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Open meetings violations prompt suit against county commissioners' court

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

The Snyder Daily News, objecting to repeated violations of the Texas Open Meetings Law by the Scurry County Commissioners' Court, Friday afternoon filed suit in 132nd District Court seeking an injunction against further abuses of open government.

The suit claims that the Scurry County Commissioners' Court has reached decisions without posted meetings, as required by law, and made decisions in a manner to circumvent both the spirit and the intent of the open meetings law.

The Texas Open Meetings Law requires that all governmental bodies post notice of the time, place and items of business to be considered.

"Even when executive sessions or closed meetings are allowed for deliberations, all decisions or votes must be taken in an open meeting," said Roy McQueen, Snyder Daily News publisher.

"We regret having to take such a drastic action. In more than 40 years in the news business, we have never had to file a formal complaint. We have successfully urged voluntary compliance through private discussions and editorials, but this time to no avail.

"Because of the blatant disregard of the public's right to know, we are asking the district court to permanently enjoin the commissioners' court from transacting business behind closed doors."

McQueen said he wanted it to be clear to Scurry County citizens that the court action is based on the need and requirement for open government, and not on the county's decision to take back operation of the Scurry County Coliseum.

"Governing boards have the right to make decisions with which we might not agree. The issue here is not the decision, but the unlawful manner in which the decision was reached."

McQueen noted that the court has shut out all of the citizens from input and deliberations concerning the coliseum issue, and perhaps others.

"In an editorial last June, we wrote, 'Open government is the law in Texas, and it should be the law in Scurry County.' We still believe this is very basic in our system of government,'" the publisher noted.

The suit was filed on behalf of the newspaper by Don Richards, an attorney with the Lubbock firm of McWhorter, Cobb and Johnson.

Richards represents the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal and other media outlets in Lubbock. Also, he is a Freedom of Information Hotline Attorney.

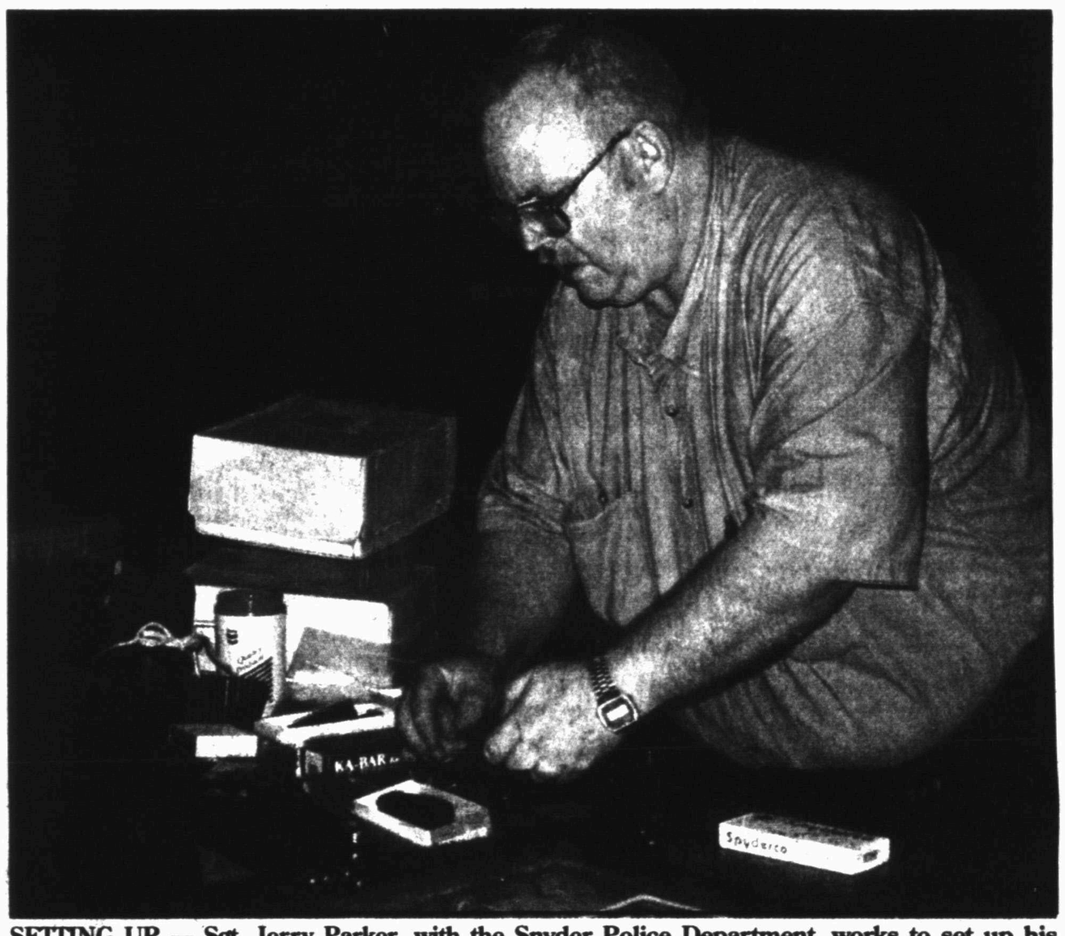
The issue of the management of the county-owned coliseum surfaced in April when Precinct 1 commissioner Ralph Trevey said he would like to discuss the issue during budget talks later in the summer.

The chamber of commerce has managed the coliseum with a county subsidy of $165,000 for the past seven years.

Chamber officials were told that it, or any other groups interested in managing the coliseum, would have to respond to a request for proposal (RFP) for managing the facility.

Repeated requests for an RFP by the chamber were not answered by the commissioners court and in their most recent meeting, County Judge Ricky Fritz announced that there would not be an RFP issued due to "irreconcilable differences between the county and the chamber" on the amount of the subsidy.

The county's budget released Monday reflected a proposed subsidy of $135,000 – a figure the chamber said would jeopardize the successful operation of the coliseum and the entire operations of the group.



SETTING UP — Sgt. Jerry Parker, with the Snyder Police Department, works to set up his booth at the Canyon Gun Club's annual Gun and Knife Show Saturday and Sunday in the Scurry County Coliseum. Parker's booth will offer an assortment of pocketknives. Visitors to the show can buy, sell or trade guns, knives and other items and can also sign up for hunter's education classes. The show opens at 9 a.m. both days. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A sense of humor is the best armor that man can wear."

Gray hair and wisdom often are associated, but there are some younger types that have difficulty embracing that philosophy.

Thanks to Snyder's Gladys McGuire, we were provided a story about 'ole geezers' that we think you'll enjoy.

"Geezers are easy to spot; this is slang for an old man.

"But at sporting events, during the playing of the National Anthem, they hold their caps over their hearts and sing without embarrassment.

"They know the words and believe in them. They remember World War I, the Depression, World War II, Pearl Harbor, Guadalcanal, Normandy and Hitler. They remember the Atomic Age, the Korean War, The Cold War, the Jet Age and the Moon Landing, not to mention Vietnam.

"If you bump into a Geezer on the sidewalk, he'll apologize. Pass a Geezer on the street and he'll nod or tip his cap to a lady.

"Geezers trust strangers and are courtly to women. They hold the door for the next person and always, when walking, make sure the lady is on the inside for protection.

"Geezers get embarrassed if someone curses in front of women and children, and they don't like violence and filth on TV and in movies. Geezers have moral courage.

"Geezers seldom brag unless it's about the grandchildren in Little League or music recitals.

"This country needs Geezers with their decent values and common sense. We need them more than ever. It's the Geezers who know our great country is protected, not by politicians or by police, but by the young men and women in the military who serve their country in foreign lands, just as they did. They serve without a thought except to do a good job, the best you can, and to get home to loved ones.

"Thank God for ole Geezers!"

This is one ole Geezer who can identify with this ode to a spell checker, courtesy of Snyder's Kathy Roberts.

"Eye halve a spelling checker
It came with my pea sea
It plainly marks four my revue
Miss steaks eye kind knot sea.

"Eye strike a key and type a word and weight four it to say
Weather eye am wrong oar write
It shows me strait a weigh.

"As soon as a mist ache is maid
It nose bee fore two long
And eye can put the error rite
Its rare lea ever wrong.

"Eye have run this poem threw it
I am shore your pleased two no
Its letter perfect awl the weigh
My checker tolled me sew.

Dr. Nussey moving office to San Angelo

Dr. Gary Nussey will be leaving Snyder at the end of this week to set up his practice in San Angelo with Dr. Daniel Heinbecker.

Dr. Nussey moved here with his family in 1991 from Monahans and began his practice with the St. Mary medical group, later to be known as Covenant Family Healthcare Center.

He left that organization about three years ago and limited his patient load and worked as an ER physician at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

"We're certainly not leaving Snyder because I don't like it here," said Dr. Nussey. "It's because I will have the opportunity to help develop a medical ministry in Honduras and still maintain my medical practice in San Angelo."

The ministry in Honduras is a product of a friend of Dr. Nussey who was pastoring a church in Houston when he was in medical school.

"Allen Danforth started the ministry in Honduras over 15 years ago. My wife, Cynthia, and I went on a trip with Sammie Jarrell and it has been in our hearts ever since to spend more time helping the children there," said Dr. Nussey.

As that program grows, there will be a need for a physician to be on site at all times for the staff and children, said Dr. Nussey.

Dr. Nussey and his wife have four children. Sandra, 17, will be attending South Plains College this fall, while James, 15, will be a sophomore at San Angelo Central and playing on the Bobcats football team. Andria, 13, will be an eighth-grader at the Cornerstone Christian School in San Angelo, while Krista, six, will be in the first grade at Cornerstone.

Dr. Gary Nussey

Scurry County...

Public hearing set for tax rate

Scurry County Commissioners will host a public hearing concerning the proposed .4692 tax rate when they convene in special session at 10 a.m. Monday.

The 46.92 cents per $100 rate will finance the county's $6.2 million budget for 2002 released by County Judge Ricky Fritz on Monday.

Commissioners are also set to discuss the proposed budget.

The county's entire budget is $22.6 million, up $1.5 million from the current spending plan.

Included in these figures is Cogdell Memorial Hospital's $16.4 million budget. The total amount the county contributes to Cogdell's budget is $395,000.

Fritz said this week that most of the increase in the budget was due to a 31 percent jump in insurance premiums, which will cost the county an additional $180,000 this year.

Another change in the budget is the addition of a parks department to oversee all county parks and recreational facilities. Scurry County currently spends more than $500,000 a year to maintain the facilities, Fritz said.

Following the advice of a Dallas consultant, the county has inventoried all parks and recreation facilities in preparation for a state parks and wildlife grant.

The county plans to hire a parks and recreation director with a salary of $30,000 to oversee all facilities and handle applications for grants.

Also in the proposed budget is a 3.5 percent pay increase for all county employees. The amount mirrors the Social Security program for cost of living adjustments.

The new budget contains no major capital purchases, but two new vehicles will be purchased for the juvenile probation officer and the sheriff's department.

Also on the agenda for Monday's meeting is the consideration of appointing Bid Cooper as County Physician and Health Authority.

Current County Physician Dr. Gary Nussey had announced his resignation effective Aug. 31.

Dr. Cooper is a physician at Covenant Healthcare Center. Dr. Cooper is a graduate of Snyder High School. He is married to Twynette and has two sons, Neil and Seth.

In old business, the commissioners will consider adopting a rate change for the Justice of the Peace Office. Judge Deborah Boyd informed the court last week that new court costs could generate up to $80,000 over the next four years and a new Omnibase program could net the county as much as $600,000 over the next six years.

Commissioners will also consider the Texas Association of Counties' Silver Choice insurance plan. If approved, the Medicare supplemental plan would be offered to county retirees.

The court will also consider any line item transfers or budget amendments presented.

Western Texas' enrollment up after first week

Western Texas College reported an enrollment of 1103 students so far this semester, slightly higher than the same time in 2000.

WTC vice president Bettie McQueen said all of the prison units have registered for on-site classes.

Four prisons take advantage of WTC each semester. The Price Daniel Unit in Snyder, the Ware and Wallace Units in Colorado City and the Smith Unit in Lamesa all have classes taught by WTC instructors at the units.

Last year's total enrollment for the fall semester was 1,233.

McQueen said if this year's registration continues as it has, the college could beat that number this semester.

Around 16 nursing students are expected to register for classes as well, but have yet to do so, McQueen said.

The last day to register, add or change a fall class is Tuesday.

ASK US

Q—What is the salary of the new athletic director and high school principal?

A—A complete list of SISD administrator's salaries is on Page 12A.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 97 degrees; low, 72; 7 a.m. Saturday, 73; no precipitation; total for 2001, 10.84 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, partly cloudy, 20% rain chance. Sunday, partly cloudy, 20% rain chance, high lower 90s. Sunday night, partly cloudy, 20% rain chance, low near 70.

Gage Welsh
Partly Cloudy

Sunset:
8:16 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:17 a.m.
Of 236 days in 2001, the sun has shone 224 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Our lives are a sum total of the choices we have made.

—Dr. Wayne Dyer

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Lookalikes stopped as manhunt continues

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Police are taking no chances in the national manhunt for the Ukrainian immigrant wanted in the slayings of six family members, stopping people on streets and detaining airport passengers who look like the suspect.

Dozens of tips have been pouring in by the hour about the possible whereabouts of Nikolay Soltys, 27, who has been on the run since Monday when he allegedly slashed the throats of his pregnant wife, aunt, uncle and two young cousins.

He was later seen with his 3-year-old son, but the boy's slashed body later turned up at a rural trash heap.

Law officers say the manhunt has been hampered by language, cultural barriers and distrust. Sacramento County Sheriff's deputies have fielded complaints from several people stopped because they resemble him.

"Anybody who's going to have a few cocktails and drive over the weekend, don't do it in a green Ford Explorer. They are all being stopped," said Sacramento County Sheriff's Capt. John McGinness.

That was the last vehicle in which Soltys was seen. Police suspect he may have owned it without registering it and may have access to other unregistered vehicles.

Authorities at Los Angeles International Airport and Dulles International Airport near Washington, D.C., have each detained men until thumbprint checks confirmed they weren't Soltys.

San Francisco police sent uniformed and undercover officers into Russian and Ukrainian neighborhoods with wanted posters in English and Russian. Authorities have made similar efforts in Seattle, Charlotte, N.C., and Binghamton, N.Y., areas where Soltys once lived or had family.

Russian- and Ukrainian-speaking officers borrowed from several agencies have joined about 100 police searching Sacramento, which has as many as 75,000 Ukrainian and Russian immigrants.

Soltys now tops the FBI's Most Wanted list, and reward for his capture has grown to $70,000. Television's "America's Most Wanted" prepared to air the case nationally Saturday night.

Partly due to his background, Soltys can't be tracked by some typical methods, said Acting Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal Tom Figmik. He has no known credit cards. His checking account has little money and hasn't been touched.

Investigators are increasingly frustrated by what they call a slow pace of cooperation from relatives and other members of the community, although Ukrainians say they are cooperating fully and trying to learn more about his background in the former Soviet republic.

"It goes to the level of trust, their trust of us and their loyalty to him," McGinness said. "What's perceived as loyalty may actually be more fear of him than loyalty to him."

On the Net:
http://www.fbi.gov

BP plane crashes

MARFA (AP) — A single-engine plane used by the U.S. Border Patrol has crashed in the far West Texas desert, but the pilot suffered only minor injuries, an official said Friday.

Joe Estrada, deputy chief for the Marfa Sector, said the office wouldn't release the name of the 39-year-old pilot who was alone in the Super Cub airplane when it crashed at about 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

He said the crash is under investigation, which is standard in such situations. Estrada said the pilot isn't suspected of wrongdoing.

The pilot was on a standard border patrol, "detecting and arresting aliens" when the plane went down in an uninhabited area about 20 miles south of Van Horn, Estrada said.

He said there were no storms in the area.

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Cash Five

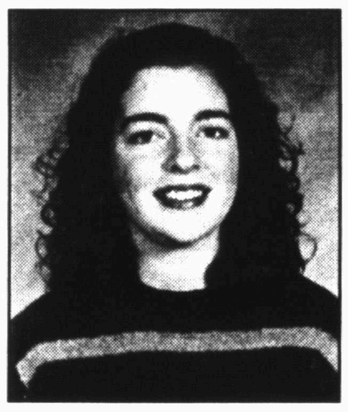
AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
22-15-1-6-36

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
5-9-7

Jacinda Judah in Who's Who; to sing in National FFA Chorus

Jacinda Judah, Snyder High School student, will have her biography published in the 2000-2001 edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students.*



Jacinda Judah

She is the daughter of Jim and Deborah Judah of Snyder.

Judah has also been selected to sing soprano I in the 2001 National FFA Chorus. The more than 100-member chorus will perform at various events throughout the organization's 74th national FFA Convention Oct. 24-27 in Louisville, Ky.

Judah is a member of Snyder High School's FFA chapter.

FFA Chorus members are nominated by their state associations and selected from more than 2,000 applications. The young musicians will arrive in Louisville four days before the convention to rehearse.

The National FFA Chorus is directed by Patti LaJoye of Detroit, Mich., as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

WTC offering accounting I

The Computerized Business Technology program at Western Texas College is offering Accounting 1303 — Introduction to Accounting I — on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6:30-9:20 p.m.

CBI instructor Joann Snider noted that this is a beginning class and will start like the student has never had any accounting at all.

Students will learn how to set up books for businesses and complete the accounting cycle. Students should be qualified to work as an entry-level bookkeeper after completion of this course.

"Technology has changed the office environment tremendously, she said. "And we welcome all students who need to begin developing their computer skills as well as those who need refresher courses."

There are only a few places left in the class, so anyone interested is encouraged to register as soon as possible. The first class meeting is scheduled for Tuesday. For more information, contact Joann Snider at 573-8511, ext. 217.

Gov. Perry picks new chief of staff

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry has named Dr. Michael D. McKinney, a family physician and former head of the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, as his new chief of staff.

McKinney, 50, will replace Barry McBee. McBee is a lawyer and long-time friend of Perry. McBee is also a former Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission chairman.

For the past three years, McKinney has served in various executive positions with Centene Corp., supervising the implementation of Medicaid managed care for the El Paso area.

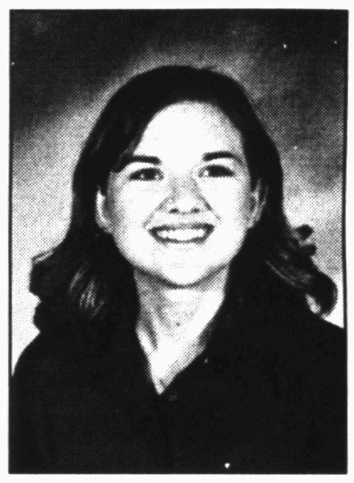
From 1976 to 1992, McKinney was a family physician in Centerville, where he was on the city council for two years and was mayor twice.

Sara Cantu

Sara Cantu is in Who's Who

Sara Cantu, Snyder High School student, will have her biography published in the 2000-2001 edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students.*

She is the daughter of Roy and Yolanda Cantu of Snyder. Her grandparents are George Rodriguez of Hermleigh and the late Adella Rodriguez.



Jeremee Lester

Lester will be in Who's Who

Jeremee Lester, Snyder High School senior, will be recognized in *Who's Who Among American High School Students.*

Jeremee is the daughter of Darrel and Clinta Lester. Grandparents are Dewey and Patty Lester and Clint and Frances McCowen, all of Snyder.

Chavez gets ASU degree

SAN ANGELO — Angelo State University conferred degrees upon 241 graduates during summer 2001 commencement exercises Aug. 10.

The graduates include Snyder resident, Tracy Chavez, who received a bachelor of science degree.

Penn lauds protesters

EDINBURGH, Scotland (AP) — Sean Penn praised anti-globalization protesters and slammed the quality of Hollywood filmmaking in scathing comments before a film festival screening of his new movie.

He dismissed President Bush as a "nowhere man" on Thursday and lauded protesters at a recent global meetings for caring about something beyond themselves.

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NEWEST GRADUATES — Scurry Community Services celebrated the newest graduates of the Early Head Start Program with a party on Aug. 10. Students pictured from left: Luis Lara, Bryan Wagner, Marvin Elliott, and Brandon Muncy. Rita Ramirez is the teacher. (Contributed Photo)

New Dove hunting rules for 2001-2002 are announced

Jim Lionberger
Wildlife Biologist
Texas Parks And Wildlife Department

With dove season approaching, dove-hunting enthusiasts should be aware of some changes in the 2001-2002 dove hunting regulations.

The North Zone remains the same. The season dates are Sept. 1 through Oct. 30, with a daily bag limit of 15 mourning white-winged and white-tipped doves in the aggregate including no more than 2 white-tipped doves per day. The possession limit is 30 doves in aggregate with no more than 4 white-tipped doves.

The Central Zone season dates are Sept. 1-Oct. 28 and Dec. 26-Jan. 6. The daily bag limit is 12 doves in the aggregate with no more than 2 white-tipped dove per day. The possession limit is 24 doves in aggregate including no more than 4 white-tipped dove.

The South Zone season dates (except in the special white-winged dove area) are Sept. 21-Nov. 4 and Dec. 22-Jan. 15 (January 11 in the special white-winged dove area). The daily bag limit and possession limits are the same as for the Central Zone.

The special white-winged area season dates are the first two complete weekends in September (Sept. 1-2, Sept. 8-9), Sept. 21-Nov. 4 and Dec. 22-Jan. 11. The bag limit during the first two weekends in September is 10 white-winged mourning and white-tipped doves in the aggregate including no more than 5 mourning doves and 2 white-tipped doves. The possession limit is 20 white-winged mourning and white-tipped dove in the aggregate including no more than 10 mourning dove and 4 white-tipped doves. The bag limit thereafter is 12 mourning, white-winged and white-tipped dove in the aggregate including no more than 2 white-tipped dove. The possession limit is 24 mourning, white-winged and white-tipped doves including no more than 4 white-tipped doves.

Shooting hours for all zones except for the special white-winged area are one halt hour before sunrise to sunset. In the special white-winged area shooting hours are noon to sunset during the first two complete weekends in September (Sept. 1-2, Sept. 8-9) and one half hour before sunset to sunset thereafter.

White-winged doves have been undergoing a range expansion and even hunters in the North Zone should consider purchasing a white-winged dove stamp along with their hunting licenses. It would not be surprising for a mourning dove hunter to accidentally harvest a white-winged dove. Accident or not, harvesting a white-winged dove without a stamp is illegal. The fee for the white-winged dove stamp is $7. A small price to pay for peace of mind.

Anyone hunting migratory birds is required to be HIP certified. This costs nothing. Simply inform your license retailer than you wish to be HIP certified and he will ask you a few simple, painless questions. HIP certified will show up on your license and your are set.

Listed below are doves and their legal status.

Legal Game Birds: mourning dove, white-winged dove, white-tipped dove (white-tipped doves are non-migratory and are only found in South Texas.

Unprotected Birds: Rock dove, Eurasion collared dove.

Protected Birds: Red billed pigeon: Similar to domestic pigeon, bluish gray to purple in color with reddish bill. This dove is uncommon and found in the Rio Grande Valley, near large brush tracts along the Rio Grande.

Inca dove and ground dove: About half the size of a mourning dove. Both the Inca and the ground dove are gray. The Inca dove has a scaly appearance and has a long tail with white-margins. The ground dove has a short, round dark tail.

Band-Tailed Pigeon: Locally common in oak and pine woods in the mountains of the Trans-Pecos Region. This is a large dove with white neckband and broad gray tail band.

S. Texas rancher convicted

HOUSTON (AP) — A South Texas rancher on Friday was found guilty in the shooting death of an illegal Mexican immigrant and was fined a maximum of $4,000.

Sam Blackwood, 76, was convicted of a misdemeanor deadly conduct charge and was sentenced to a probated 180-day jail term.

He also will be required to pay restitution for the emergency care, autopsy and funeral of Eusebio De Haro.

De Haro was shot and killed May 13, 2000, after approaching Blackwood's secluded ranchhouse asking for water.

Blackwood, who lives about 15 miles north of Brackettville, declined to comment on his conviction.

Date Books

Saturday, Aug. 25, 2001

Today is the 237th day of 2001 and the 66th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1840, Joseph Gibbons patented a machine that planted grain.

On this day in 1950, in order to avert a strike, President Harry Truman ordered the Army to take control of American railroads.

On this day in 1982, U.S. Marines arrived in Beirut, Lebanon, to supervise the withdrawal of Palestinian and Syrian forces.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Bret Harte (1836-1902), writer; Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990), composer-conductor; George Wallace (1919-1998), U.S. politician; Althea Gibson (1927-), tennis player, is 74; Sean Connery (1930-), actor, is 71; Rollie Fingers (1946-), baseball star, is 55; Anne Archer (1950-), actress, is 51; Elvis Costello (1954-), musician, is 47.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1967, Minnesota Twin Dean Chance pitched a no-hitter against the Cleveland Indians. Minnesota won 2-1.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "No matter what accomplishments you make, somebody helped you." — Althea Gibson

TODAY'S MOON: First quarter.

Sunday, Aug. 26, 2001

Today is the 238th day of 2001 and the 67th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1861, Union amphibious forces landed near Hatteras, N.C.

On this day in 1946, actress Marilyn Monroe signed a contract with 20th Century Fox.

On this day in 1992, the Beatles released the single "Hey Jude."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Prince Albert (1819-1861), consort of England's Queen Victoria; Christopher Isherwood (1904-1986), writer; Albert Sabin (1906-1993), microbiologist; Ben Bradlee (1921-), journalist, is 80; Irving R. Levine (1922-), broadcast journalist, is 79; Tom Heinsohn (1934-), basketball star-coach-broadcaster, is 67; Branford Marsalis (1960-), musician, is 41.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1939, W2XBS of New York became the first television station to broadcast a major-league baseball game. The game was between the Brooklyn Dodgers and the Cincinnati Reds.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Second thoughts are ever wiser." — Euripides, "Hippolytus"

TODAY'S MOON: Day after first quarter (Aug. 25).

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Hayden recovering from heart attack

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Tom Hayden, the veteran lawmaker and 1960s student radical, is recovering at home from a heart attack he suffered while vacationing with his family in New Mexico last weekend, an aide said.

The former California assemblyman and senator awoke with chest pains Sunday night, Sandy Brown told the Los Angeles Times on Friday. He was examined by doctors, then flown to Santa Monica on a private jet before returning to his home in Brentwood.

Hayden, 61, was "up and about" and in good spirits Friday, Brown said.

"He's a pretty healthy guy," Brown said. "But he's concerned about where he goes from here and what needs to be done."

Hayden, who was married to actress Jane Fonda for 16 years, lost a close race in June for a seat on the City Council after giving up his state Senate seat because of term limits last year.

"It was my wish to be Upton Sinclair or Lincoln Steffens inside City Hall, challenging the shameful insider culture of power that has turned Los Angeles more into a city of scandals than a city of angels," he said after the defeat.

