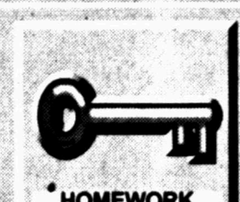
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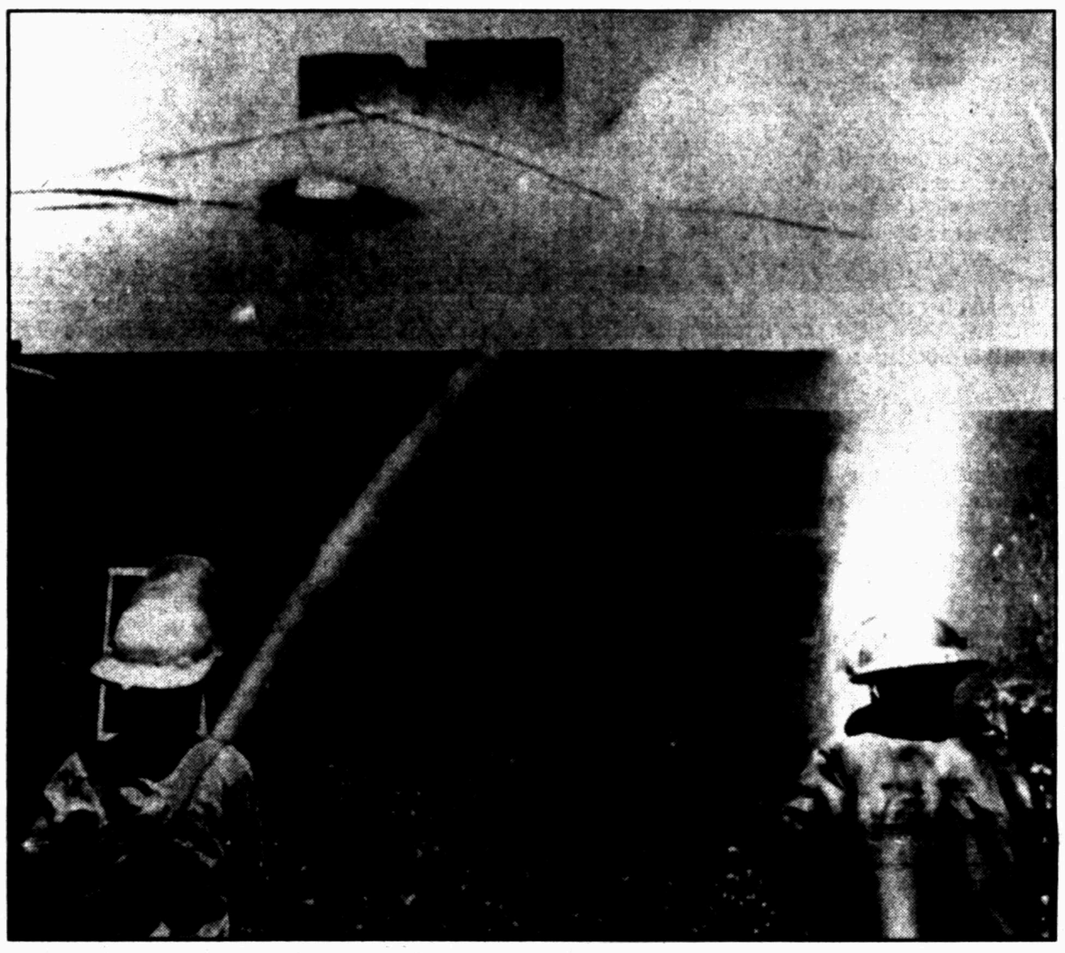
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Home Of Mollie Shearer



POURING ON THE WATER – Snyder firemen spent some five hours at the scene of a fire Friday afternoon that destroyed a home on 23rd Street. The fire is thought to have started when the homeowner was using a torch to make plumbing repairs. (SDN Staff Photo)

On East 23rd Street...

Fire destroys home

A fire that apparently started when the owner of the residence was making plumbing repairs caused major damage to the residence at 203 23rd St. Friday.

Snyder Fire Chief Perry Westmoreland said Weldon Halford had finished making the water pipe repairs when smoke was noticed by his wife, Bennie Mae.

She called the dispatcher at the sheriff's office who in turn, notified the fire department of the smoke.

Her call to the dispatcher first said she thought she only needed assistance getting some smoke out of her residence as she did not think there was a fire.

However, the first firemen on the scene immediately called for more assistance as smoke was coming from several vents in the roof.

Some 16 firemen battled the blaze that spread quickly in the house's attic.

Firemen were on the scene until 5:30 p.m., added Westmoreland.

Four fire trucks were used to fight the fire, plus the department's ladder truck was also on the scene.

Snyder EMS responded and provided oxygen to several as they fought the fire.

Westmoreland said no estimate of the damages had been made Friday evening, but he said it could easily run over $100,000.

A portion of the house's roof caved in, and most of the home suffered heavy water damage.

There were no injuries reported by any of the firemen, or by the residents.

Beginning Monday...

Season tickets go on sale

Season ticket holders can renew their seats to Snyder Tiger football games beginning Monday.

Renewals will be accepted at the Snyder ISD administration building through Friday, Aug. 20. The building is open from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

The cost of the home-game package is $20. Tickets, other than season tickets, are $5 each.

Season tickets that are not renewed will go on sale to the general public on Aug. 23 and ticket sales will end on Aug. 27.

Student tickets are $2 in advance and $5 at the gate. Student tickets will be also be sold on the district's campuses and at the administration building the week of the home games.

Snyder opens the home season on Sept. 3 by hosting Littlefield for an 8 p.m. tilt. Other home games include Seminole on Sept. 24, Andrews on Oct. 8 and Sweetwater on Oct. 22. The Tigers conclude their regular season with a home game on Nov. 5 as they host San Angelo Lake View.

Weather heats up, but cooler than `98

After a considerably cooler spring and certainly a wetter one, Scurry County has settled into the long, hot days of summer as the temperatures are hovering around the 100-degree mark daily.

Temperatures have not reached the highs of July a year ago as they have averaged eight degrees cooler than in 1998.

A year ago, only nine days in July were below the 100-degree mark, while only four days this month have exceeded 100 degrees.

The average temperature in July of this year was 93 degrees, while the average last year was 101.

Residents have even enjoyed a couple of days this month where the high temperature was only in the high 70s.

The air conditioners are giving the electric meters a workout, but TXU Electric and Gas has some suggestions to help lower the costs associated with cooling one's home.

The company suggests setting the central air conditioning thermostat at 78 degrees, or higher. Each degree below 78 means a much higher electric bill, said Daryl Thomas, TXU area manager.

The company also suggests portable fans, or the use of ceiling fans.

Homes which have fireplaces can lose a considerable amount of cooled air if the damper is not shut completely. A glass fire screen can minimize the loss of conditioned air, said Thomas.

The filter for the air conditioning unit should be checked at least once a month, and either cleaned or replaced.

Thomas suggests homeowners check the accuracy of the air conditioning thermostat by placing a thermometer next to the thermostat and comparing the temperatures.

An inaccurate thermostat may indicate 78-degrees, when the actual temperature is 72 degrees.

This could increase one's cooling costs by 30 percent or more.

Commissioners meet Monday

Scurry County Commissioners Court will consider Monday approving a resolution that will authorize the creation of the Texas, Mexico and Asian Corridor Corporation.

The resolution, if approved, will grant Scurry County the authority to join with Fisher, Howard, Jones, Mitchell and Nolan counties to form a county alliance development corporation.

By joining forces, the six-county alliance hopes to make this area of West Texas a "distribution hub" for major companies transporting out of Mexico and from the West Coast port areas as well as promote and develop other commercial, industrial and manufacturing enterprises.

Gov. George Bush signed a bill in mid-July that amends the 1979 Development Corporation Act and gives bonding authority to the six-county alliance.

In two items of business concerning the Scurry County Library, the court is expected to accept the resignation of library director Noreen Taylor and re-appoint Michele Dennis to serve as lay representative to the Big Country Library System Board.

Commissioners will also consider appointing Pamela Bryant to the position of Justice of the Peace in Precinct 2.

John Williamson resigned the position earlier this year.

Charlie Bell will also present the second quarter treasurer's report.



DEDICATION — Calling it a "red-letter day" for Snyder National Bank, President Joe Jackson dedicated the bank's new $1 million drive in facility this morning in memory of the late Sue Mize. Mize's daughters, (pictured right, from left) Vicki Kallemeyn and Lynda Tolleson, were on hand for the dedication. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "If you goof, you won't have to toot your own horn. Others will do it for you."

Last week was filled with good news and bad news. Actually, there were more ups than downs.

The good and the bad news had to do with modern technology. It worked and then it didn't.

Snyder's M.L. Duke helped get us in touch, using old technology (the telephone), with his daughter, Norma, after she and Larry Thompson were seriously injured in a motorcycle accident Monday evening. They were in Colorado to get married.

The early prognosis was not good, then the good news came rolling in. Not only were they making a speedy recovery, they weren't going to let that Colorado marriage license expire.

With the full support of the hospital staff, all the arrangements were made. The hospital PR director put us in touch with Marilyn Roberts, a reporter with the Denver Post.

Marilyn then transferred our call to the photo department where Jerry Cleveland said he had not yet received the assignment, but would be happy to E-mail a photo of the ceremony.

We don't know how or understand why, but the two photos arrived late Thursday. And yes, we even had somebody who knew how to pull them off the computer and get 'em in the newspaper.

The Denver Post is owned by Media General, headed by Texan Dean Singleton, a Graham native. He formerly was publisher of the Azle News, Dallas Times-Herald and Houston Post.

We asked the two Denver Post staffers if Singleton visited their department often. They replied that corporate folks generally stayed on the 14th floor at the Denver newspaper.

We mused that we all fit on one floor here in Snyder. We were impressed and appreciative of the assistance given us by the Denver folks in helping us get a local story from far away.

It was a neat story – with a happy ending.

But modern technology has its downside. The spellcheck can't catch everything.

We had a classic goof in a Thursday cutline about the Martha Ann Woman's Club Sunday luncheon.

Most of the time we like other's mistakes much better than our own. But this was a dandy.

We started getting telephone calls right after the newspaper hit the streets.

It read: The menu features two entrees, boneless *children* and brisket."

ASK US

Q—What are hotel/motel funds?
A—The funds come from a tax that is charged to anyone who rents a hotel or motel room. Part of the tax goes to the city and part goes to the state. The money is earmarked to attract tourists into a town or the state.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 103 degrees; low, 77; 7 a.m. Saturday, 78; no precipitation; total for 1999, 17.27 inches.

Area Forecast — Saturday night, partly cloudy, 20% chance of storms. Lows, 70-75. Sunday, partly cloudy, less than 20% chance of storms. Highs around 100. Sunday night, partly cloudy, slight chance of storms. Lows 70-75.



Jennifer Free
Partly Cloudy

Sunset:
8:40 p.m.
Sunrise
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Of 211 days in 1999, the sun has shone 204 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"There is no end to the adventures we can have if we seek them with our eyes open."
—J. Nehru

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South Dallas campus getting ready to open January 2000

DALLAS (AP) — Within six months, residents of south Dallas should have access to a public four-year university campus in their neighborhood for the first time.

The University of North Texas will break ground soon on a building in a business park on south Hampton Road near Interstate 20 and Interstate 35.

If construction goes as scheduled, about 2,000 students will begin in January taking classes toward four-year degrees. The goal is to eventually attract 5,200 part-time and full-time students.

The campus will be known as the UNT System Center at Dallas. In addition to being easily accessible to I-20 and I-35, the Dallas Area Rapid Transit will place a bus stop in front of the campus.

"It's an excellent location," said Dallas school board trustee Ron Price, who lives in the area. "This is truly a blessing for the southern sector."

UNT chancellor and president Alfred F. Hurley said it's a step toward bringing a full-service university to south Dallas. He said residents of northern Ellis County are expected to take classes at the new campus as well.

UNT will lease the new facility from Trammell Crow Co. of Dallas/Fort Worth. The campus will initially occupy 32,000 square feet, and UNT plans to lease the entire 78,545-square foot building within three years.

The school is leasing the building for seven years for $7.5 million, with the option to renew. The cost of operating the building and maintaining a faculty for the first two years will be $6.8 million, he said. UNT is paying for the costs with state money as well as help from a fund-raising committee.

Students will attend classes in a one-story building equipped with the latest in computer technology, said Dr. Virginia Wheeless , interim executive director of the new campus. The building will include a library, computer lab and classrooms.

Subjects taught will include technology, criminal justice, library science and child and human development.

UNT will begin offering classes immediately for five degree programs at Cedar Valley and Mountain View colleges, both two-year campuses within the Dallas County Community College District. The new campus will offer some of the same programs and more.

State Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, was a key proponent of bringing the campus to the area.

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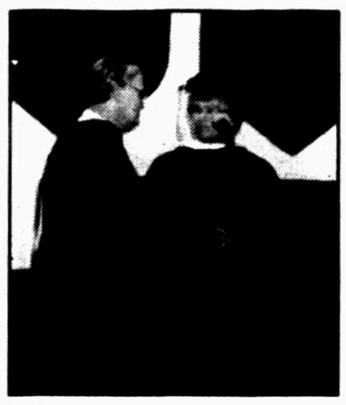
2 area students get scholarships

Rolling Plains Texas A&M Mothers Club has awarded scholarships to two area students.

One $500 scholarship was awarded to a graduating senior who will be attending Texas A&M University in the fall. A second $500 scholarship was awarded to a student who is presently attending Texas A&M University.

Recipients include Eric Brentz, a 1997 graduate of Sweetwater High School, who is presently attending A&M.

The other recipient is Shelley Burk, a 1999 graduate of Rotan High School who plans to attend A&M.



RECEIVE HONORARY DEGREE — Juanita Hester received an honorary doctor's degree from Mid America Bible College in May. Dr. Forest Robinson, president of the college, made the presentation. (Contributed Photo)

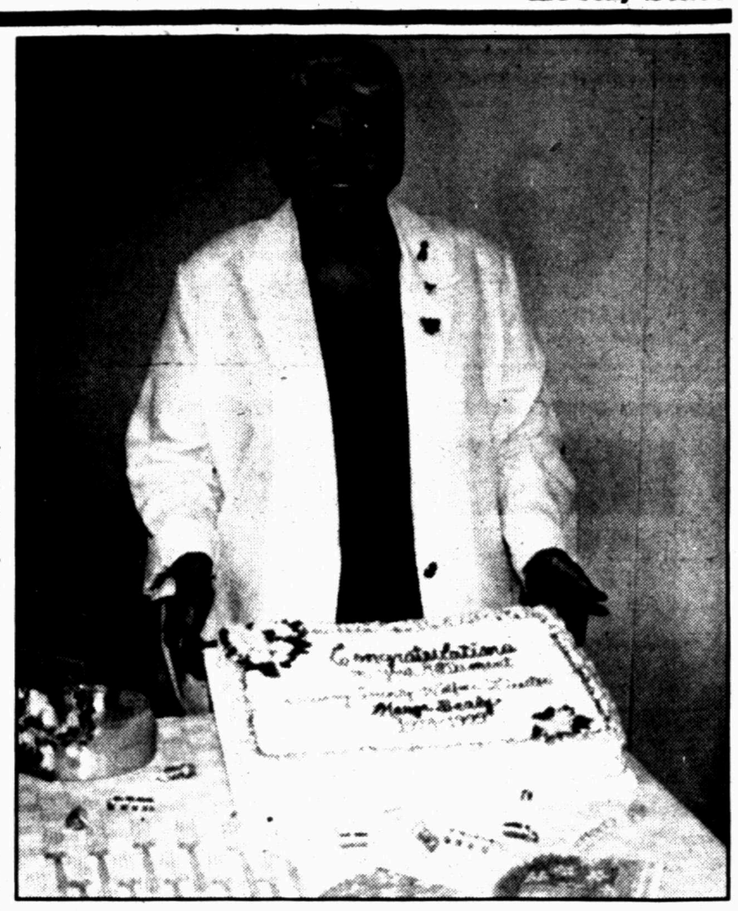
Local given recognition at MABC

Juanita Hester received an honorary doctor's degree from Mid America Bible College in Oklahoma City, Okla. in May. Juanita continues to serve on the MABC Board, a position she has held for 19 years. She is also the chairman of the Inspiration Camp Ground, 54 acres in Eastland.

She is a past finance director of Women of the Church of God.

She and her husband, Pete, are both members of the First Church of God in Ira.

Rhinos have three toes on each foot and each toe ends in a separate hoof. On each front foot is a fourth toe that is rudimentary (no longer used).



RETIREMENT RECEPTION – A reception to honor the retirement of Margie Sealy from the Texas Department of Human Services was held June 24, marking 21 years of service. Friends and co-workers hosted the event. (Contributed Photo)

Candidates for Archer's seat receive contributions

HOUSTON (AP) — A lot of money is flowing into the campaigns of candidates wishing to succeed retiring U.S. Rep. Bill Archer, R-Houston, on Capitol Hill.

Eight months before the Republican primary, businessman Peter Wareing has raised $598,761, including a $25,000 loan from himself and $573,761 from others, while attorney Mark Brewer has raised $660,215, including $559,846 of his own money and $100,369 from others.

That's considerably more money than past congressional races in Houston have generated.

In July 1998, three months before the general election, incumbent U.S. Rep. Ken Bentsen, D-Houston, had raised $271,954. And U.S. Rep. Nick Lampson, D-Beaumont, had raised about $275,772.

At the time, the totals posted by Bentsen and Lampson were noteworthy because, as incumbents, they were leading challengers in fund raising and were far ahead of others in their contests.

Wareing already has spent nearly as much as Bentsen raised for his general election campaign. In the heavily Republican 7th Congressional District, winning the primary will be tantamount to winning the election. No Democrat has yet filed for the seat.

Among other candidates in the race, state Rep. John Culberson raised $128,179 and spent $31,484. Culberson said his figures do not include any of his own money.

Culberson announced his candidacy after the Texas Legislature ended its session on May 31. He said his fund-raising efforts so far reflect what he captured during three weeks in June.

Cathy McConn, a former Republican National Committeewoman who also is in the race, raised $74,860 and spent $22,898

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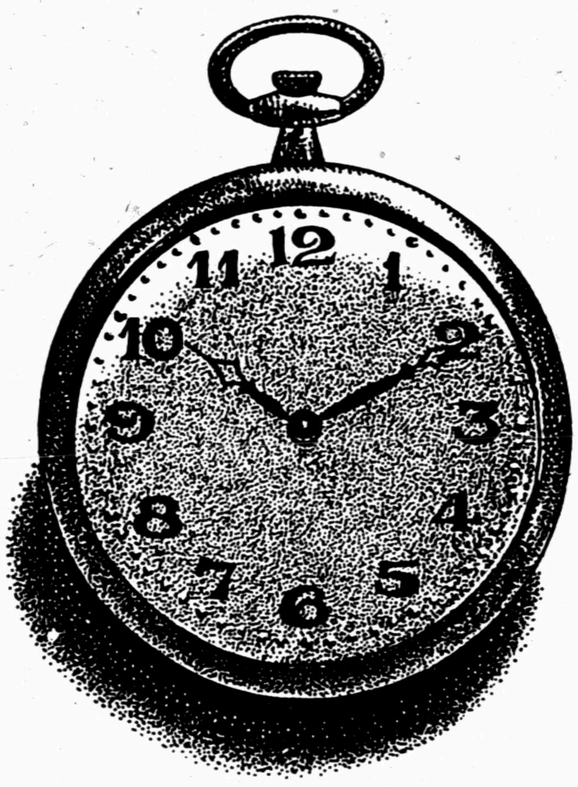
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Shawn Wittie

Wittie graduates with high grades

FN Shawn David Wittie graduated with the highest academic grade for DIV. 187 of the Basic Naval Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, Ill. on June 11. He is now at the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Training Command in Goose Creek, S. C.

Wittie is a 1996 graduate of Snyder High School. In 1998, he received an associate degree in computer programming from Texas State Technical College in Sweetwater. This year he earned an associate degree in networking from TSTC.

He is the son of David and Pat Wittie, and the brother of Alicia and Nathan. He is the grandson of Don and Gayle Wittie and Don and Margo Grant. He is the great-grandson of Ruby Wright.

Ex-CIA leader hired by A&M

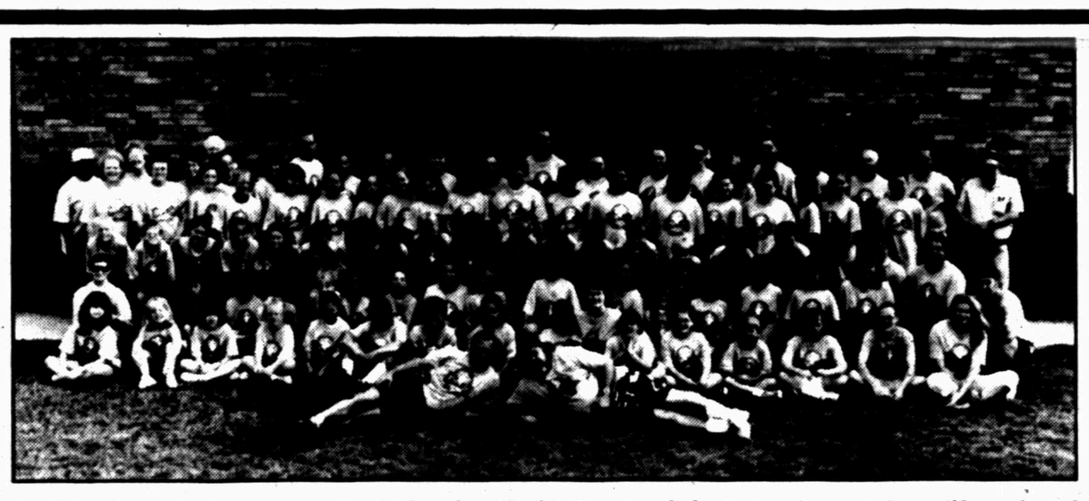
COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Texas A&M has named Robert M. Gates, the director of the CIA during the Bush administration, as interim dean of the George Bush School of Government and Public Service.

Gates, 55, said Bush asked him to take the job for one year.

"The importance of public service is a large part of the legacy of President George Bush," Gates said. "I am pleased and honored to have a part in making that legacy an enduring one through the Bush School at Texas A&M University."

Gates will assume the job Sept. 1 and serve for a year while a national serach is conducted to fill the job permanently, the school said.

Gates, who owns a doctorate in Russian and Soviet history, will take over the Bush school as it adjusts to being a free-standing unit within Texas A&M.



JUNIOR CAMP — Youth from First Church of God in Ira attended a Junior Camp in June. (Contributed Photo)



YOUTH CAMP — Youth from First Church of God of Ira participated in a youth camp in June. (Contributed Photo)

Heat wave is causing surging demand among some utilities

FORT WORTH (AP) — Natural gas prices usually rise in winter due to demand for heating, but contract prices are making an unseasonable climb because of scorching weather in the Midwest and Atlantic seaboard.

The heat wave has caused surging demand among Midwestern and Eastern utilities, which rely heavily on natural gas to fuel their generators.

Natural gas prices have hit their highest levels in nearly two years, closing Friday at $2.543 per thousand cubic feet on the New York Mercantile Exchange after peaking at $2.620. During last winter, a mild one in the Midwest, prices stayed mostly below $2 and went as low as $1.60.

Richard Bulley, executive director of the Mid-America Interconnected Network, a group of 14 Midwest utilities, said many utilities set records for demand in the second week of July, then broke them again last week.

"Some companies will break their daily records again today," Bulley told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram on Thursday.

Inventories of gas are not building as rapidly as they usually do during summer. The American Gas Association reported that last week inventories rose only two-thirds of the normal rate and are about 10 percent below last year's levels. Producers say large inventories also depress prices.

The higher prices are bringing the prospect of profits to Texas natural gas producers. Many energy companies shifted production from oil to gas as the price of crude oil plummeted. Gas, which is harder to transport over great distances, is less vulnerable to the whims of a global market dominated by foreign producers. Most Texas producers are weighted at least two-thirds, and often much more, in favor of natural gas, the Star-Telegram reported.

Rising prices are expected to stimulate production. The latest Baker Hughes rig counts show a rise to 605 nationally and 223 in Texas, and many Texas companies have announced plans to increase their activity during the second half of the year.

Meditation very important says Goldie Hawn

NEW YORK (AP) — Goldie Hawn makes sure to allow time for meditation, even in unlikely places.

"If I have time in the morning, I'll meditate then, or if I have time, I'll do it in the evening," she says in the September issue of Marie Claire magazine. "Or I'll literally excuse myself and sit on the toilet somewhere and clear my mind. Pulling the energy in and getting the rest out, the debris, is very important."

Ira youth back from camp

Several young people from First Church of God in Ira attended youth camp this summer at Camp Inspiration in Eastland.

Youth Camp for junior and senior high students was held June 7-11 and Junior Camp for graduates of third through sixth grades was held June 21-25.

Those attending were Tosha Walker, Jonathan Davis, Casey Kellner, Michelle Nettles, Lindsey Wilson, Candace Sanchez, Wes White, Jerry Jamison, Amy Strong, youth director Laurie Walker and Pastor Rocky Alexander.

Attending Junior Camp were Whitney Payne, Amanda Alexander, Justin Taylor, Kerry Jamison, Cheyenne Taylor, Brittany Fisk, Amber Sanchez, Amy Jenkins, Haley Jenkins, Sara Caldwell, Rachel Caldwell, Trey Weir, Erika Fowler, Cody Lomax, and counselors Rhonda Taylor, Karen Pevehouse, Charles Bethel, Tosha Walker, Jonathan Davis, and Pastor Rocky Alexander.

Telephone bill fees upheld by court

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A federal program that adds fees to telephone bills to subsidize cheaper Internet hookups for schools and libraries was largely upheld by a federal appeals court Friday.

Commissioner Susan Ness of the Federal Communications Commission called the ruling by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals "a huge win for America's children."

And Vice President Al Gore, whose support led opponents of the program to dub it "the Gore tax," also applauded the decision as "a victory for America."

The 5th Circuit Court of Appeals ruling was not a total victory for the FCC, which implements the program and defended it in court arguments here in December.

The court said the FCC can only assess the fees on interstate telecommunications services, not in-state services. That means the FCC will have to rethink its formula for collecting money to support the Internet program.

But other key elements of the program, including provisions for funding the wiring of schools and allowing Internet service providers to benefit from the subsidies, were upheld.

Several telecommunications companies and utility regulating agencies had challenged various aspects of the "universal service" Internet program. For example, the telephone companies complained that the program allows Internet providers such as America Online, which does not have its own telephone circuits, to benefit disproportionately.

Bullard's Internet service provides local support

Internet problems often require the physical presence of a knowledgeable technician. It takes many components to make the Internet work. There is the equipment of the Internet Service Provider (ISP), the phone lines, the modem in your computer, the browser software such as Netscape, and the operating system such as Windows 95. A glitch in any one of these can cause the Internet to malfunction. Is it any wonder that it is difficult to troubleshoot Internet problems solely over the phone?

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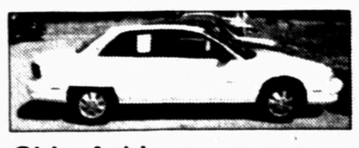
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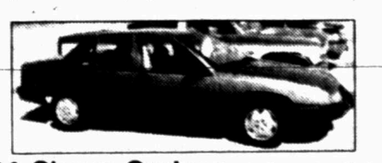
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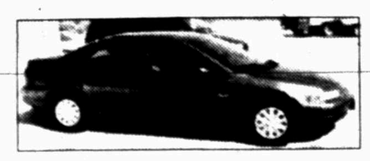
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Indian company probed

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Regulators are investigating whether a pharmaceutical company set up by an American Indian tribe illegally resold drugs obtained at a deep discount from the federal government.

The Pequot Pharmaceutical Network was created 10 years ago as a small health service for members of the Mashantucket Pequot tribe and their employees.

Today it is a $15 million business that handles 250,000 prescriptions a year. About 70 percent of the business is in mail-order prescriptions shipped from the reservation.

Drug manufacturers have different price schedules for different customers. As the biggest buyer of pharmaceuticals in the world, the federal government gets the lowest price of all. That discount is passed on to tribes, as required by the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975.

But the Pequots cannot buy drugs at the discount rate and then resell them as part of an independent business venture, George Patterson of the Department of Veterans Affairs said Friday.

"They can only dispense medication (from the federal schedule) to Indians. ... If, in fact, they are doing otherwise, they're going to be asked to stop," Patterson said. "If they don't stop, then we would have to pursue some sort of corrective action."

Patterson said it was too early in the investigation to specify what penalties might be imposed.



MOVING SUPPLIES — Ed Reyna, right, and Joee Gainer help move supplies at Ira School. The fall term will begin on Aug. 18. (SDN Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Soldier presumed dead loved military, his brother recalls

EL PASO (AP) — Capt. Jose A. "Tony" Santiago loved to take his two young daughters to amusement parks, go camping and jump out of planes. But most of all, he loved his job in the Army.

