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CHRISTMAS SPIRIT ABOUNDS — At left, Sarah Sanderson, Kristy Goodneg, and Rescue rode on the CC Rider float in Saturday's Lighted Christmas parade, while Cypriano Aguilera, Sandy, Edward, and Andee Leal rode on the WSI float. Western Texas College's continuing education float won first prize, while Community of Christ Church was in second place and Big County Electric Co-Op was third place winner. (Staff Photos by Jo Ann Nunley)

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# County's political season off to a fast start

The political season officially got underway today, and six candidates have already indicated intentions to seek one of eight local offices on the ballot.

Incumbent district clerk Trina Rodgers on Sunday announced her plans to seek re-election and today formally filed with the Republican party chairman.

This morning, four more candidates – three incumbents and one newcomer announced.

Seeking re-election are county treasurer Nelda Colvin, a Republican: Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Deborah Boyd, a Republican; and Precinct 4 commissioner Chloanne Lindsey, a Democrat.

Businessman Robbie Floyd, a political newcomer, said this morning that he is a candidate for the Precinct 2 county commissioner post held by Roy Idom.

Idom, a two-term commissioner and a Republican, said today that he will not be a candidate for re-election.

Floyd, a native of Scurry County, said he will run subject to the March 12 Republican primary. Floyd is the son of Ennis Floyd and the late Annie Bell Floyd. He is a 1950 graduate of Snyder High School and a 1955 graduate of Texas Tech University with a degree in industrial management.

Floyd said he has extensive business experience, serving as district manager for Nalco Chemical Company and as both district and regional manger for Amoco Chemical Co.

For the past 25 years, Floyd has owned and operated his own business, the last 15 of it in Scurry County as Accu Chem Inc., an oilfield chemical company.

Floyd received his commission in the U.S. Army from the Texas Tech ROTC program and served in the army from 1955 to 1957, including a short tour of duty in Vietnam. He was discharged as a 1st Lieutenant.



Robbie Floyd

"I am a conservative Republican and have been active in the Republican party for several years," Floyd said. The candidate said he hopes to foster a more harmonious relationship between the commissioners' court and hospital board. He also hopes that the coliseum issue can be settled to the county's benefit.

He and his wife, Pat, have two grown children, Robin Williamson of Huntsville; and Kathy Pollard of Cedar Park. He is a member of the 37th Street Church of Christ.

Colvin, who was appointed treasurer last February to fill the unexpired term when Charlie Bell was named county auditor, is seeking her first four-year term.



Nelda Colvin

Colvin, a Republican, is a lifetime resident of Scurry County. Previous to her appointment as treasurer, Colvin worked as chief deputy in the office, moving to the courthouse in 1998 after working in the accounting department at Cogdell Memorial Hospital starting in1984.

"I have had the privilege of working with such outstanding people during these years, as well as having the privilege of serving as treasurer, that I feel I am qualified to run for this office," Colvin said.

Colvin is a member of the Eastern Star and attends the Ave. D Baptist Church.

Colvin's husband, Chuck, is a letter carrier with the U.S. Post. Office. They have a son and daughter-in-law, Ryan and Jessica Colvin of Lubbock; and a daughter and son-in-law, Mandi and Bryan Scott of Big Spring; and two grandchildren.

Boyd, a Republican, is seeking re-election to her first four-year term. She was elected two years ago to fill the unexpired term of Charlie Reynolds, who resigned. Before becoming justice of the peace, Boyd worked as a clerk in the office and also as a clerk in the county clerk's office.

"The last year and a half as JP has been a fulfilling and enjoyable time. My goal has been to treat all people fairly. I have especially enjoyed working with young people.

"I have worked closely with the schools to encourage them to complete their education and have also worked with the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse and the Harmony Family Services to provide the help many of them need."



Deborah Boyd

A 1974 graduate of Snyder High School, she was a magna cum laude graduate of Western Texas College in 1993 and a member of Phi Theta Kappa. She is a December candidate for graduation from Lubbock Christian University.

A lifelong resident of Scurry County, she is the daughter of Elois Pruitt and the late Dr. Franklin Pruitt. Married to Gaylon Boyd, they have four children, Samantha Campbell and her husband Jimmy of Dallas, Ben Boyd and his wife Carlye Boyd of Kingsland, Matt Boyd of Lubbock and April Boyd, a 7th grader.

Boyd is a member of the East Side Church of Christ and a board member of the Mesquite Country Emmaus.

Lindsey, a Democrat, is seeking her second four-year term as Precinct 4 county commissioner after being the first female to be elected commissioner in Scurry County.

A native of Scurry County, she is a 1962 graduate of Snyder High School and worked in the Scurry County auditor's office for 10 years prior to being elected commissioner.

"It has been a great privilege to serve Scurry County and the people of Precinct 4 as their commissioner. I appreciate all the support you have given me and I need your continued support as I seek a second term."

Married to Lee Roy Lindsey, they have two sons. Staff Sgt. Ronny Lindsey is stationed at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City and Michael Joe Lindsey lives in Kilgore.

"Both my husband and I grew up in Scurry County and were only away from Scurry County when we were stationed in the Army," Lindsey said.



Chloanne Lindsey

Sheriff Darren Jackson, a Democrat, has not announced but filed with the Democratic county chairman this morning.

Also up for election on the primary ballots are the offices of county judge, held by Ricky Fritz; and county clerk, held by Joan Bunch. Both are Republicans, and both have have indicated they will seek a third term.

The filing deadline period ends Jan. 2.

# Williams appointed to Cogdell board

The Scurry County commissioners' court, meeting this morning, appointed two persons to county boards.

The court unanimously appointed Carl Williams to the Cogdell Memorial Hospital Board and Betty Courtney to serve on the Scurry County Library Board.

Williams will fill one of the hospital board positions vacated by Stanley Martin and board president Jim Bob Cave.

County Judge Ricky Fritz said Williams has already agreed to serve on the board.

Courtney will replace Britt Canada on the library board. Canada's term expires at the end of this year.

Precinct 4 commissioner Chloanne Lindsey said several county board positions are available.

"Anyone interested in serving on one of these boards should contact any member of the court," she said. "The Child Welfare Board is especially in need of members. Anyone with an interest in working with children should consider serving on that board."

The Child Welfare Board is in need of five new board members.

Katy McHaney, Ronnie Hines and Amanda Herrera resigned, and the terms of Chris Bane and Mary Ann Juarez expire this year.

The court also reviewed which county board members have reached term limits.

John Fair's term is up on the Veteran's Land Board and David Koonce's term on the Board of County Development expires this year.

On the County Welfare Board, Sandra Barbosa's term expires.

No other action on board appointments was taken, but the judge said more appointments will be considered at the court's next meeting.

In other business, the court accepted a bid from Lydick Hooks of Abilene totaling $34,802 for roof repairs at the Sheriff's Department.

The judge said the firm has done work for the county in the past and has "always done a good job for us and comes back if a problem comes up."

Two bids were received for outside financial audit services for the county and the hospital. The item was tabled until the next meeting to allow time to study both proposals, received from Condley and Co. of Abilene and J. W. Anderson and Associates of Lubbock.

The court also set the 2002 holiday schedule, allowing time off for 12 state holidays, and approved the county investment policy for next year. The county will put its funds in TexPool and in Snyder National Bank as it has in the past.

The court also voted to seek bids on rock, asphalt, fuel, oil and grease for the next calendar year.

A resolution was approved granting authority to the tax assessor-collector to sell county tax properties without seeking court approval in each separate case.

One line-item transfer was approved at the Scurry County Library for new books, periodicals, utilities and office supplies.

Judge Fritz presided and all commissioners were present to include Lindsey, Roy Idom, Howard Limmer and Ralph Trevey.

## Special election will be Tuesday

Voters go to the polls Tuesday to elect a state senator to fill the vacant District 30 seat.

Vying for the late Tom Haywood's seat in the Texas Senate are Republican Craig Estes and Democrat Greg Underwood.

County Clerk Joan Bunch said voters will cast ballots at the same location they did in the Nov. 6 election.

"Voters in Precinct 5, 6 and 7 will vote at the Scurry County Library, while Precincts 8, 9 and 10 will vote at Towle Park Barn. Precinct 11, 12 and 13 will vote on the south side of the coliseum, while 14 and 15 precincts will cast ballots on the north side of the coliseum," said Bunch.

# City council to hear report on Deep Creek plan

Snyder city council members will receive an update on Deep Creek and Line Park improvement plans when they meet at 6:30 this evening.

The presentation on the planned improvements, and what has been accomplished so far, will be presented by Snyder Chamber of Commerce executive director Donna Fowler and Price Daniel Unit Senior Warden Wilhelmenia Howard.

Project plans call for the creek area to be cleaned up and necessary work done for it to hold water, and to construct various recreational facilities in the area.

The project area is east of College Avenue from 26th Street to the 37th Street bridge.

Action items include the second reading of ordinances pertaining to employee benefits through the Texas Municipal League.

One ordinance pertains to maintaining a 10-year retirement vesting program for employees, and the other is changing the retirement eligibility from 25 years of service to 20.

Last month, the council did not favor dropping the vested period from the present 10 years to five, but did favor changing the retirement eligibility period.

Other action items include an amendment to the 2000-2001 city budget, and the consideration of a community survey.

**ASK US**

**Q—When is the highway work from Ezell-Key to Hermleigh expected to be finished?**

**A—Work has stopped on the project due to the cold weather. It wil continue when temperatures will allow asphalt to be put down.**

**FORECAST - ALMANAC**

**Snyder Temps:** High Saturday, 66 degrees; low, 33; high Sunday, 63; low, 36; 7 a.m. Monday, 55; trace precipitation; total for 2001, 19.70 inches.

**Area Forecast:** Tonight, mostly cloudy, low near 50. Tuesday, low clouds, otherwise partly cloudy, breezy; high lower 70s; S winds 15-25 mph.



Baily Jones
Partly Cloudy

**Sunset:**
5:42 p.m.
**Sunrise:**
7:28 a.m.

**Of 336 days in 2001, the sun has shone 323 days in Snyder.**

**TODAY'S THOUGHT**

**Time is the inexplicable raw material of everything.**
**— Arnold Bennett**

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# Plans for burning anthrax raising concerns

HOUSTON (AP) — Residents living near a sprawling petrochemical plant complex are raising concerns about plans for anthrax-laden material from East Coast locations targeted by terrorists' mailings to be shipped to the area for incineration.

A member of a citizens' advisory group in Port Arthur said it is a bad idea to bring contaminants into an area already polluted by the refining industry.

And Geraldine Hunt of the Port Arthur Industry and Community Leader Advisory group said a number of predominantly black communities are located close to the incinerator.

"We already feel so saturated with pollutants. Why introduce anything else?" she asked. "Some think it would not be happening if the incinerator were closer to more white neighborhoods."

The predominantly black neighborhoods closest to Onyx Environmental Services, the licensed hazardous waste facility that is considering burning the decontaminated debris, include Lakeside, Alvesta and Palamar. Port Acres is the only predominantly white community near the site on Texas 73, about 80 miles east of Houston.

"We've lived around chemicals all our lives, but this is new. We know nothing about it. Never thought about it until after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks," Willie Green, a 54-year-old chemical plant supervisor, told the Houston Chronicle in today's online edition. "That makes most people around here feel somewhat frantic about bringing it here. Why haul it 1,400 miles down here?"

Pharmacist Kirk Vital and 14 other residents who are part of the advisory group told Onyx officials that questions about decontamination and handling should be answered before such waste is accepted for incineration.

"We're not concerned with what comes from the smokestack. Burning anything at such high temperatures should make any anthrax go bye-bye," said Vital. "The issue is whether the material is truly 'decontaminated' before it arrives. Who will certify that, and how will it be handled and transported? I understand the EPA is revising its guidelines on decontamination, and some are calling the processes experimental."

Art Mathes, Onyx general manager, said he had been approached by government agencies and remediation companies that specialize in decontamination to burn this waste.

"Nothing has been signed yet," Mathes said. "We've made no commitment to receive the waste until we have an opportunity to talk more to the community groups, and until we have better verification of the sterilization (decontamination) of this material."

He said the project is a community service.

"It will not be a big windfall for us. We are only charging regular rates," said Mathes. "But if we can help our country after the terrorist attack, we want to do our part."

Most material, he said, would be transported by licensed trucks in "kiln-ready containers" such as sealed 55-gallon drums and 4-foot boxes that will be moved on a conveyor system into a rotary kiln where material is burned at temperatures of at least 1,600 degrees Fahrenheit.

Mathes said any remaining combustion gases are routed to a secondary chamber and burned to 2,012 degrees Fahrenheit to ensure full destruction.

"Most things are sent to an incinerator because they are not fully decontaminated," said Fred Stroud, an EPA cleanup coordinator. "Standards are still being worked out with the (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"How can you decontaminate a computer when 10,000 spores can fit on the head of a pin?" he asked.

