testing reassures the U.S. beef supply is safe.

— All cows that show neurological signs, weak or thin body condition are tested at slaughter. These cows do not enter the food chain.

— The beef itself isn't infected with BSE, only the brain and spinal cord. No evidence of infection detected in milk or muscle tissue.

— No brains or spinal cords are ground in hamburger meat in the U.S.

— Surveillance testing, the ban on feeding ruminant protein to ruminants (feeding rendered cattle, sheep, goat or deer meat or bone meal back to beef cattle) and the prohibition on importing animals and meat products from BSE-affected countries has provided assurance that the U.S. and Texas will have healthy animals and wholesome meat products.

— The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has closed the border to the importation of Canadian cattle and meat products.

The eight-year-old Canadian cow that tested positive for the disease was part of a 150-head herd. The affected herd would be tested and depopulated, Canadian officials said.

In January, the cow was condemned due to unwholesomeness on slaughter and brain tissue was submitted for laboratory testing under the BSE surveillance program. Tests conducted at a laboratory in the United Kingdom confirmed infection of BSE in the cow's brain after initial tests were run at a Canadian laboratory.

Public Records

Marriage License

Jessie Medrano Jr. and Sheenette Erika-Yvette Sanchez, both of Snyder.

Brandon Claude Rollins and Jina Evonne Miller, both of Snyder.

Filed in District Court

Scurry County Appraisal District vs. Lea D. Allison, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Calvin L. Burks, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Marie Burns, et al, delinquent tax suit.

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Scurry County vs. Terry Hildreth, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Whit Parks, individually and dba Whit Parks Auto Sales, et al, delinquent tax suit.

G&L Tool Co. vs. B&F Well Servicing Inc. and Mark L. Duke, suit on account.

Deed Records

Lavonda Eckert, Barbara Jean Ainsworth, Mary Charlene Sappington, Billy R. Stewart and Jackie R. Stewart to Donald E. Stewart, the south one-half of the northwest one-quarter of Section 93, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Ford M. and Doris S. Spikes to John W. and Shirley J. Fuller, the south 140 feet of the east 76 feet of Lot 2, Block 6 of the Blankenship Addition.

Jerry A. Phillips to Jerry E. and Judy Hembree, the east one-half of Lot 3 in Block 46 of the Original Town of Snyder.

Dan and Harriet Massaro to Western United Life Assurance Co., Lot 22 in Bock 1 of the Scott and Browning Addition.

Steve and Eve Hernandez to Ave. D Baptist Church, tract one being the west 40 feet of Lot 1 in Block 24 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition; tract two being the north 50 feet of the west 50 feet of Lot 4 in Block 24 of the Grayum and Nelson Second Addition.

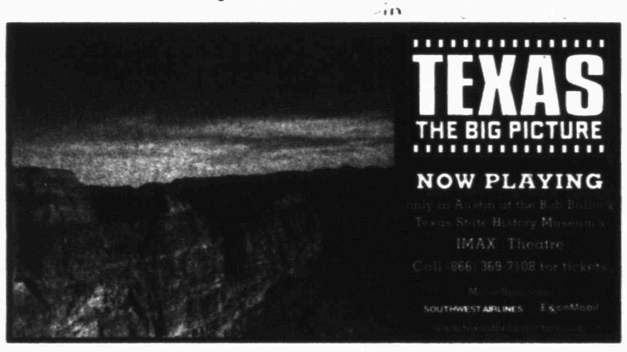
N.C. Smith to the Jearld Smith Family Limited Partnership, the south 5 feet of Lot 1 and the north 75 feet of Lot 2 in Block 6 of the Replat of the south one-half of Block 7 and all of Blocks 6 and 11 in The Highlands Addition.

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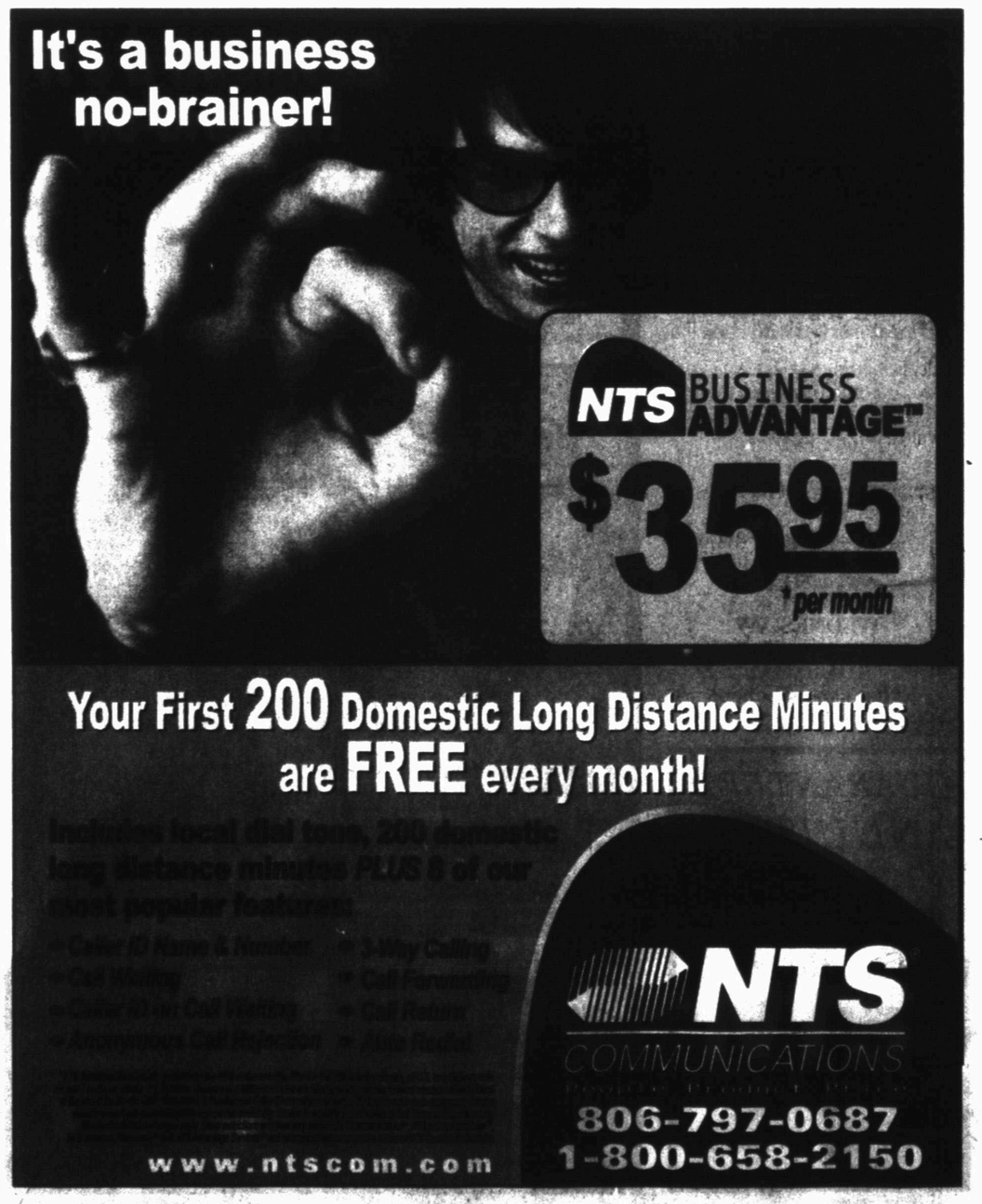
Daniel T. and Harriet W. Massaro to David and Dolores Aguayo, Lot 10 and the north 10 feet of Lot 21 of the 2nd Replat of Block 3, Section 1, Parkway Addition.