That is the way Santiago's brother described him Friday, the day the Army identified him as one of five soldiers presumed dead after their reconnaissance plane slammed into a mountainside in Colombia more than a week ago. Two Colombian air force officers also were aboard for the anti-drug mission.

Santiago, 37, a native of Orlando, Fla., was a doting father of 12- and 6-year-old girls and was about to celebrate his 16th wedding anniversary, said his brother Derreck Santiago, a soldier at Fort Hood in central Texas.

Derreck Santiago, 33, said his brother was so enthusiastic about the military, he convinced him to sign up.

"He loved his job," Derreck Santiago said. "He loved being in the military, working with different people and different personalities."

And Santiago was no quitter, which is why his family is holding out hope until they receive final word.

"Until they confirm they found him, it's just hard to believe," Derreck Santiago said. "My brother would not give up. If he had no legs, he still would've tried to crawl to safety."

Santiago was based at Fort Bliss in El Paso, as were his four crewmates — Capt. Jennifer J. Odom; Chief Warrant Officer 2 Thomas G. Moore; Pfc. T. Bruce Cluff; and Pfc. Ray E. Krueger.

All five were assigned to the 204th Military Intelligence Battalion.

The de Havilland RC-7 reconnaissance plane, reported missing July 23, hit a 9,000-foot peak in the Andes Mountains while it circled above a major drug-producing area near the southern border with Ecuador.

Searchers recovered four bodies on Wednesday, and have continued to search for the others.

Milton Berle sues real estate firm, gay publication

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Milton Berle has sued a real estate company and a gay publication over an advertisement that depicts him in drag and implies the 91-year-old entertainer is homosexual, Berle's attorney said.

The Century 21 advertisement features an old photo of Berle wearing a dress while doing a parody of singer Carmen Miranda in a television comedy sketch, Berle's attorney, David Albert Pierce, said Friday.

Q & A

What is enabling?

(In response to a growing concern among parents, educators and other members of the community, Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with Al-Anon support groups and the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, is devoting this column to your questions about the increasing threat of substance abuse.)

What Does it Mean to Enable?

Enabling means to help someone other than yourself continue their self-destructiveness, acting out or helplessness. Examples of this type of codependency include; lying for a person, minimizing behaviors and feelings, not confronting or noticing inappropriateness, covering up their irresponsibility or neglect, empty threats, whining, or complaining, but not changing. Enabling is a pattern of disrespect, since the enabler tends to remove the consequences from inappropriate behavior; thus the behavior continues without the consequences. Lying to a boss about a spouse's hangover-caused absence may protect the job, but it also protects the alcoholism.

Codependency is often described through metaphor, simile and analogy. It's like being a lifeguard on a beach and not knowing how to swim. It's like peeling an onion – you peel off all the layers of self that don't seem to belong and eventually you end up with nothing. It feels as if there is nothing below the layers, an emptiness of self.

Alcoholics and codependents are a match because the alcoholic requires an enabling system and the codependent requires someone to enable. The addict seeks someone with little ego, strength or identity, someone who feels at fault and experiences guilt when things go wrong. Alcoholics tend to find relationships with people in pain, who feel empty, but don't want to face the pain or emptiness. In turn, the alcoholic serves a function to the codependent as a distraction from the emptiness of self. Married to an alcoholic, the enabler can focus on the alcoholic behavior , so that self is forgotten and the pain is not about self but about the relationship. Focusing on the relationship causes the codependency to appear as if it is about the relationship with dependents, but it really is about the absence of relationship with self.

Enablers tend to say things like, "He or she is not really like that." "They really have a good heart, but just lose a little control." "Their job makes them drink too much." "He/She is just smarter than other people and the same rules don't apply." "They see more and know more." We make excuses for the addict; we distort who they are, creating a mythical relationship and then cling to the myth.

The codependent often comes from a family in which at least one parent was an addict, missing, or abusive. Subsequent relationships are a reenactment of the childhood experience and a recycling of unresolved childhood feelings and conflicts. Codependent enablers usually blame themselves when things go wrong. They have learned to feel overly responsible. Small mistakes get blown out of proportion.

(Broken Toys Broken Dreams by Terry Kellogg) >

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Judge seeking more facts before ruling in Dow case

BAY CITY, Mich. (AP) — A federal bankruptcy judge said Friday he will focus on whether Dow Corning Corp.'s corporate parents should remain immune to lawsuits as part of a $4.5 billion settlement over silicone breast implants.

Dow Corning is owned equally by Dow Chemical Corp. and Corning Corp. Judge Arthur Spector said the heart of the settlement is the question of immunity for the two.

"This plan is illegal, it's unconstitutional, it's unauthorized and it's in bad faith under the (bankruptcy) code," attorney Geoffrey White, an attorney for several Nevada women, said during the last day of a hearing into the settlement.

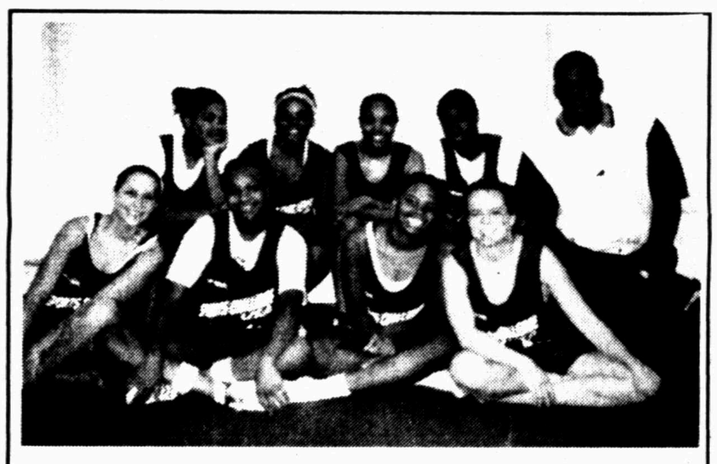
Spector also requested lawyers to submit more briefs on the question of punitive damages.

"If the debtor's product didn't cause these people's diseases ... then they shouldn't have to pay anything," he said. "If they did cause diseases or syndromes, then until they have no more money they should pay."

The Midland-based company filed for bankruptcy in 1995 after thousands of women started suing, claiming breast implants of Dow Corning silicone caused a variety of diseases.

Spector didn't say when his ruling might come. If he doesn't confirm the plan, a new settlement would have to be drafted.

Under the proposed settlement, women who blame illnesses on implants could get $12,000 to $300,000 each.



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Financial Focus

Like most people, you probably have some important goals you want to achieve. you may want to pay for your children's college education. You may want to purchase a vacation home. And you certainly want to be able to enjoy a comfortable retirement. To achieve these and other objectives, you will need to create a solid, long-term financial plan. And you may well want to enlist an expert to help you.

How can you find the right financial professional for your individual needs? Start by asking your friends and relatives whom they use. Then, after you've collected a few referrals, conduct some interviews. Ask the professionals how they work, what they specialize in, and if they've had experience helping people in situations similar to yours. It's extremely important that you feel a good rapport with the person you choose — after all, he or she will be helping you make some very important decisions that have a major impact on your life.

Once you have selected a financial professional to work with what can you expect from that person? The Forum for Investor Advice (FIA), the national association of the financial services industry, has some suggestions. To make them easy to remember, the FIA has developed the acronym ADVICE, which stands for the following traits:

Accountable — Financial professionals should make suitable recommendations based on their knowledge of the investment world and on the information they've gathered about your financial needs and goals. Furthermore, your financial consultant should suggest ways you can adjust your portfolio in response to changes in the financial markets and in your personal situation.

Dependable — A financial professional should provide advice based on the knowledge and judgment that result from training and experience. Professionals' skills should also be supported by current technology.

Valuable — Your financial consultant should add value by providing information and expertise that you might otherwise not have access to.

Individualized — All recommendations coming from a financial professional should be tailored to your individual circumstances. Your financial consultant should recommend only those products and services that fit within your tolerance for risk, your investment preferences and your time horizon.

Caring — A financial professional must be sensitive to your family situation, your investment personality and your preferred methods of interaction.

Educational — A financial professional should provide you with clear, comprehensive, objective and timely information to help you understand your investment choices. And your financial consultant should be able — and willing — to take the time necessary to explain anything that is unclear to you.

Remember, when you're working with a financial professional, you're not just buying an investment — you're building a relationship. That's why it's important that you select a professional who will provide you with the right ADVICE.

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Your Birthday

Sunday, August 1, 1999

One of the greatest things you could have going for you in the year ahead will be winning over an enormously valuable ally. This person will constantly be on your side supporting you in your efforts.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Keep all lines of communication open today and be sure to check your phone service from time to time. Important news for which you've been hoping could be forthcoming. Leo, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be a good observer today, because a valuable lesson can be learned through how another handles an issue similar to one with which you have to contend.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Engage in discussions today with pragmatic friends who know how to deal with adversity. Their comments could greatly help you in handling a difficult situation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Should you get any new ideas today that could further your ambitions or career aspirations, lay out the blueprint and act in harmony with them. They can be winners.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You are very strong of mind, but today you may need both the physicial and mind busters to make your body and spirit soar. You should come out on top today!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Share with others any constructive criticism you have which you feel could enhance the entire household. Chances are the clan will not only be receptive, but pleased as well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Because your focus will be placed on pleasing those with whom you'll be involved today, you'll be an exceptionally nice person to be around. Everyone will want to be your pal.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) There are a lot of ways you can economize. The one that will interest you the most, however, will be seeing what you can mend yourself instead of hiring outside help or buying a new one.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) This is not a day to go off by yourself or wither on the vine. As time wears on, you'll get more and more gregarious and in need of social company.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You're a good listener and an even better confidant. Someone in need of ventilating may ask for your ear concerning a very confidential issue. Be there for this person.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Make the most of any breaks that come your way today, no matter how small they are. Opportunities which may appear minimal could have hidden significance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you get the chance, now is the time to advance your ambitions, because today you'll have the added ability of being able to outthink others in ways that could serve your purposes.

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Your Birthday

Monday, August 2, 1999

Some unique developments could prove to be exciting, as well as remarkably beneficial for you in the year ahead involving your work or career in some manner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your judgment is especially keen today and your ability to evaluate alternatives is good, so don't get rattled should you be placed in a position where you have to make some snap decisions. Major changes are ahead for Leo in the coming year. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) While your peers are still trying to define a dilemma, you should be able to analyze things quickly and immediately come up with the right answers, especially in commercial involvements.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Unusual circumstances today could bring you closer together with a friend with whom you already have strong bonds. This friendship is destined to be one of your better alliances.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Don't be afraid to experiment with some ideas you have that could produce better methods or procedures in your working environment. You can quickly increase productivity.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) When it comes to games of chance today, it may be okay to rely on a strong hunch. However, make sure it is pure intuition and not wishful thinking.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Some sort of profit is in the making for you today, in as much as you might be able to pick up on something of value that has been overlooked by others. Cash in on it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You'll know when to stop talking and start listening today. Because of this, you'll be able to speedily analyze information passed onto you by others and turn it to your advantage.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Lady Luck herself may alert you to the best positioning and timing necessary in order to take advantage of a good opportunity today. Be alert for anything of an unusual nature.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) When necessity requires it, you can be extremely imaginative and resourceful today. It will be your motivation and ingenuity that will give you the edge.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Turn to progressive contacts today if you need direction in how to pull something off. Even though they may use traditional procedures, they'll show you how do so with a twist.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Chance could play a role today in involving you with foreigners or people born distant from your birth place. This will prove to be rather fortunate for you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you're looking for a way to make a second source of income, this may be the day when things could open up for you in more than one channel.

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Beachfront home owners may remain

GALVESTON (AP) — Owners of beachfront homes in Galveston and Brazoria counties have been told they can stay where they are for now, although technically they're now blocking public access to the beach.

Tropical Storm Frances chewed away huge chunks of beach last September, leaving homeowners concerned they might have to move or abandon their homes.

But Attorney General John Cornyn said Friday he won't take action "at this time" under the state's Open Beaches Act to have 103 private homes removed from public property because they neither significantly block public access to the beaches nor present imminent threat to public health.

"Wonderful. I'm extremely relieved. It's abouty time," said Janis Lowe, whose home in the Pirates Beach subdivision on Galveston Island was among the threatened structures.

But state Rep. Patricia Gray, D-Galveston, expressed disappointment in Cornyn's action, and former state Sen. A.R. "Babe" Schwartz, who wrote the 1959 Open Beaches Act, said time will force Cornyn to act.

"The law doesn't say anything about 'significantly' or 'insignificantly,'" Ms. Gray said. "The law says the public access is free and unimpeded. It may not be popular, but he needs to follow the law. The law is that things that obstruct the public access are to be removed."

In May, the Texas General Land Office declared 107 homes to be completely on public beach areas and subject to state lawsuits for refnoval under the Open Beaches Act. Land Commissioner David Dewhurst referred the list to Cornyn for possible legal action.

Cornyn later declared that four Bolivar Peninsula homes that were heavily damaged and about to fall into the Gulf of Mexico had to be removed from the public beach, but had left owners of the other 103 homes awaiting final decisions.

The land office is charged with regulation of coastal development, but Dewhurst's office washed its hands of the situation Friday.

"When it comes to regulating and authorizing permits specifically for the 107 homes, we're going to be deferring to the Attorney General's Office," Dewhurst spokeswoman Laura Rocco said. "For all other day-to-day permits that we encounter, it's the same process that's always been in place."

Schwartz said Cornyn ultimately will be forced to take action.

"Each time someone goes to the beach and suffers some impediment because of this house on public property and the attorney general's office is notified, he's got to keep considering those circumstances," Schwartz said.

"If there are, say, 10 houses in a subdivision on the beach that interfere with the use of the beach by 500 homeowners in that subdivision, those 500 people in the subdivision are going to be the most vigorous complainers," Schwartz said. "All of these things that are not being done at this time will ultimately come to pass if there are not other remedies.

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Former policeman sentenced

HOUSTON (AP) — A former Houston policeman has been sentenced to nearly 22 years behind bars for his role in a scheme that swindled investors out of more than $17 million.

Former officer Randall L. Garrett of Chappell Hill was sentenced Thursday to serve 262 months. Bryan L. Sims, of Alamosa, Colo., got 12 years.

Sims had pleaded guilty to conspiracy involving money laundering and mail and wire fraud and testified against Garrett.

Garrett was convicted by a jury in February on 47 counts, including conspiracy, mail and wire fraud, and money laundering.

U.S. District Judge Ewing Werlein Jr. said the men will be responsible for more than $17 million in restitution. He ordered both taken into custody immediately.

The scheme, which promised a 240 percent annual return on investments, caused some families to lose their life savings, others their funds for their children's college education, prosecutors said.

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SPORTS

During Cowboy workout...

Two likely starters injured

WICHITA FALLS, Texas (AP) — The first full-squad workout for the Dallas Cowboys was a costly one as two likely starters for the preseason opener went down with injuries Friday morning.

Right guard Mike Kiselak, playing with the first-team because of two other injuries, seriously damaged his left knee and defensive end Kavika Pittman broke several small bones in his right hand.

Coach Chan Gailey said Kiselak's injury is so bad that "the only question is whether it's a season-ender." An MRI was inconclusive and he's been scheduled to undergo arthoscopic surgery Tuesday in Dallas.

Losing Kiselak is yet another blow for a line that already is without starter Everett McIver and top backup Tony Hutson.

"It puts a dent in your plans, but, hey, that's part of the game," Gailey said. "You have to overcome that."

McIver tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee last November. He's expected to return around the season opener. His preseason replacement, Hutson, sprained the medial collateral ligament in his right knee Thursday and will be out two to four weeks.

Gailey said the most disappointing part of the injuries is that Hutson and Kiselak will miss quality practice time they can only get when McIver is out.

Second-round pick Solomon Page takes over at right guard, with World League refugee Chris Brymer and former CFL star Freddie Childress also seeing action.

"Even though Solomon has not spent significant time at guard, we certainly believe he has the ability to play there," Gailey said.

Losing Kiselak causes a bigger problem because of his versatility. He played both guard positions last year before starting at center the last seven games.

Pittman should be back in two to four weeks. Gailey expects him to be fully healed by the season opener.

"I would think Kavika could get back on the field, albeit with a cast, in two or three weeks," Gailey said. "He won't be fully healed until we get close to the first game."

Pittman's absence allows the Cowboys to give more playing time to Ebenezer Ekuban and Peppi Zellner, their top two draft picks, and recent signee Alonzo Spellman, who was out of football last season.

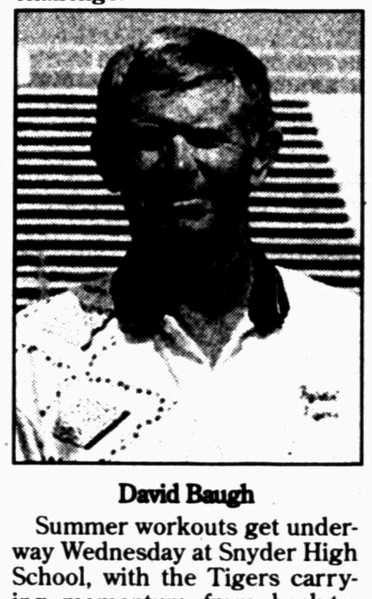
Dallas opens the preseason Aug. 9 against the Cleveland Browns in the Hall of Fame Game in Canton, Ohio. The season begins Sept. 12 in Washington.

Tigers return to the gridiron Wednesday

By Eric Drennan
SDN Sports Editor

Many pre-season publications have tabbed Snyder as a challenger for the District 5-4A football crown.

On Wednesday, the Tigers start preparing to meet that challenge.



David Baugh

Summer workouts get underway Wednesday at Snyder High School, with the Tigers carrying momentum from back-to-back postseason appearances.

"I told the players last year that they won't be picked to finish last again for a while," Snyder head coach David Baugh said. "We have to get after it and work hard, and try to accomplish the goals we've set."

One of the first challenges for Baugh will be getting his coaching staff on the page. The departure of varsity assistants Bob Wood and Matt Gutierrez leaves Baugh with a pair of coaches who are new to the SHS varsity staff.

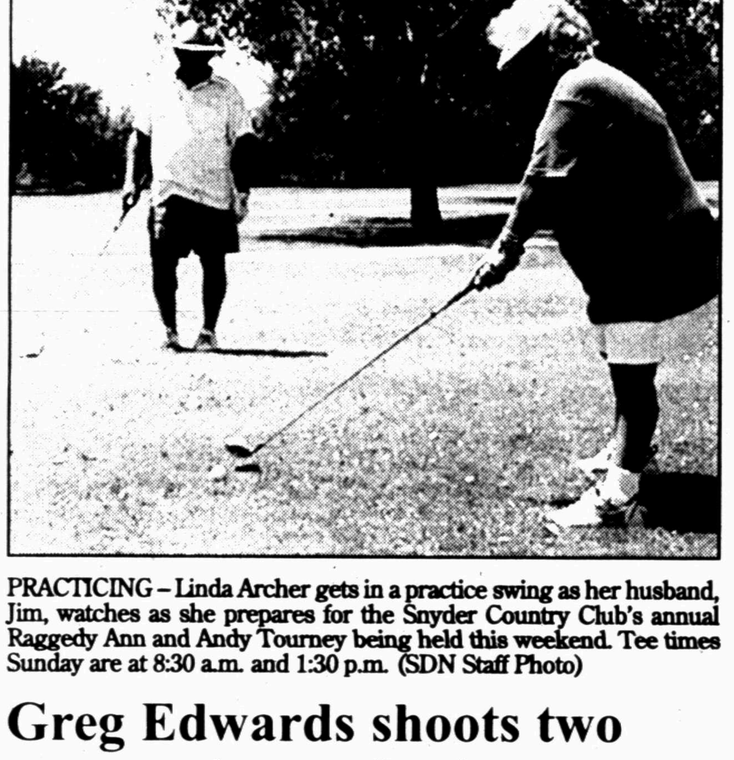
Chris Henson, Snyder's freshman coach last season, will be lead the linebackers, while Chad Rogers from Las Cruces, N.M. will be in charge of the secondary.

"We've got quite a few new coaches, so that will be the first thing to adjust to," Baugh stated. "It should be easy on the varsity level, but we also new coaches in the junior high. We have to get them acclimated to our system and our way of doing things."

Players will report for equipment Tuesday at 8 a.m., with the first workout getting underway Wednesday at 8 a.m.

The annual Watermelon Bowl, the Tigers' intrasquad scrimmage, will be Aug. 13. In other scrimmage action, Snyder travels to Colorado City on Aug. 19.

The Tigers open non-district play Aug. 27 at Monahans.



PRACTICING – Linda Archer gets in a practice swing as her husband, Jim, watches as she prepares for the Snyder Country Club's annual Raggedy Ann and Andy Tourney being held this weekend. Tee times Sunday are at 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. (SDN Staff Photo)

Ira to start practice with new confidence

IRA - After a turnaround season in 1998, the Ira Bulldogs' confidence level is high entering the '99 campaign.

The Bulldogs begin summer workouts Wednesday, looking to take another step in their gridiron rebuilding process.

"This year's team has a new confidence level," said second-year head coach Toby Goodwin. "Last year, the kids believed they could win, because we told them they could. This year though, they're confident that they can win."

Goodwin expects 25 players to show up Tuesday at 5 p.m. to get equipment. But of those 25, two could be lost for up to six weeks due to injury.

Senior Jenson Gainer suffered a broken arm in a tractor incident, while Todd Wall must recover from a broken nose, which was injured during a gymnastics workout.

Even with two players absent, the 23 scheduled to be available is the most in recent years. Goodwin has seven junior varsity slated for the upcoming season.

"We should have a good number of kids this year," the former Snyder QB stated. "Our numbers are up because we have six freshmen coming out and some older guys, too. Richard Wilkins is going to play this year. He's a good athlete and I don't think he's played since the eighth grade."

The Bulldogs will hold workouts beginning at 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., with an intrasquad scrimmage scheduled for Aug. 13 at 7:30 p.m. In other scrimmage action, Ira hosts Blackwell on the 19th and Trent on the 27th. The season opener will be Sept. 3 at Loop.

"Everyone around here is pretty excited about this season," Goodwin remarked. "The success of last year's basketball and baseball teams gives us something to build on in football."

Greg Edwards shoots two consecutive eagles in tourney

PARK CITY, Utah (AP) — Though most of the spectators followed Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer and Lee Trevino, a pair of Monday qualifiers topped the leader board after the first day of the Utah Showdown.

"You guys expect the Hale Irwins and the Jim Colberts, guys like that, to win," said Steve Veriato, who shot an 8-under-par 64, good for second place after Friday's first round of the Senior Tour event. "You guys just go ahead and expect that. That's all I am going to say."

Greg Edwards played the last four holes in 6 under par, including consecutive eagles on the 16th and 17th holes, and finished with a 63 that gave him a 1-stroke lead.

After a birdie at No. 15, Edwards holed out a wedge from 122 yards for an eagle on the par-4 16th hole. On the par-5 17th, he put a 4-iron second shot 20 feet away from the pin and sank the putt. A birdie at 18 completed a back-nine 31 over the 7,167-yard Park Meadows Country Club course.

It was the sixth time in Senior PGA Tour history that a player eagled consecutive holes. Edwards' 63 matched the course record set by Dave Stockton in 1993 and matched by Ben Smith in 1995.

"This is all very new," said Edwards, 50, who made his first senior start last week in Minnesota. "It would be nice if this was the last round."

Jordon, Geiberger are tied for lead in Hartford tourney

CROMWELL, Conn. (AP) — Pete Jordan is playing golf with a good friend today. It's much more than a weekend round between buddies.

Jordan and Brent Geiberger tied for the second-round lead at the Greater Hartford Open at 11 under par Friday, and they were paired as the final twosome today.

"We go out to dinner quite often and make of fun of each other quite a bit," he said.

They might have had a hard time poking fun at each other's game on Friday.

Geiberger started the day 3 strokes off the lead and shot a 63, the low round of the day and his lowest this year on the PGA Tour. Along the way, he made eight birdies.

Jordan began the day at 6-under, one stroke out of the lead, and was even par at the turn. He birdied five of the last nine holes to finish with a 65, hitting 13 of 14 fairways at the TPC at River Highlands.

"I just feel like I could control my golf ball really good," Jordan said. "I'm driving it pretty straight. It feels like I could play anywhere right now."

Jordan, who turned pro in 1996, had his best finish of the year — fifth — in last week's John Deere Classic. He and Geiberger, a 6-year pro, are still looking for their first tour win.

Geiberger, whose father Al was the first to shoot 59 on tour, had to scramble over his final two holes to preserve the 63. He missed the green on the par-3 No. 8 hole and then left his chip shot short. But he salvaged par by making a 20-foot putt.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Charlotte	12	10	.545	—
New York	11	10	.524	½
Detroit	10	11	.476	1½
Orlando	9	12	.429	2½
Washington	6	16	.273	6
Cleveland	5	17	.227	7

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	18	4	.818	—
Los Angeles	15	6	.714	2½
Sacramento	14	8	.636	4
Minnesota	11	9	.550	6
Phoenix	10	11	.476	7½
Utah	7	14	.333	10½

Saturday's Games
Phoenix at Houston, 4 p.m.
Cleveland at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at Utah, 9 p.m.
Washington at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Game
Orlando at New York, 4 p.m.

MLB Glance

American League
At A Glance

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	62	39	.614	—
Toronto	57	48	.543	7
Boston	55	47	.539	7½
Baltimore	46	56	.451	16½
Tampa Bay	43	60	.417	20

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	62	40	.608	—
Chicago	48	53	.475	13½
Minnesota	43	58	.426	18½
Kansas City	42	60	.412	20
Detroit	42	61	.408	20½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	61	41	.598	—
Oakland	52	50	.510	9
Seattle	49	53	.480	12
Anaheim	43	58	.426	17½

Friday's Games
Toronto 8, Detroit 2
New York 13, Boston 3
Cleveland 10, Chicago 2
Texas 9, Kansas City 2
Minnesota 3, Anaheim 1
Seattle 7, Baltimore 4
Oakland 4, Tampa Bay 1

Saturday's Games
New York (Clemens 9-4) at Boston (Rose 6-3), 1:05 p.m.
Chicago (Navarro 7-8) at Cleveland (Burba 8-6), 1:05 p.m.
Detroit (Mlicki 5-9) at Toronto (Carpenter 7-5), 4:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Arrojo 2-6) at Oakland (Olivares 8-9), 4:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Ponson 9-6) at Seattle (Moyer 9-5), 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Reichert 0-0) at Texas (Helling 8-7), 8:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Milton 3-8) at Anaheim (Finley 5-9), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday Games
Detroit (Borkowski 0-1) at Toronto (Hentgen 6-7), 1:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 4-11) at Cleveland (Nagy 12-6), 1:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Witt 6-6) at Oakland (G.Heredia 7-5), 4:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Mussina 13-5) at Seattle (Fassero 4-12), 4:35 p.m.
New York Yankees (O.Hernandez 12-6) at Boston (Saberhagen 6-4), 8:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Appier 9-9) at Texas (Sele 10-6), 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Mays 4-3) at Anaheim (Sparks 4-7), 8:05 p.m.

National League
At A Glance

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	62	42	.596	—
Atlanta	62	43	.590	½
Philadelphia	57	46	.553	4½
Florida	41	63	.394	21
Montreal	37	62	.374	22½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	63	41	.606	—
Cincinnati	59	42	.584	2½
St. Louis	51	52	.495	11½
Milwaukee	49	52	.485	12½
Pittsburgh	49	53	.480	13
Chicago	47	53	.470	14

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	58	46	.558	—
San Francisco	55	48	.534	2½
San Diego	49	53	.480	8
Colorado	46	57	.447	11½
Los Angeles	45	58	.437	12½

Friday's Games
New York 10, Chicago 9
Florida 8, Pittsburgh 7
Cincinnati 7, San Francisco 4
Milwaukee 1, Montreal 0
Philadelphia 9, Atlanta 2
Colorado 5, St. Louis 4
Houston 5, San Diego 1
Arizona 6, Los Angeles 5

Saturday's Games
New York (Dotel 3-1) at Chicago (Lieber 8-4), 4:05 p.m.
Arizona (R.Johnson 10-8) at Los Angeles (Valdes 8-8), 4:05 p.m.
Florida (Nunez 4-4) at Pittsburgh (Schmidt 9-7), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Estes 6-6) at Cincinnati (Villone 5-3), 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Person 5-2) at Atlanta (Glavine 8-9), 7:10 p.m.
Montreal (Thurman 3-7) at Milwaukee (Woodard 11-5), 8:05 p.m.
Colorado (B.M.Jones 5-8) at St. Louis (Luebbers 1-1), 8:10 p.m.
Houston (Elarton 5-3) at San Diego (Ashby 9-5), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Philadelphia (Wolf 5-2) at Atlanta (Maddux 11-6), 1:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Ortiz 12-6) at Cincinnati (Tomko 3-5), 1:15 p.m.
Florida (Fernandez 5-6) at Pittsburgh (Cordova 5-5), 1:35 p.m.
Montreal (D.Smith 2-5) at Milwaukee (Karl 7-9), 2:05 p.m.
Colorado (Bohanon 9-8) at St. Louis (Jimenez 5-10), 2:10 p.m.
New York Mets (Leiter 9-7) at Chicago Cubs (Mulholland 6-6), 2:20 p.m.
Houston (Lima 14-5) at San Diego (Hitchcock 9-8), 4:05 p.m.
Arizona (An.Benes 6-9) at Los Angeles (Park 6-8), 4:10 p.m.

