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MY TURN

by Wade Warren



We don't travel often by airplane and the reason is half of our household is terrified of the thought of getting higher off the ground than the second floor of a house.

Apparently she has read the airline magazine article that gives some simple rules of aviation such as every takeoff is optional. Every landing is mandatory.

Other rules offered by the magazine includes:

•Flying isn't dangerous. Crashing is what is dangerous.

•It's always better to be down here wishing you were up there than up there wishing you were down there.

•The only time you have too much fuel is when you're on fire.

•The propeller is just a big fan in front of the plane used to keep the pilot cool. When it stops, you can actually watch the pilot start sweating.

Just ask Bob Stanfield.

•A good landing is one from which you can walk away. A great landing is one after which they can use the plane again.

•You know you've landed with the wheels up if it takes full power to taxi to the ramp.

•Stay out of clouds. The silver lining everyone keeps talking about might be another airplane approaching in the opposite direction. Reliable sources also report that mountains have been known to hide out in clouds.

• Always try to keep the number of landings you make equal to the number of take-offs you've made.

•There are three simple rules for making a smooth landing. Unfortunately, no one knows what they are.

•If all you can see out the window is ground that's going round and round and all you can hear is commotion coming from the passenger area, things are not as they should be.

•In the ongoing battle between objects made of aluminum going hundreds of miles an hour and the ground going zero miles per hour, the ground has yet to lose.

•Good judgment flying comes from experience. Unfortunately, the experience usually comes from bad judgement.

•Remember, gravity is not just a good idea. It's the law. And it's not subject to repeal.

•The three most useless things to a pilot are the altitude above you, the runway behind you and a tenth of a second ago.

•My favorite and what I always tell the flight attendant: "Would you tell the pilot to have the pointy end of this thing going forward as much as possible."

Today is Friday the 13th so don't be taking any chances you don't normally take. We're not superstitious but whatever you do today, don't cross the path of a black cat.

Profile of new superintendent given

Interviews scheduled to begin Nov. 12

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

Snyder ISD trustees were presented Thursday night with the findings of the superintendent search committee identifying the characteristics and qualifications desirable in the next school leader. The report was part of Thursday night's regular board meeting.

Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) representative Kathlee Lupton presented the findings that she and Dr. Don Killough gathered in meetings held previously in Snyder with various groups.

"The participants in the information gathering groups were very verbal," said Lupton. "We had a very good response. We have been to larger districts with fewer responses."

While in Snyder September 5-6, the TASB duo interviewed other SISD administrators, faculty, students, citizens, support staff and the school board.

Lupton said three concerns were repeated by all the groups concerning the selection of a new superintendent including the need to place continued and increased emphasis on academic achievement, the financial and facility needs of the district, and staff morale.

The report said the budget constraints and the need to eliminate positions had created uncertainty, coupled with the loss of trust in the top administration.

A recurring theme in the report was the need to find a person that would become part of the SISD community and who would develop a trusting atmosphere that would inspire the staff and the community to work together to challenge each student to do their best.

The report added that respondents want a superintendent whose moral fiber is beyond reproach.

The deadline to apply for the superintendent's job is Nov. 1, and interviews are to begin Nov. 12.

The finalist is expected to be named Dec. 5 with the board vote coming on Jan. 6.

It is hoped the replacement for the retired Gayle Lomax will report on March 1.

In other action items, the trustees formalized the contracts of Susan Blackard as a kindergarten teacher at West Elementary, Reagan Key as the ISS teacher and coach at Snyder Junior High, and Janet Wesson as a counselor at West Elementary.

Trustees also voted to give some 13 para-professionals a salary increase for this school year.

Asst. Supt. Karen Waller told the board that para-professional's salaries are related to teacher's salaries.

"Teachers with 20-plus years of service received a raise in this year's budget, but para-professionals did not," said Waller.

The total cost of the district for the year will be $3,200, said Waller, with raises ranging from $220 to $298 annually.

Asst. Supt. Dr. Melissa Jones reported on the campus accountability ratings, noting that the high school rating had been lowered due to the drop out rate among Hispanic students at the school in 2001-2002.

"We, along with principal Larry Scott, are addressing that problem with a variety of programs," said Dr. Jones.

(See related story below)

Supt. Jim Kirkland reported on a number of items including the start of school, board training opportunities, and the District Effectiveness and Compliance audit (DEC) set for May.

Trustees also recognized East Elementary principal Jim Rosson as the president-elect of Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association for District 14. Rosson previously served in the post some 10 years ago.

Maintenance supervisor Mike Carter also updated the board on on-going work on the various campuses, including the possibility of installing burglar alarms in buildings.

"We had some $1,700 worth of damage done to Northeast Elementary on the Saturday before school started on Monday," said Carter. "With alarms, we might be able to catch those people in the act of destroying our schools."

Carter was also quick to point out the work the maintenance staff did at Northeast in order to get the facility ready for the start of school.

"They did an outstanding job," said Carter.

Prior to the meeting, the board held a workshop on the new Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills test (TAKS).

Board president Mark McCormick presided and all members were in attendance to include Luann Burleson, Richard Chambers, Cathy Peoples, Glenn Clarady, Mike Levens and Doug Neff.



TRYING TO DECIDE —*Rumors* continues at 7:30 tonight and Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday at Worsham Auditorium. The Broadway comedy contains mature themes and is the first production of 2002-2003 by Snyder High School's drama department. In this scene, characters, played by (from left) Paul Jackson, Caleb Miller, Bobby Sands and Blake Robertson, try to decide who will tell their story to police. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Sentences given in 132nd District Court

Guilty pleas and a probation revocation hearing in 132nd District Court will result in three defendants serving time in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Scott Prentice Smith, 23, of San Angelo will now serve seven years in prison for the 1996 offense of burglary of a habitation.

Smith originally was given a seven-year probated sentence, but the motion to revoke the probation was based on Smith's failure to report to probation officers, failure to abstain from alcohol and involvement in two altercations in Tom Green County in which he struck separate individuals in the head with a flashlight.

Another San Angelo man pleaded guilty to a Feb. 9 charge of felony driving while intoxicated. District Judge Ernie Armstrong sentenced Danny Contreras Lara, 38, to serve six years in the Texas prison system.

Elida Marie Renteria, 18, of 2501 26th Street pleaded guilt to three charges – forgery by passing, felony theft and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. The later two offenses occurred March 31.

For the April 4 forgery count, Renteria was sentenced to serve two years in a state jail facility, probated for five years and fined $300. She also was ordered to make restitution totaling $538.12 to Davidson's IGA, Purple Sage, Best Western Motel, Dairy Queen, McDonald's and Pizza Hut.

Renteria also was assessed a two-year state jail term, probated for five years, for the theft of a firearm from Brian Miller. She also was fined $300.

For the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, Renteria was assessed a two-year state jail sentence, probated for five years, plus 90 days in the state jail up front. She also was fined $300.

Brigette Braziel, charged for forging checks last spring on the Boys Little Dribblers concession account, pleaded guilty and will serve two years in a state jail, probated for five years.

Braziel, 27, of 4011 Eastridge, also was fined $1,000 and ordered to make $9,721 in restitution.

Pamela Rachelle Guerrero, 21, of Odessa pleaded guilty to a March 30 charge of forgery. Guerrero was sentenced to two years in a state jail, probated for three years with deferred adjudication. She also was fined $500 and ordered to make $115 in restitution to United.

State looking at dropout rate figures

AUSTIN (AP) — Under pressure from the State Board of Education and minority advocates, and threatened with the loss of federal funding, the state is studying changing the way it calculates dropout rates to more accurately reflect the numbers, Education Commissioner Felipe Alanis said Thursday.

The Texas Education Agency for several months has been looking at ways to simplify how it determines the state's high school dropout rate to tally the number more like the federal government does. The goal is to have changes in place by December 2003, Alanis told the education board.

He promised the board that the TEA will have meetings around the state to get input from Texans and will work with the education board before making final changes.

"It's a complex issue," said Alanis, who hired a dropout expert to help with the issue. "The bottom line is, we've got to keep more kids in schools. We've just got to do it."

The education chief's promise deals with a long-standing criticism of the way the state counts its dropouts.

The federal definition of dropout looks only at high school students.

The TEA also includes seventh- and eighth- grades. Because only a small number of those younger students drop out, their inclusions make the dropout rate smaller.

Terrorist suspects...

Three held in security check

MIAMI (AP) — Three people in two cars were detained today along a South Florida highway on suspicion of plotting a terrorist attack. Authorities shut down the interstate as they used dogs and a robot to search for explosives.

The cars were stopped after a woman at a restaurant in Georgia reported overhearing three men who appeared to be of Middle Eastern descent making "alarming" comments, according to Mickey Lloyd of the Georgia Department of Public Safety.

Eunice Stone, who said she was the one who called authorities, told FOX News Channel that one of the men said: "Well, if they're mourning it 9/11, what are they going to do about 9/13?"