Hayden, who co-founded the left-wing Students for a Democratic Society, gained fame in 1968 as a member of the "Chicago Seven" that disrupted the Democratic National Convention in Chicago that year.

He served in the California Assembly and Senate for 18 years and ran unsuccessfully for the U.S. Senate, governor of California and mayor of Los Angeles.

Gingrich posting book reviews on Internet

ATLANTA (AP) — Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich is making the most of his voracious reading habit and love of the Internet by writing personal reviews of books he likes and posting them on Amazon.com.

With 47 posted, Gingrich ranks 473rd among Amazon reviewers. As one of the "Top 500," he has his own page on Amazon.com, with a biography, photograph and a list of books he has critiqued.

"I do it for the fun of it," the former Republican congressman told The Atlanta Journal-Constitution for Friday's editions. "Friends were always asking me what I was reading, and so I thought it would be nice to write reviews.

"Half the things I read are light fiction, while the rest relate to politics, technology and warfare," Gingrich said.

The 58-year-old said he usually reads three or four novels a week.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Melanoma makes sneak attack from innocent-looking bump

DEAR ABBY: Last year, my husband was being treated for a highly curable form of skin cancer when he noticed a flesh-colored bump on his neck. He showed it to his dermatologist who dismissed it as "nothing."

Many months later, it still hadn't gone away. He showed it to the dermatologist again. This time, the doctor decided to biopsy the bump, although he said he was still sure that, at worst, it was nonthreatening. Well, the biopsy showed it was malignant melanoma — the deadliest skin cancer. Our lives were turned upside down in an instant. Major surgery and post-operative treatment followed.

Most of your readers have probably seen pictures in magazines and on television showing melanoma as a dark and irregular mole. My husband is living proof that there are exceptions to that rule. Please inform your readers that melanoma comes in other colors and shapes.

Early detection is crucial in cases of melanoma. Once it has spread, it is one of the deadliest forms of cancer. Self-examination is essential. If one finds a suspicious skin lesion, it should be checked out and a biopsy performed. The patient may have to insist on the biopsy. If the dermatologist tries to convince the patient there is no such thing as a non-pigmented melanoma, the patient should run, not walk, to another dermatologist.

Please spread the word. It can save some lives. — **FRANCIE SHUTLER, ORANGE, CALIF.**

DEAR FRANCIE: Thank you for the warning. Any suspicious lump, ulcer or sore on the skin that doesn't heal within a week should be reported to your physician. It's also important to be examined by a physician if there is any change in the size, shape or texture of a mole, or if half of it appears "different" from the other half.

Readers, contrary to popular belief, the sun is no longer a safe place in which to play. The thinning of the ozone layer has made the sun's rays more powerful and damaging than ever before. It's important to wear hats with wide brims and sunscreens with a SPF of at least 15, and limit exposure to direct sunlight between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. It's also important to protect your eyes by wearing sunglasses that screen out both UVA and UVB rays. Children need this protection as much as adults do.

For more information on skin cancer (and other skin problems), visit the American Academy of Dermatology Web site: www.aad.org.

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DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have owned a plumbing business together for nine years. He works 12 to 14 hours a day, six days a week. When he gets off work he's too tired to do anything. We have teen-age children. He says that we should work hard now so we can have a good life later. I feel we should live for today since we don't have a guarantee for tomorrow. How can I get through to him, or am I wrong? — **SALLY IN FORT COLLINS, COLO.**

DEAR SALLY: Time with family is precious and limited. I admire your husband's work ethic, but he needs to strike a balance. Try to convince him to revise his schedule so that he can take an entire weekend once or twice a month to spend with family before your children leave the nest for good. That way, you will all have some happy memories to share while you're enjoying your "good life later."

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DEAR ABBY: My parents have been divorced for six years. I am 11, and I have a sister who is 15.

Since our parents divorced, my sister and I fight a lot more, but I still look up to her for everything. Mom's and Dad's sides of the family constantly question us to see which one is better. Without my sister telling me what to say, I might say the wrong thing.

I love my parents, but I hate it when each of them asks questions about the other instead of enjoying our company. It's just not fair. What do you think? — **SICK AND TIRED OF FIGHTING, GREENVILLE, TEXAS**

DEAR SICK AND TIRED OF FIGHTING: I sympathize with your predicament. No one wants to be caught in the middle, and to put you there at your tender age is very unfair. Your parents — and many others — could benefit from the following list of "Do's and Don'ts" for divorcing couples with children that appeared in my column years ago. **Read on:**

First, the DO's:

— Do allow your children to ask questions about your divorce. It's unfair to make them feel like outsiders.

— Do answer all their questions about your divorce as truthfully as possible, without making the other parent the "heavy."

— Do remember that your children need the love of both parents.

— Do assure your children that they are not to blame for your divorce.

— Do encourage your children to talk freely about their feelings — even if it's painful to you. Bottling up emotions is even more damaging to children.

— Do have a special place for your children's toys and belongings during visiting time. It will make them feel more at home.

Now, the DON'Ts:

— Don't badmouth the other parent to your children, or to anyone else in their presence.

— Don't send messages to the other parent through your children.

— Don't ask your children to keep secrets from your ex-spouse.

— Don't be overly generous (or less strict) in an effort to win your children's approval.

— Don't tell your children what to think or feel. They are entitled to their own thoughts and feelings.

— Don't try to pump your children for information about your ex-spouse. — **BEEN THERE IN ST. LOUIS**

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DEAR ABBY: I'm only a kid, but I really need your help. I want a dog. A collie. They get along with other animals and don't need a lot of exercise. The problem is that my parents hate dogs.

They say I can have as many dogs as I want when I grow up, but I can't wait that long. Almost everyone I know has a dog. I have $375, so I can afford to buy one and pay for its food and shots. Abby, how can I change my parents' minds? — **DOG-DEPRIVED IN DENVER**

DEAR DOG-DEPRIVED: There is no way I can change your parents' minds for you. If I could, I would. However, if you volunteer at an animal shelter or local veterinarian's clinic, you could fill some of the void you are feeling.

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Financial Focus

When Should You "Rebalance" Your Investment Portfolio?

Once you create an investment portfolio, it's important to keep track of it on a regular basis. Over time, you'll have to make adjustments in response to change in your life and the marketplace. If you do a good job, your vigilance will be rewarded with a portfolio that reflects your personal and financial situation at every stage of your life.

When you first build your portfolio, you need to factor in three key elements:

• **Your investment personality** — All of us have different investment personalities. Some of us are comfortable accepting a larger degree of risk in exchange for potentially higher returns. Others would rather know that our principle is fairly secure, even if it means accepting little or no growth. As you put various investments into your portfolio, you'll need to make sure that you are comfortable with the cumulative level of risk.

• **Your time horizon** — What you choose to invest in depends a great deal on how long you plan to invest. If you're just starting out, you may want to tilt your portfolio more heavily towards growth stocks. These stocks are also the most volatile, but, with many years to go before you retire, you will have time to "ride out" these ups and downs.

• **Your investment goals** — What you plan to do with your investments is also a key factor in selecting them. For example, if you need to accumulate a lot of money in 10 years to pay for your 8-year-old's college education, then you're probably going to choose some different investments than you would if you're primarily saving for your retirement in 30 years. Your first challenge is to accommodate all these factors and build a diversified portfolio. Your next challenge is to "rebalance" this portfolio when needed, in response to changed conditions — either in your life or in the financial markets.

What types of changes could cause you to rebalance your portfolio? The possibilities are numerous. If you have a new child, you may need to reposition some assets to build savings for college. If you start a new job with a bigger salary, you may be able to allocate more money among a wider array of investments. If you're entering your retirement years, you may want to shift some (but not all) growth assets into income-producing vehicles.

Changes in the financial markets also can lead to the need to rebalance. If your holdings are somewhat heavily weighted toward a particular sector, and that sector is poised for an extended rough spell, you may want to make some adjustments. Or, if you have some international investments in one particular region, and that region has lost its luster, you may want to shift some dollars to another area.

However, you'll want to be careful not to overreact to short-term market events. Ideally, you want to buy quality investments, hold them for the long-term and ignore short-term price fluctuations. It may be time to rebalance if you sense a significant "sea change" is under way — but if it's just a ripple on the surface, you don't want to jump overboard.

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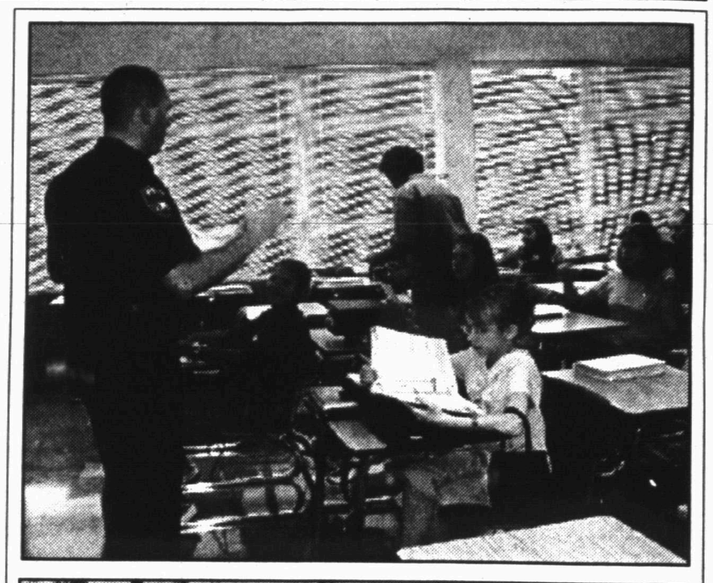

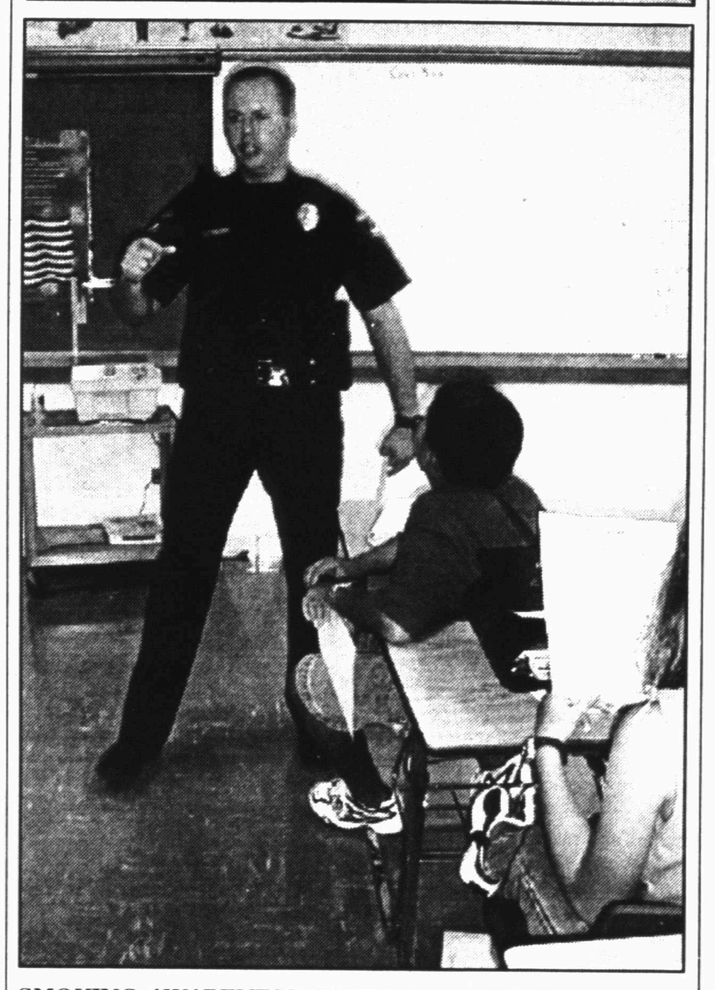

SMOKING AWARENESS CAMPAIGN — Bill Whitley, Snyder Junior High School's resource officer, will talk to students about the dangers of cigarette smoking during their homeroom periods. Whitley spoke to Derick Price's students on Wednesday. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

Polygamist sentenced to five years in prison

PROVO, Utah (AP) — A man with five wives and 30 children was sentenced to five years in prison Friday in Utah's biggest polygamy case in nearly half a century.

Tom Green, 53, also was ordered to repay $78,000 to the state for welfare checks fraudulently collected by his family.

He could have gotten up to 25 years behind bars.

Polygamy is an open secret in Utah and elsewhere in the West, where there are an estimated 30,000 people practicing plural marriage. But Green practically dared prosecutors to go after him by appearing on TV talk shows including Sally Jessy Raphael's and Queen Latifah's to discuss his "original Mormonism."

Green took the stand for an hour Friday and made clear he had no regrets. He asked his five wives and the seven children he brought to the hearing to stand up. Pointing to them, he said: "I am not ashamed of these people, and I'm not ashamed of my relationship with them."

Each of his wives also took the stand. All cried, and all asked the judge for leniency.

Judge Guy Burningham said Green's unapologetic attitude left him with few options, and he sentenced the defendant to five years on each charge he faced — four bigamy charges and one for failing to support his family. The sentences will run concurrently.

Prosecutor David Leavitt had asked for 10 years in prison.

Leavitt, the brother of Gov. Michael Leavitt and the product of a Mormon family with a polygamist past, dismissed any suggestion that Green had been singled out.

"Whenever someone gives me a provable case of any type, of any kind, I'm going to prosecute it," he said after the hearing.

Defense attorney John Bucher said he will appeal the conviction.

Green's wife LeeAnn said after the hearing that the family would do everything possible to avoid welfare and that they would stay together while he is in prison.

During a weeklong trial, the prosecutor attempted to portray Green as a man driven by an outsized ego to marry teen-age girls.

The defense argued that Green may not be the most likable man but that he didn't commit bigamy because he was legally married to only one woman at a time. Green was convicted in May.

He is still awaiting trial on child rape charges in connection with his 1986 marriage to Linda Kunz. Prosecutors said Kunz was 13 when she conceived a child with Green. She now is pregnant with her seventh child.

Green has argued that the statute of limitations has run out and that the charge should be dropped.

Mormon pioneers brought polygamy to Utah in the 1840s, but 50 years later the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints renounced the practice in a bid to gain statehood for the territory.

Utah's Constitution specifically outlaws plural marriage.

Bodies of couple found in rural home

MORGAN MILL (AP) — The bodies of a man and a woman were found apparently shot to death Friday at a home in rural Erath County, authorities said.

The bodies were discovered Friday morning by a relative at the couple's home about six miles north of Morgan Mill, the Department of Public Safety said.

Erath County Sheriff Tommy Bryant said the man and woman are believed to be husband and wife. He said their names have not been released pending notification of family members.

The couple's pickup was missing. The case was being investigated as a homicide.

The DPS said three suspects — all men — were being sought.

"We have not a clue at this point on any strong suspects," Erath said.

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MATCHING FUNDS — R.J. Youngclaus, right, manager of Wal-Mart, presented a check for $586 dollars to Larry Scott, Snyder High School principal, last week. The check matched the funds the Boys Basketball Booster Club made during a summer car wash held at the store. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Court papers cite mob connections

CHICAGO (AP) — The city's former detectives chief is portrayed in court papers as having organized crime ties for decades, with mob informants claiming he shook down bookies and burglars and took regular payoffs.

The papers were unsealed as one of six men charged with stealing $5 million in jewelry and gems pleaded guilty Friday to federal racketeering charges and accused the former chief of detectives, William Hanhardt, of masterminding the operation.

Sam DeStefano, 47, said he stole from jewelry salesmen, at times using information from police computers under the direction of Hanhardt.

Hanhardt and four co-defendants are scheduled to go on trial Sept. 4, charged with a racketeering conspiracy.

Many of the documents unsealed Friday concerned efforts by Hanhardt's attorneys to suppress wiretaps of the chief's home telephone. The wiretaps had been authorized based on information provided to the FBI by mob informants. The affidavit itself remains under seal, but the documents released included prosecution and defense filings that refer to it.

Hanhardt was known as a tough "cop's cop" as he rose through the ranks of the police force in the 1950s despite whispers that he had mob connections. Prosecutors say the thefts began while he was still a police official but that most took place after his 1986 retirement.

The filings say that according to the affidavit, Ken Eto, an alleged mob associate turned informant, told FBI agents in 1985 that he "personally paid Hanhardt money to ensure favorable treatment of Eto's gambling business."

Robert G. Siegel, a one-time member of a jewel-theft ring, was quoted as telling agents in 1995 that an organized crime figure told him in 1967 that Hanhardt was receiving "$1,200 a month and a new car every two years."

Gerald Shallow, a former Chicago police officer, told FBI agents that in the 1950s he "personally witnessed Hanhardt taking money from bookies, burglars and other hoodlums."

Hanhardt's attorneys did not return a call Friday but have said in their responses to the allegations that many of the individuals were unreliable and some may have held grudges against the former detective.

In his plea agreement, DeStefano stopped short of agreeing to testify against Hanhardt and the co-defendants, but he agreed to help the government recover stolen jewelry.

Hanhardt, 72, is scheduled for exploratory cancer surgery Tuesday. His attorneys are seeking a postponement of his trial because of his health problems. U.S. District Judge Charles R. Norgle scheduled a hearing for Wednesday to determine whether a postponement is warranted.

Bill keeps rice cakes from refrigeration's bad taste

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Now members of the city's Korean community can eat their chewy bite-sized rice cakes and enjoy them too.

Until now, Los Angeles County health officials had required bakeries selling the steamed cakes, called duk or thuk, to refrigerate them, a move some say ruins the taste.

"The people didn't buy it," said Young Hui Lee, owner of Seoul Kitchen. "They think, 'How come it's so hard? Maybe it's a day old.'"

Gov. Gray Davis agreed, saying eating a refrigerated rice cake is "like eating a hockey puck."

He put an end to that Friday in Koreatown, when he signed into a law a bill allowing the cakes to be served at room temperature if they are dated and carry a label warning that they should be eaten within 24 hours.

The cakes are made by soaking rice in water for several hours, then grinding it into a paste and rolling it into balls, which are steamed.

The balls, often filled with red beans, fruit or nuts, are mainly served as a dessert snack and are popular at birthdays and other celebrations.

County health officials say they were only enforcing the law when they cracked down in July, telling bakery owners to refrigerate the cakes.

"In terms of our procedure, we were doing what we're supposed to, which is preventive public health," said Terrance Powell, the county's chief environmental health specialist.

Assemblywoman Carol Liu, who sponsored the bill to change the law, disagreed.

Senior Center Menu

Monday

Chicken spaghetti, green beans, Harvard beets, tossed salad, red applesauce

Tuesday

Ham & cheese stuffed potato, chopped broccoli, fried squash, pineapple w/cheese salad, banana pudding

Wednesday

Beef stroganoff, peas & carrots, tossed salad, Jello w/topping, peanut butter cookies

Thursday

Hamburger and the fixin's, potato chips, brownie

Friday

Fried fish, potatoes with parsley, green bean casserole, strawberries & bananas, chocolate cake w/white frosting

Richard Burton's diary missing from BBC

LONDON (AP) — A diary Richard Burton kept during his first tempestuous marriage to Elizabeth Taylor is missing and presumed stolen from the British Broadcasting Corp.

The diary was among items that Burton's widow, Sally, lent to the BBC earlier this year for the filming of a documentary about the actor's life. After the items were returned in March, Sally Burton discovered the diary was not among them.

"The possibility that it has been stolen is a strong one," a BBC spokeswoman said Friday on customary condition of anonymity.

Senior Center News

Swimnastics at Western Texas College for senior citizens, age 60 and over, is scheduled from 1-2 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning this Tuesday. The class is especially beneficial for seniors with respiratory or arthritis problems. Call 573-4035 for more information.

Monday

Bridge play begins at 9:30 a.m. and daily exercise at 11. The bracket for the Nine Ball Tournament will be drawn at 9:30 a.m. Seniors may sign up in the pool room or call the center for more information.

Tuesday

Eighty-eight play begins at 10 a.m. The Volunteer Western Band will perform in the dining room at 11, and the Golden K Kiwanis will meet at noon in the conference room. Seniors may participate in games at 6:30 p.m. and the dance at 7 p.m. The Benny Benitez band will provide the music. Admission is a suggested donation of $4 per person.

Wednesday

Join us for ladies pool beginning at 9 a.m. Experienced players will be available to help newcomers learn the game. Frances Featherston will play the piano beginning at 11:15 a.m. Line dancers and cloggers may practice at 1 and 2 p.m. respectively.

Thursday

There will be no fabric painting class this week. The next class will be Sept. 6. Daily activities include dominoes, pool, exercise bikes, treadmills and quilting.

Friday

The blood pressure clinic and bridge both begin at 9:30 p.m. Seniors may play eighty-eight at 11 a.m. James Patrick will provide piano music at 11:30.

Monday, Sept. 3

The Senior Center will be closed for Labor Day. We look forward to seeing all of the Kitchen Band and Sunshine Choir members after this Labor Day weekend. Newcomers are always welcome to join any of the activities. Now is a good time to join the Kitchen Band and/or Sunshine Choir.

Also, there is no membership fee for participation in Senior Center activities. The cost of the noon meal is a suggested donation of $2.50 per person for seniors and $4 for citizens under 60.

If newcomers are interested in joining the Golden K Kiwanis or AARP there are membership fees for those organizations. The center staff will assist you in contacting those officers for more information.

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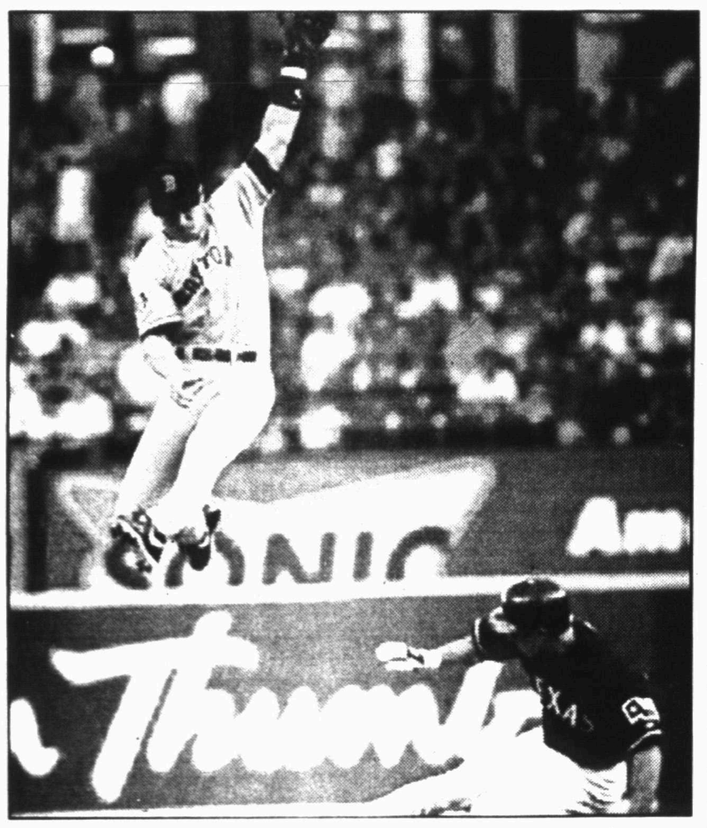

SAFE — Boston second baseman Mike Lansing can't come down with a high throw as the Rangers' Frank Catalanotto steals second base Friday night in Arlington. (AP Photo)

Narron's mistake costs Texas

ARLINGTON (AP) — Rookie manager Jerry Narron didn't follow normal baseball strategy, and it cost the Texas Rangers a game.

Narron stuck with rookie right-handed reliever Dan Kolb against left-handed hitting Trot Nixon rather than going to the bullpen for lefty Juan Moreno. And Nixon made Narron pay with a tiebreaking grand slam that lifted the Boston Red Sox to a 7-4 victory on Friday night.

Narron wanted to give Kolb a chance to pitch out of the situation, a move he later regretted.

"In the eighth inning, I made a mistake," Narron said. "If Moreno's job is to get left-handers out, I've got to get him in to face Nixon. What bothers me tonight is that I don't feel I gave our guys a chance to win in the eighth. That doesn't mean I don't have confidence in Danny Kolb, but I've got to give Juan Moreno a chance to do his job."

Nixon was determined to force Kolb to throw a lot of pitches, and he worked the count full before hitting the decisive homer.

"I go up there trying to make the pitcher work," Nixon said. "I'm picky about my pitch. I feel confident I can get a pitch I want to hit."

Nixon saw 27 pitches in his five trips to the plate and reached base four times, including his homer, a single, a walk and an error.

"It seems like the more pitches he sees, the better he gets," Red Sox manager Joe Kerrigan said. "As a (former) pitcher I know, the more times you throw, the more the advantage goes to the hitter. After you've thrown him six or seven pitches in an at-bat, what else can you throw him he hasn't already seen?"

The Red Sox, who improved to 5-0 against Texas this season, is three games behind New York in the AL East.

Texas evened it at 3-all with a two-run seventh. But Boston, again playing without injured slugger Manny Ramirez, broke loose in the eighth.

Troy O'Leary led off with a single against Chris Michalak (6-8), making his first appearance for Texas after being claimed off waivers from Toronto. Shea Hillenbrand singled off Kolb and Doug Mirabelli drew a one-out walk that loaded the bases.

Nixon followed by lifting a low fastball that just cleared the right-field wall for his third career grand slam and 20th homer of the season.

"I was sitting on a fastball and I was able to get the head of the bat under it and carry it to right field," said Nixon, who has three homers against the Rangers this season. "It is the ultimate home run. It was good for us to bounce right back after they tied it because they had momentum on their side."

Rod Beck (6-4) allowed one run and two hits in one inning for the win.

Derek Lowe came in with two outs in the eighth and allowed an RBI single to Ivan Rodriguez that made it 7-4. Ugueth Urbina pitched the ninth for his fourth save in as many opportunities since joining the Red Sox on July 31.

Red Sox starter Hideo Nomo allowed one run and two hits, both by Frank Catalanotto, over the first six innings.

Warriors forward arrested

DOTHAN, Ala. (AP) — Former Auburn star Chris Porter was arrested Friday on drug charges after he was stopped for a traffic violation.

Police said the Golden State Warriors forward had a small plastic bags with cocaine and another with marijuana in the car.

He was charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance and second-degree possession of marijuana, said Lt. Ray Wiehe of the Dothan Police Department.

Porter was released under $1,000 bond.

Police Capt. Steve Parrish said Porter was stopped after an officer saw him speeding. Parrish said the officer found the cocaine on Porter and found the marijuana and a handgun in the car.

Parrish said police were checking to see whether Porter is allowed to carry a gun in Alabama.

Porter, the 1999 SEC player of the year, was drafted in the second round by the Warriors last year. The 6-foot-7 forward started 35 games for Golden State last season, averaging 8.6 points and 3.7 rebounds.