Since the first case was discovered in early October, 19 people have contracted the disease, and five of those have died.

U.S. Rep. Nick Lampson, D-Beaumont, is seeking to halt any shipment of debris to Texas until someone can "be held responsible to certify that the waste is decontaminated and safe" to burn.

# Houston mayor tries to mend fences

HOUSTON (AP) — In the wake of a ferocious and negative campaign, newly re-elected Mayor Lee Brown on Sunday asked the city to coalesce for his final two years in office.

"I'm very pleased with the outcome," Brown said. "This is a city I love. I want to make sure I do everything I can to see it progress. I believe when we work together as one city, we have a very bright future."

Saturday's election was as close as predicted, with results seesawing all night until Brown surged late. Brown had 165,865 votes, or 52 percent, to Sanchez's 155,164, or 48 percent.

Brown starts his third term in January. He cannot run again because of a term limits ordinance.

More Houstonians participated in the runoff than the 288,000 who voted in the Nov. 6 general election, which featured hotly contested city charter amendments in which voters barred same-sex benefits for city workers and preserved a light rail line already under construction.

City councilmember Orlando Sanchez, who often did not respond to Brown's attacks about his work record as a probation officer, an anonymous donor backing his daughter's private-school education or his conservative beliefs, said he hoped his campaign would benefit the nation's fourth-largest city.

"I hope our message resonates that we talked about: making public safety No. 1, taking care of the city's infrastructure, making sure our children are immunized and asking that we have a mayor who stands up and defends the city when it's being attacked," Sanchez said, referring to the Democratic assault on Houston during the 2000 presidential race.

Sanchez, vying to become Houston's first Hispanic mayor, lost to the city's first black mayor.

The general election, in which Sanchez and Brown beat white non-Hispanic city councilmember Chris Bell, stayed away from race and ethnicity. They became issues in the runoff, with one pro-Brown ad claiming Sanchez was an "imitation Caucasian" for claiming "white" as his race on his driver's license.

However, in Texas "Hispanic" is not a race. All Hispanics must choose white, black, Asian, American Indian or other.

Brown said the ad, which ran on at least one black-oriented radio station, was not his.

"It's not about race," said Brown, a liberal Democrat. "It's really about two men. We have different beliefs. A majority of the people believe in the direction I want to take (Houston) in."

In addition to negativity, the 2001 political season will be remembered in Houston for its partisanship. Sanchez, trying to be the city's first Hispanic mayor, also was the first to run under the GOP banner.

City elections in Texas are officially nonpartisan, but both sides wielded big national guns. Sanchez got help from the entire Bush family and New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, no fan of former NYC police commissioner Brown.

Brown, a former drug czar in the Clinton administration, used those ties and rallied inner-city Democratic congressional members to his side. Even Democratic National Committee chairman Terry McAuliffe stumped for him, and Bill Clinton recorded a telephone message.

Former Mayor Bob Lanier, who served three terms before Brown, decried the involvement of both national political parties and said Sunday he hopes it's not a trend.

"I think the effort to convert this into a referendum on national political parties was a mistake," said Lanier, a prominent developer who won a hard-fought initial election in 1991 before coasting to his next two terms. "Each side did all of that."

Richard Murray, professor of political science at the University of Houston, said that while the 44-year-old Sanchez might be well-positioned for future political forays, Republicans in Houston suffered.

"For the parties, this isn't horseshoes," said Murray, a long-time observer of the local scene. "Close does not count and this was a loss for the GOP heading into the 2002 midterms."

Lanier, a moderate Democrat who supported Brown, said Sanchez' heavy Hispanic support showed that fast-growing group is ready to become a major factor in local politics.

Murray agreed.

"The Hispanic community generally was also benefitted by his strong showing," Murray said. "I estimate there were more than 40,000 Hispanic voters in the Dec. 1 runoff, easily a record."

Had Sanchez not been so conservative or not worn his GOP allegiance on his sleeve, Lanier said he might have ousted Brown.

"The candidate with the strongest position will be a centrist or moderate-conservative with a business background and ties to the minority community," Lanier said, practically describing himself.

## events

### Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated $6 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 54 were: 13-18-22-28-30-54.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $10 million.

### Pick 3

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

9-8-0

## Date Book

**Monday, Dec. 3, 2001**

Today is the 337th day of 2001 and the 73rd day of fall.

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1843, the Society of Surgeon-Dentists of the City and State of New York was founded.

On this day in 1922, "The Toll of the Sea," a version of "Madame Butterfly" set in China, began to play at New York City's Rialto Theater. It was the first successful Technicolor movie in the United States.

On this day in 1967, in Capetown, South Africa, Dr. Christiaan Barnard performed the world's first successful heart transplant.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Gilbert Stuart (1755-1828), painter; Joseph Conrad (1857-1924), writer; Jean-Luc Godard (1930-), film director, is 71; Andy Williams (1930-), singer, is 71; Ozzy Osbourne (1948-), singer, is 53; Katarina Witt (1965-), figure skater, is 36.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** On this day in 1970, welterweight champion Jose Napoles was knocked out by Billy Backus in the fourth round.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "You shall judge a man by his foes as well as by his friends." — Joseph Conrad

**TODAY'S MOON:** Between full moon (Nov. 30) and last quarter (Dec. 7).

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### Bush/Evert win event

DELRAY BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Former President George Bush teamed with tennis star Chris Evert to defeat comedian Chevy Chase and four-time Grand Slam champion Jim Courier at the Chris Evert/Raymond James Pro-Celebrity Tennis Classic.

Bush, a perennial guest at the event, scored the volley winner on match point in the 6-4 victory Sunday. The 12th annual event raised $900,000 for south Florida charities that fight drug abuse and help neglected and abused children.

"I feel that you can't have a definition of a successful life without service to others," Bush said. "Chrissie does a great job ... and this (event) is a really great way to help others."

Bush and tour standout Mark Philippoussis later lost to former New York Mayor David Dinkins and tour player Tommy Haas, 6-5 (4).

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# Priorities reshuffled after Sept. 11 attacks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Terrorism at home and war abroad have affected everything from the toys Americans buy to the people they pay attention to.

It has made volunteering in and lavish corporate holiday parties out. Americans are opting for homey pursuits like renting movies and when they do venture out of town, it's not so far. They went to church in great numbers after the Sept. 11 attacks, but that surge appears to be leveling off.

Things have been shaken up in government, too. Ideas once bandied about with passion have had to step back and take a number.

These days, many eyes are on the FBI, the law enforcement agency. Few eyes are on that other FBI — President Bush's faith-based initiative.

No one feels much like a winner because of the terrorist attacks, but some things have inevitably come to the fore while others have receded.

Among the biggest losers financially: the airline industry, the taxpayers who subsidized their losses; insurers, the taxpayers who may come to bat for them; the Postal Service, and — once again — the taxpayers who may have to spend billions to put the mail system in shape.

The era of budget surpluses that Americans were just getting to know and enjoy seems irretrievably lost. Instead of a decade of flush coffers, deficits are back at least for three years, the government says.

There are some niche winners: companies that provide security equipment and services or bioterrorism-fighting gear like gloves and masks.

And with patriotism popping and the war progressing, war movies are back.

After delaying or reworking entertainment fare with upsetting scenes of disaster after Sept. 11, Hollywood over the weekend rushed out "Behind Enemy Lines," about a heroic U.S. aviator shot down in the Balkans. "Black Hawk Down," about the 1993 raid in which 18 American soldiers died in Somalia, is expected to open late this month.

Both movies are coming out about two months early.

More snapshots from the altered American landscape:

**HEROES:**

A newfound respect for firefighters and police officers has filtered down to children's wish lists to Santa. Fisher-Price Rescue Heroes are a hot item, with a limited edition figure of a New York firefighter particularly popular.

"Six months ago, if you'd been asked to do a word association with New York Police Department, the answer would have probably been 'brutality,'" said Norman Ornstein, a political analyst with the American Enterprise Institute. "Now, universally, the answer is 'hero.'"

**FAVORITE UNCLE: SAM**

People are expressing renewed trust in government. And Bush, whose approval ratings hovered around 55 percent before the attacks, now has ratings floating around 90 percent, among the highest recorded for a president.

"Americans think he's a winner and they are surprised by it," said William Taylor, an analyst at the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

Among others who have seen their stock rise: Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld, regarded as steady at the helm; Laura Bush, assuming a more comfortable and visible presence as first lady; Vice President Dick Cheney, still an influential adviser despite being kept mostly in hiding.

Reviews have been less rosy for some others. Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson, for example, was criticized for initially playing down the anthrax threat.

**JAMES WHO?**

Before Sept. 11, much fuss surrounded James Jeffords, the Vermont senator who threw Senate control to the Democrats by leaving the Republican Party.

Now attention is on the other Vermont senator, Democrat Patrick Leahy, for two reasons: He got an anthrax-tainted letter and he's been a leading critic of Bush's legal course in fighting domestic terrorism.

**FROM SOCIAL SECURITY TO NATIONAL SECURITY**

Americans — and their representatives in Congress — are talking more about patriotism, vulnerability and civil liberties, and thinking less about Social Security and patients' rights.

The idea of combating "asymmetrical warfare" — in which one side uses unconventional tactics to attack an opponent with a conventional military advantage — has suddenly moved beyond the realm of think tanks.

Before Sept. 11, "analysts couldn't sell this idea to the Congress," said analyst Taylor. "Suddenly, people are listening. But even more important, the people who are listening include members of Congress who have been asked to come up with the money."

An emerging debate centers on how the nation should balance civil liberties with security. So far, polls find Americans support using military tribunals to try non-citizens charged with terrorism and think the rights of those under investigation have been sufficiently protected.

But there is growing unease in Congress and from activists on both the left and right.

**NICENESS DELAYED**

Ideas unconnected with terrorism or its consequences have been pushed aside, with an education overhaul moving through Congress one of the few exceptions.

On Sept. 11, Rabbi Irwin Katsof was in Washington for a White House meeting about a new national campaign to reduce gossip and hurtful language. Bush was expected to endorse the WordsCanHeal program.

Instead, the program "got kind of cut off at the knees" by the attacks, Katsof said.

Three months later, the group is reviving the program, trying to capitalize on good will Americans have felt toward one another since the attacks.

## Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



### *Cleansing tears erase stain of terrorist attacks*

**DEAR ABBY:** "Double Victim in Indiana" compared the events of Sept. 11 to a rape. My daughter Kelly, who is 24, had the same feeling and wrote a poem expressing it. It was published in our local paper. I thought you might like to share it with your readers. — **SHEILA PHILLIPS, PROUD MOM, QUOGUE, N.Y.**

**DEAR SHEILA:** You have every right to be proud. Your daughter's poem is a knockout, and I'm pleased to share it with my readers. Read on:

**A BRIGHT, SUNNY DAY**
by Kelly Phillips

Is it a bright, sunny day with freedom in the air
That fosters pure fright, forcing people to stare
Up in the sky and only to see
An epidemic of evil raping you and me?

Tell me, what is the beauty of a bright, sunny day
When hatred erupts in a toxic display
Of blood and bones, of steel and stones,
Of blackest black, of screams and moans?

And so I say, let it rain a relentless pour.
Let humanity find a way not to ignore
This shameful show of cowardice from the weak,
And return to the honor and the normalcy we seek.

Yes, let it rain.
Let the souls cry of those from wars past,
Free their tears from the sky.
Let them weep and cleanse us from such sordid dismay
So we may once again appreciate
A bright, sunny day.

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**DEAR ABBY:** As we struggle with the emotional impact of the large-scale damage and loss of life, and the feelings of uncertainty following the terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington, D.C., we must be aware that stressful times can be particularly difficult for people who are vulnerable to substance abuse or recovering from addiction.

Research and clinical experience have demonstrated that high levels of stress can lead individuals to turn to drugs, alcohol or tobacco in an attempt to alleviate their anxiety. Stress is one of the most powerful triggers for relapses in recovering addicts, even after long periods of abstinence.

We must all be attentive to how we, our family, friends and colleagues are responding to these tragic events. We must be alert to increases in substance abuse and seek professional help, and encourage others to do the same if it's needed.

Information about the prevention and treatment of drug abuse can be found on the National Institute on Drug Abuse Web site at www.drugabuse.gov. — **ALAN I. LESHNER, PH.D., DIRECTOR, NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE**

**DEAR DR. LESHNER:** Thank you for the information. I'm printing your letter to alert my readers that stress can lead to "bingeing" behavior that includes sex and food, as well as substance abuse.

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Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips.