Bomb-sniffing dogs alerted authorities to material in both cars, but no explosives had been found after more than 8 ½ hours, said E.J. Picolo of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

Authorities blasted open what appeared to be a backpack taken from one of the vehicles, and a robot was being used to search the vehicles. Bomb squad technicians in protective blast suits also removed a suitcase and plastic bags from one car and searched the interior and trunk.

"We're taking it very serious until we can eliminate the possibility of a threat or verify that there was a legitimate threat," Picolo said.

Picolo said all three people in the vehicles had been identified and were legally in the country, but he would not provide futher information about them.

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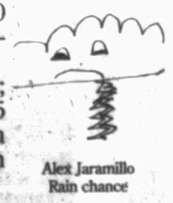
Q—We have noticed a major improvement in the old Snyder Cemetery grounds. Who is in charge of its maintenance?

A—The Snyder Cemetery Association with assistance from Price Daniel inmates.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Thursday, 90 degrees; low, 65; 7 a.m. Friday, 67; no precipitation; total for 2002, 15.29 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy; 30% rain chance; low near 70; S winds 5-15 mph. Saturday, partly cloudy; 30% rain chance; high 85-90; S winds 5-15 mph, then N 10-20 mph by evening.



Alex Jaramillo
Rain chance

Sunset:
7:52 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:27 A.M.
Of 255 days in 2002, the sun has shone 248 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Dreams, if they are any good, are always a little crazy.

—Ray Charles

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Eleven years later, candidate sees 'silly' remark on display

WACO (AP) — The words of a state representative who said he made a "silly" comment about Waco more than 10 years ago have been posted on a billboard by his opponent.

"I wouldn't go to Waco if I didn't have to," is the quote attributed to Republican Rep. Holt Getterman and appearing on a billboard leased by his Democratic opponent, John Mabry Jr.

"Vote for John Mabry. He's always loved Waco," the ad also states.

Mabry found Getterman's words in a May 1991 story in The Dallas Morning News about a visit by Queen Elizabeth II. Getterman and his wife, who drove to Dallas to see her, were asked if they thought she would visit Waco during her next Texas trip.

"Eleven years ago a feature reporter asked me a silly question about the queen of England's visit," Getterman said Thursday in a written statement. "I gave a silly answer. The reporter wrote a silly story about everyone who wanted to get a peek at Queen Elizabeth II."

Mabry said he doesn't believe Getterman's remarks during the campaign are in line with his comment in the Dallas newspaper.

"I think he's proven that he has no credibility," Mabry said in Friday editions of the Waco Tribune-Herald. "He says he's always taken a great deal of pride in Central Texas, but apparently that's not true."

The District 56 seat for which the men are contending includes Falls, Limestone and part of McLennan County, of which Waco is the county seat.

Getterman, son of a former Waco mayor, was sworn into office in April when a special election was canceled because he had no opponents. The term expires in January.

Getterman replaced former state Rep. Kip Averitt, who was sworn into the Senate to replace Republican David Sibley, who retired.

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Indictment names 14 in illegal immigrants probe

SHERMAN (AP) — Four more people were indicted and additional charges were added Thursday to a grand jury indictment that claims two Mexican nationals died because of the actions of an illegal smuggling ring.

The grand jury issued a 73-count superseding indictment that names 14 people and includes an anti-corruption law charge for the deaths of men who died inside an unventilated tractor-trailer rig in July in North Texas.

The 14 are accused of engaging in a pattern of racketeering, which includes allegations of murder, money laundering, conspiracy to commit money laundering and violations of immigration laws regarding smuggling, harboring and transporting aliens.

Added to the indictment were Alberto Luna, Sergio Diaz, Daniel Guadian, Santana Acevedo and Socorro S. deFranco, the U.S. Attorney's Office said.

Named in the earlier indictment were truck drivers Troy Phillip Dock and Jason Stephen Sprague as well as Veronica Guadian-Aguilera, Micaela Aguilera-Reyes, Candelario Aguilera-Reyes, Juan Jose Tovar, Maria Helen Guadian DeJuarez, Cladia Ochoa and Marta Muniz.

The two men who died were among more than 30 people crammed into the back of the sweltering truck on a drive of more than 600 miles from El Paso to Dallas on Interstate 20.

Most of them stumbled out when the truck's back door was opened at a truck stop on the edge of Dallas. Exhausted and delirious with thirst, many approached neighborhood homes, asking residents for water. Dozens were hospitalized.

The truck was later stopped in Anna, about 50 miles north of Dallas, where the bodies of Jose Gaston Ramierez, 55, and Pioquinto Cabrera Vasquez were found.

A house in El Paso and a trailer house in New Mexico were used as temporary staging point to conceal the illegal immigrants before their transportation across the United States, authorities say.

Document missing and then recovered in shoplifting case

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — A document filed under seal this week in Winona Ryder's shoplifting case was lost and then found Thursday.

Los Angeles County prosecutor's spokeswoman Sandi Gibbons said the missing document, a prosecution motion, was discovered in the clerk's office at the Beverly Hills court. It was not known if anyone opened it or looked at it, she said.

The specific contents of the motion haven't been made public because of the sealing order.

Ryder, the 30-year-old star of "Girl, Interrupted" and other films, was arrested in December at a Saks Fifth Avenue store in Beverly Hills for allegedly stealing nearly $6,000 worth of designer merchandise and carrying painkillers without a prescription.

Superior Court Judge Elden Fox, who reported the document missing earlier Thursday, said anyone who wants access to the file in the future will have to get court permission.

Neither Ryder nor her lawyer, Mark Geragos, appeared at Thursday's hearing. His associate, Shepard Kopp, declined comment outside court.

Because Geragos was at a trial elsewhere Thursday, the judge postponed a pretrial hearing until Wednesday.

"It is understood that on that date we will be picking a (trial) date or resolving the case," Fox said, suggesting that both sides may be trying to dispose of the case without a trial.

Neither Kopp nor Gibbons would discuss whether settlement talks were underway to reach a plea agreement.

Ryder previously pleaded innocent to charges of second-degree burglary, grand theft, vandalism and possession of a controlled substance. She could face more than three years in prison if convicted.

Rod Stewart's son receives 90 days for attacking man

MALIBU, Calif. (AP) — The son of rocker Rod Stewart was sentenced to 90 days in jail Thursday and ordered to undergo drug rehabilitation after pleading no contest to attacking a man outside a Malibu restaurant.

Sean Stewart, 22, was arrested Dec. 5 after he was seen kicking the man in the face and stomach, the Los Angeles County district attorney's office said in a statement.

Actor Dean Cain and his brother broke up the fight. They followed Stewart after he fled in a car and reported the attack to police.

Stewart was also sentenced to five years of probation and ordered to pay nearly $5,600 to the victim. He could've faced four years in state prison.

In a separate case, Stewart was ordered to enter a drug rehabilitation program in June after pleading guilty to possessing a controlled substance near the Viper Room nightclub in West Hollywood.

Bluegrass artist to headline music festival

MAYSVILLE, Ky. (AP) _ Grammy-winning bluegrass artist Alison Krauss will headline the Rosemary Clooney Music Festival later this month.

Krauss is playing with other artists from the "Down From the Mountain" tour, inspired by music from the "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" film.

The Peasall Sisters and The Whites, who also played on the tour, will join Krauss at the Sept. 28 festival.

The event will include a tribute to Clooney, a native of Maysville who died on June 29, with film clips and memories shared by her brother, Nick Clooney.

Date Book

Friday, Sept. 13, 2002

Today is the 256th day of 2002 and the 85th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1889, the first recorded fatality from an automobile accident occurred in New York.

On this day in 1922, Al Aziziyah, Libya, became home to the world's highest recorded temperature, 136 F (58 C).

On this day in 1993, representatives from Israel and Palestine met on the White House lawn to sign a peace accord.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Walter Reed (1851-1902), bacteriologist; John J. Pershing (1860-1948), U.S. Army general; Sherwood Anderson (1876-1941), writer; Roald Dahl (1916-1990), writer; Mel Torme (1925-1999), singer; Judith Martin (1938-), columnist, is 64.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1925, "Dazzy" Vance pitched a no-hitter for the Brooklyn Dodgers, helping them to defeat the Philadelphia Phillies 10-1.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "You do not have to do everything disagreeable that you have a right to do." — Judith Martin

TODAY'S MOON: First quarter (Sept. 13).

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By Phil

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Two National Guard pilots may face criminal charges

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two Air National Guard pilots may face criminal charges for their roles in a bombing that killed four Canadian soldiers in Afghanistan.

A senior defense official said the Air Force is recommending that charges be filed against F-16 pilots Maj. Harry Schmidt and Maj. William Umbach. Pentagon officials were expected to announce the charges today after the U.S. Central Command and the Canadian government released additional details from a joint investigation of the April 17 tragedy.

The senior defense official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Thursday the Air Force would recommend that Schmidt be charged with involuntary manslaughter. He dropped a 500-pound bomb on a group of Canadian soldiers, mistaking them for enemy forces. Four Canadians were killed and eight were wounded.

