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Ideal conditions for the pesky critters...

City continues war on mosquitoes

By Bobby Allen
SDN Staff Writer

With quenching summer rains come productive crops, greener lawns and fuller lakes and rivers.

The rains also bring mosquitoes. And in the case of this summer, lots of them.

Ray Cealey, who has the job of keeping up with City of Snyder chemicals for spraying mosquitoes, said areas of Snyder are normally sprayed once a month. But with four more inches of rain this year compared to last, the requirement has been upped to every week.



A female mosquito after feeding. Blood provides protein the insect needs to lay eggs, so the male mosquito does not bite.

Curtis Sharp, who drives the city's spray truck, said the department only used 30 gallons of the chemical last year, but this year they have already gone through one 55-gallon drum.

"Usually we hit it at the start of summer and spray heavily before the 4th (of July)," he said. "Then we do it again in September." He said the city would continue to spray until the humid weather dissipates.

The city acquired a new fogger last year, and its method of delivery leaves some residents wondering if the city is spraying.

"A lot of people think we aren't doing our job," Cealey said. "The new fogger puts out a fine mist and you can hardly see it."

The new fogger is in its second year of use, and uses Priephrine Fog-10. The machine only uses one gallon of the chemical per hour. "It's strong stuff," he said.

Sharp said the old machine required a mixture of insecticide, water and diesel. The old mixture produced a large plume of white smoke, which was an unmistakable sign that pest spraying was in progress. The new machine ejects a fine mist into the air that is not readily visible.

Cealey said the department sprays in different areas each week, with College Avenue and 30th Street being the dividing lines.

He said if the wind is blowing to the south, crews would spray from north to south so the chemical can drift over all areas.

"We spray on every street and every alley," Cealey said.

Mosquitoes not only give irritating bites, they can also carry potentially dangerous diseases. Though malaria is the disease most commonly associated with mosquitoes, other diseases like Dengue fever, encephalitis and yellow fever are transmitted by the pest. Two cases of the West Nile encephalitis virus have been recorded in Texas this year, and another case in southeast Missouri.

The insects use multiple means to locate a host, including carbon dioxide and visual and heat sensors. Over-the-counter repellents that include the chemical DEET interfere with the insect's ability to detect prey.

The male of the species does not bite humans, and usually dies within a few days after mating.

Female mosquitos must feed before they are capable of laying their eggs. All mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water, and can have a life cycle of several weeks.

Cealey said the humid conditions have helped foster the growth of the insects.

"If we had three or four days of hot, dry weather that would end it," he said. Cealey added that high temperatures and low humidity destroys the population.

"One of the biggest problems is standing water," he said. He said residents could help reduce the mosquito population by dumping standing water in pails and old tires and other containers, and changing the water in bird baths and pet dishes every other day.

The city sprays sections of the city Monday through Thursday, beginning at 7:30 p.m., usually wrapping up around 10:30 p.m. according to Sharp. "We do it until it's finished," he said.



MOSQUITO FIGHT — Curtis Sharp of the city's street department pours the Fog-10 chemical into the sprayer reservoir before heading out to combat the city's pesky mosquito population. (SDN Staff Photo by Bobby Allen)

Physical therapy unit to again be managed by Cogdell staff

Cogdell Memorial Hospital's physical therapy unit will be operated in-house beginning Aug. 1 as the contract with National Rehab Partners has been terminated.

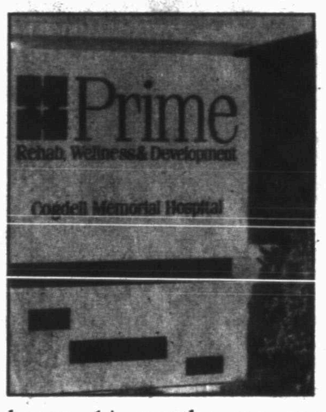
That call was made by hospital CEO George Parsley who said the company did not develop its programs in a timely manner.

"I am anxious to develop new services throughout the hospital," said Parsley. "The company's policy did not coincide with mine as far as developing programs for the community."

Parsley said his decision was not based on finances, but on the need to expand and enhance services at the hospital.

"I would like to think, however, that this decision will be a financial gain."

Parsley said all employees who were working for Cogdell's rehab department before the change 14 months ago can remain, and those who were hired by the contract company are being encouraged to apply.



"We have permission from their present employer to interview them," said Parsley. "Our biggest concern is that some of the staff would leave. We hope they don't."

Parsley said his wife, Pam, has been appointed to be the administrative director of the unit. She also will remain head of the hospital's home care unit.

She has a degree in health information management from Texas Tech University, and formerly worked for Covenant in the Joe Arrington Cancer Center in Lubbock.

Board of managers president Carl Williams said he is satisfied with the new arrangement.

"I think we can do a better job under this setup than the way it was," said Williams. "Their management people were not in Snyder and they did not do a very good job of getting the word out about our services."

When the change was made to National Rehab last year, staffers at the unit met with the board and expressed concerns about the switch that was proposed by Parsley.

Blood drive returns to Snyder this week

Snyder will be the site of a Pint-for-Pint blood drive Tuesday and Wednesday to booster the blood supply in the area.

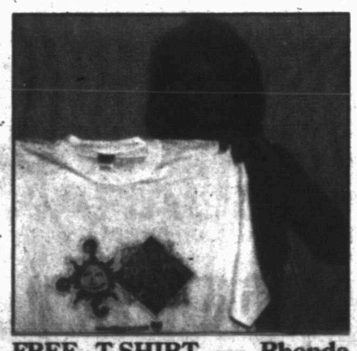
Tuesday's community-wide drive will be from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

The Cogdell Memorial Hospital drive is Wednesday from noon until 5 p.m.

Rhonda Teal, United Blood Services community relations representative, said everyone donating blood will receive one pint of Blue Bell ice cream and a T-shirt.

"This summer blood drive is very important," said Teal "People are always busy, or out of town in the summer, so everyone who can donate this week, we really need you to do so."

"Nearly 800 blood donations are required each week to meet the needs of West Texas and Eastern New Mexico patients," said Teal. "Eligible blood donors are encouraged to give blood three or four times a year to keep hospital shelves stocked with life-saving blood."



FREE T-SHIRT — Rhonda Teal of United Blood Services holds up one of the T-shirts that will be given away during this week's blood drive. (SDN Staff Photo)

School board meets Tuesday to discuss top school position

Following the abrupt resignation of Snyder school superintendent Gayle Lomax last week, school trustees have called a special meeting for 6 p.m. Tuesday.

The agenda calls for the board to formally accept the resignation of Lomax who has served as Snyder superintendent since 1994. Lomax said he plans to pursue other interests, including the possibility of serving as interim superintendent for districts across the state.

Also on the agenda is an executive session in which the board will discuss the process for hiring a new school chief.

Board president Mark McCormick said the board also could discuss the employment of an interim superintendent during the search process.

When Lomax was selected to replace Dalton Moseley, the board used the services of the Texas Association of School Boards in its search.

All school personnel return for the new school year on Aug. 12 and an administrative retreat is scheduled for July 31.

McCormick said Friday afternoon he was not aware of any other personnel changes in the school district.

ASK US

Q-What is the sales tax outside the city limits?

A-State and county sales taxes total 6.75 percent.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 94 degrees; low, 69; 7 a.m. Saturday, 70; no precipitation; total for 2002, 13.71 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, partly cloudy; low around 70; SE winds 10-20 mph. Sunday partly cloudy; high 90-95; S winds 10-20 mph. Sunday night, partly cloudy; low around 70.



Devin Blackwell
Partly Cloudy

Sunset: 8:47 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:53 a.m.
Of 200 days in 2002, the sun has shone 193 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

There is as much dignity in plowing a field as in writing a poem.
—Booker T. Washington

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Unspreading a rumor is a like lot unscrambling an egg."

Keeping up with the news can make your head spin. The only conclusion is that some things are just to be pondered, not understood.

Just recently, an almost completed home (mansion, by some accounts) burned in north Dallas. The home's value was said to be in excess of $44 million.

You have to wonder what accounting technique was being used in order for some corporate executive to afford that kind of deal.

According to a rule of thumb that has long been conventional wisdom, the monthly mortgage of a home should be about one percent of the sales price.

Well, let's see....

A $44 million pad would mean the monthly payments would be in the exclusive neighborhood of $440,000.

We guess the husband and wife are both working, or either the guy has multiple wives and has all of 'em gainfully employed.

If you're feeling a little bit plump, you can blame it on the government.

In America's war on obesity, the hefty side is now fighting back, an effort to protect the public's right to ice cream, nachos, pizza and chicken fried steak topped with cream gravy.

The Center for Consumer Freedom is mobilizing information for pro-food troops and has a Web site devoted to debunking what the organization contends are myths about food and being overweight.

Included is a two-part rebuttal to what health experts call the "obesity epidemic."

The information posted notes that when the federal government changed the definition of obesity several years ago, 30 million Americans instantly slipped from healthy to unhealthy — specifically being overweight.

And if you want to be more specific in your blame of the government, remember that the Democrats were in power when the change was made.

The kid may have understood the concept after all.

We heard a story about a Sunday school class that was studying the Ten Commandments.

The teacher asked if anyone could tell the class the last one.

One youngster raised his hand, stood tall and quoted, "Thou shall not take the cover off the neighbor's wife."

Sexual assault trial to begin here Monday

Jury selection is set to begin Monday in the trial of a 32-year-old Snyder man charge with sexual assault of a girl younger than 17.

Gonzalo Laura of 1005 26th Street was indicted by a Scurry County grand jury for an incident that occurred last Dec. 1.

A panel of 142 prospective jurors have been summoned to report at 8:30 a.m. Monday in 132nd District Court. District Judge Ernie Armstrong will preside.

District Attorney Dana Cooley will present the state's case and defense attorney is Pete Greene of Snyder.

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KIWANIS SCHOLARSHIP — The Noon Kiwanis Club gave four Western Texas College Scholarships to Snyder High School Students. The students attended a club meeting on Wednesday and told about their collegiate plans. Pictured from left are Nicole Lomax, club president, Adam Owens, Vanessa Freeman and Keeli Shoemake. Staci Garcia is not pictured. (Contributed Photo)

Tobacco lawsuit lawyers want judge off case

HOUSTON (AP) — A motion seeking recusal of a judge has been filed by the lawyers who negotiated the state's multibillion-dollar tobacco lawsuit settlement.

Friday's motion was filed on behalf of the five lawyers by their attorneys. The tobacco lawyers want state District Judge Tony Lindsay removed from a case involving their $3.3 billion in fees because of negative comment about the payments made by her husband, a state senator.

Judge Lindsay, who is married to state Sen. Jon Lindsay, R-Houston, rejected a previous motion to strike her from the case last week.

Texas Attorney General John Cornyn is seeking a court order allowing him to question under oath the lawyers hired by his predecessor, Democrat Dan Morales, to handle the tobacco suit.

The lawyers helped negotiate a $17.3 billion settlement for the state in 1998 and were awarded $3.3 billion in fees, which are being paid in installments by cigarette makers.

Cornyn, a Republican now running for U.S. Senate, has long questioned the circumstances under which the lawyers were hired.

Morales and the lawyers — Walter Umphrey and Wayne Reaud of Beaumont, John O'Quinn and John Eddie Williams of Houston, and Harold Nix of Daingerfield — have denied any wrongdoing.



Glenn J Burns

Burns gets Who's Who for 2nd year

Glenn J Burns has been nominated for recognition in *Who's Who Among American High School Students* for the second consecutive year.

A senior at Snyder High School, Burns plays trumpet in the SHS band and is a member of the Technology Student Association (TSA).

Burns is the son of Glenn and Jean Burns and the grandson of Wilbur and Bonnie Fry, all of Snyder.

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Pennsylvania is the second state.

Judge clears legal hurdles for pipeline

AUSTIN (AP) — Expressing deep concern about the project, a federal judge cleared a final hurdle Friday for Longhorn Partners Pipeline LP to open a 19-mile gas pipeline through south Austin and the Edwards Aquifer.

U.S. District Judge Sam Sparks said in his ruling that he cannot require further environmental testing before gasoline starts moving through the pipeline, the Austin American-Statesman reported on its Web site.

"Time will only tell if the mitigation measures will be sufficient to contain the dangers inherent in this decrepit Pipeline, and the people and critters in its threatening shadow can only hope and pray that they will," Sparks wrote.

Longhorn officials say they hope to have the pipeline open by Aug. 15.

The city of Austin, the Barton Springs-Edwards Aquifer Conservation District and two landowners had asked Sparks to nullify the government's environmental assessment that Sparks upheld.

Renea Hicks, a lawyer for a group opposing the pipeline, said an appeal is likely.

The ruling paves the way for Longhorn Partners Pipeline to begin operating its 700-mile pipeline from Houston to El Paso.

"On the one end, I sympathize with the environmental issues the pipeline raises. On the other hand, it should bring lower petroleum prices," El Paso Mayor Ray Caballero told the El Paso Times. "The expectation is for lower prices and were hoping that's true."

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Bonus number 19
Estimated jackpot: $450,000

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
10-17-26-30-38

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order:
6-8-7

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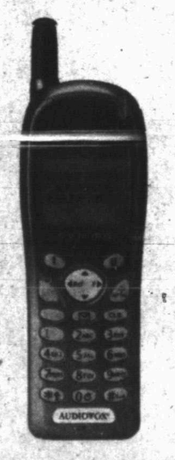
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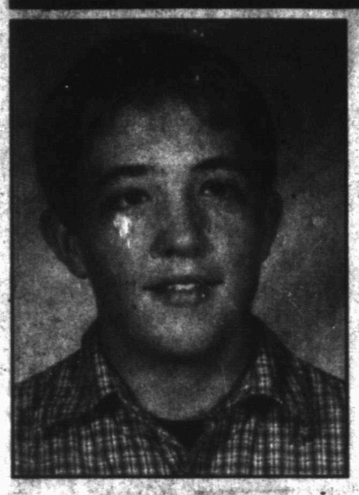
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Rankin Hardin

Hardin in Who's Who

Rankin Hardin, who will be a junior at Snyder High School this fall, has been recommended for the second consecutive year for induction into *Who's Who Among American High School Students.*

Rankin is the son of Lorinda Hardin of Snyder and Joey Hardin of Midland. His grandparents are Richard and Peggy Hardin of Snyder, Bob Jordan of Fluvanna and the late Daisy Jordan.

Possible KKK plot probed

SMITHFIELD, N.C. (AP) — A man described as a Ku Klux Klan member was arrested Friday on federal firearms violations as authorities investigated a possible plot to blow up county offices and kill the sheriff.

Authorities found at least two bombs, "an arsenal of numerous weapons" and bomb-making materials at two homes, Johnston County Sheriff Steve Bizzell said.

One of the homeowners, Charles Robert Barefoot Jr., 39, was arrested and in federal custody. Three people, including Barefoot's son, were held for questioning.

"Sources have revealed that Junior Barefoot was meeting with members of his group or organization, and there were threats that were communicated," Bizzell said.

He said the threats targeted himself, the courthouse, the sheriff's office inside the building and the jail.



Clark Reed

Clark Reed gets Who's Who for second year

Clark Reed, a senior at Snyder High School, has been selected to *Who's Who Among American High School Students* for the second year.

Reed's accomplishments include performing in the state one act play competition, competing in the regional speech tournament, playing the saxophone in the SHS band which won sweepstakes this past school year.

Reed will serve as the drum major in the fall. He is also involved in the dance club and jazz band. He plans to attend Southern Methodist University's Meadow School of Arts after graduation.

He is the son of Pam Reed and Richard and Shana Reed. His grandparents are John and Suzy Reed and Don Gray and Barbara Gray. All are from Snyder.

Lawsuit rejected

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A federal appeals court has rejected a bid to reopen a lawsuit accusing the city of trying to intimidate families into leaving homes rebuilt following a deadly 1985 police operation against the sect MOVE.

Police seeking to oust the anarchistic organization that year dropped a bomb from a helicopter on the roof of the group's headquarters. The fire killed five.



FFA CHORUS — While attending the state FFA Convention in Fort Worth, members of the Santa Fe Chorus visited the Sam Houston State University Agricultural Sciences booth. Members pictured include Daniel Burton, Snyder; Jacob Muller, Bryan; Logan West, Snyder; Quinton Linton, Alief; Cassidy Sooter, Seminole; Amanda Blisard, Elgin; Paige Anderson, Snyder; Gwenn Winsauer, Dayton; Kate Grab, Grapevine-Colleyville; Kathleen Davis, Randi Rauhous, Henrietta; Deondra Akin, Cedar Park; and Beth Parsley, Snyder. (Contributed Photo)

Second lawsuit filed against university

GALVESTON (AP) — The University of Texas Medical Branch faces a second lawsuit filed by family members of four people whose cremated remains were lost at the facility.

The lawsuit filed Friday alleges negligence in handling of willed bodies and seeks the appointment of an independent monitor or panel to keep track of willed body programs and the Anatomical Board of the State of Texas, the Houston Chronicle reported in Saturday's edition.

The lawsuit is the second one filed since July 1 when UTMB officials disclosed that ashes of some body donors who had stipulated that their remains be returned to family were mixed with the ashes of others.

The problem was discovered during a management audit of the medical center's Willed Body Program that began in March. The audit revealed that records of what had been done with numerous bodies and body parts were in disarray and that some body parts may have been sold for profit.

The findings led to the May 9 firing of Allen Tyler Jr. of Galveston. Tyler, 56, was responsible for the bodies from the time they arrived at the facility until researchers and medical students no longer needed them and he took them to an on-campus crematory. He had worked at the medical center since 1975.

An investigation into whether Tyler sold body parts for personal profit has been turned over to the FBI.

About 80 families of those who had willed their bodies to the UTMB are confronting the possibility that they'll never be able to identify their loved one's remains.

The first lawsuit was filed July 12 by Patricia M. Harrison and Michael C. Murphy whose father's remains have been lost.