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## Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

**Your Birthday**

**Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2001**

This could be a fortunate year ahead for you where the products of your fertile imagination could become quite profitable. You'll have ample opportunity to use your own ideas and concepts.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** — A person who previously rejected or resisted your philosophy and views on something important to you may now do an about face and become a protagonist instead of a antagonist. Astro-Graph year ahead predictions make great Xmas stocking stuffers for all signs of the Zodiac. Mail $2 for each to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10158. Be sure to state the Zodiac signs you desire.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — Measures can be taken today to alter a negative situation, which seemed impervious to change. This dramatic transformation could open several new opportunities for you.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** — Get that signature on the bottom line today of someone you hanker to team up with. Agreements that you enter at this time have excellent chances for success.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** — Begin today to do all you possibly can to upgrade the quality of your performance. It's a period when good work will receive the recognition and rewards it deserves.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** — Positive changes are in the winds at this time concerning your social life. There's a chance you could meet someone new today or get a fresh perspective on a person you know.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** — Conditions are extremely conducive today to enable you to finally put an important matter to rest to your satisfaction. Be sure to get on it now.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** — Don't be afraid to make that bold pitch today on something you hesitate to present. You have the ability at this time to convince others to support ideas that are significant to you.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** — More material opportunities than usual could hang around today. However, they are in their early stages, so it will be up to you to recognize and develop them.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Be more assertive today to promote something you feel promises a number of personal benefits for you. It's important to make some priority time for your interests.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Today marks the beginning of a period of time when people who you've done nice things for in the past will find ways to reciprocate. It's your turn in the batter's box.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** — There may be a few glimmers of hope that reveal themselves today concerning something which you couldn't break through. Their ramifications will become more visible with time.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** — Follow your inclinations today that urge you to strive for lofty objectives. Conditions are stirring now that could have a profound, positive effect on your ambitions.

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# Grocery chain purchases own cattle to raise meat's quality

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Ken Chapin knows good beef when he sees it, and he's betting that his supermarket customers will too.

Yoke's Foods, dismayed by the poor quality of beef available on the wholesale market, has purchased its own cattle herd, branching out from beef seller to cowpuncher.

"It's corn-fed and shipped to Omaha on the hoof," said Chapin, Yoke's director of meat. "It comes back as meat."

The supermarket is part of a nationwide movement to reverse the decline in beef quality caused by mass production.

The cuts of choice beef sent to supermarkets are typically the poorest quality, said Chapin, who likes to offer visitors a tasty slab of prime rib. Restaurants and specialty stores get the best cuts.

While numerous chains have started contracting with specialized ranchers to produce more flavorful meat, few have gone to the trouble of buying their own herd.

The employee-owned chain bought 215 head of cattle this fall, establishing the Yoke's Cattle Co. It is poking some fun at the notion of cowboy grocers in television advertising that shows employees dressed as butchers trying to climb on horses and herd cattle.

But don't expect to see John Wayne types in the checkout stands. Rather than teach its cashiers roping skills, Yoke's signed deals with certified Hereford ranchers in the Spokane and Ritzville areas to raise the calves at a guaranteed price.

Cattle from the first herd will be butchered in the spring, Chapin said.

"Our intent is to be 100 percent our own bought, raised and processed cattle," Chapin said. "It will probably take a couple of years to get to that."

Customers should not have to pay more for the beef, Chapin said.

Consumption of beef dropped in the United States in the early 1970s as part of the physical fitness trend, and breeding intended to increase cows' weight had created a poorer-quality product, Chapin said.

Seeking to reverse the decline in sales, the American Hereford Association, based in Kansas City, Mo., concentrated on improving the quality of the meat.

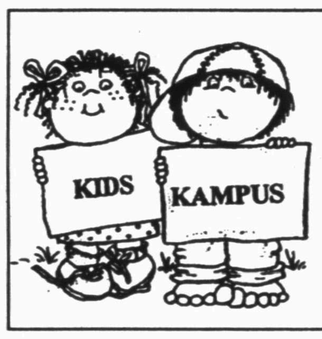
The group began certifying ranches that raised Hereford cattle, and in 1995 launched a program in which grocery stores offered only Hereford beef to customers. Herefords are the brown cows with white faces that long have been considered prime beef stock.

Craig Huffhines, head of the association, said Hereford-branded beef is available in about 200 grocery stores in nine states, mostly in the Midwest. Yoke's is the only chain that actually is raising its own cattle, the association said.

While it's only a tiny part of the huge beef market, sales of branded beef are growing exponentially, Huffhines said.

"In the next 10 years, over 80 percent of the beef produced will be branded under some company name," Huffhines said.

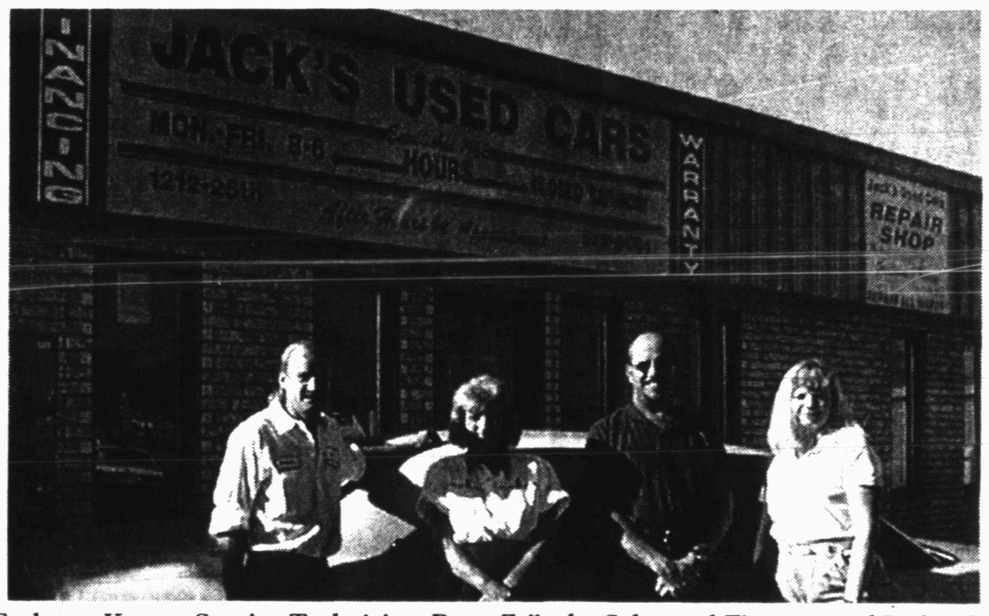
Sales of beef rebounded in recent years, in part because of the booming economy, Huffhines said. But sales have slowed down considerably since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, and it's unclear what the future holds, he added.




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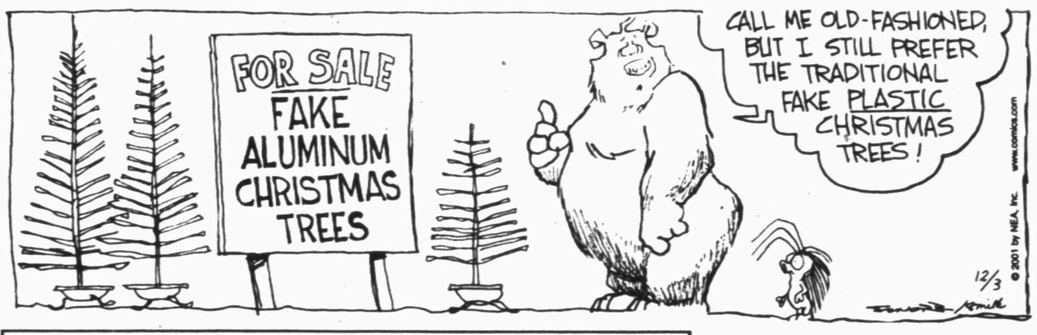

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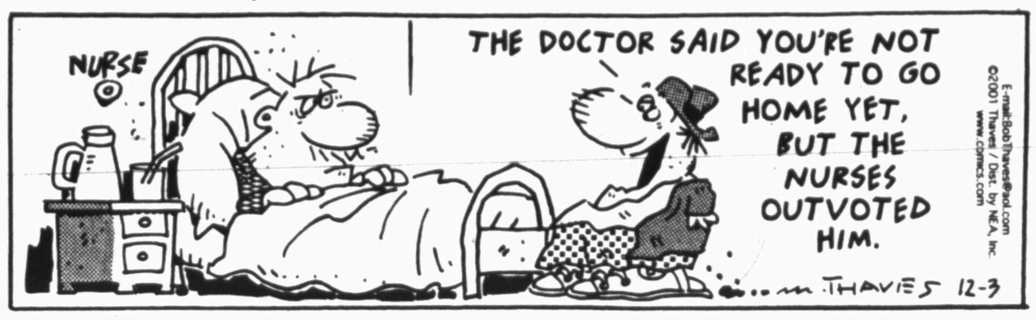

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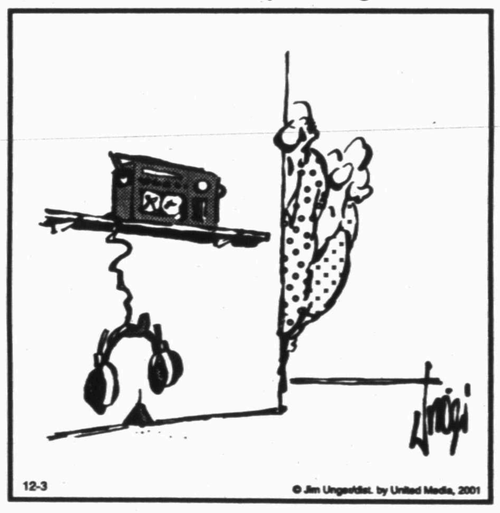

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"I taped the cat breathing."

## NEA Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

1 Pre-owned
5 Move jauntily
8 Longbow wood
11 Alaskan port
12 Moby Dick's pursuer
14 Actress Thurman
15 Silent
16 Emblem
17 Tool set
18 Takes the dais
20 Urge
22 Eggs
23 Time periods
24 Diadem
27 Golfer's shout
29 Aunts et al.
30 Comfort
34 Salve
37 Colo. neighbor
38 Heaps
39 Runs away
41 Writer Bagnold
43 1950s Chairman
44 "Tri" or "re"
46 Flower
50 Half of "deux"
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54 Lash holder
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56 Trolley
57 "—- Girls"
58 Even so
59 Peace of mind

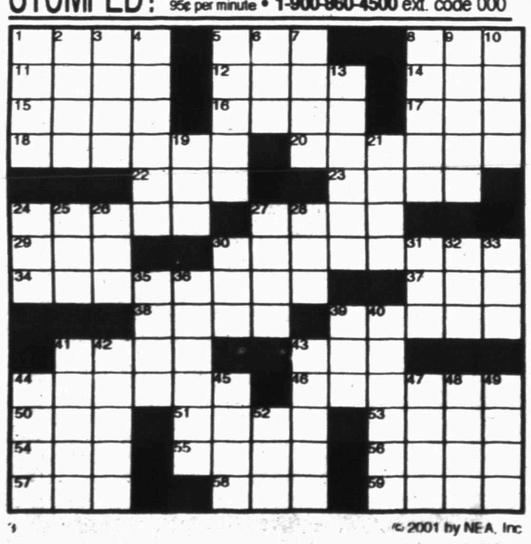
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3 Actress Thompson
4 Bill payer
5 Light wood
6 "So that's it!"
7 Geraldine or Patti
8 Sgt. Preston's beat
9 Islamic VIPs
10 Electrical unit
13 Pugilists
19 Ms. Gabor
21 Garden implements
24 Sugar Ray stat
25 Jr.'s son, perhaps
26 Performer —- -Margret
27 Bogs
28 Bran source
30 Confederate soldier
31 Banjo cousin
32 Funny Charlotte
33 USNA grad
35 Nine-to-fiver's cry
36 Change
39 Not near
40 Find
41 A Muppet
42 More than wants
43 Painter Claude
44 Influence
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49 Curved roof
52 Malt brew

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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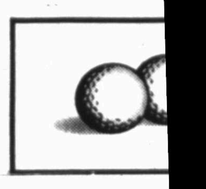
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# SPORTS

## SHS teams suffer pair of setbacks

Hoping to close out the weekend's tournaments on a positive note, Snyder High School came up short Saturday in its bid for a pair of basketball victories.

The Lady Tigers suffered a 46-40 setback to Austin Anderson in the consolation game of the Conch River Classic, and the SHS boys dropped a 59-44 decision to El Paso Riverside at the Gene Messer Shootout.

The Lady Tigers fell to 3-4 on the season, but Coach Mike Martin liked his squad's competitiveness throughout the three-day event.

"We played well at times, and we competed with everybody we came up against," said Martin. "In the end we made just enough mistakes to let Anderson win."

Snyder was without the services of junior post Afton Schwertner who suffered a mild concussion in Friday's game against Coronado. Schwertner is questionable for the Lady Tigers' match-up with San Angelo Central on Tuesday.

"We'll just have to wait and see how Afton feels," Martin stated. "Central is very athletic and they have good size, so we'll have to play well to give ourselves a chance."

