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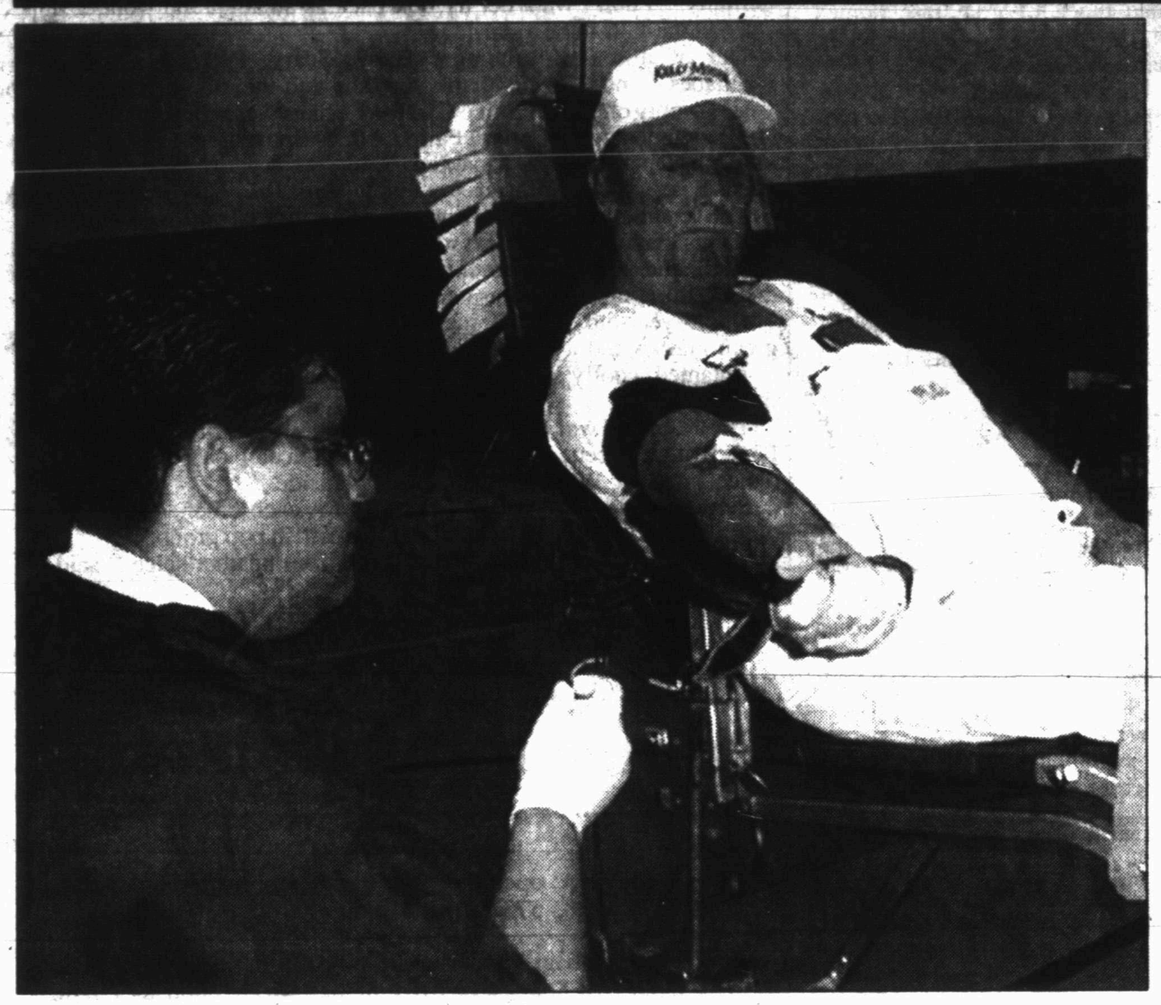
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Home Of Suzie Morrell



BLOOD DRIVE — Phlebotomist Efrain Martinez with the Texas Blood Institute checks Richard West's blood flow during the blood drive held Tuesday at the Family Life Center of First Baptist Church. Cogdell Memorial Hospital employees and their families will be able to donate today until 5 p.m. (SDN Staff Photo)

For early voting...

Election interest high, but falling short of '96 turnout

While interest continues to mount in Tuesday's general election as evidenced by almost 1,000 early votes having been cast, it does not appear that the total will reach that of the 1996 general election.

That year, 2,537 early votes were cast as Bill Clinton was re-elected president.

The total may not even reach the total of early votes cast in last year's election on the leasing of Cogdell Hospital as 1,820 people voted early in that election.

Registered voters have until 5 p.m. Friday to vote early at the courthouse.

Through 5 p.m. Tuesday, 996 people had cast early ballots, according to County Clerk Joan Bunch.

The early voting booths are located on the third floor of the courthouse and voters may cast their ballots from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Voters need to bring their voter registration cards or another form of identification, said Bunch.

There are contested races for two seats on the Scurry County Commissioners Court, while incumbents in the State Legislature and U.S. Congress are facing serious challenges.

In Scurry County's Precinct 2 commissioner election, incumbent Republican commissioner Roy Idom is being challenged by Democrat Linda Sellars.

Idom has served as the commissioner for the past seven years, while Sellars is a 14-year employee of the county tax office.

In Precinct 4, Chloanne Lindsey and Milton Adams are vying for the commissioner's spot now held by Jerry Gannaway, who chose not to run for re-election.

Mrs. Lindsey, a Democrat, has been deputy county auditor for nine years. Adams, a Republican, is a farmer and oil company consultant. He is a former president of the Hermleigh school board.

There is also a contested race for Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 as Democratic incumbent John Williamson is being challenged by independent candidate Pamela Bryant.

In the District 70 race for State Representative, incumbent David Counts (D-Knox City) is being challenged again by Scott McLaughlin (R-Big Spring).

The race for U.S. Representive in the 17th District is also a repeat of 1996.

Incumbent Charles Stenholm (D-Stamford) is facing Rudy Izzard (R-Abilene).

State Senator Tom Haywood (R-Wichita Falls) is being challenged by Democrat Greg Underwood of Bowie.

Haywood will be on the campus of Western Texas College at 1:45 p.m. Thursday as he will tour the Workforce Development Center.

Cogdell Hospital board meets Thursday a.m. for short agenda

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers will have a brief agenda to cover when it meets Thursday morning at 8 o'clock.

Dr. Gary Nussey will present the medical staff report which will include recommendations on approving medical staff applications.

The September financial report will be given by hospital controller Selina McGuire, and Chief Executive Officer Jeff Reecer will discuss informational items with the board.

Sherma Barham, the hospital's year 2000 project coordinator, will also give a report.

THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

Countdown going well for Discovery

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The countdown toward the launch of John Glenn and his six crewmates rolled on smoothly today, with NASA officials saying preparations were nearly flawless for Thursday's liftoff.

Glenn, a 77-year-old senator poised to return to space 36 years after becoming the first American in orbit, spent most of the day with the other astronauts in the crew quarters. They reviewed flight documents and attended a briefing on the mission progress.

NASA test director Steve Altemus said the countdown ranks with the smoothest of his experience. The lack of problems, he said, make Discovery's preparations "right up there with the best of them."

The T-38 jet training rides that are a tradition the day before launch were postponed from morning to late afternoon, and Glenn and three other crew members decided not to participate. NASA officials said those flights are optional for the non-pilot astronauts. Glenn is a veteran pilot with thousands of jet hours, but on the shuttle mission he is officially the lowest-ranking payload specialist.

Doug Ward, a NASA spokesman, said that payload specialists often are not included in the pre-mission flights and that no significance should be attached to Glenn's decision.

Pilot astronauts fly the jets, zooming around the Kennedy Space Center area, as a way of keeping sharp. "It keeps their skills honed to a peak right before launch," Altemus said.

Loading of rocket propellants into Discovery's large external fuel tank was scheduled to begin at 5:40 a.m. Thursday. It takes about three hours to load the tank with more than a half-million gallons of liquid oxygen and hydrogen.

The weather forecast remained excellent for launch, forecasters said.

Hurricane Mitch, which NASA weather observers had been following closely, veered westward Tuesday, away from Florida. It was not expected to have any effect on the space mission, but NASA forecaster Ed Priselac said that the storm could still head toward the southeastern United States next week.

"It is truly an unknown where Mitch will end up," said Priselac.

The feller on Deep Creek says, "You can choose to be happy or..."

We heard it first from coffee chum Harold Denson.

Now we've seen it in print — in Industry Insights magazine.

It just goes to prove that Denson is on the leading edge of technology — despite his humble claim that his used car dealership computer consists of two nails — one for income and one for outgo.

While most folks generally know the price of a gallon of gasoline or the current price of a barrel of crude oil, there are some items that may surprise you.

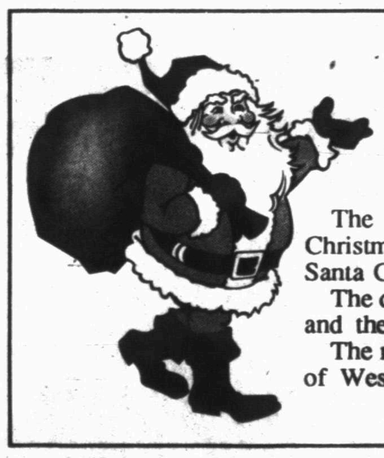
On the day the comparisons were made, the price of West Texas intermediate sweet crude was $15.23 per barrel.

The cost of the same amount of refined gasoline would be $21.84 (wholesale before tax) and $45.36 retail after the state and federal tax is added.

Here's what the price per barrels would be for these other popular liquids:

--Coca Cola: $78.73.
--Milk: $126.
--Evian Water: $189.90.
--Orange juice: $251.16.
--Snapple: $267.12.
--Perrier Water: $328.67.
--Budweiser: $342.72.
--Lemon Oil: $390.88.
--Crisco Oil: $435.12.
--Scope Mouthwash: $826.65.
--Sunflower Oil: $971.04.
--Olive Oil: $1,324.38
--Pinot Griego Wine: $1,377.40.
--Head and Shoulders Shampoo: $1,411.20.
--Real Maple Syrup: $1,787.52.
--Sesame Oil: $2,535.61.
--Jack Daniels: $4,133.26.
--Tanning Oil: $4,290.05.
--Visine: $32,202.24.
--And the current top price is Flonase, a prescription nasal spray for allergy sufferers.

A barrel of nasal spray would cost $238,133.21.



Museum in need of decorations

The Scurry County Museum needs Christmas decorations with any kind of a Santa Claus motif for a holiday display.

The decorations are needed by Nov. 4, and they will be returned on Dec. 10.

The museum is located on the campus of Western Texas College.

Blood drive in final days

After today, Scurry County citizens will have two remaining days to donate blood in this week's blood drive sponsored by Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and the Scurry County advisory council for Texas Blood Institute.

Cogdell Hospital's employees and their families may donate blood today through 5 p.m.

Thursday the drive will move to the Price Daniel Unit where employees will have the opportunity to donate from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

The blood drive will be on the campus of Western Texas College on Friday.

College employees and students will be able to donate blood from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the student center.



9-1-1 PRESENTATION — Red E. Fox was at Stanfield Elementary Monday to present the educational program "9-1-1 for Kids." The program teaches children the proper use of the emergency number. Pictured with Red E. is Tai Dean, who is in kindergarten at Central. Also pictured is Patti Davis, public education coordinator at the West Central Texas Council of Governments. (SDN Staff Photo)

United Way at 63 percent of campaign goal

The Scurry County United Way is currently at 63 percent of its 1998-99 campaign goal.

A total of $40,412.73 has been raised. The goal is $64,000.

Scurry County United Way benefits the Scurry County Boys and Girls Club, Snyder Child Day Care Center, Noah Project - West and the Girl and Boy Scouts.

United Way also benefits Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Scurry County Food Cupboard and the American Red Cross.

Children learn 911 awarness

Red E. Fox (E. stands for "Emergency") is a heroic and friendly spokescharacter created to make learning about 9-1-1 fun and memorable for young children.

Red E., star of the kid-tested and kid-approved "9-1-1 for Kids" educational program for the State of Texas and the star of his own video, "The Great 9-1-1 Adventure," was at Stanfield Elementary Tuesday to present a program on the proper use of the emergency number.

The Texas "9-1-1 for Kids" program is the largest of its kind in the nation.

The program teaches kids the basics about 9-1-1 including when to call, how to call and exactly what to say when they need the police, an ambulance or the fire department.

ASK US

Q—Did the school district pay for the new sign at Tiger Stadium?

A—No. It was paid for by Big Country Autoland and built under the guidelines of the Quarterback Club.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 72 degrees; low, 64; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 67; .33 of an inch precipitation; total for 1998, 7.96 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy. Low, mid 50s. S wind 5-15 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy; 20% chance of storms. High 75-80. S-SE wind 5-15 mph.



Josh Hoover
Chance of Rain

Sunset: 5:58 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:57 a.m.
Of 300 days in 1998, the sun has shone 297 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"It does not matter how slowly you go, so long as you do not stop."

Confucius

Music school strikes sour note

LAKE FOREST, Ill. (AP) — An elite music school nestled amid towering oak trees in this wealthy enclave has been anything but music to neighbors' ears.

The Music Institute of the Lake Forest Symphony is instead striking a sour note with wealthy homeowners who don't want a school in the neighborhood.

Opponents tried a petition drive and a $2 million land offer to keep the school from staying. Now the dispute has landed in court, pitting homeowners against a symphony whose advisory board includes the mayor and some of the city's most powerful residents.

It isn't that residents are worried about the music of Beethoven wafting through their windows, but some, including plaintiff Roger Weiler, worry that increased traffic from the institute could pose a danger along the winding streets of this northern Chicago suburb.

Neighbors had no choice but to take the matter to court, said Weiler, whose huge brick home sits on a corner down the block from the school, which has a temporary one-year lease.

"These people were ushered in without any advance notice," he said. "We got no cooperation from anybody, so we took the only course available to us."

The squabble began in July, when the symphony moved into one of five vacant buildings that once were the Grove School for disabled children. The school closed in 1994, and the city bought the land last year.

The small brick building that houses the school is hidden among a veritable forest of oak and pine trees, at the end of a tree-lined block of grandiose homes with winding drives and perfectly manicured lawns.

It isn't a school per se that residents oppose. Since 1994, neighbors have helped strike down proposed businesses, too, including a college extension and senior housing.

The symphony this year decided one of the buildings would be perfect for its school.

"We walked in here, and it was just everything we had dreamed of," institute Director Mary Catherine Edwards said, pointing out about a dozen virtually soundproof rooms just big enough for a piano, a student and a teacher.

More than 60 neighbors signed a protest petition when the symphony was granted the temporary lease. Residents argued the institute needed a special permit to move into a neighborhood designated for single-family homes.