Darrell Waltrip plans retirement soon

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Darrell Waltrip, a three-time Winston Cup champion, will retire as a driver following a farewell tour in 2000.

His retirement will be announced Thursday during the opening day of practice and qualifying for the Brickyard 400 at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

Waltrip was not available for comment today, but personal representative Keith Waltz told The Associated Press the announcement will be "no surprise to anybody."

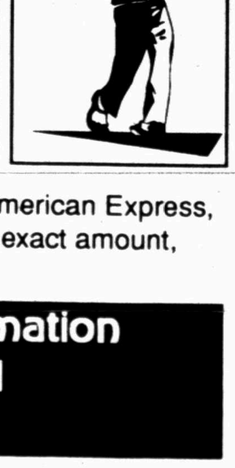
"When Darrell signed that two-year contract, he said that would probably be it," he said. "Darrell will announce his plans for next year and for his future at the press conference."

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SPORTS

Workouts on tap for Lady Tiger spikers

With their first scrimmage just two weeks away, the Lady Tigers have a busy workout schedule ahead of them.

Snyder begins its volleyball workouts Wednesday, with three sessions on tap for five of the first six days.

The Lady Tigers are looking to make another trip the playoffs, and Coach Patty Grimmett knows a solid start is key to a successful season.

"Last year, we had some injuries and it took us some time to find out who played well together," Grimmett said. "This year we want to get of to a good start with our workouts, and carry it over into the season."

Lady Tiger sophomores, juniors and seniors will practice at 8 a.m. and noon on Wednesday, with the freshmen taking the floor at 6:30 p.m.

Eight players will return from last year's playoff squad. Experience, along with athleticism and height, should help Snyder's cause.

"I'm excited about this season," Grimmett stated. "We have a lot of talented players coming back, and all of these girls are extremely competitive. We should be pretty balanced, with a good mixture of height and defensive players."

The Lady Tigers will see scrimmage action Aug. 13 at Monahans, and Aug. 14 at Big Spring. The season opener is slated for Aug. 17 at Abilene High.

Lady Tiger volleyball workouts

Aug. 4: Upperclassmen, 8 a.m.-noon and 2-6 p.m.; freshmen, 6:30-9 p.m.

Aug. 5: Upperclassmen, 4-6:30 p.m.; freshmen, 6:30-9 p.m.

Aug. 6: Upperclassmen, same as Tues.; freshmen, 6-9 p.m.

Aug. 7, 9-10: Upperclassmen, 8 a.m.-noon; JV, 2-4 p.m.; varsity, 4-6 p.m.; freshmen, 6-9 p.m.

SDN Sports Briefs

Cheerleading camp

Hermleigh cheerleader Brandy Wood will hold a four-day cheer camp at cottonwood flats in Towle Park beginning Monday. Camp hours will be from 10 a.m. until noon.

Costs are $25 for one camper, and $15 for a second child. Fees include a camp T-shirt. Registration will be held Monday at 9:30 a.m. in the park.

For more information, contact Brandy Wood at 863-2215.

Athletic physicals

All athletes needing to take a physical should do so by Tuesday. An appointment must be made with one of the following doctors: Burleson, Cooper, Thompson, Nussey or Rakov.

Athletes requiring physicals include all incoming 7th and 9th graders, students new to SISD, students wishing to participate in athletics for the first time, and any student whose medical history form requires them to do so.

All athletes not needing a physical must return all completed forms to their coach, athletic director's office, or Steve Krueger.

Incoming 7th and 9th graders can pick up physical forms in the doctors' offices.

SCC scramble and MGA

A members' scramble is held each Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at Snyder Country Club. At 5:30 each Thursday, the Men's Golf Association hosts a 9-hole event. Thursday's format varies.

Kiwanis golf tourney

The Snyder Kiwanis Club Hubert and Mary Cargile Memorial Golf Tournament will be held next Saturday at Western Texas College. All proceeds will benefit the Kiwanis Cargile Scholarship Foundation at WTC.

There will be drawings for merchandise, and cash prizes for the top four teams. Hole-in-one prizes are $10,000 and Top-Flite Tour Irons.

Entry fee is $120 per team. Players can register by calling Brenden McNeil at 573-1432, Russell Fisk at 573-3438 or 573-3267, and Melanie or Linda at American State Bank, 573-4041. Sign-ups will also be taken at the WTC pro shop.

WGA play day and mixed foursomes

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold its play day at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Format is most gross and net pars on the front nine. A luncheon and business meeting will follow play.

Also, a mixed foursomes event will be held Friday evening at 5:30.

Junior high football

Dates for junior high football players to pick up equipment have been set. Eighth grade gridders will be issued equipment from 2-3:30 p.m. next Friday. Seventh graders may pickup gear from 2-3:30 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 9.

Rangers' bats hot as weather

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers had 14 hits Friday night, and not one went for extra bases.

That's how the Rangers have been winning this season, by doing whatever it takes.

Todd Zeile and Ivan Rodriguez each had three RBIs in a 9-2 victory over the Kansas City Royals.

"The bottom line is we scored nine runs and we won the game," Rodriguez said. "We find ways to score. Sometimes we hit three homers and lose 5-4. So it's how you do the little things and get key hits in the right situations."

Rodriguez went 3-for-5 and Zeile drove in the go-ahead run with a fifth-inning sacrifice fly as the Rangers improved to 4-0 against Kansas City this season and 16-4 against the AL Central.

"We worry about runs, not the long ball," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said after the Rangers won for the 11th time in 12 games.

Esteban Loaiza (3-1) allowed two runs and six hits over six innings to win his third straight decision as the Rangers began a season-long 13-game homestand.

The Rangers played outstanding defense behind Loaiza. Two of Texas' three double plays were turned with Loaiza on the mound, and second baseman Mark McLemore had seven assists and several sparkling stops.

"We're not just an offensive team," McLemore said. "We can play defense and pitch. We're playing well in all facets of the game."

Zeile continued his personal hot streak, extending his hitting streak to 11 games. Zeile has driven in 26 runs in his last 23 games and has hit safely in 30 of his last 33 games.

"That's exactly what we thought we were getting when he came here," Oates said. "He's a consistent veteran game in and game out. He drives in 90-100 runs every year."

Mike Sweeney's two solo homers off Loaiza gave the Royals a 2-0 lead. Sweeney opened the second with a blast to left-center, then added his 17th homer leading off the fourth.

Royals starter Jay Witasick (4-8) shut out the Rangers on three hits over the first four innings before Texas broke out with three runs and four consecutive hits in the fifth.

McLemore and Rodriguez had one-out singles and Rusty Greer's single drove in McLemore. Rafael Palmeiro followed with an RBI single to tie it, then Zeile's sacrifice fly put the Rangers ahead 3-2.

Texas broke the game open with a four-run sixth. Roberto Kelly and Royce Clayton singled to knock out Witasick. Rodriguez singled against reliever Glendon Rusch, scoring Kelly, and when Carlos Beltran failed to pick the ball up cleanly in center field for an error, Clayton crossed the plate.

Zeile followed with a two-run single for a 7-2 lead.

Witasick allowed five runs and nine hits over 5 1-3 innings.

Rodriguez added a two-run single in the seventh to extend Texas' advantage to 9-2.

Kansas City's bullpen struggled once again, allowing four runs over the final 2 2-3 innings.

"We haven't had anyone come in and take control," Royals manager Tony Muser. It hasn't happened all year."

Notes: Kansas City's Joe Randa went 3-for-4. ... The Rangers are honoring Nolan Ryan before each of the three games over the weekend. The new Hall of Famer was joined before Friday night's game by Hall of Famers Ferguson Jenkins and Gaylord Perry, both of whom also pitched for Texas. ... Sweeney had his third two-homer game of the season, fourth of his career. ... Rangers right fielder Juan Gonzalez missed his fourth straight game with a sprained right wrist. He had an MRI before the game which showed no fracture and received a cortisone shot. ...Texas is 13-3 since the All-Star break and is 20 games over .500 for the first time this season and first time since Sept. 12, 1996.

Astros continue dominance over San Diego with a victory

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Whether they're playing in the Astrodome or Qualcomm Stadium, the Houston Astros are proving they can beat the San Diego Padres this year.

Sure, the Padres defeated Houston in the first round of the NL playoffs last year and went on to reach the World Series, but that's ancient history.

Shane Reynolds got credit for beating the Padres for the third time in a week and Houston extended its domination of the Padres to 7-0 this year with a 5-1 victory Friday night.

San Diego has lost eight in a row.

"Pitching is why we've played well against them," Jeff Bagwell said. "Our offense has not been spectacular. Our pitching has been going well."

Reynolds (13-7) held the Padres to an unearned run and five hits in eight innings, struck out nine and walked one. He beat the Padres for the third time in seven days, including the completion last Friday of the game that was suspended June 13 when Astros manager Larry Dierker collapsed in the dugout.

"I've pitched differently in the three games," Reynolds said. "I've tried not to do the same thing against them time in and time out. Tonight I threw more fastballs."

Reynolds has allowed the Padres just one earned run in 23 innings this year. He also hit a sacrifice fly, while rookie Daryle Ward hit a two-run homer and Craig Biggio had a two-run double for the Astros.

"You don't score a lot of runs off this pitching staff," Padres manager Bruce Bochy said.

Tony Gwynn went 0-for-3 with a sacrifice fly, all but dashing his hopes of getting his 3,000th career hit at home. Gwynn is nine hits shy of the milestone, and after this three-game series, the Padres begin a three-city, 11-game trip to St. Louis, Montreal and New York. After hitting the sacrifice fly in the first, Gwynn grounded into two straight double plays.

San Diego starter Matt Clement (5-10) walked the bases loaded with none out in the second inning, and Reynolds hit a sacrifice fly to tie the game at 1. Clement then walked Biggio, but was bailed out when Bill Spiers grounded into a double play.

Ward homered off Clement in the third, and Biggio's two-run double was off Carlos Almanzar in the sixth.

Clement allowed three runs and three hits in 4 1-3 innings, walked seven and struck out four.

"It was a bad performance," Clement said. "There's not much else I can say. I just didn't do my job."

Dierker said Clement has a good future.

"He was just wild," Dierker said. "We certainly weren't fighting for those walks. He was wild low and when he adjusted, he went to wild high."

San Diego scored an unearned run in the first on Gwynn's sacrifice fly. Quilvio Veras drew a lead-off walk, stole second and took third when shortstop Tim Bogar missed the throw from catcher Paul Bako for an error.

Notes: Houston is 12-4 since Dierker returned. ... San Diego rookie catcher Ben Davis singled in the eighth inning to extend his hitting streak to 11. ... Thirteen of the 21 members of the 3,000-hit club achieved the milestone at home. ... Reynolds started the only division series game the Astros won against San Diego last year, but got a no-decision. ... Gwynn has gotten nine hits in three consecutive games 17 times in his career, most recently on July 28-30, 1998, at New York.

Major league trading deadline making many players antsy

Even Alex Rodriguez is getting a bit antsy.

"I think I can speak for the whole team," the Seattle shortstop said Friday night. "We just want the trading deadline to come and go. I think we're all tradeable."

Chances are he isn't going anywhere. But plenty of other big-name players might be on the move by tonight.

Chuck Finley could wind up in Cleveland. Kevin Appier could go to Boston. And the New York Yankees could be the busiest of all as baseball approaches the midnight EDT non-waiver trading deadline.

The Yankees were on the verge of reacquiring former postseason hero Jim Leyritz from San Diego. The World Series champions also appeared in position to send Andy Pettitte to Philadelphia for two prospects, then turn around and trade the prospects to Tampa Bay for reliever Roberto Hernandez.

"There's been rumors all week," Leyritz said.

Minor league umpires called "scabs"

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Blaming two American League umpires for splitting the union, one of the National League umps let go this week said the minor leaguers taking over are the equivalent of "scabs."

Terry Tata, among the 22 umpires being forced out Sept. 2, said AL umps Joe Brinkman and John Hirschbeck caused the union's strategy of mass resignations to collapse.

"We have to be solid as a rock, and these guys have turned into pebbles," Tata, a 27-season veteran, said before the Milwaukee Brewers played the Montreal Expos on Friday night.

Tata's crew was the hardest hit, losing three of its four umpires. Tom Hallion and Bill Hohn also were among the 13 umps told Thursday that their resignations had been accepted.

Hallion said the actions by Brinkman and Hirschbeck affected all umpires. Fourteen of the dissident umpires issued a statement Thursday blaming the union's leadership, which is headed by negotiator Richie Phillips and union president Jerry Crawford.

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Hillary: Atlanta shootings show need for gun control

ELMIRA, N.Y. (AP) — Hillary Rodham Clinton, eyeing a Senate run in New York, said Friday that the shooting rampage in Atlanta demonstrates the need for stronger gun-control laws.

"I think it does once again urge us to think hard about what we can do to make sure that we keep guns out of the hands of children and criminals and mentally unbalanced people," the first lady said as she emerged from a breakfast stop at an Elmira restaurant.

"I would hope that the Congress would take action on the legislation that is now pending before it as soon as possible," she added.

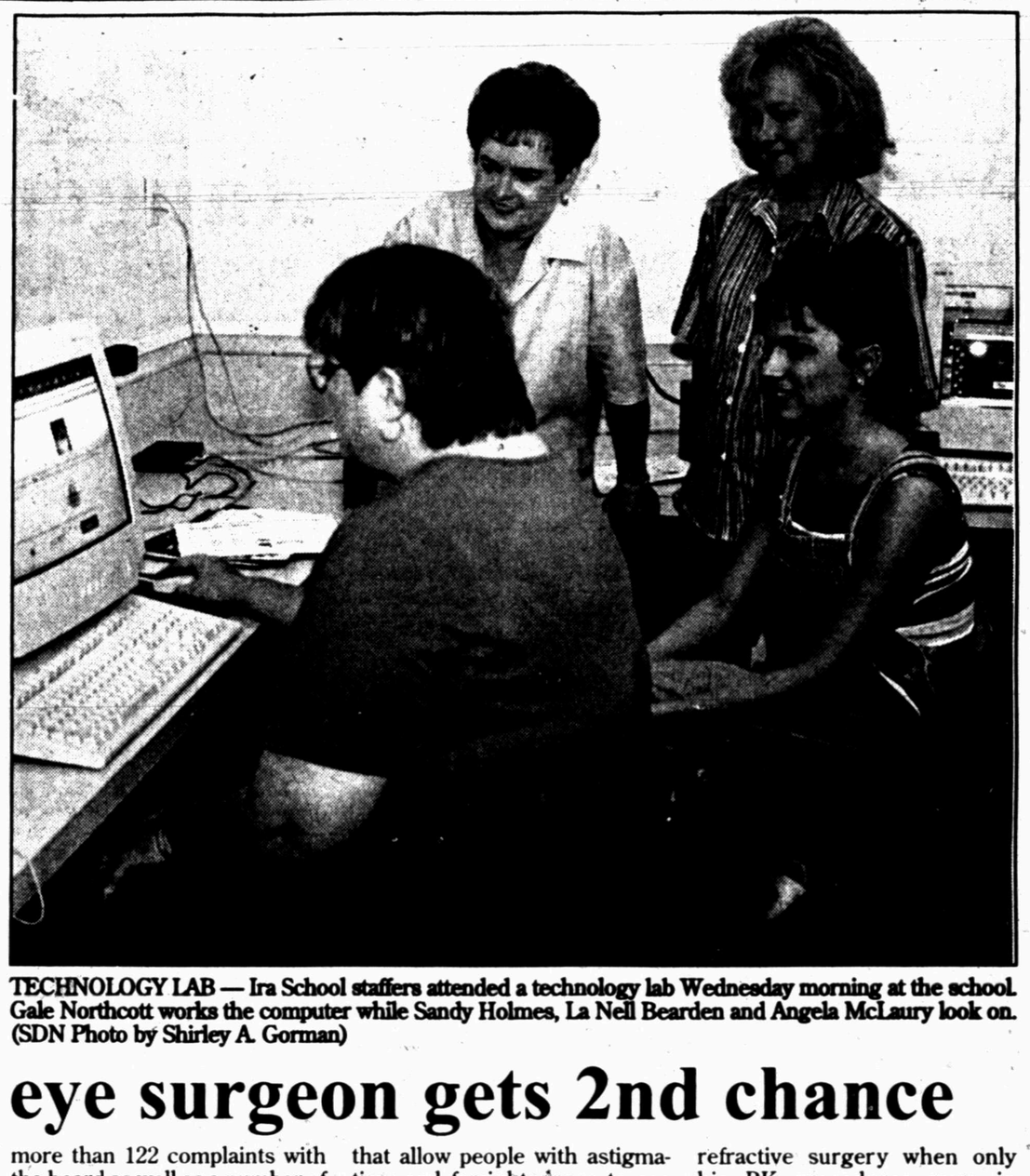
Mrs. Clinton, who has stepped up her calls for tougher gun-control laws since the school shootings in Littleton, Colo., earlier this year, said she hopes "we will come together as a nation and do whatever it takes to keep guns away from people who have no business with them."

Mrs. Clinton is on a summer-long "listening tour" of New York as she considers running for the Senate seat being vacated next year in New York by fellow Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan.

A potential opponent on the Republican side, New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, is also a strong advocate for gun-control laws.

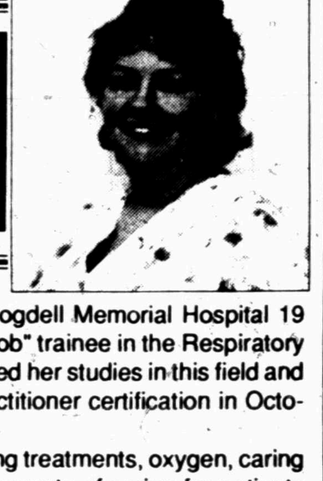
On Thursday, an Atlanta-area man killed nine people in the city and later killed himself. Authorities said Mark Barton also killed his wife and two children.

Gun control can be a touchy issue for politicians in traditionally Republican upstate New York, where Mrs. Clinton is traveling this week. In Elmira on Thursday, she noted that most gun owners are responsible people.



TECHNOLOGY LAB — Ira School staffers attended a technology lab Wednesday morning at the school. Gale Northcott works the computer while Sandy Holmes, La Nell Bearden and Angela McLaury look on. (SDN Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

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Her duties include giving breathing treatments, oxygen, caring for ventilator patients, and other aspects of caring for patients with any type of lung disease.

Patsy said the most rewarding part of her job is "watching patients progress to improved health."

She and her husband, Mike, have three children; Stephanie, 12, Sarah, 7, and Emily, 2 1/2 years old.

She was selected for this honor by co-workers. Comments on nomination ballots for Patsy included: knowledgeable about her job and does it to the best of her ability... willing to learn and to accept additional responsibility... supportive of other staff members... goes above and beyond regular duties to assist patients... courteous and friendly to everyone... a dependable and dedicated employee.

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Censured eye surgeon gets 2nd chance

PHOENIX (AP) — Arizona medical regulators are giving censured eye surgeon Gary Hall a second chance to save his practice.

The Arizona Board of Medical Examiners unanimously agreed Friday to give Hall a new hearing, perhaps in September, to reconsider the restrictions placed on his practice in May.

"I'm happy," said Hall after the board's decision. "I want them to look at the evidence again."

Hall once was the subject of more than 122 complaints with the board as well as a number of lawsuits in Arizona, New Mexico and El Paso. He had been placed on three years probation in 1996 following complaints that his corrective eye procedures were damaging patients' vision. He also was fined $15,000 and was censured.

Earlier he had been performing about 5,000 radial keratotomy operations a year and was sometimes criticized for assembly-line operations in which he worked on several patients at once.

Under his probation, Hall was supposed to restrict the number and size of incisions he made on patients' corneas during RK, which can correct nearsightedness.

However, an independent eye specialist found patient charts showed many of the same practices that led to Hall's probation.

As a result, Hall was prohibited from practicing RK and was barred from doing any refractive surgery for a year. Refractive surgery includes operations that allow people with astigmatism and farsightedness to see without glasses or contacts.

The suburban Paradise Valley doctor whose practice is in Phoenix said the restriction would devastate his practice, which is about 80 percent refractive surgery.

"That's my life. That's what I do." He said he rarely performs RK now because laser surgery is superior.

Hall's lawyer, Duane Olson, told the board that its punishment was excessive because it restricts Hall from doing any refractive surgery when only his RK procedures were in question.

Olson said the discipline also was unfair because investigators did not contact Hall's patients to see if they were harmed.

"They're here," said Olson, referring to the more than 100 patients and employees of Hall, who showed up for Friday's meeting. "That ought to speak for something."

One of Hall's staff members said employees called patients, encouraging them to attend the meeting.

Private ambulance firm denies report workers had to be forced to render aid

HOUSTON (AP) — A private ambulance company on Friday rejected reports that paramedics had to be threatened with arrest before stopping to help a family of three who later died from their injuries in a fiery truck collision.

Karen Reinicke of Cypress and her two sons, Demick, 13 and Max, 11, were traveling east on U.S. 290 Thursday afternoon when their mini-van drifted onto the shoulder and hit a parked trailer. The van spun around and was hit by a tractor trailer.

Ms. Reinicke and Demick died at the scene. But Max, who was on fire, cried for help. One of the many who stopped to help was off-duty Dayton Lakes Police Officer Craig Houghton.

Houghton said he had to threaten a Rural/Metro Ambulance crew with arrest before they would stop and help Max and his family.

"I said, 'Look, I'm a police officer,' " Houghton explained. "He still kind of balked at me and I said 'If you don't get out the vehicle now, I'm going to put you under arrest.' "

But a spokesman for the Scottsdale, Ariz.-based ambulance service said the crew, who had not been informed by the 911 operator to respond to the scene, did respond.

Rural/Metro spokesman Michael Collins said the crew was trying to determine how to access the scene, which was up against an embankment when the officer threatened them with arrest.

"We never refused to render patient care," Collins said.

The crew was just returning from Brenham when it was became caught in the traffic caused by the accident. A uniformed officer directed the Rural/Metro crew off the feeder road with the rest of the back-up vehicles and at no time indicated that its assistance was needed.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Low-dose pill OK for those under 40

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I went back on birth control pills after several years of using barrier contraception. I am now 38 years old. Should I worry about the pill's side effects? I use a low-dose pill, don't smoke and remain trim. Frankly, other methods of contraception are turn-offs. Am I being foolish?

DEAR READER: The low-dose birth control pills are quite safe for non-smoking, sexually active women under 40. I advise you to obtain regular examinations and Pap smears from your gynecologist, and ask her if there is any medical reason why you cannot continue the pill. This is, of necessity, a personal and private decision in which you can appropriately involve a doctor who is familiar with your health needs and concerns.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: For several months, my shoulder has been sore, weak and numb. When I relax, it begins to twitch and spasm uncontrollably. My doctor reassured me that I have no nerve damage, arthritis or other definite condition, and suggested that I wear a cervical collar (which didn't help). His other advice was to use steroids. What could cause such a problem?

DEAR READER: If your shoulder problem is due to something other than nerve irritation, I am not surprised that the cervical collar was ineffective. Such a collar (and similar devices) work by limiting play in neck movement, thereby reducing pain from nerve or muscle strain.

Frankly, I am baffled by your symptoms and would need more information about your shoulder. For example, soreness and weakness affect everybody's shoulders from time to time. When you mention numbness and uncontrollable twitching, however, you are adding ailments that are not common. Muscle spasms are usually the result of diseases affecting nerves and muscles — in other words, conditions, such as multiple sclerosis, more serious than simple strain or shoulder-joint inflammation.

I would feel more at ease if you found a doctor who could pinpoint the cause of your symptoms, rather than simply being unable to diagnose a "definite condition." Neurological diseases of the spine can cause weakness, pain and twitching in various parts of the body. Also, a pinched disc in your neck could cause your symptoms. Steroids and other general therapy seem to me to be dangerously non-specific in your case. I recommend that you attempt to discover definite answers. Start with a good neurologist.

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

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DEAR DR. GOTT: I am 35 and fit. I exercise daily and feel good. However, when I get a little too strenuous from time to time, I tend to get sick — minor stuff, like colds. Could the level of my activity affect my immune system?

DEAR READER: Regular, moderate exercise enhances the body's immunity. This has been known for years and is a principal, favorable consequence of "staying in shape."

Recently, some exercise physiologists have pointed out what is called a J-shaped curve.

Sedentary individuals have an above-average susceptibility to viral infections. If a person exercises regularly and prudently, this susceptibility falls. Then, for unknown reasons, it increases if the person engages in exhaustive exercise.

In an article published in The Physician and Sportsmedicine (June 1999), Drs. Roy Shepard and Pang Shek examined this peculiar phenomenon. They discovered that the answer may lie in the number and function of "natural killer cells," blood corpuscles that attack cells in the body that are abnormal or have been infected by viruses. According to the authors, moderate exercise strengthens NK cells, whereas very heavy activity and intensive training tends to weaken them. In one study, this weakening lasted for up to seven days. Moreover, other immune functions — such as T-helper cell counts, neutrophil function, production of cytokines, levels of immunoglobulins and other hormonal factors — are likewise affected. The end result is clinically significant. For example, another study noted that in the two weeks following an ultra-marathon, 33 percent of runners reported respiratory symptoms, compared to 15 percent of control subjects. Competitors in a 42-kilometer race were five times as likely to report upper respiratory tract infections as were equally trained runners who had not participated in the event. These findings have been confirmed in numerous studies around the world. Although the incidence of respiratory infections was also increased by heavy military training, some elite athletes seemed immune. These included cross country skiers, gymnasts, oarsmen, swimmers and wrestlers. The reason for this remains a mystery.

What can well-trained athletes do to avoid the results of the J-curve? First, minimize exposure to individuals with infections of one kind or another. Wash hands before eating. Be careful of nasal secretions, which readily spread viruses.

Second, monitor training schedules in accordance with athletes' physical and nutritional status.

Third, control diet to ensure that competing sportsmen and sportswomen receive enough food energy, protein, amino acids, fiber and antioxidants.

Fourth, stress reduction often improves performance and may reduce the need for exhaustive training.

Finally, athletes' symptoms of respiratory or other infections should be aggressively treated. In fact, anti-inflammatory drugs or injections of gamma globulin may assist athletes in maintaining a competitive edge.

In summary, while moderate regular exercise appears to enhance the immune system, intensive exercise (to the point of exhaustion) may deplete it. This is probably the result of alterations in natural killer cells.

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Resendiz indicted in 2 more slayings

HOUSTON (AP) — Accused serial killer Angel Maturino Resendiz was indicted Friday on two more charges of capital murder in the deaths of a pastor and his wife as prosecutors seek to ensure maximum punishment for the rail-riding drifter.

Maturino Resendiz, who turns 40 Sunday, is suspected of killing nine people in three states and already faced five charges that carry possible death sentences: two in Texas, two in Illinois and one in Kentucky.

The latest charges accuse Maturino Resendiz of the sledgehammer slayings of the Rev. Norman "Skip" Sirnic and his wife Karen, both 47, as they slept inside the parsonage behind the United Church of Christ in Weimar, about 80 miles west of Houston.

"I don't know that one death sentence is enough," said Assistant Colorado County Attorney Joe Fling. "They all go up on automatic appeal, and they probably get overturned more than any other kind of sentence. There's something to be said for multiple sentences from multiple jurisdictions."

A month after the Sirnics' bodies were discovered in May, the community was terrorized again by the similar killing of Josephine Konvicka, 73.

Maturino Resendiz, awaiting trial in the beating and stabbing death of 39-year-old Dr. Claudia Benton in the Houston area, also is suspected of killing Ms. Konvicka.

Fayette County Sheriff Rick Vandel, who investigated Ms. Konvicka's death, said authorities there don't intend to seek an indictment for now because they're confident a Harris County jury will convict Maturino Resendiz.

Fisherman 65 and older will continue to pay fishing fees

HOUSTON (AP) — For as long as Bill King and other Texas seniors can remember, one of the perks of fishing in the Lone Star State has been that when you turn 65, it's free.

Or at least, it used to be.

Four years ago, the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife rescinded the age-65 rule. Two years from now the 63-year-old King will have to keep paying for a fishing license, although at the discounted seniors' fee of $6. While he didn't think much about it in 1995, King finds the fee a little irritating, especially considering he's paid for a license for some 40 or 50 years.

"Everybody feels like we've been paying it long enough," he said while getting supplies at the Lazy R&R Bait and Tackle Shop on the San Jacinto River. "We should be getting a reprieve."

The Texas agency also is considering eliminating free fishing privileges for older anglers from Louisiana, Kansas and Oklahoma, who now fish for free in Texas under decades-old reciprocal agreements.

"I think it's ridiculous," said angler Erma Massey, 69, even though she was exempt from the new rule when it was put into place four years ago and pays nothing. "The older we get, the worse they treat us."

Added King: "Why are they taking the privileges from the elderly people?"

The simple answer is the nation's wildlife agencies no longer can afford to foot the bill for what soon will be the largest population segment among fishing license holders — sportsmen and women 65 and older.