In the boys' action, Snyder held a 32-27 halftime advantage and owned a nine-point lead in the third quarter before Riverside made its run.

The Tigers were outscored, 32-12, over the final two periods to fall to 0-7 on the year.

"We play well at times, and then at other times we make poor decisions," said Tiger coach Bud Birks. "We have to get to the point where we play four solid quarters."

The Tigers were also shorthanded, playing without junior post Josh Mendoza who is out of action with a sprained ankle.

The Snyder boys visit Lubbock High at 7:30 Tuesday night, while the Lady Tigers travel to face San Angelo Central at 6:30.



**FIRST BUCK — Stanley Forbes shot his first buck, an eight-point Whitetail, last week on a Scurry County Ranch. Stanley is the son of Joey and Bobbie Forbes. (Contributed Photo)**

## WTC names coaches for baseball, softball

Western Texas College took a major step towards the startup of two new athletic programs with the hiring of head coaches for the baseball and softball teams to be implemented next year.

James King will fill the baseball position, and Rodney McNeil will head up the softball program. Both men assume their coaching duties with the beginning of the spring semester. The two teams begin competition in the fall of 2002.

"We are very pleased to be able to draw this kind of talent to Western Texas College," said acting Athletic Director Jim Clifton. "We're eager to get these programs off the ground and are looking forward to a great first season."

King, who earned his masters in health science and kinesiology from Stephen F. Austin, currently serves as director of the James King Baseball School in Abilene. He is also head coach of Texas Amateur and Select Baseball and with Coast to Coast USA All-Stars.

King began his playing days at Dallas Kimball High School and later at Lubbock Christian University, before playing professionally in the Chicago White Sox and Los Angeles Dodgers farm systems.

His coaching background includes 14 years of college experience at the NAIA and NCAA Division II and III levels. The new WTC skipper held the head coaching position at Hardin-Simmons in Abilene for three years, then served two years at York College in York, Neb. He spent the last two seasons as head coach at Seymour High School.

"I'm excited about the job," said King. "This is a great opportunity to start a new program. Our aim is to do things the right way from the ground up, and build a quality program."

On the softball diamond, McNeil will lead the Lady Westerners after serving the past few seasons as head coach at DeSoto High School.

McNeil earned his degree from the University of Texas at Arlington where he later served as coach before taking the same position at Texas Wesleyan.

Under his direction, the Texas Wesleyan squad ranked second in the South Region for two consecutive years, and finished fifth in 2000.

King and McNeil hope to begin recruiting in the spring, and will field their first teams next fall.

## Carter leads Cowboys to win

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have used five starting quarterbacks to win nine in a row over the Washington Redskins. The newest member of the group, rookie Quincy Carter, needed just one big throw to get the job done.

The Cowboys used the whole game to set it up. They ran the ball three times more than they passed it, and most of the passes were short.

Then, in the fourth quarter with a three-point lead, Carter called an audible for Rocket Ismail. Ismail blew past Pro Bowl cornerback Champ Bailey, caught a 64-yard pass down the right sideline and didn't stop until he was well into the tunnel beyond the end zone — and the Cowboys were on their way to a 20-14 victory.

"I just slacked at the end," said Bailey, who caught passes from Carter in college as a receiver at Georgia. "I was expecting something short."

The Cowboys (3-8) snapped a four-game losing streak and completed an improbable season sweep of the Redskins (5-6). Washington had won five in a row, a run now sandwiched by losses to their fiercest rival.

"We get fired up for these Redskins games," linebacker Dexter Coakley said. "Maybe we need to play the Redskins all year. We'd be 16-0."

Carter joins Troy Aikman, Jason Garrett, Randall Cunningham and Anthony Wright as Cowboys quarterbacks who have vexed the Redskins since 1997. It is the first NFL victory over any team for owner Jerry Jones' much-maligned second-round draft pick, who had failed to engineer a touchdown drive in his previous two starts.

"We've seen things in practice and we've seen things in the very beginning that cause us to think that he will be a winning quarterback in the NFL, a premier quarterback in the NFL," Jones said. "And you saw some of that tonight."

The pass to Ismail accounted for nearly half of Carter's 130 yards passing Sunday. For the most part, he simply handed the ball off to a trio of backs who helped pile up 215 yards rushing.

Emmitt Smith led the way, with 102 yards on 25 carries, his first touchdown of the season and a measure of vindication. Smith had just nine carries the previous week against Denver and wanted to prove, despite the words of coach Dave Campo, that he was still a 30-carry back.

"I can do it," said Smith, his head nodding with satisfaction. "Given the opportunity, I can do it. ... This team has proven through the year that we can run the football. When we've got young quarterbacks and rotating quarterbacks, you need to lean on that strength a little bit more than we have."

Both of Smith's 100-yard rushing games this season have been against the Redskins.

"I'm sorry I didn't get Emmitt the ball 30 times," said Campo, producing a roomful of laughter. "But we came close."

Tony Banks scored on a 1-yard scramble for the Redskins. He also threw a 15-yard touchdown pass to Rod Gardner to end a desperation drive with 53 seconds remaining, the final score in a major letdown game by a team that had been the hottest in the NFL.

"We bounced back from five losses at the beginning of the season; we can do anything," tackle Chris Samuels said. "One loss is definitely not going to set us back."

Banks didn't complete a pass for positive yardage until late in the second quarter.

## Notre Dame fires head coach

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — Bob Davie stressed character during his tenure as coach at Notre Dame. Athletic director Kevin White was looking for something more tangible: wins.

White praised Davie for bringing good students and good people to Notre Dame during his five years as coach and for supporting the players' academic progress. That wasn't enough, however.

Davie was fired as coach at Notre Dame on Sunday, a day after the storied football program completed its second losing season in three years.

"These are expectations that we have of all of our coaches in all of our sports," White said. "However, we also expect and intend to excel on the field and there, unfortunately, our results and progress have been disappointing."

The Irish lost six or more games three times under Davie, whose 35-25 record gives him the third-worst winning percentage in Irish history at .583.

"I'm the first one to stand up here and say that we may not have won as many games as what would be expected," Davie said.

"You're going to win some, you're going to lose some. But the big, big picture in all this, and to me the most important thing, is what the true character of someone is, and what a football team's true character is."

The Irish went 9-2 during the regular season last year, and Davie was rewarded with a five-year contract before an embarrassing loss to Oregon State in the Fiesta Bowl. The Irish started this season 0-3 for the first time in school history and finished 5-6.

The search for a new coach will begin immediately, White said, adding that he had a "short list" of candidates, none of whom he has contacted.

## Parks meeting set for tonight

The first of three public meetings on the future of Scurry County parks is scheduled at 6:30 this evening in the Ira Community Center.

This will be followed by a Tuesday meeting at 6:30 p.m. in Hermleigh community center.

Snyder citizens can give input at 6:30 Thursday at Towle Park Barn.

Citizens are invited to attend and hear a review of future plans, plus express their ideas about the parks.

Information gathered at the meetings will be forwarded to the county commissioners' court for review.

## National Basketball Association

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

**Atlantic Division**

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| Toronto | 11 | 7 | .611 | 1 |
| Indiana | 10 | 10 | .500 | 3 |
| Charlotte | 7 | 9 | .438 | 4 |
| Cleveland | 6 | 11 | .353 | 5½ |
| Atlanta | 6 | 12 | .333 | 6 |
| Chicago | 2 | 13 | .133 | 8½ |

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

**Midwest Division**

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| Houston | 7 | 10 | .412 | 5 |
| Utah | 6 | 11 | .353 | 6 |
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**Pacific Division**

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| Phoenix | 11 | 7 | .611 | 5 |
| Portland | 9 | 8 | .529 | 6½ |
| Seattle | 9 | 10 | .474 | 7½ |
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| Golden State | 7 | 10 | .412 | 8½ |

**Saturday's Games**

Boston 105, New Jersey 98, OT
Toronto 104, Atlanta 103
Orlando 96, Washington 87
Cleveland 93, Charlotte 81
Detroit 100, New York 97
San Antonio 85, Houston 75
Philadelphia 93, Chicago 76
Indiana 100, Utah 97
Phoenix 97, Portland 83
Dallas 111, Golden State 82
L.A. Lakers 102, Minnesota 76

**Sunday's Games**

Boston 85, Toronto 69
Memphis 93, Philadelphia 87
Dallas 120, Sacramento 114, OT
Seattle 97, Milwaukee 83
L.A. Clippers 103, Indiana 72

## National Football League

**All Times EST**

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| N.Y. Jets | 7 | 4 | 0 | .636 | 224 | 199 |
| New England | 7 | 5 | 0 | .583 | 274 | 228 |
| Indianapolis | 4 | 7 | 0 | .364 | 292 | 337 |
| Buffalo | 1 | 10 | 0 | .091 | 180 | 308 |
| Dallas | 3 | 8 | 0 | .273 | 176 | 243 |

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| | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA |
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| Pittsburgh | 9 | 2 | 0 | .818 | 210 | 137 |
| Baltimore | 8 | 4 | 0 | .667 | 237 | 214 |
| Cleveland | 6 | 5 | 0 | .545 | 204 | 181 |
| Tennessee | 5 | 6 | 0 | .454 | 214 | 252 |
| Cincinnati | 4 | 7 | 0 | .364 | 153 | 220 |
| Jacksonville | 3 | 7 | 0 | .300 | 172 | 172 |

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| Oakland | 8 | 3 | 0 | .727 | 309 | 235 |
| Seattle | 6 | 5 | 0 | .545 | 195 | 234 |
| Denver | 6 | 6 | 0 | .500 | 264 | 260 |
| San Diego | 5 | 7 | 0 | .417 | 273 | 239 |
| Kansas City | 3 | 8 | 0 | .273 | 200 | 229 |

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| Arizona | 5 | 6 | 0 | .454 | 208 | 269 |
| N.Y. Giants | 5 | 6 | 0 | .454 | 191 | 206 |
| Washington | 5 | 6 | 0 | .454 | 155 | 226 |

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| Chicago | 9 | 2 | 0 | .818 | 227 | 155 |
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| Tampa Bay | 6 | 5 | 0 | .545 | 223 | 193 |
| Minnesota | 4 | 7 | 0 | .364 | 205 | 263 |
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| San Francisco | 9 | 2 | 0 | .818 | 302 | 225 |
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| New Orleans | 6 | 5 | 0 | .545 | 253 | 239 |
| Carolina | 1 | 11 | 0 | .083 | 184 | 279 |

**Sunday's Games**

Miami 21, Denver 10
Chicago 13, Detroit 10
New England 17, N.Y. Jets 16
Baltimore 39, Indianapolis 27
Pittsburgh 21, Minnesota 16
New Orleans 27, Carolina 23
Tampa Bay 16, Cincinnati 13, OT
Tennessee 31, Cleveland 15
Seattle 13, San Diego 10, OT
Dallas 20, Washington 14
St. Louis 35, Atlanta 6
Arizona 34, Oakland 31, OT
San Francisco 35, Buffalo 0

**Monday's Game**

Green Bay at Jacksonville, 9 p.m.