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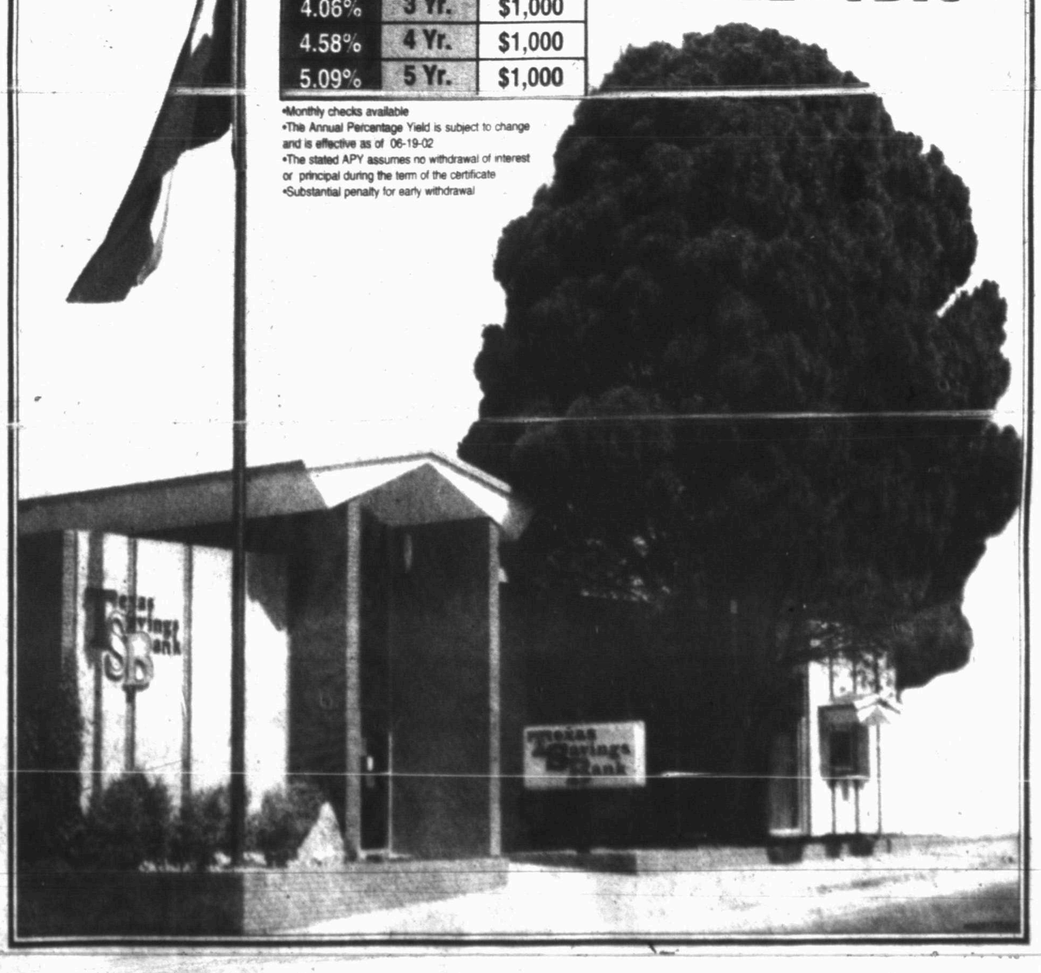
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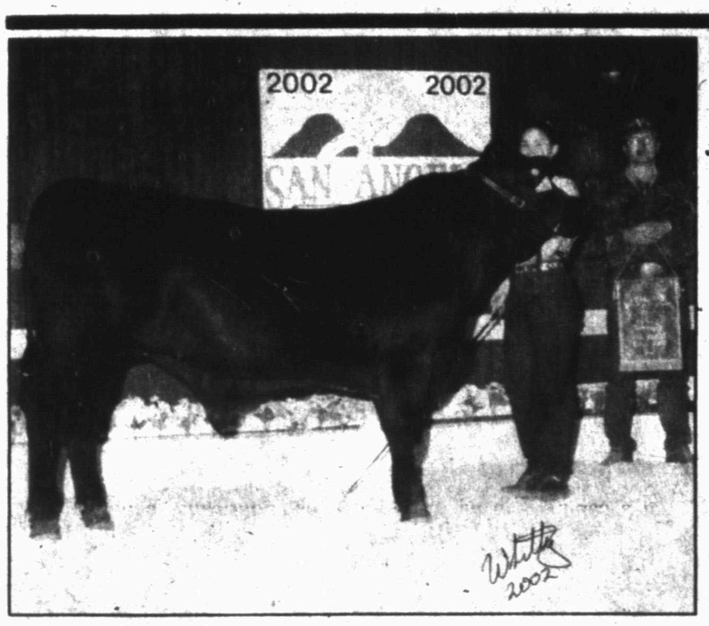
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EXHIBITS STEER — Jordan Stansell, a member of Scurry County 4-H, recently exhibited her steer Brutus at the San Angelo Livestock Show. Brutus placed first in the middleweight class and was also American Breed Champion. Greg Gruben, Scurry County extension agent, is also pictured. Jordan is the daughter of Greg and Tina Stansell of Fluvanna. (Contributed Photo)

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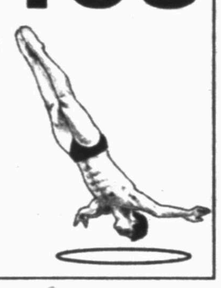
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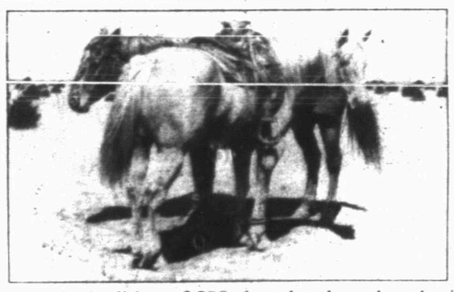
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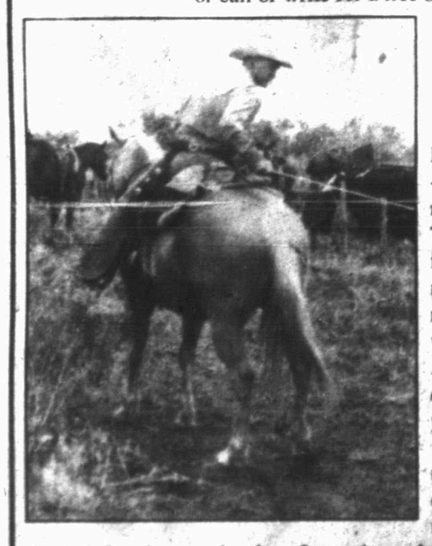


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About the Artist

I am a 42 year old cowboy - artist. I have recently moved here from Guthrie, Texas with my wife and four children. I have had no formal art lessons and realize I have been blessed with a God given talent. Although I have been drawing since I was very young it was not until 1992 when I left my full time ranch job and started day working that I began to take my art seriously. I started drawing on the days I wasn't cowboying and having Limited Edition Prints made from my originals. My art has been doing well enough now that I spend the majority of my time drawing and cowboy on the side. The pictures I draw are of the men, horses, and cattle that I have worked with. To quote C.M. Russell, "Any man who can make a living doing what he likes is lucky, and I'm that..."

Thank you,
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SISD sets meals policy for 2002-2003

Snyder Independent School District has announced its policy for providing free and reduced-price meals served under the National School Lunch/Breakfast Program.

Applications forms will be available for Snyder elementary children when their parents register them for school on Monday, Aug. 5. Snyder secondary students will receive their applications on Tuesday, Aug. 6, registration day at Snyder High School and Snyder Junior High School.

The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility; however, this information may be subject to release to other federal, state and local education, health, or means-tested programs.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced-price meal policy, Mary Burton will review applications and determine eligibility.

Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the reviewing officials on an informal basis.

Snyder parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to 2901 37th Street, Snyder, Texas 79549 or call 573-5401.

Again this year, Snyder ISD staff school will be available to assist in completing applications. They will begin Monday, Aug. 5, elementary registration day, and assistance will be available through the beginning of school.

Applications should be returned to the Humble-Smith building, located south of West Elementary, starting Monday, Aug. 5, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Applications may be turned in Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursdays for the next two weeks.

The final week will be Aug. 19-21 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Beginning Thursday, Aug. 22, all applications will be handled by each school campus where your child/children attend school. An income eligibility chart is shown below.

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3	19,526	27,787	1,628	2,316	376	535
4	23,530	33,485	1,961	2,791	453	644
5	27,534	39,183	2,295	3,266	530	754
6	31,538	44,881	2,629	3,741	607	864
7	35,542	50,579	2,962	4,215	684	973
8	39,546	56,277	3,296	4,690	761	1,083
9	43,550	61,975	3,630	5,165	838	1,193
10	47,554	67,673	3,964	5,640	915	1,303
11	51,558	73,371	4,298	6,115	992	1,413
12	55,562	79,069	4,632	6,590	1,069	1,523
For each additional family member add:	+ $4,004	+ $5,698	+ $334	+ $475	+ $77	+ $110

More presidential papers are released

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. (AP) — The Reagan administration, struggling to save the doomed Supreme Court nomination of Robert Bork, considered calling in movie star Charlton Heston to give him a boost, newly released presidential papers show.

The strategy of using Heston, who played Moses in "The Ten Commandments," was spelled out in a 1987 memo titled "The Borker" and released Friday. It was written by White House staffer Jeffrey Lord, who suggested there needed to be more television ads aggressively promoting Bork and taking his critics to task.

"Cut one spot with a great voice (e.g. Charlton Heston). Theme: Robert Bork has been smeared. The victim of vicious special interest groups," Lord wrote.

The memo and others were among 150 pages of Reagan papers released Friday at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library. An additional 40 pages were released by the Bush Presidential Library. Both sets dealt with presidential appointments.

The Reagan papers were among the last of some 68,000 pages of records that originally were to be released 12 years after Reagan left the White House in 1989.

After Bork was rejected by the Senate, his critics having branded him a conservative zealot, another White House staffer complained in a memo that a person's ideology would forever be a benchmark for judging judicial nominees.

It is "entirely unrealistic to expect that a nominee's ideology can escape scrutiny by the Senate," Dinesh D'souza wrote in a memo titled "Life After Bork.". D'souza added that the new standard would be applied to both liberals and conservatives.

Other memos show that White House officials thought they would have a much easier time getting Reagan's next Supreme Court nominee, constitutional scholar Douglas Ginsberg, confirmed, noting he had a reputation for fairness and was not viewed as extremist.

Ginsberg withdrew his nomination nine days after it was submitted, however, after it was reported he had smoked marijuana while on the Harvard law faculty.

Still another document shows that the White House believed, accurately, that Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas was well respected in Congress and would have no problem being confirmed as head of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Thomas' later nomination to the Supreme Court by President George Bush was nearly upended by law professor Anita Hill's allegations he had sexually harassed her.

Documents from former President Bush's library released Friday shed more light on discussions over the next NASA chief after the Challenger explosion, when Bush was vice president.

Financial Focus

Don't Wait For New Laws Before Diversifying Your 401(k)

All of us want sufficient income to live the type of retirement lifestyle we've envisioned. That's why it's so easy to empathize with those Enron employees who lost vast percentages of their 401(k) accounts. And if you have a 401(k), you may be asking yourself a rather chilling question: Could it happen to me?

Probably not. After all, the Enron case is an extreme example of what can go wrong with a 401(k). But you don't want to stake your future on the word "probably." Fortunately, there are steps you can take to help safeguard your 401(k).

And you won't be totally alone. The Bush Administration and members of Congress have proposed legislation designed to help protect 401(k) investors in the future. Some of these laws would make it easier for employees to sell company stock in their 401(k) plans, while other changes would cap the amount of company stock that can be held in 401(k)s.

These and other proposals will be debated and go through the political process. Ultimately, some changes will likely be enacted, and they may be helpful to you. But you can't depend on new laws alone to protect your 401(k) savings - you've got to take action on your own. And the best time to do that is right now.

To begin with, look at just how much company stock you have in your 401(k). Are your investment decisions being influenced too much by company loyalty? If so, you're not alone: Almost 30 percent of the $71 billion in assets in 1.5 million 401(k) plans are invested in company stock, according to a 2001 study by benefits consulting firm Hewitt Associates. And the figure is much higher at some firms: In pre-crash Enron, about 62 percent of individuals' 401(k) assets were invested in Enron stock.

Even if your company is doing well, it's still not a good idea to overweight your 401(k) plan with company stock. Reversals of fortune can happen quickly in the business world, and if just one stock dominates your 401(k) portfolio, you're taking on too large a risk, particularly if you're nearing retirement.

That's why it's essential that you diversify your 401(k) investments. Spread your contributions among the various accounts available in your 401(k) plan: growth, growth-and-income, bonds, money market, government securities, etc. By diversifying your 401(k) dollars, you'll expand your opportunities for success, while reducing the possibility that you'll be hurt by downturns affecting just one type of asset - such as your company stock.

Thus far, we've only talked about the contributions that you make to your 401(k). If you're lucky, your employer will also match your contributions, up to a certain point. And many employers make these matches with company stock — which gives you even more incentive to put your contributions into the various other options. Your goal should again be diversification. If, for example, your company stock is considered a "growth" stock, then you may want to spread your other 401(k) dollars among the other types of asset classes available.

Your employer is the source of your current income. But when it comes to accumulating retirement funds in your 401(k), you need to look beyond the confines of your company. So start diversifying today — it's your best chance for long-term success.

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Crissida Tyler will perform in musical

BORGER — Snyder Native Crissida Tyler is performing in *Lone Star Rising*, a musical comedy produced by the Center for Texas Culture, an organization devoted to promoting Texas Culture and Tourism.



Crissida Tyler

Registered with the Institute for Outdoor Drama, the production is America's newest outdoor western musical. Lone Star Rising, a musical celebration of the Lone Star state, features the influences of Spanish, Native American and cowboy cultures.

Tyler, 19, is excited to be a first time company member of *Lone Star Rising*. She will be a sophomore at West Texas A&M University in the fall and is majoring in vocal performance.

Tyler is the daughter of Steve and Kathy Tyler of Snyder. Tyler has studied voice under the direction of Marci Dennis, Ronda Haire, Kecia Ashford and Dr. Cloyce Beard-Stradley.

She has performed in *Oklahoma, Hello, Dolly, Ah! Wilderness, The Corn is Green* and *The Music Man* as well as *Texas*.

Award-winning Neil Hess directs *Lone Star Rising*, a much-anticipated western musical. Hess orchestrated the company of over 40 professional dancers, singers, actors, and technicians in the production of *Lone Star Rising*.

Hess, a recent recipient of the Texas Cultural Trust Medal of Arts Award for excellence in theater, and the Golden Touch Award for Artistic Excellence, developed the idea for the new production in response to the growing public interest in Texas cultural tourism.

Written by Lubbock playwright Phil Price, *Lone Star Rising*, contains many original songs from composers such as Art Greenhaw and the Light Crust Doughboys. Playgoers will be surprised with everything from 40 flamenco dancing to original vaudeville and captivating a cappella harmonies.

Lone Star Rising appeals to all ages and is hosted by the Lake Meredith National Recreation Area, located approximately 33 miles north of Amarillo.

Lone Star Rising premiered to critical acclaim on June 12 and concludes on Aug. 18. The show runs nightly at 8:15 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday evenings, and groups are encouraged to attend.



Sara Cantu

Sara Cantu recognized in Who's Who

Sara Cantu, Snyder High School senior, has received *Who's Who Among American High School Students* recognition for the second consecutive year.

She is the daughter of Roy and Yolanda Cantu and the granddaughter of George Rodriguez, all of Snyder.

Memorial fountain will honor princess

LONDON (AP) — After repeated delays caused by disagreements among the organizers, a government official took personal charge on Friday of plans to build a $4.7 million memorial fountain to Princess Diana.

Culture Secretary Tessa Jowell said she'd announce a final design for the memorial by the end of the month.

Earlier this week, the plan was delayed again after the committee overseeing the construction — led by the princess's friend, Rosa Monckton — failed to reach a decision on a design.

Jowell said she was "incredibly grateful to Rosa Monckton's energetic and dedicated leadership of this difficult process."

DNA tests confirm that body found in grave is reporter's

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — DNA tests on a body found in a shallow grave in Pakistan confirm that it is that of slain Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl, a U.S. official said.

Pearl disappeared Jan. 23 in Karachi while researching links between Pakistani extremists and Richard C. Reid, arrested in December on a flight from Paris to Miami with explosives in his shoes. A body believed to be the American correspondent's was found in May near a shed in Karachi where he disappeared.

But until Friday, there was no public confirmation the body was Pearl's.

Pakistani police have been informed of the results, the official said in Washington, speaking on condition of anonymity. The official said the test results had been known for some time.

Steven Goldstein, a vice president of the Journal's parent company, Dow Jones & Co., said he had no comment, adding "that is an issue for the authorities in Pakistan and the U.S."

The reporter's decapitated body was found near a mud hut in which police said they recovered a car seat on which Pearl was sitting in photographs that accompanied e-mails sent to media outlets by his kidnappers.

A court on Monday convicted Ahmed Omar Saeed Sheikh, 28, and three others in the Pearl case. Saeed was sentenced to death by hanging, and the others received life imprisonment, which in Pakistan means 25 years.

The DNA tests are sensitive because they could prompt the appeals court to order a new trial. Police were led to the grave by three men who have not been charged in the case.

Defense lawyers maintained their clients were innocent and accused authorities of stalling on charging the three others to avoid undermining their own case.

On Friday, Saeed's attorney filed an appeal with the High Court of Sindh province, claiming the verdict was based on "fake, false and provenly planted evidence."

Three other defendants in the case — Salman Saqib, Fahad Naseem and Shaikh Adil — filed appeals on Wednesday.

If the appeals are denied at the provincial level, the four can take their case to the Supreme Court. If the appellate court throws out the conviction, the prosecution can ask the Supreme Court to reinstate it.

The appeals process can take more than a year, although the courts are expected to handle this politically sensitive case expeditiously.

The last prominent Islamic extremist to be executed in Pakistan was Haq Nawaz, who was hanged Feb. 28, 2001, for killing an Iranian diplomat a decade earlier.

The United States has asked Pakistan to extradite Saeed to face charges in the Pearl case.



Glyn Wright

Glyn Wright receives an award in math

Glyn Wright, Snyder Junior High School student, has been named a United States National Award winner in mathematics.

The award is presented by the United States Achievement Academy.

Wright is the daughter of Kevin and Mary Ann Wright of Snyder. Grandparents are Les and Betty Wright of Sarcoxie, Mo. and Glenn and Mary Margaret Norman of Post.

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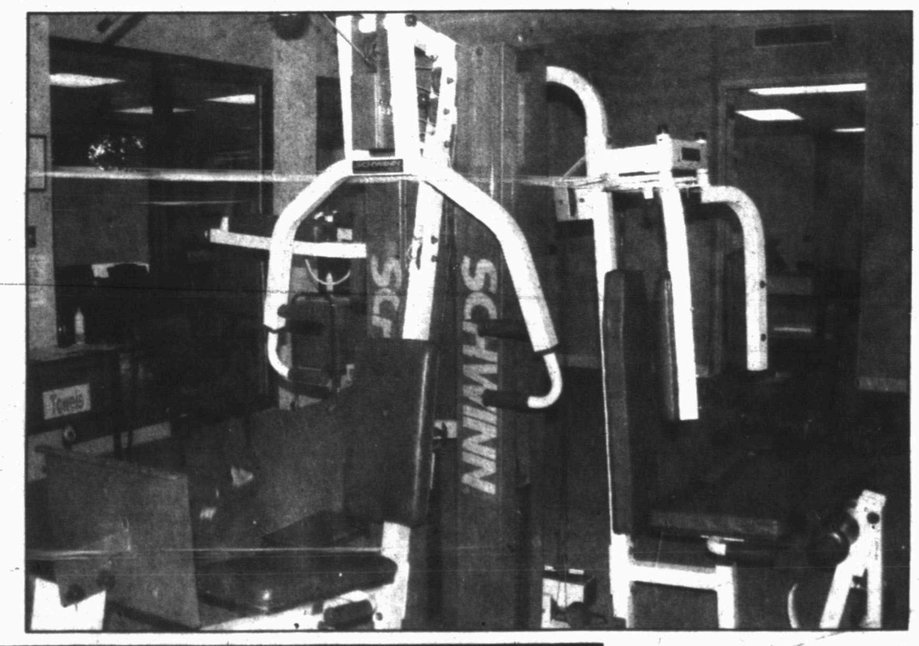
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SPORTS

Crowd gathers atop Open leaderboard

Woods lurking two shots back

GULLANE, Scotland (AP) — Never has a British Open seemed so wide open. Never before has one player seemed so ready to win.

With a leaderboard so crowded even Tiger Woods had trouble getting his name in, the British Open goes into the weekend looking like anyone's tournament.

At least that's the way it would look if Woods wasn't lurking just two shots back. Because he is, all bets are off.

"Golf is a four day sport," said co-leader Shigeki Maruyama, "So in the end I'm sure he'll be on top of me."

Five players from four continents share the lead after two rounds of an Open that is truly living up to its name.

Eleven others are within two shots of the lead.