The Air Force also is recommending Schmidt be charged with failure to exercise appropriate flight discipline.

Umbach, the lead pilot, would face charges of aiding and abetting Schmidt in the involuntary manslaughter, the official said. As lead pilot, he should have more forcefully intervened to stop Schmidt from dropping the bomb until confirmation of the target was received, the Air Force says.

The charges were first reported Thursday night by NBC News.

Because Schmidt and Umbach are members of the Illinois Air National Guard and are no longer mobilized under federal authority, they would have to be recalled to active duty to face the charges.

It is unclear whether the recommended charges against them will be considered under Article 32 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice — essentially like a grand jury proceeding in the civilian judicial system — or will be taken directly to a court martial.

The inadvertent killings caused a public uproar in Canada. The joint U.S.-Canadian investigation faulted both pilots for failure to follow established procedures to ensure that they attacked a legitimate target.

Central Command publicly released the basic findings of the investigation in June but did not release details. It said it needed more time to remove classified information from the report.

Schmidt spotted flashes on the ground as he was flying over the Canadians, who were conducting a nighttime live-fire exercise. He thought the fire was from hostile forces, but was told by a U.S. air controller to hold fire until further inquiry could clarify the situation, according to the investigation report.

Schmidt nonetheless declared he was "rolling in in self defense" and dropped the bomb.

The inquiry that was completed in June determined that Schmidt and Umbach were largely to blame for the mistaken attack, although it also found undisclosed problems in the pilots' command structure.

A decision on disciplinary action was left to Lt. Gen. Michael Moseley, the senior Air Force officer in Central Command. In August, however, that responsibility was transferred to Lt. Gen. Bruce Carlson, commander of the 8th Air Force, based at Barksdale Air Force Base in Louisiana. Lawyers for Schmidt and Umbach had claimed Moseley was predisposed to find the pilots guilty.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Single mom isn't quite ready for new man to meet her kids

DEAR ABBY: I am a single mother with two delightful children under 10. My ex and I have been divorced for seven years. It is his choice to have no contact with his children.

Three months ago, I met "Nate." Since then, we have spent a lot of time together. He has restored my faith and trust in men. Sine Nate and I are still getting to know each other, I feel it is too soon to introduce my children to him. I really think Nate could be "the one," but if our relationship doesn't work out, I don't want my children to be hurt by losing another male role model.

The problem is my mother. She takes care of my children and strongly believes that now is the time for the kids to meet Nate. I disagree, and my mother now refuses to take care of my children.

Am I prudent to wait to introduce Nate to my children until I am more confident about where our relationship is going, or is my mother right? — **TRYING TO BE A GOOD MOM**

DEAR TRYING: For your mother to try to blackmail you into doing what she wants by refusing to watch the children is both controlling and wrong. Your children need continuity in their lives right now — not the turbulence that could result if your love life became a revolving door.

Stand firm, and arrange for alternative child care until you know more about where your relationship with Nate is going.

P.S. Although your mother's tactics are heavy-handed, it's nice to know she approves of Nate.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 24-year-old woman deeply in love with a 32-year-old man I'll call Ben. The problem is this: I don't feel appreciated.

Ben is quick to tell me how afraid he is of losing me, but he has no problem canceling our plans at the whim of a friend. He works out of town, so he's gone five days a week, during which I basically go to work and come home.

When Ben is home on weekends, it seems as though everything and everyone is more important than spending time with me. In fact, right now he's out with one of his pals while I'm home alone.

I've brought this to Ben's attention countless times; nothing changes. I know I'm a good person and a good girlfriend. Please shed some light on my situation. Thanks. — **LOST IN CANADA**

DEAR LOST: Face it, something is missing in this relationship — him. If Ben were as in love with you as you are with him, he would want to spend more time with you when he's home on weekends. Regardless of what he says, his actions are sending a message, and you'd be wise to take heed. You deserve more than he is giving. Move on.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a junior high school teacher. Throughout the year, I receive many gifts from my students. These gifts sometimes include cards from the parents expressing gratitude for the work I have done with their child.

Is it appropriate to write a thank-you note? Sometimes the gift is a combination Christmas present and thank-you gift, so the correct response is confusing. — **TEACHER IN MONTANA**

DEAR TEACHER: Confusing? Regardless of who gives a gift — or for what reason — the giver should receive a written thank-you from you, acknowledging his or her thoughtfulness. You will be setting a wonderful example for your students to follow.

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Ex-Tyco officials plead innocent to charges they looted millions

NEW YORK (AP) — Three former Tyco International Ltd. executives pleaded innocent to looting the conglomerate of millions of dollars on a day prosecutors and federal regulators hit them with new allegations within hours of each other.

Prosecutors filed criminal charges Thursday against the men soon after the Securities and Exchange Commission accused them of not disclosing huge sweetheart loans and other money taken out of the Bermuda-based company.

The three "treated Tyco as their private bank, taking out hundreds of millions of dollars of loans and compensation without ever telling investors," said Stephen Cutler, SEC director of enforcement.

Former chief executive L. Dennis Kozlowski, 55, and former chief financial officer Mark Swartz, 42, were charged with enterprise corruption and grand larceny. Former general counsel Mark Belnick, 55, was charged with falsifying business records.

All three men pleaded innocent Thursday at their arraignment, where they made their appearances in handcuffs. If convicted, Kozlowski and Swartz could get up to 25 years in prison, and Belnick up to four years.

Justice Michael Obus set a personal recognizance bond of $100 million each, to be secured by $10 million in personal funds, for Kozlowski and Swartz. Belnick was released on an unsecured personal recognizance bond of $1 million. All three had to relinquish their passports and must return to court Sept. 19.

Reid Weingarten, Belnick's lawyer, said his client's "entire professional life has been dedicated to the law and he has complete faith in the legal system."

Kozlowski's lawyer, Stephen Kaufman, said his client believes the charges "are unfounded and unfair." Swartz's lawyer, Charles Stillman, also said the charges shouldn't have been brought against his client.

Also on Thursday, Tyco sued Kozlowski for $730 million, seeking repayment of outstanding loans, unauthorized compensation he allegedly paid to other employees and all income and benefits he received from 1997 through this year.

IRS focusing audits on high-income taxpayers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Wealthy taxpayers and those involved in avoidance schemes like tax shelters will undergo greater IRS scrutiny under the agency's new audit strategy.

The intent is to uncover methods taxpayers use to avoid taxes and hide income from the Internal Revenue Service, rather than simply checking returns that are filed for mistakes or relatively simple omissions, IRS Commissioner Charles Rossotti said Thursday.

Rossotti, insisting the agency is "not giving anybody a free ride," said the strategy will free up auditors to focus on such things as tax shelters, offshore credit cards used to hide income, wealthy people who fail to file returns and other major problems.

"The real world is such that we have limited resources," Rossotti said. "We are trying to figure out as best we can where is the most threat to the system."

The IRS estimates the nation's "tax gap," the difference between income taxes that should be paid and what is actually collected, at $207 billion annually. Not all of that lost revenue is due to cheating, but evaders do make up a significant portion.

Much of the unpaid tax bill comes from income that is never reported to the IRS. To get at this problem, the IRS has developed a new statistical method of selecting returns with a high probability of unreported income.

The previous formula used, Rossotti said, "did not focus on what was not on the return, on income that might not have been reported at all."

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 09-13-02
♠ 10 9 7 5
♥ A 5 2
♦ Q J 10 7
♣ K 4

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

East
♠ A
♥ 8 4 3
♦ A 8 3 2
♣ 9 7 6 5 2

South
♠ K Q J 8 4 3
♥ K 7 6
♦ 5
♣ Q J 10

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ Q

Friday, Sept. 13, 2002

The first of two unlucky days

By Phillip Alder

Marlene Dietrich said, "Superstitions are habits rather than beliefs." Today is the first Friday the 13th this year. (The second is in December.) Players remember "beliefs" learned on their grandmothers' knee, and they become habits, making it hard to do the opposite when the deal demands. Here is one example. Sitting South, how would you play in four spades after West has led the heart queen?

