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Sollis accepts Ector ISD post

Wendell Sollis, assistant superintendent of the Snyder school district, will be leaving his post at the end of October to become director of human resources for the Ector County Independent School District in Odessa.

Sollis was appointed an assistant superintendent at the beginning of this school year after serving as the local district's director of testing and curriculum for three years.

Sollis moved to Snyder as the junior high principal in 1991 from Denver City.

"I feel like this is a very good opportunity to move to a big 5A school district," said Sollis.

The Ector County school district employs 1,700 teachers and there are 29,000 students in the district.

"It's just a big opportunity for our family," said Sollis.

Sollis's wife, Dustee, teaches sophomore English at Snyder High School and they have one daughter in the local district.

"Jessica is a seventh grader at the junior high and, of course, she has mixed emotions about the move right now," Sollis added.

Supt. Gayle Lomax said he only wishes the best for Sollis in his move.

"Wendell has such outstanding promise in so many areas of school administration," said Lomax.

Lomax said he has no one in mind presently to replace Sollis.

"At this particular time, that position is on hold," said Lomax. "We want to find the very best person we can for the position.

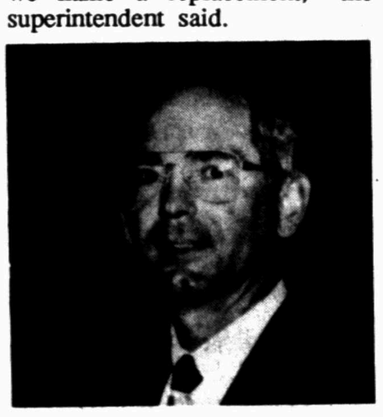
"The rest of us will just have to take up the slack because it could be the end of this semester, or even the end of the school year before we name a replacement," the superintendent said.



ON THE SCENE — Snyder firemen were quick to respond to the scene of a hot water heater flash fire shortly before 9 p.m. Monday at the residence of Chad Keith at 2401 Beaumont. There was no damage to the house as the residents hosed down the area around the hot water heater before firemen arrived. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen



Wendell Sollis

The feller on Deep Creek says, "In a world of give and take, it seems there are more willing to take than to give."

It arrives each year, just after the Scurry County Fair — a review copy of the Old Farmers Almanac.

It's the 207th edition, but "old" wasn't added to the name until it was in its 40th year of publication.

It was first published in 1792 when George Washington was president. In 207 years, they've never missed a year, making it the oldest continuously published periodical in North America.

And another thing we observed: the trusty hole for hanging the reference book on a nail in the wall is still there. You may recall that publishers once decided to forego the nail hole as a cost-savings measure.

But readers got up in arms and said the hole in the Almanac is as American as the hole in doughnuts.

And who wants to throw out tradition for a mere savings of $43,000?

We immediately turned to the weather section. We were disappointed that last year's predictions of a wet year caused by El Nino didn't materialize. The Almanac actually has a pretty solid record in predicting weather, in excess of 80 percent.

The remainder of the year in West Texas will be dry and cold, starting in November. There is some rain chance in February and possibility of showers in March.

April is the month for measurable precipitation, the Almanac says. There is also a good chance for more rains in May.

Expect another summer heat wave and below normal precipitation for the remainder of 1999.

They were wrong last year. Maybe, they'll be wrong again.

Another gem gleaned from the Farmer's Almanac.

World-wide weirdness was up a full four percent over the past year, the biggest jump since 1993.

Increases were seen in most categories — including visits by aliens, instances of spontaneous human combustion, falls from the sky and sightings of water monsters. (There were no reported water monster sightings at Lake J.B. Thomas.)

Also up were hoaxes and panics, ineptitude and stupidity, and cults and conspiracies.

Blame it all on El Nino!

WTC sets College Day on Thursday

Students will have an opportunity this week to meet with representatives from various colleges and universities as College Day is scheduled Thursday.

The event, hosted by Western Texas College, is designed for area high school students and WTC students who plan to transfer.

The public is invited to attend.

Representatives from 32 colleges and universities, branches of the armed forces, a technical school and a public entity will be on-hand to distribute literature and answer any questions students or parents may have.

The program will be come-and-go with registration beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Scurry County Museum.

Tables will be set up in the Scurry County Museum, Baptist Student Center and Christian Student Center.

College Day has traditionally been held in the WTC gymnasium, but due to the renovation of the gym it has been moved.

Officials from 10 high schools have indicated they will attend. In addition to Snyder, Hermleigh, and Ira, these include Blackwell, Colorado City, Post, Robert Lee, Roby, Rotan and Westbrook.

Representatives from the following institutions will be on campus:

Abilene Christian University, Angelo State University, Cisco Junior College, Clarendon College, East Texas Baptist University, Hardin-Simmons University, Howard College, Howard Payne University, and Lubbock Christian University.

Also Lubbock Police Department, McMurry University, Midland College, Midwestern State University, Project Prime, Ranger College, South Plains College, Southwest Texas State University and the Stenograph Institute of Texas.

Others include Sul Ross State University, Tarleton State University, Texas A&M University, Texas State Technical College — Sweetwater, Texas Tech University, Texas Tech School of Nursing and the Texas Tech School of Allied Health.

There will also be representatives from the U.S. Air Force, U.S. Army, U.S. Navy, U.S. Marines, UT at Arlington, UT at Austin, UT of the Permian Basin, University of North Texas, Wayland Baptist University and West Texas A&M University.

Motorcyclists to be in parade

The White Buffalo Festival parade Saturday promises to be bigger than normal as the local chapter of a nation-wide motorcycle club plans to participate.

The Rodknockers Chapter 915 will ride in the parade as will club members from throughout the state, according to John Fair of the local chapter.

"We expect to have 25 to 30 cycles in the parade," said Fair.

Fair said the club is having a motorcycle rally in conjuction with the festival.

The rally will get underway Friday with registration beginning at noon at the VFW.

Registration will continue Saturday from 7 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Fair said all proceeds will benefit the VFW's memorial projects in Scurry County.

Saturday entertainment for the rally will be provided by Michael J. Martin.

"Martin is a singer and songwriter and the co-founder of a POW-MIA advocacy group that has logged thousands of miles marching for those groups," said Fair.

The group will have a worship service Sunday morning at 8 o'clock.

The event will take place at Greene's camp site on CR 466, said Fair.

"We cordially invite the public to come out to the rally Saturday afternoon for an evening of fun and viewing all the motorcycles," said Fair.

Tickets to the camp grounds are $10 after 7 p.m., while tickets to the entire event, including a meal, will be $20.

Skating, dancing...

Youth facility opens Friday night

Starting Friday, there will be an answer to the often asked question from kids, "What's there to do in Snyder?"

Wildtimes Skate and Dance located at 1607 25th Street will have their grand opening Friday from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Free sodas and pizza will be provided. Admission is $4.

Owners Suzie and Don Epperson have been working since August getting the facility ready and said they are opening the rink to provide a positive place for kids to go.

"My husband works for the STAR boot camp and he just thought there was something that needed to be done for the kids," Suzie said.

The Epperson's have three children of their own.

"We wanted something for them," Suzie said.

She also said the rink will be a safe environment.

"We are going to have a police officer on duty. I don't think parents will have a lot to worry about."

Wildtimes will offer something for everyone.

"The second Monday of every month there will be dances for senior citizens."

The rink will also have an adult night and plans are in the works to have Wednesdays open for church youth groups.

Wildtimes will also be available for private parties including birthday parties, teen dances and reunions.

Group discounts will be offered for churches and schools.

Happy hour will be held on Saturdays from 3 to 5 p.m. with $1 admission.

Plans are also in the works for a pizza shop with a delivery service.

Also available at Wildtimes will be pool tables, air hockey, video arcades and a basketball hoop.

Skates will be rented. People are welcome to bring their own skates or rollerblades, but the rollerblades must have safeguards on them.

Price of admission will be the same even if you bring your own skates.

Toddler skates are available as well.

Presently, Wildtimes has a rubber floor. Later, a wooden floor will be installed.

A sound system is installed and a DJ will be available.

Skating games will also be available.

"We'll have four corners, dice — all the games you can think of for skating."

Wildtimes will be open Monday through Thursday from 5-10 p.m. and on Fridays from 5 to 1 p.m..

On Saturdays, the facility will be open from 3-5 p.m. for happy hour and from 5-1 p.m.

The rink will be open from 2-9 p.m. on Sundays.

For more information or to reserve a party call 573-8841.

House passage of tax cuts considered slim

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chances are slim that the $80 billion tax cut passed by the House will clear the Senate, where even some Republicans oppose spending projected budget surpluses until Social Security is protected for the future.

"It's a long shot on the House-passed bill," said Clint Stretch, director of tax and legislative affairs for the Deloitte & Touche accounting firm. "It's too big and too much of the surplus is being spent."