David and Dolores Aguayo to Daniel and Harriet Massaro, the north 90 feet of Lot 3 in Block 18 of the Wilmeth Addition.









Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



The issue of chronic fatigue

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 60-year-old workaholic. I worked up to 16 hours a day until I had a severe case of the flu last year. Since then, I've suffered overwhelming fatigue. I've had three complete medical exams that were negative, but the exhaustion continues.

Several workers in my office building have not been well. One developed meningitis. Could the culprit be poor air circulation in an office where the landlord added chemical fumes in an effort to minimize energy costs?

DEAR READER: The cause of your fatigue could certainly be a build-up of chemical fumes coming from equipment or insulation. However, if you have worked in the same office building for many years, I doubt you would suddenly develop problems from air-pollution. Also, I cannot imagine what "chemical fumes" were "added" to your workplace "to minimize energy costs."

I'm more intrigued by the flu/fatigue relation. Many patients who suffer severe viral infections, such as influenza, develop a chronic fatigue syndrome called post-viral asthenia. This poorly understood ailment can result in poor appetite, no get-up-and-go, insomnia and ill health for weeks following the infection. There is no treatment for post-viral asthenia; with patience and additional rest, people usually recover uneventfully.

Depression, too, is a possibility. "Workaholics" invariably commit an enormous investment of energy to their work. Over time, this may lead to a lifestyle imbalance; such people begin to realize — often on a subconscious level — that life is passing them by. They may regret failing to devote more time to family, hobbies and vacations. This can be a depressing realization.

As they approach retirement, as you are, such workaholics may become aware of "unfinished business"; they can even become apprehensive about the future, which may appear bleak, because they have devoted so much effort to their jobs and so little attention to other endeavors. Depression can result.

For the sake of completeness, I'll mention several other ailments that cause chronic fatigue: anemia, hypothyroidism, hypertension, heart disease, hidden tumors and chronic low-grade infection. This latter condition is pertinent because your co-workers may have become ill from relatively unusual communicable diseases.

In my opinion, you should be checked for brain infection — and pneumonia, which may follow flu. I recommend you have an examination — if you haven't already done so — by an internist, a diagnostic specialist. He or she should review the tests performed by your doctors and plan a further course of testing to delve into uncommon diseases — or common diseases that present in unusual ways.

In addition, the internist might choose to order an environmental investigation of your workplace; such an analysis could be performed by local health authorities or by representatives from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, a federal agency concerned about a very issue you raise.

Finally, if your physical health and work environment are sound, you might be helped by anti-depressant medication or counseling.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Since having a cyst removed from my thyroid gland, I have been hoarse. Will the problem reverse itself?

DEAR READER: During thyroid surgery, the nerves to the vocal cords can be inadvertently damaged. This results in hoarseness that is usually permanent. I advise you to be examined by an ear-nose-and-throat expert who can verify the cause of your problem and suggest methods of improving your voice.

For instance, if one of your two vocal cords has been paralyzed from a surgical injury, you may be helped by a further operation or by an injection of Teflon into the cord, which will stiffen and strengthen it.

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

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Memories of WWII

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unit were assigned to the cavalry as guards. One night he was on guard duty, a mortar hit the building he had been sleeping in and his bed exploded.

Stokes and his men had to regroup and relieve the 28th infantry division, which had suffered a lot of casualties. Stokes said they regrouped and moved into a town named Vosnic in the Hirken Forest where they attacked the Germans at night. It wasn't long before they had taken the town up to the church, and they all dug in around it.

The next morning, Stokes wrote that he saw a German soldier stick a grease gun out of the window of the church and fire at him repeatedly. The Germans had reclaimed the church after they dug a tunnel underneath it. Planes were called in to bomb the church and Stokes said they reclaimed it.

Stokes wrote about breaking through the Siegfried Line and later moving on to Nuremberg and Nomburg. After they defeated the Germans, he wrote they moved into Pilsoner, Czechoslovakia.

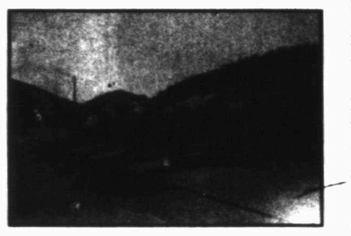
After the 146th Combat Engineers had been disbanded, Stokes said he and another squad leader were sent to a company that had just arrived. Soldiers who had 75 or more service points were being sent home, but he only had 74 points.

He and the other squad leader were assigned to conduct basic training sessions. Tired and not wanting to go through training again, Stokes said they would take the men out in the woods and let them do what they wanted.

This got them in trouble with the company commander, but they were sent home before he could bust them.

First Stokes said they boarded a troop train for LaHarve, France, where they were placed in box cars 40 feet by eight feet. The trip took a long time, but Stokes wrote they remained in the cars and ate their rations.

When Stokes and the others on the train were informed they were issued a 30-day furlough



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and then they would have to storm the beaches of Japan, they weren't happy about it. Since they had already been through a similar operation, Stokes wrote that they didn't think they should have to do it again. However, Japan surrendered so they didn't have to.

While traveling across France, they stopped in a town for fuel. Since he had another pair in his bag, Stokes traded his shoes for a loaf of bread and a pound of butter that a French civilian had. His lieutenant threatened to have him court-martialed. Stokes didn't care at least his stomach was full.

Finally, Stokes wrote they received their orders to return to the United States. After a few days they were on a train headed for San Antonio where they would be discharged. Stokes date of separation was Dec. 3, 1945.

When they arrived in San Antonio at Fort Sam Houston, they were given the clothes on their backs and a bus ticket home.

Jerry said she and Travis got married on Jan. 9, 1947. They had grown up together in Goldsboro but moved to Ira so Travis could work in the oil fields. He began as a contact pumper for French Albertson of Abilene.

Travis continued to work in the oil fields until a heart attack around 1983 side-lined him. He died on Nov. 6, 1996.

Jerry said her husband did not talk about the war unless it was with other veterans. Travis and Jerry's brother, the late J.W. Shamblin, both fought in the war but not at the same places.

She does remember them saying the movie *Saving Private Ryan* was very realistic and accurate in its portrayal of the invasion of Normandy.

Travis liked to hunt, fish and hunt arrowheads.

Jerry's has one son Bobby; two granddaughters, Misty Scott and Callee Stokes, and a great-grandson, Travis. All live in Odessa.

Reforms passed

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — State lawmakers adopted a measure Friday to make Illinois' death penalty system fairer, virtually assuring a sweeping overhaul of the capital punishment process will go to Gov. Rod Blagojevich.

The House bill covers many of the recommendations made by a commission appointed by then-Gov. George Ryan, who suspended all executions in 2000.

No verdict yet

DETROIT (AP) — Jurors completed their second day of deliberations Friday without reaching a verdict in the trial of four Arab immigrants accused of being a terrorist "sleeper" cell.

U.S. District Court Judge Gerald Rosen allowed jurors to leave around midday ahead of Memorial Day weekend. Deliberations will resume Tuesday.