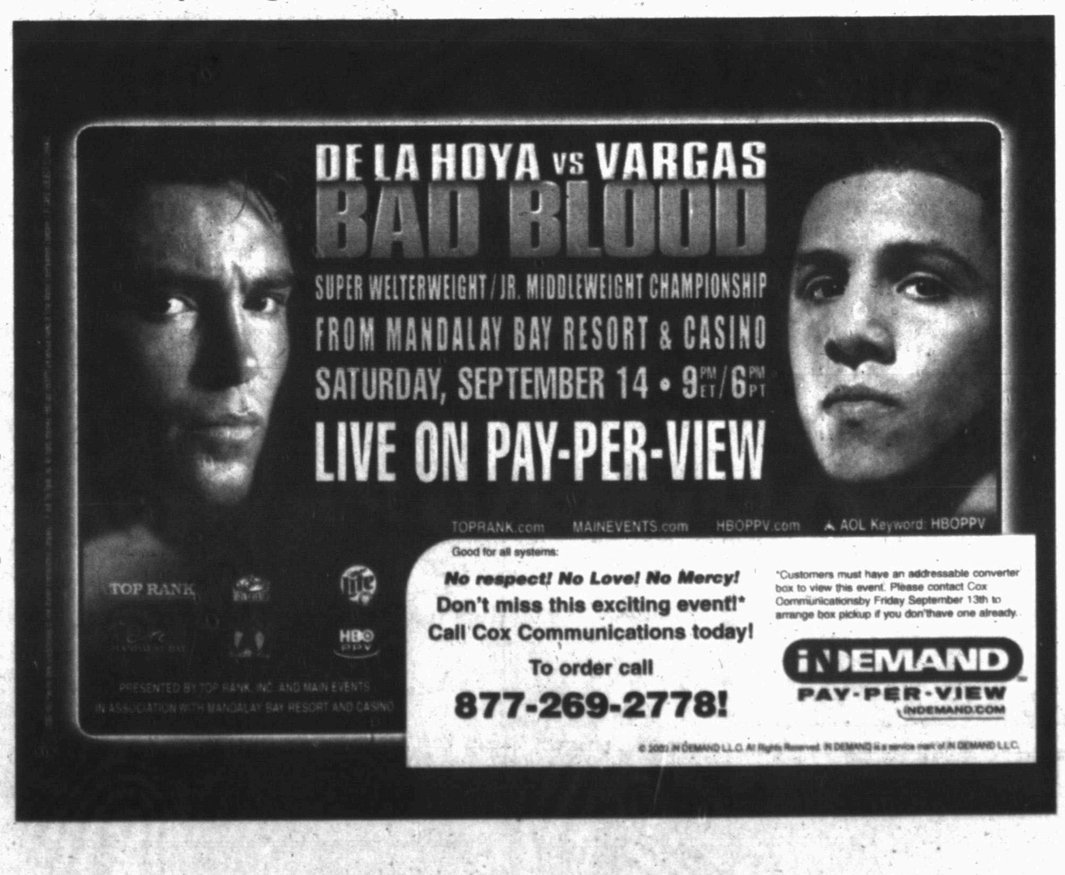
When North makes a limit raise, South reassesses, adding three points for his singleton. Although he has only 12 high-card points, he is worth a game-bid.

When in a suit contract, start by counting your losers. Here, you are faced with four: one in each suit. Next, count your tricks. You need to collect these 10: five spades, two hearts, two clubs and a heart ruff in the dummy. However, if you win the first trick and immediately play a trump, East will win and return a heart, condemning you to those four losers.

You must immediately establish two club tricks, on the second of which you can discard dummy's heart loser. But if you believe in "second hand low," you should fail. You win with the heart king and play a club to dummy's king. However, West ducks, takes the second club trick, and returns a heart. You have to win that trick in the dummy; you cannot get into your hand for the key discard on your top club.

The solution, of course, is to win the first trick with dummy's heart ace. Then call for the club king. If you are setting up a long card in one hand (the club queen), keep an entry to that hand (the heart king).

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ACROSS

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4 Overhead trains
7 Very, in Veracruz
10 Prompt
11 Mellow fruit
13 Eat out
14 Strike
15 Man-eating giant
16 Grammy winner — James
17 Clairvoyant
19 Oahu welcomes
20 Discoverer's shout
21 Sky color
23 Knitter's purchase
26 Part of REM
28 Novelist — Rand
29 Aardvark prey
30 Robin domiciles
34 Geologic formations
36 Harbor boat
38 Fleecy animal
39 Part of TGIF
41 Barge
42 Brake parts
44 Dusting cloth
46 Unknown auth.
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53 Card table cry
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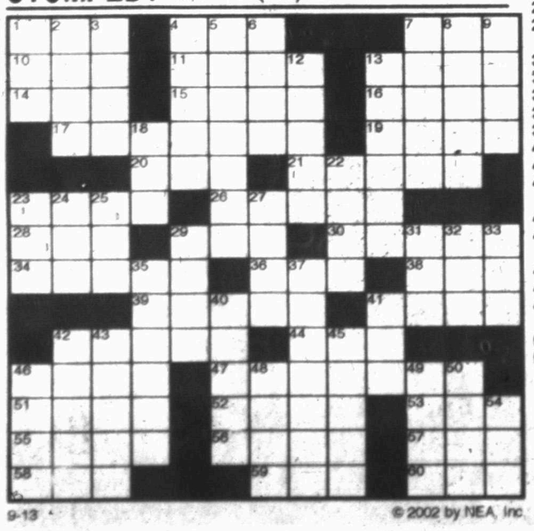
DOWN

1 I, for Wolfgang
2 Smart remark
3 Lays the table
4 Noteworthy period
5 Straw hat
6 Hindu attire
7 Pope's headdress
8 Free
9 Stadium shouts
12 Repair a tire
13 Mislead
18 Hither's partner
22 Bullet's sound
23 Edible root
24 Nautical affirmative
25 Hosp. workers
27 Memo abbr.
29 Arthur — of tennis
31 Brief time
32 Couple
33 Work on a quilt
35 Makes amends
37 Kiev locale
40 Buzzing about
41 Mil. NCO
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43 Comfortable
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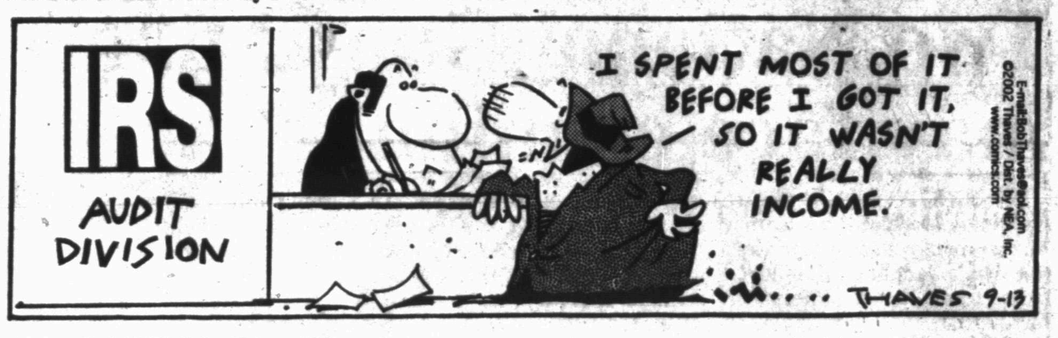
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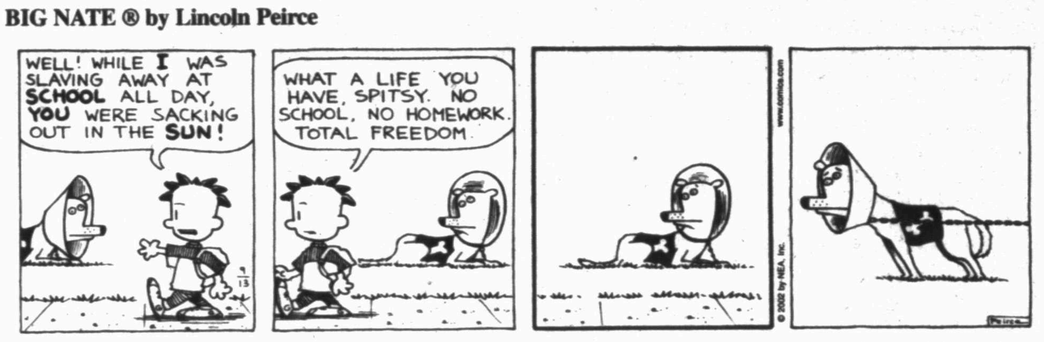
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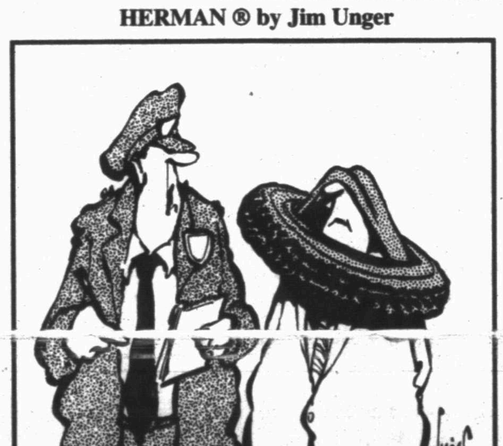
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SPORTS

Sideline Views



by Bobby Allen

Snyder Head Coach Chad Rogers said the timing of this week's open date is "perfect" for a team that needs to get healthy and get a breather after two games with ranked opponents.

Rogers scheduled the non-district games with Frenship and Abilene Wylie to see what the team's strength and weaknesses are heading into district play.

As Rogers said, teams have to play squads that may be better in an effort to improve.

"We could have picked someone else and beat up on them, but that wouldn't have necessarily made us better as a football team," he said.