## NCAA Football

**EAST**

Army 26, Navy 17
Pittsburgh 24, UAB 6

**SOUTH**

BYU 41, Mississippi St. 38
Clemson 59, Duke 31
Florida St. 28, Georgia Tech 17
Georgia 35, Houston 7
LSU 27, Auburn 14
Miami 26, Virginia Tech 24
Mississippi 38, Vanderbilt 27
North Carolina 19, SMU 10
Tennessee 34, Florida 32
Troy St. 18, North Texas 16
Virginia 20, Penn St. 14

**MIDWEST**

Indiana 26, Kentucky 15
Michigan St. 55, Missouri 7
Notre Dame 24, Purdue 18

**FAR WEST**

Air Force 38, Utah 37
Colorado 39, Texas 37
Fresno St. 70, Utah St. 21
Oregon 17, Oregon St. 14
Stanford 41, San Jose St. 14
UCLA 52, Arizona St. 42

## High School Football Playoff Pairings

**CLASS 5A**

**DIVISION I**

**Region I Quarterfinals**
Keller Fossil Ridge 45, Midland Lee 35
**Region II Quarterfinals**
Mesquite 25, The Woodlands 14
**Region III Quarterfinals**
Pearland 17, Alief Hastings 7
**Region IV Quarterfinals**
SA Taft 29, CC Carroll 21
**Semifinals**
Keller Fossil Ridge (11-2) vs. Mesquite (13-0), 4 p.m. Saturday at Texas Stadium
Pearland (13-0) vs. SA Taft (11-2), 4 p.m. Saturday at Astrodome

**DIVISION II**

**Region I Regionals**
Euless Trinity 35, Lubbock Monterey 14
DeSoto 56, EP Del Valle 28
**Quarterfinals**
Euless Trinity (12-1) vs. DeSoto (10-3), 2:30 Saturday at Arlington
**Region II Regionals**
Spring Westfield 40, Allen 21
Lufkin 34, Killeen 20
**Quarterfinals**
Spring Westfield (12-1) vs. Lufkin (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Astrodome
**Region III Regionals**
Hou. Madison 61, Gal. Park N. Shore 58
Fort Bend Hightower 27, Humble 21
**Quarterfinals**
Houston Madison (13-0) vs. Fort Bend Hightower (11-2), 7 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome
**Region IV Regionals**
Austin Westlake 51, CC Miller 35
SA Madison 53, Laredo Nixon 19
**Quarterfinals**
Austin Westlake (12-1) vs. SA Madison (11-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday at San Antonio

**CLASS 4A**

**DIVISION I**

**Region I Quarterfinals**
Burleson 19, Amarillo Palo Duro 7
**Region II Quarterfinals**
Denton Ryan 16, Corsicana 10
**Region III Quarterfinals**
Nederland 25, Friendswood 7
**Region IV Quarterfinals**
Smithson Valley 35, SA Roosevelt 14
**Semifinals**
Burleson (11-2) vs. Denton Ryan (13-0), 7 p.m. Saturday at Texas Stadium
Nederland (11-2) vs. Smithson Valley (13-0), 3 p.m. Saturday at Houston

**DIVISION II**

**Region I Regionals**
Southlake Carroll 31, Andrews 0
Frenship 24, FW Boswell 21
**Quarterfinals**
Southlake Carroll (9-4) vs. Frenship (11-2), 2 p.m. Saturday at Wichita Falls
**Region II Regionals**
Highland Park 71, Dallas Samuell 20
Ennis 45, Terrell 19
**Quarterfinals**
Highland Park (12-1) vs. Ennis (13-0), 1 p.m. Saturday at Texas Stadium
**Region III Regionals**
Jasper 50, Houston Forest Brook 47
Bay City 36, Brenham 17
**Quarterfinals**
Jasper (12-1) vs. Bay City (12-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome
**Region IV Regionals**
Austin Reagan 48, SA Alamo Heights 34
Bastrop 28, Beeville 14
**Quarterfinals**
Austin Reagan (11-2) vs. Bastrop (9-4), 2 p.m. Saturday at Alamodome

**CLASS 3A**

**DIVISION I**

**Region I Quarterfinals**
Perryton 21, Vernon 14
**Region II Quarterfinals**
Everman 42, Texarkana Pleasant Grove 0
**Region III Quarterfinals**
Bridge City 33, Mexia 14
**Region IV Quarterfinals**
Sinton 21, Bellville 13
**Semifinals**
Perryton (11-2) vs. Everman (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Denton
Bridge City (11-2) vs. Sinton (13-0), 1 p.m. Saturday at College Station

**DIVISION II**

**Region I Regionals**
Bridgeport 30, Crane 28
Kennedale 33, Alpine 26
**Semifinals**
Bridgeport (8-5) vs. Kennedale (12-1), 7 p.m. Saturday at Southlake
**Region II Regionals**
Commerce 39, Winnsboro 14
Gladewater 20, Wilmer-Hutchins 13
**Semifinals**
Commerce (11-2) vs. Gladewater (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Tyler
**Region III Regionals**
Newton 59, China Spring 38
Giddings 24, Altair Rice 8
**Semifinals**
Newton (11-2) vs. Giddings (12-1), 8 p.m. Friday at Huntsville
**Region IV Regionals**
La Grange 28, Mathis 0
Wimberley 10, Yoakum 7
**Semifinals**
La Grange (10-3) vs. Wimberley (11-2)

**CLASS 2A**

**DIVISION I**

**Region I Quarterfinals**
Post 28, Holliday 0
**Region II Quarterfinals**
Van Alstyne 47, Jacksboro 20
**Region III Quarterfinals**
Hemphill 35, Arp 18
**Region IV Quarterfinals**
Blanco 31, Poth 6
**Semifinals**
Post (10-3) vs. Van Alstyne (11-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Coppell
Hemphill (12-1) vs. Blanco (13-0), 6 p.m. Saturday at Waco

**DIVISION II**

**Region I Regionals**
Quanah 21, Coahoma 14
Sonora 28, Spearman 21
**Quarterfinals**
Quanah (10-3) vs. Sonora (11-2), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Mustang Stadium, Sweetwater
**Region II Regionals**
Whitewright 35, Bangs 28
Celina 35, Italy 25
**Quarterfinals**
Whitewright (13-0) vs. Celina (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Bedford
**Region III Regionals**
Garrison 22, Kerens 6
Alto 27, Mart 22
**Quarterfinals**
Garrison (11-3) vs. Alto (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Nacogdoches
**Region IV Regionals**
Refugio 29, Van Vleck 14
Ganado 48, Stockdale 6
**Quarterfinals**
Refugio (11-1) vs. Ganado (10-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Victoria

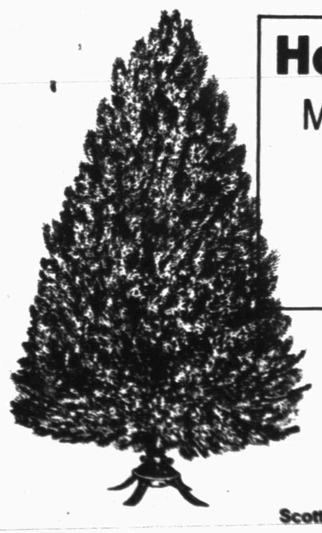
**CLASS 1A**

**Region I Regionals**
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Stratford 47, Iraan 21
**Quarterfinals**
Petersburg (12-1) vs. Stratford (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Amarillo
**Region II Regionals**
Celeste 33, Roscoe 14
Petrolia 33, Menard 6
**Quarterfinals**
Celeste (12-0) vs. Petrolia (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Justin Northwest
**Region III Regionals**
Tenaha 27, Bremond 8
Chilton 50, Simms Bowie 14
**Quarterfinals**
Tenaha (9-3) vs. Chilton (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Tyler
**Region IV Regionals**
Burkeville 38, Shiner 21
West Sabine 46, Falls City 34
**Quarterfinals**
Burkeville (7-3) vs. West Sabine (8-3), TBA

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**Quarterfinals**
Whitharral 51, Sands 20
Sanderson 49, Groom 35
Richland Springs 53, Blanket 6
Woodson 45, Calvert 26
**Semifinals**
Whitharral (13-0) vs. Sanderson (13-0), 7 p.m. Saturday at Garden City
Richland Springs (12-1) vs. Woodson (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Comanche

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — After an A-plus debut, Harry Potter's box-office grades have slipped to non-magical levels.

"Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" took in $24.1 million to remain the No. 1 movie for the third straight weekend. But its gross dropped 58 percent from last week's Friday-to-Sunday total, according to studio estimates Sunday. The film has taken in $220.1 million in 17 days.

"Behind Enemy Lines," starring Gene Hackman and Owen Wilson, opened in second place with $19.2 million. "Spy Game" was third with $11.2 million.

In limited release, Hilary Swank's historical drama "The Affair of the Necklace" opened with $136,000 in 18 theaters for a healthy average of $7,556. The western "Texas Rangers" bombed with just $300,000 in 402 theaters for a feeble $746 average.

After a record-shattering $90.3 million debut two weeks ago and a huge take over the long Thanksgiving weekend, "Harry Potter" returned to earth. Such a fall is typical of big family films released around Thanksgiving. Theater crowds tail off as children return to school and parents are preoccupied with holiday shopping.

"Monsters, Inc.," another family hit, fell from second place to fourth with $9.4 million, a 61 percent decline from the previous Friday-through-Sunday. Last year, the gross for "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas" fell 48 percent the weekend after Thanksgiving.

"Harry Potter" and "Monsters, Inc." should see solid rebounds around Christmas and New Year's Day. Both holidays are prime time for family moviegoing. They fall on Tuesdays this year, meaning five-day holiday weekends that bode well for film attendance.

Distributor Warner Bros. expects "Harry Potter" to soar well past the $300 million mark and easily break into the top 10 list of all-time top-grossing films.

It could even head toward the $400 million mark, putting it among the top-grossing four or five films, said Jeff Goldstein, Warner's general sales manager.

Whether it can approach the $601 million of domestic box-office champ "Titanic" remains to be seen.

"It's just too early to tell," Goldstein said. "Whether we can go for the all-time record, that's something we won't know till four or five weeks out from now."

The movie might be able to match the $461 million gross of the No. 2 film, "Star Wars," or the $431 million take of No. 3 movie, "Star Wars: Episode I — The Phantom Menace." The top five is rounded out by "E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial" at $400 million and "Jurassic Park" at $357 million.

"Titanic" actually opened with good but unspectacular numbers, grossing $28.6 million. But it was king of the world for staying power, remaining the No. 1 film for months.

"'Titanic' was a marathoner. Most films today are sprinters," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of box-office tracker Exhibitor Relations. "It's a difficult comparison for any film to be held up in comparison to 'Titanic.'"

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at North American theaters, according to Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. Final figures were to be released today.

1. "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," $24.1 million.
2. "Behind Enemy Lines," $19.2 million.
3. "Spy Game," $11.2 million.
4. "Monsters, Inc.," $9.4 million.
5. "Black Knight," $5.7 million.
6. "Shallow Hal," $4.7 million.
7. "Out Cold," $2.9 million.
8. "Domestic Disturbance," $1.9 million.
9. "Amelie," $1.4 million.
10. "Heist," $1.2 million.

# Ex-top Soviet germ weapons scientist looks for ways to stop biological war

MANASSAS, Va. (AP) — Dr. Ken Alibek has a radical theory about anthrax: What finally kills victims is bacteria-caused cellular sewage clogging the bloodstream, not the anthrax toxin typically blamed.

While other researchers hunt antitoxins, Alibek is building filters to scrub anthrax patients' blood clean.

The dialysis-like theory challenges scientific dogma. But the government and some top researchers are listening — because no one in the nation is believed to have more experience handling anthrax than Alibek, once the Soviet Union's second-in-command of developing germ weapons.

The kindly demeanor of this soft-spoken scientist, wearing a rumpled suit and weary smile, belies his past as a Red Army colonel who by his own count helped create enough anthrax-armed missiles to have killed millions.

But ask what prompts his filter theory and Alibek casually makes a startling claim: A similar approach once saved a Soviet colleague from certain death from Marburg virus, a hemorrhagic fever similar to the dreaded Ebola.

It is such untapped knowledge that persuaded the U.S. government to give this biowarrior-turned-biodefender $12 million in grants to hunt antidotes for anthrax and other killers.

"This work is sort of, I would say, remorse," Alibek, a physician by training, said in a recent interview. "I need to find solutions which would make biological weapons ineffective."

Alibek hunts solutions with 35 scientists at the small biotechnology company he heads, Hadron Advanced Biosystems, in this Washington suburb. It is a subsidiary of defense contractor Hadron Inc.

Germ-warfare specialists say no other lab claims a scientist with such day-to-day expertise in bioterror agents.

In one project, the lab is trying to create a nasal spray that might rev up the immune system to fend off numerous agents if used after an attack. Triggering this "nonspecific immunity" is a controversial idea, but one that several other laboratories also are exploring.

For anthrax specifically, Hadron is doing "very careful" research into ways to block the bacterium at the molecular level, said Dr. C.J. Peters, former chief of special pathogens at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"Right now you take your antibiotic and take your chances," said Peters, a microbiologist now at the University of Texas, Galveston. If such experiments ultimately work, "you could take antibiotics later and later and still survive."

Alibek, a Kazakh by birth once known as Kanatjan Alibekov, spent 15 years with Biopreparat, the vast Soviet germ weapons program. He defected in 1992, convincing U.S. intelligence that the Soviet program was larger and more sophisticated than previously known.

In his 1999 book "Biohazard," Alibek wrote that Soviet scientists bioengineered germ weapons because they thought Americans were. He described a 1991 Soviet inspection of Fort Detrick, Md., that persuaded him that was not true. The Army program, which actually hunted for vaccines, had two anthrax specialists, compared with Biopreparat's 2,000.

# Wastewater flows into Rio Grande

McALLEN (AP) — An independent water test shows that a prison in Reynosa, Mexico, dumps thousands of gallons of untreated human waste daily into a canal that empties into the Rio Grande, a newspaper reported.

Anne Skaria, president of the McAllen-based Allergy and Indoor Quality Lab, Inc., said she observed fecal coliform bacteria in a sample taken directly from small pipes protruding from the prison wall.

She also detected the presence of E. coli, a species of bacteria that can cause severe intestinal problems, according to Sunday editions of The Monitor in McAllen.

Skaria's tests, from an independent sampling requested by The Monitor, indicate that the water being expelled from El Centro de Readaptacin Social — a joint state and federal facility known as El CERESO — far exceeds safety levels determined by the U.S. government.