Some 2 million Texans are now at least 65, Census Bureau figures show. By 2025, those at the end of the baby boom (those born in 1960) will reach retirement age, for a total of 4.36 million Texans over the age of 65.

As the baby boomers move toward retirement, their sheer numbers are the key to economic survival for Texas and the nation's wildlife agencies. As the number of older anglers increases, so does the number of license holders whose fees make up nearly 40 percent of Texas Parks and Wildlife's $157.3 million budget.

Instead of waiving fees, wildlife agencies are turning to discounted licenses for older sportsmen and women to avoid facing a serious budget deficit.

"There's no such thing as a free lunch — that's getting truer and truer," said Paul Hammerschmidt, Texas Parks and Wildlife's program director for the coastal fisheries division.

"Texas population is about to double by 2030. And what that means, as people retire and have some money available ... our resources are going to have a lot more fishing pressure on them."

So, in preparation for the changing demographic, Texas and other wildlife agencies have been tweaking the licensing rules.

"I know it has happened over several states over the past few years," said Bob Miles, resource director for the Washington-based International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. "I think what you had is a large segment that was purchasing hunting and fishing licenses who were no longer purchasing fishing and hunting licenses. Agencies are forced to fund programs for all people."

But not all people who enjoy the outdoors pay a fee, so those thought to use it more regularly must buy licenses. Fishing or hunting without a license can result in a Class C misdemeanor charge.

"It's not an entitlement, it's a privilege," Hammerschmidt said. "It's like a driver's license."

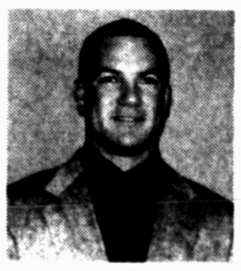
That privilege among Texas fishing enthusiasts has generated more than $16 million so far this year in single fishing license sales (excluding fishing licenses sold as part of a hunting-fishing combination package). Another $244,000 was captured through the senior fishing license sales.

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POSITION: **Director of Student Activities.** EMPLOYMENT: Full time, Evaluation by Work Assessment Center, required. SALARY: College scale QUALIFICATIONS: AA preferred, Bachelor Degree preferred; good knowledge of general office practice; ability to plan and organize with a limited budget; high level of organizational skills; general bookkeeping abilities. DUTIES: Assist the Dean of Students Services in providing leadership and direction to student leaders on campus; develop, implement, coordinate, maintain, and supervise a well founded student activities program; assist in the preparation and administration of the annual budget; serve as advisor to the Student Government assoc.; serve as cheerleading coach; oversee intramural program. SKILLS: Knowledge of software packages - Word Perfect, MSWord, Excel, Powerpoint, Print-shop, and the Windows 98. Some nights and weekend work required. EMPLOYMENT DATE: August 13, 1999. SEND APPLICATIONS/RESUME TO: Ms. Terry Busby, Director of Human Resources, Western Texas College, 6200 College Avenue, Snyder, TX 79549-9502.

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NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
§
COUNTY OF SCURRY §

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the 340th Judicial District Court of Tom Green County, Texas, on a Final Judgment rendered in said Court on April 14, 1999, in favor of Geosite, Inc., Plaintiff, and against Better Energy Sources and Technology, Inc. dba Best Resources and Juan A. Navarro, Defendants, in the case of *Geosite, Incorporated vs. Better Energy Sources and Technology, Inc. dba Best Resources and Juan A. Navarro*, No. C-98-0537-C in said Court, the undersigned did on the 19th day of April, 1999, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. levy upon the following described property lying and being situated in Scurry County, Texas, as the property of said Better Energy Sources and Technology, Inc. dba Best Resources:

All oil, gas, or mineral; oil or gas pipelines; oil or gas pipeline rights-of-way; buildings and appurtenances located on the property; and all equipment, material, machinery, and supplies located thereon under and by virtue of the below described oil, gas or mineral lease as to the interest of Better Energy Sources and Technology, Inc. dba Best Resources, Defendant, or used in operating the leasehold or land and minerals produced from or upon leasehold or the property described in a certain oil and gas leasehold estate dated June 17, 1996, leased by Lester E. Smith, et al, Trustees of Shannon Memorial Hospital, recorded at Vol. 339, Page 269, Official Property Records of Scurry County, Texas covering the lands in Section 347, Block 97, H & TC RR Co. Survey Abstract 2296, Scurry County, Texas.

You are further notified that on the 2nd day of August, 1999, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on said day, at the Shannon Ranch #347-1 Well located, lying and being situated on the above described property, all of the right, title, and interest of said Better Energy Sources and Technology, Inc. dba Best Resources in and to the above-described property as of November 1, 1997, will be offered for sale and sold at public auction, for cash.

WITNESS my hand this the 12th day of July, 1999.

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Mark & Marla Scott
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Dear Abby



By Abigail Van Buren

Woman Needs Good Light to See Hairs on Her Chinny-Chin-Chin

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I was amused to read about the woman who plucked her "whiskers" at the table in the restaurant. I know *exactly* why she does it — especially if she sits by the window. It's because the light is probably better than at home!

Obviously she needs a lighted magnifying mirror at home — and she definitely should do her tweezing there. Tsk, tsk, so unmannerly.

J.G. IN FRESNO

DEAR J.G.: You are not the only reader who was moved to write about the public plucker. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Perhaps you should have consulted an expert in geriatric medicine regarding the letter about the woman tweezing the hairs on her chin. It could be a textbook symptom of senile dementia.

My guess is, as our population continues to age and some caring friends or relatives are willing to take our senior citizens out of the nursing home for a meal in a restaurant to provide a little variety in their lives, we're probably going to see more of this behavior in public places. Get over it! Wisely, the man with this woman has given up on the idea that she's capable of changing her behavior and ignores it. He just makes sure her tweezers are in her purse before he takes her out!

BEEN THERE, DONE THAT, CINCINNATI

DEAR BEEN THERE: Oh, if it would only stop at plucking! Read on:

DEAR ABBY: If "Harriett in Hollywood" was astonished when a diner in a restaurant plucked her chin hairs at the table, hear this:

A few years ago, we were enjoying a lovely luncheon in a nice restaurant in Florence, Ore. The couple at the next table had just finished their meal. While they waited for the check, the gentleman whipped out his dentures and swished them in his water goblet, while his companion watched the waves on the shore.

BESS IN EUGENE

DEAR BESS: Now I've heard everything. Obviously he mistook the goblet for something he could sink his teeth into. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Basically I agree with your answer to "Harriett in Hollywood," that the woman displayed bald indifference to common table manners. However, her eyesight may be failing and the window seat at noon offered her the light she needed to complete her tweezing task. Bad taste, yes. She may also have limited funds, and therefore be unable to have this task performed for her at her beauty salon. However, I believe we should be a little more tolerant of our seniors, and more charitable.

DAILY READER, ALTOONA, PA.

DEAR DAILY READER: I agree — but how about applying that philosophy of tolerance and charity not only to seniors but to everyone as well? There would be less depression and fewer stress disorders if people were slower to criticize.

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CONFIDENTIAL TO NERVOUS GROOM: Ogden Nash gave sage advice for wedded bliss that applies to both the bride and the groom:

"To keep your marriage brimming,
"With love in the loving cup,
"Whenever you're wrong, admit it;
"Whenever you're right, shut up."

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Warning to Teen Drivers Still Packs Powerful Punch

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I am writing to request a piece you printed some time ago. It was called "Please God, I'm Only 17." My nephew, 17, was just killed in a car accident. Would you please run it again? Thank you, Abby.

KATHY KNUTTER, INDEPENDENCE, MO.

DEAR KATHY: That piece is one of the most powerful I have ever run in my column, and it's one of my most frequently requested. Young people confirm that it has made them think twice about their driving habits and encouraged them to be careful. You are right; it should run again. Read on:

PLEASE GOD, I'M ONLY 17

The day I died was an ordinary school day. How I wish I had taken the bus. But I was too cool for the bus. I remember how I wheedled the car out of Mom. "Special favor," I pleaded. "All the kids drive."

When the 2:50 bell rang, I threw all my books in the locker. I was free until 8:40 tomorrow morning! I ran to the parking lot, excited at the thought of driving a car and being my own boss. Free!

It doesn't matter how the accident happened. I was goofing off — going too fast. Taking crazy chances. But I was enjoying my freedom and having fun. The last thing I remember was passing an old lady who seemed to be going awfully slow. I heard the deafening crash and felt a terrible jolt. Glass and steel flew everywhere. My whole body seemed to be turning inside out. I heard myself scream.

Suddenly I awakened; it was very quiet. A police officer was standing over me. Then I saw a doctor. My body was mangled. I was saturated with blood. Pieces of jagged glass were sticking out all over. Strange that I couldn't feel anything.

Hey, don't pull that sheet over my head! I can't be dead. I'm only 17. I've got a date tonight. I'm supposed to grow up and have a wonderful life. I haven't lived yet. I can't be dead!

Later I was placed in a drawer. My folks had to identify me. Why did they have to see me like this? Why did I have to look at Mom's eyes when she faced the most terrible ordeal of her life? Dad suddenly looked like an old man. He told the man in charge, "Yes, he is my son."

The funeral was a weird experience. I saw all my relatives and friends walk toward the casket. They passed by, one by one, and looked at me with the saddest eyes I've ever seen. Some of my buddies were crying. A few of the girls touched my hand and sobbed as they walked away.

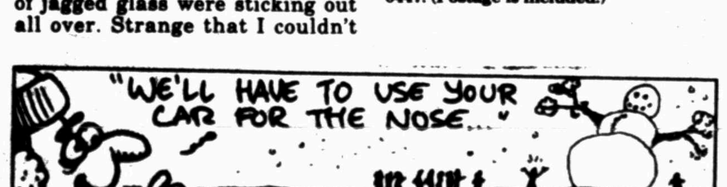
Please — somebody — wake me up! Get me out of here! I can't bear to see my mom and dad so broken up. My grandparents are so racked with grief they can hardly walk. My brothers and sisters are like zombies. They move like robots. In a daze, everybody. No one can believe this. And I can't believe it, either.

Please don't bury me! I'm not dead! I have a lot of living to do! I want to laugh and run again. I want to sing and dance. Please don't put me in the ground. I promise if you give me one more chance, God, I'll be the most careful driver in the whole world. All I want is one more chance!

Please, God, I'm only 17!

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The current record for the tallest snowman was set in 1992, when a team of 12, under the direction of Philip and Colleen Price, built a 76-feet, 2-inch high snowman in Valdez, Alaska.

Linda Tripp indicted on wiretapping charges

ELLICOTT CITY, Md. (AP) — Linda Tripp's secret recordings of phone conversations with Monica Lewinsky were meant to bring presidential misconduct to light, and she should be praised, not prosecuted, her lawyers say.

A Maryland grand jury thought otherwise, indicting Mrs. Tripp on state wiretapping charges.

The indictment, which followed a yearlong investigation, makes Mrs. Tripp the only major figure in the sex scandal to face a criminal charge. Each offense carries up to five years in prison and a $10,000 fine.

Tripp spokesman Philip Coughter called the investigation "the most disgraceful, transparent campaign of politically motivated vengeance in recent American history."

Mrs. Tripp's new attorney Stephen Kohn, who has handled numerous government whistle-blower cases, compared her to civil rights heroes who broke minor state laws to battle injustice.

He said federal law protects Mrs. Tripp as a government witness in a corruption case. Kohn said he will challenge the state's authority to bring charges because she was given immunity by Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr when she turned over the tapes.

Kohn likened the Maryland investigation to the McCarthy-era communist witch hunts and said Friday's indictment "will have a chilling effect on witnesses who have the courage to document and report official misconduct."

State Prosecutor Stephen Montanarelli, who led the grand jury investigation, said simply, "I think she broke the law."

He waved off suggestions that the case would be viewed as politically motivated. "I can't help how it will be seen. ... I think we've done our duty," he said.

Montanarelli, a Democrat appointed to his post in 1984, said he would handle the case himself.

The grand jury indicted Mrs. Tripp on one count of illegal interception, for taping a phone conversation on Dec. 22, 1997, after she was told by her lawyer that secret taping was illegal. In conversations taped that day, the two women discussed what they should say about Ms. Lewinsky's sexual relationship with Clinton in testimony they expected to have to give for Paula Jones' sexual harassment lawsuit against the president.

Mrs. Tripp also was charged with disclosing the contents of that conversation to Newsweek magazine, which published a partial transcript of a Tripp-Lewinsky phone call on Feb. 2, 1998. A spokeswoman for Newsweek, Jan Angilella, said magazine officials would not comment on the proceeding.

The White House and representatives of Ms. Lewinsky also declined to comment.

It was Mrs. Tripp's more than 20 hours of recordings that launched the independent counsel's investigation of Clinton's relationship with Ms. Lewinsky, a former White House intern.

The recordings of the two women's rambling and sometimes ribald conversations were released publicly by the House Judiciary Committee before the House voted to impeach Clinton for perjury and obstruction. He was acquitted Feb. 12 after a Senate trial.

Maryland's wiretap law, which is infrequently prosecuted, forbids taping phone conversations without the other party's consent.

Ignorance of the law is a valid defense. But Mrs. Tripp, who recorded the calls in her Columbia, Md., living room, testified for Starr's grand jury that she taped several conversations in late 1997 even after an attorney told her it was illegal.

Mrs. Tripp will be allowed to arrange a time to surrender voluntarily, her attorneys said.

Mrs. Tripp, 49, has said she began taping her friend's phone calls to protect herself because she was being pressured by Ms. Lewinsky to lie in Mrs. Jones' lawsuit against the president.

Ms. Lewinsky confided her sexual encounters with the president to Mrs. Tripp after the pair became friends while working together at the Pentagon. Ms. Lewinsky wanted Mrs. Tripp to deny knowledge of the relationship in an affidavit for Mrs. Jones' sexual harassment case.

Starr gave Ms. Lewinsky immunity from prosecution in return for her testimony against Clinton.

New York book agent Lucianne Goldberg, who testified in Starr's investigation last November, said she had urged Mrs. Tripp to start taping. Mrs. Tripp also talked with her about writing a tell-all book about her years at the White House.

Reached by phone in New York, Ms. Goldberg said, "Now she will be able to have her day in court and tell her side of the story."

Cost of JFK, Jr. search, recovery listed

BOSTON (AP) — Government officials said Friday the mission to search for John F. Kennedy's plane and recover the three bodies aboard cost the Coast Guard more than $525,000.

The Coast Guard — one of several agencies involved — had said last week its costs were $287,402 in the first two days of the search for Kennedy's Piper Saratoga II, which crashed on July 17. The effort involved patrol boats, helicopters and other aircraft stationed along the East Coast.

Over the next three days, the Coast Guard spent about $240,440.

"The president made it clear we should have done what we did — go the extra mile for a family who has suffered so much and contributed so much," U.S. Transportation Secretary Rodney E. Slater told a crowd of 150 people Friday at an award ceremony for those involved in the search.

Representatives from more than a dozen federal, state and local police and rescue agencies were on hand for the ceremony.

Coast Guard spokesman Mike Lapinski said he was angered by criticism of the mission's cost.

"During the same time as the Kennedy search we had two other search-and-rescues that actually took more resources," he said. They were an unsuccessful search for a man who fell off his boat off the coast of Puerto Rico, and the rescue of three fishermen off the coast of Hawaii.

Also on Friday, four civilian airplanes paid tribute to Kennedy by flying in a missing-man formation at the Experimental Aircraft Association fly-in and convention in Oshkosh, Wis.

"The whole show centers around aviation and that was one of the things he loved," said Heather Ray, 38, of Ontario, Canada. "He was a great guy who lived as much life as he could in a short time."

Judge OKs police ban

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Police were within their rights to deny a handgun permit for an American neo-Nazi convicted in Germany of spreading hate propaganda, a judge ruled Friday.

Lancaster County Judge Gale Pokorny rejected arguments by Gary Lauck that his German conviction could not be held against him because the material was disseminated from the United States and was protected by his right to free speech.

Pokorny upheld the permit rejection because Lauck answered "no" on the application when asked if he had been convicted "in any court" of a crime punishable by more than a year in prison.

Lauck, 46, was one of the main suppliers of anti-Semitic and racist literature and Nazi paraphernalia to German fascists for two decades. He frustrated German authorities by churning out hate material from his home in Lincoln and sending it overseas.

In 1995, he was arrested during a trip to Denmark, and he was later extradited to Germany.

There he was convicted of inciting racial hatred and distributing pro-Hitler and anti-Jewish propaganda in violation of the German Constitution. Lauck spent about four years in prison and was deported by Germany this year.

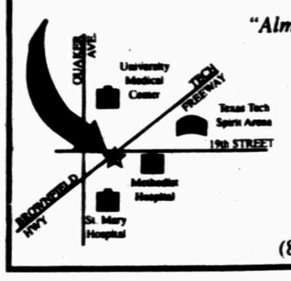
Pokorny suggested Lauck apply to the U.S. Treasury Department for an exemption to allow him to get a gun permit despite his conviction.

Matt LeMieux, head of the Nebraska chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, said he would appeal.

Lauck, who describes himself as a "free speech advocate, publisher and mail-order consultant," has said he was using the gun permit issue to get the government to admit it sees him as a criminal, even though he has not violated American laws.

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Saturday, July 31, 1999

Today is the 212th day of 1999 and the 41st day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1485, Sir Thomas Malory published "Le Morte D'Arthur," a retelling of stories about King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table.

On this day in 1970, Chet Huntley retired from NBC's "Nightly News" show.

On this day in 1991, Soviet president Mikhail Gorbachev and U.S. president George Bush signed the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty with pens made from metal from nuclear missiles that were destroyed under a 1987 treaty.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Milton Friedman (1912-), economist, is 87; Whitney Young (1921-1971), U.S. civil-rights leader; Curt Gowdy (1919-), sportscaster, is 80; William J. Bennett (1943-), U.S. government official, is 56; Geraldine Chaplin (1944-), actress, is 55; Evonne Goolagong Cawley (1951-), tennis great, is 48.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1990, Nolan Ryan became the 20th pitcher in major-league history to win 300 games, as the Texas Rangers defeated the Milwaukee Brewers 11-3.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "There's no such thing as a free lunch." — Milton Friedman

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (July 28) and last quarter (Aug. 4).

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Sunday, August 1, 1999

Today is the 213th day of 1999 and the 42nd day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1774, British scientist Joseph Priestley discovered oxygen.

On this day in 1960, Chubby Checker released his hit song "The Twist."

On this day in 1981, the music-television channel MTV made its debut.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: William Clark (1770-1838), U.S. explorer; Francis Scott Key (1779-1843), poet; Richard Henry Dana (1815-1882), writer; Herman Melville (1819-1891), writer; Al D'Amato (1937-), U.S. Senator, is 62; Jerry Garcia (1942-1995), musician; Gregg Jefferies (1967-), baseball player, is 32.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1986, Minnesota's Bert Blyleven pitched his 3,000th major-league strikeout, as the Twins beat Oakland 10-1.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "In a calm sea every man is a pilot." — English proverb

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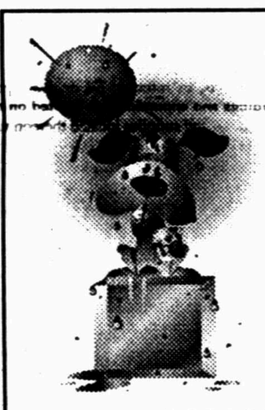
Pictured from left Harry Hoyt, RPh, Pharmacy Director, Sharon Rollins, Toni Callahan, Elizabeth DeLoera, Certified Pharmacy Techs.

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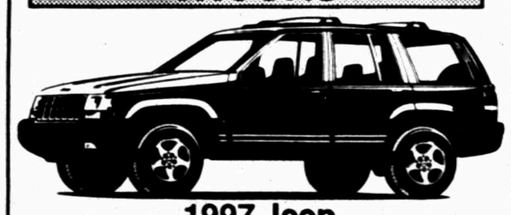
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Spacecraft in search of water on moon

WASHINGTON (AP) — Powerful telescopes on Earth and in space were focused on the south pole of the moon Saturday, trying to catch glimpses of water vapor sprayed into space by the crash of the Lunar Prospector spacecraft.

The 354-pound spacecraft was to complete its highly successful voyage of discovery at 5:52 a.m. EDT Saturday by smashing into a shadowed crater that scientists believe may contain frozen water.

Experts calculated that the spacecraft — hurtling at 3,800 mph — would explode against the moon with enough force to send a plume of dust and vapor spiraling into the lunar sky. Telescopes watching from Earth and orbit are to search that plume for the chemical signature of water.

Lunar Prospector was launched Jan. 6, 1998, and spent 18 months circling the moon. It completed more than 6,800 orbits, dipping to within 6.2 miles, as its five instruments analyzed the moon's chemistry, gravity and magnetic fields. Findings from one of the instruments led to the plan to crash the spacecraft into the surface.

In readings over the lunar poles, the instrument detected the chemical signature of hydrogen, a finding that to scientists suggests the presence of water. By some estimates, there could be as much as 200 million metric tons of water mixed in the top 18 inches of lunar soil near the poles.

Only a fraction of that — about 100 pounds — may be vaporized by the spacecraft crash, experts believe. But that would be enough to prove the presence of water.

David Goldstein of the University of Texas developed the idea of testing for the presence of water by crashing the spent Lunar Prospector into a frozen crater. Project scientists quickly approved the proposal, but most admitted the chance of a total success is low.

"It is really a tricky maneuver," said David Folta, head of the NASA team controlling the guidance of Lunar Prospector.

It's like trying to hit a pie pan at home plate with a baseball thrown from second base at more than 100 miles an hour, Folta said.

The plan was for the spacecraft to fire rockets to slow down and start a speedy dive toward a crater. After coming in at a very low angle, it was to clear a half-mile-high rim by about one-half mile, then crash into the 21/2-mile-deep crater.

Experts calculated that the spacecraft's crash would release energy equal to that of crashing a two-ton car at more than 1,100 miles an hour.

Plans called for Lunar Prospector to fire its rockets for a final time while over the back side of the moon, out of touch with the ground. Folta said an automatic timer would trigger the rockets, following instructions sent to the craft's onboard memory. A crash into the target crater would occur before the craft could restore radio contact with Earth.

"If the rocket burn goes as planned, we'll never see it again," Folta said.

Alan Binder, the principal scientist for the Lunar Prospector mission, said the crash is a fitting end for the little spacecraft.

House, Senate GOP prepare to battle Clinton over tax cut

WASHINGTON (AP) — House and Senate Republicans are moving quickly to join forces for the coming battle against the White House over the size and scope of the tax cut they hope to present to the American people in the next decade.

The Senate on Friday approved a $792 billion tax plan that mirrors an earlier House-passed bill in size but differs in the kinds of tax relief included.

The vote was 57-43, mostly along party lines.

President Clinton has said repeatedly he would veto the GOP plans because they are three times what he thinks the economy can safely digest amid efforts to ensure the solvency of Social Security and Medicare and pay down the national debt.

"The Senate made the wrong choice for America's future," Clinton said in a statement Friday. "By pushing through a tax plan that is too big and too bloated, the majority party has pushed aside our vital national priorities."

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said congressional tax specialists would begin talks as early as today, and that a House-Senate conference could be held early next week to pave the way for final passage of a compromise plan at week's end.

There is some urgency because Congress recesses at the end of the week for its month-long summer vacation. But Lott indicated the final bill would not be sent to the president until Congress returns in September, avoiding a veto while lawmakers are away from Washington and giving them a chance to make their case to voters.

Obituaries

Marie Mills

1944-1999

Funeral service for Marie Fay Mills, 55, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Dan Crawford of Victory Baptist Church will officiate. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery.

Mrs. Mills died Friday, July 30, at her home in Snyder following a lengthy illness.

Born Jan. 16, 1944 in Sherry, Tex., she married James E. Mills on Aug. 9, 1968 in Lubbock.

She was homemaker and a member of the Victory Baptist Church.

Mrs. Mills was preceded in death by two brothers.

Survivors include her husband, James E. Mills of Snyder; a son, Christopher Mills of Snyder; two daughters, Shawnna Marie Mills of Brownfield and Yvonne Renee Breshers of Austin; four sisters, Enzalee Blalock of Mt. Pleasant, Wanda Burrow of Clarendon, Winnie Lynch of Lubbock and Linnie Pitchford of Snyder; a brother, R.J. Winkle of Alba, Tex.; and many cousins, nephews and nieces.

Chris Morris

1916-1999

CONROE — Private services are being held for Chris Morris, 83, former Snyder resident, who died July 24.

Mr. Morris lived in Snyder from 1952 until 1964. He retired from Texaco in 1979, after 36 years.

He is survived by his friend and wife of 63 years Juanita; one son, and daughter-in-law, Mike and Candy Morris of El Paso; two grandchildren, Tonja Goodwine and husband Ron of Houston; Shawn Morris amd wife Brandy of Richmond; and their mother Jacque Richter of Katy; and two great-grandchildren, Zach Goodwine and Taylor Goodwine, both of Houston.

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DISMISSALS: Beneta Lopez, David Guyman, K.J. Knollenberg.

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Chamber approves funding for upcoming annual banquet

The Snyder Chamber of Commerce board on Friday approved a hotel/motel request for $3,000 in connection with the upcoming chamber banquet.

The funds will be used for advertisement, promotion, decorations and other expenses.

The annual chamber banquet is set for 6:30 p.m. Aug. 31 in the Scurry County Coliseum.

A luau theme is being planned complete with an active volcano to be made by Jerry Worsham and his students and a blue lagoon to be designed by Jim Shearer.

Dress for the event will be casual. Fowler said she was encouraging folks to wear "Hawaiian or beachcomber attire."

Tickets are $12.50 for adults and $6.50 for children and are on sale now at the chamber.

Deadline to purchase tickets is 4 p.m. Aug. 27.

Companies may reserve tables on a first come, first serve basis.

Special guest and featured speaker will be Speaker of the House Pete Laney of Hale Center.

U.S. Sen. Charlie Stenholm, State Rep. David Counts and State Sen. Tom Haywood are also planning to attend.

The menu selection will be teriyaki chicken and beef kabob on a bed of rice pilaf, choice of vegetable, tossed salad, hot rolls and a tropical dessert.

Awards to be presented that evening include the Chamber's Choice Award, Sizemore Award, Winston Award, McLaughlin Award, Educational Excellence Career Achievement Award and Vestal Award.

Business of the Year will also be named.

In other business, the board also approved the financial statements and the minutes from the previous meeting.

Other upcoming events include the Canyon Gun Club Show Aug. 7-8, American Championship Wrestling Aug. 22, Scurry County Fair Sept. 16-18, Y2K Townhall Meeting Sept. 28, Jordan Circus, Sept. 29 and White Buffalo Days Oct. 1-2.

Trent Driggers presided and board members present included Keith Hackfeld, Darren Jackson, Jack Whitworth, Elois Pruitt and Michael Rodriguez. Mark Cypert was not present but did cast his vote prior to the meeting.

Dr. Missy Jones and Helen McLeod were absent.

3 subjects taken into custody

Three subjects were taken into custody Friday and early Saturday.

Deputies arrested a 19-year-old male at 9:34 a.m. in the 2700 block of CR 326 for misdemeanor theft by check out of Nolan County.

At 12:51 a.m. Saturday, Department of Public Safety troopers took a 20-year-old male into custody on U.S. Hwy 84 at milepost 406 for driving while license suspended.

A 30-year-old male was arrested at 1:58 a.m. Saturday in the 200 block of Ash for public intoxication.

Officers filed an offense report for Class B theft at 10:20 a.m. Friday at Cogdell Memorial Hospital in reference to someone stealing Misty West's cellular phone off her desk.

Robert Holden reported at 5:23 p.m. that someone had stolen his bicycle from Wal-Mart. An offense report for Class B theft was submitted.

Snyder Fire Department responded to a storage building fire at 3765 Dalton at 6:51 p.m. The 15x20 building is owned by Britt Canada.

Fire officials said half of the building was burned. Damage, which included heat and water, was moderate. Cause of the blaze is under investigation.

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Sunday lunch fundraiser

Martha Ann Woman's Club will host a fundraising luncheon from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are $8.50 for adults and $4 for children under 10.

Grand jury

The Scurry County grand jury will consider 10 felony cases when it convenes at 9 a.m. Monday in 132nd District Court.

37th Street VBS

Vacation Bible School at 37th Street Church of Christ will be held at 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. Classes will be held for kindergarten through adult. The public is invited.

Joy School

Joy School at East Side Church of Christ is now state licensed and will be open five days a week. The school is for ages 18 months to pre-kindergarten and begins Aug. 11. Parents may choose days wanted. Call 573-3554 for 575-1138 for more information.

Sonshine School

Registration for Sonshine School at 37th Street Church of Christ is being held for pre-school through age five. For more information call the church office at 573-0154 or Lora Lord at 573-1700.

King's Kids registration

First Baptist Church is currently registering for King's Kids, ages 1-5, and for Mothers' Day Out, six months to five years old. Call 573-2631 for more information.

Limited space available

Children's Day Out, a Tuesday-Thursday child care program at First United Methodist Church, has limited spaces available for two and three year olds. School Begins Aug. 11. Call 573-4770 for more information.