Weiler and Joseph Roberti sued the symphony after city officials refused to reconsider.

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Klan leaders can not use Halloween loophole to march with masks

GAINESVILLE, Ga. (AP) — A sheriff has warned Ku Klux Klan leaders they'll be thrown in jail if they try to use the holiday as a way around Georgia's anti-mask law.

"If they've got on a Klan robe and a Klan hat and any type of mask, including a Mickey Mouse mask, they will be arrested," Hall County Sheriff Bob Vass said Tuesday.

Klan leaders thought they had found a loophole in the law that bans anyone from wearing a mask, hood or any device that conceals a person's identity in public.

The law exempts Halloween costumes, but Vass said officers know the difference between Klan hoods and Casper masks.

Gary Mallicoat, spokesman for the Gainesville-based American Knights, said the group had planned on marching with masks on Halloween "because we thought we could get away with it."

But threatened with arrest, "None of our members will be covering their faces."

Thousands of girls compete during Spice Girl auditions

NEW YORK (AP) — Many parents would cringe at the sight of their preteen daughters baring their midriffs and sporting rub-off tattoos, platform shoes and clip-on navel rings.

But thousands of mothers and fathers accompanied their scantily-clad offspring to an audition Tuesday. The children were vying for a chance to be their favorite Spice Girl in a commercial.

"She loves the Spice Girls, Baby Spice in particular, and mom had to work," said 34-year-old Bill Sanger of 7-year-old daughter Brittany. "I don't want her to look back as an adult and wonder if she had the stuff to be a star."

Out of a sea of miniature Baby, Scary, Posh and Sporty wannabes — no Gingers, thank you (she quit the group earlier this year) — only one set of Spice Girl look-alikes were chosen.

The winners were Carissa Farina, 10, as Sporty; Sarah Back, 10, as Posh; Dina Lorraine Moakley, 9, as Baby; and Nirine Brown, 12, as Scary. All the girls are from New York.

The commercial, for a line of dolls and other Spice Girls products, begins filming next week.

While the auditions were limited to kids between the ages of five and 12, the competition was hardly kid's stuff.

One 9-year-old Scary Spice imitator, sporting oversized plastic green glasses and a spray-aided hairdo that can only be described as untamed, coolly surveyed a rival and said: "You look nothing like her."

The response was immediate and crushing, and it came with a faux British accent. "Well, Scares-me-Spice, I can sing, I can dance, I can act. We'll see what they say inside."

Parents could offer only wan smiles for each other. And many didn't pretend to know a thing about the British pop group.

"Honestly, I don't know Baby Spice from heather spice," said Sanger.

"Oh dad," said blond pony-tailed Brittany, covering her eyes. "Please, not so loud."

Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

Al-Anon brown bag; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; noon to 1 p.m.;.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 5 p.m.

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

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; American Legion; 6:30 to 8 p.m.

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

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointments; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

Just for Today NA; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

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Self-professed baron sentenced in fraud case

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — For 17 years, a self-described Austrian baron and his wife bilked investors out of as much as $12 million to boost their own wealth and become members of society's elite.

On Tuesday, as some of their victims looked on, each was sentenced to 11 years and three months in prison for robbing would-be entrepreneurs of their life savings.

"They directly took money from me and caused me to spend a lot of additional money ... as surely as if they had put a gun to my head," said Robert Barros of Little Rock, Ark., who lost his retirement fund.

Otto von Bressensdorf and wife Elena, along with an employee of their Lyons Capital Inc., Barbara M.H. Lichtenberg, were convicted of 27 counts each of mail fraud, conspiracy and money laundering in June. Another employee, Richard H. Perkins Jr., was convicted of seven counts of mail fraud and one of conspiracy.

Lichtenberg and Perkins were scheduled to be sentenced today.

U.S. District Judge Robert Payne told von Bressensdorf that he "took advantage of the offering of this country to perpetrate frauds on other citizens of this country."

"You were living a high and wonderful lifestyle at their expense," the judge added.

Under terms of his sentencing, von Bressensdorf will be deported to Germany when his prison term ends.

Payne approved the government's request to use proceeds from the sale of the von Bressensdorfs' seized assets to compensate victims.

Von Bressensdorf, 72, and his 51-year-old wife have forfeited nearly $1 million to the government. Last weekend, the couple's 18-room Tudor-style estate overlooking the James River in Richmond was sold at auction for $590,000. Its contents also were sold.

Prosecution witnesses testified that for fees as high as $30,000, Lyons Capital promised to find investors. Instead, prosecutors say, von Bressensdorf pocketed the fees and did little or nothing to find investors.

In a statement before the sentence was imposed, von Bressensdorf admitted he occasionally lied to clients but denied committing a crime.

"I would never do this if I would know it is a fraud," he said in heavily accented English. "My credibility is destroyed. I have no future. I am completely penniless and have no income."

Mrs. von Bressensdorf said she was just a manager, unaware she was committing crimes.

First $55 million of U.N. gift awarded

NEW YORK (AP) — Ted Turner had a tough act to follow at this year's United Nations Association of the U.S.A. dinner — himself.

Last year, Turner pledged $1 billion to the United Nations over 10 years. He followed up Tuesday night by announcing that the first $55 million of his gift had been awarded.

The foundation Turner set up to dole out his contribution earmarked funds for U.N. programs that aim to help the poor, protect the environment, stem rapid population growth and empower women, he said.

"In a relatively short period of time, we've made significant strides in getting the U.N. Foundation up and running," he said.

It took about six months to set up the foundation, and Turner expects it to give away $100 million next year, he said.

He appealed to those in the well-heeled audience to follow his lead.

"We are developing a number of ambitious programs for leveraging my contribution," he said.

Turner, who founded the Cable News Network and sold his media empire to Time Warner Inc. in 1996, reminded listeners of the importance of the United Nations' work and his own efforts to support it.

"We cannot fail," he said. "We must succeed, because the world cannot succeed without the U.N. succeeding."

The U.N. Association, a private group, gave Global Leadership awards to U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan and Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin at the dinner where Turner spoke.

Clinic reopens after killing and other doctors offer help

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Doctors from across the country have offered to fill the void left at this city's only abortion clinic following the sniper attack that killed one of its physicians.

GYN Womenservices was scheduled to resume performing abortions today, five days after Dr. Barnett Slepian, 52, was slain by a bullet fired into his home in suburban Amherst.

Doctors nationwide have volunteered to come to Buffalo, said Melinda DuBois, the clinic's executive director. One doctor is being flown in this week.

Still, the region is suffering from a shortage of abortion providers. Slepian's slaying left only three acknowledged abortion doctors in the region, and one has already quit in the wake of his death.

"They killed one and drove another one out," said Elizabeth Sholes, an abortion clinic volunteer who used to escort Slepian to the clinic amid daily protests.

Slepian's shooting was the fifth sniper attack of an abortion doctor in Canada and upstate New York since 1994, but the first one to prove fatal. No arrests have been made in Friday's attack.

Abortion doctors who arrive in Buffalo will benefit from increased surveillance and protection from authorities, said John P. McCaffrey, U.S. Marshal for the Western District in New York.

"These doctors were concerned for their safety and we'll be making sure they arrive safely, depart safely and nothing happens to them while they are here," he said.

Usually, about 10 protesters picket GYN each day, officials said. Half that were on hand Tuesday.

The National Abortion Federation, a Washington-based association of abortion providers, sent a trio of members to GYN to assess security needs.

NAF Deputy Director Susan Dudley said most clinics will boost already tight security measures. She wouldn't provide details about what would be done at GYN.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Oct. 29, 1998

Take advantage of all opportunities you get in the coming year to further your innermost desires. When you do so, you'll attract successful people who'll inspire you in a positive manner.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Spending too much time wondering whether you'll succeed at this or that will hamper your ability to achieve today. Substantial goals are only possible when you assert yourself. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) There is a real risk today that you could reveal your intentions to a person who might exploit this information. Keep your own counsel and share nothing, even with close pals.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Large gatherings could prove to have significant value today in networking and establishing contacts. However, make certain you don't introduce any topics of a financial nature.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Important objectives can be achieved today if you don't allow yourself to get bogged down by aggressive know-it-alls. Do your thing, your own way!

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Take the necessary time to examine all the hidden nuances when gathering facts for achieving a personal interest. In this case, it's better to be slow than sorry.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Information of a confidential nature may pass your way today in terms of making or saving you money. However, if you don't trust it enough to check it out, nothing will come of it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Spell out in detailed writing any agreement you make today, even if it involves a friend. Verbal assumptions could be misunderstood and lead to regrets later.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You might think that if you make the effort to tackle a needed repair job yourself, you won't have to put out the bucks. Just be sure you possess the knowledge to do the job.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Being either too wishy-washy or too harsh when handling subordinates today will produce undesirable results. Remember to be firm, but fair.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Use practicality and good old fashion common sense in determining what is the best course of action concerning a domestic matter today. Don't allow emotions to overrule sound logic.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you feel you're coming out on the short end of the stick concerning an arrangement you made with a pal today, speak up and explain yourself. Your friend will adjust the situation.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Due to someone's generosity, things should work out as you desire in your material affairs today. However, don't expect these same considerations regarding social matters.

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Lean and mean

From Keith Collier & Hassie Sneed
To Voters of Scurry County

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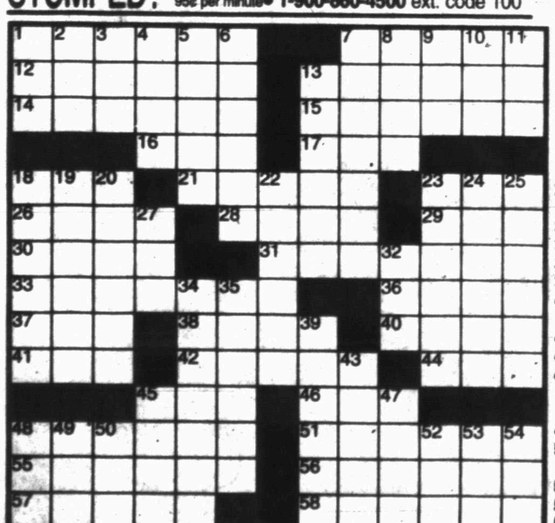
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Tourism benefits from John Glenn, shuttle

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — John Glenn's second trip into space may have scientific interest for some and sentimental value for many, but on Florida's Space Coast they have other, more Earth-bound reasons to love the 77-year-old astronaut.

Twenty million of them, in fact.

Heidi Brandow, president of the Cocoa Beach Area Chamber of Commerce, said Thursday's launch of the shuttle Discovery is expected to be a $20 million boon for Brevard County.

That's what comes of having 250,000 people invade an area in which 600,000 people live, filling every hotel, eating at every restaurant and buying every souvenir, no matter how tacky.

"It's getting to be crazy around here," said Catherine Murphy, retail director of the Space Shop at the Kennedy Space Center's visitor complex. At 13,000 square feet, it's the largest space stuff store in the world.

The top sellers? Anything that has John Glenn or the crew or insignia of his shuttle mission, STS-95.

"Pins, magnets, patches, T-shirts. We have it all," said Ms. Murphy, as she carried a box of John Glenn Hot Wheels figures ("they're flying out of the store") from here to there.

The demand is 10 times more than for a normal shuttle mission, she said. "Instead of having 10 different items, we have 60."

There are the many, many T-shirts. "Legends are forever," reads one. "Once is not enough. Do it again John Glenn," reads another.

But there are a few special items. For just $95, the true John Glenn fanatic can buy an "authentic, collectible" button from Glenn's futile run for the presidency in 1984.

Many shoppers were not planning to be at the launch, and most claimed to be buying T-shirts for grandchildren.

The French National Assembly voted in 1792 to abolish the monarchy.

Nutrition By Ed Blonz, PH.D.

What, exactly, is glaucoma?

By Ed Blonz, Ph.D.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I have been researching the subject of glaucoma and nutritional intervention. Unfortunately, I have been unable to locate much in the way of reliable scientific information. A research colleague suggested that you might be able to help, or at least direct me to a valid source of information on this subject. Any assistance would be helpful. — J.S.

DEAR J.S.: Glaucoma results when there is damage to the optic nerve — the nerve that carries visual information from the eye. It usually develops without warning, and it can lead to progressive and permanent damage, which includes loss of some aspects of vision. Glaucoma is one of the leading causes of blindness, affecting an estimated two million Americans. As intimidating as it sounds, though, glaucoma can be diagnosed through a routine eye examination.

In terms of nutritional intervention, I am unaware of any "take this and you won't get glaucoma" studies. The research that is out there, however, suggests that the antioxidant nutrients, such as vitamins C, E and A, may be of help. Having a diet rich in plant foods might also be of benefit, because such a diet typically provides other antioxidant phytochemicals as well.

It would also be prudent to have the recommended intake of the mineral magnesium. The logic here is that a low magnesium level is associated with vasospasm, a spasm of the muscular coat that surrounds blood vessels. Giving the body the magnesium it needs can help prevent vasospasm, which is involved in a number of health conditions — including glaucoma.

The bottom line is that nothing can take the place of regular eye exams with an ophthalmologist. For more information, contact The Glaucoma Foundation (800-GLAUCOMA), or seek them out online at http://www.glaucoma-foundation.org

DEAR DR. BLONZ: You have mentioned in your columns that partially-hydrogenated oils and fats are to be avoided, and you've told us that hydrolyzed proteins may not be that bad for everyone. However, I don't recall seeing any comment about "modified food starches." What are they and how bad are they? Should they be avoided?

Also, regarding sugar intake: It is generally known that processed foods can contain large quantities of sugar and that sugar intake should be limited to moderate amounts. I love fresh fruits, and as part of my normal diet I consume large quantities daily (more than 10 servings per day — e.g., two bananas, two or three apples, one or two cups of grapes, a cup of strawberries, a cup of blueberries, a cup of raspberries, pieces of papaya, mango and melon). Are the sugars in fruits consumed at these levels bad? — F.S., via E-mail

DEAR F.S.: A modified food starch is a starch that has been chemically altered to change some of its qualities, such as its texture, the ease with which it dissolves or how readily it is digested. Modified food starch is used in processed foods as a thickener, as an aid to maintaining a desired consistency or texture, as an anti-caking agent to help keep powdered foods free-flowing, or as a humectant — an additive that absorbs and maintains a food's water content. Typical foods that contain modified starch include sauces, pie fillings and gravies.

Modified food starches are usually synthesized from a naturally-occurring food starch, and they are not considered to represent a health risk. Those sensitive to gluten, however, should avoid foods containing modified food starch — the starch may have come from wheat or another gluten-containing grain.