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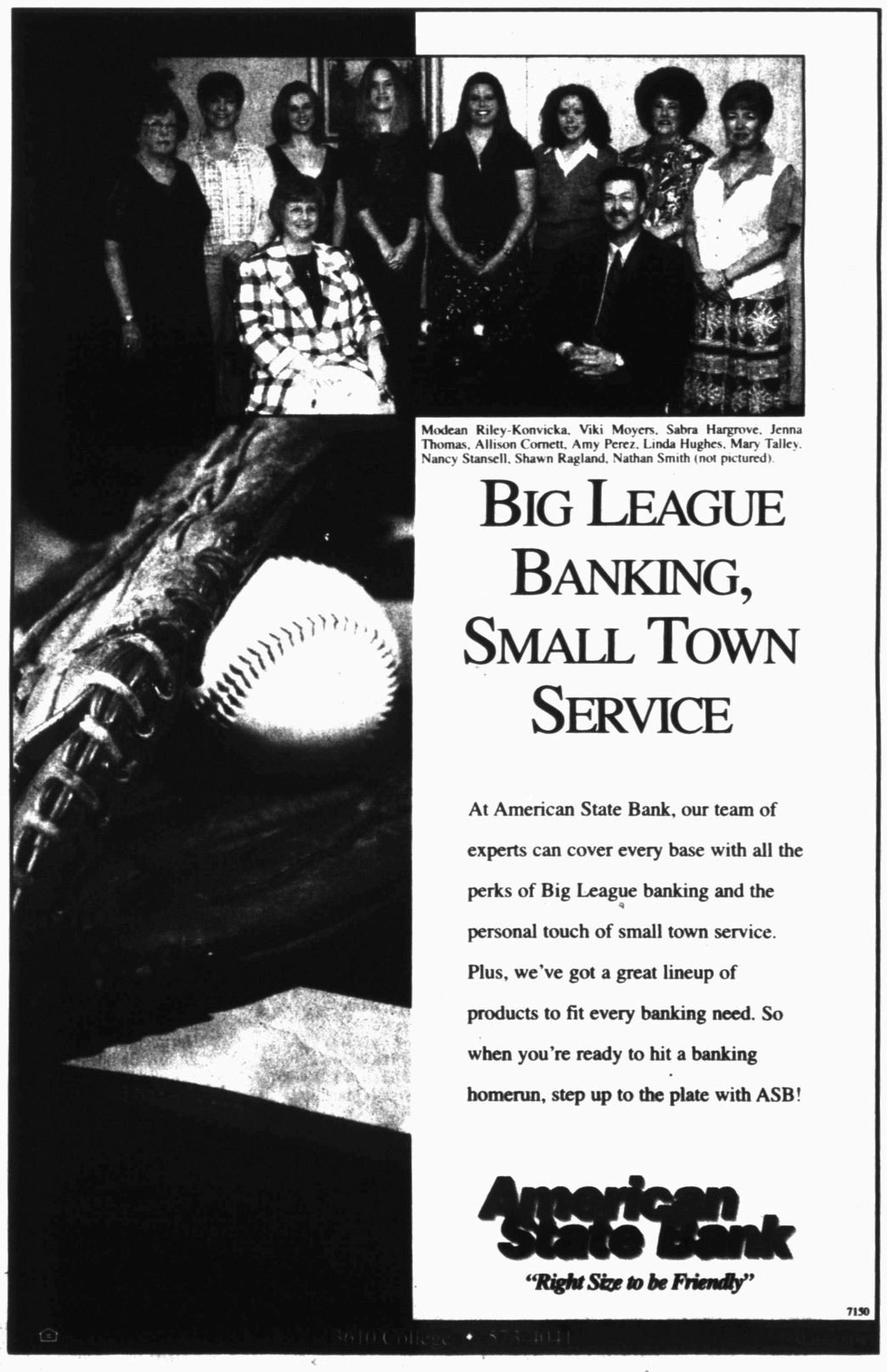
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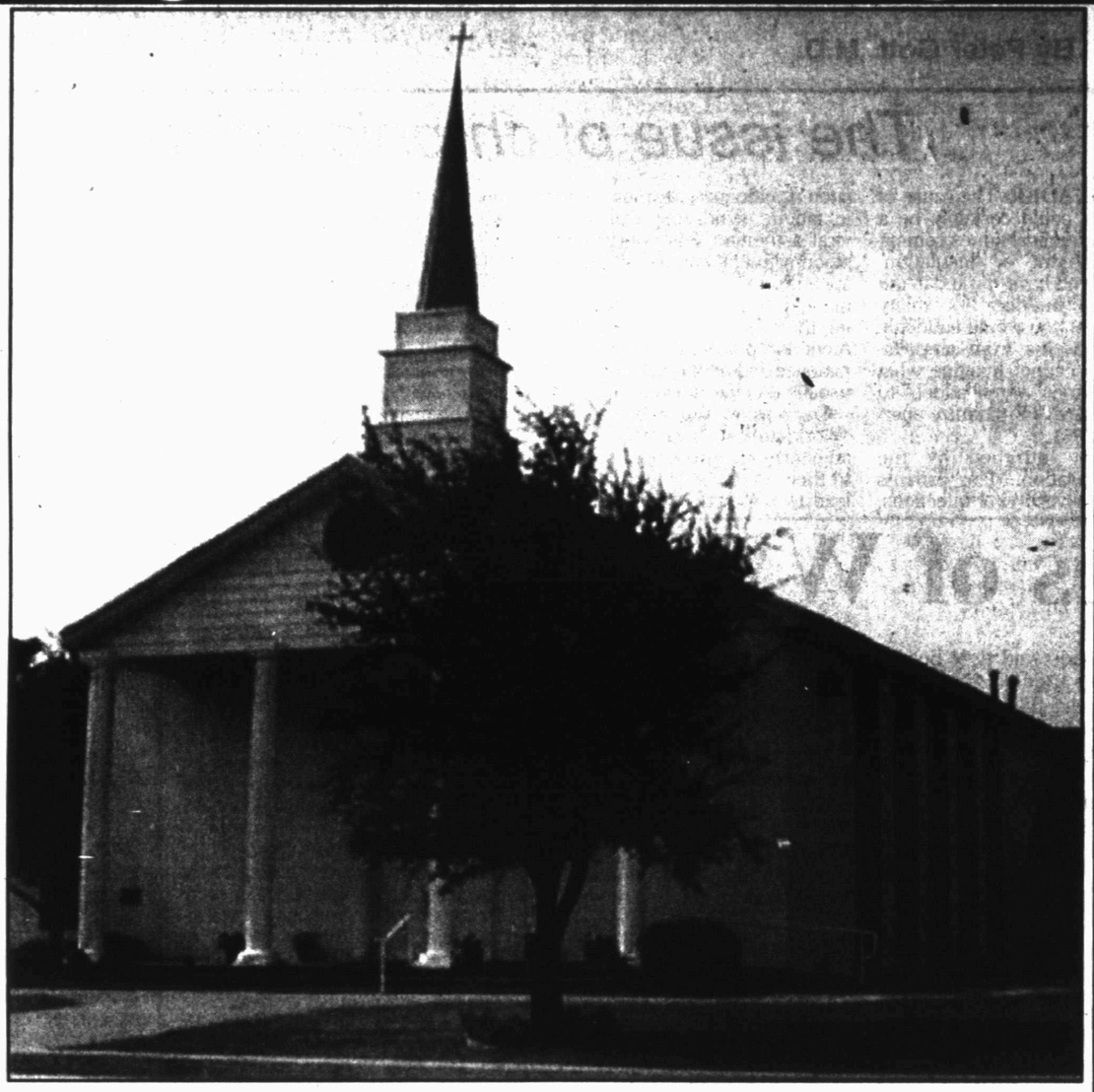
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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Baby's name is cause for long-distance strife

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are thrilled to be expecting our first child in August. A few months ago, a girlfriend, "Marie," and I were discussing names. Marie mentioned that she had always liked the name Brooke. I told her that I'd always liked it, too.

Now that I'm pregnant, my husband and I want to name our baby Brooke if it's a girl. When I told Marie, she became angry. She said the name was her idea because her deceased mother's last name was similar to Brooke — so she should be able to use the name if she ever has another daughter.

Abby, I'm pregnant NOW. Marie has no idea when she'll be having her next baby — if ever. We live 3,000 miles apart and have no friends in common, so it's not like there would be any confusion over who's who. Am I being unreasonable? I would appreciate your take on this. — **GOING FOR BROOKE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA**

DEAR GOING FOR BROOKE: You're not being unreasonable. Your friend is being petty. Since there are no copyrights on names, name your baby whatever you choose — and don't apologize.