His hometown is about 25 miles from Dothan.

Porter was suspended during his senior year at Auburn for accepting $2,500 from a sports agent. He told school officials he needed the money to help his mother.

Furyk leads Woods, Mickelson

AKRON, Ohio (AP) — Jim Furyk again tore up the back nine — and Tiger Woods nearly tore up his left elbow.

Furyk shot a 4-under par 66 — including three birdies down the stretch — to take a two-stroke lead over two-time defending champion Woods and Phil Mickelson through Friday's second round of the World Invitational.

"I ended up sprinkling a few birdies in on the back side that turned it into a real solid day," said Furyk, the first-round co-leader after a 66 who is at 9-under 131 halfway to the chase for the $1 million first prize in the World Golf Championship event.

Meanwhile, Woods' health was again a question mark. He shot a 66 in the first round despite losing nine pounds the previous eight days because of food poisoning.

Recovered from that ailment, he led by two shots when his drive on the 13th hole rolled under a tree and up against some large tree roots. Woods considered taking a drop and also considered hacking the ball over into the 14th fairway.

He eventually chopped a 9-iron out some 40 yards into the rough, the club whacking a large tree as he let go with his left hand. From there he flew his approach shot over the green, chipping back to make bogey and cutting his lead to a shot.

Asked if his elbow hurt more as the day progressed, he said, "It didn't because the painkillers kicked in."

Given that opening, Furyk pulled into a tie with a birdie at the 14th hole.

Woods, who said he felt a "little twinge" in his elbow late in his round, then found more trouble on the 625-yard "Monster" 16th hole at Firestone Country Club. He again pulled his drive left, hit a 9-iron way right, bounced one off the pin with his next shot and then three-putted for a double-bogey.

Furyk birdied the same hole, nailing an 8-foot putt, to take control. Sort of.

"Two shots is nothing," Furyk said. "Two shots can change on one hole. My mindset, really, is I still think we're very early in the golf tournament. I'm going to go and try to attack the golf course and play it the same way I have the first two days. I want to play aggressive, but I want to play intelligently and pick and choose some spots."

A year ago, Woods had a triple-digit fever in the final round of the NEC and ended up winning by 11 shots. It seems the worse he feels, the better he plays.

"I'm right there in the ballgame," Woods said after a 67 put him at 7-under 133. "I'm right where I need to be with two rounds to go."

Mickelson left the course in a hurry after a 66 because he was throwing out the opening pitch for the local minor league affiliate of the Cleveland Indians.

He also liked where he was on the leader board.

"There are holes that make it very difficult for the leaders to pull away and so I feel that I can be patient," Mickelson said. "I can make birdies throughout the 18 holes and stay with the leaders, as opposed to having to make birdies to keep pace."

Stuart Appleby birdied the last two holes for the lowest round of the day, a 64. That put him at 134 with Padraig Harrington, Darren Clarke and Robert Allenby. Clarke bogeyed the final hole after his approach to the 18th green bounded off a hill near the green.

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National League
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East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	70	57	.551	—
Philadelphia	69	58	.543	1
Florida	61	66	.480	9
New York	59	69	.461	11½
Montreal	55	73	.430	15½
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Houston	74	54	.578	—
Chicago	70	58	.547	4
St. Louis	70	58	.547	4
Milwaukee	56	71	.441	17½
Cincinnati	51	77	.398	23
Pittsburgh	47	80	.370	26½
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Arizona	73	54	.575	—
San Francisco	72	56	.562	1½
Los Angeles	70	58	.547	3½
San Diego	62	65	.488	11
Colorado	55	72	.433	18

Thursday's Games
Cincinnati 12, St. Louis 2
Milwaukee 8, Chicago Cubs 1
Pittsburgh 5, Arizona 1
San Francisco 10, Montreal 5
Los Angeles 6, Florida 2
Houston 2, Philadelphia 1, 11 innings
Colorado 10, N.Y. Mets 0
Atlanta 3, San Diego 2

Friday's Games
St. Louis 10, Chicago Cubs 8
Houston 5, Pittsburgh 1
Montreal 6, Cincinnati 4
Florida 6, San Diego 3
Philadelphia 6, Arizona 5
N.Y. Mets 4, San Francisco 3
Los Angeles 4, Atlanta 1
Colorado 12, Milwaukee 6

Saturday's Games
St. Louis (W.Williams 10-8) at Chicago Cubs (Lieber 16-5), 1:15 p.m.
Arizona (Batista 8-7) at Philadelphia (Coggin 4-2), 1:15 p.m.
Houston (Mlicki 4-0) at Pittsburgh (Ritchie 9-11), 7:05 p.m.
Colorado (Thomson 1-5) at Milwaukee (Wright 9-8), 7:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Prokopec 6-6) at Atlanta (Marquis 3-4), 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Reitsma 5-13) at Montreal (Thurman 6-9), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (Herndon 1-2) at Florida (Sanchez 2-3), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Schmidt 9-7) at N.Y. Mets (Trachsel 7-11), 7:10 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Los Angeles (Gagne 4-5) at Atlanta (Burkett 10-8), 1:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Acevedo 3-5) at Montreal (Munoz 0-3), 1:35 p.m.
Houston (Astacio 8-14) at Pittsburgh (D.Williams 1-5), 1:35 p.m.
Arizona (Schilling 18-6) at Philadelphia (Figueroa 4-4), 1:35 p.m.
Colorado (Hampton 12-10) at Milwaukee (Quevedo 3-1), 2:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Hermanson 12-9) at Chicago Cubs (Cruz 0-1), 2:20 p.m.
San Diego (Jarvis 10-9) at Florida (Penny 7-6), 4:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Ortiz 14-6) at N.Y. Mets (Leiter 8-10), 8:05 p.m.

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East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	75	54	.581	—
Boston	71	56	.559	3
Toronto	62	67	.481	13
Baltimore	54	74	.422	20½
Tampa Bay	46	83	.357	29
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Cleveland	72	56	.562	—
Minnesota	67	62	.519	5½
Chicago	64	63	.504	7½
Detroit	53	74	.417	18½
Kansas City	51	78	.395	21½
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Seattle	93	36	.721	—
Oakland	73	56	.566	20
Anaheim	68	61	.527	25
Texas	56	73	.434	37

Thursday's Games
Toronto 6, Minnesota 2
Cleveland 9, Oakland 7
Seattle 5, Detroit 1
Baltimore 7, Tampa Bay 4
N.Y. Yankees 5, Texas 2
Chicago White Sox 7, Kansas City 6
Boston 7, Anaheim 6

Friday's Games
Toronto 5, Baltimore 0
Chicago White Sox 5, Tampa Bay 4
Boston 7, Texas 4
Minnesota 9, Kansas City 3
Anaheim 6, N.Y. Yankees 2
Seattle 4, Cleveland 1
Detroit 8, Oakland 4

Saturday's Games
Detroit (Sparks 9-7) at Oakland (Zito 9-8), 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 16-1) at Anaheim (Valdes 8-7), 4:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Finley 5-6) at Seattle (Garcia 14-5), 4:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Wright 2-1) at Tampa Bay (Kennedy 4-8), 4:15 p.m.
Toronto (Escobar 5-5) at Baltimore (Maduro 2-3), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (F.Castillo 8-7) at Texas (Helling 9-9), 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Mays 12-12) at Kansas City (K.Wilson 6-3), 8:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Chicago White Sox (Garland 5-4) at Tampa Bay (Rekar 1-11), 1:15 p.m.
Toronto (Lyon 2-2) at Baltimore (Mercedes 7-14), 1:35 p.m.
Detroit (Weaver 10-13) at Oakland (Lidle 8-6), 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 10-8) at Kansas City (Stein 5-6), 4:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Woodard 2-2) at Seattle (Sele 13-4), 4:35 p.m.
Boston (Martinez 7-2) at Texas (Davis 7-8), 8:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (O.Hernandez 0-6) at Anaheim (Schoeneweis 10-9), 8:05 p.m.

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Sports Briefs

Bowling meeting

The Men's Commercial League will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at Snyder Lanes to prepare for the upcoming season. League bowling begins Sept. 6.

Sammy Baugh tournament

The 10th annual "Slingin" Sammy Baugh Snyder Golf Tournament will be held Sept. 8 at Western Texas College. Proceeds benefit Snyder ISD golf programs.

Format is four-person scramble and cost is $140 per team. Shotgun starts are scheduled for 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Cash prizes will be awarded with $600 going to the winning team.

Entry deadline is Sept. 7. Registration forms can be picked up at the WTC pro shop.

Flag football

Any teams interested in playing in the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation flag football league should contact Earl Ware at 573-0800.

Western Texas MGA

The Men's Golf Association of Western Texas College holds a weekly event at 6 p.m. each Tuesday. Players need to register in the pro shop by 5:30.

Tuesday scramble and all-day MGA

The Men's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club holds its weekly scramble at 5:30 p.m. each Tuesday.

Also, an all-day MGA event is held each Thursday.

WGA play day

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club holds its weekly play day at 8:30 a.m. each Tuesday. Format is flag tournament.

Furyk leads Woods, Mickelson

AKRON, Ohio (AP) — Jim Furyk shot a 4-under-par 66 to build a two-stroke lead at the NEC Invitational.

Tiger Woods made a 15-foot birdie on the final hole for a 67 that left him tied with Phil Mickelson (66) for second place at 7-under 133. Stuart Appleby shot a 64 for the best round of the day, putting him at 134.

Greg Norman (71) failed to build on his first-round 65, his best score and best start on the PGA Tour in four years. He was five strokes back.

Hank Sauer dead at 84

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Hank Sauer, the 1952 NL MVP and a two-time All-Star outfielder with the Chicago Cubs, died on a golf course. He was 84.

Sauer was on the first tee at the Crystal Springs Golf Club in Burlingame, Calif., when he died. The cause of death was unknown pending the results of an autopsy.

Sauer was the first player in major league history to win an MVP while on a team that finished in the second division.

Minor league ump resigns

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — A minor league umpire who told a manager he intentionally made a wrong call to get back at a player has resigned.

Erik Stahlbusch told the Professional Baseball Umpire Corp. that he was leaving his position with the Class A Midwest League immediately, according to a news release from Minor League Baseball.

Pats release Edwards

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — Robert Edwards was released by New England, the latest setback in the running back's struggle to resume his career after a devastating knee injury sidelined him for two seasons.

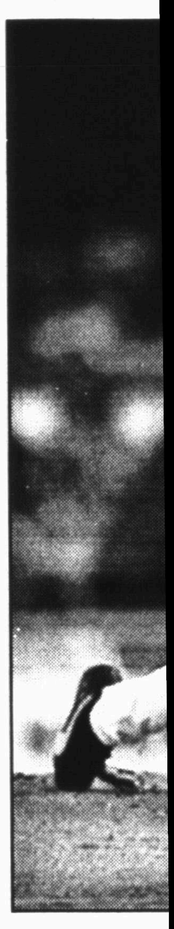
Brooks gets four-year deal with Bucs

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Tampa Bay's Derrick Brooks signed a four-year contract extension worth around $30 million, making him one of the NFL's highest-paid linebackers.

Warriors sign three rookies

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Jason Richardson, the No. 5 overall pick in the NBA draft, was one of three rookies signed by the Golden State Warriors.

The Warriors also signed Troy Murphy, selected 14th from Notre Dame, and Gilbert Arenas, the 31st selection, from Arizona.



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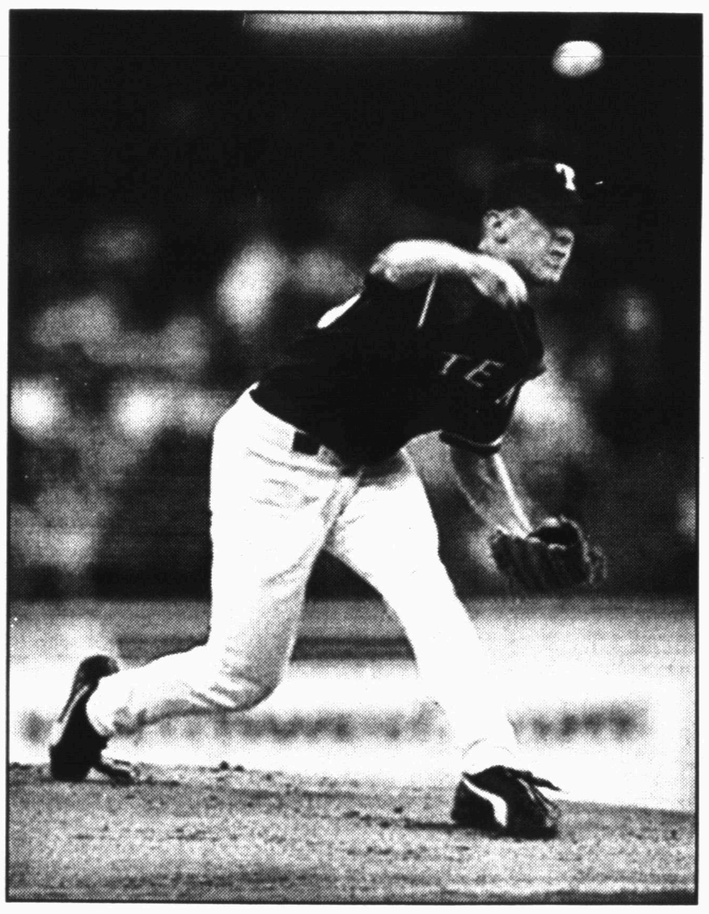

HEAVE — Texas starting pitcher Aaron Myette delivers a pitch during the second inning of Friday's contest with the Boston Red Sox. (AP Photo)

Franchione hopes to turn the Tide

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (AP) — When Bill Curry received death threats after he was hired as Alabama's football coach, his concerned preacher checked up on him and his wife.

"He called our house and said, 'Carolyn, are you OK?'" Curry recalled. "And she said, 'Sure, I'm fine. You've got to understand, over here football is religion to these people.'

"And he said, 'Oh, no, it's a lot more important than that.'"

Like Curry, new Crimson Tide coach Dennis Franchione is an outsider with no ties to Bear Bryant, the latest coach charged with safeguarding Bryant's legacy and trying to return the program to the top.

Franchione has received a much warmer reception than Curry from Alabama fans humbled by last season's 3-8 meltdown and bracing for possible NCAA sanctions.

Hired from TCU last December, Franchione says he understands what fans expect from him at a school with six national championships and 21 Southeastern Conference titles.

"Win 'em all, I suppose," the soft-spoken Kansan said. "I don't give a lot of thought to that.

"I don't like losing. I have tremendous fear of it. I always have. That's always been a huge motivator for me. I'm not any different from fans, in that regard."

In another regard, too: Franchione and the fans are helpless to do anything about the NCAA's official letter of inquiry into alleged violations under former coach Mike DuBose. The investigation has been going on for well over a year, looking into improper payments allegedly made to recruits and academic fraud from 1996-2000, spanning DuBose's rocky reign.

It hasn't tempered the fans' enthusiasm. Alabama enters the season ranked 25th despite coming off its worst season in 43 years.

"It's business as usual in Tuscaloosa," said Linda Beving, a season-ticket holder as she ate lunch at a diner across the street from Bryant-Denny Stadium. "We're still going to have a football team, we're still going to be out there cheering."

Franchione is the fifth coach since Bryant retired after the 1982 season, and the first to bring to the post a winning record as a head coach. He has a 138-65-2 record in 18 seasons at such humble outposts as Pittsburg (Kan.) State and New Mexico.

DuBose, by contrast, was elevated from defensive coordinator and had only one year of previous head coaching experience — at Prattville (Ala.) High School.

Franchione's organization and discipline have been a good start after last season's disarray on and off the field. Players were skipping class, linebacker Victor Ellis said, and assistant coaches bickered.

That seems unlikely under Franchione, a meticulous planner with a massive players policy manual and detailed schedule mapped out through 2002.

The discipline caught Ellis by surprise.

"It's something I wasn't expecting, but it was something we needed greatly," he said. "I think that's what we needed, a guy who can come in and make decisions and be comfortable in the decisions he made.

"And we're willing to accept that and follow him and see where it leads us."

This rebuilding job is vastly different from those Franchione has undertaken at New Mexico and TCU, programs limited in talent and with modest pedigrees and expectations.

Many of Alabama's players were part of DuBose's 1999 team that won the SEC championship and went to the Orange Bowl.

"I would not classify this as a marathon," Franchione said. "I hope it's a 100-meter dash. I think this one's got a chance to turn around much quicker."

One obstacle to an instant turnaround is the quarterback question. Franchione said this week he has decided on a starter between senior Andrew Zow and junior Tyler Watts, but he won't announce the decision before next Saturday's season-opener against preseason No. 17 UCLA.

"After a 3-8 season, I don't care who's back there," said Zow, who needs 361 yards passing to pass Jay Barker as Alabama's career leader. "I don't want to go 3-8 again."

It was the Tide's worst record since 1957, when J.B. "Ears" Whitworth's last team went 2-7-1. Bryant took over the next season, setting a lofty standard for his heirs to the program's controls.

"The Alabama fans want to win," former Tide coach Gene Stallings said, "and we can all thank coach Bryant for that, because he set the bar."

Stallings, who played for Bryant at Texas A&M and was on his staff at Alabama, advises Franchione to keep the distractions to a minimum.

"What he's got to worry about more than anything is his football team," said Stallings, who led Alabama to the national championship in 1992. "There's a lot of distractions at a place like Alabama. A lot of people want your time, and you just have so much time."

Curry's advice is similar to Franchione's own assessment.

"All you have to do to make Alabama fans happy — it's really simple — is win every game and look really good doing it," said Curry, who won 26 games during 1987-1989 but couldn't win over some Tide fans.

Franchione said fans have impressed upon him the three biggest priorities. Beating Auburn. Winning national championships. Upholding Bryant's legacy.

"I think sometimes they all come up in the same sentence," Franchione said.

But he's not complaining.

"I wanted to be at a place that had a chance to compete for a national championship," he said. "Alabama fits that mold very well."

Rookie carries Astros past Pirates, 5-1

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Just when the Houston Astros are hitting the most important stretch of the season, they've stopped hitting. That doesn't mean they've stopped winning.

The Astros were effectively shut down for the third straight night Friday, but got another excellent start from rookie Roy Oswalt to beat the Pittsburgh Pirates 5-1 and add a game to their NL Central lead.

Houston didn't get the ball out of the infield except for an inning-ending fly ball in the first, yet scored twice. They needed only one hit to add another run in the fourth, proving that an offense driven by the power of Jeff Bagwell, Lance Berkman and Moises Alou can manufacture runs, too.

They did the same thing the night before in Philadelphia as they were limited to two hits in the first nine innings and six overall, but still won 2-1 in 11 innings.

"When you've got a lineup like they've got, you can afford to have two or three guys not hitting," Pirates manager Lloyd McClendon said. "I think they have the best team in the league."

The Astros upped their division lead to four games as the Cardinals tied Chicago for second place in the division by beating the Cubs 10-8.

"We didn't hit the ball very hard tonight. We didn't hit the ball at all in Philly, but I'm proud of the way we did the other things to win three of four in the series," manager Larry Dierker said. "It would be better news if we would start hitting, the way we're pitching and playing defense."

And walking.

Each of the Astros' first three runs was set up by a walk as Pirates starter Jimmy Anderson (6-15), tying Milwaukee's Jimmy Haynes for the major league lead in losses, walked six — three intentionally — in five innings.

Bagwell and Berkman walked in succession in the first, allowing the Astros to score two runs on Jason Kendall's passed ball and Alou's groundout. Two more walks, to Richard Hidalgo and Brad Ausmus, set up Oswalt's run-scoring single in the fourth.

But it was another excellent start by Oswalt that was most responsible for the Astros' seventh victory in eight games, and their fifth in a row against Pittsburgh over the last two weekends.

Oswalt (11-2) struck out nine and walked one, giving him 19 strikeouts in two starts against the Pirates in less than a week. He struck out 10 in winning 12-2 Sunday in Enron Field.

"I'm starting to feel ecord by scoring seven runs with two outs in the ninth.

The Pirates threatened a similar comeback Friday in the ninth, putting runners on first and third with one out and a run in before Octavio Dotel got the final two batters.

"I was a little nervous because they came from way back before, but I have a lot of confidence in Dotel and I had (Billy) Wagner ready," Dierker said. "Even though they hit those guys before, they're not going to hit them that often."

Vikings remain unbeaten; Redskins slip past Browns

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Dante Culpepper threw touchdowns of 74 and 54 yards to Randy Moss as the Minnesota Vikings remained unbeaten in the preseason with a 28-21 victory over the Indianapolis Colts on Friday night.

Nate Jacquet returned a punt 76 yards to break a fourth-quarter tie for Minnesota (3-0), which played its starters into the third quarter.

Moss, who has a reception of at least 59 yards from Culpepper in each of Minnesota's first three exhibition games, scored on both of his catches. Culpepper was 9-of-15 for 172 yards, the two touchdowns and no interceptions.

Indianapolis' Peyton Manning was 18-of-30 for 208 yards with two interceptions and a touchdown pass to Jerome Pathon in a full half of play.

Edgerrin James, playing in his first game after missing the first two for the Colts (1-2) with a mild thigh injury, rushed 11 times for 44 yards and had three receptions for 12 yards.

Redskins 27, Browns 25

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — Tony Banks led three scoring drives, completing 12 of 15 passes for 177 yards and two touchdowns, as Washington rallied from a 14-point, first-half deficit to beat Cleveland.

Brett Conway's 19-yard field goal with 4:06 to play, set up by Sage Rosenfels' 43-yard pass to fellow rookie Justin Skaggs, broke a 17-17 tie and put the Redskins ahead for good.

Lloyd Harrison added a 54-yard interception return off Kelly Holcomb with 1:55 to go.

Banks threw touchdown passes of 2 yards to Donnell Bennett and 4 yards to Walter Rasby for the Redskins (1-2).

Jeff George, who missed the first two exhibition games with tendinitis in his shoulder, was just 3-of-7 for 17 yards and was sacked twice.

Ricky Dudley had a 15-yard touchdown catch and Quincy Morgan ran 2 yards for a score for the Browns (2-1), who found some offensive rhythm behind Tim Couch.

Couch was 14-of-23 for 163 yards and scrambled for 35 yards.

Liberty tops sting in series opener

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Tari Phillips scored 14 points and the New York Liberty held the Charlotte Sting scoreless over the final 3:24 of their 61-57 victory Friday night in the opening game of WNBA's Eastern Conference finals.

Vickie Johnson added 11 points and six steals, while Crystal Robinson had 11 points and Teresa Weatherspoon added 10 for the Liberty.

Trailing 57-48, Weatherspoon and Robinson hit consecutive 3-pointers and Sue Wicks made two free throws with 1:40 left to get the Liberty within one. Johnson then made two free throws with 1:15 left to give New York the lead for good.

Dawn Staley had 14 points for Charlotte, but had only two points in the second half and committed six turnovers. Tammy Sutton-Brown and Andrea Stinson each added 12 points.

Sparks 74, Monarchs 73

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Lisa Leslie blocked Tangela Smith's jumper with one second left, giving Los Angeles a victory over Sacramento in the opening game of the WNBA's Western Conference finals.

Leslie finished with 13 points, 10 rebounds and four blocks. Tamecka Dixon had 14 points and six assists for the Sparks, who have lost only four times since the regular season began.

After the ball went out of bounds with 2.1 seconds left, the Monarchs inbounded it to Smith — but Leslie, swooping out from the key, deflected Smith's 9-foot jumper into the air, then swatted away the loose ball as time expired.

DeLisha Milton and Mwadi Mabika each had 15 points for Los Angeles.

National Football League

Preseason At A Glance
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AMERICAN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
East						
New England	2	0	0	1.000	37	8
N.Y. Jets	1	1	0	.500	26	23
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	16	27
Indianapolis	1	2	0	.333	75	76
Miami	1	2	0	.333	47	54
Central						
Tennessee	2	1	0	.667	64	54
Jacksonville	2	1	0	.667	51	66
Cleveland	2	1	0	.667	42	36
Cincinnati	1	1	0	.500	40	40
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	27	40
Baltimore	0	2	0	.000	20	36
West						
San Diego	2	0	0	1.000	48	44
Kansas City	2	1	0	.667	53	37
Oakland	2	1	0	.667	48	41
Denver	1	1	0	.500	27	28
Seattle	0	2	0	.000	34	44
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East						
N.Y. Giants	1	1	0	.500	27	19
Arizona	1	1	0	.500	23	23
Philadelphia	1	1	0	.500	23	20
Washington	1	2	0	.333	33	72
Dallas	0	3	0	.000	30	57
Central						
Minnesota	3	0	0	1.000	80	52
Detroit	1	1	0	.500	51	53
Green Bay	1	1	0	.500	25	17
Chicago	1	2	0	.333	49	50
Tampa Bay	0	2	0	.000	20	23
West						
Atlanta	2	1	0	.667	63	33
St. Louis	2	1	0	.667	51	43
San Francisco	1	1	0	.500	44	42
New Orleans	1	1	0	.500	37	38
Carolina	1	2	0	.333	44	58

Thursday's Games
Carolina 20, Baltimore 17
Jacksonville 28, Kansas City 23
Philadelphia 20, Tennessee 14

Friday's Games
Minnesota 28, Indianapolis 21
Washington 27, Cleveland 25

Saturday's Games
Detroit at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
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New England at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Arizona at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Miami at Green Bay, 8 p.m.
New York Jets at New York Giants, 8 p.m.
New Orleans at Denver, 9 p.m.
Seattle at San Francisco, 9 p.m.
St. Louis at San Diego, 10 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 27
Dallas vs. Oakland at Mexico City, 8 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 30
Buffalo at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Indianapolis at Cincinnati, 7:30 p.m.
New York Jets at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Tennessee at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at New England, 8 p.m.
Jacksonville at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 31
New York Giants at Baltimore, Noon
Minnesota at Miami, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Carolina, 8 p.m.
Kansas City at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Green Bay at Oakland, 9 p.m.
San Francisco at Denver, 9 p.m.
San Diego at Arizona, 10 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 1
New Orleans at Seattle, 4 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 2
TBA, 3:30 p.m., if necessary

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New York vs. Charlotte
Friday, Aug. 24
New York 61, Charlotte 57, New York leads series 1-0
Sunday, Aug. 26
Charlotte at New York, 2 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 27
Charlotte at New York, 8 p.m., if necessary

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Los Angeles vs. Sacramento
Friday, Aug. 24
Los Angeles 74, Sacramento 73, Los Angeles leads series 1-0
Sunday, Aug. 26
Sacramento at Los Angeles, 5 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 27
Sacramento at Los Angeles, 10 p.m., if necessary

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Notice of Public Hearing on 2001-2002 Budget City of Snyder

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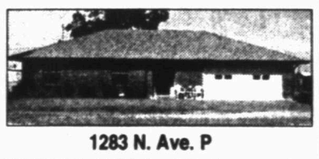
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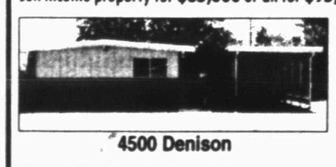
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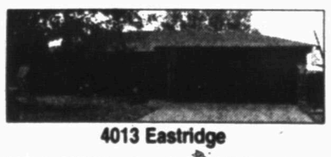
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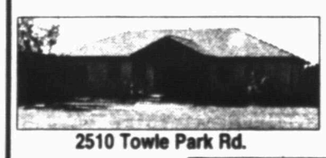
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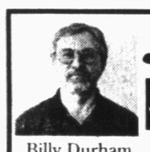

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2218 45th 3-2-1cp $59.5T
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2315 40th 4-2¾ $46T
2805 Ave. V 3-1 .....$42T
2404 42nd Brick, 2-1-2 ....$40's
6329 FM 1606 Ira 3-2-2cp .$39.5T
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3605 40th 3-2-2 .....$68.5T
3605 Jacksboro 3-2½-2 ...$65T
2401 40th 3-2-1-1cp $26.5T

2501 48th 4-3½-4, pool.....$180T
3006 El Paso 3-3-2, storage ..$125T
Large family hm on 12 A's Close in . $ 110T
2708 48th 4-2-2 .....$88.5T
2705 35th 4-3-2 + office $87.5T
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Thousands buying tickets for Saturday's Powerball

STAMFORD, Conn. (AP) — Clogging roads and convenience stores across the country, thousands of wannabe millionaires snapped up tickets Friday for a Powerball jackpot estimated at $280 million for Saturday night's drawing.