As for your second question, the fruit portion of your diet contains almost 900 calories and about 226 grams of carbohydrate, 178 grams of which are sugar (glucose and fructose). To its credit, the fruit regimen contains 34 grams of dietary fiber and many vitamins and minerals. I will assume, then, that you are getting the other nutrients you need from the other foods in your diet. As long as you are in good health and not at risk for diabetes, your high-fruit diet is fine.

Send questions to: "On Nutrition," Ed Blonz, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. For e-mail, address inquiries to: ed@blonz.com. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

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ED BLONZ, PH.D.



Dentist accused in discrimination case

BOSTON (AP) — The state sued a Boston dentist Tuesday for allegedly refusing to treat patients with the AIDS virus and telling employees not to accept HIV-positive people as patients.

The state claims Dr. Guillermo Recinos and business partner Yolanda Jereidini violated state and federal laws, including the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Prosecutors said there are at least two instances where the dentist refused to treat patients with the AIDS virus. They seek civil penalties of at least $10,000 and a court order barring him from refusing to treat HIV-positive patients.

Recinos said he has treated 10 to 15 such patients in the last 10 years and is active in fund-raising efforts for HIV-related research.

"When a patient comes and he tells me he has AIDS, I tell him if he wants to be seen here at the dental office I will gladly see him," Recinos said.

The attorney general's action comes four months after a Supreme Court ruling that people infected with HIV are protected by anti-discrimination laws.

USC receives $5 million

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Director Robert Zemeckis hasn't forgotten one place that inspired him.

Zemeckis, the Academy Award-winning director of "Forrest Gump," gave $5 million to the University of Southern California for the creation of a cutting-edge digital arts studio.

"USC was a great inspiration to me and an important stepping stone for my career," said Zemeckis, whose donation was announced Tuesday. Construction is to begin in May.

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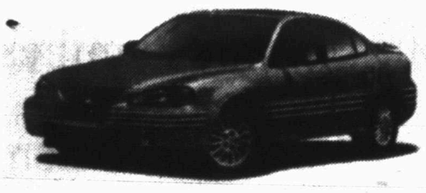
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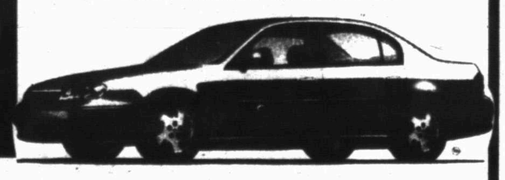
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Lawmakers, staff seeking last-minute dollars

WASHINGTON (AP) — Charles Rangel, the top Democrat on the House committee that writes tax laws, is a natural magnet for big political donors. Now, he's using his pull to round up last-minute money for other Democrats.

Rangel, a shoo-in for re-election whose campaign coffers are full, is on the road this week calling and meeting potential contributors.

Meanwhile, hundreds of miles away back in Washington, the Republican chief of staff to House National Security chairman Floyd Spence is calling contractors in the defense industry his boss oversees to ask for money for the Republican Party in South Carolina.

It's all part of a furious effort by both parties to get lawmakers in safe races to dial for dollars and ask industry friends they know best for political contributions.

The trick, sometimes, is to find politically connected solicitors that will be hard to say no to.

Craig Metz, the top aide to Spence, R-S.C., called a list of defense contractors seeking donations ranging from $10,000 to $25,000 for a Republican Party "Victory '98" fund in the lawmaker's home state.

His call sheet, mistakenly faxed to The Associated Press, shows some of his calls were carefully targeted to players who know the power his boss wields.

When Metz called defense giant Lockheed Martin to ask for $25,000, he talked to the company's chief of congressional relations, according to his handwritten notations. And when he tapped McDonnell Douglas, he talked to the "state gov't liaison," the call sheet noted.

Some of the defense contractors he reached said they had to tell him he was too late — they already had given the maximum they could afford after being solicited by other GOP members of Spence's committee.

Such calls are perfectly legal. All Metz had to do was walk a few blocks from his House office to the National Republican Congressional Committee to make them.

But critics see the practice as unseemly.

"The pressure is really on," said Larry Makinson, head of the Center for Responsive Politics, a nonprofit Washington outfit that studies political fund-raising. "The (Metz) fax is documentary evidence of why this money keeps rolling in. Who in the defense industry wants to say no to the chairman of the House National Security Committee?"

The NRCC, which has set up a suite of offices for their members to make such calls, says it is just democracy in action. It currently is running a $20 million to $25 million ad campaign in House districts to motivate voters to turn out on Election Day this Tuesday. The calls help pay for the blitz dubbed "Operation Breakout."

"When we ask the members to do this, they know who they know best and who they have the best relationships with and can get on the phone right away. So they make those decisions themselves," NRCC spokeswoman Mary Mead Crawford explained.

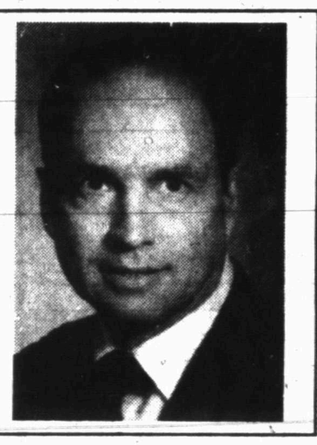
On the Democratic side, Rangel is leading a similar effort for the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. He's heading on a bus tour to six states, and has for the entire election season worked the phones soliciting donations for others, attending fund-raisers and even going to cities in advance of fund-raisers to meet potential donors.

The top Democrat on the powerful House Ways and Means Committee, Rangel's own campaign coffer is quickly filled by special interests. He's given away hundreds of thousands of dollars of his own campaign money to candidates while reaching out to donors to give to colleagues.

"Before I wasn't in a position to raise the kind of money that I can now as a senior Ways and Means member," he said. "I do give lists of other candidates to people who have maxed out with me."

Joyce Taylor, who takes fund-raising calls at defense contractor TRW, has been "just bombarded with phone calls" this week.

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Too many red cells cause problems

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a man in my 70s under treatment for hypertension. Four times a year, I have to have a unit of blood removed because the hematocrit is too high. What level of hematocrit is high and why does this happen?

DEAR READER: The quantity of red blood cells is expressed as the hematocrit — the percentage of cells per total fluid volume. For adults, the normal hematocrit is 40 to 50 percent. Figures above 55 percent indicate polycythemia. Values below 35 percent reflect anemia, the opposite of polycythemia.

Polycythemia will make the blood too thick and viscous, leading to a variety of serious consequences. Removing blood (phlebotomy) produces a temporary thinning of the blood. It's a useful remedy that works quickly. However, there are more effective ways to treat polycythemia, depending on the cause.

For instance, polycythemia can result from lung diseases that lower the amount of oxygen in the blood. Treatment of the pulmonary disorder will allow the blood to return to its proper consistency.

But polycythemia also can be caused purely by an over production of red blood cells. Under these circumstances, physicians usually choose to give drugs that curtail blood-cell production.

I do not believe that your blood problem is related to your hypertension or the drugs prescribed for it, but you should ask your doctor if it could be related to a lung disorder that should be addressed.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: Can a person have shingles without a rash?

DEAR READER: In my experience, no.

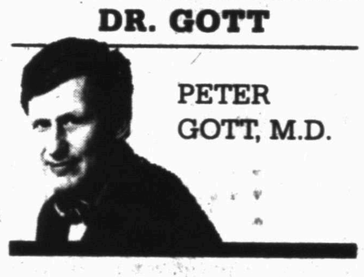
Shingles, known medically as herpes zoster, is a virus infection of the nerves in the skin, characteristically in one area on one side of the body. It ordinarily begins as a sensation of burning or tingling. Soon thereafter, the typical blisters break out, followed by what can be an extended period of viral activity. The blisters form, break and reform. Intense discomfort always occurs, and neuralgia, a type of chronic nerve pain, may appear. With time, the process regresses, but it may continue to cause symptoms for months or years afterwards.

I cannot recollect ever having seen a patient with zoster who did not have at least a few blisters.

If treatment with anti-viral drugs, such as Zovirax or Famvir, is started early, the major consequences of shingles can be avoided.

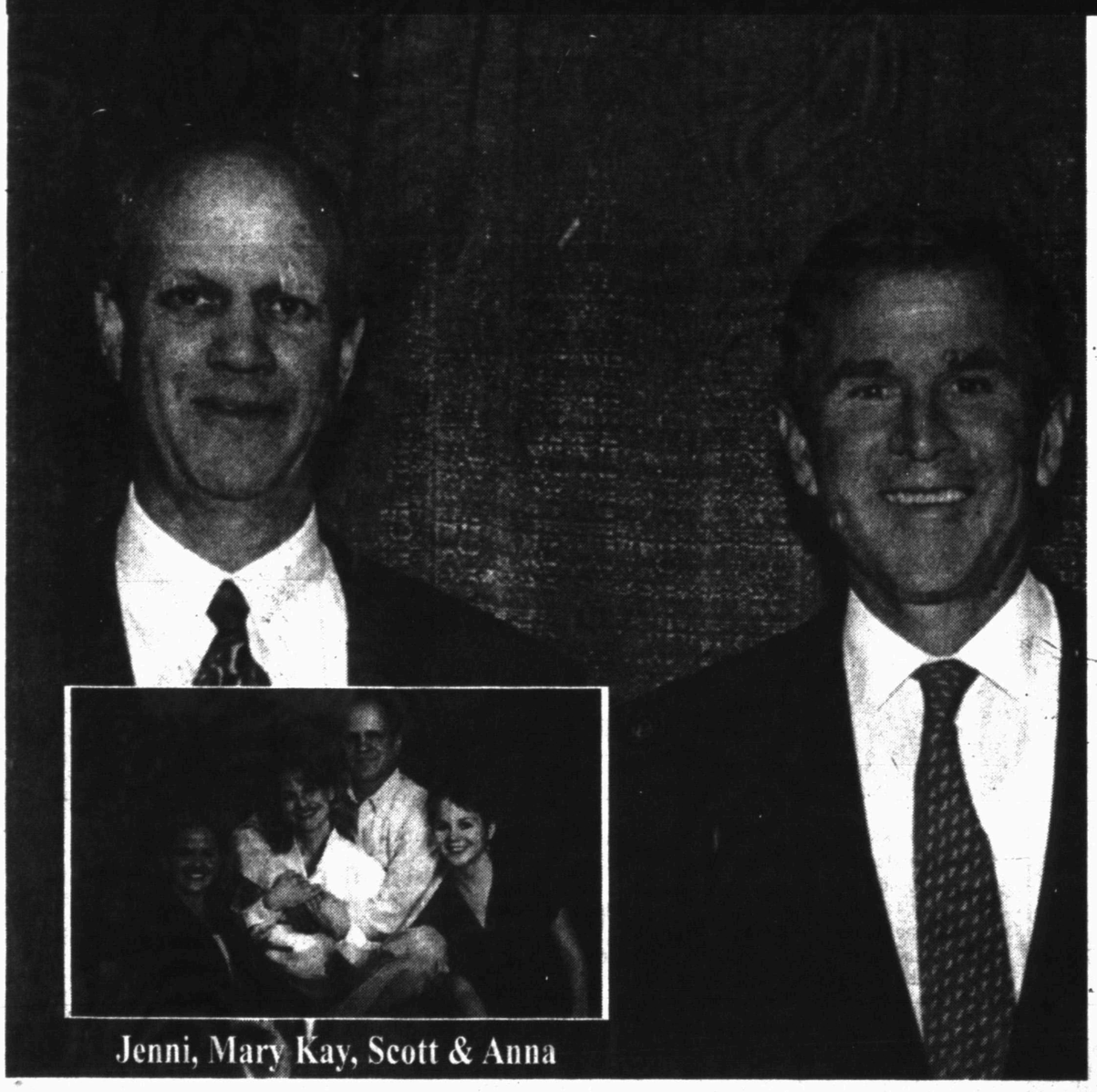
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Demos must battle history to overcome gap

WASHINGTON (AP) — To regain control of the House, Democrats need to reclaim only 11 seats now held by Republicans in next week's midterm elections. The problem for Democrats, of course, is in the "only."

Despite the narrow gap — one of the thinnest in recent history — and the optimism of a handful of congressional Democrats, it's still a huge reach.

Since World War II, the party holding the White House has lost an average of 27 seats in midterm elections.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich last week forecast Republican gains of anywhere from 10 to 40 House seats — the higher number "if everything breaks for us," Republican Party chief Jim Nicholson predicts somewhat more modest gains of 8 to 20.

Some Democratic leaders are suggesting any smaller loss than the norm be construed as a victory for their party.

The Democratic National Committee's co-chairman, Gov. Roy Romer of Colorado, used a 25-seat loss as an off-year benchmark.

"We are going to gain a whole lot more than that. You are going to be surprised how well we are going to do," he told NBC's "Meet the Press." But that wasn't enough to avoid a blast from Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., finance chairman of the party's Congressional Campaign Committee.

"You get on television and you become an expert," Rangel told The New York Times. "He should just shut up."

The House now has 228 Republicans, 206 Democrats and 1 independent.

Polls find only a slight overall GOP advantage among likely voters, suggesting it is doubtful one party or the other will score a blowout.

Ninety four House incumbents are without major-party opposition, and only 40 to 50 races are viewed as truly competitive, about half the usual number.

Also, there is no overarching national issue. The economy remains in good shape and Republicans seem unlikely to get any political boost from President Clinton's Monica Lewinsky problems. The controversy has been a non-issue in nearly all congressional races.

In the Senate, Republicans hold a 55-45 majority. Most analysts expect a modest gain in Republican seats, but probably not enough to give the GOP the 60 votes they theoretically need to block Democratic delaying tactics.

In the House, the numbers are closer — and the stakes more immediate.

Large Republican gains could be viewed as a referendum favoring Clinton's impeachment.

Tom Mann, director of governmental studies at Brookings Institution, said recent events such as the budget agreement, Clinton's brokering of a Middle East peace agreement and generally adverse public reaction to the House impeachment vote might give "a slight nod to the Democratic Party."

"If I am surprised and this turns out to be a banner Republican year, it will be impossible to stop the impeachment process," Mann said.

By the same token, he suggested, slight GOP gains could hasten the House hearings while Democratic gains could embolden the president and his Democratic allies in Congress.

James Thurber, a political scientist at American University, predicts slim GOP gains, in the range of 5 to 15 seats, would slow the impeachment process.

Norman Ornstein, an analyst at the American Enterprise Institute, predicts Democratic losses of 8 to 10 seats. If Democrats lose fewer than 10 seats, he says, Gingrich and other House GOP leaders might find it harder to control increasingly assertive conservatives in the next Congress.

"There will be a lot of hair pulling and shirt ripping" among Republicans in the face of tiny GOP gains or preservation of the status quo, Ornstein said.