Because Senate procedures require the support of 60 senators before the bill can proceed to a final vote, Republicans would need to hold all of their 55 members — and five moderate GOP senators have expressed deep reservations.

Republicans also would have to persuade some Democrats in tight re-election battles to support the bill, abandoning President Clinton, who has pledged to veto it. Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., called the House measure "reasonable" but it's not clear how many colleagues agree.

The tax bill passed by the House would spend about 10 percent of the estimated $1.6 trillion surplus over the next decade, or $80 billion over five years. Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., has promised a vote on the measure as early as Thursday, a spokesman said.

Lott said today that if Republicans fail to muster the necessary 60 votes, that would "probably be it" for the tax cut this year and that the focus would shift to a small package of expiring tax credits sought by business.

Brother, sister win grid contest

A brother-sister duo captured first and second place in last week's SDN football guessing contest.

The contest proved to be fairly easy for a number of entrants wotj tje top three missing only one game. The tie-breaker procedure was used to determine first, second and third prizes.

Matt McCormick of 2805 32nd won the $50 first prize by predicting the tie-breaker winner (Snyder) and 45 total points, closest to the actual total of 60.

His sister, Megan McCormick won the second place $25, predicting 37 points. Lisa Davis of 3505 Irving took the third place $15, predicting 31 points.

The Tigers have an open week, so this week's tie-breaker will be the Dallas-Washington pro game.

Winners will be mailed their checks. The SDN Football Contest appears on page 8 of this issue.

ASK US

Q—Why does the City of Snyder not raze the many derelict buildings on West 25th Street and South College Avenue?

A—According to city officials, some of the buildings are not the city's to tear down.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Monday, 94 degrees; low, 68; 7 a.m. Tuesday, 69; no precipitation; total for 1998, 6.53 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly clear. Low 65-70. Light S wind. Wednesday, partly cloudy. High 90-95. S wind 5-15 mph.

Corey Jaramillo
Partly Cloudy

Sunset:
7:31 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:37 a.m.
Of 271 days in 1998, the sun has shone 269 days in Snyder,

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"He then learns that in going down into the secrets of his own mind he has descended into the secrets of all minds."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

West Awards

First six weeks awards

Citizenship

RC: Eric Lindsey.
Self-contained: Tanner Hunter.
Early childhood: Michael Seale, Mikey Kirby.
Kindergarten: Jordan McGuire, Troy Henry, Alex Jaramillo.
First grade: Kanaan Short, Tayla Wesson, Amanda Browning.
Sixth grade: Heather Zajicek, Briana Burk, Daniel Burton, Hope Cole, Mechelle Renfro, Micaela Quiros, Candace McClintock, John Gomez, Heather Holmes, Alicia Wagner, Raul Olvera, Thomas Hefner, Heather Polk, Erin Hackfeld, Eric Carranza, Jerrica Gutierrez, Ryan Ward, Logan Martin, Jamie Treat, LeeAnn Benitez, Danisha Akins, Marisa Munoz.

Most Improved

RC: Roseanna Silva.
Self-contained: Jonathan Epperson.
Early childhood: B.J. Rodriguez, Amber Diaz, Victor Ruiz.
Kindergarten: Amanda Daves, Brandon Medrano.
First grade: Hayden Chandler, Britni Grady, Nicholas Smith.
Sixth grade: Gage Welsh, Nathaniel Clarady, Jessica Stansell, Jessie Delgado, Shahala Leatherwood, Carlos Guerrero, Heather Thomas, Lance Turner, Jamie Treat, Chris Callahan, Marissa Alvarez, Ryan Ward, Chris Smauley, October Wells, Jeffrey Stanfield, Jessica Stansell, Joedy Costilla.

Outstanding

RC: Jessica Delgado.
Self-contained: Jessica DeLao.
Early childhood: Latasha Seale, Krystin Keylon, Mario Ortega.
Kindergarten: Brandi Espinoza, Heather Crawford, Nicole Molter.
First grade: Colten Curry, Kylie Moreland, Jonathan Kerr.
Sixth grade: Karen Taylor, Abby Foree, Courtney Cox, Jerome Delce, Traci Jordan, Jason Hook, Kim Cooper, Kalli Wesson, Arthur Alvarado, Blake Robertson, Devin Chandler, Sheila Hicks, Matthew Kerr, Kassey Burney, Logan West, Paul Haines, Jerrica Gutierrez, Phillip Rice, Adam Sauceda, David Martin.

Accelerated Reader Program

TOP readers: Devin Chandler, Adrian Brooks, Michelle Miller.

Desegregation plan OK'd

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A federal judge on Monday approved a $206 million plan for Nashville's schools that will end the mandatory crosstown busing of students that began 27 years ago.

A group of black families filed the lawsuit in 1955 to desegregate city schools. Sixteen years later, Nashville became one of the first cities in the country to have court-ordered busing to equalize the racial makeup of its public schools.

The order prompted many white families to send their children to private schools or move out of Nashville.

Nashville's 128 public schools now have 71,000 students, some of whom take 45-minute bus rides to school.

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Scholarships for poor children announced

WASHINGTON (AP) — Poor children in two states and 36 communities around the country will get the chance to attend a private or parochial school next year because of a $140 million fund created by wealthy donors.

A lottery on April 17, 1999, will determine which 35,000 children receive the four-year scholarships for elementary, middle and high schools. The individual scholarships will range from $600 to $1,600, depending on what families can pay.

Investor Theodore J. Forstmann gave details of the plan Monday in a National Press Club speech. He and Wal-Mart heir John T. Walton put up $100 million through the Children's Scholarship Fund. The rest of the money is coming from individual donors.

The fund was created in June and is modeled on the Washington Scholarship Fund, which the two men helped found in August 1997 to give scholarships to poor children in the nation's capital. In Washington, 7,500 parents applied for 1,000 scholarships.

Not everyone thinks this is such a great gift. Some say that many backers of the private scholarships see them as a way to gain public support for government subsidies for private- and parochial-school tuition.

"The forces behind this 'gift' have a vested interest in seeing publicly funded vouchers become law," said Carole Shields, president of People for the American Way, a liberal group. She noted that Walton has been active in voucher campaigns and sits on the board of The CEO Foundation.

The foundation, based in Bentonville, Ark., supports private scholarships and taxpayer-paid vouchers. It argues that private programs will show the benefits of school choice and build a coalition of business leaders and low-income parents who will support government vouchers.



QUEEN NAMED — Crystal Rascon has been named 1998 Dieciseis de Septiembre queen. Coronation of the queen was held Sept. 20 at Our Lady of the Guadalupe Church and was the highlight of the festivities. Pictured with the queen is her escort, Angel Vasquez. (Contributed Photo)

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Second Wife Is Second-Best In New Family's Affections

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: When I married "John," his wife — I'll call her Donna — had been dead for seven years. She died at a young age from cancer. Before our marriage, I knew that he had several family pictures hanging on the walls. After our marriage, when I moved into his home, they remained.

I must admit, at first I felt a tiny bit of resentment that she was still "hanging around." However, after carefully thinking it through, I concluded that it was better that the pictures remain where they were. I realized that his grown children would appreciate the fact that I wasn't getting rid of everything of their mother's. I also realized that I would probably feel the same had my mother passed away and my father remarried.

I know John loves me, and we have a wonderful marriage. I also know that I'll never replace Donna. He loved her for many years, and I will always be second-best. John will be buried next to Donna when he dies. His children display many family pictures in their homes, as do his parents. Sometimes I feel a little sad, because when John sees these pictures everywhere, they bring back memories of him and Donna.

I would love it if John's parents would display our wedding picture on their wall, but they don't. Our pictures are in the photograph album, while pictures of John and Donna are on display. My in-laws loved Donna, as did everyone who knew her, but they also love me and we get along great. They are elderly now, and I wouldn't feel right asking them to remove Donna's pictures from their walls.

Although John and I haven't had years and years together and we're beyond having children of our own, I know I have a special place in his heart.

Donna is gone, but her memory is here to stay, as are her pictures. Sometimes when I look at her picture, I feel that she's smiling at me and saying, "Thanks for taking care of John — he needed you!" Sign me ...

SECOND LOVE,
PLEASANT PLAIN, OHIO

DEAR SECOND LOVE: You have written a loving, compassionate letter, filled with beautiful sentiments. It's a celebration of the fact that life goes on.

Please try to banish the thought that you are "second-best." Although John had a long and happy marriage with Donna, Donna is gone and now he loves you. In this stage of his life, you are not second-best; you are first.

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DEAR ABBY: My 79-year-old father visits our home and loves to work on projects like trimming bushes and repairing things. He gets very sweaty and takes frequent breaks by coming into the house and sitting in his favorite chair — my cherished fabric-covered recliner. After his visits, my chair smells of sweat. I have had it cleaned twice, and now we are expecting him again.