One of those is Woods, chasing the third leg of an historic grand slam. And that might make all the other names irrelevant.

"Anytime you are near the lead in a major championship, you must be happy," Woods said after shooting a nearly mistake-free 68 Friday.

If that's true, there are a lot of happy players at Muirfield.

Topping the list is an eclectic group of players who managed to find different ways to get to 6-under par midway through the season's third major championship.

Ernie Els got there by shooting a 29 on the front nine before fading coming in and finishing with a 66. Maruyama got there while playing with Woods and matching his 68.

They were joined by Duffy Waldorf, Padraig Harrington and Bob Tway on top of the most crowded leaderboard in a major since six players shared the second-round lead in the U.S. Open.

"When the weather is like this it makes it a lot easier to get scores bunched," Tway said. "If you get some wind blowing you may see scores coming more apart."

Some wind would be fine with Woods, who prides himself on playing better when the conditions get tougher. He thought the wind and rain would come on Friday but it only rained, making the Muirfield links actually play easier.

"If we ever get a day where it blows here ..." Woods said. "If it does blow it will be interesting."

It's already interesting, but mainly because there are so many players from so many places posting so many good scores.

None of the 83 players left after the cut is more than 2 over, and 67 of them are within seven shots of the lead. That figure is significant only because David Duval was seven shots out after two rounds last year and ended up winning by three shots.

That's exactly where Duval is this time, but with such a crowd in front of him it's not likely he will be able to leapfrog the field like he did at St. Annes last year.

The same goes for Phil Mickelson, although he didn't count himself out after just sneaking in under the cut after a second round of 76.

"I'm not about to give up with two rounds to go," Mickelson said.

For Woods, giving up is never an option. Even though he has not made putts like he expects to do, he is just two shots back and is on everyone's mind.

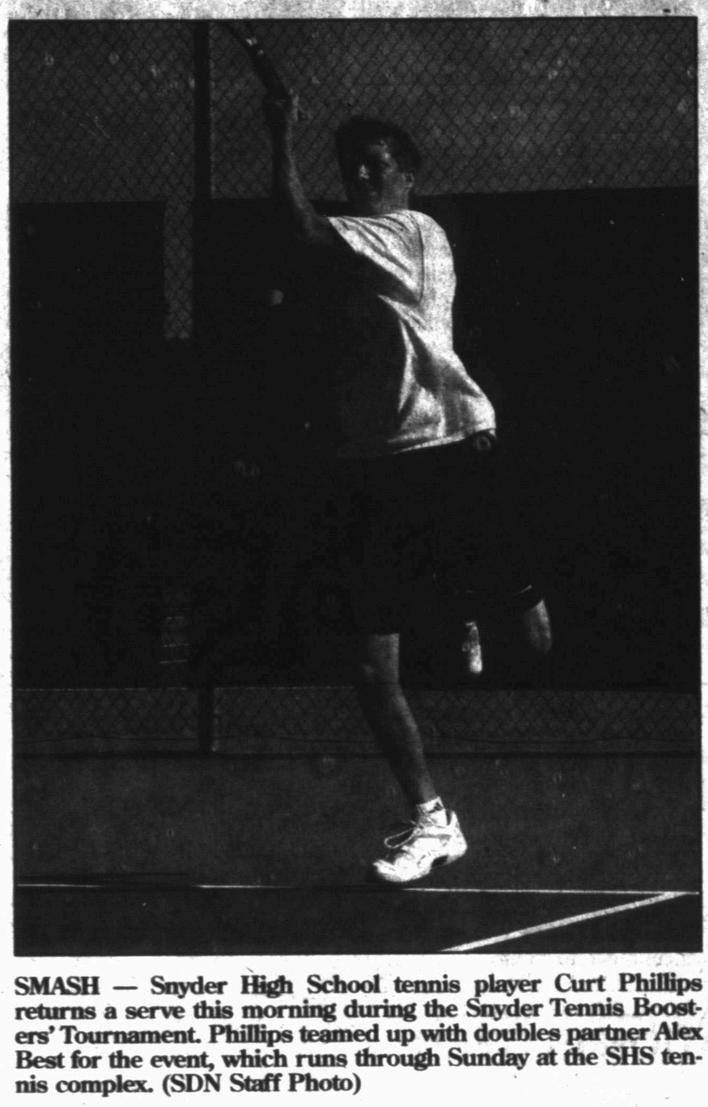
"If Tiger gets really hot, he might do what I did today, who knows," Els said.

For a time Friday it looked like Els might take control of the tournament all by himself. He birdied seven of the nine holes on the frontside before a bogey on the 11th hole seemed to sap his momentum.

Els would bogey two more holes to come back to the field, salvaging his share of the lead only after making par from the fairway bunker on 18.

"It's quite difficult, you know, you play the front nine the way I did and you feel if you keep that going you could shoot a 54," Els said. "That in itself is a scary thought. I didn't quite play the same level on the back nine."

Also playing himself into contention was Colin Montgomerie, who thrilled the home crowd by shooting a 64.



SMASH — Snyder High School tennis player Curt Phillips returns a serve this morning during the Snyder Tennis Boosters' Tournament. Phillips teamed up with doubles partner Alex Best for the event, which runs through Sunday at the SHS tennis complex. (SDN Staff Photo)

Lidle dominates Ranger order

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — In one remarkable night, both Cory Lidle and the Oakland Athletics' lineup finally saw some results for all their hard work.

Lidle threw a one-hitter, allowing only Juan Gonzalez's leadoff double in the eighth inning, and the A's had their best offensive game of the month in a 10-0 victory over the Texas Rangers on Friday night.

After winning just once in his previous 12 starts during a slump that tested his team's patience, Lidle (3-8) was nothing short of masterful. With a wicked sinker and an expertly placed fastball, he got within six outs of the 11th no-hitter in franchise history.

"I had a feeling I was going to do it," Lidle said. "Everything was working. I was throwing everything for strikes, and my sinker was really good. (A no-hitter) crossed my mind in the third inning. I thought I had a decent chance."

Lidle has pitched well in all but one of his last six starts, but he had just one victory to show for it. Likewise, the A's lineup has struggled to score runs even with 10 wins in Oakland's last 13 games; Eric Chavez, Terrence Long and Ramon Hernandez have endured some of the worst slumps of their careers.

Everything changed against the Rangers — particularly in the sixth inning, when Oakland scored seven runs. The A's hadn't scored seven runs in any game in July.

"It's good to finally get some results," said Scott Hatteberg, who hit a three-run homer. "We knew the game was in hand the way Cory was pitching, so maybe that loosened us up."

John Mabry homered and drove in four runs, and Miguel Tejada added his fifth homer in seven games.

But the game was dominated by Lidle, the rumpled fourth starter in an Oakland rotation that sometimes seems only big enough for three — the powerful, glamorous Big Three of Tim Hudson, Mark Mulder and Barry Zito.

Lidle won a career-best 13 games last season as the fourth wheel, but he had struggled this summer. He doesn't have Mulder's heat, Zito's curve or Hudson's control, but he showcased his own formidable talents in his second career complete game.

"He had a real good sinker, and he got lots of ground ball outs," Oakland manager Art Howe said. "He was throwing his breaking balls for strikes. That's quite an achievement."

Lidle faced the minimum 21 batters through seven innings and finished with his first major league shutout, striking out six and sending Texas to its season-high seventh straight loss. It was Oakland's 11th shutout of the season — its fifth since the All-Star break.

"We're a good offensive team, but tonight was a great night for him," Gonzalez said. "He threw a great game."

Lidle did it all while wearing the bright yellow jersey and lime-green cap of the 1972 A's, who are being honored at the Coliseum this weekend for winning the first of Oakland's three straight championships.

"I was thinking about my old high school days (at South Hills in Southern California)," Lidle said. "We had uniforms like that. Bright yellow and bright green go well together."

The Rangers were dressed in the old uniforms of the Washington Senators, who moved to Texas in 1972.

After Lidle began the game by walking Frank Catalanotto on seven pitches, Michael Young grounded back to the mound for a double play. Lidle then began to mow down the Rangers, allowing only three balls to reach his outfielders before the eighth.

"What do you do when a guy is throwing strikes and getting ahead in the count?" Rafael Palmeiro asked. "We didn't hit the ball very hard, and they made some good plays on us."

Aaron Myette (0-1), recalled from the Rangers' Triple-A Oklahoma affiliate earlier in the day, allowed eight hits and seven runs in his second start of the season.

Cubs blank Astros, 5-0

CHICAGO (AP) — It's easy to forget Mark Prior is still a rookie, not yet 22 and only a year removed from the College World Series.

Especially when he pitches the way he did against the Houston Astros.

Prior scattered two hits over a career-long eight innings and struck out eight Friday, and Moises Alou backed him with a home run against his old team as the Chicago Cubs beat the Astros 5-0.

"He was in control the whole time," said Alex Gonzalez, who added a pair of RBIs for the Cubs. "When he's out there, you feel like he's got a good idea of what he wants to do."

Prior was the second overall pick in last summer's amateur draft, a phenom from USC who some had called the best college pitcher ever. He spent 11/2 months in the minors before joining the Cubs, an incredible leap for a pitcher to make.

He's handled it fine so far, compiling a 4-2 record in 11 starts. Oh, he's struggled at times, with his worst outing coming the first time he faced the Astros, back on June 1.

He gave up a whopping seven runs in 3 2-3 innings that day, and needed 95 pitches to get there.

But the Astros saw a very different Prior on Friday.

Prior is as low-key as they come, calm and mature well beyond his years. But pitchers need an edginess to them, a fire bordering on nastiness when they take the mound. Prior's got it, but it doesn't always burn from the start of a game.

"He's very competitive. All we wanted to see was let that competitive side come out," pitching coach Larry Rothschild said. "You don't want to get slapped around before you get things going."

Major League Baseball

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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	62	35	.639	—
Montreal	49	47	.510	12½
New York	49	47	.510	12½
Florida	46	50	.479	15½
Philadelphia	44	51	.463	17

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	52	41	.559	—
Cincinnati	50	46	.521	3½
Houston	46	49	.484	7
Pittsburgh	45	51	.469	8½
Chicago	41	53	.436	11½
Milwaukee	34	63	.351	20

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	56	40	.583	—
San Francisco	55	41	.573	1
Los Angeles	55	42	.567	1½
Colorado	46	51	.474	10½
San Diego	40	56	.417	16

Friday's Games

Chicago Cubs 5, Houston 0
Florida 4, Montreal 2
N.Y. Mets 4, Cincinnati 2
Pittsburgh 12, St. Louis 9
Colorado 9, Milwaukee 5
San Diego 6, Arizona 1
Atlanta 4, Philadelphia 1
San Francisco 3, Los Angeles 2, 12 innings

Saturday's Games

Houston (Saarloos 0-2) at Chicago Cubs (C.Zambrano 2-1), 1:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Marquis 6-5) at Philadelphia (Adams 4-6), 1:15 p.m.
San Francisco (Jensen 10-6) at Los Angeles (Daal 7-5), 4:10 p.m.
Montreal (Yoshii 2-2) at Florida (Penny 3-4), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (T.Smith 3-0) at Pittsburgh (Benson 2-4), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Bacsik 2-0) at Cincinnati (Reitsma 4-7), 7:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (Cabrera 4-6) at Colorado (Stark 5-1), 8:05 p.m.
Arizona (Patterson 0-0) at San Diego (Ol.Perez 3-2), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

N.Y. Mets (Leiter 9-7) at Cincinnati (Dessens 6-5), 1:15 p.m.
St. Louis (Benes 0-2) at Pittsburgh (Fogg 10-6), 1:35 p.m.
Atlanta (Millwood 8-5) at Philadelphia (Wolf 5-6), 1:35 p.m.
Houston (Oswalt 10-6) at Chicago Cubs (Lieber 6-7), 2:20 p.m.
Milwaukee (Sheets 4-11) at Colorado (Jennings 9-5), 3:05 p.m.
Montreal (Armas Jr. 8-9) at Florida (Beckett 2-4), 4:05 p.m.
Arizona (Johnson 13-3) at San Diego (Peavy 1-3), 5:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Ortiz 6-6) at Los Angeles (Nomo 9-6), 8:10 p.m.

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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	60	36	.625	—
Boston	57	37	.606	2
Baltimore	46	48	.489	13
Toronto	41	54	.432	18½
Tampa Bay	29	65	.309	30

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	57	41	.582	—
Chicago	45	53	.459	12
Cleveland	42	53	.442	13½
Kansas City	41	54	.432	14½
Detroit	35	60	.368	20½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	60	37	.619	—
Anaheim	56	39	.589	3
Oakland	57	40	.588	3
Texas	40	56	.417	19½

Friday's Games

Minnesota 5, Detroit 1
Baltimore 10, Chicago White Sox 4
Toronto 11, Tampa Bay 8
Kansas City 8, Cleveland 5
Boston 4, N.Y. Yankees 2
Oakland 10, Texas 0
Anaheim 15, Seattle 3

Saturday's Games

Boston (Arrojo 4-2) at N.Y. Yankees (O.Hernandez 5-3), 1:15 p.m.
Tampa Bay (De Los Santos 0-0) at Toronto (Parris 2-2), 4:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Wright 0-0) at Kansas City (Ru.Hernandez 0-0), 5:05 p.m., 1st game
Cleveland (Nagy 0-1) at Kansas City (Sedlacek 1-0), 8:35 p.m., 2nd game
Minnesota (Mays 0-2) at Detroit (Bernero 2-5), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Glover 3-5) at Baltimore (Ponson 4-4), 7:05 p.m.
Texas (Bell 3-3) at Oakland (Lilly 4-6), 9:05 p.m.
Seattle (Franklin 4-2) at Anaheim (Lackey 1-1), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Tampa Bay (Sosa 0-2) at Toronto (Walker 3-1), 1:05 p.m.
Boston (Burkett 9-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Weaver 7-8), 1:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Wright 6-8) at Baltimore (Erickson 4-9), 1:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Milton 11-7) at Detroit (Sparks 4-9), 2:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Sabathia 6-8) at Kansas City (May 2-6), 2:05 p.m.
Texas (Park 3-5) at Oakland (Mulder 11-5), 4:05 p.m.
Seattle (Pineiro 10-4) at Anaheim (Washburn 11-2), 8:05 p.m.

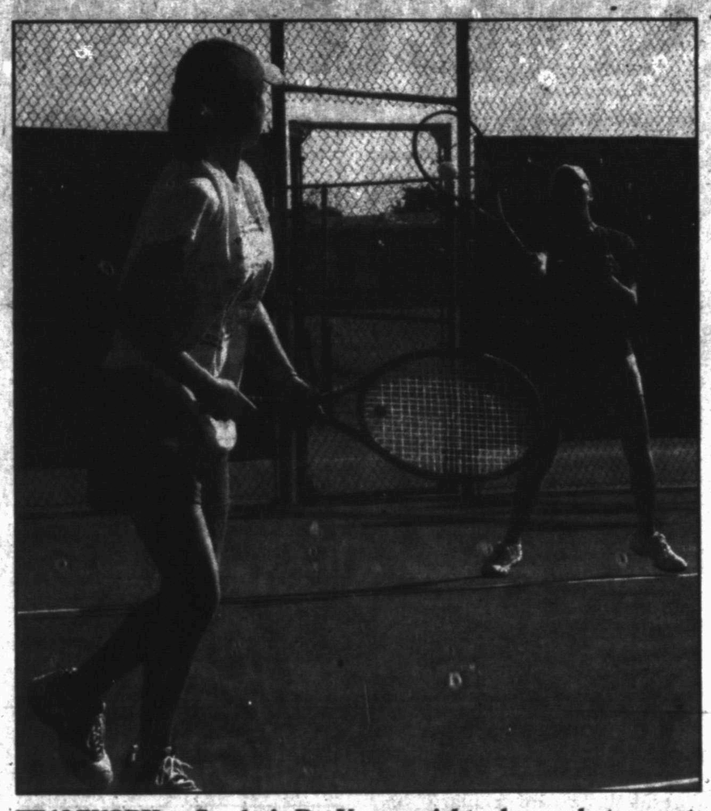


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SPORTS



TEAMWORK — Snyder's Pat Vargas, right, plays a shot as partner Andra Dunham looks on Saturday morning during the Snyder Tennis Boosters' Tournament at the SHS tennis complex. (SDN Staff Photo)

Cowboys set for unique camp

IRVING (AP) — Before Emmitt Smith can resume his pursuit of becoming the NFL's career rushing leader, he has to go through a unique training camp with the Dallas Cowboys.

The Cowboys begin camp Friday in San Antonio, where some workouts will be inside the Alamodome and others on turf in the parking lot. The kickoff also will signal the start of the real hype surrounding Smith's pending chase of Walter Payton's record.

"Football officially starts then," Smith said. "That's going to be a question that's going to come up, at least three or four times a day. I'm going to handle it like a champ. I'm going to handle it with respect and handle it with dignity, and try to have a lot of fun with it."

Smith won't even have a chance to gain any of the 540 yards he needs to surpass Payton until the Sept. 8 season opener against the expansion Houston Texans. The late Payton's record of 16,726 yards has stood since 1987, three years before Smith began his NFL career.

Going into his 13th season, the 33-year-old Smith has an NFL-record 11 straight 1,000-yard seasons.

While Smith's historic chase will be a centerpiece of the season, there also is renewed optimism surrounding the Cowboys, whose two consecutive seasons under coach Dave Campo have ended 5-11.

Campo said he looks forward to containing training camp to one place after splitting time last year between Wichita Falls and the cooler climate of Oxnard, Calif.

"The idea of being out in the heat a little bit and being in the dome is going to be a real plus," Campo said. "We felt our legs really came back a little bit out in California last year. I think we are going to get that right from the beginning of camp. We are going to get crisper practices, and we are going to be fresher."

Owner Jerry Jones was active in free agency again, adding several key players. Bruce Coslet was hired as the new offensive coordinator. And Dallas had perhaps its best draft since Jones bought the team in 1989.

No longer strapped by $24 million in "dead money" that went to former players like Troy Aikman and Deion Sanders, Jones signed defenders La'Roi Glover, Kevin Hardy and Bryant Westbrook and deep snapper/tight end Jeff Robinson.

Glover, Hardy and Westbrook bolster a defense that ranked fourth in the NFL last season. Robinson, who played for the St. Louis Rams, fills a key special teams role that was troublesome for the Cowboys last season.

In the draft, the Cowboys got what they considered first-round talent in All-American safety Roy Williams, guard/center Andre Gurode and receiver Antonio Bryant with the first three of their nine picks.

"We weren't looking for backups," Jones said. "The idea was to get guys who can play now and be a potential cornerstone for years to come. Was it luck? Yes. But I think our chances were enhanced dramatically by being willing to take some chances and having some resolve."

Williams is expected to start and Gurode, who played guard at Colorado, could be the starting center. Bryant joins a speedy receiving corps led by Joey Galloway and Raghib Ismail.

Coslet brings a West Coast-style offense, and part of his plan is to put second-year starter Quincy Carter, or whoever is at quarterback, in position to succeed. Coslet plans to turn often to Smith, who was never fond of Jack Reilly's play-calling, and to use the receivers.

Carter, the team's surprise first draft pick in 2001, became Aikman's successor when veteran Tony Banks was cut three weeks into last year's camp. But Carter missed half of the season with thumb and hamstring injuries.

Even as the starter, Carter isn't approaching camp any differently than when he expected to be a backup.

"I've just always taken the attitude of knowing what's behind me and knowing guys behind me are working just as hard as I am to be in the position that I am," Carter said.