Southern Connecticut communities were swamped by residents of New York, which doesn't participate in the multistate lottery. One group rode bicycles more than 35 miles from New York City's Central Park to Stamford.

"I have six kids I have to take care of," said Dexter Waiters, 43. "That will buy a lot of everything. Maybe I can even quit my job."

The bicyclists said they bought about $5 worth of tickets each after the two-hour drive.

In contrast, workers at a factory in Tennessee chipped in $24,000 to buy tickets in a quick-riches gambit that stunned the owner of the store where they bought the tickets. It took an hour for the lottery terminal to spit out the $1 tickets.

"We see a lot of big plays, but that was an exaggerated play," said Arun Mahtani, owner of Lucky Lotto in Franklin, Ky., near the Tennessee line.

Mahtani said he's gotten calls from relatives in Spain, England, India, Hong Kong and the Philippines wanting a piece of the action.

Apparently, Epic lines sprang up in the 21 states and District of Columbia where the game is played — though not a ticket was sold in Greenwich.

Connecticut Lottery officials granted a 24-hour suspension of Powerball sales in the wealthy town — the nearest to New York on a major commuter railroad — after police said they were swamped by crowds.

The biggest Powerball jackpot ever is the $295.7 million won in 1998 by a group of factory workers in Ohio. The richest lottery prize in U.S. history is the $363 million Big Game jackpot, won last year by two players in Illinois and Michigan.

The lines grew Friday even though the odds of winning are 1 in 80 million.

The Powerball frenzy has sent waves of carpoolers from Las Vegas, the nation's gambling capital, across Hoover Dam and down U.S. Highway 93 to an Arizona cafe called Rose's Den. The clapboard roadhouse has homemade meatloaf, barbecued ribs — and tickets, which owner Rose Larsen figures have been selling at a clip of 60,000 every day.

In Fremont, Ind., hordes of Michigan residents have flocked to the Stateline Tobacco Discount store. John and Anita Jozefowicz of Roseville, outside Detroit, walked in this week to buy 165 tickets.

Nevada, Michigan and Pennsylvania are among the states without Powerball. People have noticed.

"They ask, 'Why don't you get it?'" said Lisa Piluso, owner of Family Deli in Philadelphia. "I wouldn't even know where to start to get it."

Phat Nguyen, owner of the Spring Hill Variety store in Somerville, Mass., has heard the same pleas all week.

"I tell them, 'I don't have it; it belongs to New Hampshire,'" he said.

Die-hard players know they have to go elsewhere if they want a chance at the jackpot. Several times a month, Cheryl Nazzario makes the 40-minute drive from Philadelphia to Delaware to shop and buy Powerball tickets — at least when the lines aren't too long, as they were Wednesday.

"It would have been a four-hour wait," Nazzario said. "My daughter was impatient. She didn't want to wait."

In Indianapolis, Cindy Sherry was hoping for a little "divine grace" as she let the machine pick her numbers Friday. She rubbed the tickets against a bottle of holy water from St. Roch, a Roman Catholic church in Indianapolis.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Dietary fat worsens pain of gallstones

DEAR DR. GOTT: What foods should I avoid to help my gallbladder?

DEAR READER: I'm not sure there are any foods that "help" the gallbladder, which is a reservoir for bile, a dark liquid secreted by the liver to aid the digestion of fats. Bile builds up in the gall bladder until we consume fat-containing food. The gallbladder then contracts, squirting the bile into the intestine.

Under certain circumstances, stones can form from constituents in bile. These stones can be single or multiple, large or small — or can exist as a sticky sludge. Such stones cause pain during gallbladder contractions. Sometimes, they become wedged in the duct leading from the gallbladder to the intestine. In this situation, a person will experience severe colicky pain, fever, nausea and jaundice because of the back-up of bile. Surgery, of one type or another, is usually necessary to relieve the obstruction.

Patients with gallstones invariably discover they are more comfortable when they avoid food that stimulates gallbladder contractions; in a word, fats. Greasy food — such as butter, cheese, margarine, oils and rich sauces — should be eliminated from the diets of people with gallstones.

This prohibition may not be successful. In such instances, using drugs to dissolve the stones or electromagnetic lithotripsy to fragment them are options to consider. In addition, a procedure call ERCP may enable a specialist to remove the stones without having the patient undergo a formal operation. Nonetheless, surgery to remove the diseased gallbladder (a nonessential organ) may, as I mentioned, have to be considered as a definitive last resort.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: I had a coronary by-pass surgery a year ago. It was successful. However, for the past month or two, I have experienced chest pain when I exercise or become excited. I know this sounds bizarre, but is it possible the surgeon left something in me, or that I have developed an infection of some kind?

DEAR READER: Although you could possibly be suffering from a surgical mishap, I think this is highly unlikely. I am more concerned that one or more of the grafts may have closed over.

Coronary artery bypass grafting is an operation that re-establishes blood flow to an oxygen-starved heart muscle by using vein or artery grafts to bridge the diseased vessels that normally supply the heart. Unfortunately, due to the ongoing aging process, these grafts themselves tend over time to become clogged. Under these circumstances, patients will develop chest paint, angina — or even a heart attack — unless medicine is successful in reducing the heart's need for oxygen or further bypass surgery (or angioplasty, with a balloon) is performed.

Your pattern of chest pain suggests to me that one or more of your grafts have failed. You should immediately bring this symptom to the attention of your cardiologist or vascular surgeon. You may be sitting on a time bomb. In my opinion, you need another coronary artery study to assess cardiac circulation. The specialist can test you further and assist you in examining your options.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My previous doctor used to give me free samples of medicine once in awhile. My new doctor doesn't believe in this practice. Has the pharmaceutical industry discontinued giving samples and gifts to practitioners? If not, should they?

DEAR READER: If more people were aware of the marketing strategies used by drug companies, we'd have folks out in the street looting and throwing bricks.

Pharmaceutical corporations know that most of their products are prescribed by doctors (even if these drugs are incessantly advertised on TV and in non-medical magazines). So, the drug industry focuses its real advertising on the practicing physicians themselves.

Slick multi-page ads bloat the pages of medical journals. These phantasmagorical depictions feature professional models with make-believe ailments and injuries, grinning into the sun of expectation and release. They're whole again, thanks to perceptive practitioners who prescribed product X, which has 12 percent fewer side effects than does its competition. (The side effect rate is still over 50 percent, but no matter.) Drug companies spend millions of dollars on these ads.

Not satisfied merely to blitz the print medium, the corporations send out swarms of drones, called manufacturers' representatives, to visit doctors' offices, make a pitch, stroke the healers' egos and offer free samples.

These samples are packaged in an intriguing manner. One or two little pills, sealed in individual bubbles of tamper-proof plastic with tear-off foil backings, rattle around in boxes the size of cigarette packages. Each box is extensively decorated and contains one day's dose with a "starter sample — not for resale" label. Therefore, a 10-day supply consists of a bread loaf display of identical containers. Because I've done it, I can tell you that one week's worth of pills can actually be squeezed nicely into one of the boxes. The other six boxes can then be thrown away, much to the amazement of an admiring patient. It's a pharmaceutical magic trick: The Disappearing Box routine. The cost of this packaging extravagance must be astronomical. If samples were dispensed in less exorbitant forms, I'll bet the drug's retail cost to the consumer could be halved.

The other little goody carried by company reps is The Gift. This consists of a panoply of divergent objects, ranging from ballpoint pens and pencil flashlights to desktop weather centers — barometers in ornate cases covered with ersatz-walnut plastic veneer.

I pity doctors who don't have small children at home. My 9-year-old son used to be a perfect recipient for these knick-knacks. If I couldn't play Santa Claus and, with genial bonhomie, thrust them at him, my office would have been piled waist-deep with made-in-China objects for which I had little, if any, use.

However, the real piece-de-resistance is the Gift of Organs. As part of their marketing schemes, the sales reps often give out models of human organs, with a few moving parts. Transparent kidneys, garish gallbladders and lurid colons are presented only to the Ultimate Healer - the doctor who, presumably, appears to be the biggest soft touch by actually prescribing the company's products.

At one time, I was given an articulating knee: a white plastic joint that, when flexed, was held together by a system of stringy synthetic fibers. I didn't know what on earth to do with the thing, so home it went. My son took it to his science class, along with the surfeit of other gewgaws I foisted on him.

I don't know how much money the drug companies spend on plastic organs. It must be a lot. But I do know that most physicians are not influenced by these gifts; amazed and amused maybe, but not influenced. After all, doctors do have their limits. (Well, some of them anyway.) This trash serves only to increase the cost of medicine in the pharmacy — and to provide objects of temporary interest for fourth grade science classes nationwide. Actually, some of the crude replicas look like the kind of devices old men in trench coats obtain in plain brown wrappers from West coast mail-order houses.

I thank my lucky stars I'm not a gynecologist. The stuff they receive can't be re-cycled and would really raise some eyebrows.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Consumer Tips on Medicine." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167. Be sure to mention the title.

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By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Sunday, Aug. 26, 2001
When you least expect it, an endeavor you may have written off might revitalize itself in the year ahead. Although it will not take the path you had visualized, it could still yield a profit.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — How we behave around others clearly has an affect upon our companions, especially if we are glum and difficult. Don't impose your dampened spirits on associates. Let them cheer you up today. Virgo, treat yourself to a birthday gift.

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct.23) — Thinking about what you should have done before is a waste valuable time you could use thinking about what to do now. Stay in the present today and remain focused.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — You've got a soft touch, so be careful today you don't put yourself in a position where you feel you must loan something you can ill-afford to lose. Stand firm.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Unless you're truly prepared for the worst-case scenario, it's best not to ask for a critique today from a friend who you know will tell it like it is. However, it would set you straight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Working arrangements won't work today if there isn't harmony of purpose. All must be aiming for an identical target in order to succeed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Know when to say "no" to friends today. If they are asking you to join in on an activity of which you disapprove, seize your independence and go off in your own direction.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Be helpful when you can, but don't assume responsibilities for others that they can clearly meet themselves. Trying to be a nice guy/gal in this case is just plain foolish.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — How unlike you today to anticipate negative results before you've even tried. There's nothing wrong with your abilities, it's your thinking cap that is on crooked. Think victory, not defeat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Every once in a while your tenacity makes you too rigid for your own good, and this could be one of those days. Relax, go with the flow and let your happier side prevail.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — It's best to bite the bullet today, clear the books and put old obligations behind you once and for all, even if it inconveniences you financially at this time. It'll be worth it.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You know full well there are always alternatives to every problem, yet today you may be so focused on the negative side that you'll look over look a perfectly sound solution.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — If you have to do some heavy work today, be mindful of your physical limitations. Don't be too proud to ask for volunteers to assist you with your tasks.

Monday, Aug. 27, 2001
In the year ahead you could establish some new objectives that would benefit you and your entire family as well. What you conceive will bring greater happiness to your life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — There will be no place like home for you today, but even if you have to go to work, your mind will be filled with family-related issues and desires. Major changes are ahead for Virgo in the coming year.

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — You can best gratify your restless urges today by planning to do a slew of errands in the course of which you can mingle and gab with many different kinds of people.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Work on ideas you've been contemplating that you believe could make or save you money, because today your financial prospects look especially encouraging.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Your chances for personal achievement are excellent today, because you'll not be one to wait on others to suggest the necessary moves. You'll take the lead.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — If you hope to receive assistance from others today, you must not be secretive about what you want to do and what direction you want it to take you. Your benefactors will need to know the details.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Establish a positive mindset today and your chances for achieving your hopes and expectations are excellent. Self-doubts, even small ones, could be a handicap.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Clarity of thought will provide you with the motivation that fuzzy images can't possibly generate today. Take the time to sort out your desires and then get to work.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Try to avoid involvements today that are too routine or inhibit your independence and mobility in any way. You need to be mentally challenged in order to feel fulfilled.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — As a Taurean you prefer knowing exactly what is expected of you, so you can organize your time. However, today you'll thrive on adapting yourself to unexpected developments.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — This is an excellent day to get together with someone with whom you'd like to establish a relationship. A meeting of the minds should come easily.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Busy yourself with endeavors that challenge you mentally, because that's where you'll be at your best today. Leave the physical chores until another day.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - Unless you are able to devote some time today to socializing, you could find yourself suffering from the Monday blues. Find an hour to at least have a good gab session with a chosen pal.

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Gov. Perry signs extradition papers

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry has reluctantly complied with a federal judge's order and signed a warrant to extradite an Austin woman who said she fled California to protect her daughters from her ex-husband, a registered sex offender.

Officials in the two states had battled over whether the woman should be returned.

U.S. District Judge Sam Sparks, during a brief hearing Friday morning, said Perry had no legal grounds for ignoring a valid extradition order from another state.

"I don't know why it's necessary for the governor to come down here and request a federal judge to order him to do it," Sparks said.

Daniel Maeso, an assistant attorney general, replied that Perry "simply wants the court to know of his concern for the welfare and well-being of these two children."

Perry's signature Friday paves the way for Debra Schmidt, 42, to be sent back to California right away.

"I signed it," Perry said Friday. "I did not want to, but the judge ruled and I signed it."

Schmidt's attorney Jamie Balagia, said Texas authorities, on behalf of California, arrested her on Friday, shortly after 5 p.m.

"We didn't expect that to happen," Balagia said. "We thought it would be about a week."

The children's father, Manuel Saavedra of Livermore, Calif., expressed relief for himself and his children.

"I am very happy because I will be able to see (the children) everyday like I used to," Saavedra said, declining to comment further.

Alameda County, Calif., prosecutor Robert Hutchins said he was happy for Saavedra, but was frustrated that it took a federal judge to force Perry to return Schmidt.

"I've had to waste $2,500 (in legal fees) to do what should have been done in the first place," Hutchins said.

California authorities in March 2000 asked Texas officials to arrest and extradite Schmidt, who is charged with child abduction.

Then-Gov. George W. Bush refused to sign the papers. Perry also refused, saying he was trying to protect Schmidt's daughters: Lora, 9, and Eliana, 7.

"I hope and pray that this all works out well for the children involved," Perry said Friday. "As a father of a 15-year-old daughter, I had great concern about sending these children back to be with an individual, father in this case, who is a known sexual predator."

Hutchins says Perry's involvement in the case should have nothing to do with Saavedra's 1992 guilty plea of lewd conduct with a 13-year-old girl. Hutchins said Perry had a mandatory duty to extradite a fugitive and can't refuse.

He also said the children will be turned over to child protective service officials when they return to California.

Schmidt and Manuel Saavedra married in 1991, but the two separated several years later and entered a bitter custody battle.

Saavedra won custody of the children in 1999 through a California court. Schmidt hid the girls and refused to turn them over. She was charged with two counts of child abduction and arrested in Austin in January 2000.

She spent three weeks in a Travis County Jail before taking the girls out of hiding to allow them to be placed in foster care in Texas. Saavedra fought for custody.

Although the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Enforcement Act requires states to honor one another's court orders, a Texas judge refused to return the girls, saying California had not considered their best interest. Schmidt won permanent custody in June.

"She had just gotten settled into a routine," her attorney, Bristol Myers, said. "She had just started making plans for the future. She was going back to school. The girls were back in school."

Myers said he would try one more time to get the case in front of a judge, contending that the governor's warrant is illegal because Myers does not believe she is a fugitive.

"A fugitive is someone who has committed a crime inside a state and then flees," Myers said. "My contention is that she did nothing inside the state of California and she did not commit an act, they were omissions."

Child abduction is a continuous crime, Hutchins said.

Schmidt broke down in tears after the hearing. She said her daughters would stay in Texas with their grandparents if she is arrested and returned to California.

PIC asks state to stop insurance firms from refusing new policies for coverage of mold

AUSTIN (AP) — A state agency that represents consumers in insurance matters on Friday asked the state to prohibit insurance companies from refusing to insure Texas homes based on prior water damage claims.

The Public Insurance Counsel action comes after insurance companies stopped issuing new policies for houses that have sustained water damage. Also, several large insurers are scaling back coverage in response to an increase in mold-related claims.

"There is simply no connection between (a) prior water claim, which was properly repaired, and future claims, whether mold-related or not," said Rod Bordelon, director of the counsel. "The decision to decline a policy based on a prior claim rather than the condition of the property is unfair and should be prohibited."

Bordelon urged Texas Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor, who has the authority to change insurance rules, to quickly adopt the proposal "in order to maintain a fair market for consumers."

The commissioner said he will review the proposal, but that the department would continue to conduct hearings around the state on mold and water insurance issues before he makes any decisions.

The counsel "and I hold in common a strong desire to keep homeowners insurance available to all Texans at reasonable prices," Montemayor said. "We're both doing everything we can to keep the sudden and disturbing rise in mold remediation claims from drying up the market for coverage that all residential property owners require."

Industry representatives said many expensive mold claims are the result of past water losses. An increase in such claims is costing the industry millions.

Insurance companies are trying to find solutions for customers while protecting the companies' finances, said Jerry Johns, president of Southwest Insurance Information Services.

If the counsel's proposal is adopted and insurers are forced to offer water coverage, it would drive "insurers into a state of insolvency or create an availability problem the likes of which we have never witnessed in Texas history," Johns said.

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Myers named 'Joint Chiefs' chairman

WASHINGTON (AP) — Naming a supporter of space-based defense as his top military adviser was President Bush's challenge to the Pentagon to meet his demands for a modern missile shield.

Selecting a go-slow general who has earned the respect of all the services to become chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff was his salute to the military.

Air Force Gen. Richard Myers' extensive experience in Asia and the Pacific is vital as well to an administration that perceives China and North Korea as posing the greatest threat to American interests.

"He knows more about China and Asia than probably anyone else who would have been chosen," said Sen. James Inhofe, R-Okla., a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, which will consider Myers' nomination.

The 59-year-old Myers, a former head of the U.S. Space Command, also served as commander of U.S. forces in Japan from 1993 to 1996. He once said the North Korean threat should spur Japan to raise its military profile.

Myers, now vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs, was a natural choice for Bush and Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld, whose plans for a space-based anti-missile defense shield face resistance in Congress because of fears it could come at the cost of spending on troops. Critics also doubt the multibillion-dollar project can succeed.

In the announcement of the appointment Friday near Bush's ranch in Crawford, Texas, Rumsfeld acknowledged that Myers' space defense credentials were crucial in getting him the job.

"He's from Kansas, a man of the prairie, who's conquered the skies from service as a fighter pilot in Vietnam to commander of the U.S. Space Command," the Pentagon chief said. "His career is the embodiment of the transformation with which he will be charged as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff."

Bush and Rumsfeld have been surprised by the degree of the military's resistance to the idea of shelving the venerable "two-war capacity" strategy and the possibility of cutting troop levels to pay for a missile shield defense.

In Myers, they have found an ally: He has been outspoken in his enthusiasm for the space-based defense system that has made skeptics of many others in the military.

New judge to decide Microsoft punishment

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal judge with a reputation as a meticulous jurist was named Friday to decide how Microsoft should be punished for illegally trying to squelch its software competitors, as the software giant sent its new operating system to manufacturers.

A computer program randomly picked U.S. District Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly to take over the Microsoft case. She replaces Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson, who had ordered Microsoft to be split into two separate companies.

Kollar-Kotelly, a Clinton appointee, will decide whether to break up Microsoft for being an illegal monopoly or to impose some other penalty. She will also review whether Microsoft broke the law by bundling its Internet Explorer software with its Windows operating systems.

Jackson had ruled that the Internet browser bundling was illegal, but a federal appeals court sent that matter, along with the penalty issue, back to the lower court.

Also Friday, the Redmond, Wash., company, gave manufacturers the final code for its new Windows XP operating system, taking the final step before the software hits retailers' shelves in October.

That action made it all but impossible for Microsoft to change Windows XP to avoid new accusations of anticompetitive practices.

Windows XP includes many new features that are currently standalone products made by competitors, including a music video player and an instant messaging system. Critics say that Microsoft is using its operating system to muscle other software firms out of the market, just as it is accused of doing with Internet Explorer.

Shares of Microsoft closed at $62.05, up $2.93, on the Nasdaq.

The Justice Department, which represents the government in the case, had pressed for the case to be sent back to district court and welcomed the appointment of a new judge.

"We're anxious to proceed," said Gina Talamona, spokeswoman for the department's antitrust division.

Microsoft had hoped the appeals court would put off sending the case back to the lower court while the U.S. Supreme Court considers its appeal. Spokesman Jim Desler said Friday that the move was expected by the company but declined to comment further.

Wife arrested in plot to kill her husband

NEW YORK (AP) — A woman injected her wealthy husband with dirty needles for a year to try to kill him, then placed a $15 down payment to hire a hit man when her attempts failed, police said Friday.

Budhwantie Ferri, 41, was arrested Thursday night after she handed the money to a police informant, assistant chief James Ward said. She was charged with second-degree conspiracy and criminal solicitation after allegedly offering to pay $20,000 for the murder.

Her husband, 64-year-old Antonio Ferri, was repeatedly sickened by the injections and was undergoing medical tests. Police described him as a wealthy businessman and real estate owner. He called his wife an "evil person."

"I got sick, and then I realized that she was doing something bad," he told WPIX-TV.

Lt. John Kopp said Antonio Ferri wanted to have the four-year marriage annulled, which could have resulted in his wife's deportation to her native Guyana or Venezuela, where she is a citizen.

Her attorney, John Burke, did not return a telephone call Friday

Court documents list events leading to the arrest of retired AF sergeant

WASHINGTON (AP) — Retired Air Force sergeant Brian P. Regan had access to some of the nation's most sensitive defense secrets, and federal prosecutors allege he took elaborate steps to share that information with a foreign government that a federal source identified as Libya.

The FBI capped an investigation of Regan, 38, by arresting him at Washington's Dulles International Airport before he could board a flight to Zurich, Switzerland, on Thursday.

According to a government affidavit released Friday, FBI agents were watching when Regan, went to his job at a National Reconnaissance Office facility in Chantilly, Va., earlier Thursday.

Regan's last assignment with the Air Force had been at the NRO, the builder and operator of U.S. spy satellites, whose very existence was an official secret until 1992. In July, Regan returned there as a civilian employee of TRW, a government contractor in Fairfax, Va., and his security access was reinstated.

According to the affidavit:

Monitoring Regan's office with a video camera, the FBI watched him log on to Intelink, a classified computer system for the U.S. intelligence community. Regan read a secret document on his computer, taking notes in a small notebook, which he put in his front pants pocket.

At about 9 a.m., while Regan was in a meeting, the FBI searched his minivan and found a bag containing encrypted messages and handwritten notes listing addresses and phone numbers for the diplomatic offices of an unidentified country in Switzerland and Austria.

Regan had reservations to fly to Zurich via Frankfurt, Germany. The father of four had told colleagues he and his family were going to Disney World.

At about 5:30 p.m., FBI agents stopped Regan as he was trying to pass through an airport security checkpoint.

FBI Special Agent Steven A. Carr questioned him, and Regan denied knowing about cryptanalysis and coding. But the agents then showed photos of documents found earlier in his bag. "This is my stuff," he said, shortly before he was arrested.

In addition to the documents, the affidavit said agents found items in Regan's possession including the small notebook that he had been using in his office, three rubber gloves, a hand-held global positioning system device and a piece of paper in his shoe listing names and addresses in a European country.

On Friday, Regan had little to say before U.S. Magistrate Judge Welton Sewell in nearby Alexandria, Va. Sporting a goatee and dressed in a striped polo shirt, Regan told the judge that he couldn't hire a lawyer.

Person airlifted to Lubbock following one-car rollover

Major accident

A one-car rollover accident on the west frontage road at the intersection of Highway 180 and U.S. 84 at 10:30 Friday night resulted in one person being airlifted to Lubbock.

DPS troopers working into the early morning hours investigating the accident were not available with a report, but information received from other law enforcement personnel at the scene indicated the Jaws of Life were used to extract the front seat passenger, Steven Floyd McKinney from the late model Cadillac.

McKinney was transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Memorial Hospital and then air-lifted to Lubbock's Covenant Medical Center where he was listed in critical condition Saturday morning.

Information on the other passenger and driver was not available.

Arrests

A DPS trooper arrested Daniel Patrick Holmes, 45, of 2111 77th Street in Lubbock for felony driving while intoxicated on U.S. 84 at 7:38 p.m.

Officers escorted a 38-year-old man to the sheriff's office from the 5200 block of College Ave. on outstanding warrants from San Angelo for speeding and violation of a promise to appear before a judge. The man was released after he paid his fines.

A 20-year-old man was arrested in the 3200 block of El Paso early this morning for minor in consumption of alcohol. A 21-year-old female was taken into custody for furnishing the minor with alcohol. Both subjects were taken to jail and their vehicle was released to the female's father.

A 50-year-old man was arrested at Cogdell Memorial Hospital's emergency room at 3:41 a.m. Saturday for public intoxication. Earlier in the morning a woman requested an ambulance in the 1900 block of Peyton Ave. in reference to her father falling through a plate glass window. The man was transported to the ER by private vehicle, then later was arrested.

Officers arrested a 26-year-old man for public intoxication at 4 a.m. Saturday on the east side of the Law Enforcement Center.

Assault

A woman called police to report a female subject being assaulted at 4:45 a.m. Saturday. Several officers responded to the scene and advised an offense report for burglary with intent to commit a felony would be submitted.

Close patrol

Teresa Morin at Dairy Queen requested a close patrol of the restaurant in reference to someone shoe polishing her drive through windows.