I would like to put a large towel on the chair before he arrives, but my husband says Dad will be offended. Would this be rude? I doubt that my chair can take many more cleanings.

LOOKING FOR A TACTFUL WAY

DEAR LOOKING: Purchase an inexpensive, washable throw or slipcover for your recliner. Your cherished chair will be protected and Dad will be none the wiser.

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To order "How to Write Letters for All Occasions," send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Letter Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Wednesday, Sept. 30, 1998

Personal experiences could be exceptionally rewarding for you in the year ahead. Your philosophical outlook will be strengthened. In addition, your faith in yourself and your ideas will flourish.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Social encounters may be unusually more fragile today. Be careful not to say or do something that could create unnecessary problems with a friend. Libra, treat yourself to birthday gift. Send the required refund form and the required refund form and the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper. P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you make the wrong moves today, you could find yourself in a position where you trade one problem for another. Be sure to resolve what's presently at hand.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If you want those involved in the same endeavor to treat you fairly, first lay out all of your cards on the le. Glossing over facts could be self-defeating.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Someone who claims to have figured you out might do something today to promote his or her position while demeaning yours. If this happens, separate yourself from this person immediately.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Dealing with subordinates may have to be carefully monitored today. Try not to be too authoritative, nor condescending in the process. Maintain a delicate balance.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Sometimes we have to see things from all sides before we can figure out what others want. This might be the case for you today, but you'll get what you want in the long run.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A fun pastime could get more serious for the players if betting is allowed to enter the picture today. Those who lose could end up resentful.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Although you've made a good team in the past, you and your partner should go your separate ways today. You'll be more fortunate on your own.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you waver today, you will make others extremely uncomforle, especially if you shift your position too often. Be steadfast and you'll gain their respect and support.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You may become the target today of a shrewd manipulator with whom you've had dealings with in the past. Don't allow anyone to take an inch, for you might lose more.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You'll do okay on your own today, but teamwork is essential for a really big score. Seeks out those with common aims and avoid those whose behavior could be disruptive.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Persons with whom you'll be involved today might be more talkative than productive. Less chatter and more work is the formula that will make you a successful producer.

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Stone denies report

NEW YORK (AP) — Sharon Stone is only playing a mom in a new movie. The actress is denying published reports she's pregnant.

Citing friends of the actress, the New York Post reported Monday that Stone, married less than a year, is in her first trimester.

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GOOD NEWS
By Wayne Horton

IN THE LIMELIGHT

I'm pretty sure it's true that we humans like to bask in the limelight. Ruth Harmes Calkin wrote this thought provoking piece. It's titled "I Wonder" and is, I think, worthy of our consideration:

> You know, Lord, how I serve you with great emotional fervor in the limelight. You know how eagerly I speak for you at a women's club. You know how I effervesce when I promote a fellowship group. You know my genuine enthusiasm at a Bible study.
>
> But how would I react, I wonder, if you pointed to a basin of water and asked me to wash the calloused feet of a bent and wrinkled old woman day after day, month after month in a room where nobody saw and nobody knew?

Good question! I wonder the same thing. How about you, my Friend? How would you react?

Some people in this county know the answer. They serve God that way every day. So this little column today is to honor the quiet servants of God who do the uncomfortable tasks that others of us neglect. May their tribe increase and may God bless them as they are a blessing to others.

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ART GUILD OFFICERS — Leading Art Guild Study Club this year include (from left) M.J. Merritt, president; Vondell King; vice president; Maxine Holt, corresponding secretary; Doris Wilson, recording secretary; and not pictured, Polly Autry, treasurer; and Inez Teaff, parliamentarian. Art Guild meets every third Tuesday at 5 p.m. at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Flower show winners at the county fair

"Under the Big Top" theme.

DESIGN

Class 51 "Jungle Surprises"
1. Bonnie Fry; 2. Billie Jean Sterling; 3. Sandra Browning; 4. Anna Sears.
Class 52 "Ring Master"
1. Sandra Browning.
Class 53 "Feeding Time"
1. Anna Sears; 2. Sandra Browning; 3. Geleska Baze; 4. Billie Jean Sterling.
Class 55 "Cotton Candy"
1. Sandra Browning; 2. Bonnie Fry; 3. Anna Sears; 4. Gertrude League.
Class 56 "Glitzy Costumes"
1. Sandra Browning; 2. Anna Sears; 3. Betty Wood; 4. Bonnie Fry.
Class 57 "Clowning Around"
1. Sandra Browning (also Designer's Choice Award).
2. Anna Sears; 3. Bebe Boren; 4. Bonnie Fry.
Class 54 "Center Ring".
1. Anna Sears; 2. Gertrude League; 3. Sandra Browning.
Class 60 "Popcorn, Peanuts, Cokes Galore"
1. Anna Sears, 1. Sandra Browning; 3. Betty Wood; 4. Bonnie Fry.
Class 61 "Roll In the Cages"
1. Sandra Browning (also Award of Distinction); 2. Betty Wood.
Class 63 "Midgets on Parade"
1. Anna Sears, 63-B; 2 Bonnie Fry, 63-A.
Class 64-A "Circus Stars"
1. Anna Sears.
Class 64-B "Circus Stars"
1. Sandra Browning; 2. Bonnie Fry.

HORTICULTURE

Sweepstakes Winner
Sandra Browning

Roses, Class 1A: Hybrid Tea, white.
1. Bebe Boren; 2. Joy and Wilson Howell; 2. Pauline Walton.
Roses, Class 1B: Hybrid Tea, yellow.
2. Joy and Wilson Howell; 2. Frank Salinas.
Roses-Shrub Special Entry
1. Joy and Wilson Howell.
Roses-Class 1C: Hybrid Tea-Blend
Three 1. Joy and Wilson Howell, and Award of Merit; 1. Jean Burns; 2. Anna Evans; 2. Marie Armstrong; 2. Frank Salinas; 3. Anna Evans; 3. Frank Salinas.
Roses-Class 1D: Hybrid-Pink
1. Joy and Wilson Howell; 1. Bebe Boren; 2. Sandra Browning; 2. Marie Armstrong; 3. Billie Jean Sterling.
Roses-Single Petal-Red Special Entry
1. Joy and Wilson Howell.
Roses-Class 1E: Hybrid Tea-Red
1. Sandra Browning; 2. Joy and Wilson Howell; 2., Billie Jean Sterling; 4. Jean Burns; 4. Anna Evans; 4. Anna Evans.
Roses-Class 1F: Hybrid Tea-Any Other
1. Joy and Wilson Howell; 2. Sandra Browning; 2. Bonnie Fry.
Roses-Class 2A-Floribunda-White
2. Joy and Wilson Howell.
Roses-Class 2B-Floribunda-Yellow
1. Joy and Wilson Howell.
Roses-Class 2C-Floribunda-Blend
2. Joy and Wilson Howell.
Roses-Class 2D-Floribunda-Pink
1. Joy and Wilson Howell; 1. Billie Jean Sterling.
Roses Class 2E-Floribunda-Red
4. Joy and Wilson Howell.
Roses Class 2F-Floribunda-Any Other
1. Joy and Wilson Howell; 1. Joy and Wilson Howell; 3. Sandra Browning.
Roses Class 4A-Miniature-White
1. Joy and Wilson Howell.
Roses Class 4B-Miniature-Yellow
1. Joy and Wilson Howell; 1. Anna Evans.
Roses Class 4C-Miniature-Blend
2. Joy and Wilson Howell; 3. Frank Salinas.
Roses Class 4D-Miniature-Pink
1. Joy and Wilson Howell; 3. Billie Jean Sterling.
Roses Class 4E-Miniature-Red
2. Joy and Wilson Howell.
Roses Class 4F-Miniature-Any Other
1. Anna Evans; 2. Anna Evans; 2. Joy and Wilson Howell.
Climbing Roses-Special Entry
3. Joy and Wilson Howell — three firsts; three second places; one third place.
Roses Class 5A-Polyantha-White
1. Joy and Wilson Howell.
Roses Class 5D-Polyantha-Pink
1. Joy and Wilson Howell.
Roses Class 5F-Polyantha-Any Other
1. Joy and Wilson Howell; 2. Jean Burns.

BIENNIALS & PERENNIALS

Class 9: Lycoris-Squamigera
2. Shirley Stewart.
Class 10-Canna
1. Joy and Wilson Howell; 1. Billie Jean Sterling; 2. Bonnie Fry; 4. Betty Wood.
Class 14-Other Biennials & Perennials
1. Shirley Stewart (two firsts); 1. Anita Benz; 2. Pauline Walton; 3. Tillie Rios, Bebe Boren, Pauline Walton.