Among them is Chad Hutchinson, whose last football game was at Stanford in 1997, before his four-year stint in professional baseball. Jones outbid several other teams and gave Hutchinson a $4.8 million, seven-year deal that included a $3.1 million signing bonus. Carter got only a $3.3 million, five-year deal.

Anthony Wright and Clint Stoerner took turns starting while Carter was injured last year. Ryan Leaf, the former No. 2 overall pick who lost all three of his starts, was released during the offseason.

HBO's reality show, "Hard Knocks: Training Camp with he Dallas Cowboys," should have ample story lines. A 16-person crew from NFL Films will have nearly unlimited access for the show that the cable network will broadcast six consecutive Wednesday nights starting July 31.

Training camp schedule for the Dallas Cowboys: who prepare to open camp Friday in San Antonio:

- July 26-Aug. 1: Practices at the Alamodome
- Aug. 2: Scrimmage vs. Houston Texans in Houston
- Aug. 3-7: Practices at the Alamodome
- Aug. 9: Home game vs. Oakland Raiders
- Aug. 11-15: Practices at the Alamodome
- Aug. 17: Game at Carolina Panthers
- Aug. 19-22: Practices at the Alamodome
- Aug. 23: Camp ends
- Aug. 24: Home game vs. Atlanta Falcons
- Aug. 26-27: Practices at Valley Ranch
- Aug. 29: Game at Jacksonville Jaguars
- Sept. 1: Roster cut down to maximum of 53 players
- Sept. 2: Practice squad established
- Sept. 8: Season opener at Houston Texans

Armstrong awaits steep climb Sunday

PLATEAU DE BEILLE, France (AP) — Lance Armstrong is fast moving toward a fourth straight Tour de France title, but there's one summit that still eludes him.

Sunday's 14th stage was to take riders up the Mont Ventoux, probably the hardest climb in France, and a highlight of this year's race.

Two years ago, Armstrong came close to winning a stage that ended atop the mountain in southern France. In the final stretch, he held back to let Italy's Marco Pantani win.

The Texan said he was offering a "gift" to his charismatic opponent — who wasn't a title threat — while Pantani claimed he was insulted by the decision.

Despite building a big overall lead in Friday's 12th stage, Armstrong said he wouldn't repeat his act of generosity this year.

"I hope to be in front," he said. "If I'm in front, I won't make the same mistake again. It's too legendary a mountain to give it away."

The Mont Ventoux dominates France's southern Provence region for hundreds of miles around. It is formidable because it rises abruptly to a height of 6,309 feet from flat surrounding countryside.

Also, riders tackling the steep climb usually experience high temperatures, strong winds and arid conditions.

But before Mont Ventoux, is Saturday's 13th stage — a 106-mile mostly flat stretch from Lavelanet at the foot of the Pyrenees to Beziers near the Mediterranean coast.

Armstrong is the favorite to win Sunday's stage, but even he was daunted by the task ahead.

"I would never make any projections on Ventoux," he said. "It's too hard, too epic. I just need to survive it."

Friday's grueling climb to the Plateau de Beille in the Pyrenees left Armstrong with a lead of 2 minutes and 28 seconds over Spain's Joseba Beloki.

Beloki, who rides for Once, finished the 12th stage 1:04 behind Armstrong.

It's likely Beloki will lose strength in the remaining mountain stages, while the Texan will maintain his level, as he has done in past years, and extend his lead.

But Armstrong wasn't claiming victory yet.

"I don't celebrate any victory before the final lap on the Champs-Elysees," the U.S. Postal Service rider said. "One bad day and you can lose everything."

A fourth title would leave Armstrong one short of the event record. Four riders have won five titles.

Sports Briefs

Junior golf tournament

The Western Texas College Junior Golf Championship is scheduled for Aug. 9. Entry fee is $10 for players 11-under and $15 for ages 12-up. For more information, call the pro shop at 573-9291.

Booster club meeting

Snyder Tiger Booster Club meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the athletic film room. Parents of all SHS football players are urged to attend.

Cargile golf tournament

The Kiwanis Cargile Scholarship Foundation benefit Golf Tournament is set for Aug. 10 at Western Texas College. Format is four-person scramble and cost is $30 per player.

Cash prizes will go to the top four teams. Contests for closest-to-the-hole, longest drive and hole-in-one will be held. To register, call the pro shop at 573-9291.

SISD athletic physicals

Physicals are required for students wishing to participate in SISD athletics. Those needing physicals are all incoming seventh and ninth grade athletes, students new to SISD athletics, athletes in their third year of high school, and all students who answered "yes" to questions 1, 4, 5, 6 or 7 on their medical history form.

The school district pays for physicals through Aug. 2 with the following doctors: Raykov, Burleson, Cooper, Thompson, Wolboldt and NP Beth Ashley. Incoming seventh and ninth graders can pick up physical forms in the doctors' offices.

Tennis camp

The four-day Snyder Tennis Camp, hosted by SHS coach Ted Phillips, begins Monday. Incoming fourth through seventh graders are eligible and cost is $30. Registration forms can be picked up at the SHS principal's office. For more information, contact Ted Phillips at 573-2525.

Friday swingers

The SCGA Women's Golf Association holds a weekly swingers event at 5:30 each Friday. It is open to all members and prospective members. Cost is $10 per couple and the format is scramble.

Cash prizes go to the top three finishers as well as closest to the hole. For more information, call Barbara Leatherwood at 725-7875.

WGA weekly play day

The SCGA Women's Golf Association holds a weekly play day each Tuesday at 9 a.m. Format is Nassau tournament.

WTC Men's Golf Association

The Men's Golf Association of Western Texas College holds a weekly event Tuesdays at 6 p.m.

SCGA weekly events

The Scurry County Golf Association holds a weekly scramble Tuesdays at 5:30. The Men's Golf Association holds an all-day MGA event each Thursday.

Fans expand suit over Knight firing

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — Lawyers for a group of basketball fans suing Indiana University's trustees over Bob Knight's firing have expanded their lawsuit to accuse the panel of meeting secretly to discuss budget issues.

The new allegation filed this week says trustees discussed the university budget in the same kind of "serial meetings" that preceded Knight's firing in September 2000. Knight is now the men's basketball coach at Texas Tech University.

The court filings do not specify when such budget meetings occurred.

A lawsuit filed by 46 Indiana basketball fans claimed IU President Myles Brand broke the state's Open Door Law when he met twice with four trustees the day before Knight's firing.

The universithe university has argued that such meetings are legal under Indiana law, which requires that any meeting of at least a majority of a public body be held either in open session or take place as a duly announced executive session.

Indiana's State Public Access Counselor Anne Mullin O'Connor said current Indiana law supports IU's position.

"If there is not a majority present, it doesn't trigger the law," O'Connor said. "Now, would I encourage a group to do this? I would discourage it."

No trial date has been set in the case, which is being heard by Clark County Judge Cecile Blau in Monroe Circuit Court.

Courts routinely allow plaintiffs to amend complaints by motions such as the one filed this week.

The motion seeking to expand the lawsuit comes after plaintiffs' lawyers took depositions June 18 from Brand, vice president Terry Clapacs, university counsel Dorothy Frapwell and former spokesman Christopher Simpson.

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Mitchell County Hospital is accepting applications for a full-time position in the Medical Records Department for someone with knowledge and experience with ICD-9-CM and CPT 4 coding and preferably medical records transcription experience. Please contact Kathy Raymond, Department Manager at Mitchell County Hospital, 1543 Chestnut St., Colorado City, TX 79512, or call (915) 728-3431, ext. 225.

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Part-time maid needed, also a handyman. American Motor Inn, 1307 E. Coliseum. 915-573-5432

Part-time secretary/bookkeeper, 5 days a week. Must know payroll & general bookkeeping. Bowlin Automotive, 601 N. Old Lubbock Hwy.

Snyder Health Care Center is now hiring LVN's for all shifts. Come by 5311 Big Spring Hwy. for application or call 573-6332 and ask for Priscilla or Susan. $14 to $14.50/hour. EOE

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Full-time Cafeteria Worker
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Roby CISD is an equal opportunity employer. Contact Jeff McClure, Superintendent, P.O. Box 519, Roby, TX 79543. Phone (915) 776-2222 Fax (915) 776-2823

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Taking applications for housekeeper. Apply in person at Days Inn, 800 E. Coliseum Dr.

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Must have CDL–Hazmat endorsements, clean driving record and pass drug test. Contact National Fuel at 2208 Ave. R.

Wait-staff & dishwasher needed. Must be able to work split shifts. Apply in person only, Jaramillo's, 102 E. Coliseum Dr.

Wanted: Certified Police Officer for the City of Snyder. MUST HAVE BASIC CERTIFICATION. Contact the Personnel Dept. at the City of Snyder for an application; the number is (915) 573-9362. Please complete application in full (a resume may be attached, but does not replace application). Beginning salary is $2,133 and after one year is $2,331. Good benefits.

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FARM PROPERTY FOR AUCTION

80 AC approx. 5 mi. SE of Hermleigh, TX on FM 1606 and FM 1613

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Minimum Bid Amount $25,159.00

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Senior Menu

MONDAY
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Crinkle Cut Fries
Pork 'n Beans
Hamburgers Fixin's
Apple Cutie Pie

TUESDAY
Pork Chop w/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Sliced Carrots
Tossed Salad
Strawberry Whip

WEDNESDAY
Chicken Salad
Lettuce and Sliced Tomato
Tater Tots
Assorted Crackers
Bread Pudding

THURSDAY
Meatloaf
Scalloped Potatoes
Steamed Cabbage
Citrus Salad
Cornbread

FRIDAY
Fried Fish
Broccoli Casserole
Whole Kernel Corn
Tossed Salad
Pineapple Pudding

Senior News

Make plans to join other seniors at the Scurry County Senior Center for the noon meal and invite a senior friend. Encourage newcomers in the community to visit the facility.

The Senior Citizens Center is funded through the county, city, college, individual donations, and federal nutrition program. The attendance of each senior citizen has a direct affect on our nutritional funding, so attendance is encourage as often as possible. Join us for the noon meal and activities. The center is open Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m

The "Ole Sorehead Band" from Stanton will entertain July 30 at 11 a.m. in the dining room.

MONDAY

Bridge play begins at 9:30 a.m. and continues until noon. Party brige is played. Juanita Ellington leads the daily exercise program. The exercises are very mild and seniors may participate at their own speed.

TUESDAY

Join us for eighty-eight play from 10 a.m. until noon. Seniors who play forty-two will find this game easy to learn. Newcomers are welcome. The Mesquite Country Women's Writers Guild will meet in the bridge room 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Women interested in writing poetry are invited to join them. For more information you may phone 573-0055. The Golden K Kiwanis invites all seniors to join them for lunch followed by their business meeting and program.

WEDNESDAY

Ladies are welcome in the pool room at any time, but we have designated Wednesday mornings as a special time for senior ladies to learn and play pool. Play begins at 9 a.m. Newcomers are welcome to join the group for Double Pinochle in the bridge room at 1 p.m. Line dancing and clogging in the dining room also begin at 1 p.m.

THURSDAY

Coke floats will be served from 10 to 10:30 a.m. in the dining room. Exercise at 11.

FRIDAY

The blood pressure clinic and the bridge tournament begin at 9:30 a.m. Seniors may play eighty-eight at 11

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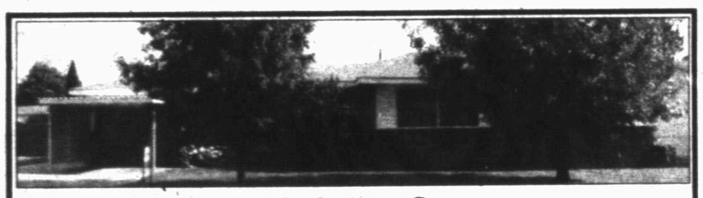
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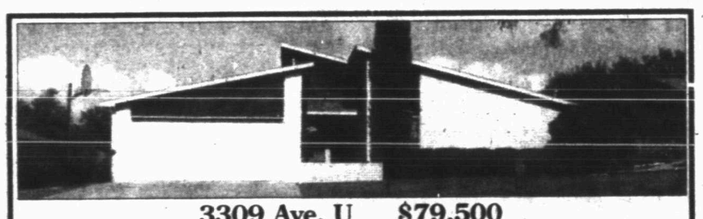
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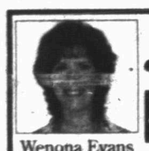


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Suspect arrested in girl's kidnap-murder

STANTON, Calif. (AP) — Mourners converged on 5-year-old Samantha Runnion's home to express relief and gratitude that a man has been arrested in connection with the kidnapping and murder of a little girl many have come to see as their own.

"It happened to everybody," Lisa Eaddy of Cypress said as she joined a crowd of people lining up to spell out Samantha's name with candlelight Friday night, hours after authorities announced the arrest of 27-year-old Alejandro Avila.

"The mother said Samantha would have loved to see her name in lights," said Rebecca Clifford, 49, who lives at the complex of townhouses in this Los Angeles suburb from which Samantha was abducted.

Earlier Friday, Orange County Sheriff Mike Carona stood in the same public area of the complex to announce he was "100 percent certain" that Avila was Samantha's killer.

"This is a message from me on behalf of Samantha's family to Mr. Alejandro Avila," an emotional Carona said. "What you didn't realize when we found Samantha's body and this investigation took place: Samantha became our little girl."

Samantha's mother, Erin Runnion, 27, who had tearfully pleaded for her daughter's return before the body was found, remained in seclusion.

Assistant Sheriff George Jaramillo said she was grieving and "arresting the right guy or anybody doesn't change that reality."

Carona said one of the thousands of tips that poured in from the public led authorities to Avila, who was found Thursday at his mother's Lake Elsinore apartment, not far from where Samantha's body was recovered. He was arrested Friday morning.

Samantha was playing with a 5-year-old friend just yards from her home Monday when a man, using the ruse of looking for a lost puppy, lured her close enough to grab her and carry her away kicking and screaming.

Authorities say Avila had access to three light green cars — the same color of vehicle identified by Samantha's playmate, Sarah Ahn, who witnessed the kidnapping.

Two years ago, Avila was acquitted by a jury of molesting two girls in Riverside County. One of the girls, the 9-year-old daughter of an ex-girlfriend, lived in the same townhouse complex as the Runnion family. Avila often visited the area, said Lewis Davis, 39, the ex-girlfriend's foster brother who lives in Lake Elsinore.

Court records also show that Avila's ex-girlfriend filed a restraining order in 1999, claiming he stalked her. It was unclear from the record whether the order was granted.

Avila was jailed without bail and it couldn't immediately be determined if he has an attorney. But his mother insisted he is innocent, saying he was with her Monday and Tuesday.

Samantha was snatched Monday evening and her nude body was found Tuesday afternoon about 50 miles away, in neighboring Riverside County, off a rural highway near Lake Elsinore. Authorities say she was sexually assaulted and asphyxiated.

Avila's arrest was announced after Riverside County Sheriff-elect Bob Doyle released a tape recording of an anguished 911 call made by the man who found her body.

"I am so scared, it was a little kid. I'm sorry, but I have a 3-year-old son," said the caller, who identified himself as Justin.

"It was a baby, I think it might have been the little girl who has been on the news," he added.

The Los Angeles Times reported that Avila, in an interview before his arrest, denied involvement and told detectives he was at a mall in Ontario on Monday evening. Avila said detectives told him they found fibers on Samantha's body that linked him to her.

After he was jailed, people from throughout Southern California converged on Samantha's neighborhood by the hundreds, continuing to contribute flowers, stuffed animals and other keepsakes to a huge memorial in the townhouse complex's courtyard.

Harvard won't admit students who committed to other schools

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — Harvard University said it will not admit freshmen who have made early decision commitments to other schools, a practice that could have become a source of tension with its competitors.

Because Harvard's own early decision program is non-binding, it can no longer prevent students from applying early to other universities under rules adopted this spring by the National Association for College Admission Counseling, of which Harvard is a member.

For that reason, Harvard had been considering enrolling students who applied early to schools that had a binding agreement to enroll if accepted.

Although Harvard can no longer prevent students from submitting applications and being admitted elsewhere, it will discourage them from doing so and rescind their admission if a break in the early decision agreement is found, said William Fitzsimmons, dean of admissions for Harvard College.

"We were concerned about students applying to lots of places early, swelling the numbers and taking attention away from others who haven't made a commitment to go elsewhere, who could actually go to Harvard," Fitzsimmons told The Boston Globe.

New language in application forms now merely asks students to "consider carefully the number and timing of their college applications" and recommends students apply on the regular timetable if they are "less certain about their college preferences" or if they apply early decision to other schools.

More than half of Harvard's freshmen are admitted before the regular Jan. 1 deadline, and better their odds of acceptance by applying early and agreeing not to do so at other schools.

Two get Carr scholarships

SAN ANGELO — Angelo State University has awarded an additional 56 Carr Academic Scholarships to entering freshman for the 2002-2003 academic year.

Local recipients of Carr Scholarships include Anna Williams of Snyder and Sabrina Terry of Hermleigh. The newly-awarded scholarships range in value from $1,500-$6,000 and go to students representing communities throughout Texas as well as from South Carolina, South Africa, Nigeria and India. More than 230 incoming ASU students will receive Carr Academic Scholarships this fall.

During the current year more than 1,000 students throughout Texas and the nation, as well as several foreign countries are attending ASU on Carr Academic Scholarships.

To qualify for Carr Academic Scholarships, entering freshmen must rank in the top 15 percent of their class and present a combined math and verbal score of 1140 on the SAT I or a composite score of 25 on the ACT.

The scholarship program at Angelo State is supported by a growing multi-million dollar trust established by the late Robert G. and Nona K. Carr of San Angelo.

2 on Dean's List

ABILENE — The following students have been named to the Spring 2002 Dean's List and Honor Roll at McMurry University.

Students qualifying for the Dean's List include Melinda K. Langham, sophomore accounting major; and Kayla Phillips, sophomore religion major.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have maintained at least a 3.5 grade point average while taking 12 or more credit hours.

Two get degrees

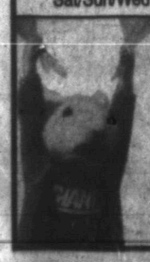
COLLEGE STATION — Diplomas were awarded to 4,929 Texas A&M University graduates during spring commencement ceremonies.

Two from Snyder receiving degrees were Jessica Leigh Perkins, bachelor of science in health and Casity Hale Reneau, master of engineering in mechanical engineering.

Two receive degrees in pharmacy

AMARILLO — Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center's School of Pharmacy held commencement ceremonies May 19 in the Amarillo Civic Center. Two area residents were among 17 pharmacy students to receive their degrees.

They include Tyson Louis Cromeens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Cromeens of Snyder, and Kimberly Sue Brade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Rowe of Snyder.

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Allstate, Farmers issued subpoenas

AUSTIN (AP) — With their underwriting guidelines under investigation by state regulators, Farmers Insurance Co. said Friday it is changing its new restrictions on writing new homeowners insurance policies.

The move came the same day that Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor issued subpoenas for the underwriting guidelines used by Farmers and Allstate Insurance Co.

"I am delighted. I expect good behavior from a market leader and they are in fact a market leader," Montemayor said of Farmers' decision to change course.

On Thursday, Montemayor warned he would issue the subpoena for Farmers' guidelines and said the company's new restrictions on writing new policies appeared to be unfair trade practices. He did not mention Allstate Thursday and said Friday that he was not alleging wrongdoing on Allstate's part.

Farmers, the state's second largest homeowner insurer, said Friday it was reversing course on its new rule not to write new policies on homes that have had a water claim in the past three years or homes older than 30 years with certain types of plumbing. It will now offer a basic insurance policy that does not contain water damage.