Marcos Clay requested a close patrol at his residence at 3412 Ave. L in reference to someone possibly poisoning his trees.

Obituaries

Katherine Williams

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Services are pending at Wright Colonial Funeral Home for Katherine Williams, 84, of Snyder.

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First Church of Nazarene

Pastor and Mrs. Michael W. Howard's last day in Snyder will be Sunday. A potluck dinner will be provided after the morning service. The two are moving closer to their home in Tennessee.

Pick up SHS yearbooks

Snyder High School yearbooks can be picked up all next week in the journalism room, from 8-8:10 a.m. and 12:10-12:20 p.m. Ten extra annuals are available at $60 each.

PTK officers to meet

The Psi Zeta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa will have an officers' meeting at noon Monday in the PTK office located upstairs in the LRC. All members are invited to attend.

Girl Scout registration

A Girl Scout registration rally will be held from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Girl Scout Hut, 2501 35th. For information call Jo Ann at 573-3926, Judi at 573-7556 or Carla at 574-8004.

Bible study tapes

Bible study videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Witnesses of the Resurrection," followed by "Lest We Forget."

Genealogical society

The Scurry County Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the children's room at the Scurry County Library. Society member Amy Shankles, program chairman, will present a short program on sending for WWII military records. The public is invited.

American Cancer Society

The Scurry Unit Board meeting is set for 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in Cogdell Hospital board's meeting room.

Meet the athletes

Hermleigh High School cheerleaders are sponsoring a meet the athletes and coach at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the high school cafeteria. Drawings for prizes will be held. The hamburger plate, at $5 each, will include the burger, beans and desert.

Care givers dinner

Community Care Hospice's staff and volunteers will host a care givers dinner at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at Colonial Hill Baptist Church's fellowship hall.

Weigh down classes

Weigh down classes begin at 7 p.m. on Aug. 30 at Word is Life Deliverance Church. There is still time to sign up by calling Linda Tippens at 574-8104, or Claudia Sanchez at 573-9615.

Faith Revival fundraiser

Faith Revival Church will have an enchilada dinner fund raiser from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 1. Plates are $5 each.

Volunteer training

Gateway Family Services, Inc., a domestic violence and sexual assault crisis center, will offer a volunteer training class from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 6, at the shelter in Snyder. To RSVP, call 573-1822 and ask for Yvonne.

Enchilada dinner

Discovery School will have an enchilada dinner from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 9. Tickets are $5 for adults and $3 for children under 12. Take-outs will be available. Tickets will be available at the door or by calling 573-4770.

Gateway support group

Gateway Family Services will begin a support group for victims of family violence on Mondays, beginning Sept. 10, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the facility. Call 573-1822 in advance to reserve a place.

Speech team boosters

There will be an important Snyder High School Parent Booster Club and team member meeting Sept. 10 at 6 p.m. in room 109 at the high school. Topics to be discussed will be upcoming tournaments, fundraising and orientation.

Ira ISD open house

Ira ISD open house is set for 5:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesday. A spaghetti supper will be served from 5:30-7 p.m. in the cafeteria. Tickets are adults $5 and children 12 and under $3. Meet the Bulldog football team and cheerleaders at 7 p.m. in Bulldog Stadium.

Ira 2001 annuals

The Ira 2001 Bulldog annuals are in and can be picked up from Becky Hudgins at the high school. Extra copies are available for $22 each.

Heart Association memorial address

Memorials and donations to the American Heart Association are now processed through American Heart Association, P.O. Box 15186 in Austin, 78761-5186, or by calling 1-800-AHA-USA1, according to Dee Chasteen, president of the Scurry County chapter.

Mesquite Country Writers Guild

Mesquite Country Writers Guild invites citizens to send in original poetry to be considered for publication in the newsletter, "Bards of a Feather." The limit is 20 lines and the theme is fall and the holidays. Deadline is Sept. 15 to mail entries to MCWG, Box 237 in Ira, 79527, or e-Mail to dade@bigcountry.net.*-

WTC pool opens

The WTC swimming pool opens this evening for the fall semester. The public schedule for lap swimming is from 6:30-8 a.m. and noon to 1 p.m. M-F. Open swimming is 7 to 9 p.m. M-Th. Cost is $2 per person or $50 for a semester pass. Thursday night is family night at a cost of $5 per family. The pool also is available for parties on Friday and Saturday. For information, call Lisa Christensen at 573-8511, ext. 290.

Backstreet Boys resume 2001 tour

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Backstreet's back, all right — including A.J. McLean after he underwent treatment for depression and alcohol abuse. The five-member Backstreet Boys resumed the "Black & Blue World Tour 2001" Friday night at the downtown Bradley Center.

SHS grad enjoys working on 'Grand Champion'

Scurry County Folks

By Shirley A. Gorman

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

It began with a telephone call.

Corey Knipe was putting the finishing touches on his freshman year at Western Texas College when Mark Bullard called to ask if he wanted to work on *Grand Champion*, the film that former Snyder resident Barry Tubb was filming in May in Snyder and the surrounding area.

All three are Snyder High School graduates and they all studied drama under the late Jerry Worsham, longtime drama director, who died in May of 2000.

It was the second time Knipe had been approached about working on the movie. He turned the first offer down because he was preparing for finals. The timing, however, was better when Bullard called. Knipe said "yes," and in so doing opened up a cinematic world of possibilities where he would gain priceless experience, rub shoulders with noted stars, and earn a reputation for dependability that may someday carry him far in the movie business.

As soon as finals were over, Knipe "jumped right into it (location shooting). I had to learn a lot of things very quickly," he said.

Other SHS grads who also worked on *Grand Champion* included Christina Bullard, Mark's sister; Marcus Best, and Katie Thornton. The five shared another bond — all had studied drama under Worsham.

Knipe described the five of them as somewhat of a "secret society of Worsham kids. We were the ones working while others whined that it 'isn't my job,'" he explained. "The way we looked at it was that we had worked harder during spring break for the one-act play."

Knipe said Bullard has worked with Tubb for a good while. Knipe credits Bullard with "doing a lot of impossible things."

Best was the construction foreman. "He saved us a lot of times," Knipe added.

Christina, a costume assistant, was called in to replace someone at the last minute and "just shined," he said.

Katie Thornton was in charge of extras. "She made the calls and took care of the paperwork or we wouldn't have had any extras," Knipe added.

"We just all pulled together to make it work. We all worked so well together that I was proud to be from Snyder," he added.

He said they also shared old times, reminisced about their late mentor and had their picture taken as a group.

Knipe liked working with director Barry Tubb. He complimented his script writing talents and noted that from what he has seen of *Grand Champion* he thinks the movie has the potential to become a successful film.

Knipe's main job was to make sure that each location site was covered by insurance, in case they broke or damaged anything during filming.

In Snyder, scenes were filmed at the coliseum, Travis Gym and Tubb's grandfather's house. A few of the area sites included a show barn in Clairemont, Panther Canyon, Midland, Marfa, Alpine and the Cibola Creek Ranch.

THERE IT IS — Corey Knipe points to something in this ravine at Camp Springs where several scenes from *Grand Champion* were filmed. The 2000 Snyder High School graduate spent several weeks working on the movie that former resident Barry Tubb was filming in Snyder in May. (Photo Courtesy of Bill Records Photography)

Knipe also had to be sure there was enough room for all of the equipment and vehicles to park at each site, including the 10-ton camera truck, a sound van, the catering van and "honey wagons," the trailers the stars used.

Foreign sounds would ruin any scene so Knipe had to make sure there weren't any during filming. That meant keeping the catering van and "honey wagons," far enough away so noise from them would not be picked up on the set. Yet, they had to be accessible to the cast and crew but not so close that noise from them would cross the "sound barrier," Knipe explained.

A portable generator powers everything, and though it runs quietly, Knipe said the sound would be recorded if it were too close to the set during filming.

For the coliseum shoot, one of the concerns was noise from the construction then underway on 37th Street. When it was time to shoot a scene, Knipe asked the road workers if they would shut off their machines for a few minutes. The movie's producers gave him extra petty cash to cover such requests, and the workers always cooperated.

Knipe described the Panther Canyon shoot as "difficult" because the base camp had to be set up some four miles from where Tubb was actually shooting.

Some of Knipe's other duties included making sure there was a place for the catering van to serve lunch and that enough tables and chairs were set up. In his "spare" time, Knipe's height, physique and two years of martial arts training qualified him to serve as the on set body guard for the stars. That meant keeping over eager fans away.

His impression of Julia Roberts is different from other Snyder folks who were disillusioned that she did not allow pictures to be taken, nor would she sign autographs for adults.

However, encounters with the star of *Pretty Woman* and other movies, left the Snyder High graduate thinking she was "pretty cool." He explained that she was friendly, open and very quick to praise people for their work. She often told Tubb that someone was "doing a good job" or "working hard."

Knipe said Roberts' nickname was "queen of hookups" because she had so many con-

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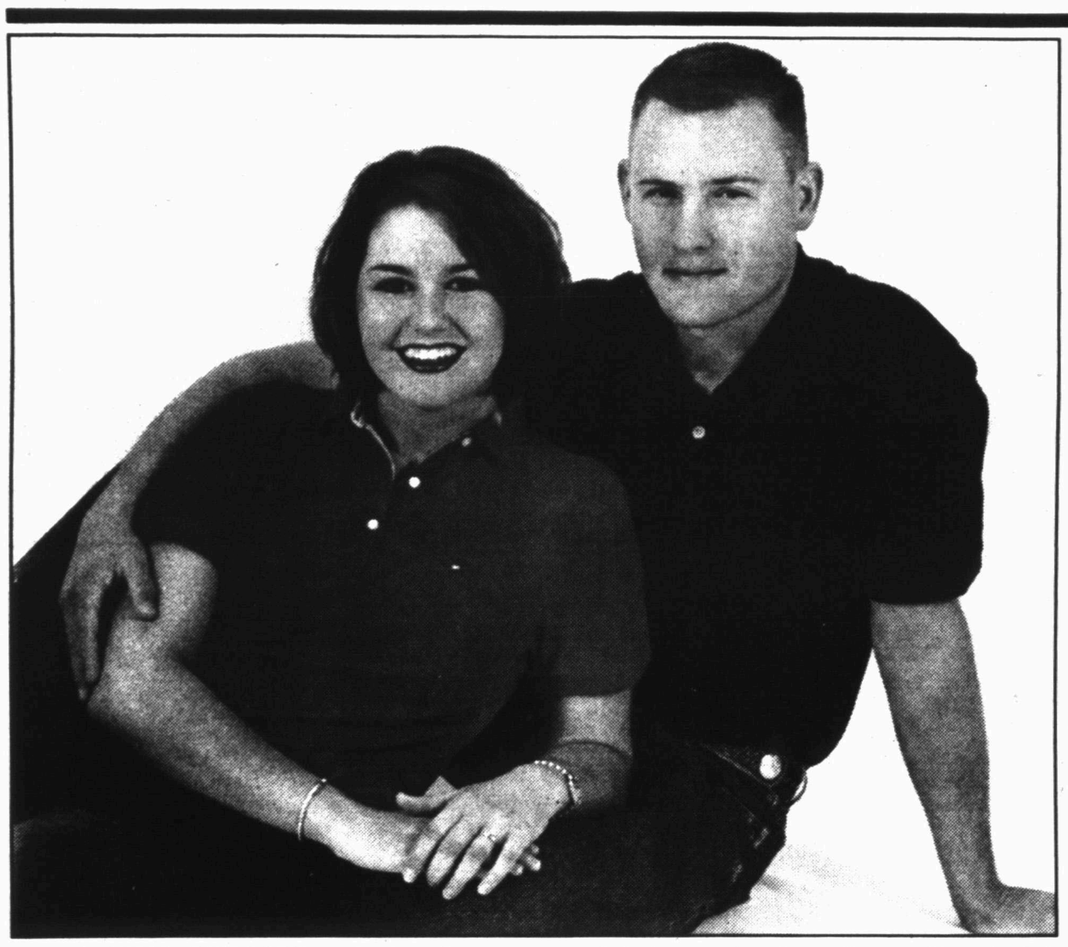
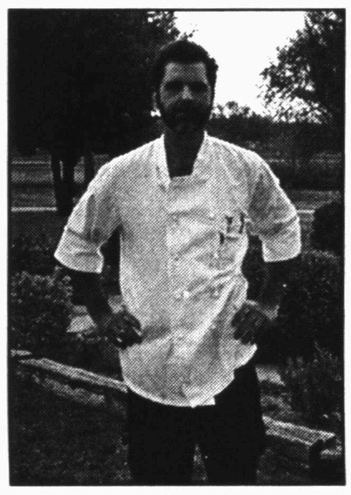


HILL-GRIZZLE ENGAGED — Jaclyn Hill and Jason Grizzle are planning a 3 p.m., Nov. 3 wedding in the First Baptist Church in Sweetwater. Parents of the future bride are Clay and Tina Hill of Snyder and Martha Hill of Sweetwater. The prospective groom's parents are Garth and Jan Grizzle of Hagerman, N.M., and Paul and Jay Neal of Sweetwater. (Contributed Photo)

Robert Dupuy is new chef at country club

Robert Dupuy is the new chef at Snyder Country Club. Having been reared in Snyder, he "wanted to move back to the best town to live in, and be near friends and family again."

Dupuy moved to Snyder from Big Spring when he was 10. When he was 20, he attended Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y.



Robert Dupuy

Dupuy comes to the country club after serving eight years as corporate chef for Conoco Oil Co. in Bandera. He said he had been cooking since he was 13 years old. His first job was with Kentucky Fried Chicken in Snyder. Others included K-Bobs Steak House, and the Smorgasbord.

Robert is the son of Glynda Dupuy of Snyder, and he has three sisters, Cheryl Bullard and Alisha Elam, both of Snyder, and Jeanie Warr of Longview, and one brother, Gerald Dupuy of Snyder.

Dupuy has been at Snyder Country Club for about a month and after being gone for 16 years said he was glad to be back in Snyder and at the country club.

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SC Library News & Views

By Janie Romine, Librarian

A new group of kindergartners has entered school, and these children are now eligible for a passport to adventure — a library card!

Does your kindergarten child have a library card? If not, bring him/her in to get one. It costs nothing and takes only about five minutes to fill out the information card. The child must have a parent or guardian sign the card and the parent or guardian must have a picture ID and another proof of address.

Can you remember back to those years when you were just starting school? Do you remember the excitement and pride you had as you sat by parents and read your first book to them? Pass that joy on! Encourage your children to check out books from the school library and local library. Turn off the TV and sit down with your children. Listen to them read, and continue reading to them. Even older students enjoy being read to since their audio vocabulary is usually more advanced than their reading vocabulary. Take the time. It is the best investment you can make in your child's life.

Parents are reminded that young children may not be "dropped off" and left unattended at the Scurry County Library. This rule is in place to protect your child. When you do come in with your children, and if you need assistance finding a book, please let us help you. We can usually make suggestions for your child's reading that will keep them enjoying the reading adventure.

Storytime continues for our preschoolers every Monday morning at 10 a.m. Bring your preschoolers for a morning of fun activities. On the last Tuesday of every month the Genealogical Society meets at the library at 7 p.m. New members are welcome to attend.

The Scurry County Library will be closed on Labor Day weekend, Sept. 1-3. We will reopen on Tuesday, Sept. 4. Have a safe and enjoyable Labor Day weekend. See you soon at the library!

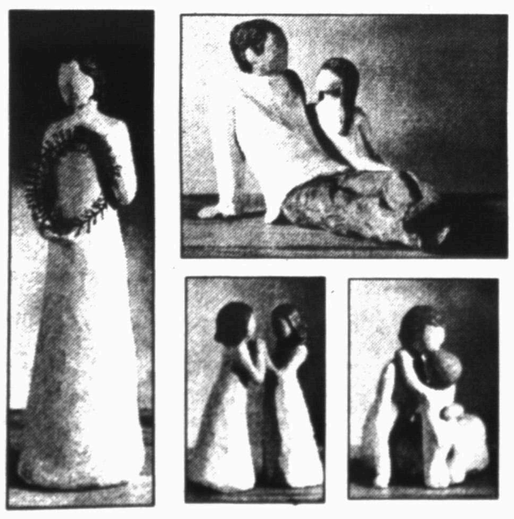
Working on details

POWELL, Wyo. (AP) — An artist from New York City is working out the final details of his plan to cover a house — inside and out — with melted cheese.

Cosimo Cavallaro says he's working with a cheese packaging company to get the five tons of cheese from Wisconsin to Powell, Wyo. The artist says it'll be a mix of different types of cheese.

DEMDACO'S Willow Tree

DEMDACO is proud to present Sue Lordi Marker's wonderful Summer 2001 Willow Tree introductions. These precious new additions evoke the essence of loving relationships, and are appropriate for any occasion.



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Couple wed in Trinity Church

LUBBOCK — Analisa Enriquez of Floydada and Jaime Juarez of Snyder were united in marriage at 3 p.m. on July 7 at Trinity Church in Lubbock.

Alan Lee of Lubbock, friend of the groom and his family, officiated the double-ring ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Abe and Ellen Enriquez of Floydada and the groom's parents are Pete and Mary Ann Juarez of Snyder.

The altar was decorated with four lighted pillars enhanced with a curved arch and a tulle curtain falling behind the columns. These were glamorized with white lilies and greenery cascading from both ends. Four-foot white wicker baskets of lilies accented each side of the columns. Two heart and two cascading candelabras surrounded the floral arrangements. Pews were decorated with lilies and greenery on a white tulle background.

Candlelighters were Carlos Trevino, cousin of the groom from Marble Falls, and Abran Enriquez, brother of the bride from Floydada.

The Trinity Church staff played the musical selection "Lord We Commend To You This Day," while the couple lit the unity candle. The bride given in marriage by her father selected an elegant gown created from white bridal satin and white tulle. The fashion forward gown was adorned with imported lace appliques and embellished with pearls and sequins.

For her hair, she chose a matching ringlet hairpiece with two layers of illusion. The headpiece was presented to the bride by her grandmother, Paula Deleon of Floydada and Julia Juarez of Snyder, grandmother of the groom. Her bouquet of fresh Acura lilies was fashioned to accent the lilies that decorated the church. The bouquet was a gift to the bride from Carman Juarez of Abilene, uncle of the groom.

His parents, depicting on Old Testament tradition, escorted the groom to the altar.

The bride carried a penny in each shoe depicting the couple's birth years and she wore the traditional blue garter.

Anna Foley, wedding coordinator for Trinity Church, directed the ceremony.

Maid of honor was Gracie Dela Fuenta of Floydada and bridesmaids were Amy Juarez, groom's sister from Snyder, Maria Rangel of Lubbock, Felicia Garcia of Louisville, Ky., Laci Martinez, Jessica Coronado and Ruth Vasquez, all from Floydada. They wore sheath dresses by Mor'Le in shades of celadon green. The dresses featured rhinestone embellishments on the straps and their straight skirts had a kick pleat for easy walking.

Mr. and Mrs. Jaime Juarez
(Contributed Photo)

They carried bouquets of a single large white satin lily decorated with green fern, baby's breath and green beads.

Flower girl was Sierra Juarez, cousin of the groom from Silverton. Ring bearer was Brandon Juarez, cousin of the groom from Snyder.

Best man was Jeremy Fudge from Pryor, Okla. Groomsmen were Johnny Quilantan, cousin of the groom from Alamo, Salvador Aguirre from Longview, longtime friend of the groom and SHS doubles tennis partner, Michael Morales, cousin of the groom from Lamesa, J.J. Morales, cousin of the groom from Floydada, Trent Smith, the groom's college roommate, and Tony Arispe of Snyder. Ushers included Julio Flores Jr., cousin of the groom from Petersburg, and Erick Arellano, friend of the bride from Floydada. Male attendants wore black tuxedos with white shirts, accented with silver vests and ties.

Estella Juarez, the groom's aunt from Silverton, and Chandra Saldana, his cousin from Seminole, registered wedding guests.

The reception was held in the atrium of the Holiday Inn at the Lubbock Plaza. The two-tiered bridal cake highlighted the bride's table. The table was covered with a white lace cover overlaying a silk tablecloth. Also displayed were Sterling silver pieces including a pair of goblets. Nuts and mints were served. Serving were Beatrice Rodriguez of San Antonio and Kathy Cortinaz of Floydada.

The groom's table held the groom's cake covered with chocolate and accented with chocolate covered strawberries. The table also held the bride's and groom's attendants' serving ware. Serving were Maria Peralez and Ilda Vasquez, both of Floydada.

The dinner was catered by Carinos was held at the Civic Center. "Mariachi Amistad" of Lubbock escorted the couple into the dinner area. The Mariachi band entertained guests while enjoying their meal. Highlighting the evening was a dance from 8 until midnight with music provided by "Stampede," a Tejano band from Duncanville.

Tables at the dinner held centerpieces of glass ivy bowls attached to a crystal stand. The stands were intertwined with greenery and silver/white ribbon bearing the couple's names and wedding date. Each ivy bowl was filled with cracked ice and a green votive candle.

Mr. and Mrs. Juarez are at home in Amarillo where the groom is employed with John Chandler Ford and the bride attends Amarillo College. The bride is a 2000 graduate of Floydada High School and the groom is a 1998 graduate of Snyder High School and attended West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 08-25-01
♠ J 5 3
♥ A 9 2
♦ J 9 4 2
♣ A 9 6

West
♠ 10 9 4 2
♥ 5 3
♦ 10 6 3
♣ J 10 7 4

East
♠ A 7
♥ K J 8 7 6
♦ 8 7
♣ K Q 5 2

South
♠ K Q 8 6
♥ Q 10 4
♦ A K Q 5
♣ 8 3

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Neither

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♣ J

By Phillip Alder

Everyone seems to have a Web site now. Even I've got one, at www.phillipalderbridge.com. Primarily, it is for people to read my column who do not get it in their newspaper. (The columns appear a week late because I must give priority to the papers.)

I found this deal at the Pittsburgh Bridge Association site. It was in a Peanuts cartoon that I didn't recognize. Snoopy is taken to visit Charlie Brown's grandma. Leaving Woodstock and his three friends behind, Snoopy thinks, "They just don't know what to do with themselves when I'm gone."

Ye of little faith — they promptly get out the cards and play bridge.

Woodstock is quickly into three no-trump. Olivier guesses well to lead a club rather than a spade. Harriet puts down her dummy, and Woodstock can see six top tricks: one heart, four diamonds and one club. Where should he turn for the other three tricks?

Normally, one leads a major after this auction. And with such a weak hand, there is a case for selecting the heart five, hoping to find partner at home. After that lead, declarer must capture the trick with dummy's ace, otherwise East can win with the king and switch with effect to clubs.

Obviously, Woodstock will broach spades. For this suit combination, the technique is to lead twice toward the hand with two honors. So, after ducking the first two rounds of clubs and winning the third, Woodstock calls for the spade three and wins the trick with his king when Conrad (East) plays low. After diamond is led to dummy's jack, the spade five forces out East's ace, so Woodstock claims nine tricks.

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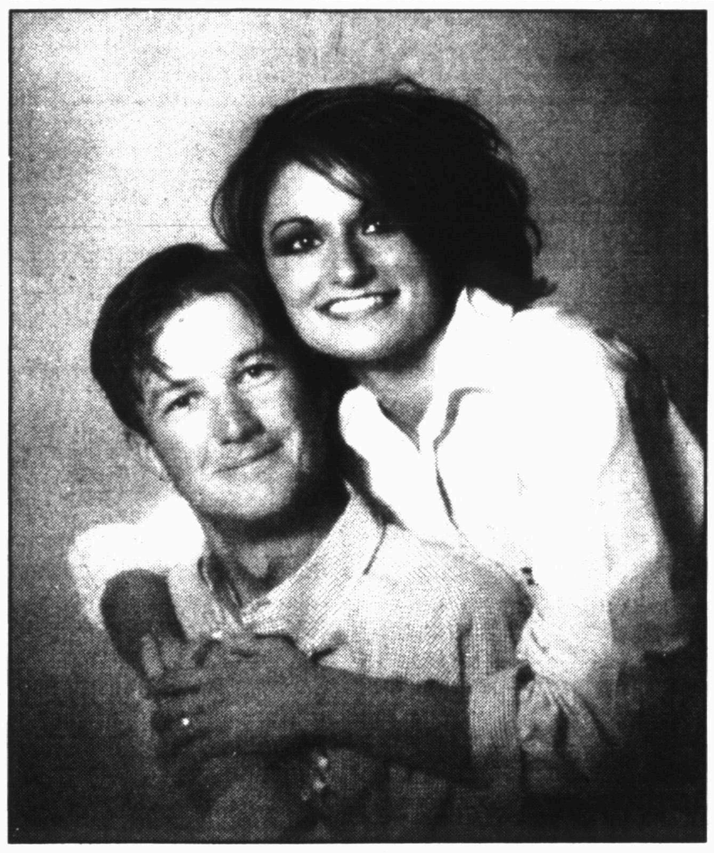

ENGAGEMENT REVEALED — Bud and Barbara Birks of Snyder announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lindsey Rebekah Birks, to Brad Robinson, son of Bo and Becky Robinson, also of Snyder. The wedding is planned for 2 p.m. on Oct. 20 in First Baptist Church, Snyder. The reception will follow in the garden area. (Photo by Wadleigh Studio)

BOUNTIFUL YIELD — Jean Smith holds a 24-inch cucumber of the burpless variety that her husband, Jake, grew in their back yard on El Paso. He gave a 36-inch, seven-pound cucumber to his daughter in Big Spring to make a dip to serve a large crowd. Jake has also furnished his neighbors with cucumbers. He thinks the success of his large produce from the one hill he planted is due to the drip system he used to water. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Community Calendar

MONDAY

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

Al-Anon Brown Bag Open Meeting, Snyder Park Club in Winston Park; noon.

Weight Watchers meeting; Trinity United Methodist Church; for more information call Nathalie at 573-1868 during the evening; weigh-in is at 5 p.m.

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

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

Scurry County AA; closed meeting; Park Club; for more information, call 573-9458, 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

American Cancer Society; boardroom of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 5 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous, Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 574-1254, 573-8322 or 573-3733; 6:30 p.m.

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

AA Beginner's Meeting-Open; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 7 p.m.

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-4048,; 8 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5 to 6 p.m.; 2501 35th. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

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

Spiritual Solutions for Living Problems Book Study; Snyder Park Club; 6 p.m.

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

THURSDAY

Al-Anon brown bag; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 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.

Rock and Roll Quilting Club evening meeting; Hermleigh Community Center; for more information call 863-2426; 6:30 p.m.

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

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information call 573-4048; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626; 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 appointment, call 573-0538 or 573-0770.

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

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Just For Today NA open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-9458; 10 a.m.