Rock and Roll quilting club

The quilting club meets every Monday from 8 a.m. until noon at Hermleigh Community Center for free quilting lessons. Everyone is invited. Call 863-2426 for more information.

Seniors swimnastics

Swimnastics for senior citizens is held from 10 to 11 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays at Western Texas College.

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air weekly on cable TV channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 p.m. Monday are "How the Gospel Addresses Sin," followed by "Thoughts About Heaven."

Guest speaker

Janice Wagner, RN, will speak on depression and withdrawn behavior in the elderly at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Snyder Oaks Care Center. The public is invited and there is no charge.

Social Security rep in Snyder

Representatives of the Social Security Administration will be in Snyder Tuesday, Aug. 10 at the Senior Citizens Center, 2603 Ave. M.

Support groups

Four different support groups meet at 6:30 the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church. The groups include divorce recovery, cancer support group, grief support and adult children caring for aging parents. Child care is provided.

Garage sale items needed

Lighthouse Assembly of God, 1900 Trinity Blvd., is accepting items for their garage sale to benefit the church building fund. Furniture, clothes, appliances and other items are appreciated. Call 573-5124 or 573-2947 for pickup.

Road to Recovery program

Volunteers are needed to take patients to Abilene or Lubbock one day a week for cancer treatment. Following approval American Cancer Society, drivers will be provided liability insurance and can be reimbursed for fuel expenses incurred for the trip. For more information, contact ASC Road to Recovery volunteer coordinator Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 and leave a message, or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993.

Pick 3

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

0-5-6

(zero, five, six)

Texas Million

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Million numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:

33-39-77-89

(thirty-three, thirty-nine, seventy-seven, eighty-nine)

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:

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(seven, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-four, thirty-six)

Certified tax values expected on Monday says appraiser

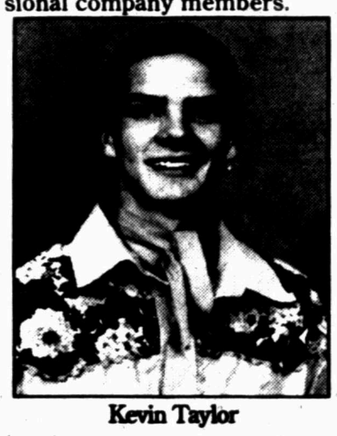
Scurry County Chief Appraiser Larry Crooks said Friday that his office hopes to have certified tax values ready by Monday.

"What we are trying to do now is get all the values together for the various districts," Crooks said Friday. "We will get all the figures to match and balance then certify the total values for all taxing entities."

Problems with a new computer system prevented the office from having the figures finished Friday, he said.

Kevin Taylor enjoys role in musical drama

Kevin Michael Taylor of Amarillo, formerly of Snyder, brightens the Pioneer Amphitheatre in the spirit of "Texas" with 140 other professional company members.



Kevin Taylor

He is contributing his talents to the 1999 season of "Texas," an outdoor musical set in the aesthetic Palo Duro Canyon near Amarillo. "Texas" has played too and international audience since 1966.

Kevin is appearing in "Texas" for the first time this summer. He attended Snyder High School where he studied under Jerry Worsham. He had roles in "The Tempest," "Ondine," and "MacBeth."

He also studied with Judy Haines, local dance instructor, and danced in "Two Faces of Dance," and "On My Way."

He is transferring to Randall High School and will also perform with the Lone Star Ballet Company of Amarillo.

He will be working with Neil Hess who directs "Texas," the Lone Star Ballet, and he is the head of the music and drama department at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

Kevin's 1998 summer studies were at Boston University, where he performed in the "Grapes of Wrath."

Kevin is the son of Mike and Noreen Taylor. Mike has already moved to Amarillo and Noreen will be joining him. Friday was her last day at Scurry County Librarian.

"Texas", a drama written by the Pulitzer Prize winning author Paul Green, is a tale of the early settlers of Texas who contributed to the wonderment for the future of the land. "Texas" invites audiences into an exciting world of discovery. Pioneers battle for its possession, but ultimately friendships and teamwork unite the land and set in motion its imminent growth.

The stage of "Texas" is enhanced by the landscape of Palo Duro Canyon with its stratified rock and verdant vegetation, native to the Texas Panhandle. This attractive setting creates the perfect backdrop for the tale, as it is a reminder of the land for which

See Taylor, Page 4B

Presley attends Threshold classes

ABILENE — Snyder resident Josi Presley participated in Threshold, a camp for gifted and talented children held recently at Hardin-Simmons University.

The theme for this year's camp was "challenges." The program allows students entering kindergarten through the fifth grade the opportunity to focus on the changes in the world around them, while students in grades sixth through 10th attend sessions in five fields — physics, journalism, Internet, oceanography and a seminar on solving medical problems.

Threshold was initiated by Dr. Bertie Kingore, HSU's former head of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, and after a one-year hiatus was reinstated and directed by Mary Christopher, instructor in elementary and gifted education at the university.

12 new faces join SISD ranks

Snyder Independent School District has 12 new staffers for the 1999-2000 school year.

These include Mike Carter, director of maintenance and transportation; Sam Tipton, head girls basketball coach and girls athletic director; Joe Green, special education teacher for emotionally disturbed; Betty Johansen, chemistry.

Others are Darrin Duzan, high school industrial technology; Kimberly Anderson, elementary counselor; Kathy Conring, elementary counselor; Jerry Conring, ag science; Janelle Jones, vocational/special education counselor at high school; Pedro (Pete) Lopez, high school Spanish and ESL; Chad Rogers, high school physical science and coach; Wendy Hunter, special education reading specialist at Stanfield.

The district still lacks a high school and junior high school coach.

Mike Carter earned a bachelor of science degree in journalism and history at San Angelo State University in 1970. He worked for Big Country Cooperative (formerly Midwest Electric) from 1984 to the present. He was employed at Central Tire and Automotive from 1980-1984. Prior to that, he worked for AAA Wholesale Inc.; was the director of roads and grounds at San Angelo ISD and hardware department manager for Sears, Roebuck & Company.

Sam Tipton received a B.S. in secondary education at West Texas State University (now West Texas A&M) in 1974. Previously, he earned a B.A. in elementary education from Baptist Christian College in 1970.

At Frenship ISD, Tipton served as the girls coordinator and head girls basketball coach from 1986-1999. He also held several coaching positions during the 1970s including San Marcos ISD, River Road ISD, Sunray ISD, Texline ISD and Millsap ISD.

Joe Green earned a B.A. in 1989 from Angelo State University. He has taught special education/self contained & emotionally disturbed, LD, MR, and Autistic students at Wichita Falls ISD, special education/MD & LD, Ingram ISD; and history, reading, creative writing at Leakey ISD.

Betty Johansen is currently enrolled in an Alternative Certification program (TCP) at Region 18 Education Service Center. She earned a B.A. in zoology in 1972.

Darrin Duzan graduated from Abilene Christian University with a B.S.in industrial technology in 1987. Until recently, he was employed by Denver City ISD.

Kimberly Anderson will receive her masters in counseling from Abilene Christian University in August. She earned a generic special education certification at Texas Tech University in 1992. She received a B.S. from Texas Tech in home economics in 1980.

From 1996 to present she was an elementary counselor at Colorado ISD. She also served as the special education teacher at CISD from 1991-1996. She was also the CEI reading lab coordinator and the TAAS skills instructor at Colorado City as well.

Kathy Conring earned degrees at Texas Tech University and Abilene Christian University in 1991 and 1995, respectively. She received her B.S. in education at Tech and masters in counseling from ACU.

Previous experience includes Cisco Elementary counselor from 1996-1999; Cisco kindergarten teacher from 1992-1996, and pre-k and kindergarten instructor at Moran Elementary in 1992.

Jerry Conring completed student teaching at Cross Plains this spring. He received a B.S. in ag development from Tarleton State University in 1996 and a masters in ag education in 1998, also from Tarleton.

Janelle Jones has received two degrees from Texas Tech University, a B.S. in ag communication in 1992; a masters in ag education in 1993. She is also on track to receive his counseling in education degree in December. She taught ag science at Tech from 1996-1999. Previously, she taught ag science at Lee High School in Midland from 1994-1996. She also served as a Texas Tech graduate assistant from 1993-1994.

Pete Lopez received a B.S. in multi-disciplinary studies II in 1994 with a specialization in bilingual education at McMurry University. He taught at Abilene ISD from 1994-1997.

Chad Rogers earned a B.S. in education in 1990 from New Mexico State University. Teaching fields include social studies and general sciences. He earned a masters in education in 1993 from New Mexico State University. He served as coach/science teacher at Mayfield High School in Las Cruces, N.M., including head boys track coach from 1991 to 1999.

Wendy Hunter was a full-time substitute at Snyder ISD for 1998-1999. She earned a B.S. in elementary education, with reading specialization at Abilene Christian University in 1998.

Jackie Hackfeld will appear at conference

Singer evangelist Jim Fullingim will host a Bible conference to be held Aug. 12-14 at the Holiday Inn Civic Center in Lubbock.

Jack R. Taylor, noted conference speaker and evangelist, will join Fullinghim, as well as celebrated gospel singer Johnny Ray Watson.

Gary and Judy Jones of Lamesa, popular rodeo music ministers, will lead the praise service for each of the conference sessions.

Jackie Hackfeld of Snyder, rising star of local country-gospel music, will provide special music.

Of special interest will be the appearance of "Chaplain Johnny," once a drug-addicted denizen of the streets, and now a prison chaplain at Gatesville complex of women's prisons.

A highlight of the conference will be its opening with a Pastors' Luncheon at noon on Aug. 12. Pastors of churches of all denominations and their spouses are invited to this complimentary event. Jack Taylor will speak on the topic, "Pastor, System Man or Kingdom Man."

Fullingim's Kingdom Living Conference will begin at 7 p.m. Aug. 12. General sessions will be at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Aug. 13. On Aug. 14, a general session begins at 10 a.m. and will be followed by a luncheon at noon approximately after which the conference will conclude.

Jack Taylor has long been a best-selling author of Christian books, and is an internationally known conference speaker.

Johnny Ray Watson is a native of Lorenzo. He has traveled as a gospel singer and music minister throughout the nation, and has appeared several times with the Billy Graham Crusades.

Gary and Judy Jones are well-known for their music ministry along the "rodeo churches" and camp meetings in the West Texas area.

Jackie Hackfeld has been known for her part-time career as a gifted gospel singer for some years in and around the Snyder area.

She and her husband Keith are the owners of Hackfeld's in Snyder, formerly Bar H Bar.

Jackie has recently launched into a new phase of her gospel-singing career and, has recorded a new album of country-gospel songs and provides special music at churches and for various meetings.

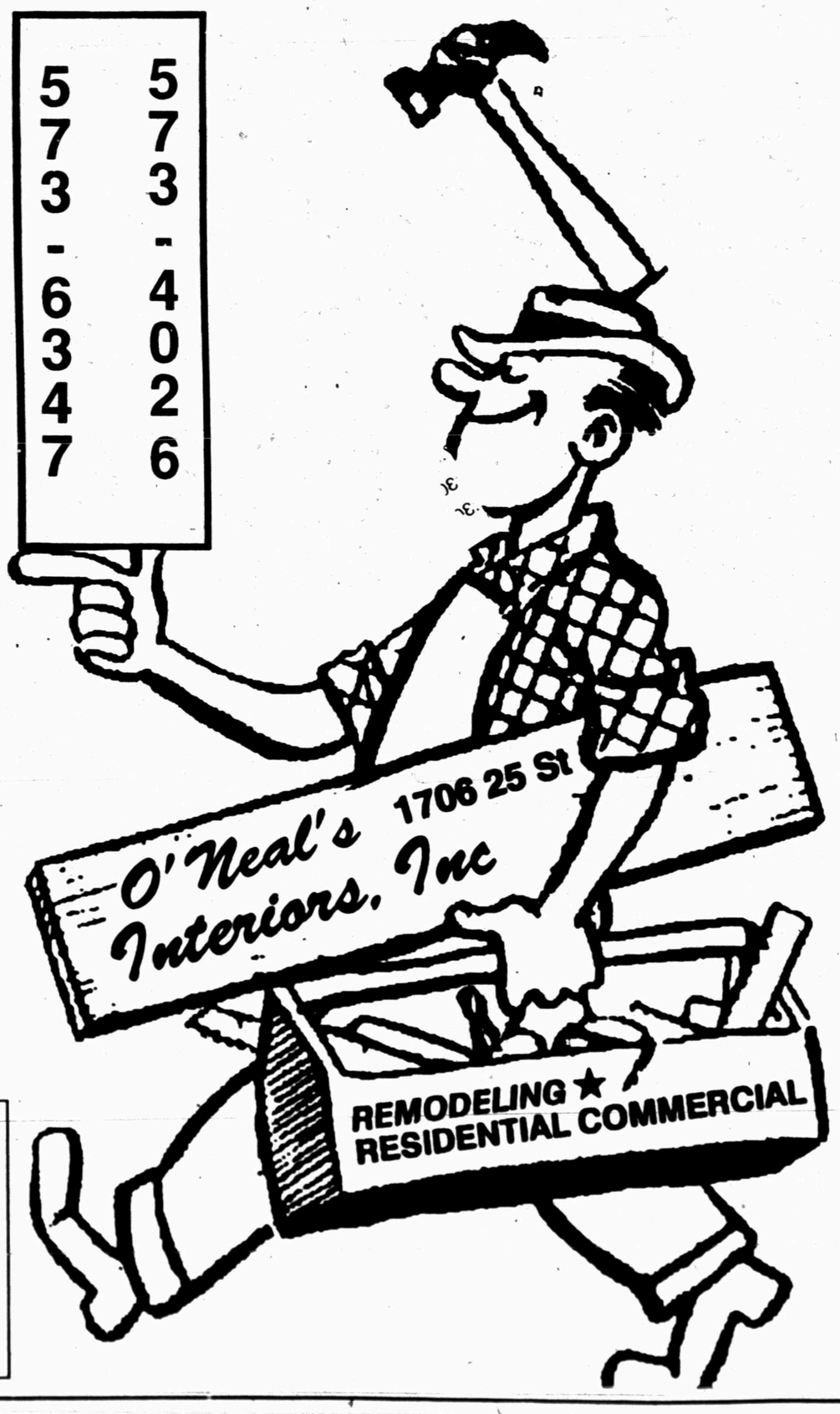
A special guest of the conference will be venerable cowboy/singer/songwriter John Gaither.

Jim Fullinghim has been known as a singer/evangelist for many years, ministering at churches of all denominations.

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Belo buying newspaper

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (AP) — Texas-based A.H. Belo Corp. is buying the Hemet News and will turn the 105-year-old daily into a section of The Press-Enterprise of Riverside.

The deal announced Thursday also includes The Valley Times of Moreno Valley, which will continue as a separate weekly publication.

The Hemet News and Valley Times were owned by a partnership of William Dean Singleton's Denver-based MediaNews Group Inc. and Arkansas-based Donrey Media Group. The purchase price was not disclosed.

Beginning Tuesday, the supplement will be delivered six days a week to subscribers of both The Press-Enterprise and The Hemet News.

The Hemet News has circulation of 11,600 daily and 12,249 Sunday, according to the Audit Bureau of Circulations. The Press-Enterprise, total circulation 166,418, sells 22,757 copies of its Hemet-San Jacinto edition.

"Putting the two together, the result will be more local news for readers," said Marcia McQuern, president of The Press-Enterprise Co.



OCTOBER WEDDING PLANS — Mr. and Mrs. Les Ready III of Austin, and Ms. Donna Ready of Austin announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Jean Ready, to James Bryan Vincent, son of James Vincent of Snyder, and the late Lawanna Vincent. The couple is planning an Oct. 15 wedding in Austin. (Contributed Photo)

Arizona pair adopts 10 kids

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — Van and Shirley Hughes have soothed the pangs of empty-nest syndrome in a big, big way.

The couple, both 52, have adopted 10 brothers and sisters who range in age from 4 to 17.

"I'm happy, I'm grateful," said Frank, their new 17-year-old son. He called the Hugheses "angels from above."

The Hughes family expansion, finalized by a court commissioner on Thursday, is believed to be one of the nation's largest sibling group adoptions.

"Everybody thinks we're crazy, but the pros outweigh the cons," Mrs. Hughes said. "The children are the best things in my life. They're more blessings than trials."

Police found the children in April 1995 in a trash-strewn house in downtown Phoenix, living among rodents and fending for themselves after their mother abandoned them.

About that time, with their own two sons having moved out and married, the Hugheses decided to become foster parents.

In June, 3-year-old Maria arrived at their home. Twelve days later, Arizona child welfare workers asked the couple to take 5-year-old Enrique and his 6-year-old brother, Juan.

Two more siblings — 3-year-old Veronica and 2-year-old Donicio — came in January 1997.

The five older children regularly visited their siblings, and in June 1997, caseworkers asked the Hugheses if they wanted to take them all.

"My head told me 'no,' but my heart told me 'yes,'" said Hughes, who took early retirement from the Navy as a prerequisite for the mass adoption. "They're brothers and sisters, and they belong together."

To make room, the couple converted a garage and dining room to transform their home into one with six bedrooms, three bathrooms and 11 TVs. They receive $6,600 a month in state aid for the children, and Hughes works as a night watchman to help cover the family's $1,500 monthly grocery bills.

Gov. Jane Hull lauded them for "providing a new world full of love, support and safety."

Hughes said the 10 children are thriving, with many of them straight-A students and excelling in sports.

"You should see us at Christmas," he said. "It takes four hours to open presents, and that's just for the children. But you can't buy what we give to them, and we can't buy what they give to us."



Gina Fuentez

Gina Fuentez celebrates 15th year with quinceanera

Georgiana Carisa Fuentez, daughter of George A. and Patsy Fuentez, participated in a quinceanera on July 17 in the WTC Student Center. Pastor Rosalio Hill directed the occasion. The brother of Christopher Fuentez, a sophomore at Snyder High School, Miss Fuentez was escorted by Jacob Anthony Gamez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Osiel Gamez Sr. of San Angelo.

The "Royal Quinceanera, honoring Miss Fuentez on her 15th birthday, included a noon service, a reception with entertainment by Mariachi Los Guilanes, and a dance.

During the service Miss Fuentez expressed her feeling before God upon becoming a young lady and she thanked God for her past and her future guidance.

Lights of Life candle lighters were her grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Hilario Fuentez and music director was Mary Ann Juarez.

The court of honor included ladies Valarie Hernandez,, Adrianna Hermosillo, Brook Williams, Stephanie Molina, Monique Salinas, Chrissy Hernandez, Blanca Hernandez, Zipporah Peoples, Toni Martinez, Amanda Castillo, Melina Campos, Kristin Casas, Frankie Briseno and Ambre Trusty.

Other attendants were Joshua Ortegon, Johnny Alaniz, Brady Cobb, Isaac Flores, Josh Montoya, Tito Alaniz, Tori Peoples, Carlos Martinez, Kenny Alcala, Calib Constancio, Marcus Barboza and Luis Guzman.

A dance in her honor was held at the Scurry County Coliseum with music provided by Mr. Music Man Joe Hernandez.

Photographs were made by Tom Gonzales at Mr. Gees.

Out-of-town guests were from Brownfield, Corpus Christi, Kent, Lubbock, Midland, Odom, Post, Roscoe, San Angelo, San Antonio and Sweetwater.



MARTIN, GRAVES ENGAGED — Alicia Anne Martin and David Eugene Graves, both of Snyder, are planning a 6 p.m., Aug. 28 marriage ceremony in the Victory Baptist Church. The prospective bridegroom's parents are the Rev. David and Mary Graves of Post. The future bride's parents are David and Judi Martin of Snyder. (Contributed Photo)

Telescope may have found frozen seas of hydrocarbons

WAIMEA, Hawaii (AP) — A telescope atop Mauna Kea has detected what could be the only seas in the solar system other than those on Earth.

The Keck telescope may have found frozen seas of hydrocarbons on Titan, Saturn's largest moon.

Astronomers from the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and the University of California at Los Angeles and Berkeley speculate that the dark regions detected by the telescope could be seas of liquid hydrocarbons like methane and ethane.

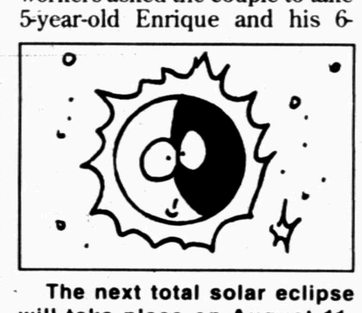
The astronomers' findings will appear in this month's issue of the planetary science journal Icarus.

"This would make, besides the Earth, the first known object in our solar system that actually has a liquid lake, pond, puddle or what not," Keck spokesman Andrew Perala said.

Scientists say the dark areas also might be organic matter.

Titan is the only object in the solar system with a nitrogen-rich atmosphere like Earth's. But its distance from the sun keeps surface temperature at minus 290 degrees Fahrenheit.

NASA and the European Space Agency are planning to land a probe on Titan in 2004.



The next total solar eclipse will take place on August 11, 1999.

Bridal Registry

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Haley Boaz and Steven Ratliff
Emily Everhart and Mat Powell
Jodi White and Chris Boone
Paige Gayle and Erik Martin
Sharika Wofford and Chris Bryant
Janell Johnson and Thad Davis
Joanna Funtez and Cory Stone

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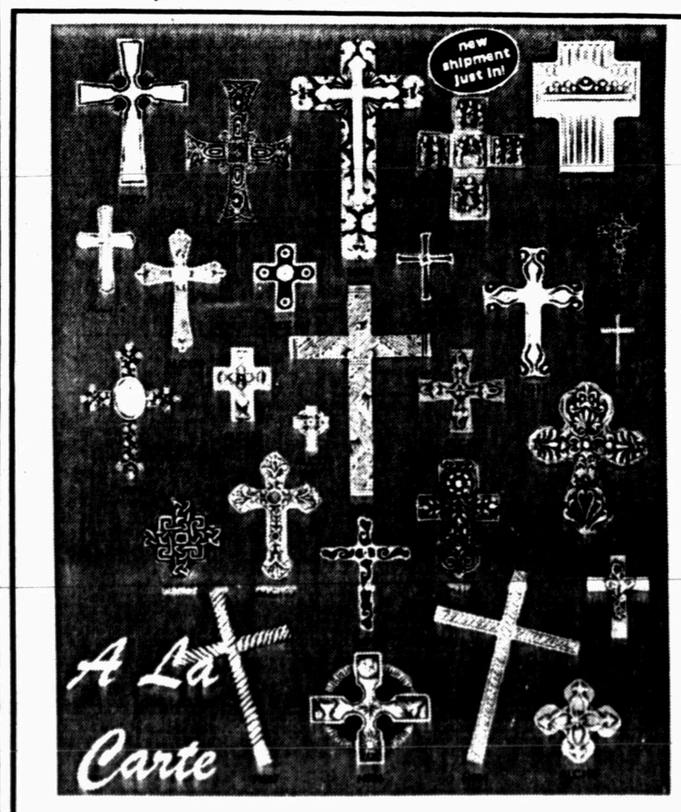
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GOLDEN TERRACE Village Resident of the Month

Mrs. Doty



Mrs. Doty was raised in Bosque County, Texas. She moved to Scurry County in 1985 into Golden Terrace Village Apartments. She has four (4) living children. 2 sons live in Snyder, 1 son lives 7 miles West of Snyder, and 1 daughter lives in Joshua, Texas. She has 14 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren. She enjoys handwork and working outside with her flowers.

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Resident received bouquet donated by Countryplace Floral & Gift Shop



BRIDAL SHOWER — Emily Everhart, bride-elect of Mat Powell, was given a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Sherry Patterson. The couple is to wed at 2 p.m. on Sept. 18 in the Sweetwater First Baptist Church. Shown from left are Sheri Sandefur, cousin of the prospective groom Lubbock; Debby Sandefur, his aunt from Hermleigh; Kelley Poehls, his second cousin from Crowell; Terrie Powell, his mother; the honoree from Austin; Linda Everhart, her mother from Sweetwater, and Betty McLennan, his grandmother from Lueders. (Contributed Photo)



ANNOUNCING ENGAGEMENT— Travis and Camille Beinhauer of Arlington announce the engagement of their daughter, Natalie Nicole, to Michael Parker McDonald of Fort Worth. His is the son of Michael McDonald of Aledo and Shannon Parker of Glen Rose. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Beinhauer of Hermleigh. The wedding is set for 7 p.m., Sept. 25 at Broadway Baptist Church in Fort Worth. (Contributed Photo)

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Rock & Roll Quilting Club; free quilt lessons every Monday from 8 a.m. to noon; Hermleigh Community Center; everyone is invited and those interested may call Maggie Barnes at 863-2426.

Al-Anon Snyder Park Club; noon.

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

Defensive Driving Course set Monday and Tuesday evenings at 6 to 9; community room of Texas Savings Bank, 27th & College Ave.; no reservations are needed and for more information call 573-2850.

Just For Today NA, closed meeting; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 6 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 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

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

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers; Trinity United Methodist Church, 5200 Trinity Blvd.; for more information call for Nathalie at 573-0015; 5 p.m. weigh-in.

Plainview Family Community Education Club (FCE); 2 p.m.

Snyder Shrine Club; call 863-2702 for meeting place; 6 p.m.

Just for Today NA, closed meeting; for information call 573-0949. 573-4238 pr 573-8010; 6 p.m.

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

Snyder Fire Dept. Auxiliary; Central Fire Station; 7 p.m.

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

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

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th 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.

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-4203, 573-8018 p.m.

THURSDAY

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

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; horseshoe courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 7 p.m.

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

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; patriotic program, Masonic Hall; 1912 35th Street; 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; senior Citizens Center; 9;30 to 11 a.m.

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

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-9742.

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

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night at 6:30.

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

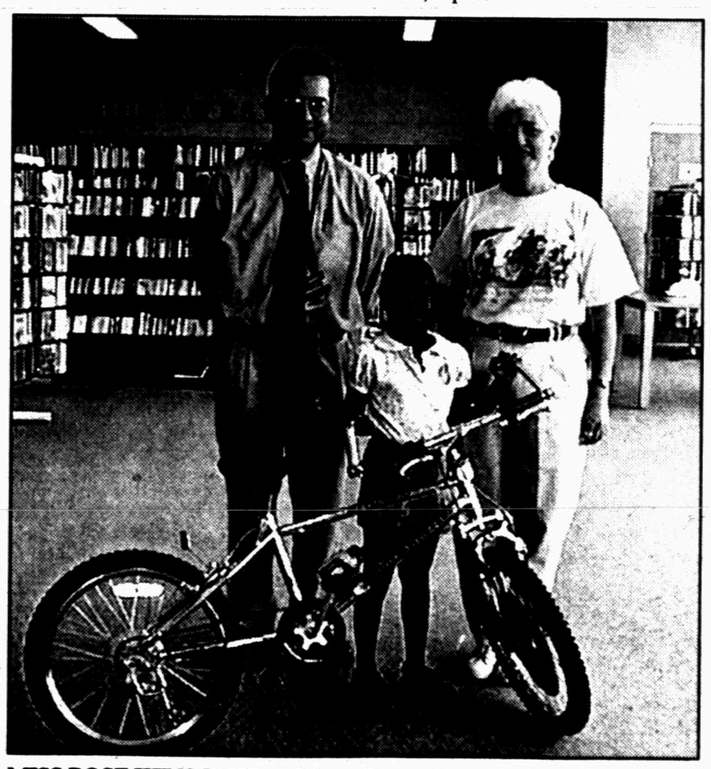
SATURDAY

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 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 10 a.m. p.m.

Just For Today closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 5 p.m.



MISS ROSE WINS BIKE — Briana Rose, 6, won the bicycle at a drawing on the final day of Scurry County Library Reading Program. Wal-Mart donated the bicycle and Briana is pictured with the store manager, Charles Alvarez. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Laura begins campaigning for husband in Iowa town

AMES, Iowa (AP) — Laura Bush opened her first solo campaign swing on her husband's behalf with a not-so-subtle dig at President Clinton, saying George W. Bush would not embarrass America if he made it to the White House.

"I think Americans want somebody who they do trust, someone who they feel like won't embarrass them but instead will make them proud," Mrs. Bush said on the first of two days of campaigning in the state. Iowa will have a crucial Republican straw poll next month and the first caucus of the election season early next year.

Mrs. Bush didn't mention the president by name but said character would be the central issue of her visit. The former teacher flew in from a family vacation in Maine to talk about her husband, to urge activists to participate in the Aug. 14 straw poll and to read to second-grade students.

"Governor Bush has represented Texas with dignity and honor," she said. "I'd love to see him do the same thing for our nation in its highest office."

She added that she felt "blessed" to be married to "a man of strong conviction and strong faith who keeps his word and loves his family."

In an interview with The Associated Press, Mrs. Bush said that while she enjoys campaigning, she would push for "the opportunity to have private family life," especially when it comes to the Bushes' 17-year-old twin daughters.

The candidate and his wife have both said their daughters are off-limits to reporters, in much the same way that the Clintons have shielded daughter Chelsea from the media for much of their time in the White House.

Mrs. Bush received a generally warm reception during her first stops.

"She's going to be the first lady," predicted Jerry Litzel, who showed up to hear her speak.