ANNUALS

Class 15-Petunias
1. Frank Salinas; 2. Pauline Walton.
Class 19A-Cockscomb Celosia
1. Billie Jean Sterling.
Class 23A-Periwinkle-White
1. Bonnie Fry.
Class 23B-Periwinkle-Pink
1. Bonnie Fry; 2. Ben Odorizzi; 3. Frank Salinas
Class 23C-Periwinkle-Red
1. Bonnie Fry; 2. Billie Jean Sterling; 3. Frank Salinas.
Class 23D-Periwinkle-Bi-Color
2. Bonnie Fry.
Class 24-Any Other Worthy Annual
1. Bebe Boren, Billie Jean Sterling, Joy and Wilson Howell (two first places) and Award of Merit; 3. Joy and Wilson Howell; 3. Pauline Walton.
Class 25A-Collection of 5-One Variety
1. Ben Odorizzi; Billie Jean Sterling, nine first places; 1. Anita Benz, 1. Bonnie Fry; 2. Billie Jean Stering; 2. Bebe Boren; 4. Billie Jean Sterling.
Class 25B-Collection of 5-More Than One Variety
2. Frank Salinas.
Class 26C-Display-Container Grown
1. Gertrude League, and Collectors Showcase.
Class 26D-Display-Cut Flowers
1. Billie Jean Sterling, and Collectors Showcase.
Class 29F-Berried Branches-Other
1. Bebe Boren.
Class 30E-Small Leaf Shrub
1. Bebe Boren; 2. Bonnie Fry.
Class 31A-BroadLeaf Shrub
2. Billie Jean Sterling.
Class 32-Flowering Shrub
1. Bebe Boren (three firsts); 1. Billie Jean Sterling.
Class 33B-African Violet
4. Bonnie Fry.
Class 34A-Flowering Plants-8 in. or less
1. Bebe Boren (two firsts); 1. Sandra Browning; 2. Teresa Kariainen; 3. Bonnie Fry, Sandra Browning.
Class 34B-Flowering Plants-8 to 16 in. tall
1. Sandra Browning (three firsts) and Award of Merit; 1. Jean Burns.
Class 36D-Ivy-Foliage Plants 8 in. or less pot
1. Billie Jean Sterling; 2. Gerald Walton; 3. Marie Armstrong.
Class 36E-Other Foliage in 8 inch or less pot
1. Gussie Gray; Sandra Browning (two first places); Billie Jean Sterling (two first places); Sandra Browning (two first places); 1. Sonja Vinson; 2. Sonja Vinson (two second places); 2. Josie Haley.

FOLIAGE PLANTS IN 8 to 16 inch pots

Class 37A-Fern
1. Bonnie Fry; 1. Sandra Browning; 1. Cheri Williams; 3. Bonnie Fry; 3. Gerald Walton.
Class 37B-Croton
1. Billie Jean Sterling; 2. Gussie Gray.
Class 37C-Coleus
1. Billie Jean Sterling.
Class 37 D-Ivy
1. Janice Blackwell, Sandra Browning; 1. Bonnie Fry; 2. Barbara Gray; 3. Gussie Gray.
Class 37E-Other Plants in 8 to 16 inch pots
1. Geleska Baze; 1. Sandra Browning (four first places); 1 Mary Westmoreland; 1. Billie Jean Sterling; 2. Bonnie Fry (two seconds); 2. Billie Jean Sterling.
Trees in Large Pot 16 to 30 inch pots
Class 39C-Other
1. Pauline Walton.
Class 40-Miscellaneous, More Than One Plant in 8 Inch pot
2. Gussie Gray.
Class 41-Miscellaneous-More Than One Plant
1.Sandra Browning (two first places); 1. Gertrude League; 1. Teresa Kaniainen; 1. Wilson Howell.

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MAWC events rescheduled

Several Martha Ann Woman's Club events have been reset or will meet elsewhere this week due to interior painting and laying of carpet.

The next Game Day and Luncheon will be held the fourth Wednesday in October.

The luncheon planned for this Sunday will be held on a Sunday during October, and tickets already purchased will be honored.

Snyder Garden Club will meet Thursday in the recreation room at Golden Terrace at 9:30 a.m.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 09-29-98
♠ Q J 10 8
♥ J 10 9 7
♦ 8
♣ Q J 7 2

West
♠ 2
♥ 8 3
♦ 10 9 6 5 3
♣ 10 8 6 4 3

East
♠ A 7 6 4 3
♥ A 5 2
♦ K J 7 4
♣ 9

South
♠ K 9 5
♥ K Q 6 4
♦ A Q 2
♣ A K 5

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2NT	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 2

Stare down the target

It is important for an archer to keep his eye on the target: the bull's eye. As mentioned yesterday, it is important for a bridge defender to keep his eye on the target: the number of tricks needed to defeat the contract.

In this example, you are East, defending against four hearts after South has shown a balanced 21-22 and a Stayman inquiry has uncovered the heart fit. Your partner leads the spade two. What is your plan?

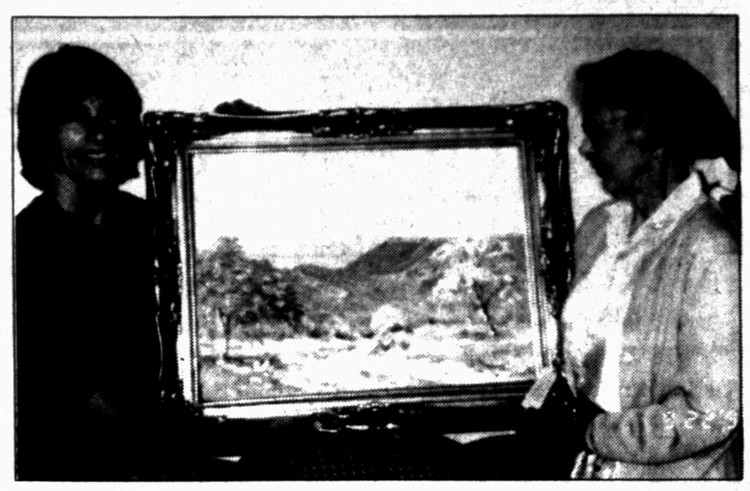
True, here three no-trump is easy to make. However, when one has a singleton, wheeling out Stayman is normal. If responder doesn't use it now, when would he?

There is one instinct that is almost unconscious among defenders. If they see a chance to give their partner a ruff, they go ahead and do so. They rarely stop for a moment to consider the deal as a whole and how the play will develop after the ruff.

East, knowing his partner had led a singleton, returned the spade three at trick two. After ruffing, West switched to a club. Declarer won in the dummy and played a trump. East put up the ace and led another spade, but West was out of trumps — as East knew he would be.

East should have considered his target. Four tricks were needed, not three. East had to organize a club ruff before giving West his spade ruff. At trick two, East must switch to the club nine. Declarer will win in the dummy and play a heart, but East wins with the ace and leads the spade *three*. West ruffs and, reading East's card as a suit-preference signal, returns a club. East's ruff defeats the contract.

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WINS PAINTING — Noreen Taylor, left, secretary of Historic Scurry County, presented a painting, "Caprock Country," to Dorothy Dennis. Mrs. Dennis had the winning ticket for the picture in oil, painted and donated by Jess Everett. (Contributed Photo)

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers; Trinity United Methodist Church, 5200 Trinity Blvd.; 5 p.m.

Just for Today NA, closed meeting; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

New Horizons 12 & 12, closed meeting; Park Club; 7 p.m.

New Horizons AA; closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5 to 6 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

WEDNESDAY

MAWC Game Day and Luncheon called off due to renovations. Next game day will be on the regular day in October.

Just for Today NA; open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238, 573-8018; 8 p.m.