"We are trying to find some middle ground," Farmers spokesman Mark Toohey said.

The company still will not offer new policies to homes that have certain types of roofing, Toohey said.

Montemayor said he issued the subpoena for Allstate because he wanted to look at the company's information since it is one of the top homeowner insurance policy writers in Texas, with about 600,000 customers.

"I just want to review it," Montemayor said.

Anthrax field tests are not reliable

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House is warning that anthrax field tests — widely used since last fall's attacks — give fast but often incorrect results, prompting authorities to shut down buildings prematurely and hand out unneeded antibiotics.

In a memo being sent Monday to more than 250 federal agencies and to firefighters, police and local officials across the country, authorities say none of the commercially available field tests are reliable. They advise federal agencies to stop buying them and to cancel any contracts that are pending.

"This equipment does not pass acceptable standards for effectiveness," said the memo from John H. Marburger III, director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. "Field testing ... is not recommended and should not be used."

The advisory comes after an extensive study of the tests by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for the FBI. The study, the first of its kind, found that all tests on the market are prone to miss small amounts of anthrax and to detect anthrax when there was none there.

The memo advises authorities to send results to a CDC-approved lab, where they can get initial readings within six hours. A 17-page set of guidelines offers detailed suggestions for how to handle suspicious mail, warning agencies not to take "dramatic actions" before figuring out whether the threat is credible.

The guidelines also recommend that federal agencies stop routinely testing their mailrooms for anthrax, given that most mail is being irradiated, low levels of anthrax do not pose a significant risk and the tests used are not reliable.

The field tests — which cost about $35 each — are designed to quickly determine whether a suspicious white powder could be anthrax, and hundreds of thousands of them were sold during and after last fall's attacks-by-mail.

But false results cause real problems, officials say.

Group fights deportation of relatives

JERUSALEM (AP) — A Palestinian human rights group has asked Israel's Supreme Court to block any deportation of relatives of West Bank suicide bombers to the Gaza Strip, saying the move violates international law.

The Law Society's motion, filed Friday, comes as the U.S. government, the United Nations and an Israeli human rights group have all expressed concern about the proposed deportations, which Israel says would be to deter future suicide attacks.

Attorney Hader Shkirat, director of the Law Society, said the motion is a preventive measure after Israeli forces destroyed the homes of two suspects in attacks this week and arrested 21 of their relatives.

Following the arrests, Israeli officials said the Israel's attorney general, Elyakim Rubinstein, had determined that relatives of West Bank suicide bombers could be deported to Gaza — but only if they had a direct link to acts of terrorism.

A Justice Ministry spokesman, Jonathan Beker, said deportations could occur "for example, if they encouraged the bomber to join the terrorist organization or even to volunteer for the suicide attack, or were involved in his recruitment."

Israel made the arrests after back-to-back attacks this week left 10 Israelis and two foreign workers dead — the first attacks in nearly a month.

Early Saturday, a car exploded in Jaffa, an Arab-Jewish neighborhood south of downtown Tel Aviv, killing the driver, police said. The circumstances of the blast were unclear. The car was near the Hamadia mosque in the Arab part of town when it exploded, a police spokesman said.

In Rafah in the southern Gaza Strip Israeli soldiers backed by tanks and bulldozers entered a refugee camp and demolished a metal workshop and damaged a house.

Bush pushes Congress to take action on corporate fraud bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Amid a stock market nosedive, President Bush pressed Congress on Saturday to act quickly on a tough package of reforms to fight business fraud, saying "the trust of the American people has been betrayed" by recent corporate scandals.

Bush used his weekly radio address to keep pressure on lawmakers to complete work on a compromise bill before the August recess.

"I am confident that the differences between the House and Senate approaches can be bridged," he said.

Members of Congress didn't seem to need too much prodding, particularly in light of Friday's 400-point selloff that brought the Dow Jones Industrial average to its lowest level in nearly four years. House and Senate negotiators met for the first time Friday to begin writing a final version of the bill, and staff members from both sides were working through the weekend.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said his fellow negotiators already had "unanimous agreement on about 90 percent of the issues." The panel is expected to resume its deliberations early next week.

"Unethical business practices by corporate leaders amount to theft and fraud," Bush said. "These practices are unacceptable, and we are fighting them with active prosecutions and tough enforcement" by the Securities and Exchange Commission, he said.

"We will not accept anything less than complete honesty," Bush said.

Both the Democratic-sponsored Senate bill and the Republican-sponsored

Obituaries

Phillip Villegas

1953-2002

ROSCOE — Phillip Garcia Villegas Jr. of Roscoe died Thursday, July 18, in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Funeral service for Mr. Villegas, 49, is set for 1:30 p.m. Sunday in St. Alberts Catholic Church in Roscoe with the Rev. Sam Homsey officiating Burial will follow in the Roscoe Cemetery under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home.

Rosary is set for 7 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Born July 10, 1953 in Sweetwater, Mr. Villegas was a farmer and had worked at the Inadale Gin. He had lived in the Roscoe area all his life and was a member of the Catholic Church. He was a past Roscoe volunteer fireman and also worked in maintenance for the Roscoe ISD.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Raul Villegas, in 1991.

Survivors include three daughters, Vickie Simpson, Ashley Robin Villegas and Megan Ryan Villegas, all of Snyder; his parents, Felipe and Maria Villegas of Roscoe; one brother, Jason Villegas of Springdale, Ark.; five sisters, Josephine Molina and Christina Zapata, both of Roscoe, Leticia Silva of Colorado City and Ramona Ramos of Snyder; and one grandson, Kodee Villegas of Snyder.

Pallbearers will be Danny Zapata, Nick Zapata, Tony Molina, Lionel Molina, Fidel Silva, Fidel Silva Jr. and Johnny Ramos Jr.

Fay McCollum

1903-2002

COLORADO CITY — Fay McCollum, a former Snyder resident, died Friday, July 19, in the Mountain View Nursing Home in Big Spring.

Service for Mrs. McCollum, 99, was set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was to follow in the Loraine Cemetery under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Born Jan. 15, 1903 in Prairieville, she graduated from Loraine High School and attended college in Canyon. She owned and operated a beauty shop in Loraine for several years before moving to Snyder in 1970. She was a member of the professional women's club and was voted woman of the year in 1985. She moved to Big Spring in 1992 and lived at Canterbury South where she was active in the entertainment.

Survivors include one daughter, Gypsy Ted Gulley of Big Spring; two grandchidren, Mary Thompson of Big Spring and Barney Gulley of Plano; five great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

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Police arrest four people

•Arrests

Police arrested an 18-year-old female at 12:16 a.m. Saturday in the 1500 block of Avenue K for minor consumption of alcohol and resisting arrest.

At 12:40 a.m. Saturday, officers arrested a 17-year-old male in the 1600 block of Voss Lane on city warrants for minor consumption of alcohol and failure to appear.

Police received a call about a domestic disturbance just after 1:30 a.m. Saturday, and a 26-year-old man was taken into custody for public intoxication and resisting arrest.

A 36-year-old woman was arrested in the 2500 block of Avenue W at 3:41 a.m. Saturday for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

•Thefts

At 1:30 p.m. Friday, Nelda Davis reported a woman attempting to purchase items at Ben Wilson Supply with a bad check.

Ahmed Shonsuddin reported at 2:30 p.m. Friday the theft of two televisions from the American Motor Inn.

Michelle Ewing with Town and Country north contacted police just before 5:30 a.m. Saturday in reference to a woman attempting to cash another person's check, then not paying for gas when the check was not accepted. A report for Class C theft was filed.

•Criminal mischief

Greg Gafford reported vandalism to a tractor early Friday morning.

Just after 9:30 a.m. Friday, the tampering of vending machines at the car wash at 4500 College was reported.

Joel Nesmith requested officers at 8:35 p.m. Friday concerning damage to his vehicle.

Angel Loria called 911 at 11:10 p.m. Friday to report someone had egged her car.

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Museum exhibit

A special exhibit of Harley-Davidson, Indian motorcycles and Cushman motor scooters continues through Aug. 22 at the Scurry County Museum on the Western Texas College campus. The free exhibit is entitled Ready To Roll and all bikes are owned by residents of Scurry County.

Medical fund

A medical fund has been established for James Weldon Buchanan at American State Bank to help with cancer treatment expenses. The account name is James Weldon Buchanan Medical Fund, #4802659.

Girl Scout swim party

A Girl Scout swim party will be 5-7 p.m. Saturday at Towle Park pool, followed by a hot dog supper in the park. Girl Scout membership card is required for admittance. There will be a leader meeting during the party. Contact your leader or call 573-3926 for more information.

Adventures with Paul VBS

Adventures with Paul Vacation Bible School will be from 9 a.m. until noon Monday through Wednesday at 37th St. Church of Christ. It is for ages two years through the sixth grade. For more information, call 573-0154.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "The Second Coming of Jesus," followed by "In Remembrance of Me."

Gateway Family Services

Gateway Family Services has a parenting discussion group from 10:30-11:30 a.m. every Tuesday, focusing on parenting issues and special challenges. The family violence support group also meets from 6:30-7:30 p.m. every Tuesday.

GED testing

Mandatory pre-registration for the GED tests is 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday on the WTC campus. Testing begins at 8 a.m. Friday. Call 573-2919, or 573-8511, ext. 297, or 574-2112.

FBC services televised

First Baptist Church services are televised on channel 2 at 3 p.m. each Thursday.

Discovery School garage sale

Discovery School will have a garage sale Friday from 9 a.m. until noon, and 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the youth center (old Lone Star Gas building) at 27th St. and Ave. R. If you have anything you would like to donate, bring it by the Discovery School office or call 573-4770.

Cheerleader fundraiser

SHS freshmen cheerleaders will be selling Krispy Kreme donuts from 7 to 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 5, at Wal-Mart.

Head Start registration

Head Start registration will be held Aug. 5-9 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Children must be at least three years old and family must meet income guidelines or child must have a diagnosed disability. Birth certificate, current immunization records, Social Security Card and proof of family income are required. For information, call 573-7403.

Fall poetry contest

Mesquite Country Writers Guild is accepting entries for its fall poetry contest. Theme is open and there is a 20-line limit. Deadline is Aug. 15 and entry fee is $2. First prize is $50, second is $30 and third is $20. Mail entries to Yvonne Nunn, 9221 S. State Hwy 208 in Hermleigh, 79526.

Sonshine School registration

Sonshine School for ages two through five, is underway and informational packets are available at 37th Street Church of Christ office weekdays from 8:30 a.m. until noon, and from 1-4:30 p.m. Registration fee is $30 and monthly tuition is $45. Open house and registration is 9 a.m. Aug. 15. Call 574-1960 for more information.

FBC support groups

Support groups dealing with divorce, death, cancer or caring for elderly parents meet at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church educational building. A special group for students facing these problems is held at the same time.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland is available free of charge. Call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakey Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Calling all poets

The Mesquite Country Writers Guild is inviting poets to send an original poem to be published in the fall newsletter, "Bards of a Feather." Theme is open with a 20-line limit. Mail entries to Yvonne Nunn, 9221 S. Hwy 208 in Hermleigh, 79526.

Age of firefighting plane examined in crash probe

DENVER (AP) — Air safety investigators are examining whether age was a factor in the deadly crash of a World War II-era air tanker, the second plane in little over a month to break apart while battling wildfires in the West.

The nation's firefighting fleet of 32 heavy air tankers was grounded Friday as a precaution.

"We haven't ruled out anything yet," said David Bowling, a National Transportation Safety Board safety specialist.

The PB4Y-2 Privateer broke apart Thursday while battling a 2,500-acre wildfire 45 miles northwest of Denver. Both crew members were killed. Their names were not released.

Bowling said investigators would look at the age of the plane and the maneuvers required during low-level runs to drop its 2,000-gallon load of fire-retardant slurry on wildfires.

He said engine parts were found in several locations, and an explosion had not been ruled out.

Four other PBY4-2 tankers will not fly until federal investigators figure out what went wrong.

On June 17, a C-130A air tanker crashed after its wings snapped off near Walker, Calif. That prompted officials to ground the five remaining C-130A firefighting aircraft, which have not yet returned to the air.

Longtime WTC mentor retires after 31 years

It wasn't an easy decision to reach but Western Texas College's Janet Halbert decided to turn in her grading pen at the end of the 2001-2002 school year. After 31 years, the veteran English professor said she thought it was time to move on.

She described the past school year as "kind of nice." Like the 2000-2001 school year, Halbert had fewer students so she was able to work more directly with each one.

Enrollment has been down in part because some incoming freshmen had already earned their English credits while in high school. Also, depending on their major, other students didn't need sophomore English classes.

Halbert said she is looking forward to the free time that retirement is giving her but she notes that her husband, Bill, a professor in business administration and division chair for the science and math department, is not retiring.

Until May, Halbert had been the longest employed woman at the WTC. Mavis Brumbelow, the first college employee, held that honor until she retired a few years ago.

With Halbert's retirement, there are only five original faculty members still working. Besides Bill, the others are Dr. Jim Palmer, Sam Walker, Gerald Corkran and Dr. Edward Barkowsky.

Halbert's original plan had been to retire after 30 years at WTC. But she wasn't ready to quit teaching last year so she stayed on staff, in part because she was curious to see what a change in the administration would mean to the college. Longtime president Dr. Harry Krenek retired in 2001 and last summer, Dr. Greg Williams was hired as the new president.

She noted that she is leaving the English department in good hands. She had served as a mentor to the two instructors who were hired two years ago.

Also, noting that "lots of changes" are coming, she said it was time for her to step aside and let someone new come in.

While Halbert put in 31 years at WTC, she also taught two years at public schools.

While earning her bachelor degree at Texas Tech, she did her student teaching at Atkins Junior High in Lubbock, which she had also attended while growing up.

Her first teaching job was sophomore and junior English at Coronado High School. While living in Dallas, she taught eighth grade English at a Mesquite junior high school. At the time, Bill was working for Western Electric while he finished his master's degree.

Both natives of Lubbock, Halbert said they were glad to return to West Texas after they both secured positions at Western Texas College.

"Snyder is a good place to live, Halbert said. It's been good to us and I have enjoyed getting to know the people here. She has also enjoyed seeing former students become successful.

Halbert's years at WTC have provided her with many, memories, something she is thankful for. Some of the fondestones were formed during her early years at the college.

"We were such a close knit group that we were like a family," Halbert said.

For the Aug. 19, 2001 special 30th anniversary section, Halbert shared a few memories including walking into her first class of around 40 students, and not having enough chairs and desks for everyone.

A very rainy August in 1971 had turned the college grounds into "a sea of mud." Walkways were covered with plywood, but the few buildings that had been finished were not then carpeted and mud was tracked everywhere.

She noted that she and Bill shared an office and it had the only phone on campus besides a pay phone. She noted that they took messages and called people to the phone during those early months.

Other memories include the annual faculty golf tournament, and the first high school UIL contest held at the college, organized by Mrs. Brumbelow and the late Dr. Ben Brock.

One of the highlights of the early years occurred when the English Department brought the grandson of William Wordsworth to campus to read poems by Wordsworth and other poets.

The college also sponsored several Pearl Harbor Day programs attended by veterans in the county. Another cherished memory occurred during the 1970s, when the men's basketball team won the NJCAA National Tournament.

Though Halbert has enjoyed teaching English, she never dreamed she would become a teacher when she was a student at Texas Tech. Instead, she wanted to be a legal secretary, just like her mother.

In high school, Halbert did not have a good English teacher, but that changed after she enrolled at Texas Tech and encountered Dr. Mary Louise Brewer who not only "made literature come alive" but she also made it understandable as well.

In time, Halbert decided to become a teacher. She first chose liberal arts as her major and then concentrated on English courses. Though she liked teaching junior high and high school students, she said she has enjoyed the junior college students more. She liked WTC, because she could work closely with her students.

The Halberts have had a busy summer. Their son Chris graduated cum laude from Southern Methodist University. He will now attend graduate school on a full scholarship. He also has a graduate assistantship. Halbert said they helped Chris finds things he needs for his apartment.

They also spent nearly four weeks on the road, visiting national parks in New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Wyoming, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington.

As a semi-retirement present, Halbert said they bought a Corvette convertible before they hit the road. This journey was a good follow up to last summer's trip along parts of the Coast Highway. They had near-perfect weather for this trip, but they did encounter places where a lot of snow had fallen. In fact, the road to Glacier Park and the Yellowstone Road were both closed.

Twelve feet of snow were still on the ground in Washington State. However, even though it was the middle of June, the temperature was 70 degrees and children were having snow ball fights.

They also saw buffalo grazing in the snow-covered land, reminiscent of an Ansel Adams' photograph.

Halbert said they also visited the Dinosaur National Park, something she has wanted to do since 1988.

She said they also saw the smoke from the wildfires that were burning up homes and valuable land in the western states.

Halbert is looking forward to getting to do a lot of the projects she has put off for years. She also intends to read books, mostly non-fiction but she likes Jean Auel books as well. In fact, she is hoping for a rainy fall, because she wants to put her feet up, read a good book and "not feel guilty about it."