DEAR ABBY: My high school graduation is right around the corner, and I have a problem with it. About eight years ago, my dad had an affair with a woman from his office. I'll call her Rosemary. As a result of that (and other stuff), my mom divorced him and moved out of state. Dad got custody and ended up marrying Rosemary about five years ago.

My problem is, Mom plans to attend my graduation. Given the fact that she despises Rosemary — and I do, too — I'm uncertain as to whether I want my stepmom to be there. I think it would create friction, even though Mom says she doesn't care if "that woman" shows up or not.

Personally, I'd like to ask that Rosemary not attend. Please let me know if it's my right to make the final decision for an occasion that's supposed to be "my day." — **MUDDLING THROUGH IN MINNESOTA**

DEAR MUDDLING THROUGH: Yes, it is your day. However, since your mother doesn't object, for the sake of family unity your father's current wife should be given the courtesy of an invitation. Please remember that it isn't your responsibility to be a peacemaker. I hope you'll enjoy your special day. Congratulations.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 38-year-old single mother of two. There is a man at work I find attractive, and he's giving me signals that the feeling is mutual. The problem? I've made it a strict policy never to date anyone at work, at church or in my neighborhood because of problems that can occur if there's a breakup.

It's something I've never experienced firsthand, but I've seen it numerous times. When two people split up, there's often tension, hurt feelings and back-stabbing.

As interested as I am in my coworker, I'm afraid of what could happen to our professional relationship should we become a couple and it doesn't work out. Am I being too cautious? — **TRYING TO BE SMART IN PHILLY**

DEAR TRYING TO BE SMART: While it's my opinion that workplace romances (as common as they are) are a bad idea for the reasons you have mentioned, I do think that by not dating men from the neighborhood or church, you are severely limiting yourself. Social opportunities present themselves in the places you present yourself.

DEAR ABBY: I am more than 60 years of age and have been married 25 years. My husband and I have been living apart for five years, but he will not agree to a legal separation. (We have no children.)

I have been forced to agree to minimal monthly support. However, our agreement has never been put in writing because my husband will not agree to anything formal, and I cannot afford to hire a lawyer to represent me. My husband is involved in another relationship now, but says he has no intention of divorcing me.

My problem: I filed for Social Security, and he reduced my monthly support payment by the same amount, thus leaving me in the same financial position I was in before — nothing left for savings or emergencies. I want to work, but he has threatened to further reduce the monthly payment by the amount I would receive from working. I would not be able to "hide" money I earn, because we file joint income tax returns. My husband's position with regard to this leaves me frustrated and without incentive.

Please give me some advice. A divorce will be very involved since there is a lot of money and property at stake. I have consulted two lawyers; each one asked for a significant retainer fee, not to mention the $250 to $350 just to consult with them. I am stuck. I really need help. — **PRISONER IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

DEAR PRISONER: I spoke with prominent California family law specialist Jill Greenspahn. I think you will be interested in what she has to say:

(1) Your husband doesn't have to "agree" for you to have a legal separation.

(2) If you can't afford a lawyer, check into hiring a paralegal.

(3) You don't "have" to file a joint tax return. You can file separately if you wish.

(4) Since there is money and property to divide in your divorce, you can pledge a portion of it as payment for legal fees. But even more important, in California, the earner — in your case, that's your husband — MUST PROVIDE LEGAL FEES FOR THE WIFE'S REPRESENTATION — and any lawyers worth their salt know that!

I'm pulling for you, dear lady.

DEAR ABBY: I always overeat when I'm watching television. I watch TV only at mealtime on weekends — when I'm alone and tired from attending classes and doing homework. My parents work on the weekends, so I end up eating by myself.

I don't eat as much during the week because I have dinner with school friends, but when I'm alone I continue to eat — even when I am full.

Abby, how can I control my desire to eat when I'm alone watching TV? — **ANNY IN SOUTH KOREA**

DEAR ANNY: By understanding that what you are doing is feeding loneliness, and NOT your appetite. One way to break the habit would be to invite friends to join you for dinner on the weekends. Another way would be to refrain from watching TV while eating your dinner. Good luck.

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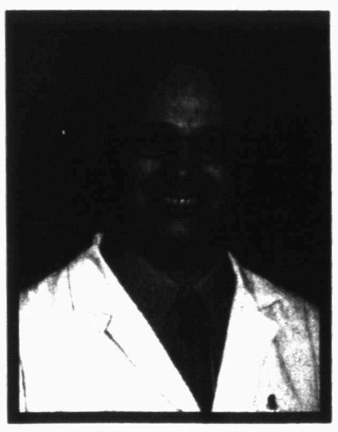
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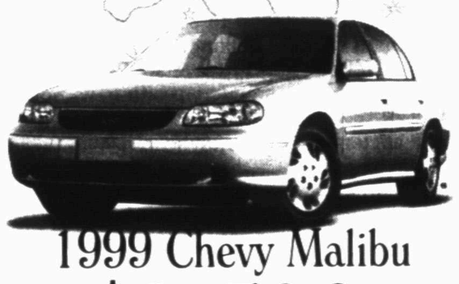
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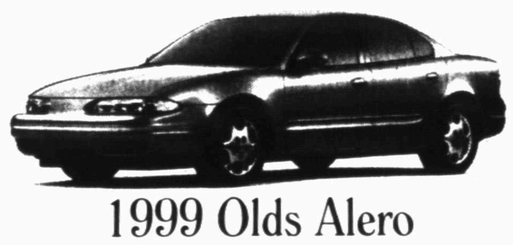
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Our 'oughly' American language by Joe Klock, Sr.

Those of us who read and speak it regularly tend to assume that our native lingo is easy to learn - compared, say, to the spaghetti-like symbols of Chinese or the built-in dyslexia of written Hebrew.

Some of us snicker when "them there foreigners" mispronounce common English words while reading aloud, although they are most often making the same mistakes we made when struggling through the textbooks that explored the rugged terrain beyond "see Spot-see-Spot-run-run-Spot-run."

Wishing, as always, to promote better understanding among the inhabitants of our small planet , we rise to the defense of kids, immigrants and a fair number of native Yanks who are victimized by the many baffling pitfalls of the Queen's English. (Why it's called that, one is hard put to fathom, since we don't toolk like 'er majesty a-tool, do we?)

Our case in point will be one of the strangest combination of letters in the entire English lexicon; we'll call it the "ough" syndrome.

Phonetically, it has almost as many forms as squashed cockroaches, mostly because of the "o" presence up front and the useless "h" bringing up the rear. The "ug core is blameless, because when you encounter it without the other two, it is perfectly consistent, as in bug, hug, slug, et al.

But surround that innocent "ug" with 'o" and "h" and you've got an Excedrin-sized headache of pronunciation options, especially if you're learning the language from scratch.

For example, a wrapping in "o" and "h" can cause the "ug" sound to disappear as suddenly and completely as a politician's promises.

Somehow, the first and last letters make "ough" rhyme with word structures as seemingly unrelated as cow (as in bough), off (as in trough), go (as in though), taut (as in thought), stuff (as in tough) and blue (as in through).

The letter "t" seems also to be a contributing culprit, appearing as it does in all but one of the above examples, but while its effect is plain to see and hear, there is nothing logical to support what it does.

Given this undeniable inconsistency, you'd have to forgive a recent arrival on our shores for asking the following reasonable questions:

- Why doesn't bough rhyme with trough, though, tough and through?

- Why don't we spell those words bau, trawf, tho, tuf and thru? (many of our grand-children already do, in fact, not to mention a growing number of collegians.)

- Why does the addition of the terminal consonant "t" make the vowel sounds different in though and thought?