As narrow as the present majority is, the GOP grip on the House is not as tenuous as it was in November, 1954, when Republicans ruled by a slight 218-213 margin.

John Glenn won't leave Earth without wafers of Metamucil

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — John Glenn may be a 77-year-old medical marvel to NASA and just about everybody else on the planet, but he still may need help making all systems go.

He will have Metamucil aboard when he rockets away from Earth on Thursday.

The world's oldest astronaut has requested Metamucil wafers, the apple crisp variety, for Discovery's nine-day flight. The next-oldest shuttle crew member, 46-year-old Japanese astronaut Chiaki Mukai, also put in an order, for cinnamon spice.

No one else on the crew apparently wants, or needs, the 100 percent natural fiber wafers, intended to help those suffering from constipation, troubled bowels or hemorrhoids.

The wafers were on a NASA-issued list of out-of-the-ordinary foods requested by the astronauts.

"It's important for all of us to have to worry about regularity, especially when we're out in space," said Dr. Dave Williams, an astronaut who is the life sciences director at Johnson Space Center and who relied on his normal diet and exercise when he flew on a medical-research shuttle flight in April.

He said he didn't know whether previous astronauts had carried Metamucil into space.

Jack Sparks, Glenn's senatorial spokesman, laughed when asked about it and said he didn't know whether Glenn ordinarily uses the product.

"You've heard what he says," Sparks added, "that one of the choices he's going to have on this flight compared to his first flight is whether he mixes the Tang with Metamucil or Geritol."

"This is news to us," said Tracey Long, a spokeswoman for the maker of Metamucil, Cincinnati-based Procter & Gamble Co. "We were not aware that Senator Glenn would be taking our Metamucil, but we're certainly excited to be part of his historic journey."

Child booster seat checked

WASHINGTON (AP) — A government safety agency is investigating nearly 1 million child booster seats after complaints the buckle that keeps children strapped to the seat can break apart.

There have been 94 complaints of broken buckles on the Century-built Breverra Booster Seat, models 4875 and 4885, built in 1996 and 1997, according to a monthly report released Tuesday by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

There are 927,000 of the booster seats in use, according to agency records.

Agency investigators are studying the buckle — which clicks into the seat between the child's legs and attaches to straps holding back the child's shoulders — to determine if the booster seats should be recalled.

Investigators said they had inspected several of the buckles and the buckle housing was cracked. They also were concerned about a handful of complaints that buckles could inadvertently release without breaking.

Century officials were not immediately available for comment.

Bridge By Phillip Alder



	North 10-28-98	
	♠ Q J 5 4 3	
	♥ 10 9	
	♦ 4 2	
	♣ A K	
West		East
♠ A		♠ 7 2
♥ A 8 7 6 5 3 2		♥ J
♦ K Q 10		♦ J 9 8 7 5
♣ J 5		♣ 9 6 4 3 2
	South	
	♠ K 10 9 8 6	
	♥ K Q 4	
	♦ A 6 3	
	♣ Q 10	

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
			Pass
1 ♠	4 ♥	4 ♠	All pass

Opening lead: ??

You are on lead with the singleton trump ace. Should you lead it? Or should you keep it as a later guaranteed entry?

The latter will usually be better. However, if you think that when you are put in with the trump ace you will be endplayed, forced to give declarer a free trick, then you should get that thorn out of your hand as quickly as possible.

Well, which applies to this deal? Look only at the West hand and the auction. What do you lead?

The four-heart overcall is frisky. Yet opposite a passed partner, you are unlikely to miss a slam. And consuming all that bidding space may stop the opponents from finding their best spot.

At the table, West backed up his debatable bid with a worse lead: the spade ace. He switched to the diamond king, but it was too late. South won with the ace, drew the missing trump, and conceded three tricks: one spade, one heart and one diamond.

Starting with the diamond king is much more sensible. And East should signal enthusiasm with the nine. Let's assume South wins with the ace and plays a trump, which is reasonable. Now what should West do?

If East started with two diamonds, declarer would have six — forget that. Instead, East must be encouraging diamonds because he has the jack. This points the way: Continue with the diamond 10. With luck, partner will overtake with his jack and switch to a heart, hopefully from either a singleton or the doubleton queen-jack. If East doesn't overtake, continue with the ace and another heart, expecting partner to ruff.

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On this day in 1929, Mrs. T.W. Evans gave birth to the first child born on an airplane. The child was born over Miami.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Desiderius Erasmus (1466-1536), scholar; James Cook (1728-1779), navigator; Auguste Escoffier (1847-1935), chef; Jonas Salk (1914-1995), microbiologist; Lenny Wilkens (1937-), basketball player-coach, is 61; Dennis Franz (1944-), actor, is 54; Bruce Jenner (1949-), athlete, is 49; Julia Roberts (1967-), actress, is 31.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1950, Pat Brady of Nevada-Reno made a record 99-yard punt against Loyola of Los Angeles.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "In the country of the blind the one-eyed man is king." — Erasmus

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1978, as severe thunderstorms rumbled across parts of Argentina's province of Cordoba, a tornado killed five people and injured 30 at Monteros.

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House Republicans raise Lewinsky issue in ads

WASHINGTON (AP) — A $10 million Republican ad blitz in the election's final days argues that GOP lawmakers are "the balance we need" against a Democratic president who had an affair and lied about it.

"For seven months, he lied to us," one woman tells another in one of the ads that makes an issue of President Clinton's relationship with Monica Lewinsky.

The new ads began airing nationally Tuesday night.

The National Republican Congressional Committee ad buy underscores the dramatic spending disadvantage facing Democrats, whose issue ad budget is a fraction of the GOP total. Republicans are trying to widen their 11-seat majority in the House.

"These ads spell out very clearly for the public what the differences are between Republicans and Democrats in terms of what direction we want to lead the country," NRCC spokeswoman Mary Crawford said.

Olivia Morgan, Crawford's counterpart at the Democratic committee, called the latest GOP ad campaign "a $10 million excuse for their failure to address issues that people actually care about."

None of the ads specifically mention the Lewinsky investigation, though there are clear and subtle references to Clinton's affair with the former White House intern. Each also mentions Republican achievements.

Several GOP strategists, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the latest round of ads includes three national spots and up to 29 ads tailored to specific congressional districts.

One of the national ads opens with a conversation between two women, one of whom says, "For seven months, he lied to us." Without directly mentioning the Lewinsky matter, the women talk about how difficult it is to discuss it with their children. The ad then segues into a discussion about what Republican lawmakers accomplished amid the scandal, including work on the budget, welfare and Social Security.

"Republican are the balance we need," one woman says.

The ad is designed to appeal to suburban women, key swing voters in Tuesday's elections. Even Democratic polls show outrage toward Clinton is greatest among parents of young children.

The second national ad is similar to a current NRCC spot that uses footage of Clinton talking about balancing the budget in his first term, suggesting that he waffled on the issue. It talks about GOP balanced-budget efforts and ends with the image of Clinton wagging his finger at cameras in January, denying his affair with Ms. Lewinsky.

"America needs balance," the narrator says. "Remember, it's your choice. For balance, vote Republican."

Republicans say their most blunt multi-district ad is running only in the South, in the districts of vulnerable Democratic Reps. John Spratt Jr. of South Carolina, Sanford Bishop of Georgia and Bob Etheridge of North Carolina.

Called "Reward," it says, "This year, the question is: Should we reward Bill Clinton? Should we make the Democrats more powerful?" It accuses Clinton's party of being for big government and against welfare reform, then says, "Should we reward not telling the truth? That is the question of this election: Reward Bill Clinton. Or, vote Republican.'

The three national ads, plus the 29 tailor-made spots, will run in 74 TV markets. However, Republican operatives are leaving themselves flexible to run new ads or shift the current spots to different markets if the political environment changes before Election Day.

Mattox to Cornyn: stop the mudslinging

DALLAS (AP) — Whether attorney general candidate Jim Mattox unleashes negative advertising depends on how the final days of the campaign go, the Democrat says.

Mattox raised his hand Tuesday night and challenged Republican hopeful John Cornyn to swear to pull his campaign advertising, which Mattox called negative.

Cornyn ignored the challenge and said after the televised debate that he could document the allegations contained in the ads.

"I think that the best characterization of our ads is that they're truthful," Cornyn said. "But sometimes the truth hurts."

Mattox said he had produced attack ads and was still deciding whether to use them in the campaign's final week.

"I would much prefer that the public look at us from a purely positive perspective," Mattox said. "It's obvious he doesn't want that."

Mattox said the debate allowed viewers to see a clear contrast between the candidates: "He is for the big guys, I'm for the little guys, he's anti-consumer, I'm pro-consumer, he's anti-environment, I'm pro-environment."

Mattox, 55, has touted his experience in the job, having served as attorney general from 1983-91. He earlier represented Dallas in the Texas and U.S. Houses.

For Cornyn, a 46-year-old former state supreme court justice, Mattox' prior tenure as attorney general is the prime reason he should not get the job back. He cites continuing problems in the collection of child support, the subject of an audit released Tuesday by the Sunset Advisory Commission.

An auditor recommended leaving the duty with the attorney general's office for another two years while efficiency is increased.

The agency, with 2,410 workers and a $180 million annual budget, is responsible for helping parents collect overdue child support. But the attorney general's office contends that those are not adequate resources, and the audit concurred.

Legislators should fund 76 new workers, at $5.3 million, and an additional 127 workers to increase the efficiency of a new, $75 million federally-mandated computer to do more work, the audit said.

Both candidates pledged to make changes in the beleaguered system.

Controversial film director Spike Lee visits West Texas

LUBBOCK (AP) — Spike Lee in West Texas?

Sitting on a barstool, dressed in a blue Nike shirt, black tennis shoes and a red New York Yankees cap, the filmmaker known for directing controversial movies about race relations answered questions about his films, blasted white directors for making poor films about slavery and traded barbs with students as he spoke at Texas Tech University Tuesday evening.

Lee admitted that he was a little skeptical about traveling to a region known for being conservative, but was pleased to find dozens of fans and few critics during his two-hour conversation with more than 300 students.

"I wasn't too worried about it," Lee said about traveling to West Texas. "I spoke at two places where I got bomb threats so after that I can't be worried."

Lee, who was invited by a student group that plans events, also spoke passionately about low black attendance of films about black history.

"You make a movie like "Rosewood" and you get a few black people to see it but you make "Booty Call" and you get everyone fighting over each other to get tickets. The problem is that Hollywood is watching and when no one comes out to see a movie like "Rosewood" it becomes a lot harder for those movies to get made. All studios want to put out there is Booty Call," Lee said referring to a highly-sexual comedy about dating.

Jason Lenning, a film major at Texas Tech, said he was skeptical about Lee's visit, but was surprised by Lee's comments.

"I'm going to have to revise a lot of my thoughts on him," Lenning said. "I thought he was going to come out here and tell me I'm bad for being white and I can't make films with black people because I'm white. He didn't say that at all. He just challenged us to get our facts straight. I think a lot of rumors about him have made him into a villain for white people."

Lee said Steven Spielberg's movie Amistad, about a slave revolt that allows several Africans the chance to legally gain their freedom, highlights a principle problem in Hollywood's portrayal of black history.

"Why was Matthew McConaughey in that movie? It was a box office consideration," Lee said. "The story (shouldn't have been) about a white lawyer. It should have been about the slaves."

Lee's conversation with the students took a more serious turn when a white professor asked Lee if he felt that he could do a good job teaching African-American history.

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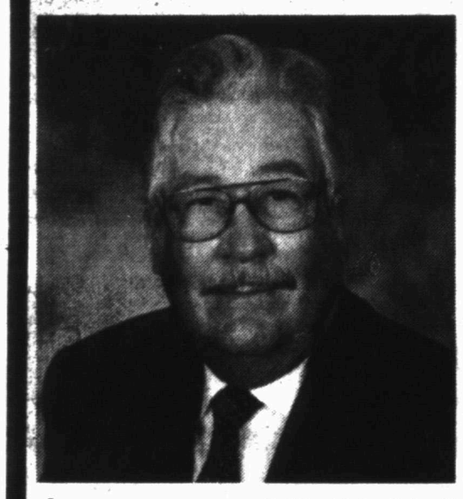
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Husband Claimed His 'Space' And Now Wife Claims Hers

DEAR ABBY: I have been married 30 years to a man who is in his 60s. He is now retired and has too much time on his hands. When we married, he made it clear he liked his "space," often leaving home without saying goodbye or telling me where he was going.

He said he didn't need to explain his whereabouts, which was very difficult to deal with, but over time and many tears later, I learned to live with it. Later on, he accepted a high-paying job that took him away from our family for long periods. We would see each other on weekends or during school vacations. Over the years I have learned to entertain myself without intruding on his "space" or complaining when he was away for long periods.

Now that he isn't working and I am still working, he doesn't get my attention when he wants it. He says he feels ignored or unloved because I have continued to entertain myself by reading, playing bridge with my women friends, or occasionally working on weekends. My colleagues laugh at me when they hear me call my husband from work to ask if it's OK if I meet a client on the weekend. Sometimes I resent doing it, but it does keep the peace.

Meanwhile, my husband watches every sporting event on television, pouting or sulking when I don't join him.

Abby, I love this man, but now that he is home, he wants me to be constantly available. Is there a solution?

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DEAR BORED: For a man who wanted his "space," your husband appears to have become very dependent. It's flattering that he wants you by his side, but you are in danger of being smothered.

Remind him that when he married you, he demanded and was given his "space," and now you need yours. Encourage him to become physically active and to get involved with groups where his talents are needed. I'm sure there are many.

DEAR ABBY: I think you were way off base in your response to the lady who asked whether she should let her mother-in-law read the letter on computer disk that her father-in-law left to his 2 1/2-year-old granddaughter. If the man intended the letter to be read by everybody and his brother, he wouldn't have addressed it to his granddaughter.

In my opinion, this has nothing to do with "bringing peace to a grieving widow," but rather with a domineering woman sticking her nose where it should not be. Just because the letter is on a computer disk doesn't mean it's any less a letter than if it were written on paper and sealed in an envelope. By advocating allowing the mother-in-law to read that letter, you're also advocating denying that little girl her right to a precious gift given to her by her grandfather out of love because he knew he wouldn't be there to watch her grow up.

I'm just curious — do you also advocate opening and rewrapping children's gifts before they receive them just to make some adult "feel better" about knowing what's in them? Remember that even the youngest members of our society deserve our respect, and one of the aspects of that is to respect their property.

A READER WHO DISAGREES

DEAR READER: The child's grandmother is not "everybody and his brother," and I do not agree that allowing the grandmother to read the letter would diminish its value to the 2-year-old when she's finally old enough to appreciate it. However, intelligent minds can disagree, and I respect your opinion although it does not coincide with mine.