Texas Natural Resource and Conservation Commission officials have warned people not to swim or fish in the Rio Grande because of the high fecal coliform levels. Reynosa is across the border from McAllen.

# Dr. Gott

**By Peter Gott, M.D.**



## *Dry eyes related to autoimune disease*

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** After having suffered from dry eyes and mouth, my daughter was diagnosed with Sjogren's syndrome. She was told that the disease is incurable, yet I have read that it is treatable. Please explain.

**DEAR READER:** Sjogren's syndrome, a chronic inflammatory disorder of many bodily organs, is believed to be an autoimmune disease — one of several disorders, such as lupus and rheumatoid arthritis, marked by the body's allergic reaction to its own normal tissues. No one knows why the immune system overreacts and tries to destroy healthy cells as though they were foreign invaders. Autoimmune diseases are quite common.

Sjogren's syndrome affects primarily the eyes and mouth (which become extremely dry) and the joints (stiffness and pain). In addition, about one-third of patients develop enlarged parotid glands, the salivary glands in the cheeks.

Severe Sjogren's syndrome causes dryness in other tissues as well, including the skin, nose, respiratory tract and vagina. The intestinal tract and liver may be affected (shrinkage and malfunction), as can the heart, lymph nodes and kidneys. Although the syndrome usually exists in a mild, chronic form and treatment will slow progression of the disease, the affliction may, in rare instances, be complicated by lymphoma, a type of lymph gland cancer.

Like many medical conditions, Sjogren's syndrome is treatable — but not curable. It's important to make this distinction. Most diseases are treatable (insulin for diabetes, drugs for hypertension and so forth), but surprisingly few disorders are curable - antibiotic treatment for infections and chemotherapy for cancer notwithstanding.

Therapy for Sjogren's includes eye drops (to keep the corneas moist), mouthwashes and sugarless gum (to wet the mouth) and steroid drugs (to reduce inflammation).

In my opinion, your daughter should be seen by a rheumatologist, who can offer a program of treatment and supervision, in conjunction with her primary care physician.

**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 $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167.** Be sure to mention the title.

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** I suffer from blepharitis. Four ophthalmologists have not been able to help me. Should I see a dermatologist?

**DEAR READER:** Blepharitis is an inflammation of the eyelid margins, usually caused by bacterial infection (such as staph) but sometimes due to allergies or skin conditions, such as eczema or seborrhea.

Antibiotic creams or drops usually clear up bacterial blepharitis. However, non-infectious cases are much more difficult to eradicate.

If your ophthalmologists have been unable to solve your problem, I agree that a dermatologist is the next logical step. The skin specialist may be able to help you — or refer you to an allergist if necessary.

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** My tongue is coated with irregular white patches, even though I rinse my mouth daily and scrub my tongue with a toothbrush. An ear-nose-and-throat specialist has diagnosed "geographic tongue" and told me nothing can be done. I'd like to have a pink, healthy tongue again. Do you agree?

**DEAR READER:** The cause of geographic tongue is unknown and the condition is harmless; it usually disappears in months or years. The otolaryngologist is correct. Actually, you may be making matters worse by rinsing and scrubbing. Just brush and floss your teeth, forget about your tongue and be patient.

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# Markets

## Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP) -

| | High | Low | Last | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| AMR Corp | 21.43 | 20.30 | 20.49 | —.87 |
| AOL TimeWm | 34.79 | 33.50 | 34.08 | —.82 |
| AT&T Corp s | 17.45 | 16.92 | 16.96 | —.53 |
| Albertsons | 33.75 | 33.09 | 33.34 | —.22 |
| Alltel | 64.95 | 64.26 | 64.39 | —.69 |
| AmEl Pw | 41.46 | 41.02 | 41.43 | + .18 |
| AndarkPtr | 52.87 | 51.02 | 52.72 | + .82 |
| ATMOS Egy | 19.75 | 19.45 | 19.60 | |
| Aviall | 5.45 | 5.20 | 5.38 | + .16 |
| BP PLC | 44.24 | 43.40 | 44.21 | + .04 |
| BakerHughes | 34.32 | 32.53 | 34.14 | + 1.17 |
| Bank of Amer | 61.10 | 60.49 | 60.70 | —.68 |
| BellSouth | 38.89 | 38.10 | 38.85 | + .35 |
| vjBeth Steel | .37 | .36 | .36 | —.01 |
| BurlNoSFe | 29.31 | 28.78 | 29.00 | —.31 |
| Caterpillar | 47.42 | 46.70 | 47.05 | —.37 |
| ChevronTex | 86.55 | 84.36 | 86.49 | + 1.48 |
| Citigroup | 48.00 | 46.82 | 46.88 | —1.02 |
| CocaCola | 46.55 | 46.22 | 46.40 | —.56 |
| ColgatePal | 58.12 | 57.40 | 57.86 | —.50 |
| ComclMetals | 32.99 | 32.90 | 32.97 | —.03 |
| CooperIn | 40.80 | 40.35 | 40.70 | —.15 |
| DaimlrChry | 41.41 | 41.00 | 41.23 | —.76 |
| DeltaAirl | 28.38 | 27.61 | 27.64 | —1.34 |
| Dillards Inc | 16.45 | 16.15 | 16.29 | —.26 |
| DowChem | 37.50 | 36.66 | 36.90 | —.60 |
| DuPont | 43.80 | 43.10 | 43.50 | —.84 |
| EastmanChem | 37.77 | 37.28 | 37.55 | —.82 |
| EstKodak | 30.40 | 29.62 | 29.98 | —.29 |
| EDS Corp | 69.60 | 68.25 | 69.42 | + .20 |
| Entergy | 36.91 | 36.60 | 36.79 | —.11 |
| ExxonMobil s | 37.84 | 37.04 | 37.78 | + .38 |
| FootLocker | 16.10 | 15.75 | 15.77 | —.37 |
| GenDynam | 83.15 | 82.50 | 82.71 | —.44 |
| GenElec | 38.40 | 37.00 | 37.36 | —1.14 |
| GenMills | 49.60 | 49.10 | 49.43 | + .06 |
| GenMotors | 48.51 | 48.06 | 48.12 | —1.58 |
| GaPacGP | 32.25 | 31.70 | 31.92 | —.14 |
| Goodrich | 24.32 | 23.69 | 23.90 | —.47 |
| Goodyear s | 22.25 | 21.60 | 21.88 | —.52 |
| GtAtlPac | 24.40 | 23.91 | 24.10 | + .15 |
| Halliburtn | 22.08 | 21.06 | 21.91 | + .48 |
| Hanson ADS | 33.23 | 32.70 | 33.23 | —.28 |
| HarteHanks | 25.15 | 24.91 | 25.15 | + .15 |
| HomeDepot | 46.80 | 46.25 | 46.49 | —.16 |
| Honeywellntl | 33.00 | 32.26 | 32.52 | —.62 |
| IBM | 114.85 | 113.21 | 113.77 | —1.82 |
| IntlPaper | 39.95 | 39.30 | 39.65 | —.30 |
| JohnsonJn s | 58.74 | 57.80 | 58.50 | + .25 |
| K mart | 6.01 | 5.86 | 5.94 | —.16 |
| KinderMorg | 49.65 | 48.61 | 49.49 | + .56 |
| Kroger Co | 25.40 | 25.04 | 25.15 | —.17 |
| LockheedM | 46.90 | 46.10 | 46.70 | + .25 |
| Lowes Cos s | 45.80 | 44.90 | 45.65 | + .34 |
| Lubys | 7.60 | 7.18 | 7.19 | + .09 |
| LucentTech | 7.43 | 7.21 | 7.32 | |
| MayDeptStr | 35.84 | 34.70 | 35.00 | —.84 |
| Medtronic | 47.53 | 47.06 | 47.51 | + .23 |
| Motorola | 16.62 | 16.35 | 16.58 | + .04 |
| NCR Corp | 38.25 | 37.79 | 38.11 | —.32 |
| Navistar | 36.60 | 35.75 | 36.12 | —.47 |
| Penney JC | 25.21 | 24.82 | 24.96 | —.36 |
| PepBoys | 16.59 | 15.90 | 16.23 | —.37 |
| PepsiCo | 48.72 | 48.34 | 48.55 | —.08 |
| Pharmacia | 44.38 | 43.65 | 43.83 | —.57 |
| PhelpDodge | 34.95 | 34.25 | 34.45 | —1.38 |
| PhilipPet | 56.39 | 54.88 | 56.36 | + .73 |
| PilgrmPrd B | 14.05 | 13.50 | 13.55 | —.60 |
| Praxair | 52.93 | 52.05 | 52.50 | —.42 |
| ProctGamb | 77.45 | 76.73 | 76.81 | —.65 |
| PubS NwMx | 26.46 | 25.89 | 26.42 | + .42 |
| RadioShack | 29.16 | 28.27 | 28.40 | —.56 |
| ReliantEngy | 25.26 | 24.78 | 24.85 | —.70 |
| RoyalDut | 48.83 | 47.80 | 48.78 | + .44 |
| SBC Comm | 37.90 | 37.34 | 37.77 | + .39 |
| SaraLee | 21.92 | 21.58 | 21.88 | |
| Scripps EW | 63.79 | 63.51 | 63.62 | —.23 |
| SearsRoeb | 44.98 | 44.39 | 44.69 | —.82 |
| SherwinW | 27.99 | 27.45 | 27.81 | —.18 |
| SouthernCo s | 22.93 | 22.71 | 22.85 | + .10 |
| SwstAirl s | 18.70 | 18.41 | 18.45 | —.29 |
| SprintFON | 22.05 | 21.62 | 21.73 | —.06 |
| SprintPCS | 25.21 | 25.00 | 25.01 | + .06 |
| Sunoco Inc | 36.94 | 35.80 | 36.84 | + .28 |
| TXU Corp | 45.15 | 44.84 | 44.95 | —.15 |
| TempleInland | 56.94 | 56.05 | 56.35 | —.79 |
| Textind | 34.75 | 33.54 | 33.62 | —1.13 |
| TexasInst | 32.10 | 31.09 | 31.24 | —.81 |
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| UnionPacif | 55.00 | 54.21 | 54.47 | —.58 |
| UnitedTech | 59.51 | 58.62 | 58.84 | —1.36 |
| Unocal | 33.80 | 32.48 | 33.70 | + .81 |
| VerizonComm | 47.46 | 46.95 | 47.46 | + .46 |
| WalMart | 55.90 | 54.18 | 54.57 | —.58 |
| WellsFargo | 42.79 | 42.43 | 42.50 | —.30 |
| WstrnGasRs | 30.30 | 29.46 | 30.18 | + .30 |
| WinnDixie | 13.75 | 13.41 | 13.54 | —.17 |
| Xerox Cp | 8.30 | 8.15 | 8.23 | —.17 |



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Phone#
Total Monthly Family Income $

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Age Sex
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# Oil Patch News

**Scurry County**

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# Covert warriors: Part spy, part commando

WASHINGTON (AP) — Somewhere between America's spies and commandos is a small group of men and women like Johnny "Mike" Spann, the CIA paramilitary officer killed by rioting prisoners in Afghanistan.

Part intelligence operative, part combat trooper, these officers were among the first Americans to cross the border into Afghanistan after the Sept. 11 — even before military commandos began reconnaissance missions.

"This is America's secret warfare," said Loch Johnson, a CIA expert at the University of Georgia, of the agency's paramilitary force.

U.S. officials will not say how many are in Afghanistan and the surrounding countries, except that the contingent is much smaller than the hundreds of U.S. military special operations forces.

They are believed to be supplying weapons, training and intelligence to rebels fighting the Taliban. They are gathering information on their own, interrogating prisoners and defectors. Some are working alongside the Army's Green Berets and other special operations forces, while others are on their own.

They come from within the CIA's Directorate of Operations, whose primary mission is to conduct clandestine intelligence-gathering. This includes traditional case officers, who work out of U.S. embassies, trying to make sources out of foreign government officials.

One branch, the Special Activities Division, is home to the CIA's offensive punch. Officers in this division are called upon when the president wants covertly to advance U.S. foreign policy, influencing a foreign government without any signs of U.S. action.

Inside the division are intelligence officers who can create economic and political disruptions in foreign countries. Others write propaganda to influence foreign elections.

The division also contains the Special Operations Group, which is the agency's elite paramilitary cadre.

Similar to the Green Berets, these officers can train and supply local dissident groups and friendly governments. They are capable of more direct action, as well, including breaking into secure buildings to steal information.

Within this group are land, sea and air divisions, whose officers can operate almost any kind of vehicle. They can infiltrate hostile countries and rescue U.S. officers or friendly foreign agents.

"These intelligence officers relish the peril of unmarked air flights behind enemy lines and the command of speedboats in hostile waters," wrote Johnson in "Bombs, Bugs, Drugs and Thugs," a book published last year about the U.S. intelligence community.