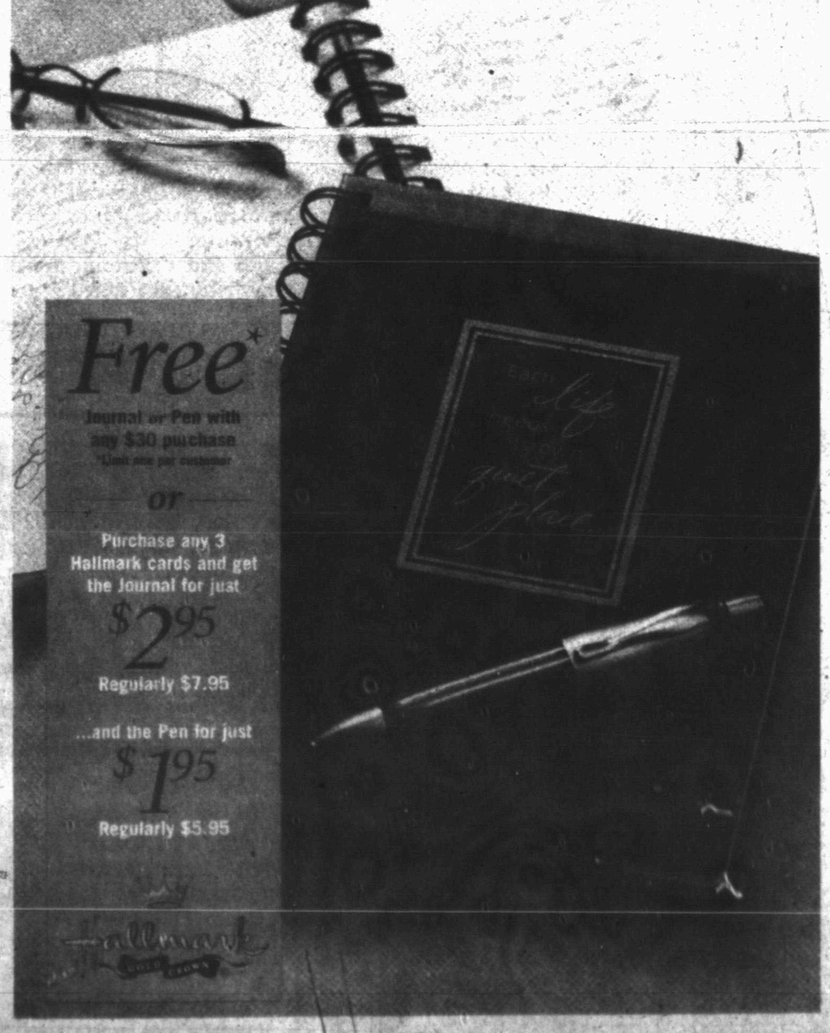
THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES — Janet Halbert has stored up 31 years of cherished memories as an associate professor of English at Western Texcas College. (SDN Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Scurry County Folks

By Shirley A. Gorman

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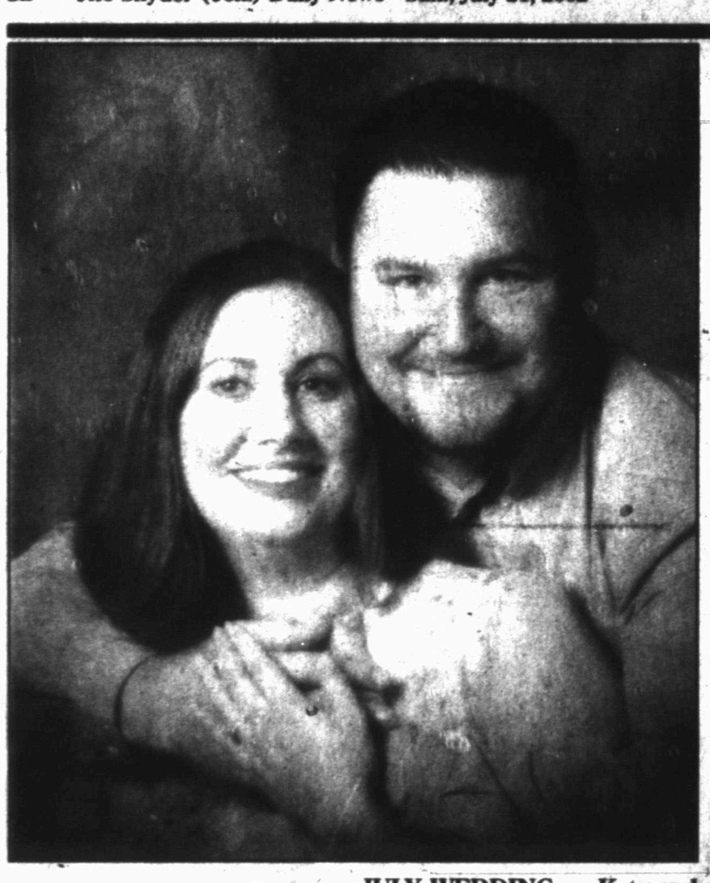
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JULY WEDDING — Katy and Gary Bailey announce the marriage of their daughter, Adrienne Bailey, and Colin Scott Smith. He is the son of Marilyn and Benny Sofar of Huntsville. They were to marry at 4 p.m., Saturday, July 20, in the Canterbury Chapel in Las Vegas. (Contributed Photo)

Bridal Registry

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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♥ A K
♦ K Q J 10 9 7
♣ 10 3

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

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

South
♠ A 8 7
♥ 9 4
♦ 5
♣ A K Q 9 8 7 4

Dealer: West
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
	1 ♠	2 ♦	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ K

Saturday, July 20, 2002

When outplayed by a student

By Phillip Alder

Bertolt Brecht, a German dramatist and poet, wrote: "The world of knowledge takes a crazy turn, / When teachers themselves are taught to learn."

As regular readers know, I run a lot of bridge classes. Sometimes, my students find plays that I hadn't thought of. Occasionally, one is better than my intended approach.

In this deal, against your three-no-trump contract, West leads the spade king. You duck one round and win the second spade. What next?

I feel strongly that when the dealer opens one of a suit, the next player overcalls in a suit, and the responder passes, a new-suit bid by the fourth hand should be forcing. So, North cannot pass three clubs. (This is not a universally held opinion.)

There appear to be 10 easy tricks: one spade, two hearts and seven clubs. So, most of my students immediately cash the club ace and, without pause for thought, follow with dummy's three. They can cross to dummy and run the club 10, but with no hand entry left, the contract is unmakable.

The better players unblock dummy's club 10 under the ace. Then they cross to the heart king, finesse the club seven, and claim an overtrick.

However, Jane Choate, from Hobe Sound, Fla., crossed to dummy immediately, without touching clubs, and called for the club 10, trying to tempt East to cover with the jack. Although East didn't oblige, when Jane won with her ace, she had cleverly unblocked the suit. Back to dummy with a heart, she took the club finesse and collected those 10 tricks. Ingenious!

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Bridge Scores

All games were played at the Snyder Country Club. Jane Hinton directed.

Friday, July 12

A Group
1. Anita Talbott, Suzy Reed.
2. Durelle Gorman, Tizzy Hall.
3. Dora Blakey, Nina Nesbit.

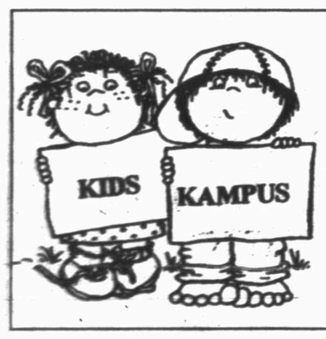
B Group
1. Anita Talbott, Suzy Reed.
2. Durelle Gorman, Tizzy Hall.
3. Dora Blakey, Nina Nesbit.
4. Betty Courtney, Carol Miller.

Tuesday, July 16

1. Margaret Birdwell, Billisue Stuard.
2. Dora Blakey, Barbara Yorgesen.
3. Margaret Presswood, Dorothy Rosson.

Sideburns got their name from General Amrose Everett Burnside, who was easily identified by his mutton-chop whiskers. This style was first known as burnsides.

The three metropolitan areas with the highest projected job growth in the next 30 years are all in Florida. They are Punta Gorda, Orlando and Naples.



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Rodriquez, Alarcon marry in double-ring ceremony

Diane Sheree Rodriquez and Rodney Allen Alarcon were wed in a double-ring ceremony at 2 p.m., June 29, in the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Scurry County Judge Ricky Fritz officiated.

Mike and Mary Rodriquez are parents of the bride and Raymond and Adelia Alarcon are parents of the groom. All are of Snyder.

The long hall of the woman's club was decorated with red and pink floral arrangements. A gold arch with red and pink flowers decorated the background for the couple's vows. For the bride's entrance, a walkway was formed with small trees decorated with red and pink rose buds.

The bride, entering to "The Wedding March," was attired in a white chiffon strapless gown. The bodice was embellished with clear sequins. Her elbow-length tulle veil was attached to a headpiece made of numerous beads, sequins and faux pearls.

She carried a bouquet of red and pink roses and ribbon with accents of misty.

The bride's father presented her in marriage.

Janie Rodriquez, the bride's sister, was matron of honor. She wore a soft pink halter top, floor-length dress fashioned like the bride's. She also wore a headpiece that consisted of pink roses, pink ribbon and white tulle that tied in the back.

Flower girl was Kendal Alarcon, the groom's niece and ring bearer was Randall Alarcon, the groom's nephew.

Best man was Randy Alarcon, the groom's brother. Ushers were Joe and Michael Medrano, the bride's cousins.



Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Allen Alarcon
(Contributed Photo)

Male attendants wore black tuxedos with red bow ties and cummerbunds, and each wore a red rose boutonniere.

Joe and Michael Medrano, ushers, also registered guests at a table that held the book and a large floral arrangement.

A reception followed the ceremony in the woman's club. The bride's table held the heart-shaped, three-layered wedding cake bordered with red roses and pink rose buds. Plastic doves were placed along the edge of each layer. It was topped with the traditional bride and groom. Serving were Janie Kenney, the bride's aunt, and Debra Medrano, her cousin.

The groom's table held a silver service and green crystal plates. The German chocolate sheet cake, brownies, nuts and mints were served along with coffee and sherbet punch by Pam Alarcon and Brenda Alarcon, the groom's sisters-in-law.

The bride, reared in Snyder and a disc jockey for KSNY Radio, is a Snyder High School graduate and acquired an associate in arts degree in journalism with a biology minor.

The groom, also reared in Snyder and graduate of SHS, is a pump truck driver for CSI.

Library News

By Janie Romine

Another successful summer reading program, Read Across Texas, ended Wednesday.

The library will continue to have the noon reading program each Tuesday until the present book is finished.

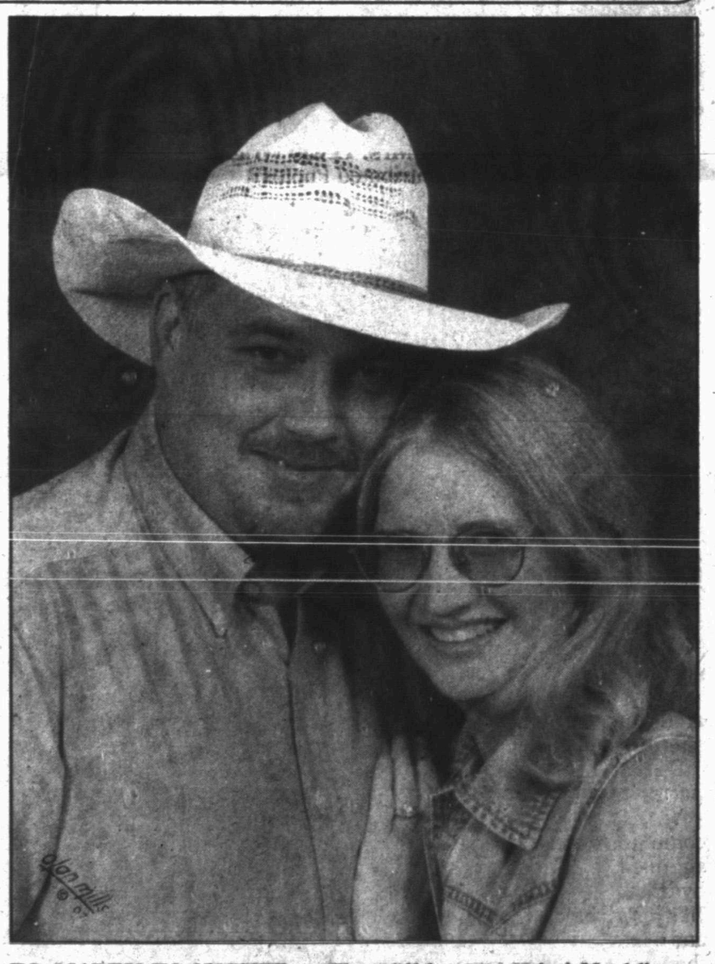
Without the supportive businesses in Snyder, the Scurry County Library Staff would never be able to present such a great program. This year 30 local businesses contributed food coupons, financial help and prizes. In addition, we had a contribution from KTXS in Abilene.

One hundred forty students participated in the Read Across Texas program, with a total of 1,857 hours of reading recorded. Of the 140 students participating, 33 were preschoolers whose parents read to them.

These parents have made a solid investment in their child's future success in school. They have shared the joy of reading with their child. We salute you, parents!

Others making the reading program a success for the children include the local businesses, school principals and teachers, the local citizens supporting the spring book sale that funds the summer reading program, and the speakers who presented a special program each Wednesday. The program is over for the summer, but reading continues.

Enjoy the rest of the summer, and enjoy traveling through books! See you soon at the Scurry County Library!



TO MARRY IN AUGUST — The children of Kristi Nachlinger and Pat Kincaid announce the marriage of their parents. Their children are Krystal, Josh and Jacob Nachlinger and Patrick and Kenny Kincaid. The couple plan to marry at 7 p.m. on Aug. 3 in the home of the future bride's parents. Her parents are Odell and Carolyn Cox of Snyder and Pat's parents are Jack and Glenda Kincaid of Ballinger. (Contributed Photo)

Perfect game tough

FORT PIERCE, Fla. (AP) — Bowling a perfect game is tough, but how about doing it at 82 years old and just 17 days after a partial stroke?

A Vero Beach man did just that. Ted Byram had been temporarily incapable of speech and unable to lift his right arm — his bowling arm — a little more than two weeks before bowling a 300 during league play Wednesday at a Fort Pierce bowling alley.

"After getting eight strikes in a row, I knew I had a chance," said Byram, a New Jersey native who moved to Florida 20 years ago. "That last ball felt like it weighed 25 pounds. But it had nothing to do with the stroke. It was nerves."

Byram, who bowls five days a week and carries a 190 average, once rolled a 280 game.



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Births

Don and Catherine Veazey of Snyder announce the birth of their seven-pound, one-ounce daughter, Esther Catherine Veazey, at 3:38 a.m. on July 18 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

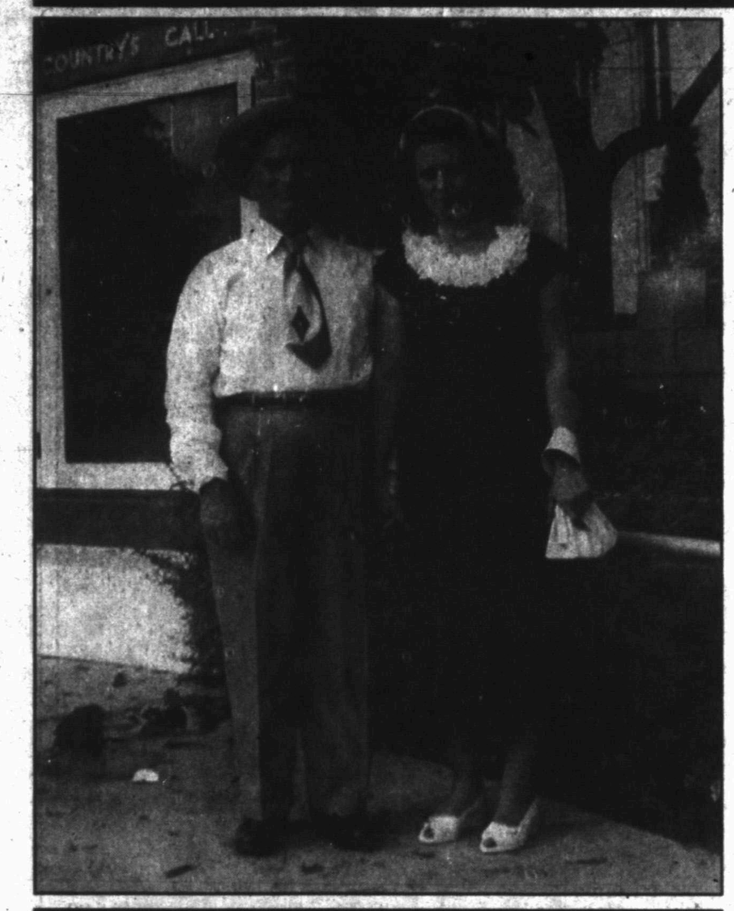
Paternal grandparents are David and Alice Veazey of Amarillo and maternal grandparents are Richard and Toyah Martin of Kerrville.

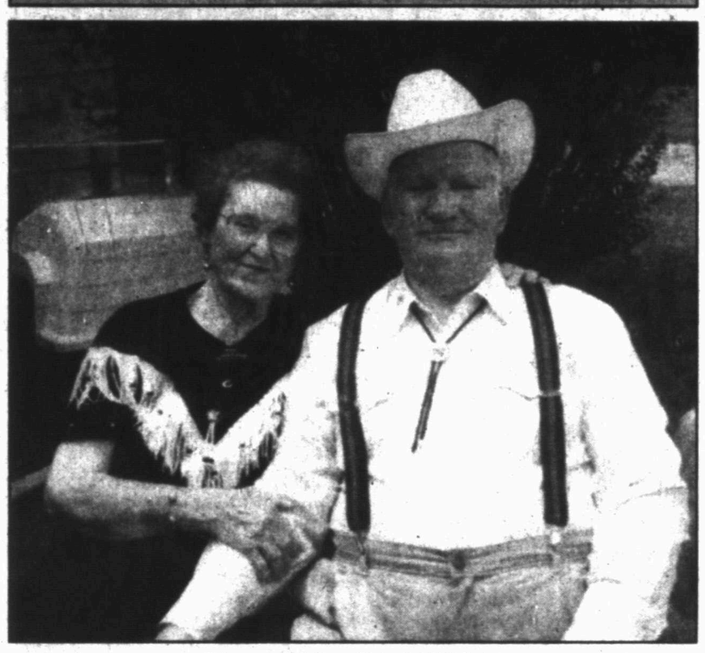
Angel De-Jesus Martinez was born to Miguel and Cecilia Martinez of Snyder at 6:45 p.m. on July 18 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Angel weighed six pounds, 10 ounces.

Paternal grandparents are the late Alicia and Manuel Martinez and maternal grandparents are Dominga Cruz and Pedro Favela of Coahila, Mexico.

The Scurry County Health Unit
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We have an extended clinic on July 18 and
HOURS are 7:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.





Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wright
(Contributed Photos)

Wrights celebrated 50th anniversary with dinner

Lewis and Leoda Wright of Snyder were married July 8, 1952 and celebrated with a dinner at the Spanish Inn.

Mrs. Wright was born on Sept. 8, 1920 in Hawley and Mr. Wright was born on Oct. 31, 1921. They met in 1943 and were married in Loving ton, N.M.

They have lived in Hamlin, Abilene, Colorado City, Roscoe and Snyder. They had Wright's Bargain Store and Wright's Boot Shop. Mr. and Mrs. Wright are members of the Church of the Nazarene.

Drainage ponds named for Simpsons

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The Minnesota Department of Transportation was having trouble keeping track of its several hundred drainage ponds at highway interchanges.

So it named some of them Bart, Barney and Milhouse.

Yes, TV's "The Simpsons" has come to stormwater runoff management, courtesy of state hydrologist Patrick McLarnon. "It's just something fun," he said, and a better naming scheme than the numbers and letters that used to be employed.

The Simpsons ponds — there's also Apu, Clancy Wiggum, Maggie, Itchy, Lenny, Quimby, Scratchy and Seymour — are all part of the Interstate 494 Highway 61 interchange project in Newport in the metro area.

McLarnon also has named ponds after "Happy Days" characters Richie, Joanie, Chachi and The Fonz along Interstate 94 and for "Star Wars" aliens along Highway 12.

None of the names appear on plaques at the ponds, but that's how they're designated in state databases to track water quality.

Howells enjoy hobby and win awards



Wilson and Joy Howell
(SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Wilson and Joy Howell of Snyder have a longtime hobby that continues to grow and win awards.

Wilson and Joy have traveled to three miniature rose shows this spring and placed in each one. At the Dallas Rose Society Spring Show on May 11, Wilson's "Fairhope" won the Queen Miniature Rose Award (gold). The second place award is the King (silver) and the third place is the Princess (bronze).

At the same show, his "Hot Tamale" won a silver certificate and his "Sweet Melody" received a bronze certificate.

Wilson received the Miniature Sweepstakes for having the most first place miniature roses.

In a fully open miniature rose show on May 18 in Tulsa, Okla., Wilson's "American Classic" won first place and a trophy vase.

On June 22 Wilson, a member of the American Rose Society, entered the Sante Fe show and won first place with "Veteran's Honor," his favorite rose.

Wilson incorporates perennials and other shrubs with his with his almost 600 rose bushes. He and his wife had always had roses in their garden but his interest in roses increased following his retirement.

In the past, their yard has been chosen for the Yard of the Month by the Snyder Beautification Committee and Snyder Garden Club.

The Wilsons will miss the South Central District summer and fall show due to attending a granddaughter's wedding on the same weekend as the show.

Having a rose garden in West Texas is a challenge and the spring and summer rains have been very helpful this growing season, but Wilson spends many hours a day propagating, pruning, grooming, fertilizing and pampering his rose garden.

The American Rose magazine will include a picture of Wilson and Joy in their rose garden in an upcoming issue.

Vail manhole covers for sale

VAIL, Colo. (AP) — For as little as $65, you can take home a piece of chic Vail.