"I like what I heard," added Teresa Garman of Ames.

Snyder Duplicate bridge scoreboard

FRIDAY

July 23

Jane Hinton directed at the Snyder Country Club.

1. Mary Bast, Johnye Van Dever.
2. Ann Davis, Anita Talbot.
3. Jane Hinton, Maribeth Vestal.
4. Louise Thompson, Barbara Yorgesen.

SUNDAY

July 25

Jane Hinton directed.

1. Dot Casey, Louise Thompson.
2. Nona Morrison, Barbara Yorgesen.
3. Margaret Birdwell, Jane Hinton.

TUESDAY

July 27

Dot Casey directed.

1. Barbara Yorgesen, Anita Talbot.
2. Margaret Birdwell, Dorothy Rosson.
3. J.O. Morrison, Dot Casey.
4. Nona Morrison, Maribeth Vestal.

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SISD counselors play vital role in 1999-2000

Counseling is a vital part of Snyder ISD's curriculum.

High school counselors Charlene Light, Debbie Phillips and Janell Jones, SJHS counselor Sylvia Sapsky, and elementary counselors Ashly Pitner, Kim Anderson and Kathy Conring will be on hand to assist Snyder ISD students for the 1999-2000 school year. Anderson and Conring are new to the elementary campuses of Snyder ISD.

These professionals provide a multitude of support services throughout the students' school years.

At the high school level, Light and Phillips are immersed in the students' total program, beginning with developing the master schedule of classes for teachers and students, implementing schedule changes on an ongoing basis, monitoring student grades and evaluating transcripts and registration of new students.

An integral part of their duties is the administration of student tests — the TAAS, NAPT, SAT, PACT and advanced placement tests in the spring for college-bound seniors. Light and Phillips provide career and scholarship information to students and they are daily ordering materials regarding scholarship applications, college catalogs and career information for the students of Snyder High School. Jones joins the counseling staff to address the needs of special education and vocational students.

SHS counselors provide financial aid workshops and presentations to the senior classes. Every other year, they organize and coordinate with the Rotary Club and Western Texas College to present "Career Day." This coordination with the members of the Rotary Club, WTC faculty and counselors provides a positive link between the school and the community.

College Night is offered every other year as a school-community service in cooperation with WTC and SHS to allow college recruiters to present information to parents and students regarding college opportunities.

And finally, the counselors deal with students' individual problems. They are there to listen and to help meet the needs of these students on an hourly basis. They handle referrals for psychological assessments and constantly monitor students' progress to prevent dropouts and school failure.

SJHS counselor Sylvia Sapsky is available to help with student guidance activities by working with students and teachers regarding the master schedule, changes in student schedules, documenting students' grades, compilation of the honor roll and monitoring and assuring students having academic and emotional difficulties in the classroom.

Her other duties include referrals for special needs students and cooperating with state agencies for the coordination of school and community services. Sapsky is involved in parent conferences and individual student counseling.

Elementary students will be served by three counselors at the Snyder ISD. Pitner will be serving students at Northeast and West and Anderson will serve the needs of students at West and Stanfield. Conring will serve the needs of students at Central and East.

They will provide individual group and classroom counseling to offer support to help students learn effectively by building self-esteem, instilling the motivation to achieve in today's society, interpersonal relationships, cross-cultural awareness and the developing of responsible behavior.

They will be there for parents, students and teachers to help students meet their needs for successful learning and living in the school environment.

"Our counselors' professionalism and expertise in the guidance field is unequaled and we need and appreciate them," said Barbara Granato, director of special programs.

Snyder addresses need of all students

Texas has the second largest student population in the nation of students eligible for special education services.

The state serves approximately 400,000 students in special education programs. Every child who is identified as being an individual with a disability is entitled to a "free, appropriate public education" mandated by state and federal law.

Related services such as physical therapy, occupational therapy and counseling are also provided to students.

A child may be eligible if he or she has a physical, mental or emotional condition that requires special services in place of, or in addition to, instruction in the regular classroom.

Snyder ISD employs 26 teachers, 29 paraprofessionals and 22 professional certified support personnel through the special education department.

"Snyder ISD adheres to a philosophy of early intervention as being crucial to a child's optimal development," a spokesperson said. "Early intervention remediation provides the greatest success."

If a child is deaf or blind, special education services are available for that child from first grade to age 22 through the public school system.

A preschool program for children with disabilities (PPCD) may also be available for children with other identified disabilities from the date of a student's third birthday through age 22.

Eligibility is determined following a referral for in-depth assessment and a determination of need addressed by an admissions review and dismissal (ARD) committee.

When a child reaches his or her third birthday, he or she may be eligible to receive instruction in areas for speech, language, cognition, social, emotional, motor and perceptual guidelines. Federal and state guidelines are strictly adhered to for determination of eligibility.

A child may be referred by a parent, teacher or any other concerned individual for an in-depth assessment. Student and parent rights are respected and strictly enforced throughout the referral and assessment process.

Nothing will be done to or for the child without the prior consent and knowledge of the parent or legal guardian, according to SISD officials. Parent/guardian participation is a vital function of the special education process.

When the assessment is completed, a committee made up of the parent(s), principal or other administrator, regular teacher and special educator, and representatives of the assessment team meet to agree if the child needs special education services.

If the committee is in agreement that services are needed, an individual education plan (IEP) is developed to meet the student's individual needs.

The IEP identifies the child's specific needs, sets goals and objectives and establishes criteria and a timeline for accomplishing those goals.

Special education classes are more intensive than regular classes, often involving reduced teacher-student ratios for individualized instruction. These classes must be taught by a certified special educator. Instructional arrangements vary according to the specific needs of the individual students.

Children with all kinds of disabling conditions may qualify for special education in Texas.

These include deafness, blindness, mental deficiency, speech, learning, orthopedic, autism, emotional and traumatic brain injury and other health impaired disabilities ranging from mild to profound in severity.

Homebound services are available to students who have a medical need to be out of school for at least four weeks.

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the cattle ranchers and farmers struggled for survival.

Not only does "Texas" offer visitors the mystique of the canyon; this colorful production also offers exciting song and dance, titillating dialogue and colorful costumes and special effects.

As "Texas" enters its 34th season, nearly 3 million people have seen it.

"Texas" began in June and will continue through Aug. 21. The cost of tickets for children under the age of 12 range from $4 to $19 and adult prices range from $8 to $19. "Texas" plays all nights of the week except Sundays, and all performances begin at 8:30 p.m. The "Texas" experience can begin with an optional barbecue dinner at an additional price served before any performance. For more information, call 806-655-2181 or mail to "Texas," Box 268, Canyon, Tex, or go online at http://www.texasmusicaldrama.com.

TAAS/TEAMS testing announced by local district

The state-mandated Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) will again be administered to students in Texas during the 1999-2000 school year.

Grades 11 and 12 will be tested in TAAS/TEAMS writing, reading and mathematics on Oct. 26-28.

On Feb. 22, 2000, the TAAS writing test will be administered for grades 4, 8 and exit level. On Feb. 23, the exit-level TAAS mathematics will be administered and on Feb. 24, the TAAS exit-level reading test will be given. The exit-level test in February will be for those students failing to show mastery in any area of the test administered Oct. 26-28.

On April 11, TAAS mathematics will be administered to grades 3-8. April 12, TAAS reading will be given to grades 3-8. April 13, TAAS social studies will be given to grade 8. April 14, TAAS science will be administered to grade 8.

On May 2, TAAS Exit Level Writing, May 3, Exit Level Reading will be administered to graduating seniors and out of school examinees who have failed to show mastery in any area of the TAAS tests previously administered.

End of course tests will be given for Algebra I, Biology I, English II and U.S. History during a two-week window prior to the end of the course. These tests will be criterion-referenced tests given to all students completing these courses.

Snyder students have consistently scored above the state average on the TAAS. However, in order to provide assistance to students who find the test difficult, TAAS preparation classes are taught at the high school. In these classes, students receive direct instruction in the skills needed to pass the TAAS, as well as practice in test taking skills.

This is one effort Snyder ISD offers to reduce the dropout rate and to give all students ample opportunity to meet the requirements for a high school diploma. Passing the TAAS is a state requirement for high school graduation.

Children must be up-to-date on immunizations, TDH says

The Texas Department of Health (TDH) reminds people that children enrolling in public or private school or in licensed, certified or registered child-care facilities must be up-to-date on their immunizations.

The Texas Board of Health approved several changes in the ages at which vaccines are required and two changes in the types of vaccines used to satisfy requirements.

Following are the requirements for school-age children.

Immunization requirements for children ages 5 and 6 include:

(Three doses of polio vaccine including one received after the fourth birthday.

*Four doses of DTP/DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis/diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis), including one received after the fourth birthday. Proof of pertussis vaccination is not required for children 5 and older.

*One does MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) received after the first birthday.

*Two doses of measles vaccine for children born on or after Sept. 2, 1991.

Immunization requirements for children 7 and older are:

*Three doses polio vaccine, including one received after the fourth birthday. Polio vaccine is not required for students 18 years and older.

*Three doses DTP/DTaP vaccine, including one received after the fourth birthday and one dose within the last 10 years.

*One dose MMR vaccine received after the first birthday.

*Within 30 days of their 12th birthday, children born between Sept. 1, 1978 and Sept. 1, 1991, must show proof of having received two doses of measles vaccine.

Following are age-specific immunization requirements for children in licensed, certified or registered child-care facilities.

Immunization requirements for children younger than 2 months:

*No vaccines required.

Immunization requirements for children 2 or 3 months old:

*One dose each polio vaccine DTP/DTaP and Hib (Haemophilus influenzae type b).

Immunization requirements for children 4 or 5 months old:

*Two doses each of polio vaccine, DTP/DTaP and Hib vaccine.

Immunization requirements for children 6 through 11 months old:

*Two doses polio, two doses Hib and three doses DTP/DTaP vaccine.

Immunization requirements for children 15 months through 4 years old.

*One dose MMR vaccine received after their first birthday.

*One dose Hib vaccine received after 15 months of age, unless a primary series and booster have been completed.

*Three doses polio vaccine.

*Four doses DTP/DTaP.

All immunizations should be completed by the first date of attendance. State law gives local school districts and child-care facilities the option of allowing children to attend if at least one immunization in each series has been received. However, the remaining required immunizations must be received as soon as medically feasible.

According to the revised requirements, the DTaP vaccine will satisfy the DTP vaccine requirements and OPV and IPV can be used interchangeably to satisfy polio vaccine requirements at all ages. The new requirements reflect recent recommendations from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.

Children may have other vaccines such as varicella (chicken pox or additional doses of required vaccines, Hamlett said.

For more information call the Scurry County Health Unit at 573-3508.

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Town gets reprieve from dancing ban

POUND, Va. (AP) — Terry Boggs knows of no finer way to end the work week than to put on cowboy boots and dance to his favorite country tunes. Thanks to a court ruling that struck down this town's ban on dancing, Boggs and other boot-scooters can now boogie the night away.

"I'm not the greatest dancer in the world, but I like to unwind," Boggs, a 49-year-old trucker, said after dancing one warm July night at the Golden Pine Restaurant.

Not everyone in this town of about 1,000 in the southwestern Virginia mountains shares Boggs' sentiment. Church and town leaders see public dancing as something to be tightly restricted, lest it lead to cheatin' hearts and ruined marriages.

Dancing was effectively banned in Pound for 18 years — until June 29, when a federal judge struck down the dance ordinance as unconstitutional.

U.S. District Judge Glen Williams ruled that the case amounted to an unconstitutional restriction of free expression reminiscent of "Footloose," the 1984 movie about teens rebelling against a small town's ban on dancing.

Since the ruling, couples in cowboy hats and boots have turned out in droves to kick up their heels at the Golden Pine.

It was William Elam, owner of the Golden Pine, who took the Town Council to court over its dancing strictures. He grew weary of explaining to out-of-town patrons why they couldn't get down at his night spot.

"They would get mad and a lot of them would flat out refuse to sit down," Elam said.

Pound's ordinance banned dancing in any place open to the public that did not first obtain a dance hall permit from the Council. Supporters of the ordinance said it was a way of cracking down on the bad behavior associated with dancing.

"There's bound to be trouble when you mix drinking, country music and dancing," said Danny Stanley, the only member of the five-person Council who would consent to an interview.

Permit seekers had to apply in writing. The law forbade the Council from issuing a permit "to anyone who is not a proper person, nor to a person who is not a person of good moral character."

No one was ticketed for dancing — and no one ever received a permit. Until Elam and the Golden Pine came along, nobody had sought one, said town attorney Gary Gilliam.

Elam applied about a year ago, but withdrew the application out of fear that it would be rejected. More than 200 people had showed up at a Council meeting to oppose Elam's application.

Bilingual and ESL programs benefit many local students

Barbara Granato, SISD director of special programs, praises the success of students enrolled in the bilingual/ESL classrooms.

The Texas Education Agency conducted a compliance monitoring visit of the SISD bilingual/ESL program in May and the program was applauded by the TEA for being in 100 percent compliance with all state and federal requirements.

Caring, certified bilingual instructors provide quality instruction of students who have a dominant language other than English.

Granato relates that just because a student can speak the English language conversationally, does not mean they are able to be successful in an "academic" language.

The bilingual/ESL program enters its 17th year in Snyder ISD.

Bilingual/ESL classes are provided at each elementary and secondary school. Students who qualify for the bilingual program will be provided free bus transportation to and from their assigned school if they live in another school attendance zone.

Placement and eligibility for the program is determined by criteria from the Texas Education Agency. A Language Proficiency Assessment Committee (LPAC) is responsible for the student data compiled for each child considered for the program.

The LPAC will determine eligibility for student participation in the program according to TEA guidelines.

Members of the LPAC are the campus principal, Barbara Granato, director of special programs; the campus bilingual or ESL teacher; and a parent of a bilingual student.

Parents of students registering for the first time in Snyder ISD are asked to fill out a Home Language Survey. This form indicates if a language other than English is spoken in the home.

If a language other than English is spoken in the home, then the student will be tested to determine his/her language proficiency.

In grades 2 through 12, current test information will be used as additional data in determining the student's placement in a bilingual or English as a Second Language class.

If the LPAC determines the student meets Texas Education Agency requirements, the parents are notified for permission to place the student in a bilingual class.

Students placed in the program are re-evaluated each spring or at a teacher's request to determine if continued placement in the program is needed.

All decisions regarding student placement are made by the LPAC. A student cannot be placed in a bilingual or SL program without parental consent.

Bilingual grades Pre-K through 3 are self-contained classes which use the same material as other students in grades Pre-K through 3.

Students are taught using their active language until they speak and understand the English language well enough to make the transition to an all English speaking classroom.

Students in grades four through six spend their language arts period each day with a bilingual teacher to help them understand the concepts that are being taught in the public school only for the purpose of assisting the learning ability of limited English proficient students and to enhance their command of the English language.

Secondary students identified will be taught these same skills by an English as a Second Language teacher. These classes will be correlated with their English language arts classes.

Eight certified bilingual instructors have served Snyder ISD students. They include Mike Velasquez, pre-kindergarten and fourth grade; Celia Barrera, kindergarten; Josefina Velasquez, first grade; Elvira Gonzales, second grade; Magdalena Jaimes, third grade; Sandi Wells, 5th and 6th grades; Elaine Bragg, 7th and 8th grades; and Pete Lopez, 9th-12 grades.

SISD has two school nurses

Angel Duncan and Chris Bane are registered nurses who seek to provide the fullest possible educational opportunity for each Snyder Independent School District student by minimizing absences due to illness and creating a climate of health and well-being for students and staff in the schools.

Snyder ISD school nurses received the state award from the Texas Council of Health for the "All-Wellness Student Program." This award was for the program of dental care and prevention sponsored at the elementary school level. This program is made possible through the community efforts of local dentists who provide screening for elementary students as a public service.

Snyder school nurses maintain cumulative health records on every student in the district including a record of student immunizations. They administer first aid as needed. They weigh and measure each student in grades K through 6 twice a year and record the data on their permanent record.

They also conduct annual screening for vision and hearing deficiencies for Pre-K through 7, all 9th grade students and new students from another state. They also conduct vision and hearing screening for students referred to the early childhood program as early as age 3, and all students referred for special education assessment.

They assist local dentists in the annual dental survey of all elementary students. They conduct scoliosis screening for all 5th through 8th grade students.

Snyder school nurses also conduct blood pressure screening for Snyder ISD professional staff three times annually and for 4th graders during Heart Month.

School nurses assist with pre-registration of elementary students prior to the beginning of each school year.

Each year programs are initiated by school nurses to increase the wellness of students and professional staff through educational opportunities at each campus.

Duncan and Bane maintain contact with local and state health agencies in regard to special health services required by children and/or the families.

They make home visits and family contacts as referred by campus principals and district administrators.

The school nurses screen students' vision and make referrals to Snyder's Lions Club to purchase glasses for those students who qualify for assistance.

SNYDER PUBLIC SCHOOLS CALENDAR

1999 — 2000

First Day of Class - Aug. 11, 1999

HOLIDAYS

September 6	Labor Day
November 24-26	Thanksgiving
December 20-Dec. 31	Christmas
January 17	Martin Luther King Day
February 21	Presidents Day
March 13-17	Spring Break
April 21	Easter
May 5	Holiday
April 24, May 12	*Bad Weather Days*

STAFF DEVELOPMENT/TEACHER WORKDAY

August 5,6,9,10	Staff Development
October 11	Teacher Preparation
January 3	Teacher Preparation
February 25	Staff Development
May 26	Teacher Preparation

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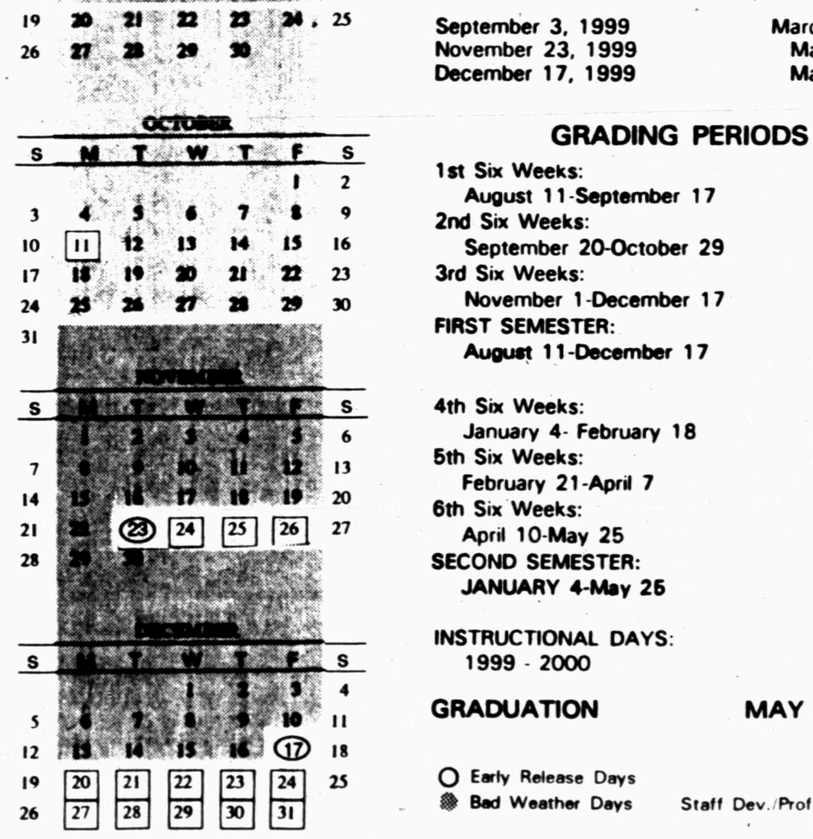
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December 17, 1999	May 25, 2000

GRADING PERIODS

1st Six Weeks:	
August 11-September 17	27 days
2nd Six Weeks:	
September 20-October 29	29 days
3rd Six Weeks:	
November 1-December 17	32 days
FIRST SEMESTER:	
August 11-December 17	88 DAYS
4th Six Weeks:	
January 4- February 18	33 days
5th Six Weeks:	
February 21-April 7	28 days
6th Six Weeks:	
April 10-May 25	30 days
SECOND SEMESTER:	
JANUARY 4-May 25	91 DAYS
INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS:	
1999 - 2000	179 DAYS
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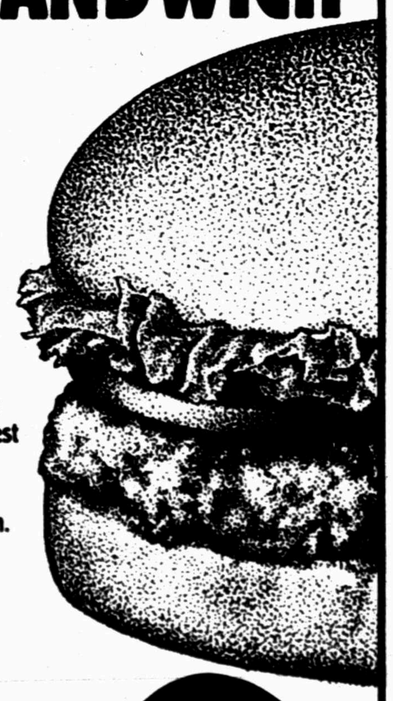
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Country Life

by Deanie Francis Mills

Vindicated!

I tell you, it feels great to be vindicated. I've been sayin' it all along. It may be a man's world, but we women are making our mark.

What a great summer it has been for girl power, starting with the exciting win of the team USA in the Women's World Cup soccer championship, and not just because the sports were outstanding and the stadium was filled with screaming girls with their faces painted red, white, and blue—but because it proved the Powers That Be wrong.

(And I do dearly love to prove the Powers That Be wrong.)

They said women athletes couldn't make money for their sponsors. They said women athletes couldn't draw a crowd. They said women athletes couldn't pull down the big TV numbers. They even said women athletes couldn't play hard enough.

They were wrong. In fact, they've BEEN wrong for several years now, ever since women's college basketball started rocking the coliseums, followed by the formation of the Women's National Basketall Association, which has remained in the black financially since its inception.

And sports, it seems, is just the beginning. Take the elitist world of rock music. The Powers That Be said that women rock/pop artists could not support a nationwide tour on their own. They said an all-girl lineup wouldn't sell, that they had to have a male rock group to headline.

They were wrong. Sarah McLachlin's "Lillith Tour" was a smash success, and last year, for the first time in history, women rockers outsold men across the board. (Hint: It's not just girls buying those concert tickets and CDs.)

And just this week, 30 years after men walked on the moon, NASA's first female shuttle commander, Air Force Colonel Eileen Collins, blasted into the history books. As I stood in my living room, a tear on my cheeks, whispering, "You go, girl," she was already encountering serious engine difficulties—which she handled with graceful calm and cool.

Ah, but there's more. Is that the sound of breaking glass I hear? Reason I ask, is that last week, Carleton (Carly) Fiorina crashed through the so-called "glass ceiling" to become the CEO of computer giant Hewlett-Packard—becoming the first woman ever to head a Dow 30 firm.

When I was in front of the TV, cheering my head off for the women's soccer team, I was thinking, "Yep, it's been just about one generation since the passage of Title IX." It takes that long to effect real social change.

It takes that long for the old die-hards who hold the reins of power to retire and hand over the controls to young men who were raised by feminist moms, who will make opportunities possible for qualified women. These women will then work their way up to the top without having to fight tooth and nail every single step of the way, dodging bullets of derision and sabotage, fighting just to do their jobs while threatened co-workers—male and female—call them "femi-Nazis."

It takes that long for us battle-scarred old trailblazers to hack a path through the undergrowth with our machetes of talent and grit, bearing shields of bravery and boldness, relying on determination and spirit. It takes that long for our daughters to follow along behind, heads high because they're not having to dodge quite so many bullets along the trail.

It takes that long for attitudes to begin to change, for us old warriors and our daughters to earn respect in our professions and at home, for the men in our lives to adjust to the changes taking place in their world, and for people to begin to realize just how mean-spirited and small-minded such terms as "femi-Nazi" really are.

By that time, we old pathfinders are beginning to tire, but it's okay, because now the paths are smooth and clear—even peaceful. By the time I see those paths so well-trodden that the travelers who follow behind me begin to take them for granted, then I know we've done our jobs.

When my daughter came up through the prestigious Snyder High School drama department, she complained that it seemed that boys did all the cool stuff, like climbing scaffolding to hang lights, and constructing sets, but that the girls inevitably got stuck cleaning the dressing rooms. So she set about to blaze her own trail. Once she had acquired enough experience and class standing, she became the first girl to learn to run the light board, the first girl to climb the scaffolding to hang sets, and the first girl to say, "No thanks. I think it's the boys' turn to clean the dressing rooms." That same moxie and poise has opened all sorts of doors for her in college.

This Mother's Day, my 21-year old son sent me a card which said, "Mom...you teach. You praise. You encourage. You work. You dream. You LIVE...But most of all, you love, and for that I am so very grateful."

I was deeply touched by that card, because what it said to me was that my son had, all these years, been paying very quiet attention as he followed me along the trail.

I don't think it's going to take another whole generation for attitudes to change. Not even in Snyder. If you think differently, I suggest you take it up with the District Attorney, the Chamber of Commerce executive director, the prison warden, and at least one of our local surgeons.

They're all women.

72 hours of tax-free school shopping coming to Texas

By Lt. Gov. Rick Perry

School buildings are mostly empty. Family vacations are underway. Texas temperatures are rising. The Rangers and Astros lead the divisions. It's definitely summertime in the Lone Star State.

Summer is in full swing, but Texas families might want to start thinking about their back-to-school shopping. Why? Thanks to Senate Bill 441, which the Legislature passed and Gov. George Bush signed earlier this year, Texas families will enjoy 72 hours of tax-free shopping in early August.

On Aug. 6-8, Texans will enjoy the first-ever Texas sales tax "holiday." Items of children's and adult clothing, and non-athletic shoes, costing less than $100 will be completely exempt from state and local sales taxes. Texas leaders estimate this sales tax holiday will save the Lone Star State consumers $69.2 million.

The sales tax holiday means that consumers will save up to 8.25 per cent on their purchases of Wranglers, Red Wings, or Doc Martins.

Athletic shoes and clothing commonly used as everyday wear, such as football jersey, baseball caps, or running shoes costing less than $100, will be exempt. But items used exclusively for athletic purposes, such as golf shoes or football pants, are not eligible for the sales tax break. In addition, jewelry, handbags, wallets and formal wear are not exempt.

Sales tax holidays conducted in other big states have proven to be good news for retailers and consumers alike. Since January 1997, New Yorkers have saved $81.6 million thanks to three sales tax holidays. Florida's $50 sales tax holiday conducted last August saved families $15.1 million.

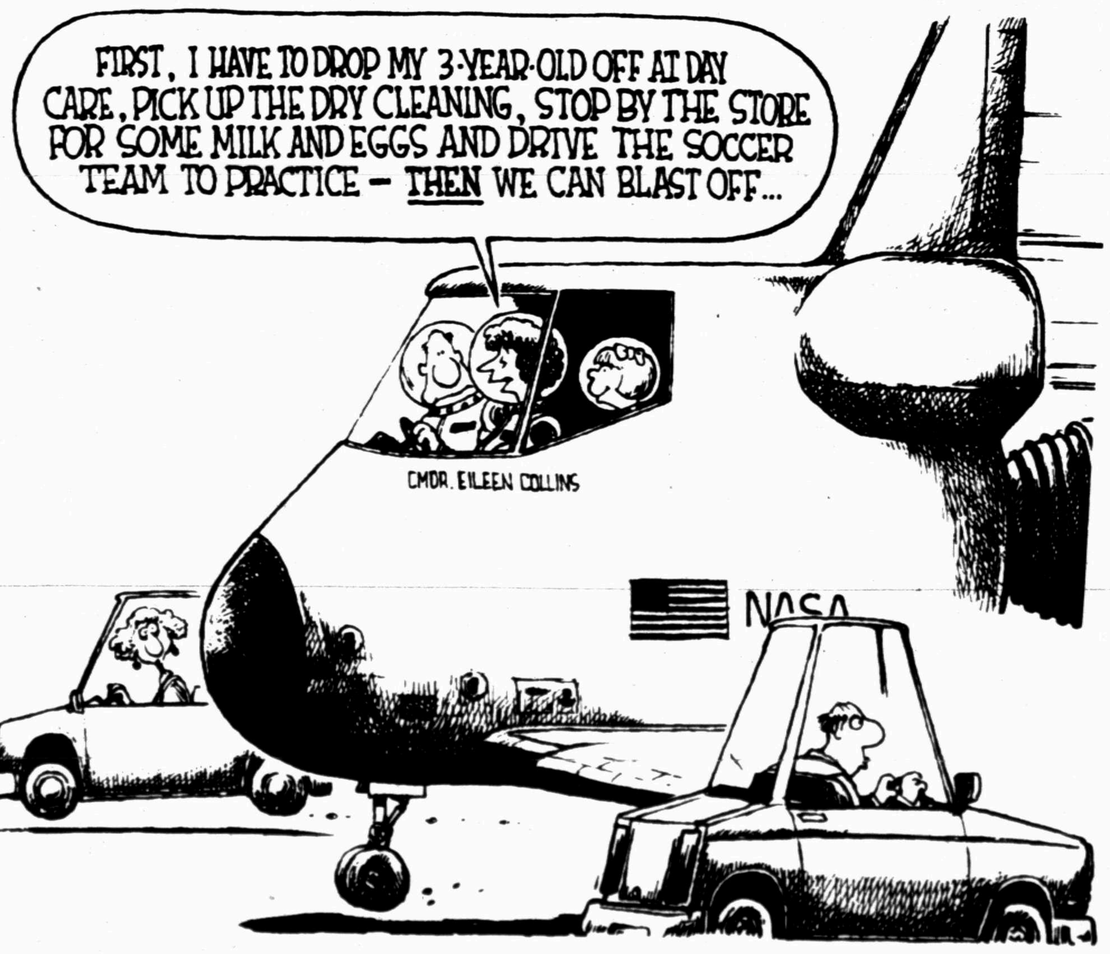
Texas' August 6-8 sales tax holiday is part of a package of pro-consumer tax relief measures aimed at putting money back into the pockets of Texas families.