They also provide combat training to regular CIA case officers.

Unlike the Green Berets, these officers can operate without uniform or identification as an officer of the U.S. government. If one is caught or killed, the government can plausibly deny their use. Unlike most military special operations forces, there are women among the CIA's paramilitary ranks.

In recent decades, the paramilitary force has seen heavy use in Central America, Angola and Afghanistan. In Nicaragua, they mined the harbors and armed the Contra rebels during the Reagan administration. In Afghanistan, they helped the mujahedeen fight the Soviet invasion. During the Vietnam War, they ran "Air America" — the CIA's covert effort in Laos.

# Liverpool remembers George Harrison

LIVERPOOL, England (AP) — Prayers of remembrance were said for George Harrison in his home city Sunday — in churches, cathedrals and at makeshift street-corner shrines.

Three days after 58-year-old Harrison died from cancer in California, Canon Michael Wolfe offered a prayer of thanksgiving for "the Liverpool Beatle, George Harrison" at the city's Anglican cathedral.

Wolfe told about 200 parishioners in the vast and echoing cathedral that Harrison would be remembered "for his contribution over the years to song and music, and for his work for charity."

As Liverpool launched into the Christmas holiday season Sunday with a parade, many in the city paused quietly to remember the local son who bore his fame and his illness with equal forbearance.

"George will be remembered for being dignified about being a member of The Beatles," said 21-year-old James Elliker, stopping outside the gates of Strawberry Field, the Salvation Army children's home immortalized in a Beatles song. "He'll be remembered as the nice one."

Behind him a sign pinned to the red wrought-iron gates echoed Harrison's final message to his fans: "Love one another."

Notes, flowers and cards continued to arrive at Beatles sites across Liverpool on Sunday — at the tiny terraced house where Harrison spent the first seven years of his life; by the road sign at the top of Penny Lane, the quiet suburban street the band eulogized in song. They were left by people who paused for a moment in silence before moving on.

As costumed revelers and folk dancers prepared for the Christmas parade at Liverpool Town Hall, people trickled in to sign a book of condolence that has been open since Harrison's death was announced on Friday. An ambulance worker added her message to more than 1,000 in the book, as did a mother with her four children.

"As long as people need to sign it, it'll stay out," said Stephen Gibbs, assistant head of the Lord Mayor's office. "At the moment, a lot of people are in mourning."

Some mourners feel the loss as if he were a close friend.

"We came because we can feel him here," said Diane Machin, her jacket covered in Beatles patches and her eyes red from tears.

"Yesterday we spent watching television and listening to all the tributes," Machin said as she stood outside Liverpool's Cavern Club, where the Beatles launched their career in the 1960s. "Today we wanted to grieve with people who feel the same way we do."

Harrison may have a final gift for his fans. British newspapers reported that the former Beatle recorded a final album — his first studio album since the 1980s — in the months before his death.


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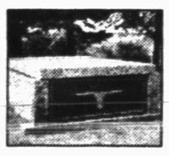
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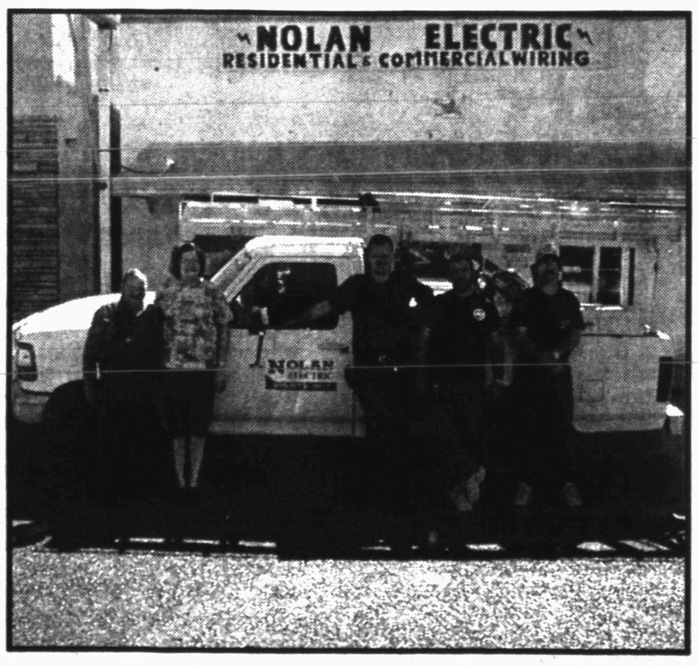

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**THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS**

# Ira Menu

All schools are served with choice of milk.

**BREAKFAST**
**Tuesday**
Oatmeal or Cream of Wheat
Cinnamon Toast
Juice
**Wednesday**
Biscuits & Gravy
Sausage
Hash Browns
Juice
**Thursday**
Banana Muffins
Fruit
**Friday**
Breakfast Burritos
Juice

**LUNCH**
**Tuesday**
Steak Fingers w/Gravy
Green Beans
Mashed Potatoes
Hot Rolls
Chocolate Pudding
**Wednesday**
Biscuits & Gravy
Sausage
Hash Browns
Juice
**Thursday**
Chicken Enchiladas
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# FBI to be reorganized

WASHINGTON (AP) — FBI Director Robert Mueller is poised to announce a reorganization to strengthen the bureau's ability to fight terrorism.

Mueller is expected to dismantle the FBI's investigative services division, which does analysis and threat assessments, and redeploy the section's analysts to the FBI's counterterrorism, criminal, national security and other divisions.

The investigative services division was formed two years ago under Mueller's predecessor, Louis Freeh. The move was part of a restructuring to shore up the bureau's ability to identify and prevent terrorism and other crimes, rather than investigating crimes or attacks after they have occurred.

Analysts who pore through information collected in investigations were consolidated into one division.

# Obituaries

## Iva Lee Krop

**1921-2001**

Iva Lee Krop, longtime resident of Snyder, died Sunday, Dec. 2, in Seminole Memorial Hospital following a long battle with cancer.

Service for Mrs. Krop, 80, is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Union Baptist Church. J.M. Mosley, a former pastor, and Cliffton Griffith, pastor, will officiate. Interment will follow in the Snyder Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.



Iva Lee Krop

Born May 20, 1921 near Purves in Erath County, Mrs. Krop moved to Scurry County in 1946. Two years ago she moved to the Memorial Health Care Center in Seminole to be near her daughter. Mrs. Krop was a member of Union Baptist Church. She had been a longtime member of the TOPS organization.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harvey (Boog) Krop in 1978; one granddaughter, Katrina Krop; her parents Jesse and Dora Landes; one brother, Bob Landes; and a brother-in-law, Foster Whitehead.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Donna and O.L. Bronner of Seminole; two sons and a daughter-in-law, Billy and Nola Krop and Kent Krop, all of Snyder; three brothers and sisters-in-law, Loys and Dorothy Landes of Rotan, Cecil and Maxine Landes of Avondale, Ariz., and Coy and Annette Landes of Crowley; two sisters and a brother-in-law, Inez Whitehead of Temple and Patricia and Lawrence Outlaw of Snyder; two sisters-in-law, Odessa Wood of Odessa and Mae Hancock of Snyder; other special family members, Halley Jones of Temple, Mervene Felty of Sequim, Wash., Wayne Hilcher of Plano and Michelle Kuhl of Snyder; three aunts, Floye Johnson of Snyder, Enda Shifflett of Mesa, Ariz., and Leamon Blumberg of San Diego; and an uncle, Lester Malone of Fort Walton Beach, Fla.

Nephews will serve as pallbearers.

Family visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday. Lunch will be provided by the women of the Union Baptist Church at noon Wednesday.

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## Lorna Thompson

**1954-2001**

Lorna Thompson, 47, died this morning at her home in Snyder following a long illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Thompson, a homemaker, is set for 4 p.m. Wednesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Cremation is planned.



Thompson

She was born Feb. 15, 1954 in Artesia, N.M.

Survivors include two daughters and a son-in-law, Shanna and Michael Porter of Snyder and Holly Williams of Abilene; a son, Jeff Williams of Abilene; a special friend, Mark Mueller of Snyder; a brother, Rick Bautisto of Boerne; two sisters, Sandra Smith of Hughes Springs and Kathy Newkirk of Red River, N.M.; her parents, Audean and Loren Bautisto of Hughes Springs; two grandchildren, Shyann and Savanna Porter of Snyder; and eight nieces and nephews.

## Geraldine Sims

**1917-2001**

Geraldine Riley Sims, 84, died this morning in Trigg Memorial Hospital in Tucumcari, N.M., after a lengthy illness.

Services for Mrs. Sims are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born April 1, 1917 in Snyder, she had lived in Odessa and Fort Worth and was employed as a printer for All Church Press in Fort Worth.

A Presbyterian, she also had lived in Alaska and Oregon while working for Western Union.

She was preceded in death by a son, Bob Sims.

Survivors include a sister, Dorothy Randall of Tucumcari; and two brothers, Lanham Riley of Aledo and James Riley of Lincoln, Neb.

## Nancy Bihl

**1933-2001**

Nancy Bihl, a native of Scurry County, died Saturday, Dec. 1, in Chistus St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris, Tex. after a long illness.

Graveside service for Mrs. Bihl, 68, is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Ira Cemetery with the Rev. Charles Day, pastor of the Ave. D Baptist Church, officiating.

She was born Nov. 19, 1933 in Ira. She was also reared in Ira.

Survivors include two sisters, Pearl Hall of Arthur City, Tex., and Leeola Harris of Greenville.

## Letha Hollis

**1915-2001**

CRANE – Letha Hollis, a former resident of Snyder, died Friday, Nov. 30, in Fairfax, Va., after a long illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Hollis, 86, is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Shaffer-Nichols Funeral Home with the Rev. Steve Baker, pastor of the Crane First Baptist Church, officiating.

Born July 28, 1915 in Claremont, she move to Crane with her family at an early age. She married T.J. "Jimmy" Hollis in 1935. He preceded her in death as did her parents, Billy and Prudy Chaffin; and three brothers, Joe, Ed and Jack Chaffin.

She lived in Midland for the past 35 years, but previously had lived in Crane, Big Lake, Snyder, Lovington, N.M., and Hobbs, N.M.

Survivors include a son, Allan Hollis of McLean, Va.; two granddaughters; and one great-granddaughter.

## "Sonne" Umberson

**1910-2001**

ABILENE – Raul Lyle "Sonne" Umberson, a former resident of Snyder, died Thursday, Nov. 29, in an Abilene hospital.

Funeral service for Mr. Umberson, 91, was set for 11 a.m. today in the Abilene Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Ed Enzor officiating.

Born July 18, 1910 in Andrews, he married Juanita Plumlee on June 20, 1940 in San Antonio.

Mr. Umberson was an electrician for Exxon and retired in 1967. He was a Master Mason and a member of the Masonic Lodge in Andrews.

Survivors include his wife, Juanita Umberson of Abilene; a sister, Delma Mead of Houston; and numerous nieces and nephews.

## John Wilson

**1914-2001**

SEYMOUR – John Debs Wilson, the father of Deborah McLarty of Snyder, died Saturday, Dec. 1, at his home in Seymour.

Funeral service for Mr. Wilson, 87, was set for 2 p.m. today in the Seymour Memorial Funeral Home Chapel. Dr. Edward Hart and Bob Hayley Jr. were to officiate. Masonic graveside service was to follow in the Bomarton Cemetery.

Born April 11, 1914 in Alba, Tex., he moved to the Bomarton community at an early age and graduated from Bomarton High School in 1932.

He married Mary Catherine Reed on April 1, 1939 in Seymour. Mr. Wilson was a farmer and a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

A member of the Seymour Masonic Lodge, he also was a member of the Knox Lodge and the Eastern Star. He was a former Worshipful Master and served as the District Deputy Grand Master in 1982.

Survivors also include his wife, Catherine Wilson of Seymour; a son, David Wilson of Bay St. Louis, Miss.; a son-in-law, Lynn McLarty of Snyder; four grandchildren, Daron Wilson, Reed Wilson, Erik Wagoner and Kirsten Lancaster; seven great-grandchildren, Jessica Boyd, Victoria Wilson, Kevin Wilson, Blake Wilson, J.D. Wagoner, Wilson Wagoner and Jane Wagoner; and one great-great-grandchild, Tristan Boyd.

## Jack Weaver

**1945-2001**

MENARD – Jack Edward Weaver, the brother of Mickey Baird of Snyder, died Saturday, Dec. 1, in San Antonio.

Funeral service for Mr. Weaver, 56, is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Menard Cowboy Church and burial will follow in the Fort McKavett Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Heritage Funeral Home.

Born Feb. 3, 1945 in Eden, Mr. Weaver was the recipient of a donated heart last May at the Texas Transplant Institute of San Antonio. He was an inspector for the Department of Agriculture.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mackey and Dorothy Weaver.