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SPORTS

Lady Tigers stay focused on Crowley

If the Lady Tigers seemed unfocused on Tuesday night's match, there's good reason.

The contest with Midland High didn't mean much and Snyder has its eye on Crowley and a bi-district title.

The Lady Tigers fell to the Lady Bulldogs, 15-2, 15-11, at the SHS gym in a practice match for the upcoming first round of the playoffs.

"After the match the girls said they just weren't that pumped up to play," Snyder coach Patty Grimmett said. "They were looking ahead to the playoff match."

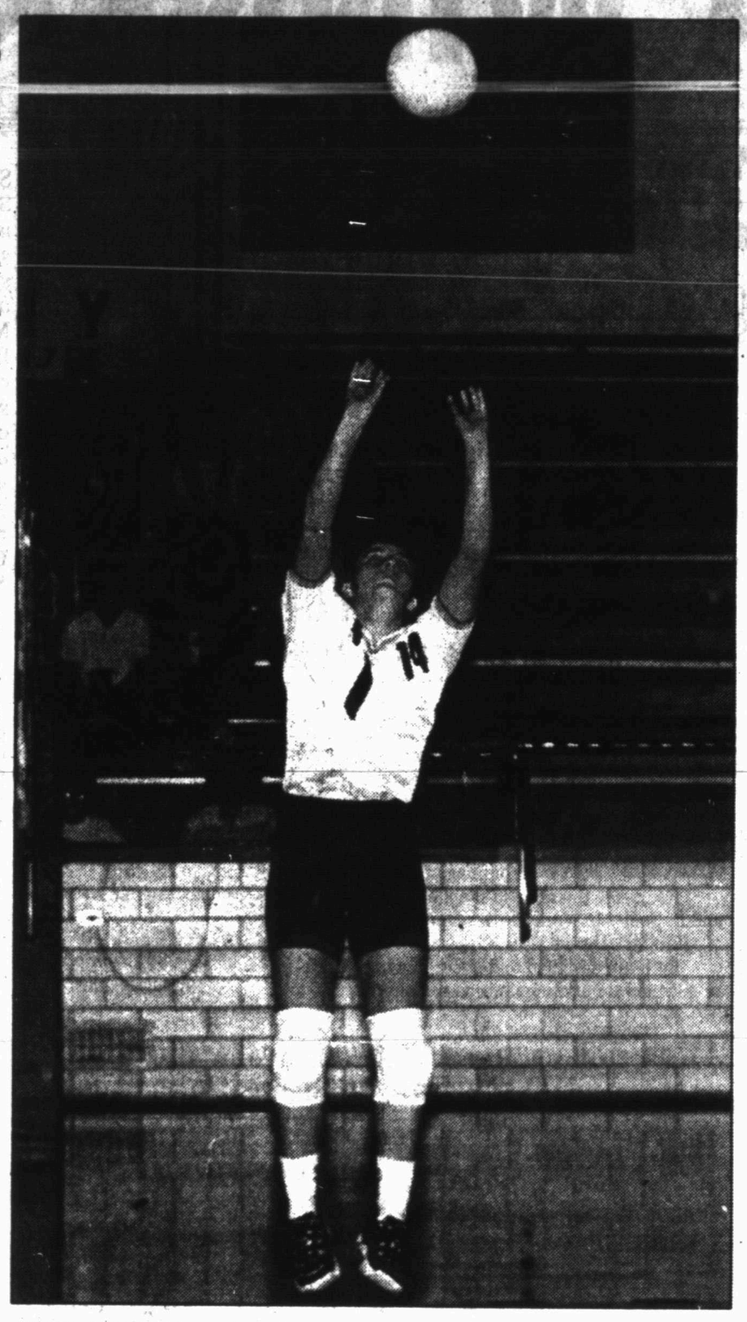
The Lady Tigers, who finished third in District 5-4A, square off with Crowley in a bi-district match-up Saturday at 2 p.m. on the campus of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. Crowley, the 6-4A runner-up, finished the regular season with a 20-15 mark.

"In practice this week, we're focusing on things we need to work on," Grimmett said. "Midland High was a very good team and we're not worried about what they did. We just want to focus on what we need to do."

While Snyder enters the postseason as the No. 3 seed from District 5, Andrews enters as the top-seeded squad. The Lady Mustangs finished in a first-place tie with Lake View, but drew the top-ranking when the Maidens chose the runner-up spot.

Lake View faces Cleburne at 7:30 Thursday at Abilene Christian University, while Andrews draws the winner of the Burkburnett-Azle match next week.

Midland High def. Snyder 15-2, 15-11
Snyder service points: Bradi Johnson, 5; Keile Helms, 3; Kristin Martinez and Christina Holder, 2; Felsha Biggers, 1. **Kills:** Courtney Rinehart, 5; Kameron Kallemeyn, 2; Helms, Holder and Tessa Hildebrand, 1. **Blocks:** Rinehart, 4; Kallemeyn, 2; Holder, Hildebrand and Alicia Peoples, 1. **Digs:** Helms, 8; Holder, 5; Biggers and Rinehart, 4; Hildebrand, 3; Johnson and Kallemeyn, 2; Christy Tomlinson, 1.



SOFT TOUCH — Snyder setter Cara Best performs her duty Tuesday night during the Lady Tigers' 15-2, 15-11 setback to Midland High in a playoff practice match at the SHS gym. Snyder will face Crowley at 2 p.m. Saturday in a bi-district contest at Hardin-Simmons in Abilene. (SDN Staff Photo)

Local Sports Schedule

THURSDAY
Football: Snyder 9th at Levelland, 7 p.m.
Football: Snyder 8th at Big Spring, 5 p.m., 6:30.
Football: Big Spring at Snyder 7th, 5 p.m., 6:30.
Football: Borden County at Ira JV, 7:30.
FRIDAY
Tennis: Snyder at regional tourney, Lubbock.
Football: Ft. Stockton at Snyder, 7:30.
Football: Ira at Borden County, homecoming, 7:30.
Football: Hermleigh at Sands, 7:30.
SATURDAY
Volleyball: Crowley vs. Snyder, bi-district at Hardin-Simmons in Abilene, 2 p.m.
Tennis: Snyder at regionsl tourney, Lubbock.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	5	1	2	12	20	11
N.Y.Islanders	4	4	0	8	16	18
Pittsburgh	3	2	1	7	16	18
N.Y.Rangers	2	4	3	7	15	23
NewJersey	3	3	0	6	12	13

Northeast Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	5	2	1	11	26	21
Montreal	3	3	1	7	17	14
Boston	3	4	1	7	15	14
Ottawa	3	3	0	6	17	16
Buffalo	2	3	2	6	14	15

Southeast Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	3	2	2	8	13	10
TampaBay	3	4	1	7	19	23
Florida	2	1	3	7	10	11
Carolina	2	2	3	7	17	15

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	5	2	0	10	21	12
Chicago	4	2	1	9	19	19
St.Louis	3	3	1	7	18	18
Nashville	2	5	1	5	20	26

Northwest Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
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Calgary	2	4	1	5	19	25
Colorado	1	5	1	3	17	29

Pacific Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	5	1	1	11	19	11
LosAngeles	3	3	2	8	17	18
Phoenix	3	2	1	7	17	12
Anaheim	2	3	1	5	11	11
SanJose	0	4	2	2	10	18

Tuesday's Games
N.Y. Islanders 1, Los Angeles 0
Buffalo 0, N.Y. Rangers 0, tie
Philadelphia 2, St. Louis 1
Nashville 5, Vancouver 4

UIL overturns ruling; Katy regains four wins

AUSTIN (AP) — Katy, the defending Class 5A Division I champion and third-ranked team in the state this season, will not have to forfeit games because of overzealous support from parents, the University Interscholastic League ruled Tuesday.

The UIL's state executive committee voted 3-1 to overturn a ruling by the District 19-5A executive committee that forced the team to forfeit four victories because a parents' group violated the amateur rule by buying meals and T-shirts for the players.

Instead, the state panel gave the team a public reprimand and placed the football program on a one-year probation. The maximum punishment the team could have received was a three-year suspension.

"I think their feeling was that the penalty was too severe for what the violation was," said UIL spokeswoman Rachel Seewald.

Last week, the 19-5A committee said the team had to forfeit two nondistrict games and two district games because players did not pay the full cost for meals at two September dinners and received T-shirts from a parents' group. Money for the meals and shirts was collected later.

Katy principal Robert Blankinship told the state panel he wasn't pleading innocence, but that school officials felt the district ruling was unduly harsh for something administrators reported as soon as they learned the details.

"The Katy coaching staff and administration was not aware this was going on; it was something the parents were doing on their own for the kids. Once Katy did find out what was going on, they did turn it in," Seewald said.

Katy has not lost a game on the field, but now carries a 7-1 record because of a separate forfeit for using an ineligible player in a victory over Fort Bend Austin.

Also decided at Tuesday's meeting:

—The panel upheld a district ruling that makes Arlington Bowie wrestler Erik Davidson ineligible because it was determined that he transferred from Arlington High for athletic purposes.

—A public reprimand and one-year probation was given to San Antonio Jay volleyball coaches Sandra Gonzales and Tina Briones for abuse of officials.

Pudge eligible for winter ball

ARLINGTON (AP) — Texas Rangers catcher Ivan "Pudge" Rodriguez can play winter ball if he wants to because of what a team official called an "oversight."

Rangers general manager Doug Melvin said Tuesday that the team did not send Rodriguez's name to Major League Baseball by Sept. 1 to comply with a new rule that would allow them to exempt him from winter ball.

The rule allows a team to forbid everyday players from playing during the off-season if they had 520 or more at-bats during the season. Rodriguez had 579 at-bats.

Because of what Melvin called an "oversight," the team will have no recourse if Rodriguez decides play again this year. He has just finished the first year of a five-year, $42.5 million contract.

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Some Huskers want revenge for '96 title loss to Longhorns

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Depending on which Nebraska player is asked, Saturday's first showdown with Texas since the 1996 Big 12 championship game can be billed as a monumental battle or just the next game on the schedule.

There certainly wasn't a consensus, at least publicly.

Most of the No. 7 Cornhuskers (7-1, 3-1 Big 12) indicated revenge wouldn't be a rallying cry, saying the 37-27 loss two years ago in St. Louis isn't linked to this year's team.

"I have not heard a single player mention it," coach Frank Solich said Tuesday. "I've not thought about it. I don't think it's a factor in any way."

Senior linebacker Jay Foreman doesn't want his teammates to forget it.

"When you lose at Nebraska, that sticks in your mind," he said. "We lost to them in the Big 12 championship. We felt if we would have beat Texas, we would have had a shot at another national championship. It would have been three in a row."

Senior center Josh Heskew said he plans to remind his younger teammates about the Texas victory.

"I'll get in there and express my feelings to the new guys," he said. "There are still some guys here who remember it."

But Joel Makovicka, the senior fullback, doesn't see it that way.

"It's a totally different Nebraska team," he said. "There are so many different people who didn't contribute in 1996. They are both new teams this season. I don't think you can go in looking at it as a revenge factor."

Defensive end Mike Rucker, also a senior, sits on the fence.

Rucker said older players remember the loss, and it's part of what should motivate the team this week. On the other hand, he noted the stakes are different now.

"I think people are going to think about it for the simple reason that it stopped our chance to go for the national championship," Rucker said. "But a lot of the guys on that team aren't around now. The revenge thing is there, but it's not something we're going to worry about too much."

Foreman said if the motivational message is delivered the right way, the Huskers can use the Texas defeat to their advantage.

"You can't think about revenge too much because that would take away from the way you play the game," he said. "But definitely, all week long, people are going to be talking about it."

The Huskers were still uncertain Tuesday whether they will have to face the Longhorns without quarterback Bobby Newcombe.

Newcombe might need surgery to repair his injured left knee. Then again, Solich said Newcombe might start against Texas.

"At this point in time, anything is possible," Solich said.

Newcombe said he would miss 3-5 weeks if arthroscopic testing is needed.

WTC battles elements at Odessa Invitational

ODESSA — To refer to the conditions at the Odessa Invitational as tough would be an understatement.

Western Texas College finished seventh with a three-round total of 963 in the event which didn't see a single player card a round under par.

"It was rough," WTC coach Milton Ham said. "That's just a tough course with firm greens, already. Then with the wind blowing about 30 mph it was almost impossible."

Midland JC took the top spot with a 914 tourney total, while Dodge City, Kan. claimed the runner-up slot at 941.

"Midland played better than anyone else, because right now they are better than anyone else," Ham remarked. "And we just didn't play very good. No excuses, we're just going to have to play better.

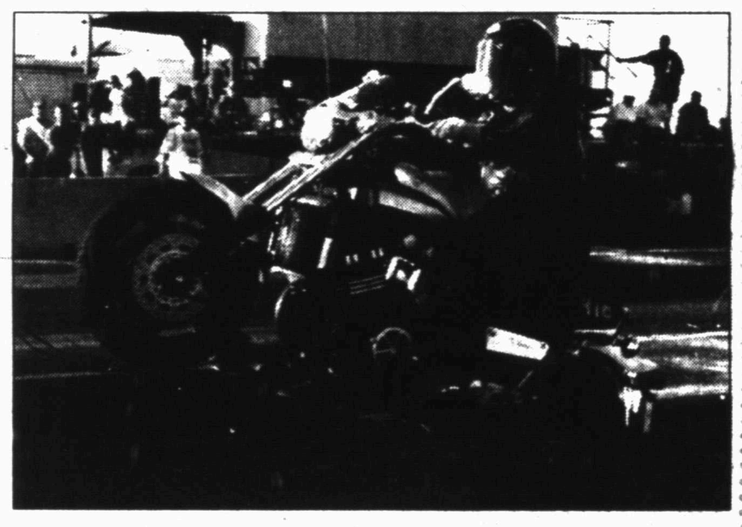
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Jason McGrath led the Westerners' effort, with rounds of 75, 79 and 75. McGrath was the only WTC golfer to finish with three rounds in the 70s.

James Higdon carded a 77-81-84—242, with Martin Gustafson firing a 76-82-86—244.

Robert Wilhite came in with an 84-84-82—250, while Cory Mahaney finished with an 84-82-86—252.

WTC takes the week off, before finishing its fall schedule Nov. 7 at Roswell.



GETTING ON THE GAS — Snyder's Tod Stinson accelerates from the starting line during his final run at the Abilene Shoot-Out drag racing competition. Stinson sped to the runner-up spot in the motorcycle division, while Snyder's Robert Roland did the same in the Super Pro class. (Contributed Photo)

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Require voter approval before property taxes could be raised ('93 RV#480)	Oppose	Favor	
Same medical protections for women seeking abortion as women seeking other medical procedures ('93 RV#425)	Oppose	Favor	
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Arlington police officer fired for wearing Christian symbol

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Sgt. George Daniels, a 13-year veteran, was fired in September for his refusal to quit wearing a small cross-shaped pin. An appeal hearing is set for Nov. 9, when Daniels is expected to ask for reinstatement.