SHOWER HELD — Kristi Sorrells, bride-elect of Brad Clyburn, was honoree at a miscellaneous wedding shower on Aug. 11 in the home of Jennifer Calley. From left are Sue Ely, aunt of the future bride from San Angelo; Opal Cooper, her grandmother; Dorothy Clyburn, mother of the prospective groom from Cedar Hill; Cherry Clyburn, his sister from Cedar Hill; the honoree from Lubbock; Betty Sorrells, mother of the future bride from Ira; Amanda Streetman, her sister from Plano; Jodie Sorrells, her sister-in-law from Lubbock; and Kyla Sorrells, her niece. (Contributed Photo)

Kristi Sorrells honored with bridal shower

Kristi Sorrells and Brad Clyburn will marry on Sept. 8 in St. Elizabeth Catholic Church.

Kristi was honoree at a miscellaneous bridal shower at the home of Jennifer Calley on Aug. 11.

Other hostesses included Marsha Kubena, Martha Ezra, Jerry Stokes, Mary Castillo, Rosalinda Tovar, Lucille Beuerlein, Linda Dunn, Chris Bane, Ann Everett, Lupe Saurez, Rosemary Kohl, Cindy Shoults, Sally Thornhill, Esther Clarady, Phyllis McGinnis, Anita Wilson, Gale Northcott, Phil Kelley and Gayle Kubena.

They gave the honoree a set of stainless steel cookware.

Celadon green is the bride's chosen color and was used in decorations for the gerber daisy centerpiece. A crystal punch bowl held raspberry punch. Crystal cake stands graced the table where a variety of quiches were served with strawberries and grapes.

Governor Siegelman's remarks lampooned

FAIRHOPE, Ala. (AP) — Gov. Don Siegelman's remark that boys shouldn't wear earrings led to some advice from his teen-age daughter and an attempt to ease the sting of his statement.

The governor was lampooned on editorial pages after his comment that parents should tell sons "if God had wanted you to wear earrings, he'd have made you a girl."

Bridge Scores

Jane Hinton directed bridge games Friday and Sunday at the Snyder Country Club and Monte West directed Tuesday.

Friday, Aug. 17

1. J.O. Morrison, Nona Morrison.
2. Jane Hinton, Louise Thompson.
3. Tie: Martha Fagin, Maribeth Vestal tied with Margaret Birdwell, Barbara Yorgesen.
4. Durelle Gorman, Dorothy Rosson.

Sunday, Aug. 19

Swiss Team

1. Louise Thompson, Billisue Stuard, Barbara Yorgesen, Nona Morrison.
2. Pat Floyd, Margaret Presswood, Jane Hinton, Margaret Birdwell.

Tuesday, Aug. 21

A group

1. Margaret Birdwell, Martha Fagin.
2. Jane Hinton, Louise Thompson.
3. Barbara Yorgesen, Dora Blakey.

B group

1. Pat Floyd, Robbie Floyd.
2. Peggy Hardin, Nona Morrison.
3. Christine Stuard, Dorothy Rosson.

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SHS CLASS OF '66 — Members of the Snyder High School Class of 1966 met for their 35-year reunion at the Patterson Farm on July 27-28. Forty-seven classmates attended to include (from left) front row, Ray Kizer, Phillip Kimmel, Nancy Meador Hewitt, Larry Anderson, Gary Walton, Dan Brunken, Jackie Beane, George Crowder; row 2, Kay Pitner Burns, Mary Guerra Caldwell, Marianne Askins Doherty, Candy Bass Drummond, Camille Curry Fisher, David Holt, Arnetta Cooper, June Westfall Williamson, Vicki Dean Flynn, Brenda Benton Lee, Sharrylon Ator Vestal, Shelia Duke Fontenot; row 3, Barbara Scarbrough Gowin, Mary Minor King, Fern Buchanan Herrington, Delane Doty Benningfield, Clydine Hunter Hinkle, Janeen Clements Patterson, Joann White Vaughan, Melinda Merritt Hallmark, Barbara Gracey Metzger, Glenna Furnace Garrett, Karen Rodgers Morgensen, Neva Fowler Howell, Keith Crop, Fred Johnston; top row, Jackie Rice, Bobby Beard, Bill Blum, Surry Gillum, Guinn Cooper, Larry Vaughan, Jerry Martin, Suzanne Shearburn Smith, Steve McMahan, Jimmy Don Lloyd, Patricia Kruse Nix, and not pictured are Joyce Baxter Pace and Diana Price Williamson. (Contributed Photo)

BRIDAL SHOWER — A miscellaneous shower for Tessa Hildebrand, bride-elect of Page Patterson, was held Aug. 5 in the Martha Ann Woman's Club. The couple will marry at 7 p.m. on Sept. 8 in the First Baptist Church. From left are Maxine Ragland, prospective groom's grandmother; Haley Wilson, his sister from Abilene; Sherry Patterson, his mother; the honoree from San Angelo; Carol Hildebrand, the future bride's mother; Shelby Hildebrand, her sister from Carrollton; and Billie Shaw, her grandmother from Colorado City. (Contributed Photo)

Lost wallet is found in bale of hay in Japan

ELLENSBURG, Wash. (AP) — When Justin Henderson lost his wallet on the farm last summer while fluffing hay for his uncle, the likelihood of recovering it seemed as remote as finding a needle in a haystack.

The hay, with the wallet bound up somewhere inside, was sold to ACX Pacific, a company that exports hay from central Washington to Japan.

That's where it was found by one of Megumi Ohshida's hungry dairy cows.

Vision screening is important for kids

SCHAUMBURG, Ill. — Vision screening of children is critically important. More than 12.1 million school-age children, or one in four, have some form of vision problem. Prevent Blindness American (PBA) and its network of field offices conduct vision screening programs in preschools and elementary schools to detect common eye problems that can lead to amblyopia (lazy eye), a sight-threatening problem in children. PBA sponsors Amblyopia Awareness Month in August to educate parents and the public about this serious childhood eye condition.

Amblyopia, also known as "lazy eye," has many causes. Most often it results from a misalignment of a child's eyes, such as crossed eyes. A difference in image quality between two eyes (one eye focuses better than the other) can also lead to the condition. With early detection and treatment, the chance for restoring vision is excellent, but by age 9 or 10, the chances are limited.

It is estimated that vision problems in nearly 430,000 children can cause permanent loss of sight, if left untreated. PBA recommends that children see an eye doctor, pediatrician or family physician for a complete eye examination shortly after birth, at six months, between the ages of three and five before entering school, and periodically throughout the school years.

One such child is five-year-old Connor Maliesky, who was screened by Prevent Blindness Northern California in February 2000. Connor was diagnosed with 20/400 vision and amblyopia in both eyes, which is somewhat unusual, as amblyopia most often affects just one eye. His treatment consists of wearing both glasses and an eye patch and his vision has improved to 20/30 in both eyes with his glasses. Connor's parents, Michele and Steve said, "Connor has adjusted well to wearing the eye patch."

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BREAKFAST

East, Northeast, Stanfield

Monday
Ham & Cheese Biscuit
Tuesday
Fruit Muffin
Wednesday
Sausage on a Stick
Thursday
Teddy Grahams
Friday
Texas Cheese Toast

BREAKFAST
Other schools

Monday
Pigs in a Blanket
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Tuesday
Ham & Cheese in a Biscuit
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Wednesday
Waffles w/Syrup
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Thursday
Biscuits & Gravy
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Friday
Breakfast Burrito
Assorted Dry Cereal
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LUNCH
All schools

Monday
Pizza or
Oven Fried Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
Glazed Carrots
Apple Crisp
Tuesday
Beef Tacos or
Frito Pie
Fiesta Corn
Lettuce & Tomato
Dalmation Pudding
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Hamburger w/Fixins
or Turkey & Cheese Sub
Green Beans
Tater Tots
Cookie Crumb Cookies
Thursday
Hot Dog on a Bun
or Chicken Nuggets
Pork & Beans
French Fries
Applesauce
Friday
Burrito or
Taco Salad
Spicy Pintos
Spanish Rice
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All meals are served with milk.

BREAKFAST

Monday
Fruit
Waffles/Syrup
Tuesday
Juice
Cheese Toast
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Fruit
Buttered Oatmeal
Toast
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Juice
Buttered Rice
Friday
Fruit
French Toast Sticks/Syrup

LUNCH

Monday
Steak Fingers/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Hot Biscuits
Peanut Butter Bars
Tuesday
Pepper Steak
Steamed Rice
Shredded Lettuce
Hot Rolls
Baked Apples
Wednesday
Oven Fried Chicken
Parsley Potatoes
English Peas
Hot Rolls
Vanilla Pudding
Thursday
Pinto Beans/Ham
Macaroni & Cheese
Corn Bread
Chilled Pears
Friday
Corn Dogs
French Fries
Carrot Sticks
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All meals are served with choice of milk.

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Cinnamon Rolls
Cereal
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Cereal
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Fruit
Wednesday
Strawberry Pop Tarts
Juice
Thursday
Pancakes
Sausage
Juice
Friday
Biscuits & Gravy
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LUNCH

Monday
Fish or Shrimp
Macaroni & Cheese
Green Beans
Cantaloupe
Garlic Cheese Call
Tuesday
Chicken Enchiladas
Beans
Salad
Sopapillas
Wednesday
Poor Boy Steak
Peanut Butter Sandwich
Mashed Potatoes
Peas
Brownies
Thursday
Spaghetti & Meat Sauce
Salad
Corn
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Rice Krispy Treat
Friday
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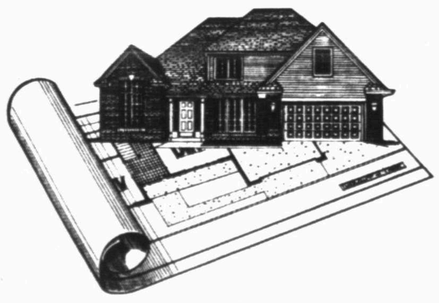

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Corey Knipe shares stories of working on Barry Tubb's film

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Knipe also became acquainted with Jacob Fisher who plays the lead in the movie, a young boy whose steer is selected grand champion. "He was a hard worker and did what he was told," Knipe said.

Barry bragged on him a lot. When the boy fell asleep on a steer, Knipe said "there wasn't a dry eye in the house."

When *Grand Champion*'s shooting shifted to Alpine in mid-June, Knipe said he enjoyed the "premier and exotic locations. He also encountered a few more celebrities including Bruce Willis who was on the set one day only for a cameo role.

"He really impressed me. He was real laid back and calm. He was good with words. He was a nice guy. He could be funny and goof off and yet get the job done." Knipe said.

Knipe was equally impressed with Andy Buckley who plays Mr. Bloomer. "When he wasn't acting, he was there on the set helping out, picking up trash or doing whatever needed to be done."

At the Cibola Creek Ranch shoot, Knipe, a big Rolling Stones fan, learned that Mick Jagger had been "hanging out and relaxing" there just a few days before.

While at the ranch, he also met the lead guitarist of a German band he likes, Ramstien, as well as Tuff Hedeman, a well-known bull rider who has a cameo in Tubb's movie.

To Knipe, the ranch was as beautiful as it was spectacular and it was about the size of Snyder. He said they were told that where they were shooting was private land and no white men had been on it before.

The ranch had a ghost town and a Spanish mission set left over from *"Dead Man's Walk,"* a movie that Tubb and others on *Grand Champion* had also worked on. Knipe saw marks on the floor left over from the previous shoots.

While at the ranch, he explained that they had to craft their own makeshift cave because the real cave was located too high up in the mountain and it was impossible to get their equipment up there.

Besides his usual responsibilities, Knipe also had to make sure the set was free of pests. Using a long stick with a loop on the end and a shovel he managed to kill four rattlesnakes.

Grand Champion also filmed some scenes in and around Marfa, including the square and middle school. He got to meet some of the people associated with the school.

Knipe liked the town noting that it was well-known for its lights display. "No one knows what they are, Knipe said, but they looked like "low-lying stars to me." A picnic area has been set up to accommodate people who want to watch the lights, he added.

At Midland's shoot, Knipe's many duties included finding restrooms that the crew could have access to. That was made more difficult because it was a Sunday and many of the restaurants were closed. However, he did find one that was open and didn't object to the extra traffic. Usually, he said the restaurant or establishment wants something in return, such as a visit from the stars.

Knipe recounted a humorous situation that developed one day while filming in the Midland area. He had arranged for a construction crew to block off access to a section of a road leading to downtown Midland. The base camp was already set up, but after Tubb arrived he decided that that location was not what he wanted. About 45 minutes later, Tubb had found another site and Knipe said there was a "mad rush" to move all of the equipment. They also arranged with the sheriff's department to block off part of a road.

However, the construction crew remained at their post near the original location. He told them to take a lunch break, which they did. Ten hours later, the construction crew was still blocking traffic and they weren't very happy about it either. For their trouble, Knipe said the producers had given him a check of about $1,000 to give to the men.

When Knipe was first hired, he said he thought he would be making a lot of money. But that's not exactly the way it turned out. True the pay was good, but it really wasn't adequate monetary compensation for all of the hours he put in or the wear and tear on his truck. One workday lasted 23-hours, but the majority were 17-18 hours long. He survived on four hours of sleep most nights and even spent "days off" thinking and planning what to do the next day.

There were a few times Knipe said he wondered what he was doing there. He maintained the hectic pace and strenuous schedule until he narrowly missed wrecking his pickup when he dozed off at the wheel. That's when he knew something had to change.

He unloaded on Tootie Bland, one of the movie's producers, who was very understanding. She got someone to help him and when his cell phone was run over on the set, she replaced it.

Others who worked on *Grand Champion*, told Knipe that the disorganization was the exception rather than the norm. The usual procedure is to have assistant directors arrange for insurance coverage for each and every shooting location months in advance. There are also more people to share the location work as well. He was also told that even though location shooting is considered the worst job in the movie business, it is a place to begin.

While his weeks on *Grand Champion* weren't perfect, Knipe gained valuable experience and a reputation for being a dependable person, someone who could get the job done. He now has references that could pave the way for him to work on other movies always being filmed in Texas; and there are quite a few including Nicolas Cage's new age western which did location shooting at Alpine. **(For more information about making movies in Texas, see stories at right and on page 6B)**

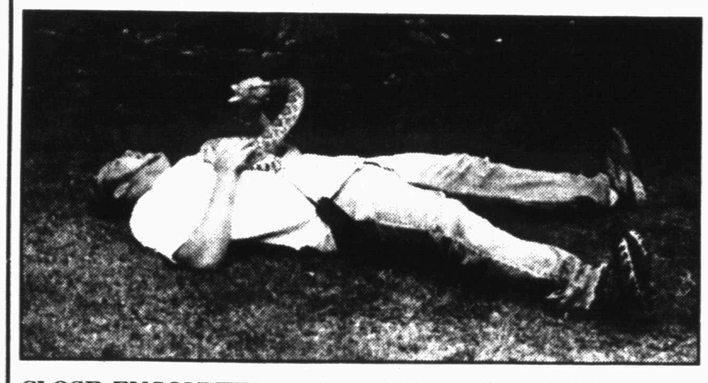
Someday Knipe hopes to make his mark in the movie industry, but for now he is content to take "baby steps" towards achieving his long-range goals. He admits that he did not really apply himself while in high school and had lower ACT scores. He is working to improve his grade point average at WTC. He is also enrolled in the communications program and helps put together the college's weekend review, a "top of the line news program."

Eventually, he hopes to be accepted into the Radio, Television and Film (RTF) program at the University of Texas. A master's degree in RTF could open more doors than experience alone could do. The people he got to know on *Grand Champion* encouraged him to finish college as well.

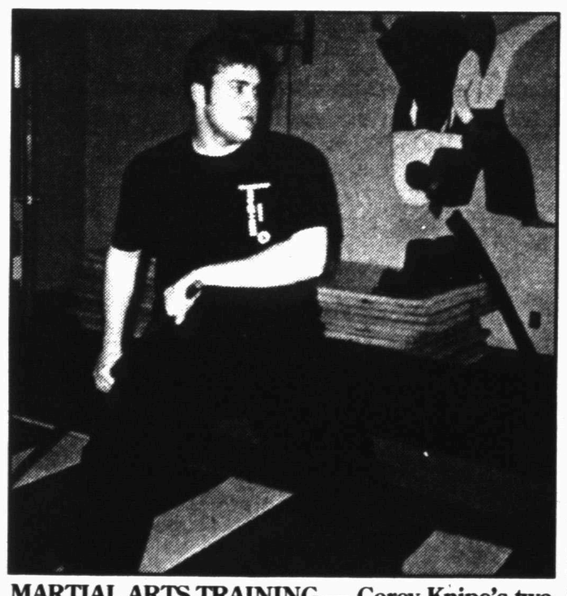
Knipe said one of the highlights of his high school years was studying under Worsham for four years. "I feel kind of blessed to have been in his last class."

While Knipe enjoyed working on *Grand Champion*, he said his real love is editing because it allows him to have more creative freedom. That's why he still has fond memories of *The Unabomber*, a comedy that he and a couple of friends created about a year ago. The short film played at the Cinema I and II. Knipe also loves music and videos. He had worked for ZTV for 18 months.

Knipe is the son of Grant and Stephanie Knipe. Grandparents are Kenneth and Joyce Smith and Becky and Lloyd Knipe. All



CLOSE ENCOUNTER — One of Corey Knipe's jobs during *Grand Champion's* location shooting at the Cibola Creek Ranch was to get rid of pests like rattlesnakes. He killed four in all. (Contributed Photo)



MARTIAL ARTS TRAINING — Corey Knipe's two years of martial arts training came in handy when he served as the on-set body guard for the stars who were in Snyder in May to film scenes for *Grand Champion*. (Contributed Photo)

Film-friendly Texas attracts movie and television makers

HOUSTON (AP) — That's not really M.C. Hammer's hometown of Oakland, Calif., in the background of a VH1 movie about the rapper's life that will air later this year. The skyscrapers and sunshine are all Houston.

Texas' chameleonic ability to stand in for just about any location consistently helps land it in the top five most popular states to make movies, television shows and commercials.

"We tend to be a lot of different places for a lot of different people," said Rick Ferguson, president of the Houston Film Commission.

Ward Emling, president of the Association of Film Commissioners International, said it takes more than varied terrain, good weather, urban grit and rural tranquility wrapped up in one state to attract location scouts.

He said big-budget productions set in Texas — like "Terms of Endearment" in Houston, "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" in Hallettsville and "JFK" in Dallas — generally will film in the state without incentives.

But projects with smaller budgets, like VH1's "M.C. Hammer" and "When the Music Stops," both filmed during Tropical Storm Allison's onslaught last month, seek film-friendly states with tax incentives and experienced actors and crews, Emling said.

"You need that element of attracting business," he said. "I really stress with everybody that this is an industry. It can be grown and attracted like any other industry on the planet."

The main hubs of the entertainment industry, California and New York, consistently are the top two states for big and little screens in terms of numbers of productions made there, Emling said. Texas and North Carolina exchange third and fourth, followed by Florida.

Texas cuts red tape by requiring no state filming permits and charging no sales tax on equipment purchased in the state to make a movie, said Tom Copeland, president of the Texas Film Commission, a division of the state governor's office formed in 1971 with a $500,000 budget to market Texas to the film industry.

Texas gets its real edge in the movie wars with its strong "crew base," the professionals from actors and makeup artists to key grips and electricians who live in Houston, Austin, Dallas and other cities.

They provide ready-made crews who don't need air fare, hotel accommodations and other costs that boost movie budgets, Copeland said.

"Of the crews on the VH1 productions in Houston, 70 to 80 percent were from Texas," he said. "That's what we compete with across the country with places like Chicago, Miami and Pittsburgh. Anyone with a crew base will be on the major list of places to call, provided the locations work."

North Carolina, which offers the same varied terrain as Texas, built a similar crew base after producer Dino DeLaurentis turned two buildings in Wilmington into sound stages 15 years ago.

In recent years, cost and red tape increasingly have driven location scouts to Canada, Australia, New Zealand and other countries that provided crew bases, government subsidies, advantageous currency exchange rates and few permit requirements.

"Filmmakers are constantly looking at the best way and the cheapest way to get their film done," Emling said. "They don't always have millions and millions of dollars.

Michael Larkin, vice president of VH1 motion pictures for television, said most films made by independent moviemakers, cable channels and networks scrape by with smaller budgets. "Pearl Harbor" may have started with $135 million, but the VH1 productions had $3 million budgets, he said.

Houston became the backdrop for "M.C. Hammer" because the city has a large pool of black actors and extras to fill out its cast, Larkin said. The city also provided spaces, such as downtown theaters and Enron Field, that welcomed the film crews with few obstacles.

"When the Music Stops," a fictional story of how a stockbroker's bride-to-be falls for a Latino Salsa dance instructor, could have been set anywhere but producers decided on Houston.

"Since there is not a lot of film shooting there, locals, both in middle class and wealthier neighborhoods, are much more open to allow people to shoot films in their homes or on their property," Larkin said. "People in Los Angeles, Toronto and Vancouver are a little exhausted by the experience."

On the Net:
Texas Film Commission:
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Movies made in Texas listed

By The Associated Press

Some of the films made in Texas since 1910, according to the Texas Film Commission:

"Giant," made in Marfa, 1955.

"Hud," Claude, 1963.

"Bonnie and Clyde," Dallas, 1967.

"The Andromeda Strain," Shafter, 1970.

"The Last Picture Show," Archer City, 1971.

"The Getaway," Huntsville, San Marcos, San Antonio and El Paso, 1972.

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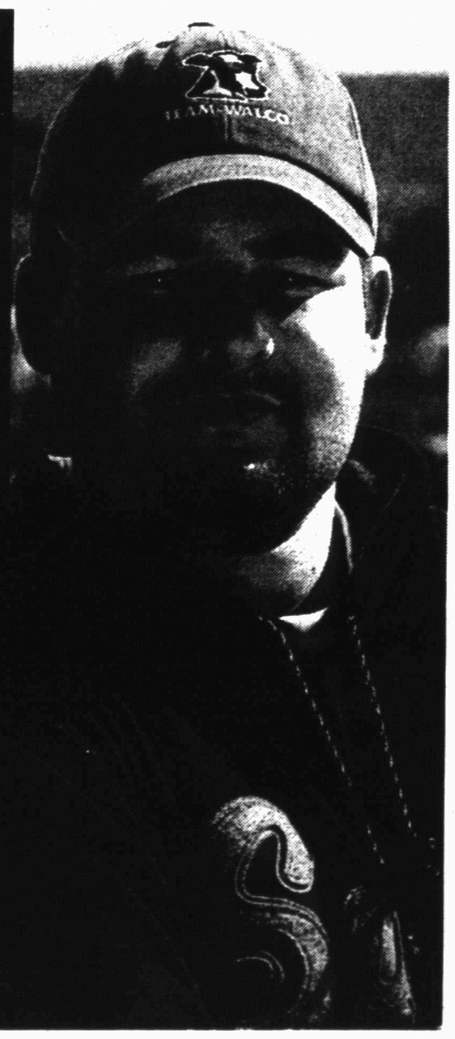

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Mandrell attends SOSU orientation session number 5

WEATHERFORD, Okla. — A total of 161 students attended Southwestern Oklahoma State University's fifth freshmen orientation session held Aug. 17 on the Weatherford campus. Attending was Levi Mac Mandrell of Snyder.

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French man says his stunt didn't go as it was planned

NEW YORK (AP) — The French man who dangled 300 feet in the air from the Statue of Liberty says he is an artist, not a daredevil.

The stunt that went awry and left Thierry Devaux, 41, dangling from Lady Liberty's arm for a half-hour was neither a political statement nor a publicity stunt, he said in an interview Friday with The Associated Press.

"It's an artistic way for me to express myself," he said.

Devaux, who is from Chamonix and uses the nickname Terry Do, explained that his art comes from the expression of "movement in space. What I like is to be in the gap without gravity." The Statue of Liberty, he says, is simply "great space."

Using a motorized-propeller device called a paramotor, Devaux intended to circle the statue Thursday morning, land on the narrow deck of the torch and then bungee jump off. But his plans went haywire when his parachute ended up spiked on the statue's torch.

After being rescued by city and U.S. Park Police, the artist was handcuffed, taken to court and charged with four federal misdemeanor counts, including trespassing, disorderly conduct and illegal air activity. Each count carries a maximum three-month sentence.

Devaux was released on $10,000 bail. His attorney, Jeremy Orden, said he expected the case to be resolved with "some sort of plea" by next week.

Devaux took heat from an angry Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and tourists who were unable to visit Liberty Island, which was closed for three hours because of the stunt.

"I'm very sorry for them because I didn't expect to stay suspended for 35 minutes," Devaux said Friday. But he added that not all tourists were disappointed. "Some of them were very enjoyed about this."

Giuliani called Devaux an "idiot" in a City Hall ceremony where he honored Devaux's rescuers, calling the stunt "a dumb and stupid thing."

"Looking at the end of the story, it looks stupid," Devaux said, but added, "It was much deeper than a stupid jump."

"It's like the end of the New York Marathon when you see everyone coming in and they're hurting. But it's not only that," he said.

This was Devaux's second arrest at the Statue of Liberty. In June 1994, police said, he was arrested on charges that he hid in the statue overnight and defaced it.

Although Devaux claimed not to be motivated by publicity, he undertook a media blitz Friday morning that included interviews with several news organizations. He said the stunt was not intended to make a political statement, either, although he wore several patches pointing out the danger of land mines.

Devaux has sought out publicity in the past. He approached The Associated Press last October to try to set up prearranged coverage of a parachute stunt at an undisclosed location. AP editors declined.

Movies made in Texas listed

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"The Texas Chainsaw Massacre," Round Rock and Austin, 1973.

"Sugarland Express," San Antonio and Del Rio, 1973.

"Semi-Tough," Dallas, 1977.

"The Swarm," Houston, 1977.

"The Bermuda Triangle," 1978, Galveston, Harlingen and Brownsville, 1978.

"Urban Cowboy," Houston and Pasadena, 1979.

"The Border," El Paso, 1980.

"The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas," Austin and Hallettsville, 1981.

"Silkwood," Dallas, 1982.

"Places in the Heart," Waxahachie and Dallas, 1983.

"Terms of Endearment," Houston, 1983.

"RoboCop," Dallas, 1986.

"RoboCop 2," Houston, 1989.

"Blue Sky," El Paso, Van Horn and Salt Flat, 1990.

"JFK," Dallas, 1991.

"Rush," Houston, 1991.

"What's Eating Gilbert Grape," Austin, 1992.

"Jason's Lyric," Houston, 1993.

"Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls," Hondo and Kerrville, 1995.

"Courage Under Fire," Austin, San Marcos and El Paso, 1995.

"Selena," San Antonio and Corpus Christi, 1996.

"Hope Floats," Smithville and Austin, 1997.

"Rushmore," Houston, 1997.

"Armageddon," Denton, Dallas and Houston, 1997.

"Boys Don't Cry," Dallas area, 1998.

"All the Pretty Horses," San Antonio, 1999.