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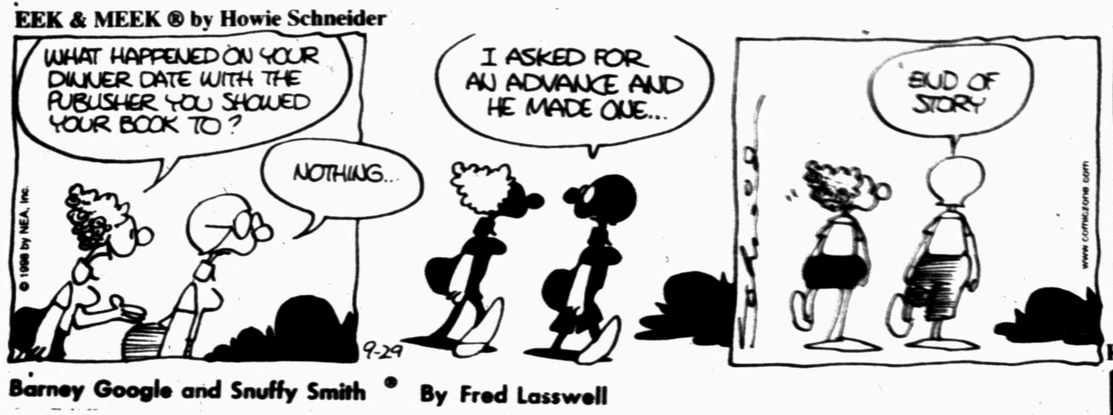
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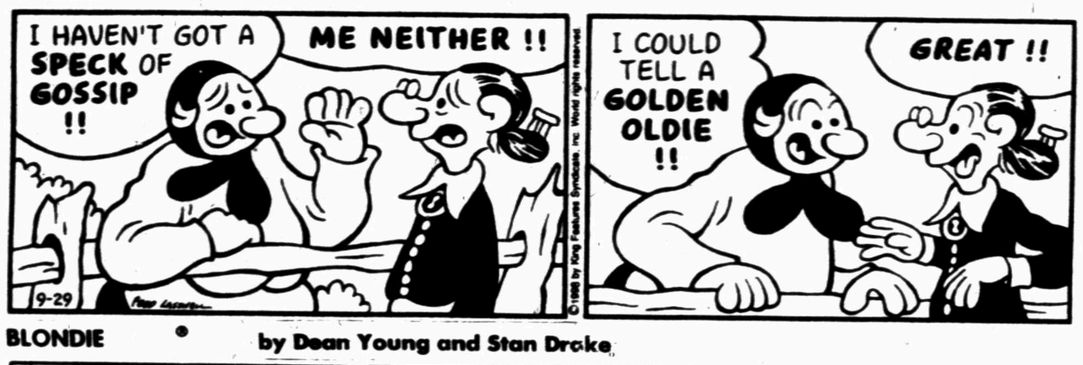
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ACROSS

1 Loud shouts
7 Actress — Lee Curtis
12 Small stream
13 Measuring sticks
14 Aviation hero Chuck —
15 Breakfast food
16 Gorilla, e.g.
17 UK broadcasters
18 Actress Francis
21 Actor George —
23 Pool-player's need
26 Mohammedan prayer leader
28 Story
29 Model Carol
30 Taboo item
31 Lack of pretentiousness
33 Domain of a nobleman
36 Impair
37 Compass pt.
38 Central American oil tree
40 Pollster Roper
41 AAA suggestion
42 Exercise guru Jane —
44 Close relative
45 Roman 102
46 Pugilist's org.
48 Car parts
51 Secure in place
55 Shoelace tip (var.)
56 Clinging fish
57 Nag
58 Soak

DOWN

1 Dryly humorous
2 Color
3 — — Clear Day
4 Gymnast Korbut
5 Bird cries
6 Avenue
7 Mixed up
8 Actor Baldwin
9 Gibson or Torme
10 Rage
11 Superlative suffix
13 Fish
18 More humane
19 Quantity
20 Babe Ruth, once
22 Smoked ham
23 Cellist Pablo —
24 In the preceding month
25 Earlier form of a word
27 A Stooge
32 Uncle
34 Polluted
35 Orchestra member
39 Playwright Albee
43 Al Capp character
45 Con's room
47 Apex
48 Existed
49 Drunkard's sound
50 Conceit
52 Term of endearment
53 Sea mammal
54 Football cheer

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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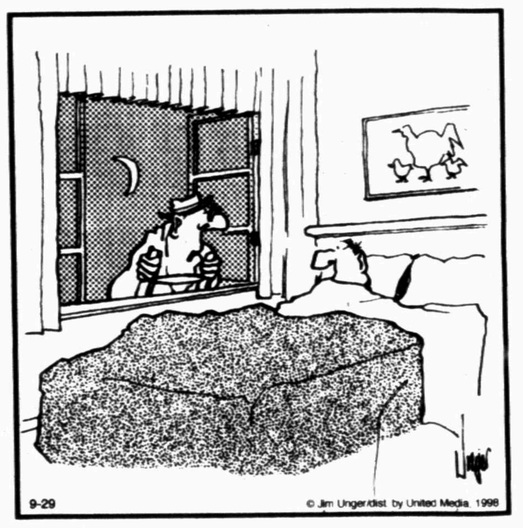
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SPORTS

Rangers gearing up for Yankees

NEW YORK (AP) — Their list of accomplishments is remarkable. Start with an American League record 114 victories. Add to that finishing 66 games over .500, most in the majors in 44 years. Tack on five straight months, 158 consecutive days, in first place.

All of that is a permanent part of the New York Yankees 1998 season, and right now it has earned them nothing more than home field advantage in the playoffs, which begin tonight against the Texas Rangers.

After that, they're on their own.

Yankees manager Joe Torre calls the best-of-5 playoffs Russian Roulette. Have a bad week and a great season goes up in smoke.

Torre knows what's at stake. He also believes the regular season achievements hold no weight when it comes to the postseason and the Yankees' ultimate goal — the World Series.

"I think you have to separate the two," he said. "This has been a special year in and of itself. Anytime you make the playoffs, you're disappointed if you don't win the World Series. We have to win 11 more games, just like everybody else."

In a best-of-5 series, there is no room for mistakes. Because there are fewer games, there is less opportunity to recover. The pressure is on from the first pitch.

"Winning 114 games should give us some extra confidence to come to the ballpark with," Torre said. "But I don't think they think that buys them a ticket to anything."

And, of course, it doesn't.

No one knows that better than Johnny Oates, manager of the Rangers.

"A lot of things can happen in a five-game series," he said. "In my mind, over a 162-game schedule the best team will have the best record. In a five-game series, you get one bad break or a couple of bad outings by guys who have pitched well for you all year ... one bad, two bad ballgames can cost you in a five-game series.

"I think the more games played, the more valid the results are going to be. I think mathematicians' logic should say the underdog has the better chance the fewer games played."

Certainly the Rangers qualify as the underdog in this series. The Yankees spent much of the summer on cruise control, breaking open the AL East race early. Texas overtook Anaheim late, sweeping five crucial games in the last two weeks, two in Texas and three in California.

Todd Stottlemyre, acquired from St. Louis in July, won the opener in each of those series, and that earned him the starting assignment in tonight's opener. His father, Mel, is the Yankees pitching coach, creating an emotional situation for both of them.

"I expect he wants the Yankees to win," Stottlemyre said of his father. "But at the same time, this has to be real difficult when your son is in a different color uniform and pitching against you. I think obviously it's a lot tougher for him."

Stottlemyre will be opposed by David Wells, whose 18-4 season included a perfect game in May, just about the time the Yankees were starting to assert themselves.

Wells relishes the assignment.

"I just want the ball," he said. "It's exciting to me. I want the opportunity to succeed or to fail. It makes an individual stronger being able to control the game. Some guys can't handle the pressure, but I want that opportunity. I want to be there in the big game with the opportunity to win it."

For Wells and Stottlemyre, that comes tonight.

1998 Major League Baseball Division Series

American League
New York vs. Texas
Tuesday, Sept. 29
Texas (Stottlemyre 5-4) at New York (Wells 18-4), 7:07 p.m. (FOX)
Wednesday, Sept. 30
Texas (Helling 20-7) at New York (Pettitte 16-11), 7:07 p.m. (NBC)
Friday, Oct. 2
New York (Cone 20-7) at Texas (Sele 19-11), 7:07 p.m. (NBC)
Saturday, Oct. 3
New York (Hernandez 12-4) at Texas (Burkett 9-13), TBA, if necessary
Sunday, Oct. 4
Texas at New York, TBA, if necessary

Cleveland vs. Boston
Tuesday, Sept. 29
Boston (Martinez 19-7) at Cleveland (Wright 12-10), 12:07 p.m. (ESPN)
Wednesday, Sept. 30
Boston (Wakefield 17-8) at Cleveland (Gooden 8-6), 12:07 p.m. (ESPN)
Friday, Oct. 2
Cleveland (Nagy 15-10) at Boston (Saberhagen 15-8), 3:07 p.m. (ESPN)
Saturday, Oct. 3
Cleveland (Colon 14-9) at Boston (Schourek 1-3), TBA, if necessary

National League
Atlanta vs. Chicago
Wednesday, Sept. 30
Chicago (Clark 9-14) at Atlanta (Smoltz 17-3), 3:07 p.m. (ESPN)
Thursday, Oct. 1
Chicago at Atlanta (Glavine 20-6), 7:07 p.m. (FOX)
Saturday, Oct. 3
Atlanta (Maddux 18-9) at Chicago, TBA
Sunday, Oct. 4
Atlanta at Chicago, TBA, if necessary
Monday, Oct. 5
Chicago at Atlanta, TBA, if necessary

Houston vs. San Diego
Tuesday, Sept. 29
San Diego (Brown 18-7) at Houston (Johnson 10-1), 3:07 p.m. (ESPN)
Thursday, Oct. 1
San Diego (Ashby 17-9) at Houston (Reynolds 19-8), 3:07 p.m. (ESPN)
Saturday, Oct. 3
Houston (Hampton 11-7) at San Diego (Hamilton 13-13), TBA
Sunday, Oct. 4
Houston at San Diego, TBA, if necessary
Monday, Oct. 5
San Diego at Houston, TBA, if necessary

Snyder, Lake View set to battle tonight

Many factors figure into tonight's Lady Tiger volleyball contest against Lake View, but they all equal out to the same answer — this is a big match.