After getting dominated by a Frenship team that was bigger, faster and deeper, the Tigers played a magnificent game at Abilene, only to see it lost in the fourth quarter.

The experiences should have them ready to fire on all cylinders come next Friday when the Tigers travel to Greenwood, and from there the schedule doesn't get easier.

District 3-3A is solid from top to bottom, as even Seminole, a team not many expected much from, is playing solid football, sitting at 2-0 after a 7-6 win over Monahans last week.

But no teams left are as daunting as the teams Snyder has already faced.

The Tigers will be close to full strength for the Greenwood contest, with Josh Montoya and Chris Sorrells returning from injuries that have kept them out of practices and on the sidelines.

Don't be fooled by the 0-2 record. The Tigers will be hungry and precise next Friday night.

Look out, Rangers.

The Dallas Cowboys may not be the worst team in professional football, but they sure didn't impress many people (including linebacker Kevin Hardy, who called the loss embarrassing) after last Sunday's debacle in Houston.

We see two things wrong with Dallas.

For starters, Quincy Carter is not an NFL-caliber quarterback.

In 2000, we covered the New Mexico State Aggies, who were shut out by Carter's Georgia club. Even in that game, against a lower-echelon Division I team, Carter was scatter-armed and indecisive. At the beginning of the season, he was touted as a Heisman Trophy candidate.

By the end, Georgia coach Jim Donnan was making preparations to have a different QB line up under center in 2001.

Of course Donnan was fired after the season and Jerry Jones chose Carter in the second round, even though many other clubs did not even have him on their draft boards.

This leads to the second problem with Dallas.

Their general manager is incompetent.

Of course, there is no chance of the owner firing him, since he is the same guy.

Jerry Jones predicted a 10-win season last year. The 'boys won five games.

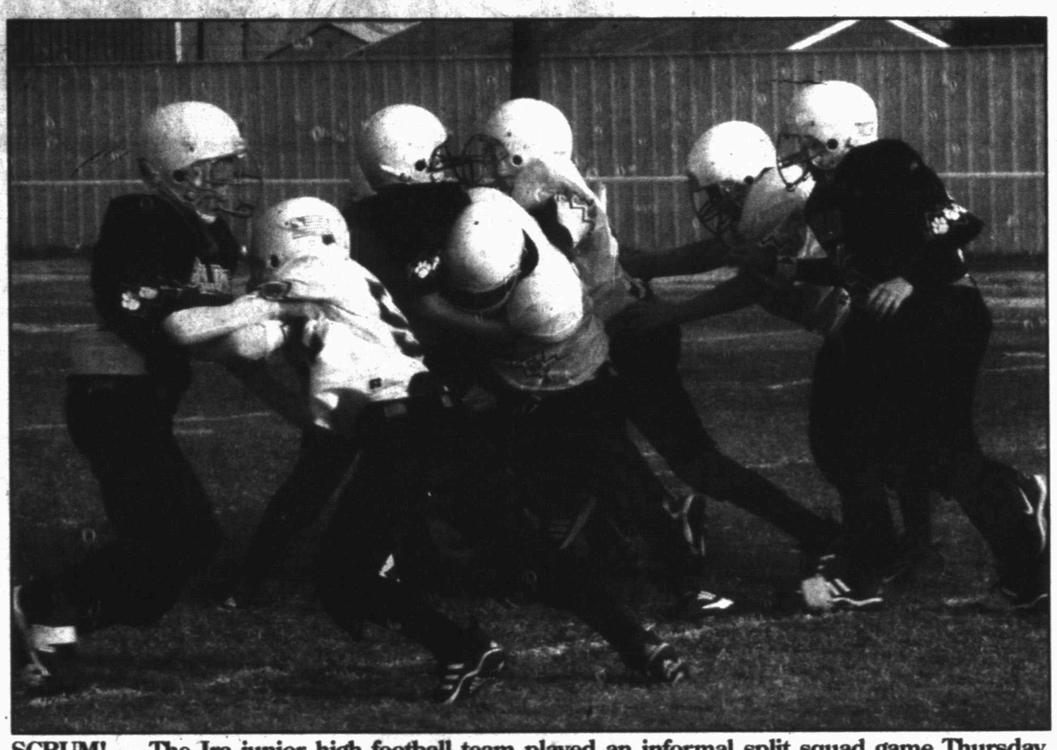
This year he was talking playoffs. Dallas became the first team in 41 years to lose its opener to an expansion team.

The infamous Carter pick was the first one of last year's draft for the Cowboys after Jones traded away two first-round picks for suspect receiver Joey Galloway, who missed all of last season with a torn ACL.

Don't tell me Galloway is of more value to the future of the franchise than two top ten first-round draft choices.

Until Jerry Jones gets a football man to make personnel decisions, the Cowboys will continue to disappoint their legion of fans.

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SCRUM! — The Ira junior high football team played an informal split squad game Thursday, after Benjamin was unable to field a team. The black team was coached by varsity head coach Toby Goodwin, and the white team was guided by Eric Dickerhoff. (SDN Staff Photo)

Rangers foil Mariners with four-game sweep

ARLINGTON (AP) — Desi Relaford was asked to describe what had just happened to the Mariners. The Seattle third baseman muttered one word: "sweep."

The last-place Texas Rangers beat the fading Mariners 7-3 Thursday for their first four-game sweep over Seattle since 1992 and the first in Texas since 1986.

Herbert Perry had three hits, including a pair of RBI doubles, and Chan Ho Park won his fifth straight start.

"It's not what we envisioned when we came in here," Mariners manager Lou Piniella said.

"We have to forget about this," designated hitter Edgar Martinez said. "This series was certainly frustrating, but we just have to look ahead."

Seattle, which had won nine straight games in Arlington before this week, dropped seven games behind AL West co-leaders Anaheim and Oakland. The Angels won three of four against the Athletics this week, including a 7-6 victory Thursday night.

The Mariners, whose final 16 games are against division opponents, begin a three-game series Friday at Oakland.

"I think our team enjoys playing well rather than being a spoiler," said Rangers manager Jerry Narron, whose team has won 22 of 34 games. "It all goes back to pitching. We pitched well in this series and won games."

Texas starts a three-game series at Anaheim on Friday.

Park (9-6) gave up three runs on eight hits over 5 1-3 innings, with seven strikeouts. After that, the Mariners managed just one hit off four other pitchers.

In his five starts since coming off the disabled list Aug. 23 because of a blister on his pitching hand, Park has a 2.70 ERA (allowing 10 earned runs over 33 1-3 innings) with 34 strikeouts.

Before that, the right-hander hadn't won consecutive games since signing his $65 million, five-year contract last December.

Seattle got off to a good start against Park, with singles by Ichiro Suzuki and Relaford three pitches into the game and John Olerud's two-run double.

"Yeah, it's frustrating. We lost and we didn't need to lose," Relaford said. "Even though the chances are bleak, I don't think we'll shut down and not play."

Ryan Franklin (6-4) gave up the lead in the bottom of the first. Michael Young snapped an 0-for-14 slump with a homer and Rafael Palmeiro and Perry had back-to-back doubles to tie the game.

The Rangers went ahead with three runs in the fourth. Perry had a leadoff single and scored on a fielder's choice grounder before Todd Hollandsworth and Young had consecutive RBI singles. Palmeiro and Perry again had consecutive doubles in the fifth and Todd Greene, who had the game-winning RBIs Tuesday and Wednesday, had a sacrifice fly.

Vizcaino homer lifts Astros over Cards

HOUSTON (AP) — Jose Vizcaino hit a three-run homer Thursday night to rally the Astros past St. Louis 6-3, ending the Cardinals' eight-game winning streak. Houston closed within 5 1/2 games of the NL Central-leading Cardinals.

"Day in and day out he's been getting big hits," Zaun added. "He loves those situations. Vizcaino goes up there cool calm and collected."

Vizcaino is hitting .312 with 35 RBI in 359 at-bats. He has started 75 games at four positions and has hit in five spots in the batting order. He is 8-for-23 as a pinch-hitter.

Craig Biggio and Billy Wagner agree with Zaun about Vizcaino's worth to the team.

"I second that motion," Biggio said.

Rodeo team has strong first day

The Western Texas College rodeo team finished up its first night of competition at Lovington Thursday, and coach Greg Rhodes said the team is looking solid early on.

"Our men's team looks really good," he said. "We've already got guys sitting in good shape."

Clay Bunney sits in first place in the bareback riding event with a score of 69, and Justin John Simmons is in third with a 61.

In the saddle bronc competition, Sam Spreadborough currently resides in third place with a 68 and Cody Hordewel is in sixth with a 63.

Trent Cormier has a commanding first place lead in the bull riding competition with an 82, and Will Morris is in fourth with a 71.

"Trent had a great bull ride," Rhodes said. "It's going to be hard for anyone to come close to that 82."

For the women's team, Randus London is in eighth place in the breakaway roping, scoring a 3.4 in the event, and Tasha Stevenson and Ashley Hadley are tied for ninth place in the goat-tying event with a 10.2.