"Any Given Sunday," Dallas, 1999.

Television productions made in Texas include:

"Cotton Candy," Dallas, 1978.

"Dallas," Dallas, 1978-1991.

"Murder in Texas," Houston, 1980.

"The Yellow Rose," San Antonio and Del Rio, 1983.

"Target," Dallas, 1985.

"Baja Oklahoma," Fort Worth, 1987.

"Lonesome Dove," Austin and Del Rio, 1988.

"Barney and Friends," Irving, 1992-present.

"Walker, Texas Ranger," Dallas and Fort Worth, 1993-2001.

"A Woman of Independent Means," Houston and Galveston, 1994.

"Two for Texas," Austin, Caddo Lake and San Antonio, 1997.

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Dole hints at run for Sen. Helms' seat

SALISBURY, N.C. (AP) — Former Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole registered to vote in her old hometown Friday, inching her closer to a possible run at the U.S. Senate seat held by Jesse Helms.

Dole, 65, a former labor secretary and head of the Red Cross, had notified elections officials in Russell County, Kan., on Thursday that she was terminating her voter registration there.

"I've said many times this is my rock of Gibraltar, my home," Dole said after coming out of the elections office. "I love Salisbury."

Dole said it was an honor to be mentioned as a potential candidate and that she is giving "serious consideration" to running for the seat.

She used her mother's address in Salisbury, said Nancy Evans, director of the county board of elections. She must prove she's lived in the district for 30 days before the election in which she wants to vote, Evans said.

Helms, 79, had announced Wednesday that he would not seek a sixth term in 2002.

If Dole does decide to run, she will face former Charlotte Mayor Richard Vinroot, who announced his candidacy Thursday, in the GOP primary. Vinroot said Dole had called him Thursday morning indicating her interest in the race.

He said he told her he was going to run, adding that he told her "you're a good friend and will always be a good friend."

"Why be coy about it if you're interested in it?" he said. "Just go ahead and do it."

Dole's note announcing her intentions to change registrations was dated Aug. 22, the same day Helms publicly announced that he would not seek a sixth term.

Dole had long been registered to vote in Kansas, the home state of her husband, former Sen. Bob Dole.

Party leaders in Washington and North Carolina have been quietly courting her as a Senate candidate for weeks, arguing that her name recognition, popularity and experience would make her a strong candidate. Among her government roles: Federal Trade Commission member, 1973-79; Secretary of Transportation, 1983-87; and Secretary of Labor, 1989-91.

Other Republicans eyeing the race include former Sen. Lauch Faircloth and Rep. Richard Burr.

Faircloth said Wednesday he would consider running. "More than anything, I believe the choice of our next senator should be made by North Carolinians and not by Washington, D.C., politicians," he said.

Among Democrats, North Carolina Secretary of State Elaine Marshall is the only announced candidate for Helms' seat.

Helms' departure in 2003 will leave the GOP to defend another open seat in its bid to recapture the Senate, where Democrats hold a 50-49 majority, with one independent.

On the Net:
Helms:
http://www.senate.gov/(tilde)helms
State parties:
http://www.ncgop.org and
http://www.ncdp.org

Public Records

Marriage License

Anthony Wayne Porter of Snyder and Georgiana Marie Miller of Lubbock.

Billy Wayne Souder and Jennifer Lynn Stephenson, both of Snyder.

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Action in District Court

In the marriage of Michael Adrian Nobles and Christina Louise Nobles, divorce granted.

WTS Financial Inc. vs. Oliver E. Groce, default judgment.

Deed Records

H.E. Lewis, individually and as attorney-in-fact for Vivian Lewis, Lots 7-9 in Block 24 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Laura Lynn Thomas to Daryl L. Thomas, the east 65 feet of Lots 7 and 8 and the east 65 feet of the south 40 feet of Lot 9 and the west 10 feet of an abandoned north-south alley, all in Block 16 of the Colonial Hill Addition.

Washington Mutual Home Loans Inc. to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Lots 12 in Block 1 of the Eastridge Addition.

Daryl Van and Cindy L. Drain to Velta James and Jimmie Fern Day, a 0.66-acre tract being Tract 46 of the Dallas Trust and Savings Bank Subdivision of Section 13, J.P. Smith survey.

Ellen M. Riley to Warren D. and Ellen M. Riley Revocable Living Trust, 9.317 acres in the southeast one-quarter of Section 134, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Robert Marvin and Essie Mae Cole to Jerry Lee and Beatriz Cline, Lot 18 in Block 1 of the Morningside Subdivision of Blocks 9-10, 15-16 and 25-26 of the Adams Addition.

SSS Postal Properties to The Fred W. and Glendora S. Ewald Trust, Lots 1 and 4 in Block 2 of the Original Town of Snyder.

McCormick Marketing Inc. to Pedro and Isabel Martinez, the north one-half of Lot 2 in Block 36 of the Lundy's Park Addition.

Lynn Fenton to Jennifer Jaimes, the west 75 feet of Lot 4 in Block 9 of the W.T. Mandry's Addition.

Carol Campbell Hickey to William Alexander Hickey III, Lot 3 in Block 11 and Lot 6 in Block 19, both in the W.L. Gross Subdivision.

Lionor R. Martinez to Gilberto Martinez Sr. and Felix Martinez, custodian for Gilbert Martinez Jr. and Andrea Martinez, Lot 9 in Block 44 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Scurry County Court

Twelve cases were heard in Scurry County Court in August.

They include a 31-year-old male who pleaded guilty to driving while license suspended. He was fined $100, $210.25 in court costs and ordered to spend five days in jail.

A 17-year-old male pleaded guilty to Class B possession of marijuana. He was sentenced to 15 days jail time and court costs of $200.25.

A 46-year-old male pleaded guilty to DWI. He was fined $500, $235.25 in court costs, 60 days jail time — probated one year — and ordered to attend DWI school.

A 41-year-old male pleaded guilty to DWI. He was sentenced to 10 days in jail plus 180 days driver's license suspension and court costs of $210.25.

An 18-year-old male pleaded guilty to public intoxication on a motion to adjudicate guilt. He was sentenced to 15 days in jail and court costs of $235.25.

An 18-year-old male pleaded guilty to burglary of vehicle. He was sentenced to 60 days in jail, court costs of $200.25 and ordered to pay $73.44 in restitution.

An 18-year-old male pleaded guilty to burglary of vehicle. He was sentenced 60 days in jail plus $505 in restitution and court costs of $200.25.

A 28-year-old male pleaded guilty to DWI. He was sentenced to 90 days in jail — probated two years — plus 90 days driver's license suspension and $235.25 court costs.

A 20-year-old male pleaded guilty to DWI. He was sentenced to 120 days in jail plus 365 days drivers license suspension and $210.25 in court costs.

A 36-year-old female pleaded guilty to driving while license suspended. She was sentenced to six-months deferred probation, fined $100 and $235.25 court costs.

A 20-year-old male pleaded guilty to driving while license suspended — motion to adjudicate guilt. He was sentenced to 120 days in jail and court costs of $235.25.

Boy drowns in same lake as parents' other two children

GONVICK, Minn. (AP) — A couple's 3-year-old son drowned in a northwestern Minnesota lake — the same lake where the couple's small daughter and son drowned in 1998.

"It was an absolutely unbelievable, tragic coincidence, an awful case of deja vu," Clearwater County Undersheriff Lyle Colligan said.

Arne and Carol Kleppe had adopted their son Alex from Russia after their other two children, 4-year-old Arla and her 2-year-old brother, Anders, drowned in Six Lake in November 1998. The lake is near a farm owned by the children's grandmother.

Alex drowned in the same lake Sunday. The parents told investigators he disappeared while playing with the family dog as his parents milked cows.

"The boy liked to hang on to the dog's fur and be dragged," Colligan said. "It's sort of our belief that he may have let the dog drag him into deep water."

Colligan said Friday that the investigation was closed unless authorities obtain new information.

"Obviously, the first thing you're trained to watch for in our business is foul play or negligence," he said earlier. "But we've done a very thorough investigation, and we aren't seeing anything other than a horrible repeat of an awful tragedy."

Robert Blake selling his Mata Hari Ranch

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Robert Blake plans to sell his home, dubbed the "Mata Hari Ranch," which he shared with his wife who was shot and killed.

The 67-year-old former "Baretta" star has put the Studio City home up for sale and will move to the west San Fernando Valley to be closer to his adult daughter, Blake's attorney Harland Braun told the Daily News of Los Angeles for Friday's editions. Both Blake and the daughter will help care for his 14-month-old girl, Braun said.

Blake is asking $1.09 million for the nearly 5,000-square-foot compound, which has seven bedrooms and six baths, according to a real estate agent who listed it Thursday.

The actor's wife, 44-year-old Bonny Lee Bakley, lived in a house on the back of the property. She was shot to death May 4 as she sat in a car near a restaurant where the couple had just dined.

Bee attack hospitalizes man

HARLINGEN (AP) — A South Texas man remained hospitalized Friday after being stung dozens of times by bees that officials said could have been Africanized.

John Parker was in stable condition at Valley Baptist Medical Center.

Parker, 43, said he was cleaning the yard of his business on Wednesday when a swarm of bees attacked him. A co-worker, Jose Hernandez, was also stung as he tried to help Parker.

"They never quit following me," Parker told the Valley Morning Star in Harlingen for Friday's editions. "I ran and ran and ran. I never could get them off of me."

He said he was stung 236 times and that Hernandez received 77 stings.

"I almost died. They were'nt sure if I was going to make it or not," he said. "I had a bad allergic reaction to them."

A firefighter said rescuers from the first arriving unit were unable to get out of the truck because bees were flying all over the area.

Fire Capt. Edward Muniz recommended victims to seek shelter such as a car or a building.

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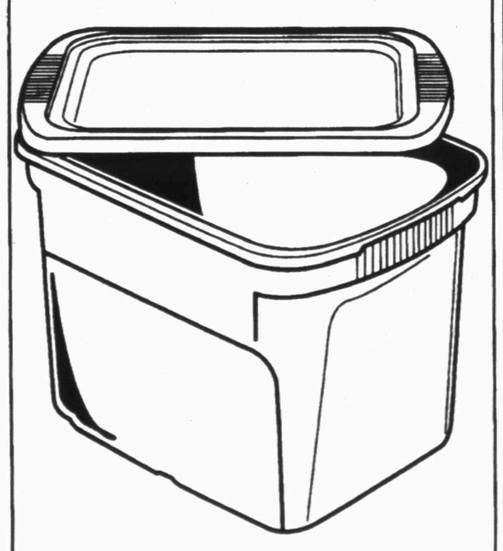

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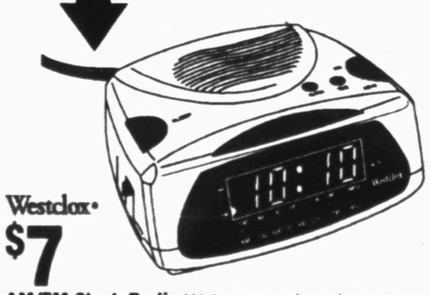

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Letters to the editor

TBWEF assesssment

Dear Editor:

As many are aware, the cotton industry in our area has been in a downward swing for the past few years, low production and low prices. Many in this area produced a decent crop and received a relatively fair price in 1997; the other 6 years of 7 have been mediocre to zero. After the 1997 crop was harvested some producers and the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation (TBWEF) were saying the eradication program was the reason for the good crop that year. We are in the seventh year of the eradication program, 1 out of 7 is not a good average for cotton producers in this area.

For those who do not know about TBWEF, cotton growers are assessed a $10 per land-acre fee planted to cotton, regardless of the row pattern or actual planted acres. Up until this year the Rolling Plains Central Zone did not assess the $10 per land acre for cotton disasters before July 15, for the 2001 crop, this zone is assessing all acreage planted to cotton regardless of disaster or production.

Referent to Senate Bill 1814 (the bill authorizing the TBWEF) passed in May 1997, Section 1.03 (5) "Cotton Grower means a person who grows cotton and receives income from the sale of cotton. Section 1.15 (b) the Commissioner shall propose in a referendum the (1) maximum assessment to be paid by cotton growers having production in the eradication zone, and (g) the assessment shall be adequate and necessary to achieve the goals of this subchapter. The amount of assessment shall be determined by criteria established by the commissioner, including (2) the amount of acreage planted.

Many in this zone for this season did not get cotton up on many fields and if cotton did come up, much of it died from lack of moisture or from grasshopper infestation. Since the cotton did not come up or was destroyed, many cannot be classified as cotton but TBWEF is assessing a $10 per land acre for the privilege of planting cotton in this zone.

As for the difference in "acreage planted" and "land acres" (which TBWEF assesses) there is a significant difference. On a 320 land acre field planted in a 2 rows planted and 2 blank rows, there is only 160 acres of cotton planted (acreage planted) on the field for an assessment difference of $1,600 which the "cotton grower" is charged. When certifying at the FSA, the farmer certifies the acreage actually planted to cotton, the other is counted as blank row (unplanted) acres. When insuring cotton you only insure the row acres planted for production (acreage planted) you do not insure the blank rows for production.

When this proposition was put before the farmers for a referendum to start the eradication of the boll weevil, I cannot remember hearing of eradication of the pink bollworm, but S.B. 1814 calls for the eradication of the boll weevil and the pink bollworm. Many farmers remember being told that the $10 assessment would last only 3 to 5 years and then we would go into a $2 assessment for maintenance. This zone has been in this program 7 years, we are still assessed $10 per land acre and the assistance zone manager said this zone is approximately $20,000,000 ($20 million dollars) in debt.

The case in point is a 113.2 land acre field which I planted 2x1 which resulted in 75.5 planted acres (FSA designation (UPCN — 75.5) which I rent on 75 percent/25 percent share. The field was planted May 14, the cotton did not emerge and there are no TBWEF traps on the place. According to William Cleveland Jr., assistant zone manager, 6 traps were deployed across the road on June 30. TBWEF is trying to assess me $849.33 for planting cottonseed on this field. I am not a "cotton grower" on this field for 2001 according to S.B. 1814 definition of a "cotton grower," therefore I have deducted that amount from TBWEF assessment. All of my fields are planted in the 2x1-row pattern and I have applied a factor of 0.667 to TBWEF assessment and deducted for payment. I am also applying for a refund for overpayment to TBWEF because I have been assessed on "land acres" and not on "acreage planted" as stated in S.B. 1814.

I was informed that this zone will vote in February 2002 whether to stay in the TBWEF or stop the effort. I would encourage all "cotton growers and landowners " to check their records of production and income to see if this $10 per land acre assessment is profitable for them and vote in February 2002. If anyone is interested in what is mentioned you can contact me at: 1817 F.M. 1606, Hermleigh, Texas 79526 or 915-766-3517 between 8 and 10 p.m.

Thank you,
Jimmy R. Hudgins

Thanks for the coverage

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank the Snyder Daily News for their illuminating coverage of the strange "contest" over the management of the Scurry County Coliseum. I know of no one who does not think highly of Judge Ricky Fritz and the individual commissioners as well. But many of us are puzzled and alarmed over the recent decisions concerning the Coliseum. I had understood from Judge Fritz that there was to be a public meeting to discuss the County's vision for developing our resources - including the Coliseum. I was looking forward to hearing their suggestions for the master plan they have worked out that would be of benefit to our community. These new ideas could have been included as part of the contract for running the coliseum. (One thought would be to patrol the outside of the buildings and remove the old hot water heaters, pallets, and other junk that has been allowed to accumulate around the rear areas of this "showplace" building.)

I care about the management of the Coliseum — both as a citizen and as the owner of a motel that depends on the business generated by the events at the Coliseum. So I would like to know what led to these decisions? What are the standards that measure the effectiveness of Coliseum management? In what way has the Chamber failed to meet these standards? Are the Commissioners forcing this change solely to try and get more money in the form of a grant?

I thought Donna Fowler wrote an excellent piece in the Chamber Newsletter. It was about working together and not having an "us against them" mentality. It's not too late.

Please, Commissioners! Give us, the citizens who live here and have businesses here, a chance to understand what you are thinking! Let's have another — open — meeting and put the complaints, needs, visions, and facts out on the table. Then let's put our prejudices aside and really look at what is best for our community and our Coliseum.

Sincerely,
Helen Feinsod

North of Forty by Red Green

It's in the cards

As my wife and I approach our 35th anniversary, it occurs to me that marriage is a lot like a really long game of poker. Some days you have the cards, some days you don't. You need to learn how to be a good loser and occasionally how to be a gracious winner. Mainly you need to know how to bluff, when to press your luck, and when to head for the hills. Just like in the Kenny Rogers song. Although, after five or six marriages, he's obviously better at foldin' 'em than he is at holdin' 'em. But the main objective is to keep putting your ante in there every hand, every day. It is just a game, after all, and things will get better. A full house usually starts with just a pair. So hang in there. Play the hand you're dealt. You know that she's ultimately going to win the pot, but if you play your cards right, she may buy you something frilly.

FASHION STATEMENTS

I saw a hospital nurse crossing the street the other day. She had the hospital greens on. It struck me as a great idea to have simple colored clothes that denote a person's profession. I think all doctors and nurses should wear them all the time. That way, when anyone's hurt, you just look around for somebody in a green suit. And then we could expand it to other professions — police always wear blue, engineers wear orange, firefighters wear red, lawyers wear yellow, plumbers wear ... well, you get the idea.

Maybe we could even have shades. The darker the color, the better you are at your profession. We'd know this guy was a poor doctor by his pastel green pants. Or he could be a Florida condo owner.

It would also help town planners. You could have a town hall meeting and look out over the crowd to see what color's missing. Then you'd know what your town needs — more dentists, more hairdressers, or just something purple.

And it would help you in the area of personal interaction because you'd already know something about the individual. The color of a person's clothes would instantly tell you what they do and, to a certain extent, what they stand for.

Politicians would wear plaid.

MIDDLE-AGED REGRETS

I thought I'd list a few of my regrets now, rather than wait until I get older and find them forgettable:

— Not getting an education.

— Getting the wrong education.

— Entering the 40-Plus Racquetball Tournament.

— The mesh T-shirt.

— Taking a bad job.

— Quitting a bad job.

— Being rehired for a bad job.

— Being fired from a bad job.

— Wearing a Speedo when you're a Lardo.

TOO OLD TO FOOL

I meet a lot of seniors on a regular basis. It's not that I go out of my way to do that, it's just that there are so darned many of them, and they are generally hanging around waiting for people like me to come close enough to be exposed to a variety of heavily biased theories presented as proven fact. But the big thing that strikes me is that as we get older, we seem to lose our need to acquire things. These people don't have fancy, new cars; big, impressive homes or speedboats; home theaters; or a personal trainer. I figure they've stopped buying things because they've had so many disappointing consumer experiences that they can no longer build their expectations to the necessary level. They know that no matter what the ad says, the product is, at some level, going to suck. That's a sad day. Making crazy purchases based on wild promises and blind hope is an essential element in any capitalist economy. No wonder advertisers are more interested in the young consumers. The old ones are almost impossible to manipulate. It's not just the joints that stiffen.

QUOTE OF THE DAY: "I've been accused of being shallow, but I find deep people are generally unhappy. In the great river of life, I prefer to be a fly fisherman. It keeps me on top." — **Red Green**

Red Green is the star of "The Red Green Show," a television series seen in the U.S. on PBS and in Canada on the CBC Network, and the author of "The Red Green Book" and "Red Green Talks Cars: A Love Story."

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Austin American-Statesman

Jailing of writer Vanessa Leggett:

Let the writer go. Do your own work. Don't disrespect the Constitution.

That's the gist of our message to lazy law enforcers, arrogant prosecutors and misguided courts who have kept writer Vanessa Leggett jailed without bond since July 20.

The crime scholar has been held in contempt of court for refusing to hand over research notes about a murder case. She says she also refused a Federal Bureau of Investigation contract as an informer. Her lawyer says the FBI and its allies are "annexing the press to become an investigative arm of the government." He's right. What's being done to Leggett and to precious constitutional rights is dangerous and wrong.

Some might consider Leggett an improbable martyr for the First Amendment's press freedom guarantees. The 33-year-old independent scholar is not affiliated with a news organization or publisher. But a number of them jumped to her defense after she was locked up in the Houston Federal Detention Center for her silence. She's an academic writer on obscure criminology topics who for the past four years has been gathering material for a "true crime" book about a sensational Houston murder case.

Her topic is the shooting death of Doris Angleton in April 1997 in Houston's posh River Oaks neighborhood. The victim was the wife of former millionaire bookmaker Robert Angleton. His brother Roger was subsequently arrested in Las Vegas carrying a suitcase containing $64,000 in cash. After Roger Angleton committed suicide, Robert Angleton was tried and acquitted for the murder in state court. A federal investigation into related allegations continues.

Leggett initially cooperated with the FBI's request that she share information from her notes, but they pushed too far. She says she will keep the promises she made to people she interviewed not to disclose what they told her.

She should. And the FBI should quit trying to make her the unwitting agent of a government agency whose power and investigative resources vastly exceed hers. The courts should speedily repair the damage done to basic press freedoms.

Compounding the shame of the government's attempted raid on research notes was its plan to bar the public from a court hearing on Leggett's case. After half a dozen news organizations pleaded for an open hearing, the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals agreed to one.

The attempt to keep the writer's fight secret is perhaps the most frightening aspect of this affair.

San Antonio Express-News

Stabilizing Colombia

Three years ago, when he was running for president of Colombia, Andres Pastrana promised that, if elected, he would negotiate a lasting peace agreement with two rebel groups that have destabilized the South American nation in recent years.

But like many other politicians in Latin America, he could not fulfill a major campaign promise.

Pastrana, who was elected to a four-year term and cannot run for re-election because the Colombian Constitution prohibits it, has suspended the peace talks with the Army of National Liberation, the second largest rebel group. With only one year left in office, it seems unlikely that Pastrana will get back to the bargaining table. Who can blame him? Despite concessions to both rebel groups including ceding a territory the size of Switzerland to the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, the largest rebel group, the peace talks failed. The rebels were unwilling to negotiate in good faith.

This impasse is indeed a setback, not just for Colombia but for every nation in the Western Hemisphere, including the United States.

Colombia has the second largest population in South America. Its civil war has a major impact on the region, especially in neighboring Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela.

For the U.S., the internal conflict in Colombia means that the Pastrana administration can't fight a full-scale war against narcotics.

So, unless a miracle happens in the next year, the Bush administration would be better off looking ahead to the post-Pastrana era.

The Houston Chronicle

Most powerful supercomputer:

Government researchers at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in California just unveiled the world's most powerful supercomputer, a machine so awesome it makes mere human beings wonder where all this supercomputing will end.

Designed by IBM and called the Accelerated Strategic Computing Initiative White, or ASCI White, the machine can perform 12.3 trillion calculations a second (that's trillion, with a 't'). It can store in its memory the equivalent of 300 million books, or about six times as many as the Library of Congress has.

Scientists will use ASCI White primarily to simulate how the nation's aging stockpile of nuclear weapons would function, if needed. But it also has other applications.

While ASCI White is 1,000 times more powerful than Deep Blue, the supercomputer that beat chess grandmaster Garry Kasparov in 1997, it is nowhere near the end of the line in supercomputing.

Los Alamos Laboratory in New Mexico will switch on a supercomputer three times as powerful next year. And by 2004, if there is enough money available, Lawrence Livermore wants to develop a machine 10 times as powerful as ASCI White, one that can perform 100 trillion operations per second.

So it seems supercomputers are not limited to the capacity of human intelligence to build them ever faster and smarter. They're limited to our ability to pay for them.

Times Record News (Wichita Falls)

Punitive damages awarded

Think you can persuade a jury to award you millions of dollars if you blame someone else for your mishaps? Think again. You might have better luck trying the lottery.

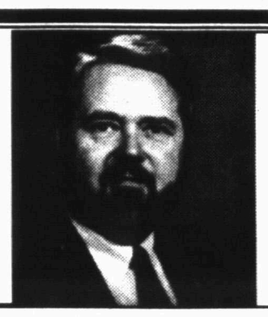
It appears the perception that juries are recklessly and frequently awarding outrageous fortunes in punitive damages may be as ludicrous as the awards believed to be won. A comprehensive study, conducted by two Cornell Law School professors and recently reported in the New York Times, looked at the punitive damages awarded in almost 9,000 trials across the country and came to a rather remarkable conclusion.

The big bucks aren't doled out as often as you might think. And juries aren't as random as deemed.

Despite a groundswell of support for trial reform and a halt to outrageous verdicts, the survey discovered that "juries may be far less arbitrary than is widely believed," the Times story said, and that in most cases seasoned judges award punitive damages about as often as amateur jurors. When both judge and jury awarded punitive damages, the Times reported, the study found that both parties did so in nearly the same proportion to compensatory damages.

Minding Your Own Business

By Don Taylor



Oppressive Obstacle or Outstanding Opportunity?

"You have cancer." "I'm sorry, but we're cutting back. We no longer need you." "Your son is disrupting the entire class with his incessant talking." "I'm filing for divorce. I love someone else."

These conversations happen every day. The situations they represent are real. People get sick, are fired, experience problems with their children and dissolve marriages.

When I was young I ran head on into difficulties. Now that I'm older, problems catch me from behind. The point is I still have to deal with obstacles, and so do you.

What I am learning is that having problems is normal and natural. It's how we learn to cope with and overcome our difficulties that affect our happiness and productivity. Bad things happen.

There's an old saying "bad things happen to good people." Bad things can happen to bad people, too! Nearly five years ago I had cancer. Bad thing. The choices were clear: Fight it or die.

I chose to fight. I chose to see the opportunity to live a few more years. I chose to see my grandchildren, do challenging work and accomplish more goals. I wanted to live, so I fought that problem with every ounce of my being and with all tools available.

As it turns out, cancer wasn't a problem; it was a great opportunity. Today my life has more joy, happiness and success.

My career has also run up against some obstacles. I vividly remember a time when I was treated unfairly on the job. I was accused without evidence, found guilty without trial and forced to make a change that could have had life-changing consequences.

As I look back on that obstacle, I realize that dealing with it did have life-changing consequences. However, they were positive — very positive — not negative.

Shortly after moving beyond the obstacle, several opportunities surfaced. I chose one. My earning power increased significantly and my job satisfaction soared. I now wonder how long I'd have stayed in the bureaucratic rut had I not been forced to make the change.

How to hurdle obstacles

Here are some tips for turning problems into potential. Some are my own; others are the experience of other obstacle overcomers.

* **Look for the opportunity.** Don't be blinded by the problem. Tell yourself there has to be an opportunity in this situation if I can only see it.

* **Don't dwell on the problem.** Count your blessings instead. Lost your job? Be thankful for savings account. No savings? Be thankful for your education. No education? Be thankful for your health. Your health is bad? Be thankful you won't have long to be unemployed, broke and ignorant. (Sorry, I thought this was funny, please don't be offended.)