Snyder, coming off consecutive victories over Sweetwater and Big Spring, hosts district leading Lake View at 7 tonight for a share of the top spot in 5-4A.

The Lady Tigers currently occupy second place, along with Andrews, while the Maidens sit alone atop the standings at 3-0, 15-3.

Both teams have been turning in stellar performances and Snyder Coach Patty Grimmett knows anything can happen in a district race.

"Right now Lake View is undefeated, but anybody is beatable," Grimmett said. "We can beat anybody. We just have to take care of our business and not worry about what other people are doing."

The Maidens rely on power hitting, provided by four returnees from last year's squad.

Due to the hitting ability of Lake View, one key of the Lady Tigers will be to limit the number of easy points for the Maidens.

"Our game plan is to stay offensive and make it more difficult for them to convert defense into offense," Grimmett stated. "Our passes and our serve receives have to be good. We don't need to give them anything. We have to make them earn every point they get."

Some Lady Tigers might see extended playing time as Snyder will take the floor with only 12 instead of its regular 14 players. Missing from the line-up will be Amy Ricks, who left the squad on Monday, and Erica Arellano.

Arellano suffered an ankle injury during workout. While it is unknown how long she will be out of action, Grimmett says the outside hitter is doubtful for tonight.

"We don't know yet how bad the injury is," the Lady Tiger coach remarked. "With only 12 players, if we run short of substitutions, some girls may have to play all the way around."

Following this evening's contest, Snyder has only one remaining 5-4A match at the SHS gym — the district finale Oct. 24 against Ft. Stockton.

Snyder travels to Ft. Stockton on Saturday, before returning home next Tuesday to host San Angelo Central in non-district action.

The Lady Tigers then resume league play Oct. 10 at Andrews.

Junior varsity trips Frenship

Both the Snyder boys and girls squads posted 9-2 marks against Frenship over the weekend, as SHS registered an 18-4 blowout in junior varsity tennis action.

Emily Vinson notched three singles victories for the Lady Tigers, while the doubles duo of Tiffany Sutter and Natalie Hill garnered two wins.

Snyder will be back in action Thursday at Midland Lee.

Snyder 18, Frenship 4

Boys singles: Jason Hall def. Rocky Martinez, 8-5; Chris Lee def. Cole Hurley, 9-7; Charlie Gorman lost to Evan Baker, 8-9; Austin Haire def. Alex Orlando, 8-3; Pace Millhollon def. Tim McLaurin, 8-2; Tyson Kubena def. Brandon Holland, 8-0; Trace Dennis def. Joe Flores, 8-0.

Boys doubles: Millhollon-Hall lost to Martinez-Hurley, 6-8; Best-Gorman def. Ness-Baker, 9-7; Lee-Haire def. Orlando-McLaurin, 8-0; Dennis-Kubena def. Holland-Flores, 8-0.

Girls singles: Sarah Pilgrim lost to Michelle McCollon, 7-9; Tiffany Sutter def. Amy Albin, 8-2; Natalie Gibs def. Sherry Gibbs, 8-5; Marci Kruger def. Jennifer Sullivan, 8-3; Emily Vinson def. Whitney Gage, 8-0; Lana Sain, 6-1; and Ashlee Martin, 8-1.

Girls doubles: Vinson-Pilgrim lost to McCollon-Palmer, 6-8; Sutter-Hill def. Reges-Albin, 8-5; Fennell-Kruger def. Sain-Gibbs, 8-2; Sutter-Hill def. Stricker-Martin, 8-5.

Lady linksters drub Andrews

ANDREWS — The Lady Tigers must have been in a giving mood on Saturday, because they gave Andrews a sneak preview of the district golf race.

Keisha Gafford fired a 1-over par 73 at Andrews Country Club, leading Snyder to a 30-stroke dual match victory over the Lady Mustangs.

Returning four players off last year's state runner-up squad, the Lady Tigers carded a 313 to easily surpass the 343 posted by Andrews.

Gafford's 73 led all players, with Lacey Kidd only three shots back with a 76.

Randi Reed finished her round at 80, while Sally Barham turned in an 84. Kara Harrison shot a 92, with Adrienne McJimsey and Andra Lancaster coming in with a 93. Casey Blackard carded a 96.

The Lady Tigers will be back on the links Oct. 10 against Highland Park at The Cliffs at Possum Kingdom.

Higdon takes all-tourney honors at Midland event

MIDLAND — If gaining experience is the key to success for the young Westerner golf squad, then James Higdon must be learning at a fast pace.

Higdon was selected to the all-tourney team Monday at the Midland Invitational, firing rounds of 69 and 73 to pace the Western Texas College effort.

The Westerners carded rounds of 295 and 300 on the Ranchland Hills course to finish in a sixth-place tie with New Mexico Military Institute at 595.

"The course was extremely challenging," said WTC coach Milton Ham. "The greens were very fast and that was an advantage to Midland. Overall we played pretty good. We just got a little aggressive on our putting at times."

Midland won the event, its second victory in as many weeks, with a score of 283-276--559. Paris JC took the runner-up spot with a 576, while New Mexico JC was third at 580.

Higdon's tourney total of 142 led the Westerners, with Robert Wilhite only four strokes back after rounds of 75 and 74.

Cory Mahaney carded a 76-76--152, while Martin Gustafson turned in 77-77--154. Jamie Nickell finished with a 75-80--155.

"We're lining up with all freshmen, but we keep getting better and better," Ham said. "We've had nine of our guys play in tournaments already this semester, so we're getting the experience we need. We want to be a better team come spring, and we'll keep working until we are."

WTC takes the week off, before returning to action Oct. 10 at the Andrews Collegiate tournament.

Cubs earn NL wildcard berth; Sosa knocks pair of key singles

CHICAGO (AP) — Now, Steve Trachsel will be remembered for more than giving up a historic home run. He's pitched those lovable losers, the Chicago Cubs, into the playoffs.

With a home run boost from castoff Gary Gaetti and two key singles by Sammy Sosa, the Cubs beat the San Francisco Giants 5-3 Monday night to win the frenetic one-game playoff for the NL wildcard spot.

They survived despite a three-run rally in the ninth by the Giants. Barry Bonds, who grounded out with the bases loaded to end the seventh, came up again with the bases loaded but managed only a sacrifice fly.

The Cubs haven't been to a World Series since 1945 and haven't won one in 90 years, yet they're going to the postseason for the first time since 1989.

Trachsel (15-8), who surrendered Mark McGwire's 62nd home run, didn't give up a hit until pinch-hitter Brent Mayne singled with one out in the seventh.

Trailing 4-0, the Giants went on to load the bases with two outs and brought Bonds to the plate. But the three-time MVP, who has struggled in the postseason, grounded out against reliever Felix Heredia and slammed his helmet to the ground.

In the ninth, reliever Kevin Tapani gave up a pair of leadoff singles. That brought on Terry Mulholland, who went eight innings and threw 121 pitches Sunday.

Trachsel and Giants starter Mark Gardner kept it scoreless until the fifth inning.

Singles by Lance Johnson and Sosa drove out Gardner (13-6) in the sixth.

Sosa went 2-for-4 with a pair of singles, scoring in the eighth on Jose Mesa's wild pitch.

Eighth grade spikers split with Andrews, notch third at tourney

ANDREWS — Forced to play two matches against host teams at the Andrews eighth grade volleyball tourney Saturday, Snyder Black made the best of it with a third place finish.

After dropping a 15-4, 15-8 decision to one Lady Mustang squad, Snyder posted a 16-14, 16-14 victory over another to claim the third spot.

Olivia Barrera led the Lady Tigers with 10 service points in the third-place match.

Snyder began the event with a 15-7, 15-9 victory over Brownfield. Ashlee Grantham paced the Lady Tiger effort with 10 points.

In its only setback of the tourney, Snyder was led at the service line once again by Grantham's four points.

The Lady Tigers will be looking to notch another top tourney finish Saturday when they visit Sweetwater.

Snyder def. Brownfield 15-7, 15-9
Snyder: Ashlee Grantham, 10; Magan Riley, 9; Holly Lee, 5; Olivia Barrera, 4; Kellie Dodson, 2; Rachel Cave, 1.
Andrews def. Snyder 15-4, 15-8
Snyder: Grantham, 4; Cave, 3; Riley, 2; Shell Hembree, Jessie Keller and Jacinda Judah, 1.
Snyder def. Andrews 16-14, 16-14
Snyder: Barrera, 10; Cave, 6; Keller, 5; Hembree, Lee and Grantham 3; Riley, 2.