The Lovington rodeo is scheduled to run through Saturday.

Area Sports Calendar

TODAY

Football: Benjamin at Ira, 7:30 p.m.
Football: Ropes at Borden County, 7:30 p.m.
Football: Hermleigh at Moran, 7:30
Baseball: Howard JC at WTC, 2 p.m.
Volleyball: Snyder junior varsity at Lamesa Tourney.
Rodeo: WTC at Lovington.

SATURDAY

Volleyball: Snyder varsity and freshmen vs. Colorado City, noon.
Volleyball: Snyder JV at Lamesa Tourney.
Rodeo: WTC at Lovington



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Tigers stay focused during open week

An open date today has given the Snyder Tigers football squad an opportunity to fine-tune its game and is helping the team get healthy following two games with tough foes.

The team is taking advantage of the off week to work on techniques and fundamentals, according to head coach Chad Rogers.

"This open week hit perfect for us," he said. "We are on the verge of getting healthy, and we've had a good week of practice."

Rogers said the practices have been better and more disciplined each week since the beginning of the season, with the physical conditioning of the team improving.

"We are getting in better shape, and we are already in good condition," he said.

Despite a close loss to Abilene Wylie in the last contest in which they led for three quarters, Rogers said the team has remained focused, and the attitude of the players has been exceptional.

"The kids have a great attitude," he said. "They have continued to work. This team knows what it needs to do."

Snyder coaches will get game film on next week's opponent, Greenwood, Friday night after the Rangers match up with Snyder's district foe Sweetwater.

Fumbles hurt freshmen

The Snyder Tigers freshmen football squad fell behind early to Lubbock Cooper Thursday 20-0 in the first half, but stormed back in the second half before falling 20-14.

Head Coach Tommy Doyle said turnovers did the team in, with five first-half fumbles contributing to the early deficit.

"We made too many mistakes," he said. "They had good field position the entire game."

The Tigers fumbled the opening kick off, leading to Lubbock Cooper's first score, but the freshmen made adjustments to make it a close game.

Doyle said the offensive line executed well, and the Tigers did not punt in the contest.

"The whole offensive line came to life in the second half," he said.

Eric Martinez scored on a two-yard touchdown run and added a two-point conversion, and Chris Smith scampered in for an eight-yard touchdown run to round out the scoring for the freshmen.

"Eric and Garret Pinson both played really well offensively and defensively," Doyle said.

The freshmen next play Greenwood at home Thursday. Kick off is slated for 5 p.m.

Sports Briefs

Football booster club

The Snyder football booster club will meet Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the film room. Everyone is invited to attend. Call Glenda Boyd at 573-3840 or 573-8511 ext. 264 for more info.

Youth bowling league

The Snyder youth bowling league begins Saturday at 10 a.m. at Snyder Lanes for bowlers age 3 to 21. The league will meet each Saturday. Cal 573-4438 for more info.

Men's club championship

The Scurry County golf course will host a men's club championship Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m. Cost is $20 per man. Call the pro shop at 573-7101 to register.

Snyder softball tournament

The Jesters will hold their inaugural U.S.S.S.A.-sanctioned softball tournament Sept. 20-22 at Winston Park. Entry fee is $125 per team. Contact David at 574-1729 or Henry at 573-4199.

Flag football

Any teams interested in playing TAAF flag football should contact Earl Ware at 573-0800 before Oct. 7.

Iverson charges dropped

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - The last two counts against NBA All-Star Allen Iverson will be dropped because his accusers don't want to pursue the case, District Attorney Lynne Abraham said.

Ishii out for the season

DENVER (AP) _ Los Angeles Dodgers left-hander Kazuhisa Ishii will not pitch again this year.
Ishii, hit in the head with a line drive last weekend, is to be released Friday from Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angelos.

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Global Crossing chairman issued House subpoena

WASHINGTON (AP) - A House panel has issued a subpoena for testimony by the chairman of the bankrupt Global Crossing and expanded its investigation to include Western phone company Qwest Communications and other companies.

The House Energy and Commerce Committee served the subpoena Thursday on Global Crossing Chairman Gary Winnick to appear at a Sept. 24 hearing, committee spokesman Ken Johnson said.

Also subpoenaed were Jim Gorton, former general counsel of Global Crossing, and Greg Casey, a former executive vice president of Qwest, according to Johnson. The three men have refused to be interviewed by committee investigators, he said.

In addition, Johnson said, the panel's inquiry has been expanded to include Qwest and its deals with fiber optic company Global Crossing to swap network capacity.

Lawyers for Gorton and Casey could not be located. Spokesmen for Qwest didn't return a telephone call seeking comment.

The Justice Department and the Securities and Exchange Commission are investigating the accounting of Global Crossing, a U.S. company based offshore in Bermuda. Denver-based Qwest, the biggest provider of local phone service in 14 Western states, has acknowledged major accounting errors and is under investigation by the SEC.

The committee also is looking into similar deals Global Crossing had with other telecom companies, Johnson said.

"We're concerned that these capacity swaps were merely sham transactions meant to artificially increase revenue and mislead investors," said Rep. Jim Greenwood, R-Pa., chairman of the panel's investigative subcommittee.

Winnick's attorney, Gary Naftalis, said his client "will respond in an appropriate manner" to the subpoena.

Winnick "continues to cooperate with this and other inquiries by making available all relevant documents," Naftalis said in a statement. "There is absolutely not a shred of evidence that Gary Winnick has done anything improper. All records and reports demonstrate that Gary acted at all times legally, ethically and honorably."

Johnson said "we would not be surprised" if Winnick invoked his Fifth Amendment privilege and refused to answer lawmakers' questions.

Based on interviews with other company officials, Winnick "appears to have been a lot more involved in the day-to-day operations of the company than he has admitted," Johnson said.

Bees thirst for nectar in dry weather

CARLSBAD, Calif. (AP) — The drought that's withering plants and wildflowers where Alan Mikolich raises thousands of bees is pushing him out of the honey business.

With summer production nearly at an end, Mikolich said his bees have produced about 40,000 pounds of the gooey, golden syrup this year. That's down from about 60,000 pounds three years ago.

Mikolich, a beekeeper for 17 years, recently took a part-time job as a mortgage banker to make up for money lost when the honey flow from his 900 hives slowed to a trickle.

"If things go on like this, I'll be making loans next year," he said.

These days, California is not a land of milk and honey for beekeepers. Stung by low rainfall and a lack of wildflowers, they are struggling to survive amid what experts predict will be a 50 percent drop from last year's crop.

Coupled with a production drop in some other states due to weather and pests, consumers are beginning to see a slight jump in prices on store shelves.

"We've been through a major portion of the honey season, and we've seen very little (honey)," said Gene Brandi, chairman of the National Honey Board, an industry promotion group.

In 2001, about 27 million pounds of honey flowed from California hives _ about 15 percent of national production. The wholesale value of honey in the state totaled $18.1 million, topping North Dakota to become the nation's leader, according to National Honey Board statistics.

Bees usually feast on abundant wild plants in California, including black button sage, yellow sumac and holly, along with a steady diet of irrigated crops such as almonds, alfalfa and citrus.

In past years, after downpours triggered by El Nino, beekeepers reported as much as 120 pounds of honey per hive. Brandi, a Los Banos beekeeper with almost 2,000 hives, said he would be happy this year if each one produces 40 pounds.

With rainfall in some areas of the San Joaquin Valley and Southern California down as much as 70 percent, the wildflowers have dried up, denying bees a primary food source. The few remaining plants have produced little nectar, said Eric Mussen, a honey bee expert at the University of California, Davis.

"The plants just can't suck enough juice out of the ground," he said.

Meanwhile, drought, pests and other problems have eroded production in other top honey states, from an estimated 40 percent in North Dakota to about 15 percent in Florida, according to industry experts.

The projected shortage has boosted wholesale prices from an average of 79 cents a pound to as much as $1 a pound and may lead to an increase in imports. Last year, foreign honey was almost half of the nation's supply of 331 million pounds.

"We have a good demand, and the market is requiring more honey," Brandi said. "But the honey's just not there right now."

Some retailers have marked up honey by as much as 10 percent since June, with no dropoff in demand.

To boost supply, some beekeepers have started feeding their colonies sugar water, a nectar substitute that can sustain bees but yields little honey.

Some beekeepers have even moved their hives to feed on irrigated farmland. That could expose the bees to deadly pesticides, even though state law requires farmers to notify nearby beekeepers before spraying any chemicals known to kill the insects.

Mussen said it's critical to keep the number of bees per colony between 15,000 and 20,000 through the tough times so the hives can bounce back into honey production when conditions improve.

Man pleads guilty to dumping body

FORT WORTH (AP) - A man pleaded guilty Thursday to dumping the body of a homeless man who police say was hit by a car and left lodged in the windshield to die.

In his plea bargain, Herbert Cleveland agreed to testify against the woman accused of hitting the homeless man in October and letting him die without seeking medical help.