"Depending on how that comes down, we will have to make a decision on whether to file in federal or state court, but we will be proceeding in court if we have to," said Jennifer Schans, an attorney and regional coordinator for the Rutherford Institute, a conservative law center in Charlottesville, Va., that has assisted Paula Jones in her sexual harassment lawsuit against President Clinton.

Ms. Schans characterized the matter as a free-speech issue.

"There is a possibility that there is someone out there that might be offended by the cross, but that doesn't take away from Mr. Daniels' constitutional right to wear a cross," she said.

Assistant City Attorney Barbara G. Heptig told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram no one complained about the cross on Daniels' collar, but by wearing it he violated city policy.

Police department policy states that "no button, badge, medal or similar symbol or item not listed in this General Order will be worn on the uniform unless approved by the police chief in writing on an individual basis."

In July, Daniels met with Police Chief David Kunkle and asked for permission to wear the pin. Kunkle said no, but Daniels continued to wear it, according to department memoranda.

Kunkle in a memo offered Daniels several alternatives, including wearing a pin under his uniform shirt or on the underside of a collar.

Daniels continued wearing the cross, prompting Kunkle to write another memo stating he would proceed with disciplinary action "up to and including termination."

An internal investigation ruled that Daniels violated the department's uniform policy and was insubordinate for failing to comply with Kunkle's order to remove the pin.

Prosecution rests in bio-weapons trial

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — Closing arguments could come today in the federal trial of three men accused of threatening government officials with biological weapons.

The prosecution rested Tuesday and defense attorneys were expected to do so this afternoon after calling one more witness. The trial was set to resume at 2 p.m.

On Tuesday, the defense called several character witnesses against FBI informant John Cain and for Jack Abbott Grebe Jr., 43, and Johnie Wise, 72. They are charged along with Oliver Dean Emigh, 63, with conspiracy and threats to use weapons of mass destruction.

Testifying under a subpoena from the defense, Cain's father, Victor Cain, said his son tends to embellish stories "in such a way to make the part he's playing appear more important."

The outcome of the trial may hinge on the credibility of the younger Cain, who wore a hidden microphone and allowed FBI agents to hide a video camera in his home to capture conversations he had with the men.

Defense attorneys say Cain entrapped the men and prodded them into sending two threatening e-mail messages on June 12 and June 26 to an array of government agencies.

Cain told jurors that Grebe and Wise had begun coming to his house daily to talk about a plan to use a Bic cigarette lighter, converted to a dart gun that would propel poison-coated cactus thorns.

Two offense reports filed

Officers filed two offense reports Tuesday.

At 4:14 p.m., a man requested to speak to an officer in reference to receiving threats. An offense report for assault by threats was filed.

An offense report for Class C assault was filed at 8:31 p.m. in the 2700 block of Avenue K.

Colorado City cattle auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 1,110 head of cattle for the Saturday, Oct. 24 sale. Feeder steers and heifers were firm to $2 higher.. Slaughter cows were steady to $1 higher. Bulls, bred cows and pairs were steady. Trading was active and demand good.

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Heifers:
200 to 300: 69 to 75.50
300 to 400: 67.50 to 75.50
400 to 500: 62.50 to 70
500 to 600: 62 to 67
600 to 700: 61 to 63.50
700 to 800: 60.50 to 64
Young bred cows: 380 to 485
Medium age to older cows and calves: 470 to 570
Slaughter bulls: High dressing 43.25-45; Low dressing: 34.75 to 39.75.

Lubbock cattle auction

LUBBOCK — The market at Lubbock had a run of 1,272 head of cattle for the Thursday, Oct. 22 sale. Cows were $1 better. Yearlings and calves were $2 to $3 better. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows: (high dressing - cutters - utility) 30 to 33.25.
Canners and low cutters: 24 to 29.50.
Slaughter bulls: 38 to 51.50.
Feeder steers choice:
300-400: 75-95
400-500: 65-83
500-600: 65-75
600-700: 64-70
700-800: 63-68.50
Feeder Heifers choice:
300-400: 65-75
400-500: 63-75
500-600: 62.50-68.50
600-700: 61-66.50
700-800: 58-64
Feeder bulls good and choice: 500-600, 62 to 72; 700-800, 57.50 to 63.50.
Cow and calf pairs: Good 475 to 575; Grade 300 to 450.
Springers: 250 to 475.
Baby calves: 100 to 185.
Doodlers 100 to 185.

Darlie Routier moved to Dallas for court hearing

DALLAS (AP) — The housewife on death row for the murder of her 5-year-old son left a state prison in Gatesville today to attend a Friday court hearing in Dallas.

Darlie Routier's attorney said the district court hearing involves an appeal regarding possible discrepancies in the transcript from her capital murder trial.

"The basis for my motion was there was some internal inconsistencies and until I know what the record should say, I don't know how this hearing will affect her appeal," said Stephen Cooper, Mrs. Routier's attorney.

Cooper said he does not expect Mrs. Routier, 28, to take the stand during Friday's hearing, unless "something strange happens."

Mrs. Routier was convicted in February 1997 of killing a son, Damon, in the family's Rowlett home 20 miles east of Dallas in June of 1996. She is on death row for the stabbing death, but has appealed her conviction.

Her 6-year-old son Devon also died in the attack, which she claims was the work of an intruder.

There were discrepancies between physical and circumstantial evidence at the scene and Mrs. Routier's statements during a 9-1-1 call and subsequent talks with police.

Births

Priscilla Cantu of Snyder announces the birth of her son at 12:32 p.m. on Oct. 27 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He weighed seven pounds, one ounce.

Santos and Crystal Flores of Rotan announce the birth of their eight-pound, 13-ounce son at 7:48 p.m. on Oct. 27 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Swanson Aucutt, Priscilla Cantu, Crystal Flores of Rotan, Betty Monroney, Jeffery Brewer of Colorado City, Dan Hicks.

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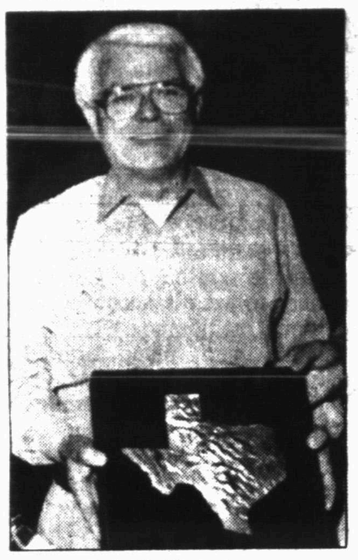
Markets

Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

	High	Low	Last
AMR Corp s	63 9-16	61⅝	63¾+ 1⅛
AT&T Corp	63⅝	62⅝	63⅜+ 3-16
AirTouch	53 9-16	52 5-16	53⅛+ ⅜
Albertsons	56	55 5-16	55 13-16+ ⅛
AlldSignal	37¼	36¾	36 13-16— ⅛
Alltel	45 11-16	45 3-16	45⅛+ ⅜
AmOnline s	122⅛	117 15-16	121⅜— ⅜
AmStores	32⅞	32⅜	32⅜— 1-16
Ameritech s	52⅛	51 13-16	52 7-16+ ⅜
Amoco s	55⅝	55⅛	55⅛+ ⅜
AndarkPtr s	33⅛	32 5-16	32⅜— 1⅛
ArmcoInc	4⅜	4⅜	4⅜+ 1-16
AtlRichfld	69⅝	68 13-16	68⅜— ⅜
ATMOS Egy	30⅜	30⅜	30 7-16+ 1-16
Aviall	10⅜	10⅛	10⅜— ⅛
BakerHughes	21⅜	20 9-16	21⅜— ⅜
BankAmerica	54 11-16	52⅜	54⅜+11-16
BellAtl s	52⅜	52 3-16	52 7-16+ 1-16
BellSouth	77 3-16	75⅞	76⅛+ 7-16
BethSteel	8 15-16	8 13-16	8 13-16— 3-16
BritPet	87⅛	87	87⅛+15-16
BurlNoSFe s	31¼	30 11-16	30⅜— ⅜
CBS Corp	25 5-16	24¼	24 9-16— 9-16
Caterpillar	45 5-16	44 7-16	44¼— ⅜
CenSoWst	27 11-16	27 7-16	27 9-16+ ⅛
Chevron	79¼	79 1-16	79⅜+ ¼
Chrysler	47⅛	46 15-16	47⅛—11-16
Citigroup	44 5-16	42 11-16	44 1-16+ ½
Coastal s	34 13-16	34 9-16	34¾+ 3-16
CocaCola	68¼	67⅛	68 1-16+ 1-16
ColgatePalm	87⅞	86 9-16	86 13-16—1 9-16
ComclMetals	27 13-16	27⅛	27⅜— 1-16
CooperIn	42⅞	42¼	42 9-16+ 3-16
CyprusAmax	13 7-16	12 13-16	12 13-16— ⅜
DallSemicn	32¼	32⅛	32⅛— ⅜
DeltaAirl	97	94	96⅞+ ⅛
Dillards Inc	31⅜	31⅛	31⅛— 3-16
DowChem	92¼	91⅜	91½— ⅜
DuPont	58 15-16	57 1-16	58⅛—1 7-16
EastmanChem	56⅜	55⅞	56 5-16— 7-16
EstKodak	75¼	74 5-16	75⅛+ ⅝
EDS Corp	39 9-16	38 11-16	38 15-16— 5-16
Entergy	28 11-16	28 9-16	28 11-16+ 3-16
Exxon	70 3-16	69 9-16	69 13-16+ ⅛
Flowers	21 15-16	21⅛	21 15-16— ⅛
FordMotor s	50⅛	49⅜	50¼
GTE Cp	59	58 3-16	58 9-16— 3-16
GenDynam s	58⅜	56¼	57 15-16+ ¼
GenElec	85 9-16	84 5-16	85 5-16— 3-16
GenMills	71 9-16	71 3-16	71⅛+ 9-16
GenMotors	62¼	61 5-16	62 11-16+ ⅛
GaPacGP s	48⅛	47¼	48 7-16
GlobalMar	12¼	11⅛	11 15-16— ⅜
Goodrich	36⅛	34 15-16	35 3-16—11-16
Goodyear s	54⅛	53 13-16	54⅛+ 3-16
GtAtlPac	23 9-16	22 15-16	23⅛+ 5-16
Halliburtn	36 5-16	35 1-16	35⅛—1 7-16
Hanson ADS	34⅛	34 7-16	34½— ⅛
HartelIanks s	23⅜	23 3-16	23⅜+ ⅜
HomeDepot	41⅛	40 9-16	41⅜+ ⅛
HoustonInds	30 13-16	30⅜	30 11-16+ ⅛
IBM	146¼	143⅜	145⅛+ 1⅜
IntlPaper	45 5-16	43 15-16	45⅛+ 7-16
JohnsonJn	82⅞	81	11-16 82 3-16+ ⅜
K mart	14⅛	13 15-16	14 — 7-16
Kroger Co	52¼	51 11-16	52⅛+ ⅛
Liton	63⅜	60 5-16	62 9-16+ 3-16
LockhdMart	111 7-16	109⅝	111 7-16+1 11-16
Lowes Cos s	33¾	32⅛	33 5-16+ 3-16
Lubys	14 15-16		14⅛ 14 15-16
LucentTech s	80 11-16	78⅛	80 5-16+ 1
MayDeptStrs	61⅛	59⅛	61 7-16+2 7-16
MediaOne	42⅞	41¼	42⅞+ 1
Medtronic	63¾	62⅞	62⅝— ⅜
Mobil	73¾	73	73 1-16— 9-16
Monsanto	38 7-16	37⅜	38⅛+11-16
MorganJP	90 11-16	88¾	90⅜+ ¾
Motorola	50⅜	49½	50⅜+ ½
NCR Corp	30⅜	30⅜	30⅜+ ⅜
Navistar	20⅞	20⅛	20 13-16
Norwest	36⅜	36	36 5-16+ 5-16
OryxEngy	14 9-16	14⅜	14½+ ⅛
Penney JC	48 15-16	48⅛	48⅛— 5-16
Pennzoil	35⅜	34⅜	35 — 5-16
PepBoys	15¼	14 15-16	15 3-16+ 3-16
PepsiCo	34 7-16	33 15-16	34 5-16+ 1-16
PhelpDodge	56⅛	55 9-16	56 1-16+ ⅜
PhilipPet	43	42 5-16	42 7-16— ⅜
PilgrmPrd B	24 3-16	23 29-32	23 29-32— 3-32
Polaroid	24 13-16	23⅜	24¼— 7-16
Praxair	39⅝	39⅛	39⅜+ ¼
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SearsRoeb	44⅜	43	44 + 1
SherwinW	24 5-16	23⅜	24¼+ 1-16
SmithklBchm	60¼	60	60⅜— 1¼
SouthernCo	29¼	28 9-16	29 1-16+ ½
SwstAirl s	21⅜	20 9-16	21 5-16+ 9-16
Sprint	75 13-16	74⅛	75 1-16— 1⅜
SunCo	33 9-16	31¾	31¾— 1⅛
TNP Ent	34 11-16	34 9-16	34 9-16
Tandy	44⅜	41⅞	44 5-16+ 2¼
TempleInland	49 7-16	49	49 7-16+ 7-16
Tenneco	31 5-16	30⅜	30⅝— ½
Texaco	59 13-16	59	59 9-16+ 1-16
TexInd	28 15-16	28¼	28 7-16
TexasInst s	60¾	59	3-16 60⅝
TexUtil	44¼	43	11-16 44⅛+ 5-16
Textron	74⅛	72⅜	74 +1 11-16
TriconGlbR	43⅞	43¼	43 11-16— 5-16
TrinityInds	36½	36¼	36⅜— ⅛
TritonEngy	10⅛	10	5-16 10⅜
Tyler	7 1-16	7 1-16	7 1-16— 1-16
US West Inc	55 1-16	54 11-16	54⅜—21-256
USX-Marathn	32⅛	32 7-16	32 7-16— 7-16
USX-USS	23⅜	22¾	22 9-16— 5-16
UnCarbde	38 7-16		38 38⅛+ 3-16
UnionPacif	47 7-16	46 13-16	47 5-16— 3-16
UnitedTech	91⅞	89¾	91 3-16+ 1⅜
Unocal	34 15-16	34¼	34⅞—11-16
Venator Grp	8¾	8	9-16 8⅝— ⅛
WalMart	65⅜	62⅝	65 7-16+2 3-16
WstnGasRs	8¼	8	8 1-16+ 1-16
WinnDixie	32¼	32	32 + ⅜
Xerox Corp	98	97	1-16 97 9-16

Scurry County Country



David Counts

Rep. Counts receives recognition

Rep. David Counts of Knox City was honored recently with an Appreciation Award presented by the Texas Agricultural Council. The council is composed of 60 Texas agricultural associations representing all aspects of agriculture across the state.