7th grade nabs third place

ANDREWS — Snyder Black showed some resiliency over the weekend.

After falling to Monahans in its second match of the Andrews seventh grade volleyball tournament, Snyder rebounded with 15-5, 12-15, 15-8 victory Saturday over Seminole to capture third place at the event.

Gerrico Greenlee led all Lady Tiger servers in the third-place match with 12 points.

Snyder opened the tourney with a 14-16, 19-17, 15-10 win over Brownfield, in which Laura Calmes paced the Lady Tiger effort with 13 points.

The event's only setback for Snyder came in a 9-15, 10-15 loss to Monahans. Sara Bradberry was the Lady Tigers' top server in the match with five points.

Snyder will be back on the court Saturday at the Sweetwater tournament.

Snyder def. Brownfield 14-16, 19-17, 15-10
Snyder: Laura Calmes, 13; Callan Lee, 8; Megan Fletcher and Jordan Donelson, 7; Katie Chandler, 6; Gerrico Greenlee, 5; Sara Bradberry, 2.
Monahans def. Snyder 15-9, 15-10
Snyder: Bradberry, 5; Greenlee and Calmes, 4; Donelson, 3; Fletcher, 2; Lee, 1.
Snyder def. Seminole 15-5, 12-15, 15-8
Snyder: Greenlee, 12; Donelson and Bradberry, 8; Calmes, 6; Fletcher, 5; Chandler, 3.

Local Sports Schedule

TODAY
Volleyball: Lake View at Snyder 9th, JV & varsity, 5 p.m.
Tennis: Snyder varsity at Lubbock Monterey.
THURSDAY
Rodeo: WTC at Sul Ross.
Football: Snyder 7th & JV at Sweetwater, 5 p.m., 6:30.
Football: Sweetwater at Snyder 8th & 9th, 5 p.m., 6:30.
Football: Ira JV at Borden County, 7:30.
Tennis: Snyder JV at Midland Lee.
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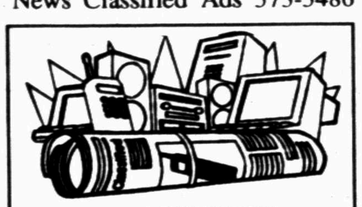
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DeltaAirl	105	13-16	105⅛	105⅜+ ⅜
Dillards Inc	30	11-16	29¾	29¾— 1
DowChem		89⅝	88	88⅛— ⅝
DresserInd		29¾	28	15-16 29¼+ ¼
DuPont	61	15-16	60⅝	61⅛— ⅛
EastmanChem		52¼	51¼	52 — 3-16
EstKodak		80⅜	78	15-16 80 + ⅜
EDS Corp			34⅛	34 34 — ⅛
Entergy		29¾	29	9-16 29 13-16+ ¼
Exxon		68⅜	67¾	68⅜+ 5-16
Flowers			21	5-16 21¼ 21¼
FordMotor s	49	13-16	48¾	48¾— 5-16
GTE Cp	54	11-16	54	54 11-16+11-16
GenDynam s	52	1-16	51	9-16 51⅜— 7-16
GenElec	84	5-16	82	7-16 83 7-16— ¼
GenMills	71	3-16	70⅜	70 11-16— 7-16
GenMotors		59¼	59⅛	59 9-16+ 1-16
GaPacGP s		46¼	45¼	46 3-16— 1-16
GlobalMar			12¼	11⅞ 11 15-16
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HomeDepot	43	1-16	42¾	42 15-16+ 9-16
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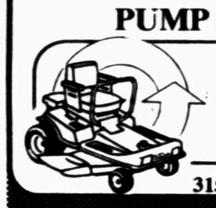
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With a scant 10 minutes of debate, the Senate approved the defense bill on a 94-2 vote, sending the measure on to President Clinton. The bill, for the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1, was approved a day earlier in the House.

The legislation contains one dollar in every seven that the government will spend next year. But there is widespread recognition within the Clinton administration and on Capitol Hill that the funding is insufficient. Lawmakers are already working on a separate bill that would include $1.9 billion for U.S. peacekeeping troops in Bosnia and $1 billion or more to beef up training and intelligence operations.

"Overall defense spending is down too far," said Rep. Chet Edwards, D-Waco, a member of the House Appropriations Committee. "The country cannot afford to have a military that is underfunded and where readiness and retention are shortchanged."

The legislation would provide a 3.6 percent pay raise for the military. And, it funds a wide array of defense programs with Texas ties, among them:

—$2.6 billion to procure 13 C-17 airlifters. Northrop Grumman's commercial aircraft division in Grand Prairie is a major subcontractor on the program.

—$2.1 billion for development of the F-22 advanced tactical fighter and to build two test copies of the craft, which Lockheed Martin is designing at its Fort Worth and Georgia plants.

—$611 million to purchase seven V-22 Osprey tilt-rotors for the Marine Corps, one less than authorized. The V-22 is built in part by Bell Helicopter Textron in Fort Worth.

—$340 million for 3,316 shoulder-fired Javelin missiles manufactured by Texas Instruments in Lewisville.

—$332 million for trucks manufactured by Stewart & Stevenson of Sealy under the Family of Medium Tactical Vehicles program.

—$130 million for Multiple Launch Rocket Systems launchers and equipment. The prime contractor is Loral Vought Systems of Dallas.

Arafat accepts proposal...

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat said today he had accepted a proposal under which Israel would cede additional West Bank land, and that he hoped an agreement could be concluded at next month's White House summit.

"Peace is a Palestinian need, Israeli need, Arab need, international need," Arafat said after talks with President Clinton.

At a three-way meeting Monday, Clinton asked Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to return to Washington in mid-October to finalize a West Bank accord. Netanyahu said he favors the latest proposal, which calls for Israel to yield an additional 13 percent of the West Bank. An unsettled nature preserve would be established on a portion of the land under joint Israeli-Palestinian security oversight.

"We have accepted it," Arafat told reporters today.

After an hourlong meeting, Clinton saw Arafat to the White House driveway and shook hands with him several times for the benefit of photographers.

Now that Israel has agreed to give up 13 percent of the West Bank on top of 27 percent promised in past accords, the focus of U.S. mediation shifts to whether Arafat would provide the kind of security concerns to seal a deal with Netanyahu.

Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat quoted Arafat as saying "he will make every possible effort." A White House official told reporters the Palestinian leader had reviewed with Clinton his speech Monday to the U.N. General Assembly in which Arafat called for an end to terrorism.

Clinton has set up a schedule aimed at concluding the West Bank agreement by mid-October. And Arafat said he hoped there could be a signing by then.

Clinton talked alone with Arafat for about 20 minutes, and together with senior aides, including Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and national security adviser Sandy Berger, for 40 minutes, said the White House official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

There was no statement or picture-taking as Arafat called on Clinton in the Oval Office.

Declaring Israel's concern for security was "justified," White House spokesman Mike McCurry said "the president is determined to see an agreement arise" from his series of talks and mediation leading up to a summit here in mid-October.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Rikki Box, Kendra Carrillo, Renee Trevino, Barbara Gowin, E.L. Jones.

DISMISSALS: Jack Greene, Shirley Kelly, Betty Monroney, Janeka Rector.

CENSUS: 36 (Med., Surg.-9, Long-term Care-25, OB-2).

Births

Renee Trevino of Snyder announces the birth of her five-pound daughter. She was born at 2:11 p.m. on Sept. 28 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Variety of calls handled Monday

Local law enforcement personnel handled a variety of calls Monday.

An employee with Holcomb Oil Well requested an officer at 6:53 a.m. in reference to stolen tools. An offense report for burglary of a vehicle was filed.

An offense report for assault/family violence was filed at 9:24 a.m.

At 5:20 p.m., an employee with Skinny's on 37th Street reported a gas drive-off.

A hit and run accident was reported at 9:28 p.m. in the Wal-Mart parking lot. A private property accident report was filed and an offense report for Class C failur to stop and render aid was submitted.

Datebook

Sept. 29, 1998

Today is the 272nd day of 1998 and the seventh day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1962, President John F. Kennedy nationalized the Mississippi National Guard when local officials disobeyed federal court orders to enroll James Meredith at the University of Mississippi.

On this day in 1977, Eva Shain became the first woman to referee a heavyweight title boxing match.

On this day in 1989, Zsa Zsa Gabor was convicted of assaulting a police officer, driving without a license and having an open intoxicant in her $215,000 Rolls Royce convertible.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Miguel de Cervantes (1547-1616), writer; Horatio Nelson (1758-1805), British naval hero; Enrico Fermi (1901-1954), physicist; Gene Autry (1907-), singer-actor-executive, is 91; Jerry Lee Lewis (1935-), musician, is 63; Madeline Kahn (1942-), actress, is 56; Bryant Gumbel (1948-), TV personality, is 50; Sebastian Coe (1956-), runner, is 42; John Paxson (1960-), basketball announcer, is 38.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1976, John Montefusco pitched a no-hitter as the San Francisco Giants defeated the Atlanta Braves 9-0.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "A hungry man is not a free man." — Adlai Stevenson

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1989, a high of 106 degrees was recorded in Phoenix, Ariz. — the last time that year that Phoenix had a reading of 105 degrees or higher.