Cleveland, 24, of Fort Worth, was indicted last week on an evidence tampering charge. He was sentenced to nine years in prison in a deal that allows him to avoid charges on an unrelated allegation of credit card abuse.

According to police records, Chante Mallard struck Gregory Biggs after she left a bar Oct. 26, and kept driving although he remained lodged in the windshield. She allegedly told police she never sought help because she was afraid.

Biggs' body was found in a park Oct. 27. Police had no leads until a tipster came forward in February, saying Mallard talked and laughed about the incident at a party.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Saturday, Sept. 14, 2002

In the year ahead you may assert a new aggressiveness that will substantially enhance your abilities to complete important endeavors. You'll no longer settle for second best.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — The right person to fill the position of leadership in a social endeavor in which you're involved is you. Don't stand back waiting for someone to take the reigns — do so yourself. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Significant accomplishments can be made today with a private affair that needs shoring up. Your compassionate instincts will guide and direct you as to what action to take.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Your greatest asset today is your ability to make those with whom you have contact feel important. It will assist you greatly in evoking friendly responses from them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Even though you may be overtly motivated today by material acquisition or gains, you'll do so in a manner that won't appear objectionable. Your zest might even be contagious.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Instead of wasting time worrying about whether your ideas will pass muster, put them to the test. Only action and determination can be successful.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Something you've been stalled on that has been out of your hands may now work out for you. Conditions have changed allowing you to move forward on it.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Seek out associations today with individuals who are as energetic as you are. Your restless energy needs an outlet and those who drag their feet will make you feel uncomfortable.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Your determination to succeed is your strongest asset today. Once this force is unleashed, you can accomplish anything. Establish bold objectives and goals.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Take advantage of today's aspects and put into action any plans you have that require initiative and strong measures. Your chances for succeeding are better at this time than they may be later.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Make changes today on an arrangement that up until now you have been letting a situation control rather than you. Once in your hands, things will move swiftly.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — The ball is in your court today. Show someone who has been waiting for you to give some kind of signal that you intend to be cooperative with him/her, and you'll get the support you need.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Push yourself a little harder today, and you'll get desirable results in one of several areas: social encounters, business connections and financial arrangements.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Drug/grapefruit ineraction

DEAR DR. GOTT: In a recent column, you indicated that grapefruit juice should not be taken with certain medications, but you didn't specify which ones. My husband takes several heart medicines along with grapefruit juice and has done so for years. Is this harmful?

DEAR READER: It certainly could be.

As I have previously written, the accepted dosages of medications depend on the normal degradation and elimination of these drugs. If a certain compound is not metabolized appropriately, it continues to re-circulate through the body and may reach toxic levels.

One of the major degradation systems is called cytochrome P450. Along with metabolizing medicines, the system also degrades grapefruit juice. Consequently, if this juice is consumed within 24 hours of taking certain drugs, the P450 substance is, for all practical purposes, depleted, allowing the drugs themselves to reach abnormally high levels in the body. Such a situation can be exceedingly dangerous.

I have not listed the medications that react with grapefruit juice because if I did, the huge list would fill this column for the next week or more. Thus, I recommend that interested readers meet with their pharmacists (or their physicians) to review their medications. If there is a potential for drug/juice interaction, grapefruit may become a luxury to be avoided.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: My wife had chronic shoulder pain in the late 1960s. This was treated unsuccessfully with physical therapy. In 1975, she was discovered to have a large lung cancer that was pressing on the nerves to the shoulder. She died the following year. I don't believe that you have ever mentioned lung cancer as a cause of shoulder pain.

DEAR READER: You are correct. Cancer in the upper lobes of the lungs can cause shoulder pain, but this is a relatively rare cause of shoulder discomfort. Moreover, the tumor has to be fairly large to produce such a symptom.

For this reason, I'm not at all convinced that your wife's initial shoulder pain was a result of the cancer. Judging from the dates you supply, she would have lived at least five years with an untreated pulmonary malignancy, an extremely unlikely scenario. Further, she would have experienced other symptoms (weight loss, cough, fatigue, shortness-of-breath and so forth) long before the cancer was large enough to damage shoulder nerves.

I suspect that your wife's original pain was probably from bursitis or another benign condition; the lung cancer was a far more serious, secondary disorder.

DEAR DR. GOTT: In 1973, at the age of 11, I was diagnosed with acute lymphocytic leukemia. This was successfully treated with five years of chemotherapy. Although I have enjoyed good health since, I am starting to experience ankle swelling and constant fatigue. Could the chemotherapy be the cause? I've tried unsuccessfully to obtain my medical records from the 1970s, but they have been destroyed.

DEAR READER: Some forms of chemotherapy can lead to delayed complications many years after the treatment. However, this is so unusual that I would encourage you to search for other explanations for your symptoms. Start with your family physician. Once he or she has diagnosed your condition, treatment can be directed at making you feel better. You were fortunate to have been cured of your childhood leukemia; now address your problem using appropriate medical personnel.

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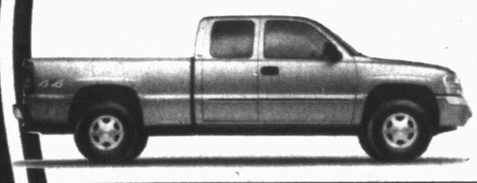
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Tank truck full of ammonia explodes

FREEPORT (AP) — A tank truck filled with ammonia exploded at a BASF Corp. plant today, rattling windows for miles and prompting a call from authorities for residents to stay indoors, the Brazoria County Sheriff's Department said.

"It just sounded like the city blew up," Lake Jackson resident Earlene Wright told TV station KTRK-TV in Houston.

The explosion apparently was felt by people living at least 50 miles away.

There were no immediate reports of any injuries.

"Right now all we know is it was in a tanker car with ammonia in it," said a sheriff's department employee who declined to be identified. "It is contained within the plant."

Calls to the plant went to a recorded message that said, "There has been an explosion at the BASF facility in Freeport, Texas. Details are not available. We will provide further details as they become available."

A BASF security employee who answered a phone at the company today declined to comment on what was happening.

"We have an emergency going on that we have to take care of," she said.

Freeport Mayor James Barnett said lights flickered at city hall. He had no other information.

"We have a reported explosion at BASF," he said. "That's about all I know at this point."

Freeport is about 50 miles south of Houston.

Questions linger over Florida ballot

TAMPA (AP) — He gave a victory speech, thanked supporters and even began challenging the Republican opponent to a series of debates. But Bill McBride's bid for the Democratic nomination in the Florida gubernatorial race is far from over.

Opponent Janet Reno has refused to concede and isn't ruling out a court challenge after questions arose about balloting in two big counties where she had expected to pick up more votes.

McBride, a Tampa lawyer, held an 8,196-vote lead over the former Attorney General after unofficial results were certified Thursday.

The certification came two days after a primary in which polling stations opened late and elections workers had a myriad of problems with new touch-screen voting machines that were brought in after the 2000 presidential election.

McBride's razor-thin margin of victory exceeded half a percentage point, the trigger for an automatic machine recount. More than 1.3 million votes were cast.

But problems have cropped up that could benefit Reno.

Miami-Dade officials, for one, reviewed the vote totals from four precincts Thursday and found an additional 1,818 votes that had not been counted. The county did not say how many of those votes were for Reno, who won Miami-Dade by more than a 3-1 margin in Tuesday's primary and fell only 1,445 votes short of triggering the recount.

Bush and African oil state leaders meet

NEW YORK (AP) — Against a backdrop of promised peace in Africa and possible war in the Persian Gulf, President Bush met today with leaders of 11 African nations, most in the thick of that continent's oil production.

Bush told leaders of Central African nations that he wanted to work hand-in-hand with them to battle terrorism and bring prosperity to the African continent. He was meeting separately with officials of West African nations before returning to Washington from the U.N. General Assembly, which he challenged Thursday to confront Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

Divided among two sessions, the leaders of these countries met with the president: Republic of Congo, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Democratic Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Rwanda, South Africa, and Sao Tome and Principe, an island nation off West Africa.

Bush began the first meeting a bit early, leaving President Fradique de Menezes of Sao Tome and Principe to walk in as the U.S. president was already speaking to news cameras. "I didn't mean to embarrass you," Bush later told Menezes.

The talks focused mostly on trade and development, the AIDS pandemic ravaging Africa, increased international funds for the continent and Bush's interest in seeing democratic political reforms and anti-corruption measures enforced. He believes such reforms will lead to an increased flow of international capital into Africa, said White House spokesman Sean McCormack.

Bush also wanted to try to shore up the fragile peace agreement between Rwanda and Congo, and to lay the groundwork for his first trip to Africa, which is planned for early in the new year, McCormack said.

The Democratic Republic of Congo signed a peace agreement on July 30 with Rwanda to end a four-year, six-nation war that has sown instability on the African continent. But each country recently has accused the other of violating the pact.

Most of the countries on Bush's guest list for today are either already steady oil producers or in the heart of West Africa's oil exploration boom, which now provides the United States with 15 percent of its oil.