Survivors include his wife, Connie Weaver of Menard; a daughter and son-in-law, Holly and Kevin Rygaard; stepchildren, Traci and Dale Grimes and TraDonna Salathiel; five other sisters, Debbie Lang of Mountain Home, Dottie Carlson of Rochelle, Lisa Murchison of Brady, Melanie Org of Covington, La., and Tammye Haag of Harper; and an aunt, Fran Hendrickson.

## Irene Merritt

**1916-2001**

HEREFORD – Memorial service for Irene Merritt was set for 2 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church. The Rev. Terry Cosby was to officiate. Her body was donated to medical science and arrangements were under the direction of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Merritt, 85, died Saturday, Dec. 1.

Born Sept. 3, 1916 in Leaday, she married G.C. Merritt Sr. on Dec. 10, 1933 in Snyder. He died in 1981.

Mrs. Merritt moved from Midland to Deaf Smith County in 1938. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, G.C. Merritt of Hereford; a brother, Elmer Pence of Placentia, Calif.; a sister, Emma Lee Bailey of Longview; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

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## ONGOINGS

### Head Start fundraiser

Early Head Start and Head Start programs are selling raffle tickets for a drawing to be held Dec. 13. There will be a drawing for $100 worth of groceries from Davidson's Supermarket and another drawing for a $50 gift certificate from Wal-Mart. Proceeds will be used to buy Christmas gifts for students. Come by 2800 2nd St. or call 573-7403. Last ticket sales day is today.

### Tiger's Lair deadline

Today is the deadline for senior dedications to be submitted for the 2002 SHS yearbook. Cost is $45 for a color photo and message. Call 573-6301, ext. 35 for additional information.

### Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 this evening is "How the Cross Changes People," followed by "Does God Answer Prayer?"

### Snyder Lions Club

Snyder Lions Club members are to bring a toy to Tuesday's noon meeting or be fined. The toy will go to Toys for Kids Christmas project headed by the Girl Scouts.

### GED testing dates

GED testing for the first time or re-testing will be held Tuesday, 5-9 p.m.; Thursday 5-9 p.m.; and Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For further information, call Molly Kattes at 573-2919 or Emily Hataway at 573-8511, ext. 297 or 574-2112.

### Hospice open house

Community Care Hospice staff and volunteers will host an open house from 5 to 6 p.m. Tuesday in the First Baptist Church Garden Room. Everyone is invited.

### Korean War display

The Scurry County Museum is honoring veterans of the Korean War with displays of memorabilia through Tuesday.

### "Married for Life"

"Married for Life" information night will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at The Word of Life Church, 312 Coliseum Drive. Home Bible study groups will soon start. For information, call Doug or Donna Nehring at 573-7471.

### Nurse testing dates

Testing for the next class of the Vocational Nursing program at Western Texas College will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and also on Dec. 15, Jan. 22, and Jan. 29, with the last day to interview set for Feb. 2. Classes are scheduled to begin March 4. Potential students must bring a photo ID. To schedule an appointment, call the Counseling Center at 573-8511 ext. 313.

### Ira booster club

The Ira booster club will meet at 8:15 p.m. Wednesday in the school cafeteria.

### Benefit concert

Everyone is invited to a benefit concert at 4 p.m. Saturday at Towle Park Barn by Heart-N-Soul, a local Christian band. Proceeds will be used to help defray expenses incurred by Richard Bross following his heart attack and heart surgery.

# Man taken into custody for drugs, evading arrest

***•Arrests***

Officers arrested a 28-year-old man in the 500 block of 26th Street at 4:30 p.m. Saturday for resisting arrest and also for use of an inhalant. He was taken into custody after his mother requested officers at the residence in reference to him assaulting his wife.

An 18-year-old man was taken into custody by a DPS trooper at 11 p.m. Saturday for consuming alcohol as a minor. He was transported to the law enforcement center and later released to his mother.

A DPS trooper arrested a 25-year-old man at 11:35 p.m. for presenting false identification.

At 1:20 a.m. Sunday a 26-year-old man was taken into custody from the 2500 block of Ave. R for driving while intoxicated and on outstanding Amarillo warrants for speeding and failure to appear.

A woman reported a fight in a residence in the 2900 block of Ave. Z early Sunday morning. Officers responded and arrested two 24-year-old men on alcohol-related charges.

At 2:40 a.m. Sunday, 9-1-1 dispatchers received a call from a woman reporting a fight in the 600 block of 29th Street. Officers were dispatched to the scene and arrested a 26-year-old man for evading arrest and public intoxication.

***•Assault***

A woman requested an officer at her residence at 6 p.m. Saturday in reference to being assaulted by a man at a residence in the 1300 block of 19th Street. An officer responded to the scene and advised a report for assault and family violence would be submitted.

***•Suicide threat***

Officers were requested at a residence at 9:50 a.m. Saturday in reference to a man threatening to cut himself. Four Snyder patrol units responded to the residence and advised an offense report for threatening suicide would be submitted.

***•Dog bites***

Three people were bitten by dogs last weekend, all within one hour of each other on Saturday afternoon.

At 3:45 Lawana Rigney requested an officer at 3112 40th Street in reference to a child having been bitten by a dog. A Cogdell Hospital employee requested an officer at the hospital at 4:10 p.m. in reference to a dog bite.

At 4:40 Teresa Davis requested an officer on Muriel Dr. in reference to her granddaughter being bitten by a dog. The dogs were taken to the shelter and offense reports were filed in each case.

***•Criminal trespass***

Officers responded to a woman's apartment at the Kingswood complex in reference to someone knocking on her door. The officers advised a criminal trespass warning was issued to another woman ordering her to stay away from the apartment.

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# NYC: Sept. 11 attacks increase migration

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Phillip and Donna Kahan liked living on Manhattan's Upper West Side, but had considered moving to New Jersey for better schools for their children, ages 41/2 and 2.

The World Trade Center attacks settled the debate for the family, who already owned a business in New Jersey.

"September 11th pushed her way over the edge," Phillip Kahan said of his wife. "She couldn't handle being at work in New Jersey, when there are bridges and tunnels to deal with, and the children are at school in New York,"

So the Kahans sold their apartment and are moving in February to a house in Demarest, about eight miles from upper Manhattan. And they're not alone.

The New Yorkers are moving out of the city and into the suburbs.

Some have moved, some are looking, and some of the wealthy who already owned summer homes outside the city have moved to them full-time.

It is too early for exact figures on any post-attack exodus to suburbs in Connecticut, New Jersey, and Westchester County and Long Island in New York, which have long been destinations for New Yorkers seeking cheaper housing or more space.

Officials said the numbers may surface in 2002 income tax filings, or in Census population estimates, both of which will not be available until 2003.

Evan and Marla Lerner are committed to leaving. They and their two daughters are among the 4,000 residents who were displaced from the Gateway Plaza section of Battery Park City after the attacks. One of the buildings in the complex still has not reopened, leaving about 1,000 people without homes.

"It was great, until someone decided to bomb our front lawn, so to speak," Marla Lerner said. "Our building was declared a crime scene. There were body parts. There were airplane parts. They were looking for the black box in our building."

The couple, who had lived in Manhattan for 20 years, had been considering hopping across the Hudson River and into New Jersey for schooling their daughters (4 years and 22 months). Sept. 11 "really helped us focus, and crystallize, on the decision to go to Jersey," said Lerner, 41.

Pat Eager, another Gateway refugee, was adamant about staying in New York City after the attacks. But the equity researcher changed her mind after finding an apartment in Hoboken, just a short bus, ferry or train trip from Manhattan.

"Downtown was wonderful. But it's not going to be wonderful for a long time," she said.

A Jersey-bound trend is clear to Applied Development, which has 5,000 rental units, including the new 526-unit building where Eager moved.

That building began renting just before Labor Day. With about 200 units rented, some 15 percent of the tenants are from Manhattan, about twice the normal rate for their buildings, said Michael Barry, a principal in Applied Development.

Connecticut hasn't seen many New Yorkers moving in yet, but may get some.

"All of us are working with clients that have been affected in some way," said Russell Pruner, who owns a real estate company in Greenwich, Conn. "We are clearly seeing people who are coming out from New York who are considering living here."

A large New York real estate broker reported a short-lived spurt after the attacks.

"We got a lot of apartments on the market, but some of them took them off and are staying," said Jeffrey Rothstein, executive vice president at Insignia Douglas Elliman, which also has offices in Connecticut, Long Island and New Jersey.

Another New Jersey house-hunter is Jeffrey Erber, 48, and his wife, Mami Ogawa, 35, an accountant, who were allowed back into their Gateway apartment in October. They were confronted with daily exposure to the illuminated cranes, and the memorials with teddy bears and pictures.

"It brings me to tears every night. It's a hard place to live now," said Erber, a native New Yorker who runs an eyeglass store on the Upper West Side.

"We had been thinking of moving out a while ago, but you kind of get stuck where you are. So this will be a very good catalyst to help us make the move," Erber said.

Other New Yorkers have sought solace at their second homes. The Cardelfe family left Battery Park City after the attacks and moved full-time to their weekend home in the oceanside town of Spring Lake.

Their daughter Anna Cardelfe, 6, was kidnapped from the front yard on Nov. 8 and held for ransom. She was returned unharmed the next day at a nearby mall without payment, authorities said. A Monmouth County man was charged with kidnapping.

The Lerner family, which was displaced from lower Manhattan, hopes to soon make the move to New Jersey. They expect to close this month on a four-bedroom colonial home on nearly an acre in central New Jersey.

"Both of us are going to feel much, much safer once we're across the river," she said. "We're all coming out there. New Jersey better get ready. A good portion of Battery Park City is moving there."

## Squaw cut from names at 3 locations

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — The Oregon Geographic Names Board has approved removing the word "squaw" from three areas in the Willamette National Forest.

That leaves about 170 spots — from rivers to ridges to ranger stations — tagged with the word, which refers to the female genitalia in the Algonquin language.

Saturday's unanimous vote was made by the 25-member group charged with naming natural features.

In June, the Legislature passed a law banning the term from public place names. Although local authorities or the federal government are responsible for erasing the word from man-made landmarks such as parks or street signs, the board is responsible for the natural features.

Among the name changes, Squaw Mountain is to be renamed Latiwi Mountain, the word Molala used to refer to themselves.

Maine and Minnesota have similar "squaw" bans.

## Bridge

### By Phillip Alder

North 12-03-01
♠ K 6 5
♥ 6 3
♦ 7 4 3
♣ K 10 9 8 5

West
♠ J 10 9 7 4
♥ 8 7 2
♦ Q 10 8
♣ 7 2

East
♠ 8
♥ Q J 10 9
♦ J 9 6 2
♣ A Q 4 3

South
♠ A Q 3 2
♥ A K 5 4
♦ A K 5
♣ J 6

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Both

| South | West | North | East |
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| 2 NT | Pass | 3 NT | All pass |

Opening lead: ♠ J

**Monday, Dec. 3, 2001**

### Another burst of prezzies

**By Phillip Alder**

With the holidays rapidly approaching, let's spend the week looking at some suitable gifts for bridge friends — or for yourself.

First, Marty Bergen's latest, "Marty Sez" (Magnus Books, 2001). You get 114 useful tips, one per page, covering all aspects of the game, but most (94) are about bidding. The book ends with a glossary.

In this deal, you are sitting East, looking at your hand and the dummy (North). Against three no-trump, your partner leads the spade jack. Declarer wins with the queen in his hand, then runs the club jack, partner playing the seven. How would you plan the defense?

Bergen — following present-day tournament style — recommends opening two no-trump with 20 or 21 points. This hand, with so many aces and kings, is arguably too strong, being worth a two-club opening and two-no-trump rebid, which in his style shows 22 or 23 points. With 24 points — lucky you! — force to game and hope partner doesn't have a Yarborough.

You must duck this trick. When partner follows to the next club, win and shift to the heart queen. As dummy's clubs are dead, South can collect only three spades, two hearts, two diamonds and one club. If you grab the first club trick, he will win your heart shift and continue clubs until you take your ace. With the spade king as a dummy entry, declarer will rake in an overtrick with three spades, two hearts, two diamonds and three clubs.

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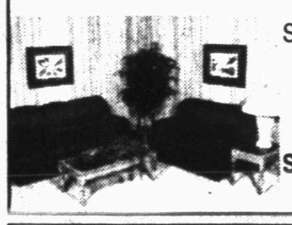
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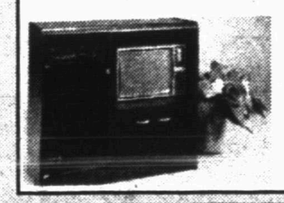
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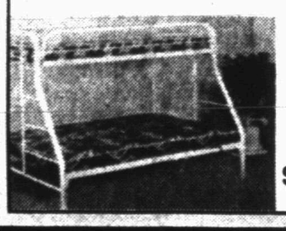
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