- If ug never sounds like ug when surrounded by o and h, what the hell is it doing there?

- What genius in the past f ured out that, in certain envi ments, the inherently guttu al "gh" combination comes out a gentle, oleaginous "f?"

- Why is bough spelled that way when it's on a tree, but it's bow when you take one on the stage, and rhymes with go when you tie one on (a bow tie, that is)?

- If bough is acceptable, what would you do with "hough nough, broughn cough?"

English scholars will hasten to explain that these apparent aberrations in our dialect go back to the blending (if you can call it that) of the original language of Mother England with those of the invading Celts, Jutes, Romans, Saxons, Vikings and Normans.

Each group coped with the lingo they encountered when they stormed ashore by adapting it to their conversational comfort zones. (Last time we were in London, the Pakistani were having a fresh go at it!)

These earlier phenomena were not unlike the bastardization of Mexican Spanish by the American cowboy, changing "palabra" to "palaver," presumably to sidestep the rolling "r" fancied by los latinos.

So, here's the point: sins our kidz kant spel aniway, evn if theyv bin tu kolij, wy not keep it simpl, spel wurdz lyk thay sownd and mayk lyf eezeur for them and thu foriners?

We could start with that devious, shifty, vicious and depraved "ough" syndrome, then maybe move on to vestigial remnants like the ridiculous "p"in front of psychology and the equally worthless "ue" tagged on to monologue, rogue, fugue, and their many cousins. (Kuzinz?)

Although we may (justifiably) point with pride to the fact that America has thrown open its arms to the oppressed flotsam and jetsam of the world, our language remains a daunting challenge and a cold, inhospitable barrier to their assimilation into our society.

Why should a culture which has led the world in so many areas of progress remain shackled to obsolete, confusing and downright aggravating things like the unpredictable "ough?"

"Scrough it," I say!

The above rant was excerpted from "Like Klockwork...the Whimsy, Wit and (sometime) Wisdom of a Key Largo Curmudgeon." (Anomaly Books - 1995). Check www.joeklock.com for ordering details.



Poor Rix's Almanac by Rix Quinn

Poor Rix offers stupid answers to smart questions. Got a question? E-mail rixquinn@charter.net, or write him in care of this newspaper.

Poor Rix: When a man is as funny as you are, how does your wife know when you're serious? – Geneve Baley, Wappingers Falls, NY

Geneve, thanks for your kind words. My wife never knows when I'm serious, because I never know myself.

I believe in that old saying: "Laugh and the world laughs with you. Cry and you cry alone. Laugh and cry spontaneously, and you can run for office."

Have you noticed how serous most people look today? Last Wednesday at the mall I counted seven scowling faces before I saw a guy with a smile…but he was handing out coupons.

One day my friend Dave grinned at everyone. The first three looked the other way…the next guy flashed an obscene gesture…one lady slapped him…then another guy gave him a dollar.

After that, Dave just smiled at people holding money. Good thing he's a banker.

I'd love to see people laugh more. But there are laws against public tickling.

Folks chuckle for lots of reasons. For instance, if a clown gets splattered with a cream pie, that's called slapstick. If that clown then pulls a water balloon from his pocket, and soaks his attacker, that's called "element of surprise."

If he misses his attacker, and splashes an audience member, that's called….well, I don't know what it's called, but it's not good.

Finally, remember the advice "Laughter is the best medicine?" Well, I've laughed at my athlete's foot several times…but I've still got it."



Speaker for all seasons

by Don Newbury

Politics, aways politics — During the hubbub of 51 or so Texas Democrats bolting to Ardmore for an out-of-state "caucus" in Oklahoma, a longtime political wag said that if all the Democrats and Republicans left in Austin would ivvy up for retreats in Louisiana, Arkansas and New Mexico, the vacuum left at the capitol could set Texas government forward a hundred years.

By the time lobbyists checked in at Oklahoma hotels, lodging projections for the year went up by 10 per cent.... Some Oklahomans blamed the Texas visitors for the rash of tornadoes that chased a bunch of people to shelters, including the legislators. They said a cold air mass from the north, colliding with the hot air arriving from Texas, caused a record number of twisters....

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Back to basics – In China, where the SARS scare remains ominous, many Chinese are opting for bicycles to avoid contracting the disease on crowded buses and subways. Thankfully, China has "bicycles built for two" (billion)....

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Overstayed welcome – What irony! Millions of basketball fans have waited in lines for hours to get Michael Jordan's autograph. The retired-again star, however, didn't please the Washington Wizards owners, who also want an autograph — at the bottom of his resignation letter as the team's player-coach.

"I guess he was glad to be made an advisor for the Wizards," one fan lamented, "They said if they ever wanted his advice, they'd ask for it...."

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Where the West and Women Playing Men's Golf Begin? – No, silly, that's not Fort Worth's new slogan, even though Swiss "Mrs." Annika Sorenstam takes another run at the gender barrier as the second woman to play at a men's PGA tour stop since Texan Mildred (Babe) Didrickson Zaharias gave it a go in the LA Open back in 1945. (Babe finished 42nd.) Annika is signed up for the Colonial in Cowtown.

One longtime golf aficionado is fuming, claiming that Texas is no more chauvinistic than other states – unless issues involving women are involved.

"If her golf game was a prize fight, they'd stop it," he opined. And, he has a few "yes/no/maybe" answers to questions bound to come up at Colonial:

1) Is it true that Colonial leaders wanted to put in some temporary *quick*sand traps? –Maybe.

2) Are they letting Annika shoot from special tees? –No. The PGA says it isn't seemly to place tee boxes between alligator pits and fire ant beds.

3) Is it true that her first sponsor on the ladies' tour was Michelob Heavy? –No. (You're half right.)

4) If she should win Colonial, do they have a tailor at the ready to make a custom jacket that'll look nice on her when she slips it on? –Maybe. (Even though a lot of Colonial members figure she should get an apron instead....)

5) What will the press do if she fails to make the cut? Punt. No. They'll turn it over to the *New York Times*, expecting blazing headlines that she's leading the field....

6) Is it possible PGA officials will have to ask *her* to be quiet while she's putting? —Go figure.

7) Is there "role reversal" at the Sorenstam household? Yes. As "wife and hubby," they do feel each other's pain. She doesn't feel totally welcome in an otherwise all-male golf tournament; he doesn't feel totally welcome at Tupperware parties....

8) Do you figure he may take up golf, and try to compete on the ladies' tour? Annika hasn't decided yet. She may decide for him to be a wrestler, like Babe's husband.

9) Have some women readers stopped reading without knowing there is a question 9? Definite maybe....

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Permission Easiest Route?—Imagine the stark fear of New Yorkers earlier this month when they saw a large plane circling the Statue of Liberty! Thousands expected the worst; thankfully, they were wrong. Seems the plane was bringing troops home from Iraq, and they talked the pilot into flying low over the city, around the statue....

Well, maybe the pilot was young...and the air traffic controller was an intern covering for the veteran on a coffee break...and the controller was also studying to be a flight attendant...and just the day before, they had covered the part about "it now is safe to leave your seats and move about the cabin....."

So maybe the controller was "thumbs up" to the idea, figuring that with a lull in air traffic, maybe it was okay to dip down and move about the sky(line)....With a string of "maybes" turned to "yeses," the maneuver became quasi-legal. Let the records show that in at least this one instance, it was easier to get permission than forgiveness.

The FAA, red-faced about the incident, has promised that "it won't happen again" (then, again, Dr. Bill Bennett, with the same hue of redness, has made the same promise concerning no more gambling)

A safe bet would be that the FAA will never again have controllers –veterans or otherwise - extending permission or forgiveness, particularly in New York City.