* **Don't nurse a grudge.** When someone treats you unfairly, get on with your life. Grudges are like babies — the more you nurse them the bigger they get.

As soon as I forgave those who had wronged me, I started getting better. Had I not forgiven, I'd have grown bitter. Getting better is an element of success, growing bitter is not.

* **Become an "A" student in success.** Accept some of the responsibility. I'm usually at least part of the cause of my own problems. Abolish blame. Who is at fault is not as important as what are you going to do about it. Adapt to change. When you're faced with a new situation, don't try to hang on or go back. You can change, and change can take you closer to success. Adjust your attitude. It's your attitude, take control of it. You'll find new power, determination and dedication.

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Lieberman promises not to run in 2004 if Al Gore does

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Joe Lieberman is busy traveling the country, raising money and addressing crowds of adoring Democrats these days — very much like someone who has an eye on the 2004 presidential race.

But the 59-year-old Connecticut lawmaker has promised he won't run if 2000 Democratic nominee Al Gore runs — a pledge that stands in front of any presidential aspirations harbored by Lieberman, who was Gore's running mate.

Some Democrats fear that pledge may stifle one of their most promising presidential possibilities. Lieberman made many friends and impressed his fellow Democrats with his campaign skills and personality during the campaign, they say.

"Lieberman clearly is interested in running," said Howard Reiter, a political scientist at the University of Connecticut. "If he isn't, he's giving the best imitation I've ever seen. But I think he's boxed himself in as far as Gore. It will be very awkward for Lieberman if Gore does run."

Some within the party say they wish Lieberman was free to run on his own, but Lieberman aides say he has no second thoughts about his pledge to Gore.

"Joe Lieberman is very loyal and not your typical politician," said Tom Nides, an informal adviser to the Connecticut senator. "He's done what he believes is the right thing to do. Al Gore gave him an opportunity, and he believes that if Al Gore decides to run, then he should not."

In the meantime, Lieberman is crisscrossing the country, appearing before Democratic groups, helping candidates and raising money for his political action committee, which had almost $600,000 at the end of June.

He goes to New Hampshire in November to help an old political friend raise money and campaign for state and local candidates and also has trips planned in the coming months to California, Georgia, Florida, and New York.

"Senator Lieberman came out of the 2000 campaign with a deep sense of gratitude for the opportunity he had and his new role as a national party leader and he is committed to helping those who helped him and do whatever he can to build up the Democratic Party," said spokesman Dan Gerstein.

Lieberman is adept at crafting positions at the center of the political spectrum while remaining loyal to core Democratic values, many Democrats say.

It's a long way until the presidential election, and impossible to predict what Gore will do, said Simon Rosenberg, president and founder of the New Democrat Network, a political action committee.

"A lot of people want Senator Lieberman to run," said Rosenberg. "He's a high-profile leader of the party, he was a great addition to the ticket. Senator Lieberman is a ... thoughtful, serious leader of the party who should be on everyone's short list."

Lieberman remains one of the favorites of the Democratic Leadership Council, the centrist policy organization that helped guide the party back to the White House in 1992.

Gore, the former vice president who narrowly lost the presidency in 2000, hasn't announced his political plans. He retains substantial loyalty within the party, but some Democratic operatives are eager to learn about his campaign approach should he run again. Some maintain the vice president made a strategic mistake when he campaigned on populist themes rather than on the economic accomplishments of the Clinton administration.

UT announces $4 million donation

AUSTIN (AP) — Southwest Airlines founder Herb Kelleher is giving $4 million to the University of Texas to create a business center that will carry his name.

Kelleher, a lawyer, devised Southwest Airlines on a cocktail napkin and made it into one of the country's most successful airline companies.

UT officials planned to announce the donation Friday, the Austin American-Statesman reported.

The donation is eligible for matching funds from San Antonio businessman Red McCombs, who last year donated $50 million to create an endowment at the business school.

The Kelleher donation will be paired with a $1 million gift from the Houston-based Cullen Trust, a family foundation, for a total $8 million investment.

Though Kelleher is not a UT alumnus, he has had a long relationship with the school; its dean, Bob May; business professor and former UT Chancellor William Cunningham; and McCombs.

"When we're thinking in Texas of entrepreneurial spirit and we see a guy like Herb Kelleher, who in effect totally changed the industry, Herb was just a natural," McCombs said. "I think this makes a huge statement by Herb in recognizing not only the quality of what we're trying to put together, but the scope, which is huge."

Kelleher stepped down in June as CEO of the airline but remains chairman. On Thursday, he said he's encouraged that his donation will make a difference in the future of UT's entrepreneurial program.

"It didn't take much convincing," Kelleher said.

Judge expunges record of student with knife in car

FORT MYERS, Fla. (AP) — A judge agreed to expunge the criminal record of an honor student banned from graduation after a kitchen knife was found in her car at school.

Lee County Circuit Judge William J. Nelson granted a motion on Wednesday to clear the record of 18-year-old Lindsay Brown.

Brown had been arrested May 21 after a county sheriff's deputy spotted the knife while patrolling the school parking lot. She was forced to miss graduation because she was suspended from school — the school district's automatic punishment for any student caught with a weapon on campus.

Brown insisted the knife must have fallen out of a box when she moved recently.

State Attorney Joseph D'Alessandro dropped the felony charge on May 31.

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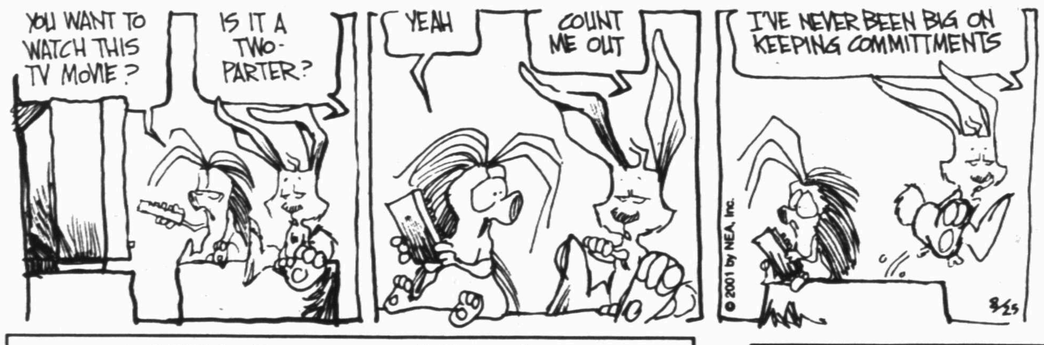

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10 Second
12 Up-to-date
14 Makes happy
15 Street sign (2 wds.)
16 A Bobbsey twin
17 TV spots
19 The caama
20 Type of race
23 Walking — — (ecstatic)
26 Everything
27 Lid
30 Baby's toy
32 Opposite of staccato
34 Pencil part
35 Publisher's employee
36 Thesaurus wd.
37 Bird's beak
39 Elf's cousin
40 Ladies
42 Loud cry
45 A Gershwin
46 Soft food
49 Keeper of an elephant
51 — and shakers (important people)
54 Army order (2 wds.)
55 Slows down
56 Bristle
57 Sanctified

DOWN

1 Portent
2 Tropical nut
3 "— — for All Seasons"
4 Carees
5 "Opal" finish
6 Actor Silver
7 Thoughts
8 Church seats
9 Periods of time
11 Russian ruler
12 White wine
13 Bill —, the Science Guy
18 Genetic abbr.
20 Popular songs
21 Ms. Dahl
22 Heavy hammer
23 Mined materials
24 — a (none)
25 — — angle
27 Roman statesman
28 Small particle
29 Skin opening
31 Hermit
33 Saloon orders
38 Tavern
40 Parade feature
41 Mary's little pet
42 Ms. Sumac
43 Horse food
44 Joyful cry
46 Small dog, for short
47 God of war
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52 Sphere
53 Actor Kilmer

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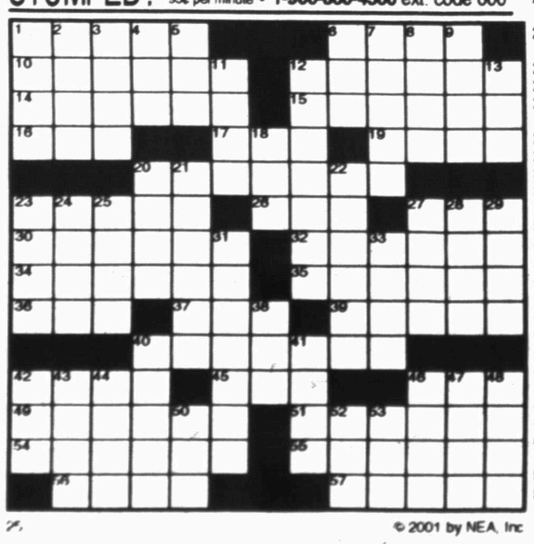

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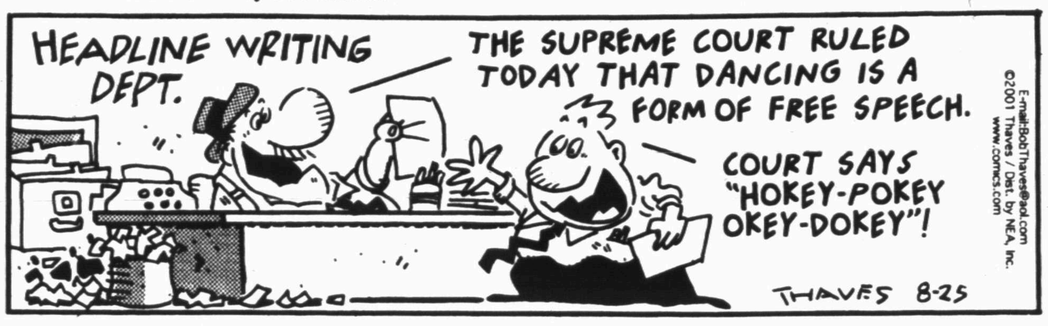

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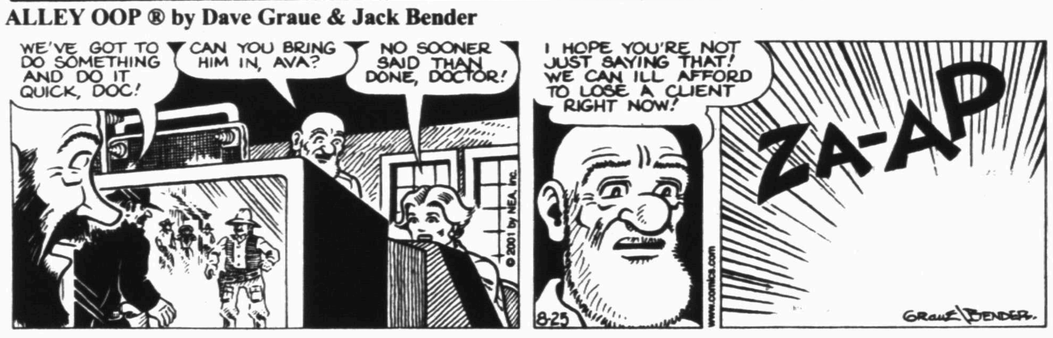

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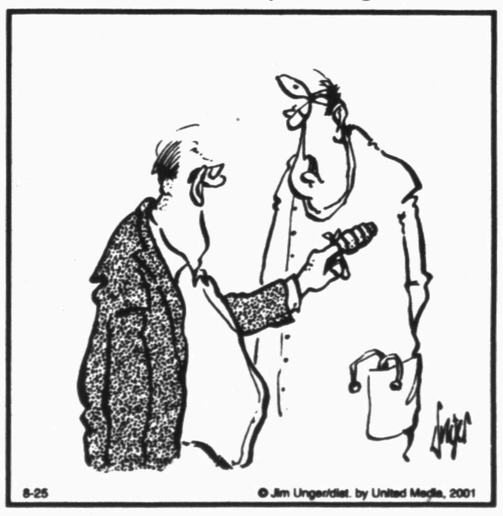

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Census complaints based on politics, fed funds, civil rights

WASHINGTON (AP) — Got a problem with how the Census Bureau is counting Americans? Take a number and get in line.

As the statistical agency unveils its latest portrait of America, it is also fielding complaints about the way it is drawing that picture. Some critics say there is an undercount of minority groups and homeless people; some communities contend census-takers missed addresses.

While the scrutiny is normal after every census, the complaints are louder than ever, said Jorge del Pinal, a longtime bureau official who oversees race and ethnicity statistics. More people have quicker access to figures via the Internet and more powerful computers.

"There have always been differences" of opinion on how the census should be done, "but it is more noticeable now because there are more data-savvy people," del Pinal said.

But as in decades past, politics and the shaping of public policy are at the core of those complaints, said political scientist G. Terry Madonna at Millersville University in Pennsylvania.

The statistics are used, among other purposes, to allocate the 435 House seats among the states; redraw political boundaries to make each district of roughly equal size in population; and distribute more than $185 billion in federal funds, including Medicaid.

"I don't see this scrutiny diminishing. People will just get more sophisticated" in their ability to crunch numbers, said Madonna, a pollster who is analyzing redistricting. "But the bottom line is how it affects people politically."

In Washington, most of the debate has focused on whether the bureau should release statistically adjusted data in addition to the actual head count available now.

Many Democrats and civil rights groups argue that the adjusted figures provide a better tally of minorities, the poor and children.

Republicans generally contend adjustment could insert more error in the census. Commerce Secretary Don Evans called the head count one of the most accurate ever when he agreed with a Census Bureau recommendation earlier this year to use only the head count for redistricting.

Several federal lawsuits have already been filed over that decision, and other suits have sought that all adjusted numbers be released.

Meanwhile, the Census Bureau will issue another recommendation this fall over whether adjusted numbers should be used to distribute federal funds. Many funding formulas depend on population figures; for states and localities, that means the more people it has, the more dollars it gets.

Utah, which narrowly lost a fourth House seat to North Carolina during reapportionment, has filed a lawsuit criticizing the Census Bureau's methods. That suit is pending with the U.S. Supreme Court.

Lawsuits also arose after the 1990 census, when the bureau produced an official number based on the national head count and an unofficial adjusted number based on a statistical estimate.

Courts upheld the government's decision to stick with the head count, though the bureau admitted there was a net undercount of 4 million Americans in 1990. The net national 2000 undercount was estimated at 3.2 million.

But the griping goes beyond how figures are used to divvy up political power and federal money.

Austin police investigate how subject was injured

AUSTIN (AP) — Injuries to a handcuffed suspect who was in the custody of several Central Texas police officers resulted in the prisoner being taken to a hospital's emergency room instead of jail, investigators say.

Police on Thursday turned over their evidence in the case of Fernando Rosales to the Travis County district attorney's office.

"This is not what we train our officers to do," Assistant Police Chief Mike McDonald told the Austin American-Statesman in Friday's editions. "Assaulting a handcuffed prisoner — if we determine that did in fact happen — is something we're going to handle very seriously.

"We are proud that other officers that were there at the scene came forward to report this to us," McDonald said.

The investigation into the beating, which was undertaken immediately after the Aug. 17 struggle, showed that a combative Rosales, with hands cuffed and feet hobbled, continued to resist as officer Doroteo "Ted" Hernandez and several other Austin police officers tried to force him into the back seat of a squad car.

Officers who were on the scene told their administrators that Hernandez beat the 28-year-old prisoner, requiring him to be treated at the hospital.

Hernandez, a six-year veteran, and two other officers who were at the scene, Danny Johnson and Lt. Tom Owens, will remain on restricted duty until an internal investigation is finished, Assistant Police Chief Jimmy Chapman said.

The investigation could take several weeks.

Q & A

When does helping become hurting?

The Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with Al-Anon support groups and the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse devote this column to current information about substance abuse.

When Does Helping Become Hurting?

It is completely natural to want to help the people we love and care about. Many occasions exist when others need our assistance, sometimes financially and other times emotionally or physically. There is a line that we must be careful not to cross, however, for sometimes helping a person is actually hurting. Sometimes what we think is helping is actually enabling a person to continue negative patterns or a destructive lifestyle.

In the Al-Anon support group, comfort and encouragement is offered to the families and friends of alcoholics and addicts. The 12-Step group's suggested preamble reads, "The Al-Anon Family Groups are a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength and hope in order to solve their common problems. We believe alcoholism is a family illness and that changed attitudes can aid recovery."

Enabling is a word brought up often with Al-Anon members. In the daily meditation book *Courage to Change*, published by the fellowship, a member writes, "I was terribly confused about the meaning of 'compassion' when I came to Al-Anon. I thought it meant making excuses for the alcoholic or covering bad checks. Al-Anon helped me to find another word for this behavior: 'enabling.' I learned that when I cleaned up the consequences of alcoholic behavior, I enabled the alcoholic to continue drinking comfortably and acting out without having to pay the price. A more compassionate way to respond to those I love might be to allow them to face the consequences of their actions, even when it will cause them pain."

Although it may seem cruel to allow a person we love to face the consequences of their actions, whether that means loosing a job, getting bad credit or going to prison, there comes a time when a person must learn to accept responsibility for themselves. Continually bailing an alcoholic or addict out of trouble and not allowing them to reap what they sow is not doing them any favors, especially if the negative behavior is only continuing or worsening.

In her book *Codependent No More*, Melody Beattie writes, "*Rescuing* and *caretaking* mean almost what they sound like. We rescue people from their responsibilities. We take care of people's responsibilities for them. Later we get mad at *them* for what *we've* done. Then we feel used and sorry for ourselves."

Beattie goes on to say that the two words are synonymous and closely related to enabling. "Enabling is therapeutic jargon that means a destructive form of helping. Any acts that help an alcoholic continue drinking, prevent the alcoholic from suffering consequences, or in any way make it easier for an alcoholic to continue drinking are considered enabling behaviors."

In the book, Beattie describes the following acts as constituting rescuing:

Doing something we really don't want to do.

Saying yes when we mean no.

Doing something for someone although that person is capable of and should be doing it for him- or herself.

Meeting people's needs without being asked and before we've agreed to do so.

Doing more than a fair share of work after our help is requested.

Consistently giving more than we receive in a particular situation.

Fixing people's feelings.

Doing people's thinking for them.

Speaking for another person.

Suffering people's consequences for them.

Solving people's problems for them.

Putting more interest and activity into a joint effort than the other person does.

Not asking for what we want, need and desire.

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Texas parolee accused of posing as doctor

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A man arrested for impersonating a doctor at a physical therapy clinic he operated here also faces possible revocation of his Texas parole for a 1985 shooting death.

Michael Robert O'Grady was being held Friday in the Orleans Parish jail under $250,000 bond. He faces charges of practicing medicine without a license and filing false insurance claims and his trial has been set for Oct. 23.

Meanwhile, Texas authorities must decide whether to revoke parole for O'Grady, 46.

In 1988, O'Grady was convicted of murder and sentenced to 15 years for shooting John Hubert Alsip Jr. in 1985. The shooting resulted from a love triangle.

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Defense chief seeks to avoid conflicts of interest

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld, a multimillionaire former business executive, disclosed Thursday that he has stayed out of any weapons-buying and defense industry merger decisions in order to avoid the appearance of a personal conflict of interest.

He has delegated authority on those matters to the deputy secretary of defense, Paul Wolfowitz, at least until he completes selling his interests in certain private partnerships, said his spokesman, Rear Adm. Craig Quigley.

Rumsfeld, at a Pentagon news conference, mentioned specifically General Dynamics Corp.'s proposed merger with Newport News Shipbuilding. The Pentagon is preparing a recommendation to the antitrust division of the Justice Department on whether it supports the merger. Rumsfeld said he has avoided involvement in those deliberations.

The defense chief, who spent more than 20 years in the corporate world and accumulated assets valued at $60 million to $250 million, also said he has avoided Pentagon meetings in which AIDS is discussed. He said this was because he owns stock in a company that is working on an AIDS drug that might one day be commercialized.

When he took office, Rumsfeld agreed to sell his direct ownership in defense contractor stocks such as Boeing Co., Lockheed Martin Corp. and Microsoft Corp. He also pledged to divest himself of millions of dollars in an array of limited partnerships and other holdings that pose a potential conflict of interest.

Rumsfeld said Thursday that he has not yet found buyers for his holdings in two private investment funds. He said he did not know what corporate stocks those investment funds own because the fund managers report their holdings to him and other investors only after they have completed the transactions.

"That presents a problem," he said, "because it's conceivable that one of them might have invested in something at some time that someone would characterize as being involved with the Defense Department."

As a result, he said, he has avoided involving himself in decision-making meetings on weapons programs and mergers.

"I have tended to stay away from them thus far. We've got senior people who are perfectly capable of doing them," he said in response to a question on whether he had stayed out of the General Dynamics-Newport News Shipbuilding matter, which is still pending.

Rumsfeld said he has avoided the General Dynamics matter so far but has not decided whether he will become involved in the Pentagon's final recommendation to the Justice Department because it has not yet reached his desk.

He mentioned no other specific examples, but Quigley acknowledged Rumsfeld also stayed out of any decision making on three other defense industry mergers: a General Electric-Honeywell deal that was recently nixed by the European Union; the merger of Northrop Grumman Corp. and Litton Industries Inc., and the purchase of Silicon Valley Graphics by a Dutch company.

Quigley said Rumsfeld had held financial interests in General Electric, Honeywell, Northrop Grumman and Silicon Valley Graphics.

Rumsfeld is the second Bush administration official about whom conflict of interest questions have arisen because of their financial holdings.

Presidential adviser Karl Rove, who owned Intel stock, heard a pitch from Intel executives about a high-tech merger the administration later approved. Rove participated in meetings on the administration's energy policy while he owned stocks in energy companies. Rove also met with pharmaceutical industry lobbyists while he owned nearly a quarter of a million dollars worth of stock in two drug companies.

Rumsfeld had a wide array of financial ties and affiliations when he came to the Pentagon, many of which he has dropped. He was chairman of the board of Gilead Sciences Inc., and served on the boards of directors of other companies. Quigley said Rumsfeld has disqualified himself from matters involving Gilead Sciences.

For weeks the Pentagon did not respond to repeated requests by The Associated Press for details on what defense industry-related issues Rumsfeld has stayed out of during his seven-month tenure.

When the matter was raised during Thursday's news conference, Rumsfeld said he would explain the situation "just so the rumor mill will be modestly clarified."

Rumsfeld noted with apparent exasperation that he was required as part of his ethics agreement with the government to buy an insurance policy on the deferred compensation package he earned by serving as a member of the board of directors of Kellogg Co., "because Kellogg sells cereal, and some people in the Pentagon buy it."

"And the fear was, I might make a decision that would benefit Kellogg if they were in financial trouble and I saw my deferred compensation going down the drain," he said.

Bjork decorated

PARIS (AP) — Icelandic pop singer Bjork was decorated with France's National Order of Merit after kicking off her world tour in Paris.

French Education Minister Jack Lang, who pinned the medal on Bjork on Thursday, said the award was "a sign of friendship toward an artist."

Lang said he "discovered" Bjork while on an official visit to Iceland with the late President Francois Mitterrand in 1990.

"At that time, she was unknown," Lang said, adding that he's been a fan ever since.

The 35-year-old singer, who is hugely popular in France, won the best-actress award for her role in Lars von Trier's "Dancer in the Dark" at the 2000 Cannes Film Festival.

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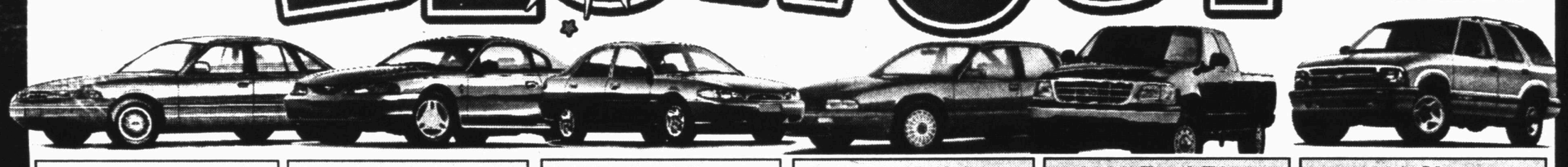

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350, auto, A/C, cruise, only 46,000 miles

1997 Ford F250 Crew Cab $16,701
460, auto, XLT, power windows, power locks, grill guard

2001 Ford F350 Reg. Cab Flatbed $29,963
Powerstroke, 6 speed, 4X4, only 3,000 miles

1996 Ford Explorer $9,841
4 door, V-8, power windows, power lock, cruise, one owner

1998 Ford F150 Supercab $15,726
Lariat, V-8, auto, leather, extra clean

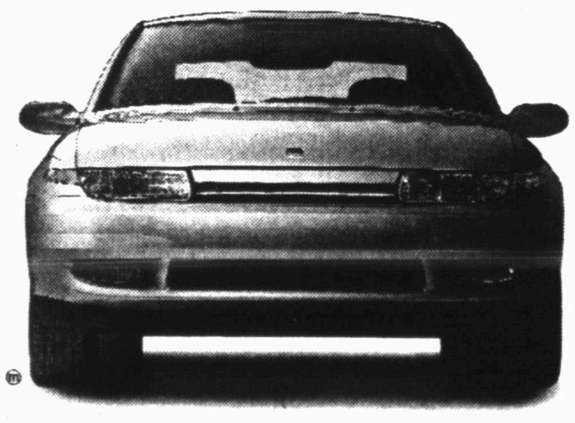
2000 Ford F250 Crew Cab 4X4 ..... $27,899
Powerstroke, auto, XLT, one owner

1995 Chevy C1500 Ext. Cab $10,817
350, auto, 6 disc CD, power windows, power locks, A/C

2001 Ford F350 Crew Cab Dually 4X4 ..... $35,873
Powerstroke, 6 speed, Lariat, only 16,000 miles

BLOWOUT PRICES

2000 Toyota Corolla
4 door, auto, cassette, cruise, A/C, factory warranty
$11,816



BLOWOUT PRICES

2000 Saturn SL2
4 door, auto, A/C, factory warranty
$11,767

2000 Lincoln Town Car $22,872
Executive, leather, keyless, low miles, program car

1995 Lincoln Town Car $8,664
Signature, leather, dual power seats

1993 Mercury Cougar $4,858
V-6, power windows, power locks, cruise

1993 Chevy Cavalier $3,946
2 door, auto, power locks, A/C

1998 Lincoln Town Car $18,862
Signature, leather, factory warranty

1994 Cadillac Deville $11,273
Leather, cloth top, like new

1998 Ford Taurus SE $8,986
4 door, power windows, power locks, cassette, cruise

1998 Lincoln Town Car $18,460
Executive, leather, factory warranty

1999 Ford Escort $7,981
4 door, auto, A/C, cruise, great gas mileage

1996 Lincoln Town Car $13,887
1/2 top, leather, only 33,000 miles

2000 Ford Taurus $13,894
2 to choose from, fully loaded, program car

2000 Mercury Grand Marquis LS $17,612
2 to choose from, fully loaded, program car