In a novel merchandising effort, town officials are hawking Vail manhole covers adorned with a "V" logo and the words "Elev. 8150" and "Founded 1962."

"We can rest assured that no one else is selling these, so we're not stepping on anyone's toes," said town spokeswoman Suzanne Silverthorn. "I guess they'd look good in someone's dorm room."

The 2-foot diameter, 75-pound, cast-iron covers sell for $295 apiece, while smaller, 8-inch utility covers cost $65. They are available in black or nickel finish.

The brainchild of Town Manager Bob McLaurin, the sale of the manhole covers comes after a series of thefts of those in use.

"We didn't have a problem with people stealing them until we started using customized ones about a year ago," said police Commander Joe Russell. "At that point, they seemed to become collector's items."

In the past year, two of the full-size covers and eight of the smaller versions were swiped before public-works crews began gluing them down with a sealant, said Larry Pardee, the town's streets and maintenance manager.

"I guess they've become college souvenirs," he said last week.

Vail code-enforcement officer Bill Bresnahan wondered why anyone would want an industrial piece such as the one in the pavement in front of his station.

"What would you do — use them as a paperweight?" he asked.

The first nickelodeon — now called a movie theater — was established in McKeesport, Penn., in 1905 by John P. Harris and Henry Davis.

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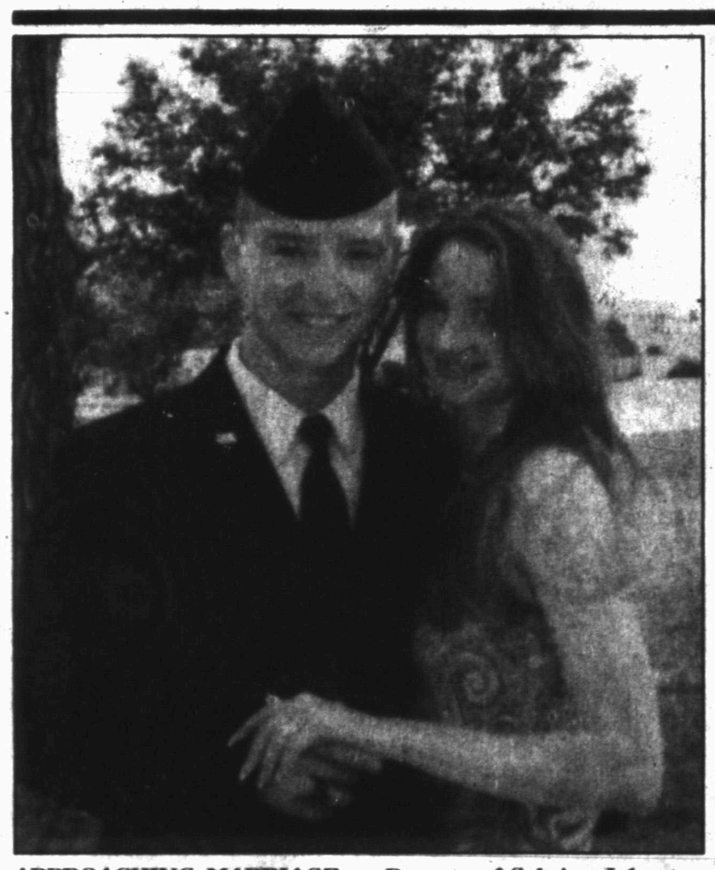


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APPROACHING MARRIAGE — Parents of Sabrina Johnston and Zach Allred announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children. Sabrina's parents are David and Marsha Johnston and Zack's parents are Morris and Bonnie Allred. Grandparents of the future bride are Roy and Geneva Burk and the late Herbert McKinley, also Jake Johnston of Naturita, Colo., and Estelle Johnston of McKinney. Grandparents of the prospective groom are Connie and Clay Pindell of Alexandria, Va., Warren and Terry Rupp of Salt Lake City, Utah, Jinx and LaNelle Johnson of Deming, N.M. The couple will marry Aug. 9 in Trinity United Methodist Church. They will reside in Hawaii at Hickam Air Force Base. (Contributed Photo)

Engagements

Heavy, rich, yummy describes ice cream

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) — Here's a mouthful about how we savor ice cream flavors, courtesy of Seo-Jing Chung, a doctoral candidate at the University of Missouri:

"When you masticate food, essentially, flavor volatiles come out from the food matrix to the head space and it moves over to your nasal cavity."

Translation from 12-year-old Sterling Wyatt, licking a scoop of chocolate ice cream on a 96-degree day: "Heavy. Rich. Yummy. Mmmmmmmm!"

July is National Ice Cream Month, celebrating one of summer's simple pleasures.

But the way ice cream flavors are achieved is anything but simple.

A tiny adjustment in fat content or tweaking one of dozens of chemicals in flavor components can thrill or turn off an ice cream devotee.

At the University of Missouri-Columbia, Chung, 27, and other researchers are trying to create a low-fat strawberry ice cream that tastes as satisfying as the full-fat version.

It's an elusive goal. But there is enough interest in finding answers that the U.S. Department of Agriculture has provided a $108,000 grant to finance two years of study on the subject at Missouri, which through its dairy operations has a rich tradition in ice cream research.

That tradition reached a new level with the creation in 1987 of an endowment by ice cream researcher Wendell Arbuckle within Missouri's Department of Food Science and Nutrition.

In 1989, the school opened its own campus retail outlet nicknamed for Arbuckle, Buck's Ice Cream Place. All of the ice cream sold at Buck's is manufactured fresh on campus in a well-equipped kitchen that can crank out 30 gallons per hour.

"It's a classroom, it's a laboratory, it's a commercial ice cream plant," said Buck's manager, Rick Linhardt.

The house specialty is Tiger Stripe, a French vanilla tribute to the school's mascot, its pale gold color adorned with stripes of dark chocolate fudge. A five-ounce scoop of Tiger Stripe contains nearly 7 grams of fat and 200 calories.

While Buck's hosts ice cream fans on hot summer days, upstairs in the school's research labs the recipes are manipulated over and over, in search of that elusive quality in low-fat ice cream — the flavor of full fat.

"Fat is the flavor carrier in ice cream, and it's hard to improve on that flavor," said Ingolf Gruen, a professor specializing in flavorings who oversees ice cream research at Missouri.

The challenge is evident in ice cream sales statistics. Sales of zero-fat ice cream were down 23 percent in 2000, the latest numbers available from the International Dairy Foods Association. Low-fat and reduced-fat ice cream sales declined 8 percent for the same period, while sales for full-fat ice cream were up more than 7 percent.

"Consumers are really picky when it comes to a national icon like ice cream, and they just enjoy the full, richer flavor that the fat ice creams have. They look at ice cream as sort of an indulgence and they get that with the higher fat levels," said David Landau, spokesman for the Washington-based trade association.

That cultural preference for full-fat taste motivates researchers like Chung, who has spent about two years dishing samples of ice cream into a glass device that imitates the workings of a human mouth.

She introduces an enzyme that mimics human saliva, while a magnet moves around a 2-inch sliver of Teflon-coated metal, imitating movements of the tongue.

The flavors of each sample — the "volatiles" to which Chung refers — are forced out of the ice cream into the artificial mouth by infusions of nitrogen gas.

These microscopic bits of flavor rise until reaching an absorbent strip, which is removed for computer analysis.

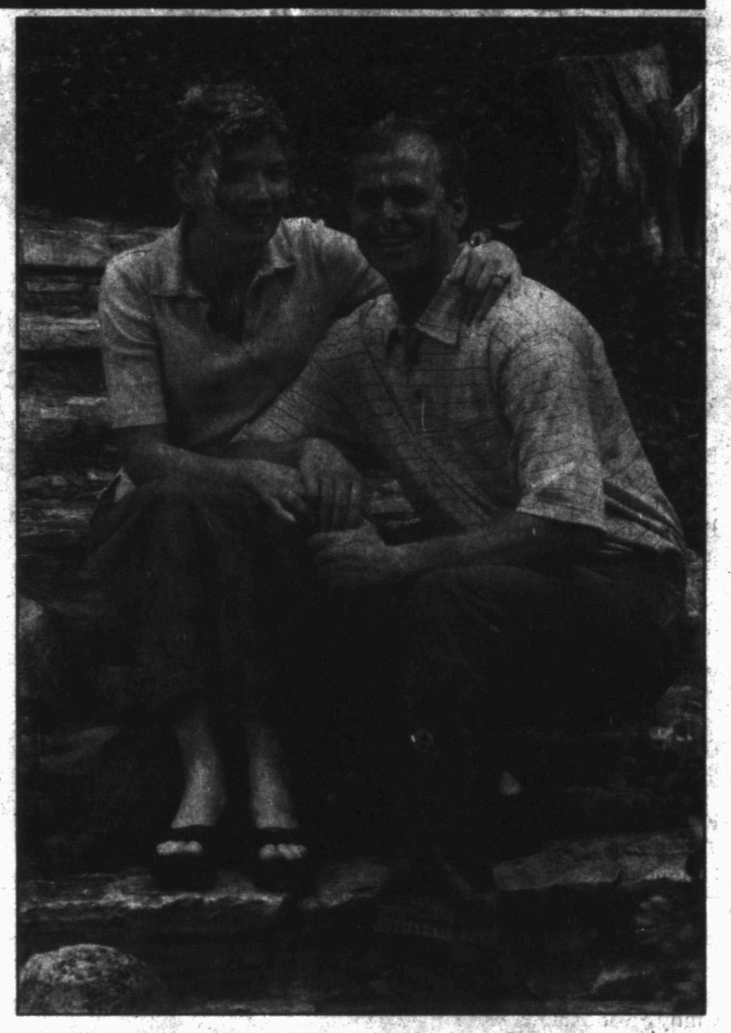
That analysis, one of dozens Chung will examine each day, finally appears on a yellow computer screen as green peaks and valleys, each jagged point representing a bit of flavor.

"Ice cream is a very complicated matrix," Chung said.

"Of course, the human element in ice cream sampling can never be eliminated," Gruen added with a shrug.

Of course, how could a mechanical device account for the lusciousness of full-fat ice cream?

Humans must be part of the research, bringing their prejudices and preferences. Gruen said the mechanical mouth helps refine the samples subject to human taste-tasting.



SUMMER WEDDING —The Rev. and Mrs. Tom Woodward of Snyder announce the approaching marriage of their son, Trent Woodward, to Tara Foley. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Foley of Madison, Wisc. The marriage is set for 3:30 p.m., July 27 in the Asbury United Methodist Church in Madison. (Contributed Photo)

Community Calendar

MONDAY

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

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

NA-Just for Today; Park Club at Winston Park; 573-1438.

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

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

TUESDAY

Gateway Family Services parenting discussion group, focuses on a variety of parenting issues and special challenges; no charge; call 73-1822 for more information; 10:30 a.m.

Weight Watchers meeting; Colonial Hill Baptist Church; for more information call Kathy at 573-1289 during the evening; weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m.

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

Beginners' AA open meeting; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 573-8268, 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for more information call 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; Trinity United Methodist Church. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

NA Just For Today, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-1438; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

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

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; at the coliseum annex; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information call 573-8268, 573-4048 or 573-1141; 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.

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night; 6:30 p.m.

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-0538 or 573-0770.

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

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 573-3733, 573-2101 or 5731141; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

NA-Just For Today open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-1438; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 574-1292 or 573-9458; 10 a.m.

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Public Records

Marriage License

Bradley Dwight Hinton and Misty Jane Williams, both of Snyder.

Jose Guadalupe Esparza and Maria D. Moran Ortiz, both of Snyder.

Warren Harding Badger and Ida Green Phipps, both of Snyder.

Stephen Wiley Jones and June Lamb McNiel, both of Snyder.

Donnie Allen Sims and Teri Marie Bullock, both of Snyder.

Luis Alaniz Jr. and Lavinia Naomi Ruiz, both of Snyder.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Ermelinda Hermosillo and Andres Hermosillo, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Alisa Carol Martin and Scott Lee Martin, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Linda Kay Wright and Tommy Ray Wright, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Christi A. Garcia and Alex Garcia Junior, divorce granted.

Raul Villa vs. George Wesley Kiker and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, agreed judgment.

Deed Records

John Billy Koonsman, individually and as independent executor of the estate of Alvin Koonsman, Shana Koonsman May and Cindy Koonsman Werner to Boys and Girls Club of Scurry County Inc., tract one being Lot 2 in Block 33 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition; tract two being Lot 3 in Block 33 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition; tract three being Lot 2 in Block 34 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition.

Robert W. Wolters, Emily E. Wolters Beken, John Oscar Wolters and Paul T. Wolters to James C. Williams, 338.751 acres in the east part of Section 158, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Coy E. and Ladean Rhodes to Ray and Betty Courtney, the west 400 acres of Section 239, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Ronald C. Lewis to Jodi Guyneth Haley, Lot 11 in Block 2 of the Morning Side Subdivision of Blocks 9-10, 15-16 and 25-26 of the Adams Addition.

Jody Guyneth Haley to Teddy D. and Nicole Murray, Lot 11 in Block 2 of the Morning Side Subdivision of Blocks 9-10, 15-16 and 25-26 of the Adams Addition.

Steve D. Smith to Agri-Oro Inc., 4.71 acres in Section 179, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Juan Villa to Janice Lee Villa, custodian for Maria Alicia Villa, the south 80 feet of the north 196 feet of Lot 2, Block 20, Original Town of Snyder.

Tommy R. Wright to Linda K. Wright, Lot 18 in Block 11 of the Park Place Addition.

Linda K. Wright to Tommy R. Wright, the west 35 feet of Lot 23 and the east 48 feet of Lot 22, Block 2 of the Park Place Addition.

Mark L. and Kathleen M. Weaver to Ronald H. and Sharon I. Berndt, Lots 2 and 3 in Block 6 of the Park View Addition, Section 4.

Henry L. and Dora Woellert to Donna Curott, Terry Woellert and Tim Woellert, the west 80 feet of Lot 1 in Block 7 of the Blankenship Addition.

Kerry Tidwell to Joe and Debra Cheyne, the south 50 feet of Lots 9 and 10 and the south 50 feet of the west 28 feet of Lot 8 in Block 19 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Robert T. and Jean O'Connor to Ricardo Torres, tract one being the east 100 feet of the south 75 feet of Lot 4 in Block 45 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition; tract two being the south 25 feet of the east 100 feet of the north 75 feet of Lot 4 in Block 45 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition; tract three being the east 100 feet of the south 35 feet of Lot 1 and the east 100 feet of Lot 4 in Block 45 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition.

Murry William Bell to Lonnie Joe Russell, Lot 6 in Block F of the West Ridge Addition, Section 2.

Jim C. and Melissa C. Rosson to Richard Todd and Paige S. Shaw, Lot 4 in Block 14 of the Winston Company Replat of the Colonial Hill Addition.

Date Books

Saturday, July 20, 2002

Today is the 201st day of 2002 and the 30th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1831, Roger Brooke Taney became the first Catholic to serve in the Cabinet. He was President Andrew Jackson's attorney general.

On this day in 1881, under a promise of amnesty, Sioux leader Sitting Bull surrendered to the U.S. Army.

On this day in 1965, Bob Dylan's song "Like a Rolling Stone" was released.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Petrarch (1304-1374), poet and scholar; Anne Hutchinson (1591-1643), American religious leader; Sir Edmund Hillary (1919-), mountain climber, is 83; Franz Fanon (1925-1961) writer and political theorist; Natalie Wood (1938-1981), actress; Tony Oliva (1940-), baseball great, is 62; Carlos Santana (1947-), musician, is 55.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1924, swimmer Johnny Weissmuller won the 100-meter freestyle event at the Paris Olympics.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "You don't have to be a fantastic hero to do certain things — to compete. You can be just an ordinary chap, sufficiently motivated to reach challenging goals." — Sir Edmund Hillary

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (July 17) and full moon (July 24).

Sunday, July 21, 2002

Today is the 202nd day of 2002 and the 31st day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1873, Jessie James held up the Rock Island Express near Adair, Iowa. It was his first train robbery.

On this day in 1925, in Dayton, Tenn., John Scopes was fined $100 for teaching Darwin's theory of evolution.

On this day in 1984, the first reported robot-related fatality, as defined by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, took place in Jackson, Miss.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Hart Crane (1899-1932), poet; Ernest Hemingway (1899-1961), writer; Don Knotts (1924-), actor, is 78; Norman Jewison (1926-), producer and director, is 76; Paul D. Wellstone (1944-), U.S. senator, is 58; Robin Williams (1952-), comedian and actor, is 50; Jon Lovitz (1957-), comedian, is 45

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1963, golfer Jack Nicklaus won the PGA tournament in Dallas.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "For a war to be just three conditions are necessary — public authority, just cause, right motive." — Ernest Hemingway

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (July 17) and full moon (July 24).

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Recall of contaminated beef is now at 18 million pounds

WASHINGTON (AP) — A recall of contaminated hamburger linked to E. coli bacteria illnesses among 19 people is being expanded to 18 million pounds and 21 states, including Texas, the Agriculture Department said Friday.

"This action is being taken as a cautionary measure to ensure the protection of public health," said Agrculture Secretary Ann Veneman. She said. "Public health health is our number one priority and it is our number one concern."

The beef recall by ConAgra Beef Co. of Greeley, Colo., expands a previous recall at the end of last month. E. Coli bacteria associated with the beef has sickened at least 19 people in Colorado, South Dakota and Wyoming, the agency said.

The meat was produced between April 12 and July 11, officials said. Officials are still collecting details and expect to release later information that will allow consumers to identify products that should be returned to stores or discarded.

"This has just begun," said Elsa Murano, the undersectary for food safety. She said no E. coli has been found at the plant since July 11.

ConAgra is cooperating with the Agriculture Department, officials said. Veneman, asked if the department will cite the company for violations, said a government investigation at the plant is continuing.

The recall is the biggest since 1997, when Hudson Foods recalled 25 million pounds of ground beef after 15 people in Colorado fell ill from E. coli after eating hamburger at its Columbus, Neb. plant.

Two weeks ago, the company recalled 354,200 pounds of ground beef and nearly a month after a positive E. coli test at a Denver packing house raised the first sign of trouble.

E. coli is a bacteria found in the intestinal tracts and feces of livestock.

If it contaminates meat, it can lead to digestive illnesses and potentially death in humans. Health officials have been urging consumers to cook their ground beef to 160 degrees in the center to completely kill the pathogen.

Agriculture officials said there have been at least 17 confirmed cases of illness in Colorado, one in Wyoming and one in South Dakota. No one is currently hospitalized, although some people have been admitted and released, they said.

Testing is under way in other states as public health officials tried to establish the scope of the outbreak.

The voluntary recall is of beef trim which is used to make ground beef, as well as fresh and frozen ground beef products that may be contaminated with E. coli 0157:H7, officials said.

The first ConAgra beef recall involved cases shipped to Colorado, Alabama, Virginia, Maryland, New Mexico, Kansas, Michigan, Texas, Wyoming, Montana, Nebraska, New York, California, Illinois, Iowa, Tennessee, New Jersey, Minnesota, Arizona and Idaho.

The Agriculture Department has not released a list of states involved in the updated recall.

"We are not certain at this time whether every single state in the nation has received some of the products," said Steven Cohen, an Agriculture Department spokes-man.

No TV for Skakel's sentencing, judge rules

NORWALK, Conn. (AP) — A judge denied a request by Court TV to televise the sentencing of Kennedy cousin Michael Skakel, convicted last month of fatally beating his neighbor Martha Moxley in 1975.