Tony Williams, who represents the Texas Cotton Ginners' Association, made the presentation on behalf of the Ag Council. "No one in the Texas Legislature does a better job of representing agriculture and rural Texas than Rep. Counts," Williams said. "He is a common sense conservative who puts the interests of his legislative district and the state of Texas above party politics. Because of his hard work, knowledge, honesty and integrity, urban legislators often look to David for leadership and guidance when issues affecting rural Texas are debated in the Texas House of Representatives."



Town & Country Topics
By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

Quality cutlery is expensive but, with proper care, it will last for generations.

Proper cleaning and storage are important. Fine knives should be hand washed separately and thoroughly dried after each use. For safety's sake, hold the sharp edge away from the hand using the towel.

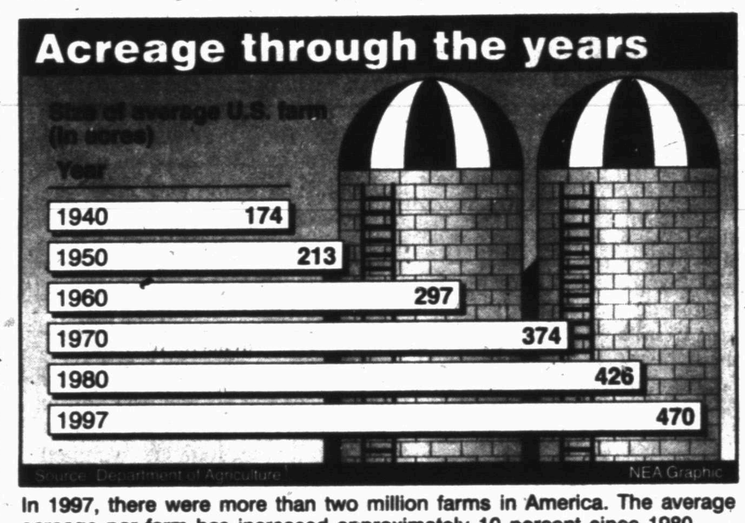
Cleaning in the dishwasher should be avoided for several reasons. The combination of heat and detergent can be dulling and if knives are knocked against other items; wood or synthetic handles may be damaged. Finally, if the items are soaked in water, the wood handles will loose some of their natural oils. If this happens, rub or soak the handles with an edible oil or a food-grade wood condition. After oiling, lightly polish with fine steel wool.

Proper handling will protect both the user and the knife. Sharp knives are the safest. They require less pressure for cutting and do not slip as easily as dull ones. Use a cutting board and, when possible, cut away from the body. When finished, lay the knife down in a cleared area with the blade and point away from the body and away from the edge of the table or cutting area.

Do not store sharp knives loose in a drawer. Contact with other hard objects will dull the blade. Instead, store them in a knife block or holder or use protective sleeve covers.

Ideally, a knife should be sharpened each time it's used. A sharpening steel is specially designed for this purpose. Sharpness is maintained by stroking the blade over the rod on a regular basis. A ceramic hone is designed to remove steel from the knife blade, creating a new edge.

Manufacturers of quality cutlery produce sharpening steels and hones for their knives. By reading and following the directions that come with the accessories, at-home chefs can be assured of implements with a professional edge.



In 1997, there were more than two million farms in America. The average acreage per farm has increased approximately 10 percent since 1980.

Seedling applications available

LUBBOCK — Seedling applications for conservation windbreaks are now available to Scurry County landowners through the Texas Forest Service West Texas Nursery or local Soil and Water Conservation District. Several varieties of evergreens and deciduous trees and shrubs are available.

Each year, West Texas Nursery provides adapted windbreak seedlings, at cost, to assist producers in incorporating conservation windbreaks into their farming and/or ranching operation.

"Windbreaks are trees and shrubs systemically planted adjacent to fields, homesteads, or feedlots as a barrier to reduce or redirect the wind," says Robert Fewin, Texas Forest Service forester, Lubbock. "And when properly planted, they become a management tool that effects every aspect of the farm or ranch."

Windbreaks create permanent, natural protection and habitat for wildlife, reduce erosion, and increase land value and anesthetics.

Evergreens are sold in boxes of 30 for $52 and the hardwoods in bundles of 100 for $48. All prices include shipping and handling. Seedlings ordered this fall will be shipped or delivered in the spring of 1999.

Wildlife packets for habitat establishment also are available. Each of the four wildlife packets contain 100 bare-root trees and shrubs which cater specifically to the habitat needs of quail and pheasant, deer, turkey or squirrel. Each wildlife packet is $46.

West Texas Nursery's primary objective is to produce and sell quality seedlings at a price landowners can afford, allowing them to plant large quantities of trees for windbreaks. Producers are encouraged to purchase seedlings this fall before preferred stock is sold out.

To order windbreak trees or for more information contact the Texas Forest Service West Texas Nursery at 806-746-5801.

Linda Sellars



During my campaign I have often been asked, "Can you operate a motor grader?" The answer is, "No, but I know someone who can and does!" Precinct 2 has a very experienced road and bridge foreman and crew, and I can rely on their knowledge and experience in this area. (The current commissioner does not operate a motor grader, either.)

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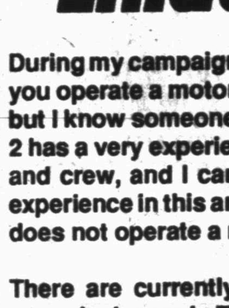
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In each advertisement you will find a face from the past. Identify the faces on the entry blank opposite the name of the sponsoring business. **Bring or mail the entry blank to the Snyder Daily News, 3600 College, PO Box 949.** The deadline for entering is 5 p.m. Monday before the next contest appears on Wednesday. The weekly prize winner will be drawn from all the correct entries. The winner will be notified. This week's faces will be identified in next week's contest. Only one entry per person, and please do not make copies of the entry blank. Employees of the SDN and their families are not eligible to enter.

Last Week's Photos: 1. Fred Costilo 2. Janeen Patterson 3. Drew Bullard 4. Joyce Pace 5. Tim Burton 6. Donnie Newman 7. Jerry Vestal 8. Jerry Owen 9. Larry Anderson 10. Patricia Nix

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Colombian leader welcomed warmly

WASHINGTON (AP) — Colombian President Andres Pastrana, given a warm welcome by President Clinton, opened a state visit here today by promising to seek a "renewed partnership" with the United States and to work toward creation of a drug-free hemisphere.

Pastrana said he will "act now to achieve the dreams of peace to end the fear and the killing and the corruption and begin a new era of social and economic justice."

During a ceremony on the White House South Lawn, Clinton praised Pastrana for his "courage and determination" in efforts to end Colombia's three-decades-old civil war.

"As you embark on your mission to build an honorable and enduring peace, count on the United States as a friend and partner. Count on us, too, as you work to bring prosperity to all Colombians," Clinton said.

Clinton called on leftist guerrillas and right-wing paramilitary groups to respond to Pastrana's "bold initiative for peace by ending terrorism, hostage-taking and support for drug traffickers."

The ceremony, darkened by gray skies, featured a 21-gun salute and full military honors for Pastrana, who took office less than three months ago.

U.S.-Colombian relations were strained during the four-year tenure of Pastrana's predecessor, President Ernesto Samper, who was suspected of ties to Colombian narcotraffickers.

Alluding indirectly to that trying period, Pastrana said, "I come here to inaugurate a new era of relations between Colombia and the United States."

Pastrana had indicated beforehand that he did not wish his visit to become a drug summit but he dealt with that issue forcefully during the arrival ceremony.

Yeltsin's sanitarium stay open-ended

MOSCOW (AP) — Boris Yeltsin, exhausted and with high blood pressure, relaxed and underwent treatment today at a rest home outside Moscow, his spokesman said.

Dmitry Yakushkin said the Russian president underwent "a regular course of treatment." He did not elaborate. He also did not indicate how long Yeltsin would stay at the sanitarium or describe his condition.

Yeltsin entered the Barvikha sanitarium Tuesday, the day after doctors ordered him to cancel a one-day trip to Austria. He has stayed at the center several times before, often for weeks at a time.

Yakushkin said the team of doctors treating Yeltsin did not meet Tuesday or today to discuss his condition. The sanitarium has extensive medical facilities, but it is not a hospital.

In comments to Russian news agencies, Yakushkin said that Yeltsin was taking walks, but was resting most of the time.

The 67-year-old Russian leader has played only a marginal role in dealing with the country's painful economic crisis, and some analysts say the country is being guided mostly by Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov, who has been in office less than two months.

Primakov's "government is now fully responsible for the economy," Oleg Sysuyev, Yeltsin's deputy chief of staff, was quoted as saying in the newspaper Segodnya.

"That doesn't mean, however, that the president can't demand that the government account for its actions in his same stern manner," Sysuyev said.

Primakov traveled to Vienna, Austria, Tuesday to fill in for Yeltsin at the EU summit. Yeltsin called off the trip due to his illness, the latest in a string of maladies that have dogged him for years.

The president did not look visibly ill in television footage of him meeting with Primakov Tuesday, before the prime minister left for Vienna and Yeltsin moved to the sanitarium.

Albright assures Netanyahu of Palestinian action plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Palestinians will submit an action plan to counter terrorism by Friday, the State Department said today as it tried to keep the West Bank pullback accord on track.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has threatened to delay submitting the agreement he reached with Yasser Arafat to his Cabinet until the Palestinians submit the plan.

"Clearly, cooperation is occurring, and I am not aware of problems that are occurring on the practical side," State Department spokesman James P. Rubin said.

As part of the drive to keep Israel in line to relinquish another 13 percent of the West Bank and to move ahead toward other deals with Arafat, U.S. mediator Dennis Ross is expected to go to the Mideast soon for meetings with both sides, Rubin said.

Netanyahu and Arafat signed the agreement Friday at the White House after nine days of negotiations in Wye River, Md., supervised by President Clinton and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright.

When the prime minister flew home, however, he found many of his usual supporters furious over an agreement they saw as advancing the prospects of a Palestinian state and surrendering claims to land many Jews consider to be their promised homeland.

In a statement issued Tuesday, Netanyahu said it had "become clear" the Palestinians would not meet the schedule for a plan to counter terrorism.

Albright spoke by telephone to Netanyahu on Monday and Arafat on Tuesday. She also launched a high-profile campaign urging Saudi Arabia and other Arab countries to normalize their relations with Israel and assist the Palestinians.

"We believe this agreement will go forward," Rubin said.

The U.S. official said the work plan on security would be completed by Friday even though it is not due under the Wye agreement until Monday.

Obituaries

Ileta Hall

1910-1998

Graveside service for Ileta Henry Hall, former longtime resident of Snyder and Hermleigh, was set for 3:30 today in Hillside Memorial Gardens. Charlie Reynolds was to officiate.

Arrangements were by Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hall, 88, died Sunday, Oct. 25, in C.C. Young Memorial Methodist Retirement Home in Dallas where she had been a resident since April of 1997.

Born on May 13, 1910 in Eastland County, she married C. Emery Hall on July 27, 1928 in Midland. Mrs. Hall moved to Hermleigh as a young child and moved to Dallas from Snyder two years ago.

Ileta and Emory Hall moved to Snyder during the oil boom in 1948. They owned and operated Hall Drug Inc. on the east highway until his death in 1970.

A homemaker, Mrs. Hall was a member of Snyder's First United Methodist Church. She was a past Worthy Matron and life member of the Hermleigh Eastern Star, a charter member of Scurry County Chapter of ABWA, and a member of Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

Mrs. Hall was also preceded in death by a brother, Elmer Henry; and her parents, J.J. and Nancy (Kimbrough) Henry.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Janet Hall of Snyder; two granddaughters, Jody Hall and Becki Jackson; one great-granddaughter, Claire Jackson; and one great-grandson Hunter Hall Jackson, all of Dallas.

The family suggests memorials to the Dar Gift Foundation; in care of Dr. Wylie "Buff" Hearn, Grace United Methodist Church, Alamogordo, N.M. 88310, or to a favorite charity.

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GOP continues to out-raise Democrats as election nears

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Republicans have out-raised Democrats by roughly $92 million, but both parties are bringing in more money than they did for the last midterm election.

The record-setting figures were released Tuesday by the Federal Election Commission even as an independent review of campaign finances suggested that relatively few races are competitive this election season.

"The fact that you don't really need it doesn't seem to reduce the fervor with which they're trying to raise the money," said Larry Makinson, executive director of the Center for Responsive Politics.

Makinson called it further evidence that big-money donors were less concerned with helping to elect or defeat candidates than they were about influencing policy in the new Congress that will be sworn into office in January. "They're really talking about lobbying; they're not talking about trying to change the results of the election," he said.

Meanwhile, Democratic National Committee officials defended themselves against charges by some House Democrats that they were hoarding money for the 2000 presidential elections instead of investing heavily this year on Congress.

Specifically, some complained that the Democratic National Committee raised only $11 million, instead of the targeted $18 million, for Unity '98, a joint fund-raising effort with the party's House and Senate campaign committees, in part because leaders such as President Clinton and Vice President Gore spent too much time on events benefiting the DNC or other interests.

DNC co-chair Gov. Roy Romer said that Clinton, Gore and Hillary Rodham Clinton attended nearly 200 fund-raisers for individual candidates, 37 events for coordinated campaigns or state parties, 60 more for the national committees, and 12 for Unity '98. Clinton was attending two Unity '98 events expected to raise $1.1 million on Tuesday night.

"The president, the vice president and the first lady have done more than any team in history to raise money and raise issues," Romer said.

According to the FEC study, the most dramatic increase in campaign money has come in unregulated "soft money" donations.

Republican committees had raised nearly $94 million in soft dollars as of Oct. 14, a 144 percent increase over the 1994 elections.

Bombs found in libraries

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — A bomb set off a small fire in the city library and a second device was found later at the nearby state library, prompting authorities to close many government offices today while they investigate.

State police said the discoveries Tuesday night followed an anonymous written threat that bombs would be detonated in the city. They said the threats were general and did not specify a location.

The Statehouse, which includes the governor's office; the Legislative Office Building; and the city and state libraries were to be closed this morning while police continued their investigation. The Legislature was not in session but the closure was disrupting some activities by committees. Gov. Jeanne Shaheen already had a meeting scheduled out of town this morning.