The Legislature also eliminated sales taxes on over-the-counter medication and up to $25 per month in Internet access charges. Altogether, state leaders cut consumer, sales, business and property taxes by nearly $2 billion this year allowing citizens to keep more of their hard-earned money.

State leaders used the record $6.4 billion budget surplus wisely. We funded record increases in public school funding, a $3,000 pay raise for school teachers human service, and criminal justice needs, and then returned nearly $2 billion to the people in the form of tax cuts.

Going back to school is often stressful for children and parents alike. Back-to-school shopping can be a taxing and expensive experiment. Fortunately, our state leaders have made things easier by cutting taxes.

So, as summer vacation comes to a close and the 1999 school year looms on the horizon, remember that you have 72 hours of tax-free shopping on Aug.6-8.



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Letters to be published the weekend edition must be submitted no later than noon Thursday.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Guns now fall prey to mass litigation

Odessa American

Here's the latest turn of events in the spiraling lawsuits against the firearms industry: The venerable Colt company and another unnamed arms maker appear willing to settle out of court with the state of New York, which may be the first state government to join 23 city and county governments as well as the NAACP in taking the industry to court.

A settlement, pending negotiations with New York's attorney general, could include far-reaching provisions such as stepped-up supervision over how guns are sold by retailers, over whom the manufacturers ordinarily doesn't have much authority.

Such a pragmatic business decision by the industry surely would be interpreted by its detractors as sort of an admission of guilt; never mind the companies protests to the contrary. Yet, guilt as to what?

The suit maintains among other things that the industry has irresponsibly marketed, distributed and packaged their products in a way that lets them wind up in the wrong hands. Some of the governments suing the industry are seeking massive cash awards; others are hoping to use the court system to impose wide-ranging restrictions on firearms that federal and state lawmakers have been reluctant to adopt.

All the litigation rests on a premise so fundamentally flawed that at one time it would have been laughed out of court: that the maker of a perfectly legal, properly functioning product nevertheless bears responsibility for that products misuse at the hands of miscreants.

Unlike even the misplaced lawsuits against the tobacco industry, no ones even suggesting arms makers lied or hid anything. No, the assumption is the industry should be held liable just because guns are dangerous and somewhere down the food chain they can be put to illegal uses.

When you consider that small-arms makers altogether don't comprise a very large industry and don't employee a whole lot of people, they're an easy target. So the cynical reason for suing guns makers instead of the bad guys who abuse them becomes this: because we can.

And so we turn another page in this sad chapter in our republics history the chapter titled, "You sue me and Ill sue you." To be sure, society's penchant for litigation is a tad less destructive than, say, dueling once was in settling differences. But dueling may have been more honorable.

At its most essential level, this isn't about guns. Or tobacco.

At issue here is individual responsibility and our collective, societal willingness to shrug it off.

Too many of us allow lawyers and politicians to shift blame for some public ill or another to the latest whipping boy in the same way an 8-year-old pitcher who just broke the neighbors window — after being told not to use it as a backstop — might insist it was all the batters fault.

Of course, the kid would be rewarded with a trip to his room to think about how his folks will pay for his damage, while the politicians and lawyers are taken seriously.

We find ourselves wondering whether the many and varied residents of places like Chicago and New York, among other plaintiffs, all really believe that the generations-old companies that equip our armed services and law enforcement agencies nationwide also are responsible for gang shootings and convenience store robberies.

Or is it that most of us don't pay much attention at all so long as we aren't among the defendants?

Boston ends 25 years of school busing

San Antonio Express-News

An issue that inflamed passion, racial turmoil and violence in Boston a generation ago disappeared with a whimper last week.

By a 5-2 vote, the Boston School Committee ended busing, a decision supported by most whites and blacks alike.

In 1974, federal-court mandated busing, with the goal of integrating the city's schools, ignited one of the ugliest chapters in the nation's history of race relations.

Coming a decade after the Southern-based Civil Rights Movement, the ruckus in Boston over busing revealed equally strong racial tensions in the North.

Why the absence of drama in the move to end busing? Because the issue is moot.

During the mid-1970s, fewer than half the city's schoolchildren were minority. Today, 85 percent are. Integration no longer is an option because white students have abandoned the city's public schools.

This resegregation of schools is part of a nationwide trend documented in a recent Harvard civil rights project. It found that about 69 percent of African-American students and nearly 75 percent of Latino students attend segregated schools.

The values of integration and racial diversity never must be abandoned. But the goal of integrated schools was never integration for its own sake.

Instead, it was the recognition that separate was not equal and that the schools attended by white students were better equipped and funded. Boston and other communities throughout the nation attempted to use busing to achieve that goal.

With busing, and integration, irrelevant in Boston city schools today, the issue that remains paramount is the original one: assuring that each child, regardless of ethnicity and class, receives a quality education.

A dangerous break in the food chain

The Victoria Advocate

Food supply and demand miles beneath the surface of the North Pacific diminished as the surface warmed in the years from 1989 to 1996.

Those are the findings in a report by scientists from San Diego's prestigious Scripps Institution of Oceanography. Using sediment traps spaced at 2,000-foot intervals from the surface to the ocean floor, the researchers measured the bits of phytoplankton, microscopic plants which grow near the surface, and animal waste from fish, zooplankton and other sea creatures that eat it, as it fell downward.

Over the years in question, the amount declined. Creatures depending on the animal and vegetable debris had less to eat, although their food demand remained unchanged. That way starvation lies — a deadly famine near the bottom of the food chain.

"If the food deficit continues, it's going to change the configuration of the deep-sea community," said biologist Dr. Kenneth Smith, a co-author of the report, published in Science.

Public Records

New Vehicle Registrations

Terry Leatherwood, 1999 GMC Yukon from Big Country Autoland.

Louis Soliz, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Rodney Moore, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Dorthy Wiley McCorkley, 1999 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

Richard G. Perkin, 1999 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Autoland.

John R. Cox, 1999 Lincoln from Wilson Motors.

Carolyn Martin, 1999 GMC Yukon from Big Country Autoland.

Amy Kunz, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Jeffrey D. Benbow, 2000 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Barry K. Allen, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Craig Peterson, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

R.C. and Amy Patton, 1999 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Gerald Rinehart Jr., 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Jerry Lelek, 2000 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Troy and Lois Lawrence, 1999 Lincoln from Wilson Motors.

Santos Reyes, 1999 Dodge pickup from Snyder Chrysler.

Brady T. Bynum, 1999 Dodge pickup from Snyder Chrysler.

Paul E. and Joan A. Nay, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Samson Investment Service Co., 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Kenneth and Shirley Riddle, 1999 Dodge from Snyder Chrysler.

Elaine and Mike Bragg, 1999 GMC van from Big Country Autoland.

Claudine Chaney, 1999 Dodge van from Snyder Chrysler.

Parker and Martha Stewart, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Larry Lawson, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Big Country Electric Cooperative, 2000 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Monty E. Atwood, 1999 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Marriage License

Robin Dewayne Schulze and Angela Lynette Matthews, both of Snyder.

Erik Logan Martin of Lubbock and Johanna Paige Gayle of Snyder.

Van Wayne Sullivan and Richelle Sue Langley, both of Snyder.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Curtis Floyd Cox and Tammy Joye Cox, divorce granted.

Ibat Bond Trust vs. Scott Gassiot, default judgment for plaintiff.

Johnnie and Mickey Ferris, individually and as next friend of Johnna Ferris, vs. Dwight Lee Lovett, agreed judgment.

Deed Records

Kendrick Ray Graves Jr., and Maynor B. and Kathryn Hanks to Joseph and Julie Jackson, an 0.3466-acre tract in the northeast one-quarter of Section 120, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Larry Anderson, independent executor of the estate of Rube McKinley, to Gregory R. and Bonnie L. Hodge, an 0.206-acre tract in the southeast one-quarter of Section 181, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Elaanor Cohem Burchard to Preston C. Burchard and Alice B. Vickrey, all undivided surface interest in Scurry and Mitchell County commonly known as the Coleman Ranch Lands.

Preston C. Burchard to Ariel Thomas Burchard, Roland Henry Burchard and Anna Lee Burchard, all undivided surface interest in Scurry and Mitchell County commonly known as the Coleman Ranch Lands.

Bobby Gutierrez, Vale Lopez, Lucy Garcia, Matilda Guzman, Leon Gutierrez, Daniel Gutierrez and Lilly Hernandez to Juanita Alvarada, Lots 17-19 in Block 2 of the Subdivision of Blocks 39-42 of the Cody heights Addition.

George W. and Regina J. Kiker to Joe D. and Nada J. Thacker, the west 70 feet of the north one-

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CLEANING UP — Bonifacio Ramirez and Juan Rios are helping to clean up the area around the old bus barn which will be torn down at Hermleigh School. The fall term begins on Aug. 16. (SDN Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Hermleigh's first day to be Aug. 16

Hermleigh School students will head back to class on Aug. 16.

Students new to Hermleigh and all juniors and seniors are asked to register from 9 a.m. to noon on Aug. 10.

Teachers will attend orientation on Aug. 11 and work in their classrooms on Aug. 12-13.

No new teachers have been added to the faculty.

Superintendent Jerry Church said the 1999-00 school year is one of a very few where he has not had to fill teacher vacancies.

Regular maintenance, including painting the bleachers, was carried out during the summer. The only planned project now, Church said, is tearing down the old bus barn.

For the new school year, he noted that all of the classrooms have one computer tied to the Internet, some 30-40 throughout the school.

Ranch King tractors are being recalled

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Consumer Product Safety Commission recalled 1,600 riding lawn mowers Thursday because of faulty fuel lines that may cause fires.

Two WCI Outdoor Products' tractors — the Ranch King and the Ranch King Pro — may have fuel lines which are installed too close to engine parts that can sever the line.

"Because of the way the gasoline line is routed around the gears, it can leak and allow gasoline to spill out," said commission spokesman Ken Giles.

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G/T programs are sucessful

In an effort to comply with policies established by federal and state laws, state board of education rules and the local board policy, Snyder ISD has implemented gifted program components to serve grades K-12.

These instructional programs serve students who are academically oriented and who have above-average knowledge of basic skills. Through these programs, the student is challenged with curriculum and strategies designed to promote his or her natural capacities for creativity, judgment, critical analysis and problem-solving skills.

Local, gifted students in kindergarten through third grade are "cluster-grouped," within the regular classroom. This grouping concept is similar to that of the reading group. Students are selected based upon standardized tests and teacher nomination. These students participate in activities designed to increase their creative and productive thinking as well as critical thinking skills.

Fourth, fifth and sixth grade gifted students are selected to participate in full-time Excel classes which meet on their respective campuses - East, Northeast and West. These students have been selected through district-wide screening for participation this year.

Instruction is designed to promote creative and productive thinking. The curriculum is an extension of basic skills and the incorporation of enrichment units. Gifted students in grades 7-12 receive specialized instruction in "advanced" classes, so designated because of the advanced curriculum and level of difficulty.

Free, reduced-price meals policy listed

The Snyder, Ira and Hermleigh Independent School Districts have announced their policy for free and reduced-price meals for children unable to pay for meals served on the National School Lunch Program.

Children from families whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. A foster child may receive free or reduced-price meals regardless of income.

In Snyder, application forms will be available for elementary children when their parents register them for school. Secondary students will receive their applications by mail.

Additional copies are available in the office of the principal of each school.

Ira's applications may be picked up in the principal's office.

Application forms for Hermleigh students may be picked up in the administration office in the high school and may be submitted at any time during the year.

The information provided on the applications is confidential and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility; however, this information may be subject to release to other federal, state and local education, health, or other means-tested programs. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year.

Again this year, staff will be available to assist in completing applications. Assistance began July 20 and will be available through the beginning of school. Applications should be returned to the Humble-Smith building across 37th St. from West Elementary on the following dates:

Aug. 2-6, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. On Aug. 5, hours will also include 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Aug. 9, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Aug. 10-13, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In the operation of the child feeding programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin, age, handicap, religion or political beliefs.

After the application is reviewed, if a parent is dissatisfied with the ruling of the official, he may make a request either orally or in writing to Gayle Lomax, superintendent, School Administration Building, 2901 37th St., (915) 573-5401 for a hearing to appeal the decision.

At Hermleigh, a hearing may be requested by writing Superintendent Jerry Church at P.O. Box 195, Hermleigh 79526, or by calling him at 863-2772.

Anyone from Ira having a question or seeking a rehearing should contact Principal Rodney Schneider at 573-2628 or by writing him at P.O. Box 240, Ira 79527.

Eligibility may be checked any time during the school year. School officials may ask you to send papers showing that your child should get free or reduced-price meals.

See the accompanying chart:

NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH AND CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS
1999-2000 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

FAMILY SIZE	ANNUALLY		MONTHLY		WEEKLY	
	FREE	REDUCED PRICE	FREE	REDUCED PRICE	FREE	REDUCED PRICE
1	$10,712	$15,244	$893	$1,271	$206	$294
2	14,378	20,461	1,199	1,706	277	394
3	18,044	25,678	1,504	2,140	347	494
4	21,710	30,895	1,810	2,575	418	595
5	25,376	36,112	2,115	3,010	488	695
6	29,042	41,329	2,421	3,445	559	795
7	32,708	46,546	2,726	3,879	629	896
8	36,374	51,763	3,032	4,314	700	996
9	40,040	56,980	3,338	4,749	771	1097
10	43,706	62,197	3,644	5,184	842	1,198
11	47,372	67,414	3,950	5,619	913	1,299
12	51,038	72,631	4,256	6,054	984	1,400
For each additional family member add:	+ $3,666	+ $5,217	+ $306	+$435	+$71	+$101

1999 - 2000
SNYDER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
TITLE VI & TITLE IX SECTION 504
COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES

Snyder Independent School District offers both educational and vocational programs. Admission to the programs is based on classification.

Vocational programs offered are vocational home economics, industrial technology, agricultural science and technology, and marketing education.

It is the policy of Snyder Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of sex, age, disability, political belief, religion, race, color, and national origin in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, and Section 5904 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

Snyder Independent School District will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Mr. Gayle Lomax, at Snyder Independent School District, 2901 37th Street, Snyder, TX 79549, and/or Section 504 Coordinator, Mr. Gayle Lomax, at Snyder Independent School District, 2901 37th Street, Snyder, TX 79549.

1999 - 2000
EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SNYDER
TITULO VI Y TITULO IX Y LA SECCION 504
PROCEDIMIENTOS DE COMPLIANSA

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Snyder ofrece programas educacionales y vocacionales. El ingreso a los programas esta fundado en clasificatio.

Programas vocacionales que se ofrecen son la economia dometica vocational, technologia de la industria, ciencia y technologia agricala, y educacion en comerico.

Es la politica del Distrito Escolar de Snyder no discriminar a base del sexo, edad, impedimento, creencia politica, religin, raza, color y origen nacional en admision o accesco a, o tratamiento o empleo en, su programas o actividades empleo como requiere el Titulo VI del Acto de Derechos Civiles de 1964, amendado, Titulo IX del Amendamientos de Education de 1972, el Acto Discriminacion de Edad de 1975, amendado, y Seccion 504 del Acto de Rehabitalizacion amendado de 1973.

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Snyder Tomara medidas para aseguar que la faita, del lengaje ingles no sera una barrera al ingreso y participaction en todos los programas educacionales y vocacionales.

Para informacion sobre derechos o procedmientos de agravios, puede ponerse encontacto con el coordinador de conformidad con el Titulo IX, Mr. Gayle Lomax, en el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Snyder, 2901 37th Street, Snyder, TX 79549, a el coordinacor e la Seccion 504, Mr. Gayle Lomax, en el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Snyder, 2901 37th Street, Snyder, TX 79549

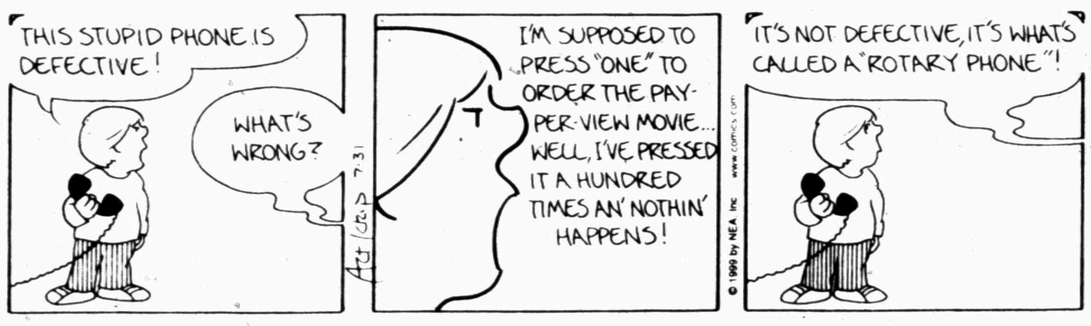
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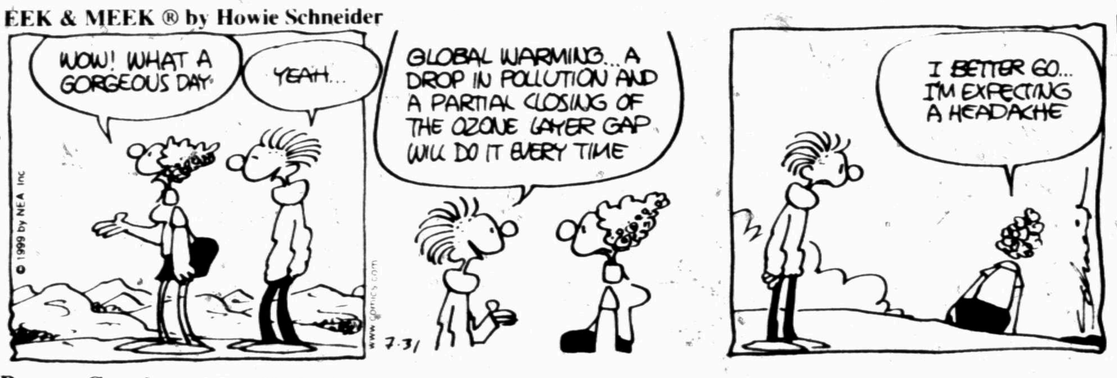
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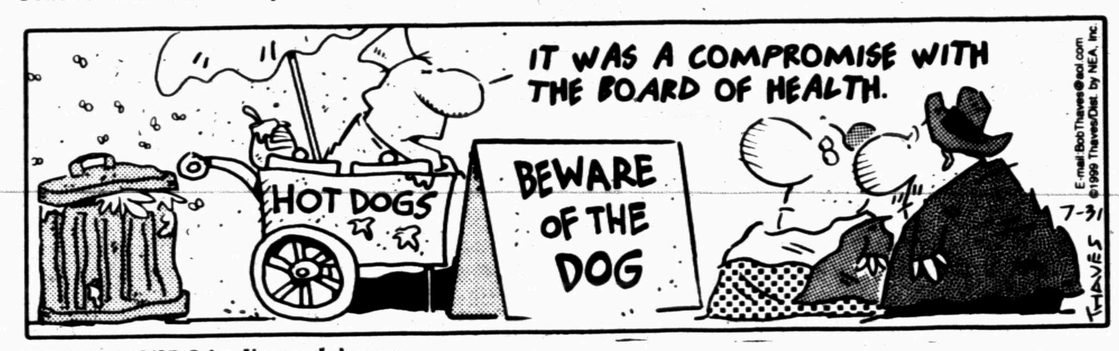
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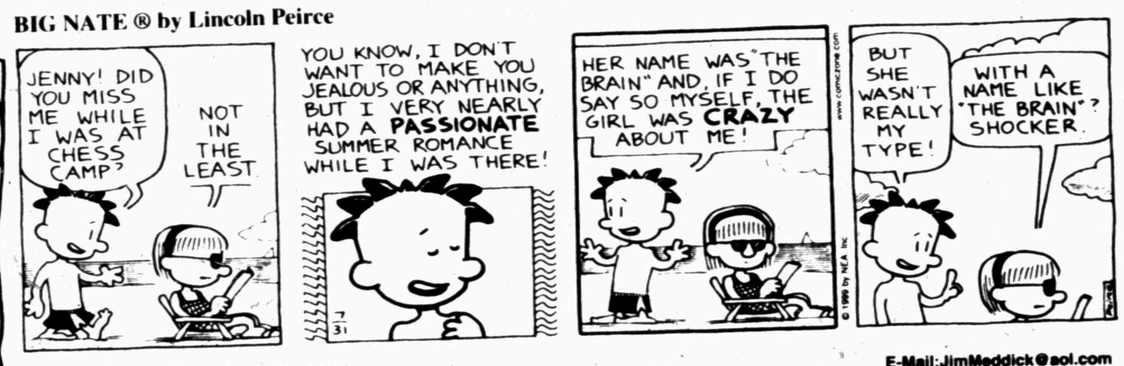
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7 Fight
13 Martin — King
14 Rents
15 High regard
16 Actor Borgnine
17 Chemical ending
18 Parisian season
20 "Prufrock" creator (abbr.)
21 Sticky substances
23 Disencumber
24 Hebrew lyre
25 Invitation inits.
27 Lithe
29 Old age
31 Prefix for "classical"
32 Ape
33 Wildebeest
34 Hit
37 Sloth
40 Finished
41 Ms. Landers
43 Immerse
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46 Chairman —
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55 Simply
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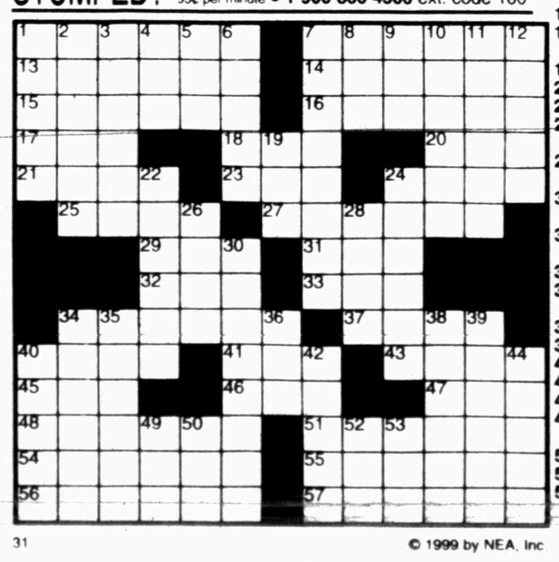
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5 Golf peg
6 Abalone (Brit. dial.)
7 Suffering wounds
8 — Lingus (airline)
9 Hosiery color
10 Sleeping-sickness fly
11 Landlord
12 Organic compound
19 Sesame plant
22 Slender
24 Teem
26 Real-estate map
28 Waiter's handout
30 More trancelike
34 Hot-water tank
35 Rings
36 Genetic stuff (abbr.)
38 Texas city
39 Not revealed
40 Beer order
42 Observer
44 Nairobi's land
49 Cambridge sch.
50 Compass pt.
52 Stadium cry
53 Equal (comb. form)

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A little Bit Of HUMOR

Kelsey: What do you give a rhinoceros with big feet?
Brooke: Large shoes.

Michael: What do you get if you cross an elephant with a kangaroo?
Austin: Great big holes all over Australia.



"He left everything to the one woman who sustained him throughout his later years: Oprah Winfrey."

Gabe: What do you call a silly monkey?
Josh: A chumpanzee.

Jessica: What animal can't you turn your back on?
Haley: A cheetah.



Snyder ISD school supply lists for 1999-2000

Stanfield
Early childhood

2 Elmer's Glue, 8 oz.
2 Crayola Crayons, 8 count
1 package 9" paper plates
OR
1 package 6" paper plates
1 package of washable markers
1 box Kleenex
1 25-count Ziploc bags, quart size
1 beach towel,
1 package Wet Wipes
1 roll of 1" masking tape
1 backpack

Pre-kindergarten

2 boxes of 16 count crayons (not jumbo)
1 box of Kleenex
1 pair plastic safety scissors
2 bottles of Elmer's Glue, 8 oz
1 box Ziploc Bags, not pleated
Crayon washable markers
1 zippered backpack with easy opening
boys: 1 package 9" white paper plates, 50 count
girls: 1 package 6" white paper plates, 50 count

Kindergarten

Crayon washable markers, primary colors, broad-tipped
Crayons, regular size, 16 count
2 #2 pencils
Elmer's School Glue, 4 oz.
2 glue sticks
school box, preferably plastic
scissors,
1 package Ziploc bags
1 box colored map pencils, 12 count
1 large box Kleenex
backpack or tote bag
towel, washable no plastic mats

First Grade

2 boxes crayons, 16 count
1 package #2 pencils
scissors, sharp point
Elmer's Glue, white not gel
2 glue sticks
eraser
school box, preferably plastic
crayon washable markers, primary colors, broad-tipped
2 70 page spiral notebooks, wide-ruled
1 pocket folder
1 large box Kleenex
water colors
1 small package map colors
backpack or totebag

Second Grade

1 large box of crayons, 48 count
1 box Crayola washable markers, 8 count
1 package #2 pencils
2 red grading pens
Elmer's Glue, white not gel
2 glue sticks
2 70-page spiral notebooks, wide-ruled
notebook paper, wide-ruled, 300 page
2 large plastic zipper pencil bags
scissors, sharp point
2 folders with pockets
ruler, inches and metric
floppy plastic 3-ring binder
eraser
(not art gum or pencil top)
tote bag or backpack
2 large boxes Kleenex
Please label all school supplies

Central Elementary
Pre-kindergarten

2 boxes basic eight crayons
1 box crayola markers, washable
2 bottles Elmer's Glue
one box Kleenex
1 box Ziploc bags, quart size
or 1 box Ziploc bags, gallon size
1 package large paper plates
1 package small paper plates
backpack
no school boxes
no scissors

Kindergarten

Blunt scissors, left-handed if needed, Fiskars, metal blade
2 primary pencils, #2
1 box Crayola brand crayons, 8 count, primary colors
1 box Crayola brand regular colors, 16 count (no neon washable)
2 large glue sticks
1 2 oz. Bottle Elmer's Glue
package paper plates
one box Ziploc bags
large box Kleenex
large towel, no mats
2 large beginner pencils
$5 for entire year for cooking and art supplies

First Grade

1 large box crayons
1 package #2 pencils
scissors
2 large boxes Kleenex
2 big rectangular erasers
1 clipboard
1 plastic school box
ruler, metric and inches
One box Ziploc bags
2 small Elmer's glue sticks
2 assorted pocket only folders

Third grade

No notebook and no mechanical pencils
2 packages notebook paper, wide-ruled
1 70-page spiral notebook, wide-ruled
1 package (10-12) #2 pencils
1 large pink eraser
1 Elmer's School Glue
1 box crayons, 24 count no giant boxes
1 pair Fiskars or Dura-Sharp pointed scissors
1 ruler, metric and inches
3 large boxes Kleenex
5 folders with pockets and prongs: 1 blue, 1 yellow, 1 red, 1 green, 1 orange
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East Elementary
Kindergarten

2 Dab 'n Stic glue sticks
crayons, 2 boxes of 16
2 #2 pencils
supply box (cigar box size, no larger)
large box of Kleenex
scissors, Fiskars — steel blade, pointed
Crayola washable markers, 8 count (classic colors)
Colored pencils-12 colors
Large package cookies each month
Ziploc bags, various sizes

First Grade

Colored pencils- 12 count
Crayons, 2 boxes of 16
Elmer's Glue, 4 oz white
Scissors/Fiskars — steel blade, pointed
2 boxes of Kleenex
supply or cigar box (no larger than cigar box)
6 #2 pencils
eraser
1 spiral notebook, wide-ruled top
2 folders with pockets
backpack or bookbag
Children need to bring a backpack or bookbag each day

Fourth Grade

No mechanical pencils
No trapperkeepers or notebooks
No ink pens
3 folders with pockets
#2 wooden pencils
2 red grading pencils
scissors-Fiskars — steel-blade, pointed
notebook paper, wide-ruled
2 large boxes Kleenex
map colors
zipper pencil pouch
highlighter
wooden ruler, standard and metric
crayons
Elmer's Glue, white
2 spiral notebooks, wide-ruled
protractor
Your individual teacher may add other necessary items
Please label all school supplies

Northeast Elementary
Pre-kindergarten

2 glue sticks (preferably Avery Brand)
2 pencils not jumbo
1 small bottle Elmer's Glue
1 package Ziploc bags, snack size
1 small plastic box that snaps to put crayons in
1 t-shirt for painting (preferably an old t-shirt that slips over the head and covers clothes, plastic art shirts do not work well)
Please put your child's name on all supplies except their plastic box

Kindergarten

1 box of regular crayons, 8 count
2 boxes crayons, 24 count
Crayola markers, 8 classic colors, large
2 pencils, #2
3 Dab 'n Stick glue sticks
Scissors (Fiskars for kids-metal blades
1 large box of Kleenex
towel for resting (with name on it)
eraser, pink pearl
long map colors
one inch binder
zipper pencil bag for binder

First Grade

10 pencils, #2
scissors, sharp point (Fiskars)
2 boxes Crayola Crayons, 24 count
1 liquid Elmer's Glue, 4 oz.
2 erasers, pink pearl
2 spiral notebooks, 70 page
2 folders with pockets (no brads), one yellow and one red
plastic school box (no larger than cigar box)
2 large boxes Kleenex
wooden ruler (standard and metric)

Fifth Grade

1 box crayons, 24 count
map colors, long
notebook paper, wide-ruled
1 glue stick
1 small bottle glue
4 folders with pockets
wooden ruler, metric and standard
2 red pens
6 pencils, #2
2 blue or black pens
scissors (Fiskars metal with sharp points)
zipper bag for pens and pencils
2 large boxes of Kleenex
1 folder for library
1 inch binder
individual teachers may add to list

For fifth grade G/T add:
protractor
compass
10 folders with pockets and brads
Crayola markers
dish pan
glue sticks
Please label all school supplies

West Elementary
Early childhood

List will be provided on the the first day by the teacher)

Kindergarten

2 boxes Crayola crayons, 16 count
Dab 'n Stic glue
40 oz. Elmer's Glue
1 package #2 pencils
large pink eraser
Crayola classic colors, washable markers, 8 ct.
Small plastic school box
Fiskars scissors, left-handed if needed
Crayola water-color paints, no fluorescent
Boys: 1 package large Ziploc bags
Girls: 1 package paper plates & 5 oz. Dixie Cups
Backpack or bookbag
Bath towel or mat
Milk money: $1.25 per week
Snack: one package per month of cookies, crackers or cereal

First Grade

1 box Ziploc bags, gallon size
6 #2 pencils
four pocket folders (sturdy)
1 large box Kleenex
1 set of water colors
small pointed scissors
2 boxes crayons, 24 count
Elmer's School Glue, large
School box, medium
Water color markers, broad-tipped
2 pink erasers
map colors
ruler
1 spiral notebook
backpack or bookbag

Mrs. Kidd's Class

1 package notebook paper, wide-ruled
1 package #2 pencils
large bottle Elmer's Glue
1 glue stick
toothbrush
large tube toothpaste
swimming supplies (swim suit, towel, bag, comb, brush)
large box Kleenex
wipes

Sixth Grade

Notebook — 2" 3-ring
Paper, wide-ruled
Pens, black ballpoint
Pencils, #2 (no mechanical pencils)
Pens, black ballpoint
Red grading pen
Yellow highlighter
Map colors
Large spiral notebook
Ruler, inches & metric
protractor

Supplies for individual classes will be announced by teachers on the first day of school.