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Memorial Day thought: In this new century, Americans are reflective. They have many reasons to get a stronger grip on their flag. Their thoughts center on the ultimate sacrifice of Americans who gave their lives that it may continue to be the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Many Americans felt a stronger grip last month when 13-year-old Natalie Gilbert won a contest to earn the right to sing our National Anthem in Portland before the Trail Blazers/Dallas Mavericks' playoff basketball game. Ill, but resolved to claim the prize of singing a cappella, she froze on the words.

Blazer Coach Maurice Cheeks endeared himself to a nation when he rushed to her side, put his hand on her shoulder, then started singing, motioning with the other hand for the audience of some 20,000 fans to join in. Millions of Americans got a stronger grip on the flag that night. Claiming that the worst moment of her life was followed seconds later by the best moment, Natalie relished her few seconds of fame — however fleeting — with a new friend at her side. Cheeks' team lost the game, but, with his quick response to help Natalie, he won the hearts of Americans across the land. May we all get a stronger grip on Old Glory.

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Open Government Barometer

Number of Executive Sessions held by public entities in 2003.

Hermleigh ISD	7
Snyder ISD	6
Ira ISD	4
City of Snyder	2
DCOS	1
Cogdell Hospital	1
Scurry County	0
WTC	0



EDITORIAL COMMENT

Austin American-Statesman

Immigrant deaths

That we've seen the story before does nothing to mitigate the horror of the 19 illegal immigrants who died after being locked in a trailer and abandoned by smugglers in South Texas. Authorities report that more than 100 immigrants were crammed into a trailer and left to their fates by the driver Wednesday.

Eighteen more were discovered in another trailer Friday, fortunately before any of them suffered serious effects from confinement.

Yes, we've heard and seen this story before: groups of illegal immigrants paying smugglers to abuse, abandon and sometimes kill them. Obviously, they could save themselves suffering and misfortune by staying home. Just as obviously, staying home is a poor option in the struggling economies of Mexico and Central America.

Obviously, thorough investigations leading to long incarcerations will end some smuggling careers. Just as obviously, sending one bunch to jail creates a void that others will be eager to fill.

That doesn't mean that smugglers shouldn't be punished. Nor does it mean that the United States should relinquish control of its borders.

The solution, however, lies in formulating a border policy that shatters hypocrisy on both sides of the border. For too long, the United States has huffed and puffed about illegal immigrants while welcoming the cheap labor. For too long, the Mexican government ignored the immigrants publicly while privately depending on the money they send home. The money transfer is the third-largest source of income for the Mexican economy.

Though a guest worker program conjures memories of the abuses of the old bracero program, it is an alternative that should work. The bracero program, adopted in the 1940s, was aimed at supplementing a U.S. labor force depleted by the induction of young men into the armed forces during World War II. Reports of abuse coupled with changing economics led to the program's demise in the 1960s.

Houston Chronicle

Legislature needs to pass ethics bill

The long history of attempted government ethics reform in the Texas Legislature is one of fits and starts, mostly fits.

This year is no different. The state House has passed legislation, House Bill 1606. Despite some weakening along the way, the bill came out of the legislative process with at least a chance to close some existing loopholes. It should be moved forward.

To that end the Senate Government Organization Committee, chaired by state Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, is scheduled to hear the bill later this week. According to an aide to Ellis, the hearing was delayed because a number of amendments will be discussed.

That could be a good sign if senators put more teeth back into the bill, or a bad sign if they further weaken it.

Any bill that doesn't exit the committee by May 23 will automatically die, foundering on the rocks of misspent intentions. For example, ethics bills in both houses were passed during the last session in 2001 but died when they failed to emerge from conference committee. And in the 1999 session a Senate bill authored by Ellis and a companion House bill died on the final day on the Senate floor.

Legislative history argues for the classic response: Hope for the best — but expect the worst.

The 71-page bill that emerged from the House, despite some backroom rewriting, improves current laws in a number of ways: It strengthens the Texas Ethics Commission, and it would require candidates for state and legislative offices to report the employer and occupation of those who contribute more than $1,000. Candidates would have to report their cash balances; the bill tightens a loophole that many candidates use to avoid filing campaign-finance reports electronically; and it extends the electronic filing to candidates for district court judge.

An earlier version of the bill would have banned legislative continuances, which allow lawyers who serve in the House and Senate to delay court hearings during the legislative session. As reported by the Chronicle's Janet Elliott, the bill was changed to require lawmakers to report to the ethics commission when they file a continuance.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Creative water conservation

Some demographers forecast that Texas' population will nearly double in the next half century.

That will make water supplies more precious and costly.

Rapid population growth already is putting great strain on Texas rivers and increasing the chance that new and expensive reservoirs will need to be built in coming years.

For those reasons, water conservation — something that many growing North Texas cities haven't sufficiently focused on — is becoming ever more important.

The Tarrant Regional Water District is setting an excellent example in that regard through an innovative project in which it is filtering water through wetlands to clean it and allow for its reuse by residents of Fort Worth, Arlington and other cities.

The district provides water to much of the western half of the Metroplex.

The wetlands project, which will be greatly expanded during the next 15 years, is linked to the district's Richland-Chambers Reservoir outside Corsicana in East Texas.

Here's how it works:

Treated municipal waste water from the Metroplex flows through the Trinity River Basin and the wetlands by Richland-Chambers. The water is cleansed of most of its sediments, nitrogen and phosphorus. It then flows into the reservoir, where it can be pumped back to the Metroplex through pipelines and used again.

The $20 million project, which already has cost about $7.7 million, eventually will increase available drinking water from the reservoir by about 30 percent. That's enough water for 300,000 people for a year.

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Hi Fellow Snyderites!



Hi Friends:

As you all know, Joe and I travel a lot with our horses. Kentucky Derby weekend, we took "Phantom" my "gray mare" and her new baby girl to Seguin, Texas to be bred to "Struggler", the new chosen husband (carefully researched and profiled by Joe, the racehorse breeding expert)! The new baby, named "Annie-Go-Lightly" is charcoal and hopefully will be a gorgeous gray like her mommie, was not happy about leaving "Fowler Downs" and squealed like a pig (literally) when we lifted her into the trailer full of straw for the trip down South. As we drove from here, to Junction, to San Antonio and Seguin, you can imagine how different the Texas terrain was, but the wild flowers, all the way, were gorgeous. Blankets of yellow, red, blue, pink and white lined miles of Texas Roads and not only pleased our eyes, but our sense of smell as well. As we'd stop to let the horses rest, Chica Michella Bella Fowler, the family Chihuahua and spoiled rotten head of our household, would jump out and romp through the flowers-most of which were taller than she is.

Hubby and I kept wondering why anyone in the world would want to be anywhere other than Texas in the springtime. The big sky is endless and so beautifully blue. Thanks to Lady Bird Johnson, fields of sunflowers, white and yellow, larkspur, Blackeyed Susans, Indian paint brush, butter cups of pink and white and of course our beautiful Blue Bonnets just literally made tears come to your eyes, their beauty against the blue sky, just beyond belief. Then you throw that mare and baby in the trailer into the equation and we decided life was just really good! My priorities have really changed.

Well, the thing that hit me full force in the face as we traveled all those miles across Texas and back, were how many American flags and yellow ribbons we saw! On gates and fences of country farms and ranches, in front yards in towns both large and small, in almost every business window or on flagpoles in front. Hundreds flying from car windows, on all the churches flying from high poles, car lots, grocery stores, Wal Marts, large chain stores and blanketing malls, motels and lining streets and downtown squares. Flags were everywhere! I soon began to feel like I wasn't doing my share! I went to get yellow ribbon one day but they were out and I've never been back, so I came home and quickly taped my American flag to my ceramic jockey (formerly owned by RT Bell and one of my prized possessions) in the front yard so our home would look like we were at least aware our troops were at war!