SOURCE: 1998 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Day after first quarter (Sept. 28)

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Fair results

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Class 42-Plant Growing in Water
1. Gertrude League; 1. Billie Jean Sterling.
Class 43-Dish Garden
1. Donna Browning; 2. Sandra Browning.
Class 44A-Cacti in 8 Inch or Less Pot
1. Sandra Browning; 1. Bonnie Fry; 1. Gertrude League.
Class 44B-Succulents in 8 In or Less Pot
1. Sandra Browning, two first places); 1. Bonnie Fry; 1. Gertrude League; 2. Jean Burns; 3. Bonnie Fry.
Class 44C-Bromelaid in 8 Inch or Less Pot
1. Gertrude League.
Class 45-Terrariums
1. Gertrude League.
Hanging Baskets
Class 46A-Flowering
1. Bebe Boren; 1. Sandra Browning (5 first places) and Award of Merit; 1. Wilson Howell, 5 first places; 1. Billie Jean Sterling; 2. Sonja Vinson; 3. Barbara Burney; 4. Joy Howell.
Class 46B-Green Foliage
1. Sandra Browning (six first places); 1. Bonnie Fry; 1. Gertrude League; 2. Barbara Burney; 3. Barbara Burney.
Class 46C-Varigated
1. Sandra Browning, (4 first places); Billie Jean Sterling; 1. Cheri Williams; 2. Tillie Rios.

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Ritz Theatre reservations

Ritz Theatre season ticket holders may make reservations for the presentation of Dirty Work at the Crossroads through Friday by calling 573-8880 or at the ticket office from 2 until 5 p.m. all this week.

First Assembly of God revival

The First Assembly of God is holding revival services at 7 p.m. through Wednesday at the church at 1809 College. Rev. Don Bates of Durant, Okla., is the evangelist. A nursery is provided.

Boys basketball parents

Varsity, junior varsity and freshman basketball parents will meet at 7 this evening in the high school student center.

Genealogical Society meeting

Scurry County Genealogical Society will meet at 7 tonight in the Scurry County Library. The program will be on maternal great-grandmothers. Severals histories will be given. Guests are welcome.

Democrats to meet

Scurry County Democrats will meet at 7 this evening at the Spanish Inn.

Oil appreciation committee

The committee planning oil appreciation day set for Oct. 17 is set for 1 p.m. Wednesday at the chamber office.

Ira homecoming pep rally

Ira homecoming's pep rally will be held at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Ira football field. The senior class will be sponsoring a taco salad supper begining at 6 p.m. Friday in the school cafeteria for $5 per plate before the football game with Midland Trinity.

Marriage enrichment seminar

The third session of a 10-week marriage enrichment seminar will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the First United Methodist Church. Dr. Craig Curry and wife, Kathy, are the instructors. Students may still enroll by calling 573-5416.

Hermleigh homecoming sock hop

An after-game homecoming sock hop will be held Friday in the school gym. Admission is $5 per couple, $3 for high school and junior high students and $2 for elementary students.

Quilt raffle

The Christian Women's Fellowship of First Christian Church will raffle a quilt as a mission fundraiser. The Flower Garden quilt can be seen at Betty's Bernina. Tickets are $1 each. The drawing will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday during White Buffalo Days.

Garage sale donations

Anyone interested in donating garage sale items to the Lighthouse Assembly of God building fund at 1900 Trinity Blvd. may call 573-5124.

Debate, speech judges needed

Volunteer judges are needed for the SHS speech and debate tournament on Oct. 10. Training provided, if needed. Call Lynda McCormack at 573-6301.

Band boosters

The October band boosters meeting has been rescheduled for 7 p.m. Oct. 12 in the SHS band hall.

Scout uniforms needed

Persons interested in getting rid of old Cub or Boy Scout uniforms or supplies call 573-7065 or 573-3310.

SHS volleyball beanie baby

Tickets for a "Glory Bear" beanie baby are being sold by the SHS volleyball team for $1 each. Proceeds will benefit the volleyball program and it will be given away next Tuesday before the varsity game. The beanie baby was donated by Timber and Threads. Call 573-9416 for more information.

Australian trip

Persons interested in traveling to Australia next July are invited to an informational meeting at 6 p.m. Monday in the SHS Library. For more information, call Beth Bowen at 573-2670 and leave a message.

Retired teachers luncheon

A dutch treat luncheon for the Retired Teachers Association will be held at noon Monday at The Shack. State Rep. David Counts will speak on educational issues in Texas.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
6-4-7
(six, four, seven)

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery:
4-5-15-32-33
(four, five, fifteen, thirty-two, thirty-three)



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"Well to be totally honest about it, my 'job approval rating' is rather low, but my 'personal credibility' is very high."

US West, Ameritech...

FCC: Long-distance alliances illegal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Regional Bell telephone companies that want to sell their local phone customers long-distance service provided by another company got bad news from federal regulators: It's illegal.

US West Communications Inc. and Ameritech Corp. — both Bell companies — were told by the Federal Communications Commission Monday that their separate alliances with the long-distance company, Qwest Communications Corp., violate federal law.

But the FCC's decision, if upheld, would have implications for other Bells that want to enter into similar alliances to offer customers one-stop shopping for local and long-distance services.

US West said it will appeal the FCC's decision to a federal court. Ameritech is considering its legal options.

"Unfortunately, the commission has once again failed to place the interests of consumers first," said US West spokesman Jerry Brown. "We think consumers are losers in this ruling."

Specifically, the FCC said that US West's and Ameritech's marketing alliances with Qwest violated a provision in a 1996 telecommunications law that bars a Bell company from providing long-distance service to its own customers.

The law says a Bell company must open its market to competitors and get FCC approval before it may provide long-distance service to local customers. No Bell has done so.

"We can't trade the short-term convenience of one-stop shopping for long-term monopolies," said FCC Chairman Bill Kennard. "That wouldn't be right for consumers and it's not what the law requires."

Under the pacts, Qwest paid US West and Ameritech an undisclosed recruiting fee for each client in the Baby Bells' local phone regions that chose Qwest for long-distance service.

US West, Ameritech and Qwest have said the arrangements are consistent with the 1996 law.

US West and Ameritech are not marketing Qwest's long-distance service now. They did so briefly earlier this year, but they were ordered to stop until the FCC decided whether or not the marketing alliances were legal. US West was told to halt by a federal court and Ameritech by the FCC.

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Dr. Gott



By Peter Gott, M.D.

How serious are bone infections?

DEAR DR. GOTT: About a year ago, I fractured my right arm in a motorcycle accident. The break was pinned with a 6-inch screw. Subsequently, I developed a bone infection, which was treated. The fracture appears to have healed, but I was told that this is impossible because of the infection. Is there any chance that I will lose my arm?

DEAR READER: Osteomyelitis (bone infection) is a troublesome complication of surgery to repair fractures. In most cases, the infection is introduced either during the injury or at the time of surgery. A foreign body (such as a pin, a screw or an artificial joint) can act as a reservoir of bacterial contamination, because - unlike natural bodily tissues — the synthetic material has no way of cleaning itself once it's in the body.

Ordinarily, a contaminated screw would have to be removed to eradicate the infection, and bone healing would be delayed until the infection had cleared up with antibiotic therapy. In your case, however, the osteomyelitis appears to have been controlled, allowing the bones to knit.

Your orthopedic surgeon can best monitor your progress. He or she will require serial X-ray examinations to document the formation of new bone at the site of the injury. In addition, the surgeon will probably base much of his or her judgment on whether your arm is gaining strength and whether you are free of pain. At this point, you are not — fortunately — at risk of losing your arm.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have been diagnosed with cardiomyopathy, which causes marked shortness-of-breath during physical activity. How can I overcome this?

DEAR READER: Cardiomyopathy is a medical term denoting disease and malfunction of the heart muscle. The condition is a common consequence of hypertension, arteriosclerosis and a host of other afflictions that affect the heart.

In patients with cardiomyopathy, the heart is unable to adapt to the demands of physical exertion; difficulty breathing is usually the hallmark of this disability.

There are many treatments, all of which are geared toward either reducing the work of the heart (by lowering blood pressure, for example) or increasing the strength of the cardiac contraction.

I don't know whether you could be helped by such therapy. That's a decision to be made by your family doctor, perhaps with the help of a cardiologist. In my experience, prescription drugs can often make cardiac patients more comfortable and independent.

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

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