HISD trustees to meet on Saturday

Hermleigh ISD's board of trustees will meet at 10:30 a.m. Saturday.

This meeting was postponed from Tuesday due to the lack of a quorum.

Saturday's agenda items include the construction of a combination garage, shop and storage building to be built on the campus.

If approved, the trustees will discuss whether a budget amendment is necessary to fund the building.

Trustees also will consider adopting a resolution calling for school funding equity and discuss various board policies.

The meeting will be held in the high school building.

No stocks

Do to computer problems there will be no stock market reports today.

Anderson guilty verdict upheld by federal judge

HOUSTON (AP) — A federal judge upheld Enron Corp. auditor Arthur Andersen's obstruction of justice guilty verdict, clearing the way for the accounting firm's sentencing next month.

Lawyers for Andersen had asked U.S. District Judge Melinda Harmon to overturn the jury's June 15 verdict, arguing that the government had presented insufficient evidence and that jurors had based their decision on actions that were not criminal.

Harmon denied the request in an order signed Wednesday.

During the six-week trial, government attorneys contended Andersen shredded documents related to Enron, a now bankrupt energy trader, to hide financial irregularities.

Some jurors later said they found Andersen guilty based solely on an e-mail that in-house attorney Nancy Temple had written advising a partner to edit an internal memo about Enron's financial disclosures.

A spokesman for the nearly defunct company, Patrick Dorton, said Andersen will continue to appeal after sentencing Oct. 16.

"We continue to believe the jurors' statements after trial have indicated that the verdict was based on actions that were not a crime," he said.

Andersen's criminal trial was the first to emerge from last year's dizzying collapse of Enron. Andersen, based in Chicago, stopped auditing public companies two weeks ago after 89 years in the business.

Obituaries

Buck Woolever

1921-2002

O.C. "Buck" Woolever, a native of Scurry County, died this morning in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Service for Mr. Woolever, 81, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the Union Baptist Church. The Rev. Clifford Griffith, pastor of the church, and the Rev. Jim Moseley, former pastor, will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.



Buck Woolever

Born April 13, 1921 west of Ira near Bluff Creek, he was the fifth of eight children born to Earl and Hattie Woolever.

Growing up on a farm five miles west of Snyder, he attended Bethel School and Snyder High School where he played on the Tiger football team. Mr. Woolever was a lifetime member of the Union Baptist Church, serving as head deacon.

He married Louise Wilson on Dec. 20, 1940 at her parents' home 12 miles west of Snyder. At the time of their marriage, Mr. Woolever worked for a construction company and helped build the bridges between Snyder and Gail.

The family moved to Dalhart with the construction company and returned to Snyder in 1941. He attended aeronautical training school in Dallas and worked for Consolidated Aircraft in California during World War II.

In 1946, Woolever purchased custom wheat harvest equipment and worked from Texas to Canada the next 28 years, leaving Snyder in May and returning in September.

He was the owner of Mulligan's Mall in Snyder the past 20 years.

Mr. Woolever was preceded in death by a brother and four sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Louise Woolever; a daughter and son-in-law, Darlene and Bill Robbins; a son, Stanley Woolever; two sisters, Laoma Floyd and Patsy Sitton, all of Snyder; five grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Odyssey Hospice, 1510 Gregg, Big Spring, or a favorite charity.

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Two treated and released following local accident

Accident

Snyder officers responded to the scene of an accident in the 2600 block of Ave. Z Thursday morning. Involved in the 8 a.m. mishap were a 1994 Ford F-150 driven by Jenna Neff, 17, of 2605 N. Business 84 and a 1998 Chevrolet Lumina driven by Sheila Floyd, 30, of 303 36th Place.

Mrs. Floyd and her 10-year-old daughter Jessica were transferred by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Memorial Hospital where they were treated and released.

Arrests

DPS troopers arrested a 22-year-old man Thursday on tstanding warrants from Potter County.

Officers arrested a 27-year-old woman in the 1600 block of Scott Ave. at 4 a.m. today for Class B public intoxication.

Juveniles

A woman contacted officers Thursday afternoon to report her son was assaulted by other juveniles after school.

A custodian at Snyder High School reported several juveniles entering the school at 6:20 p.m. Thursday and running down the halls. Officers contacted the juveniles and their parents and advised them of the complaint.

Criminal mischief

Amelia Sanchez reported that her vehicle was keyed at Snyder High School Thursday and a report for criminal mischief was submitted.

Close patrol

A woman requested an officer at Gateway Family Services Thursday night after someone knocked on the door, but could not be seen. Officers responded and initiated a close patrol.

Gas drive off

A gas drive off worth $15 was reported at 9:41 a.m. Thursday from Snyder One Stop.

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ONGOINGS

Head Start program

Scurry County's Head Start program still has openings for children. For information, call 573-7403.

Scholarship fundraiser

Borden County Parents Club will sell Krispy Kreme donuts at Wal-Mart starting at 8 a.m. Saturday.

Country and gospel music

There will be country and gospel music played beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday at the senior center.

FFA lamb, goat clinic

Warren Beard will hold a lamb and goat clinic for Snyder FFA exhibitors at 2 p.m. Sunday at the SHS ag shop. Do not bring animals, but be prepared to take notes. For information, call 574-6046.

Support groups

Adult family violence support group and children's family violence support group meets at 6:30 p.m. each Monday at Gateway Family Service. For information call 573-1822.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "What Will We Be Like in the Next Life," followed by "...And You Fathers."

Central Elementary Scholastic book fair

Central Elementary's book fair begins Monday and continues the entire week. Times are 7:45-9 a.m. and 3:15-4 p.m.

VFW auxiliary

The VFW auxiliary will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the post home. Members are urged to attend.

Alzheimer's support group

An Alzheimer's meeting for caretakers, family members and interested persons will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday in the library of Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

Emmaus community meeting

Mesquite Country Emmaus community meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the World is Life Deliverance Church, 312 Coliseum Dr.

Farm Bill computer training

The training session will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Workforce Training Center at WTC. For an appointment call 573-5423 by 5 p.m. Monday. Dr. Jackie Smith will answer questions about the farm program. Bring accurate figures and appointments will be made to speed the process.

Gospel concert

Tonuey Brothers Quartet will present a Gospel concert at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in Hermleigh.

Sgt. Troy Wilson reception

There will be a reception for Department of Public Safety Sgt. Troy Wilson from 10 a.m. until noon Thursday at the DPS office at 909 25th St. Sgt. Wilson is being transferred to San Antonio as a Texas Ranger.

Men's Emmaus walk

Men's Walk to Emmaus will be held Thursday through Sunday, Sept. 22, at Butman Methodist Encampment. For information, call Jackie at 573-2873.

Stanfield Elementary garage sale

Stanfield will hold a garage sale from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. next Friday. Follow the signs on campus. Donations will be accepted through Thursday at the school office. Proceeds used for out of town field trips. This is being held in conjunction with the second grade study project, "needs and wants" - ways to make money. First graders will be selling lemonade.

Guadalupe Church Jamaica

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church will hold its Jamaica celebration Sunday, Sept. 22. The event will start at 8 a.m. and conclude at 8 p.m. There will be food, volleyball, live music and the event is a fundraiser for the church.

Bible school

Son Canyon River Adventure Bible School will be held at Trinity United Methodist Church from 6:30-8 p.m. every Wednesday in September, and on Saturday, Sept. 28 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Open to all children from infants to 7th grade. Call the church office at 573-3988 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Wednesdays.

SHS homecoming parade

The homecoming parade is Thursday, Sept. 26. The SHS student council invites all local organizations to enter the parade. Entry fee is $15 for floats, $10 for vehicles and $5 for golf carts. Cash prizes will be awarded for best overall, most creative and best Tiger spirit. Contact Christy Smith at SHS to enter.

Tiger homecoming fajita dinner

The annual homecoming fajita dinner will be from 5-7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 27 at First Christian Church. Everyone is invited to park their cars at the church and enjoy the meal before the game.

SHS class of 1988 homecoming

The SHS class of 1988 will meet at 5 p.m. for the before game booster meal at the high school and then attend the game between the Tigers and Ft. Stockton on Sept. 27. There will be a get-together after the game. Call Meredith at 254-223-3193 for more information.

Lord's Acre fish fry

First United Methodist Church's Lord's Acre fish fry is 5-7 p.m. Oct. 1. Adult tickets are $7 and children's tickets – 10 and under – are $3.50. Tickets available at the church office or at the door.

Ira homecoming

Ira School's homecoming is set for Friday and Saturday, Oct. 11-12. The ex's basketball game on Friday night begins at 6:30 p.m., followed by a victory bonfire at the baseball field, weather permitting. Saturday's noon meal will be brisket and sausage plate plus all the trimmings cooked by the senior class. Tickets are $6.50 each. Children under 10 will be $3.25. Send money for the number of plates wanted to Ira School, P.O. box 121, Ira. 79527. Registration will be $5 per family and meal tickets can be picked up at registration.