Ira school supply lists are announced

Ira School Supply lists for 1999-2000 include:

Kindergarten

2 jumbo pencils and 2 No. 2 pencils
1 box of primary color jumbo crayons (not the "so big" size)
1 large box Kleenex
safety cut scissors (Fiskars)
4 glue (white bottled glue and glue sticks)
2 tablets with ruled guidelines
towel for nap time and a small pillow (no plastic mats please)
1 package "primary colors' water color markers (not permanent)
1 gum eraser
school supply box
backpack
girls need to bring a box of quart-sized Ziploc bags
boys need to bring a box of gallon-sized Ziploc bags

First Grade

24 pencils (yellow plain)
2 boxes of 24 count crayons
1 box of markers
1 school box
1 box of Kleenex tissue
2 gallon-sized Ziploc bags
4 glue sticks, 2 folders with pockets
baby picture (it will be returned)
2 gum erasers
backpack

Second Grade

No. 2 pencils
Washable school glue
Eraser
crayons (at least 16)
2 one subject spirals
map colors
sharpener for map colors
markers
tissue
towel, blanket, small pillow, etc. (optional)
Please have child's name on supplies

Third Grade

Crayons (package of at least 16)
Map colors
Elmer's Glue
scissors
package of No. 2 pencils
2 red grading pencils or pens
12" ruler with metric side
eraser
1 highlighter
supply box or zippered supply bag
2 spiral notebooks (at least 100 pages each)
2 folders with pockets
1 slicky binder
notebook paper not college ruled
large box of Kleenex
3 packages of lined index cards
no trapper keepers or notebooks
no markers

Fourth Grade

1 multicolor click pen
#2 pencils
2 red pens
notebook paper (not college ruled)
3 ring notebook big
2 sets of subject dividers
ruler (clear if possible)
Small Elmer's Glue
scissors
yellow highlighter
crayons (any size)
markers and/or map colors
box of crackers
large box Kleenex
medium spiral notebook

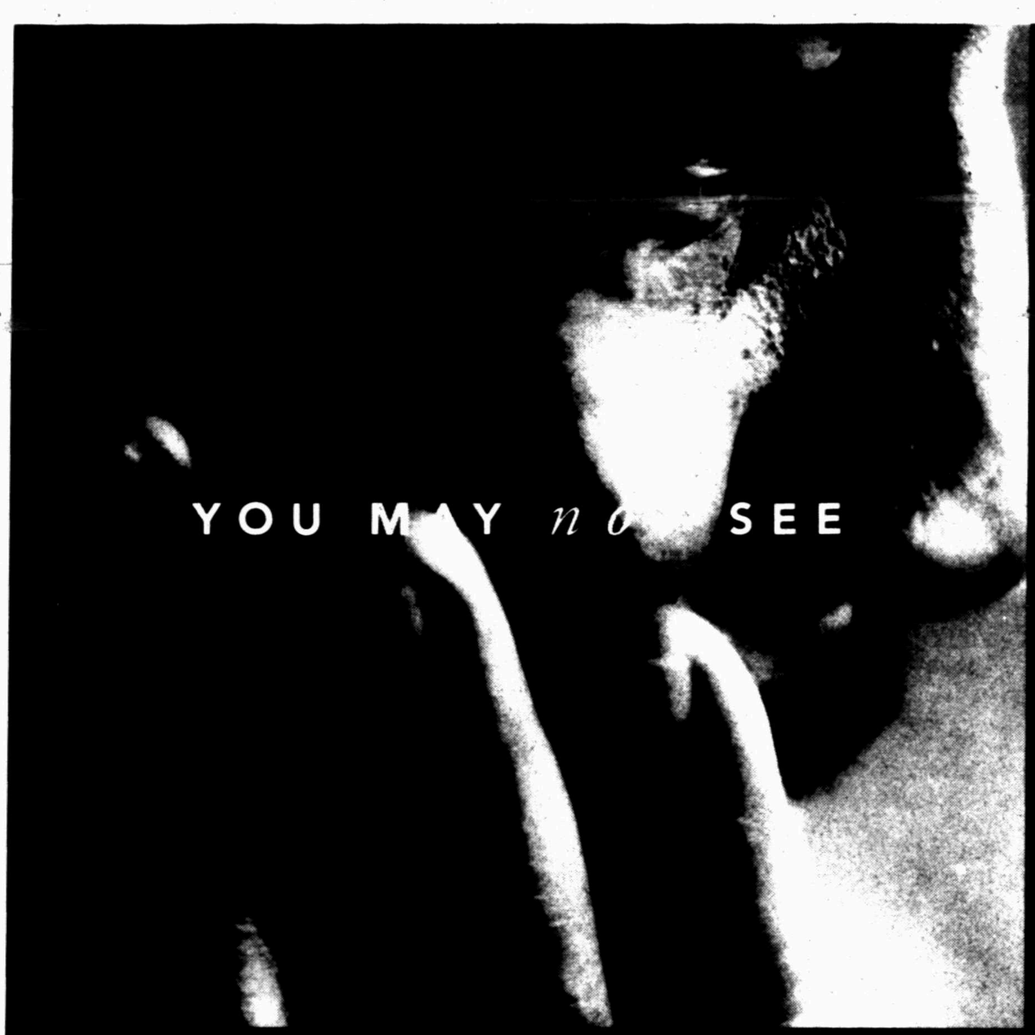
Fifth Grade

2 #2 pencils
2 red pens
notebook paper (no college ruled)
3 ring notebook (big)
2 sets of subject dividers
1 6" ruler (clear if possible)
scissors
2 blue or black pens
yellow highlighter
crayons or map colors
large box of Kleenex

Junior High and High School

Notebook paper
Pens, blue, black, red
Map colors and markers
pencils
calculator
notebook tab dividers
ruler with metric units
2 folders with pockets and brads
2 spirals
zipper bag for supplies
scissors
box of Kleenex
7th-10th grades: 1" 3 ring binder for science portfolio
8th graders: compass

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Back to Basics

by Debbie Duddleston

I've never liked being told I couldn't do something or being told "No." I guess those feelings began at a very early age. Already, at the age of 4, my daughter cringes when I use that terrible, two-letter word. I suppose it is human nature.

Although "No" is sometimes an appropriate response, sometimes we may need to search for a different answer. Often, society seems to be telling us "No" by putting up barriers. These barriers can be things like our background, cultural, social status, gender and other factors. We also, sometimes unknowingly, place barriers around ourselves. These barriers are often the reason we do not pursue our dreams. In a way, we feel we are being told "No.'

What are barriers to continuing your education?

— I never made good grades in high school. Don't let that stop you! We have an open admission policy at Western Texas College, which means you will be accepted no matter what your grades were in high school. You are not required to take the ACT or SAT. Sometimes a student just needs a fresh start, so put your past grades behind you and try again.

— I don't have enough money to go to college. Join the crowd, most people don't! There are many different avenues you can take to help you in this area. You may apply for financial aid, scholarships and work study programs. WTC does not offer student loans, but the financial aid office will give you telephone numbers of several places to apply for student loans. Some employers will help pay for your tuition if the courses you want to take will help you in your job. It never hurts to ask!

— No one in my family has ever gone to college. So, sounds like you'll be the first. Wouldn't it be neat? Just think, the rest of your family may follow in your footsteps.

— I don't know what to study. Neither do many of our freshmen students. You can't go wrong by just taking basic courses like English, history and math. You will have plenty of time to decide on a major at a later date. Different assessments are available through the counseling office. Our counseling staff will be happy to interpret these assessments and assist you in choosing a career.

— I may not be smart enough. If you put your mind to it, you can do almost anything. You already will be making a very smart move by enrolling at WTC. You must be determined and willing to give it your best shot. The reward will be worth the effort you put forth.

I hope I have encouraged you to break down some of the barriers. Pursuing your dreams at Western Texas College may be your answer. If you want to find out more information, just call us at 573-8511. Our fall registration will be on Aug. 25, 1 p.m.-7 p.m., and Aug. 26, 8:30-noon and 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Remember ... you can! "I can" is 100 times more important than "IQ."

Western Texas College is located at 6200 South College Avenue in Snyder. The college relations, housing, financial aid and counseling offices are located in the Student Center. The Admissions office is located in the Administration Building.

MIT revokes diplomas of students involved in death

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — The Massachusetts Institute of Technology has revoked a graduate's diploma for his involvement in the 1997 death of a student who suffered alcohol poisoning after a fraternity party.

Charles Yoo, 23, now a Philadelphia stockbroker, was called back to his alma mater this week for a hearing in which his diploma was rescinded, said his lawyer, who plans to sue the school.

"They chose to scapegoat my client and take his degree, which he had earned and been awarded over a year ago," lawyer Timothy M. Burke said. "Frankly, it's outrageous."

Police said Scott Krueger, 18, died in September 1997 after he was forced to drink huge quantities of liquor as part of a pledge contest at "Animal House Night" at the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity house. Krueger, of Orchard Park, N.Y., fell into a coma, and died several days later.

Krueger's blood alcohol level was 0.401 percent when he was hospitalized — more than five times the state's legal limit for drivers.

Yoo was the pledge trainer at the fraternity, and prosecutors said he gave the freshmen, including Krueger, whiskey and beer he had purchased.

The MIT chapter of the fraternity disbanded after prosecutors indicted it for manslaughter. The case was never prosecuted because no one showed up in court to represent the house.

MIT spokeswoman Sarah Wright refused to comment. She would not say whether the school had ever tried to revoke a graduate's diploma.

First school bell rings on Aug. 18 for Ira School

Ira School will begin the 1999-2000 school year on Aug. 18. The only new teacher is Jay Waller, who will teach ag science.

New students should register during the week of Aug. 9-13.

In-service for teachers is being held on campus and will include technology, special education and gifted and talented sessions.

Routine maintenance was performed during the summer.

Principal Rodney Schneider said Ira school will probably receive about $40-45,000 in funds from the state's Technology Infrastructure Fund. The money will be used to purchase new computers.

Block scheduling will continue as in past years.

Young court reporter given job to record Nazi atrocities

BOSTON (AP) — When she was 21, Vivien Spitz embarked on a dark, two-year journey. Her destination: the Nuremberg trials of accused Nazi war criminals.

Spitz wasn't a lawyer, a victim or a relative of the millions killed under Adolf Hitler's regime. She was a court reporter whose job was to record the atrocities of the Third Reich.

Now a 75-year-old retiree, Spitz is still haunted.

"I have never really recovered from it," said the Aurora, Colo., resident, in Boston on Thursday to address the 100th anniversary meeting of the National Court Reporters Association. "It was a horrific experience. We had to write sometimes with tears in our eyes."

The Allies — the United States, Soviet Union, Britain and France — set up the international tribunal to bring Hitler's henchmen to account. More than 200 Nazi military leaders, diplomats, government officials, industrialists and doctors were tried. Many were sent to prison, a few were sentenced to death and some were acquitted.

The 13 trials produced 330,000 pages of testimony.

Spitz was one of 26 American court reporters who went to Germany in 1946. She used pen and paper, while others used stenotype machines.

Spitz sat through nearly two years of wrenching testimony and graphic evidence, including scores of photographs and films depicting the dead and tortured.

One of the most dramatic moments for Spitz was in June 1947, as prosecutors were presenting evidence of the Nazis' "sea water experiments," conducted with the goal of finding a process to make the briny water potable.

"The victims were German, Czech and Polish gypsies deprived of food and given only sea water for weeks, which resulted in excruciating pain and foaming at the mouth and, in most cases, madness," Spitz recalled.

One witness was a survivor of the experiment who, when asked to identify his torturer, darted toward the defendants' section and leaped over a table, arms outstretched toward the German doctor. A guard later told Spitz authorities found a knife on the witness.

"This little man (was) futilely bent on delivering his own brand of justice," said Spitz, who is half German, adding that the victim was later sent to jail for three months for contempt of court "after all of the torture he had already suffered."

At Nuremberg, Spitz met an Army policeman she would marry. Since divorced, they have two grown sons.

Spitz went on to serve as court reporter in criminal and civil trials in Denver and in military courts around the country. She was a reporter of debates for the U.S. House of Representatives from 1972 to 1982 and, after another stint in Denver courts, retired in 1985.

Spitz said she reopened the wounds of Nuremberg when she learned a Colorado teacher reportedly told students that the Holocaust, which killed 6 million Jews, was a hoax.

"That fired me up so badly," Spitz said. "I just hauled out my files and put together a prepared lecture. A mission has found me."

Homework Hotline set to begin soon

Homework Hotline services will begin Monday, Aug. 30, and end on Thursday, May 18, 2000.

Homework Hotline will consist of the high school library being open to secondary students to do research on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 9 p.m. A librarian will be on duty for assistance.

Also, the Internet Lab located in the library will be open to secondary students on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 9 p.m. A computer proctor will be on duty to help.

Educational diagnosticians help assess local students

Snyder Independent School District's special programs department provides services for students with a variety of special needs.

Educational diagnosticians Daisy Lewis, Susan Stowe, Gloria Terry and Diane Benbow provide assessment and individual education plan service recommendation for students.

Kathy Landes, Tracy Munson and Elaine Gomez, speech pathologists, provide speech and language service eligible students in Snyder ISD.

Janell Jones, special education and vocational counselor at Snyder High School, will provide support and guidance for special needs students in grades 9-12.

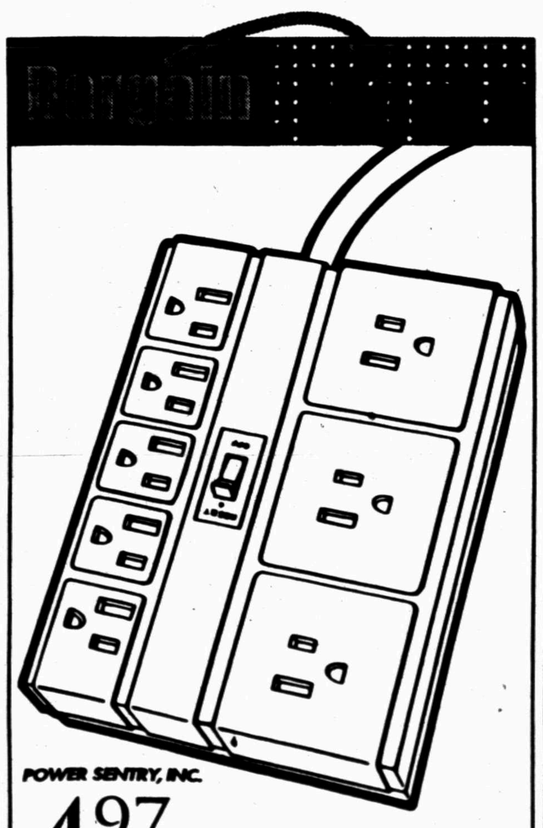
Jones is new to the position at SHS as vocational special education counselor. Previously she taught agriculture science at Texas Tech University.

Parents who have a student with any physical, emotional, language or learning difficulty may contact their campus principal or Barbara Granato, director of special programs at 574-6078, ext. 33.

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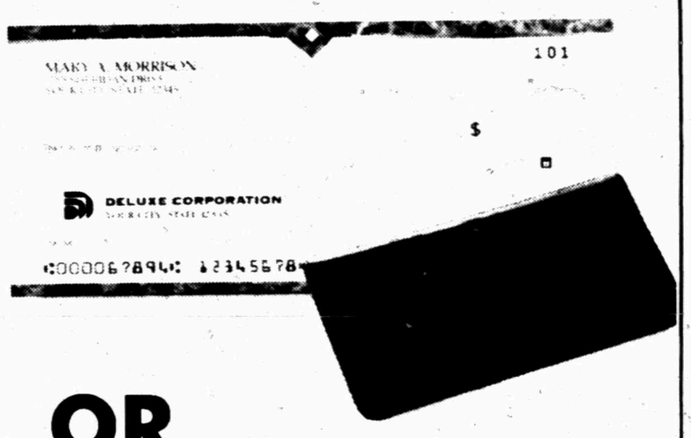
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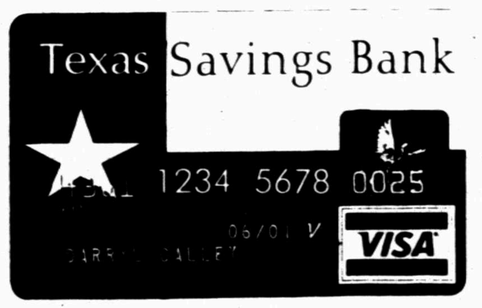
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Minding Your Own Business

By Don Taylor



Learning from or living with failure: It's your choice

(Part one of a two-part series)

He sat in my office slowly shaking his head. "I've failed," he said. "I wanted to make this company so successful that people would look up to me. Now, they'll see me as a failure."

The man sitting across the desk from me was a bright, honest and hard working business owner. He was coming to grips with the fact that his business wasn't going to make it. Past mistakes had piled up, and he had waited too long to address his problems. When a new, well-capitalized competitor entered the market, my client decided he had fought the battle long enough.

As we worked on an exit strategy to minimize losses, I reminded him that one failed venture did not make him a total failure personally. I pointed out some other successful people who experienced failure early in their lives.

I reminded him that R.H. Macy had failed in several retail ventures before founding the successful chain of Macy's Department stores. I told him about Henry Ford's early automotive fiascoes. I even shared a few of my own business mistakes.

The truth about failure

In the past few months, I've thought a lot about this client and many others like him. I've worked with more than 2,000 business owners in the past 11 years and failures aren't that rare. I believe if you try to achieve anything worthwhile, you will experience some setbacks. Whether your failures are completely debilitating or just temporary roadblocks is up to you.

When it comes to failure in your life, you have two choices. You can choose to "live with them" or you can choose to "learn from them."

You see being knocked down in life doesn't make you a failure unless you choose not to get back up. Life is a game, and like any other game sometimes you're ahead and sometimes you're behind. Sometimes you win and sometimes you lose. Having a failure and being a failure are two entirely different things.

We don't always get to choose where we begin in life, but we can influence where we're going to end up. If you've experienced a recent failure here's some news you can use.

Making a fresh start

You may have failed in business, suffered a broken relationship or even committed a crime. Don't dwell on past failures, because today is a brand new page in your life and you can write whatever you choose on it. You can choose to make a fresh start today.

Your destiny may be great if you choose not to let failures keep you down. You're not the first to have to get back up on your feet and get on with life.

Walt Disney was encouraged to give up art and drawing early in his career. His first screen star "Oswald the Lucky Rabbit," was taken from him by a shrewd businessman who owned the rights. Disney didn't quit. He developed a new character called "Mickey Mouse." The rest of the story you know.

Henry Ford's first automobile company was a flop. Mary Kay Ash was 45, divorced, jobless and suffering from depression when she decided to start her "dream company," Mary Kay Cosmetics. Michael Jordan was cut from his junior varsity basketball team as a teenager and yet he went on to stardom as a professional.

Failure doesn't have to stop you. If you're still breathing there is hope. Don't quit, don't give up. Learn from your failures and you'll find success.

Read next week's column and I'll give you some sure-fire ways to overcome failure. Don't miss "Learning from or living with failure" part two.

Don Taylor is the co-author of *Up Against the Wal-Marts*. You may write to him in care of *Minding Your Own Business*, P.O. Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.

Paraplegic climber reaches summit of El Capital again

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AP) — The first paraplegic climber to scale El Capitan reached the top of the 3,200-foot peak again, hoisting himself up 6 inches at a time along a more difficult route.

Mark Wellman, 39, of Truckee, has had only partial movement in his legs since a 1982 climbing accident. The first paraplegic to scale El Capitan 10 years ago, he tackled the tougher "Nose" route this time, reaching the top about 8 p.m. Thursday.

"We pushed long and hard and knew we could nail it down if we made a final big push to the top," Wellman said.

Wellman and climbing partner Mike Corbett, 45, started their ascent July 19, loaded down with 250 pounds of supplies. Wellman hoisted himself up by doing pull-ups on a special T-bar system.

Their goal was to reach the top in seven days, which would have put them on the summit July 26 — 10 years to the day after their 1989 feat. But strong winds and difficult horizontal traverses slowed them.

Wellman said his message to the disabled was "to climb whatever mountain that is the barrier in their life. And that can be anything."

Chinese officials try to hack U.S. Web site, group claims

NEW YORK (AP) — Web sites in the United States and elsewhere devoted to the Falun Gong meditation group are coming under heavy electronic attack, managers of the sites said Friday, and at least one "hacking" attempt appears to trace back to a Chinese national police bureau in Beijing.

Falun Gong has been banned in China, where communist authorities are engaged in an escalating crackdown, arresting adherents and confiscating publications and videos.

Bob McWee, of Middletown, Md., a Falun Gong practitioner, said a site he maintains to promote the group, www.falunusa.net, has been under persistent electronic assault.

In a telephone interview, McWee said his Web server was undergoing a continuous "denial-of-service" attack, a common Internet tactic used to overwhelm a computer with repeated electronic requests — like a telephone ringing nonstop to block other callers.

In addition, someone tried to gain access to the server, pretending to be a legitimate webmaster, and in the process left an Internet address, he said.

"They tried to hack my machine from theirs. And they can't do that without revealing their" Internet address, he said.

The address McWee said was left behind is registered with the Asia Pacific Network Information Centre, a public registry service for Internet addressees. According to the service, there are two phone numbers in Beijing listed with that address.

When The Associated Press called the numbers, a person who answered the phone identified them as belonging to the Public Security Ministry. A telephone operator at the ministry said they belonged to its Internet Monitoring Bureau.

Ministry officials and spokesmen refused to comment Friday.

McWee registered a complaint about the hacking attempt with the Maryland state police's computer crimes division.

Police spokesman Pete Piringer said that because the attack did not succeed in getting access to McWee's server, there did not seem to be a crime committed.

A U.S. government agency saw an indirect sign of the attacks.

A network engineer at the U.S. Department of Transportation contacted McWee when they noticed his server was contacting one of their computers unasked, according to Everett Dowd, deputy director of telecommunications of the Information Technology Operation at the department.

McWee said this was because the denial-of-service attack sent requests to his server with forged return addresses, one of which happened to be the department's server.

Administrators of other Web sites devoted to the movement also said they had been attacked.

Li Shao, in Nottingham, Britain, said the site he maintains was hacked into Monday. What he called Chinese "government propaganda" was placed on some pages, while others were deleted.

Jillian Ye, of Toronto, Canada, who maintains two sites, said that beginning one or two months ago, her server began going down almost every day. The problems got progressively worse, until she recognized the symptoms of an attack and moved the sites to a more secure server.

In their barrage of criticism of Falun Gong, Chinese state media have cited the group's Internet presence as proof that it was well-organized and not just harmless meditation buffs.

A government ban on Falun Gong publications passed after the group was outlawed includes electronic publications. Nearly all of Falun Gong Web sites in China have been shut down since the ban was announced.

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No underwear party went too far, city officials agree

NEWPORT, R.I. (AP) — There's nothing unusual about grand soirees at the mansions in this seaside city. But a no-underwear party attended by 820 people at Belcourt Castle went too far, city officials say.

A memo written by police Sgt. Russell Hayes described female guests standing on a mirror as they were "inspected" to make sure they weren't wearing underwear. Men were also asked to prove they were without briefs.

The 60-room chateau-style castle is frequently rented out for parties by its owners, Donald Tinney and his wife, Harle.

Councilwoman Kathryn Leonard said she got several telephone calls from neighbors complaining about loud, drunken guests leaving the mansion after the Monday night party.

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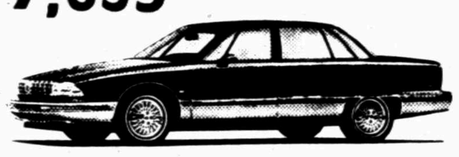
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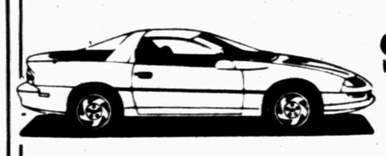
6 cyl., 5 spd., 51,000 mi., AM/FM, air, bedliner $8,995 or $180 mo. +TT&L, WAC $997.02 cash or trade, 60 mo. at 9.25% APR

1998 Mazda Supercab
$237 Mo.

Like new, V-6, 5 speed, tilt, cruise, only 24,000 miles. $12,995 or $237 mo. +TT&L, WAC $1000 cash or trade, 72 mo. at 9.95% APR

1991 Ford F150 Supercab XLT
$8,995

White, 351 automatic, captains chairs, 1 owner, only 85K $8,995 +TT&L,

1995 Chevy Camaro
$239 Mo.

V-8, power windows/locks, automatic, solid red with gray interior $10,995 or $239 mo. +TT&L, WAC $1000 cash or trade, $239 mo. at 12% APR

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1994 Ford F150 Supercab XL
$9,995

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1988 Ford Crew Cab Dually
$5,995

351, auto, great work truck $5,995 +TT&L,

1997 Chevy Lumina
$250 Mo.

4 dr., V-6, auto, only 32,000 mi., power windows/locks, cassette, keyless, factory warranty, loaded $11,995 or $250 mo. +TT&L, WAC $838.78 cash or trade, 60 mo. at 9.25% APR.

1997 Toyota Camry LE
$15,995

4 door, 4 cyl/auto, power windows/locks. Cass/CD, cruise, alum. wheels, spoiler, one owner, only 24,000 miles $15,995 +TT&L,

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$150 Mo.

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1998 Ford Taurus SE -
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1997 Ford F150 Supercab XLT
$16,995

V-8/auto, Power windows/locks, Capt. chairs, cassette, cruise, alum. wheels, third door $16,995 +TT&L

1994 Olds Cutlass Supreme
0 Down
$183 Mo.

2 door, power windows/locks, V-6, automatic, cassette, custom wheels $5,995 or $183 mo. +TT&L, WAC , 0 Down, 42 mo. at 10.5% APR

1998 Ford F150 Reg. Cab XL
$12,495

V-6, automatic, Short bed, two-tone, A/C, cruise, only 19,000 miles $12,495 +TT&L