It became so moving, I quit watching the flowers and noticed how patriotic Texans are. It didn't matter if they're in urban cities, German settlements like Fredricksburg, Spanish influenced San Antonio, Mason, Ballenger, Justiceburg, Dallas, even Ft. Worth about their country, not just their state!

Granddaughter Chloe Fowler had the lead in a play at church in Lubbock on Mother's Day night and of course we went up to "glow" at her talents! But out in the foyer of their church was a large sign on an easel with the pictures of all servicemen and women who were related to church members. In the center was a picture of troops, helmets in hands, heads bowed in prayer standing in a circle of love praying for strength and safety as they started out on their missions. I was struck once again by the church's compassion for our young men and women. However, across the top of the picture, in understated elegance it read- (I'm paraphrasing because I can't remember the exact words.)

"War is a terrible thing, and should not be entered into lightly. However, God said, "There will always be wars and rumors of wars."" Where the real downfall of any country lies, is when the young men and women who live there, believe in nothing, strong enough to fight for it, or love their country and their freedom enough to give their lives for it."

I stood there and thought of family members who fought in past wars, some even who had died for our country and our freedom. Friends who had lost loved ones, wounded friends, friends in VA hospitals with life long injuries and I thought "God, don't ever let me forget what that flag means." Men fighting that I might wave it. The freedom to drive down Texas' beautiful roads, smell the flowers, drink in their beauty and even to create life in the form of tiny proud thoroughbred race horses on a nickel and dime budget. I walked into the church's sanctuary still musing my thoughts and a giant American flag draped the entire East wall of the auditorium! I was awe struck! Then the tears started in earnest while I sat there and thanked God that my grandchildren were being raised in a church that taught not only the love of God, but country. To be mindful of their freedom, to be thankful and respectful to those who had made it possible for them to enjoy today, and to love their country enough that when their time comes, they will be proud to continue Gods work and preserve it.



Got a flag? A yellow ribbon? Display them. Let's put the pride back in being patriotic in Snyder, Texas. Let's not wait for the Rotary Club to do all the work on special holidays-we're Americans everyday. Then when you go out of town, notice the patriotism happening all around you! It's a beautiful thing.

WESTERN SWING IS HERE AGAIN!



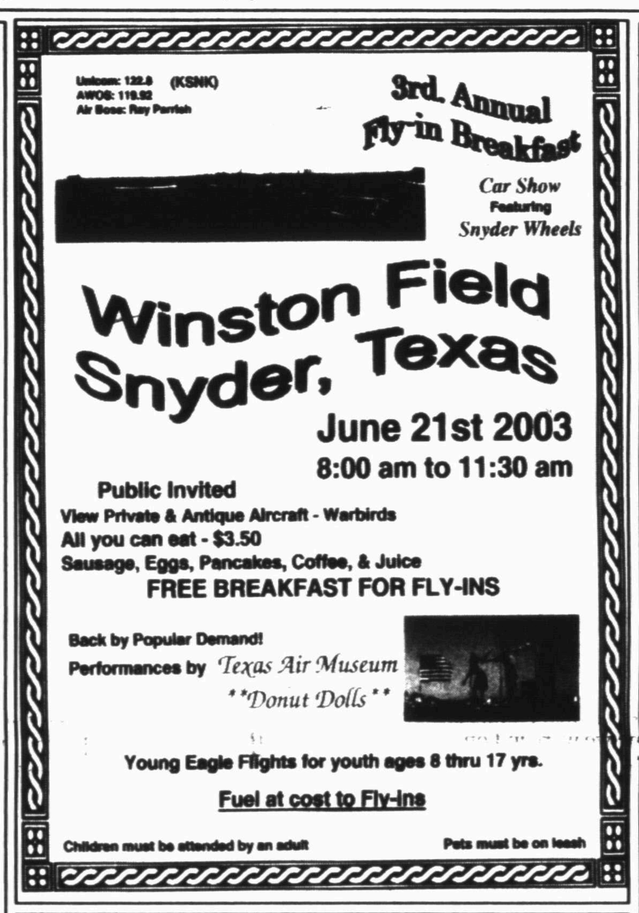
In about two more weeks, June 10-June 14th, the largest tourism event we have all year, and the largest moneymaker for the businessmen and women in our town will happen again. Why? The event itself is four days long, with a kick off dinner the night before. Most festival goers get into town at least 2 to 3 days early, and stay until the finish at midnight Saturday evening. There is a church service Sunday morning then most will load into their automobiles or RV's and head out to every state in the nation, leaving thousands of dollars behind in our local stores, gift shops, service stations, car dealerships, grocery stores, lumber yards, motels, restaurants, drug stores, Walmart, car washes, etc.! They're the kind of guests we enjoy as a city too! More fun than most, responsible, non drinking or heavy partying, all shoppers, not much trouble for our Sheriff and Police chief and they spend their money exactly like they want to! Most are retired, enjoying their lives, and have voted Snyder the best festival in Texas. How 'bout that!

If you've never attended the festival you're truly missing a beautiful, huge event drawing folks from all over the US. Why not make the effort to attend this year, or even help us! Just because it's local, doesn't mean its not first class. There really is something to do in Snyder, almost every weekend! Just do it! The festival is June 10-14, at the Scurry County Coliseum. Brochures are available at the chamber office.

The talent is the best, the decorations beautiful, the facility air conditioned and comfortable and the festival one of Texas in best. Come join us won't you?

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

July 4th is just around the corner. Anyone wishing to rent a booth in the armory please call us at 915-573-3558. Booths rent for $55 with electricity and $45 with out. We will also be having a washer and horseshoe pitching tournament and a coed volleyball tournament. The Lions Club will be hosting the Prayer Breakfast again this year and the Pride of Texas Carnival will be here as well. The 4th of July Parade will be on Friday at 10:00 a.m. at moffet field. Line up will be at 9:00 a.m. Anyone wishing to participate please show up on Friday. We are also looking for entertainment for the celebration for Friday, July 4th. There will be fireworks! Anyone wishing to donate feel free!



FLIGHT TRAINING NOW OFFERED AT WINSTON FIELD



You can now get your pilot's license in Snyder, Texas! Local airport manager Roger Sullinger dropped by the chamber office to tell us that former Snyderite Robby Hustis, flight instructor for Hub City Aviation, will soon be opening a flight school here in Snyder. The training aircraft will be a Cessna 172, furnished for your lessons by Hub City Aviation. If you are interested in participating in the flight school, call 573-1122 for further information.

June 2003

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Chamber Board Meeting 11:30 a.m.	17	18	19 Empire Paper Convention Scurry County Coliseum	20	21 Fly In Breakfast Winston Airport 7:30 a.m.
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