The first bomb was described by various officials as a pipe bomb or a small incendiary device. Firefighters found it around 7:45 p.m., as they put out a small fire in the city library on a shelf behind some books. The device somehow ignited the shelf, police Chief William Halacy said.

'Spring' weather drops needed rain

Scurry County residents were treated to some spring-like weather Tuesday night as the county was under a tornado watch until around 10 o'clock.

Thunder and lightning accompanied a brief shower around 3:15 this morning that dropped one-third of an inch of rain at the Snyder water plant.

Other reporting stations in the county reported only a sprinkle to no rain at all.

Besides Scurry County, other South Plains counties under the tornado watch were Gaines, Dawson and Borden.

A line of showers associated with a Pacific cold front set off storms from as far south as Kermit and Monahans to Hereford in the Texas Panhandle.

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ONGOINGS

Colonial Hill revival

A revival at Colonial Hill Baptist Church concludes tonight with a service at 7. John Karl Davis, Fort Worth evangelist, is the speaker. Special music is provided by Paul and Christy Newberry.

Community-wide revival

A community-wide revival will be held at 7:30 p.m. today through Friday at New Hope Baptist Church, 3305 Avenue L.

Buffalo Kid/Calico Cuties

The voting boards will be picked up Thursday evening so everyone is encouraged to vote. The awards will be handed out at 6 p.m. Friday at the SHS band hall.

Friday night sausage meal

The Snyder High School volleyball teams will sponsor an all-you-can-eat sausage meal with beans, bread and all the trimmings prior to the football game Friday against Fort Stockton. Tickets are on sale by the volleyball players or by calling 573-5754.

Youth rally

"The Day of Life Youth Rally" will be held at the armory in Towle Park at 2 p.m. Saturday. Special music will be by John Rogers and speaker will be Rad Borg. For more information, call 573-2738 or 573-2711.

Trick or treat canned food drive

The Western Texas College student government will be trick or treating Saturday, looking for canned goods to be donated to local charities.

Spook house at Snyder Healthcare

Children are invited to attend the annual Spook House from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday at Snyder Healthcare Center. The center is also seeking donations of candy treats for residents to give to the children.

FBC fall festival

Fall Festival of Fun, sponsored by the First Baptist Church, will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday at the Family Life Center. The festival will feature carnival games, concession stand and door prizes, and the event is for children through the sixth grade.

CROP Walk set Sunday

The annual CROP Walk is slated Sunday. Walkers are asked to gather at the gazebo near the courthouse at 1:45 p.m. to register. The walk begins at 2 p.m. and walkers will go from there to the Food Cupboard where cookies and drinks will be served before everyone walks back to the courthouse. For more infotmation or to obtain sponsor sheets calls Bill Covey, CROP Walk director, at 573-1730 or the First Presbyterian Church at 573-6915.

First Church of Nazarene revival

A revival and concert will be held at the church beginning Sunday and continuing through Wednesday. Sunday services will be at 10:45 a.m and 6 p.m. and weekday services at 7 p.m. John Lewis will lead the singing. On Sunday, food will be served following the morning service.

Lions Thanksgiving dinner

Snyder Lions Club will not meet at noon Tuesday, but will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday for the partner-in-service Thanksgiving dinner at Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Lord's Acre Festival

The 9th annual Lord's Acre Festival, sponsored by the First United Methodist Church, will be held starting at 11 a.m. Nov. 7 in the Scurry County Coliseum. A 5:30 p.m. barbecue dinner will be followed by an auction.

Messiah singers

There will be a rehearsal for Messiah singers on Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Colonial Hill Baptist Church from 2-5 p.m.

Snyder Junior High annuals

Orders will be taken until Nov. 20 for SJHS annuals. A deposit of $7 may be made now with the balance of $7 paid when the annuals arrive in the spring. No extra copies will be ordered.

Ira ISD annuals

The 1999 Ira Bulldog Annuals are now on sale. The cost is $26 with your name on the cover or $22 without. These will be offered for sale through Nov. 24. The supply will be limited, so order as soon as possible. To order, contact the Ira School office.

Adult education classes

Adult basic education classes that can lead to a GED are underway at Western Texas College. Students may enroll at any time in Room 209 of the WTC library. Both day and evening sessions are held Tuesday and Thursday. Call 573-8511, Ext. 322, for more information.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:
7-13-15-19-20
(seven, thirteen, fifteen, nineteen, twenty)

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
4-2-4
(four-two-four)

Stanfield

Lois Boles, principal at Stanfield Elementary School, reports that the students "are having a great year." The recent penny parade raised $575, bringing the total amount to $9,337. That's only $663 from the goal of $10,000.

Stanfield also recently recognized students for their effort during the first six weeks. Students of the First Six Weeks include:

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

P-K/PPCD: Miranda Benitez, Manuel Benitez, Courtney Henson, Robby Luna, Tyler Redman, Crystal Simmons.

Kindergarten: Michelle Flores, Christopher Johnston, Kaylee Lord, Kaden McCarter, Brianne Perry, Chance Young.

First grade: Ty Burton, Stacey Clifton, Cassie Cochran, Meghan Cooley, Kenyon Gafford, Matthew Velasquez.

Second grade: Sarah Atwell, Lesa Jones, Frankie Benitez, Kaylie Kahlick, Zoe Briseno, Samuel Lee, Riley Davis, Kari Lord, Amy Fogleman, Randy Loveall, Jessica Garza, Clint McFatridge, Taylor Gibbs, Joe Rivera, David Guzman, Zachary Rivera, Carly Hill, Kailea Shaw, Rubi Jaimes, Josh Sorrells, Sebastian Jaquez, Gage West.

The following students had perfect attendance:

P-K: Catie Anderson, Minnie Guerrra, Manuel Benitez, Timothy Iglehart, Miranda Benitez, Robby Luna, Sadee Bernal, Donald McVey, Ashley Black, Jared Pierce, James Egan, Tyler Redman, Sabrina Edwards, Alex Rivera, Samantha Edwards, Aleya Sharp, Kristal Gomez, Crystal Simmons, Terrance Green, DaShay Smith.

Kindergarten: Michael Brasher, Shanerica McGaha, Angie Burton, Shawndon McVey, Darian Clayton, Jacob Mitchell, Cody Duncan, Skylar Morris, Michelle Flores, Xalee Northcott, Anna Fortney, Georgia Norwood, Taylor Freeman, Rudy Perez, Aaron Garza, Brianne Perry, Todd Hagist, Austin Rogers, Carrie Harlan, Leslie Rosas, Kimberly Hunter, Blake Sescil, Jordan Irwin, Will Toombs, Christopher Johnston, Dillon West, Kaylee Lord, Jordee Wilson, Kaden McCarter, Change Young.

First grade: Eduardo Arrelano, Marissa Jackson, Tanner Robertson, Brodie Calley, Stephen Kelley, Brance Scott, Stacey Clifton, Kolby Kubena, Shawn Selders, Jerard Delce, Jack Lewis, Jake Strickland, Megan Downing, Mitchell Marcon, Allison Swigert, Dylan Early, Lee McGinty, Matthew Velasquez, Becky Evans, Colton Newman, Sarah Wilson, Kenyon Gafford, Heather Newman, Nick Zajicek, Yvette Hernandez, Josh Pesina, Jessica Hibbitt, Chloe Reecer, Ty Holley, Jake Riley.

Second grade: Consuelo Acosta, Sabrina Fuentez, Tanya Adams, Jordon Gafford, Leticia Aguilar K'Ana Garcia, Tilatha Akins, Kayla Garcia, Kristopher Alarcon, Paul Garcia, Rayanna Alexander, Jessica Garza, Brian Allred, Taylor Gibbs, Bianca Alvarado, Gus Gonzales.

Also, Veronica Alvarado, Dayton Grice, Ashly Anderson, Richard Grice, Abraham Arizmendi, Bryan Guerra, Chase Arrendale, Benjamin Gutierrez, Sarah Atwell, Bobby Gutierrez, Esperanza Benitez, Chase Guynes, Frankie Benitez, David Guzman, Zane Berryhill, Ashley Hagins, Kyra Bilana, Dwight Henkell, Jessica Bilderback, Lareshia Carey, Jon Ryan Hernandez, Robert Castaneda, Melanie Hernandez, Jared Cave, Keagan Herrley.

Others are, Daniel Chacon, Kalyn Hildreth, Daniela Chavez, Carly Hill, Forest Clayton, Clayton Hirt, Lucy Colunga, Rubi Jaimes, Jesse Connor, Sebastian Jaquez, Lindsey Cox, Maxine Jaramillo, Collin Danforth, John Johnson, Jessie Deavers, Leslie Johnson, Tomasa DelaCruz, Lesa Jones, Jaclyn Deleon, Kaylie Kahlich, Julian Dominguez, A'Lex Koonce.

Also, Stacey Erwin, Samuel Lee, Jacie Eveland, Tanner Lenderman, Brianna Fletcher, Nicholas Lentz, Crystal Flores, Kayla Liccardi, Misty Flores, Eric Lindsey, Amy Fogleman, Jeramy Lindsey, Sierra Foreman, Kari Lord, Randy Loveall, Brittany Scott, Stephen Luna, Anthony Shankles, Erica Maldonado, Kailea Shaw, Elizabeth Martinez, Jerry Silva.

Others include, Jaime Martinez, DaNorris Smith, Carson Matthis, Shaquita Sneed, Clint McFatridge, Katy Spradlin, Chantell McGaha, Heather Steelman, Kendra McGuire, Charley Stewart, Brittney Mitchell, Will Stewart, Cami Mitchell, Teryn Sullenger, Ruben Molinar, Ashley Swigert, Cherokee Morin, Shelbie Talavera, Yolanda Munoz, Thomas Thurmond, Ma Teresa Murillo, Jessica Timora.

Also, Maria Ornelas, Heather Torres, Gerardo Padron, Ashley Trotter, Hunter Perez, Heather Vasquez, Daniel Peterson, Tommy Vasquez, Nakita Pickerel, Wes VonRoeder, Tyler Porter, Jonathan Wallace, Cody Presley, Gage West, Lolita Ramos, Paul Wilson, Riley Raschke, Christopher Witte, Jarrod Rascon, Jordon Wright, Roxann Renteria, Chelsea Young, Ava Ryes, David Zalman, LaShondrick Richardson.

Others are , Alix Rieser, Brittney Rivera, Joe Rivera, Monica Rivera, Zachary Rivera, Adrian Rocha, Daisy Rodriquez, Ismael Rodriquez, Kimberly Rodriquez, Nancy Rubio, Manuel Sandoval.

Bush, Mauro stump in W. Texas

LUBBOCK (AP) — As they both campaigned in West Texas on Tuesday, Democratic challenger Garry Mauro ripped Gov. George W. Bush for not telling voters whether he plans to run for president in 2000.

"When you go to apply for a job there are two boxes: one says part time and the other says full time. He won't check one of the boxes to let us know what kind of governor he is going to be," Mauro said.

"He wants to choose at a time that is more convenient to him. My position is that we have full-time problems and I plan to be a full-time governor," Mauro told a rally at Democratic Party headquarters in Lubbock.

Bush, visiting a Lubbock school, said he hasn't made up his mind and is being honest with voters by telling them that.

"What voters need to know is the truth," the Republican governor said. "The truth is that I have not decided whether I will run for president. If that is a problem for some people, then they should take that into account when they go to the polls."

Bush, eldest son of the former president, has been the subject of growing national speculation about a White House bid. That's reflected by the group of news reporters traveling with him this week — including those from Denmark, Switzerland and several national magazines.

"There wouldn't be all of this speculation if I hadn't done a good job as governor," Bush said.

Bush also pushed his plan to use $203 million to fund programs aimed at helping students learn to read. Mauro continued his call for a $6,000 a year pay raise for all teachers.

Mauro characterized Bush as being against bilingual education, a program which Mauro says has been proven to be successful. He accused Bush of halfheartedly trying to appeal to Hispanic voters in Texas with ads and signs in Spanish.

"He thinks he can take all of the wrong positions on the issues and do a song and dance in Spanish and win Hispanic voters," Mauro said.

Bush said he favors bilingual education programs that produce students who can pass the reading and writing portions of the TAAS student achievement test.

"I'm for programs that work and under my plan, we have a way to test and make sure they work," Bush said.

In other political developments:

— Karl Rove, consultant to Bush, told the Texas Taxpayers and Research Association meeting in Austin that he thinks Mauro is getting extra help from the president, Mrs. Clinton and Vice President Gore because of national Democratic concerns about a possible Bush run for president in 2000.

"Hillary Rodham Clinton is coming to El Paso (before the election), where Al Gore was earlier this year. This is all about trying to deny George W. Bush 40 percent of the Hispanic vote, which has nothing to do with 1998 and all things to do with future fears on the part of the Clinton-Gore White House," Rove said.

Mauro's campaign manager, Billy Rogers, scoffed at the suggestion and said it's not even confirmed that Mrs. Clinton will campaign for Mauro.

"Every election year, Republicans say they're going to get 30, 40, 50 percent of the Hispanic votes, that this is going to be the breakthrough year," Rogers said. "George Bush is not going to get 40 percent of the Hispanic vote."

— David Dewhurst, the Republican candidate for land commissioner, reported spending $3.05 million during the Sept. 25-Oct. 24 period. In filings with the Texas Ethics Commission, he reporting raising $3 million, including $2.9 million from his own pocket. Democratic candidate Richard Raymond spent $335,000 and raised $211,000, including $30,000 of his own money.

— In the comptroller's race, Democrat Paul Hobby raised $484,000 for a total of $2.9 million for the campaign. A $2 million loan raised his total to $5.2 million. Republican Carole Keeton Rylander raised $390,000 during the period and has collected about $3.1 million total.

— Tony Garza, Republican candidate for Railroad Commission, reported raising $216,000 to bring his total to $2.2 million.

FN asks clergy not to hand out CC guides

AUSTIN (AP) — A religious-based organization criticized the Christian Coalition's voter guide Tuesday, saying that by distributing it in churches the group was abusing a time meant for worship.

"This is an inappropriate use of our worship time and worship space," said Rev. Stephen Reid of the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, a member of the Texas Faith Network.

The network, formed in 1995, said this year's voter guides are clearly partisan and is asking Texas clergy not to distribute them.

The Christian Coalition "has taken the Lord's name in vain by attaching Christ to a conglomerate of extreme-right political issues," Reid said.

Christian Coalition officials said the voter guides, which they hope will be distributed in many churches on the last Sunday before the Nov. 3 election, are not a tool to help conservative Republican candidates.

"The voter guides are completely nonpartisan," said Chuck Anderson, executive director of the Christian Coalition in Texas.

Anderson said the guides do not include endorsements or even state the coalition's positions on issues.

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