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2003 CHAMBER MEMBERS

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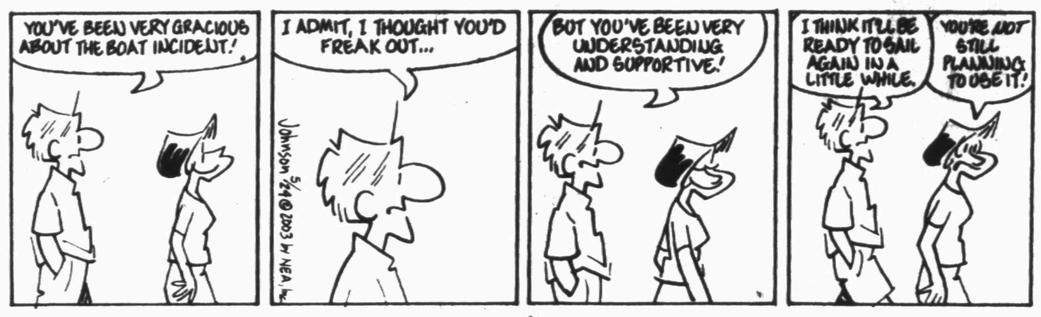
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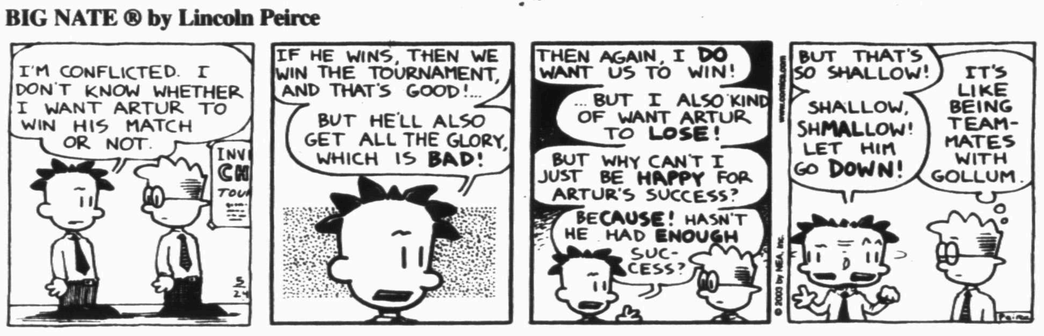
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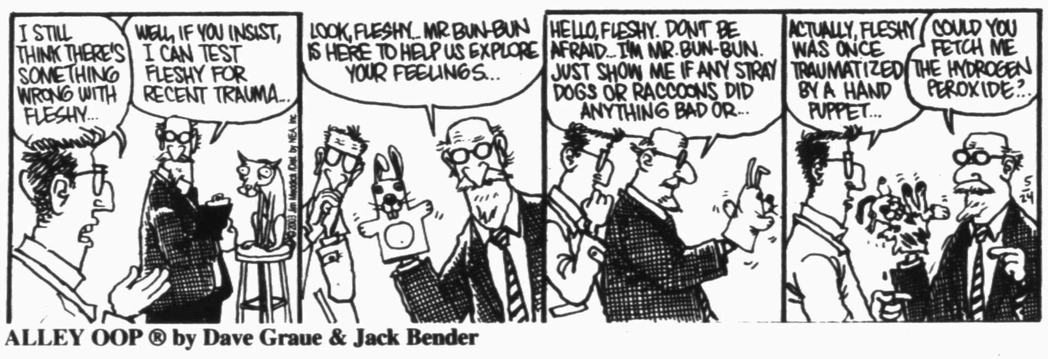
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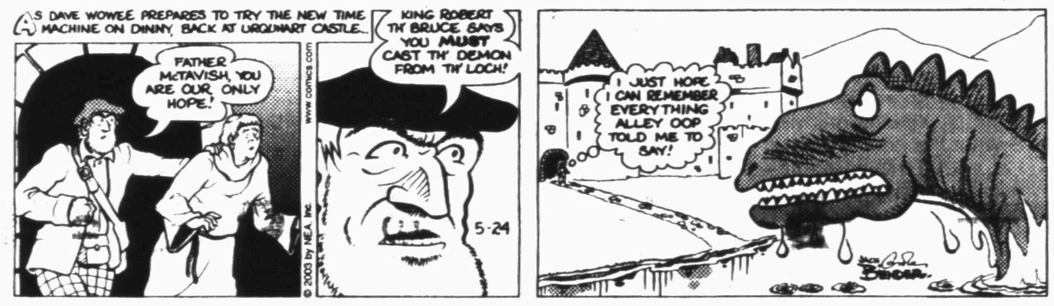
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"I can see only two in there! Did one escape?"

KIT 'N' CARLYLE ® by Larry Wright



NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Family man
5 Bump hard
8 Equinox mo.
12 Wedge
13 Unfold
14 Locality
15 Fast-food snack
16 Cable cars
18 Oz creator
20 Coach — Holtz
21 Wapiti
22 Lie down
25 Sales agent
28 Anchor
29 Scale button
33 "Venus" singer
35 Harvest
36 Kind of pool
37 Mind
39 Mex. miss
40 Greek letters
42 Drone
43 Knock off the air
46 "Woof!"
49 Assn.
50 Zilch
53 Herbicide target
56 Camel's back
58 Urgent appeal
59 — Diego
60 Bread spread
61 Ticket info
62 Collection
63 If not

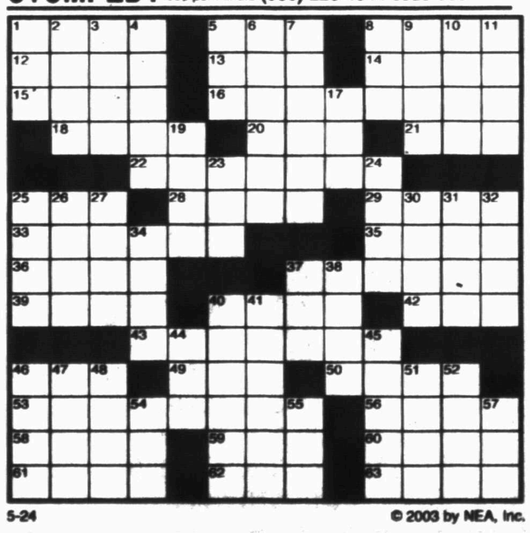
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2 Crazed captain
3 Type size
4 Love affair
5 Trot
6 Delphi's god
7 French artist
8 — Paulo
9 Whodunit name
10 Ring out
11 Chore
17 Demand payment
19 Reminder
23 Swindle
24 Work with acid
25 Old clothes
26 Happily — after
27 Huff and puff
30 Bedouin
31 Wander
32 Fencing weapon
34 Frog step
37 Mooch
38 Cable channel
40 India's Mother —
41 Crete's sea
44 Ply the oars
45 Nevada lake
46 Elec. units
47 Annoy
48 Good hopper
51 Like some knives
52 Iowa town
54 "Krazy —"
55 Spiral molecule
57 "The Raven" poet

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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DENNIS THE MENACE ® by Hank Ketcham



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Important Don'ts

It is generally not desirable to fly the flag outdoors when the weather is particularly inclement because exposure to severe winds and rain may damage the flag or the pole on which it is displayed.

Never in any way should disrespect be shown the U.S. Flag.

The U.S. flag should never be dipped to any person or thing. Regimental colors, State flags, and organization or institutional flags are dipped as a mark of honor.

The U.S. flag should never be displayed with the union down except as a signal of dire distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property.

The U.S. flag should never touch anything beneath it — ground, floor, water or merchandise.

The U.S. flag should never be carried horizontally, but it should always be aloft and free.

Always allow the U.S. flag to fall free— never use the U.S. flag as wearing apparel, bedding or drapery, festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds. For draping platforms and decoration in general, use blue, white and red bunting. Always arrange the bunting with blue above, the white in the middle, and the red below.

The U.S. flag should never be fastened, displayed, used or stored in a manner which will permit it to be easily torn, soiled or damaged in any way.

Never use the U.S. flag as a covering or drape for a ceiling.

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Never place anything on the U.S. flag. The U.S. flag should never have placed upon it, or on any part of it, or attached to it, any mark, insignia, letter, word, figure, design, picture or drawing of any nature.

Never use the U.S. flag for receiving, holding, carrying or delivering anything. The U.S. flag should not be embroidered on such articles as cushions, handkerchiefs and the like, printed or otherwise impressed on paper napkins or boxes or anything that is designed for temporary use or discard. Advertising signs should not be fastened to staff or halyard from which the flag is flown.

Never use any part of the U.S. flag as a costume or athletic uniform. A flag patch may be affixed to uniforms of military personnel, firemen, policemen and members of patriotic organizations.

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When the U.S. flag is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, it should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning, privately.

Never display the U.S. flag from a float except from a staff, or so secured that its folds fall free as though staffed.

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