Superior Court Judge John F. Kavanewsky Jr. denied the request this week, citing a state guideline that no televising of sentencing hearings is permitted except in trials that were previously televised.

Kavanewsky had rejected a request by Court TV to televise Skakel's trial.

State court rules allow still and video cameras in the courtroom, but only with the consent of the trial judge. All media requests to televise or photograph court proceedings in Connecticut have been rejected since the O.J. Simpson murder trial.

Skakel, 41, a nephew of Ethel Kennedy, was convicted last month of beating Moxley to death with a golf club when they were 15-year-old neighbors in wealthy Greenwich. He faces between 10 years to life when he is sentenced on Aug. 9.

Neurosurgeon staff shortage forces move of some patients

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Officials at a San Antonio hospital said a shortage in neurosurgeon staff is forcing a transfer to brain-injured trauma patients to other facilities.

Jeff Turner, chief executive officer at University Health System, said patients will be moved to Brooke Army Medical Center or to Wilford Hall Medical Center while the hospital struggles to fill its neurosurgeon openings.

All three facilities are Level 1 trauma centers, meaning they should be capable of providing trauma care at all times.

The shortage in neurosurgeons comes at a time when the three trauma centers are having problems keeping their doors open to trauma patients.

Accompanying the shortage in neurosurgeon staff are a severe nursing shortage, tight budgets and reduced open bed space.

Until other neurosurgeons can be hired, Turner said University Hospital will have its staff neurosurgeons on call for the first half of every month and divert brain-injured patients to other facilities during the second half of each month.

The departure of two staff neurosurgeons has caused the shortage, said Dr. Tom Mayes, dean of clinical affairs at the University of Texas Health Science Center. University Hospital serves as the main teaching center for the medical school, which provides neurosurgery residents to help care for hospital patients.

One neurosurgeon went into private practice about six months ago; another doctor retired abruptly on July 1 because of health reasons, he said.

The hospital's two full-time neurosurgeons are dividing time in the emergency room with other duties, Turner said.

Although the hospital has gone on short periods of diversion to brain-injured patients in the past, this is the first time it has diverted for this long, said hospital spokeswoman Leni Kirkman.

Osbourne injured

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jack Osbourne, the son of heavy-metal legend Ozzy Osbourne and a star of MTV's hit reality show "The Osbournes," jumped off the Malibu Pier with several friends and suffered an arm injury, authorities said.

The 16-year-old, who's a talent scout for a recording company, was on the pier with a film crew Wednesday afternoon when several teenagers jumped off, said Norton Wisdom, a Los Angeles County lifeguard.

"I looked up and there were a bunch of kids doing cannonballs off the Malibu Pier, which is illegal," said Wisdom.

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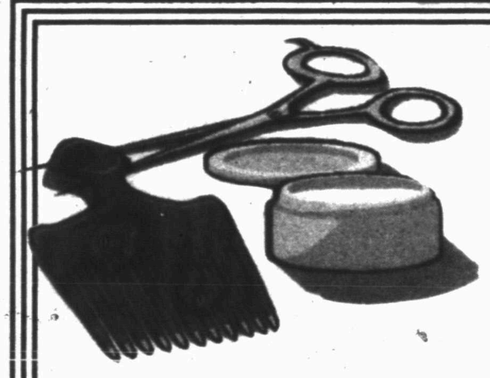
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Team approach adopted for fund raising

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hoping to maximize their dollars, congressional candidates and political parties are increasingly taking a team approach to fund raising.

They're pooling resources for joint events or sharing donors, then splitting up the money afterward in a strategy that helped raise at least $90 million for Republicans and Democrats in the last election.

Federal regulators have blessed the joint ventures for more than a decade, and they're cropping up around the country again this election.

"It's like a waterfall. The water pours in 'till it fills up one bucket and then it goes to the next bucket," said Ben Whitney, campaign manager for GOP Senate candidate Norm Coleman of Minnesota, who is using at least four joint committees to broaden his fund-raising.

Some joint committees are created to divvy up contributions from a particular fund-raising event and give donors the convenience of writing one check. When President Bush went to Connecticut to raise money for Reps. Nancy Johnson and Robert Simmons, they divided the money through a joint fund-raising committee created for the event.

Others give candidates and party committees access to each other's donors throughout the election season, with money divided in prearranged formulas. In some cases, if a donor reaches the contribution limit for one candidate, the extra money simply goes to another who is part of the joint committee.

Democratic donor Peter Buttenweiser said such committees offer him and his wife a way to continue giving after they've donated the legal maximum to congressional candidates.

The investment banking heir estimates he's given around $300,000 for the 2000 and 2002 elections to joint fund-raising committees.

The joint committees give political parties another source of "soft money," five- and six-figure checks from businesses, unions and others that candidates can't accept. The parties can take soft money in unlimited amounts for general party-building activities such as get-out-the-vote drives and ads highlighting party issues.

Donors to joint committees like Missouri Senate 2002, set up by Sen. Jean Carnahan and the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, aren't supposed to know how the party is spending the soft money. Buttenweiser said he doesn't know for sure, but believes that if he donates to a Carnahan joint committee, for example, it will help Carnahan.

"I happen to have close working relationships with the Democratic Senate campaign committee, and I know their people," he said. "I have confidence that first of all, if the Carnahan campaign raises, let's say, $3 million to put in this joint account, that they will get back that and probably more, not in cash but in services, like TV ads and other kinds of assisting help from the DSCC, that they'll get at least the $3 million and probably a lot more."

DSCC spokeswoman Tovah Ravitz-Meehan said no money raised through joint fund-raising agreements is earmarked by the party committee for a certain race. Instead, it goes into a general pot of money for spending as the DSCC sees fit, she said.

For example, in 2000, California Sen. Dianne Feinstein raised far more for her joint committee with the DSCC than the DSCC spent on her re-election bid, while this year it is likely to spend more on Texas Democrat Ron Kirk's Senate race than he will raise for the Kirk-DSCC Victory Fund, Ravitz-Meehan said.

Roughly five-dozen joint fund-raising committees have collected money so far for the 2002 campaigns, most frequently in U.S. Senate races, and more are in the works.

The Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee and Congressional Black Caucus political action committee held a fund-raiser Tuesday night to kick off their new cooperative effort, the United Victory Fund, and brought in at least $315,000.

Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle headlined the event.

Man charged with homicide in fatal wreck

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — A 20-year-old driver who was in a high-speed collision that killed six young people was charged with committing vehicular homicide while drunk.

Boyd C. Knouse was ordered held without bail Thursday and placed under a suicide watch.

Police estimated Knouse was driving at least 70 mph July 13 when he apparently lost control of the Ford Mustang on a two-lane road outside Harrisburg.

The car skidded into the opposite lane and collided with an oncoming Toyota Echo driven by 23-year-old Rocky H.L. Keller Jr., police said.

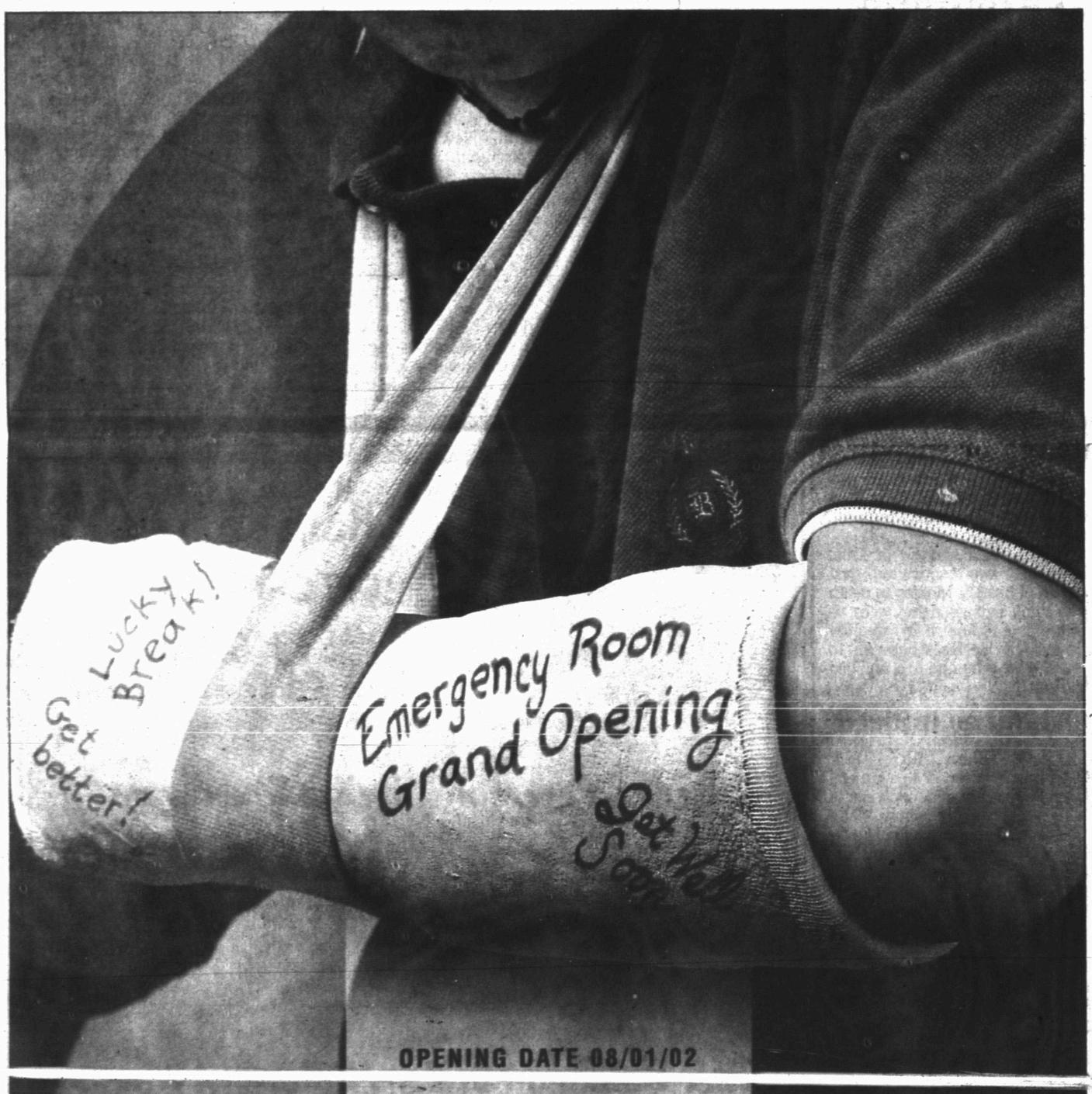
Knouse and Keller were the only survivors. The six killed ranged in age from 8 to 22.

Police said Knouse had a blood-alcohol level of 0.13 percent — more than six times the 0.02 limit for underage drivers and above the 0.10 limit for adults. No alcohol was found in Keller's blood, police said.

Knouse was arrested after he was released from a hospital. In court Thursday, he appeared groggy and slurred his words.

"I don't remember drinking and driving," he told District Justice Samuel J. Magaro.

Knouse faces six counts of vehicular homicide while under the influence; each carries a mandatory minimum sentence of three years in prison.



Scurry County Anti-drug Connection

The best things in life are drug free

The Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with the Scurry County Anti Drug Coalition and Al-Anon support groups devote this column to current information on substance abuse, and how we, as a community, can work together to create a safe and drug free environment for our children.

HOW DOES ALCOHOL AFFECT THE WORLD OF A CHILD?
(Part 5 of 6)
SCHOOL

"Alcohol almost destroyed my life. I started out drinking with my friends, trying to be cool. I drank to get drunk . . . and I did some stupid things while I was drunk. Now I'm trying to get my life back, and it's not easy with a baby." —Amy, Colorad

- Evidence suggests that alcohol use by peers is a strong predictor of adolescent use of alcohol.
- According to a 1995 national survey of fourth through sixth graders who read the Weekly Reader, 30% of students reported that they received "a lot" of pressure from their classmates to drink beer.
- According to this same 1995 Weekly Reader survey, more than half (54%) of fourth through sixth graders reported learning about the dangers of illicit drugs at school, but fewer than a third (30%) learned about the dangers of drinking and smoking at school.
- Among eighth graders, students with higher grade point averages reported less alcohol use in the past month.
- Research indicates that adolescents who abuse alcohol may remember 10% less of what they have learned than those who don't drink.
- Among eighth graders, higher truancy rates were associated with greater rates of alcohol use in the past month.
- One national study found that students are less likely to use alcohol if they are close to people at school, are a part of their school, and feel that teachers treat students fairly.
- In a survey of seventh-through twelfth-grade teachers, 76% felt that underage student drinking was a serious or somewhat serious problem.

ASK YOURSELF

As Parents

- Do you know how to discuss alcohol use with your child and where to get information to help you?
- Do you know your child's friends, and do you feel that they provide positive influences on your child's activities?
- Do you know the extent of drinking by children in your neighborhood and how to find local organizations that are working on the issue?
- Do you know the legal consequences if your child is caught drinking alcohol?
- Do you know your state's laws about providing alcohol to anyone under 21?

As Teachers, Administrators, and School Counselors

- Has your school or community assessed student drinking to determine the extent of the problem?
- Do you know what factors may be contributing to student drinking in your school or community (e.g., easy access to alcohol, peer pressure, adults' failure to address the issue)?
- Do you know what steps, if any, are being taken within your school system to help kids resist the pressure to drink?
- Is your school currently working to educate parents about alcohol use among children?
- Does your school have an active partnership with the families of its students?

As Concerned Citizens

- Do you know how easily children in your community can obtain alcohol and what communities can do to prevent access to alcohol by young people?
- Does your community have educational programs and policies to prevent children from drinking?
- Does your community have "alcohol-free" events? If not, do you know how to initiate them?
- Is there collaboration among public and private schools, community businesses, local government, and the police force to develop and enforce policies related to youth alcohol use?

For information about preventing alcohol use by children, e-mail *Leadership to Keep Children Alcohol Free* at: Leadership@alcohol-freechildren.org .

For further information on how you can be involved in creating a drug free community in Scurry County, contact the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (CADA) or the Scurry County Anti Drug Coalition at 573-1141.



TERRY LUECKE

City Of Snyder
Employee of the Month
July 2002

Terry Lueck was born in Jefferson City, MO and was raised in Andrews, TX. Terry moved to Snyder in February 1992. Terry and his wife Leslie have 4 children: Amber, 14; Ashley, 12; Amanda, 7; & Alex, 3. Terry began working for the City of Snyder on February 19, 1992 as a Patrolman. Then on September 23, 1998 Terry was promoted to Sergeant. Terry's hobbies are hunting, fishing, & coaching softball. Terry was nominated for the following reasons: He is a hard worker, kind, and considerate, dedicated and very knowledgeable.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Little girl's rescuers were doing more than their job

DEAR ABBY: Every time your column addresses the danger of children left unattended around water, I am grateful.

Fifteen years ago, my boyfriend and I were strolling along the edge of a lake far from the public swimming area. He worked as a lifeguard at the lake, but was off-duty that afternoon. As we walked, he almost stepped on what appeared to be a bundle in the murky water. He reached down to examine it more closely and pulled out a little girl!

The chances of our finding her were nothing short of miraculous. Because my boyfriend was trained in CPR, he was able to revive her. We then took the terrified child to the picnic area, where her parents were lounging. Abby, they hadn't even realized she was missing! When we told them what happened, they responded that since lifeguarding was my boyfriend's profession, he was just "doing his job." Can you believe that! — **HORRIFIED IN FORT HOOD, TEXAS**

DEAR HORRIFIED: Yes, I can believe it. Instead of recognizing their irresponsibility, the parents chose instead to dump the responsibility on your boyfriend.

I hope they realized later how lucky they were that you two guardian angels were in the right place at the right time.

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DEAR ABBY: I have a dear friend who is considerate to the extreme when it comes to remembering special occasions in the lives of her friends and family. She calls or sends cards to acknowledge every anniversary, birthday or special event. However, I think that at some point it should stop.

Both my parents have passed away during the last five years. They were wonderful people who lived full lives. I remember them privately on the anniversaries of their deaths.

My problem is that on these special dates, my friend always calls to say she is "thinking of me." This sends me into a tailspin of mourning, because her call is never timely. I may be thinking of other things and not dwelling on the past.

Abby, how do I tell her to remove me from her list of death remembrance calls without offending her? I realize she's only trying to be thoughtful. — **DO NOT DISTURB IN TEXAS**

DEAR DO NOT DISTURB: Level with her. Thank her for her thoughtfulness. Remind her that everyone copes with death in his or her own way — then tell her exactly what you have written to me. It's honest, and she shouldn't be offended.

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DEAR ABBY: I am confused and have no one to talk to. There's this guy I like who asked me out, but I told him no. Now I'm having second thoughts because we aren't as different as I thought we were.

I don't want anything too serious right now, and he keeps saying things like, "I want to have sex with you." He tells me that we would be great together and goes on and on about how "hot" I am.

What should I do, Abby? — **BUNDLE OF CONFUSION IN PORTLAND**

DEAR BUNDLE: Accept the fact that you and this young man ARE different. You want a relationship that isn't serious. He wants sex — and sex is VERY serious.

Keep this guy at arm's length and don't let him talk you into anything.

P.S. The next time he tells you how "hot" you are, suggest he take a cold shower.

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DEAR ABBY: My husband has broken my heart. We've been married a year, and he just informed me that he married me only to get back at his ex-girlfriend!

He says he wants me only as a friend and he's still in love with her. He has made it very clear that he's not interested in having a real marriage with me — no sex, nothing — other than living together as roommates.

My husband and I continue to sleep in the same bed, but he won't get close or touch me.

His ex is serving time in prison and will be there for at least two years, but he allows her to call our home collect whenever she feels like it. It started with her calling only every so often — now it's every day.

I'm so hurt, Abby. He just doesn't care. I married my husband because I was in love with him — and he did a very good job of pretending he loved me. It was all a lie, and now I feel trapped.

Someone said to me that as long as there's friendship, I have something to hold onto, since his ex will be gone for so long. Well, I don't think it's worth it. I am afraid he'll never get over her.

Please don't tell me to leave him — I can't. I have nowhere to go and no money. I barely make ends meet. What am I going to do? Help! — **HEARTBROKEN IN NEW HAMPSHIRE**

DEAR HEARTBROKEN: Realize that you have suffered a blow that would bring an ox to its knees, so it's not surprising that you feel helpless. However, you are NOT helpless — you are a grown woman, and regardless of how devalued you feel, you have all of the skills and potential that you brought to your marriage.

You say you have nowhere to go and no money. Are you able to work? If so, start looking for a job immediately. Then you can begin depositing your earnings in a separate account, and it won't be long before you have enough saved for a security deposit on an apartment of your own. Next, talk to a lawyer. You are going to survive this disappointment and will come out stronger for it.

I disagree with your friend that as long as there's friendship you have something to hold on to. You can't force someone to love you. But if you stand up straight and refuse to be mistreated, you will regain your self-respect. Trust me on that. I wish you the best of luck. Please let me hear from you in six months. I'm rooting for you.

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DEAR ABBY: Our daughter is planning to marry a wonderful man this October. There's only one problem — and it's a doozy!

Her fiance insists on inviting his ex-girlfriend of five years to attend the wedding, as well as all the family festivities surrounding the big day. Even though the ex has recently married, our daughter is very uncomfortable with this and has said so to her future husband.

My husband and I are concerned that our daughter's wedding day may be ruined and want to intervene to make it clear that "Mrs. X" is not welcome. What do you think we should do, Abby? — **PARENTS OF THE BRIDE IN OHIO**

DEAR PARENTS: I think you should stay out of it. If your daughter is mature enough for marriage, she should be mature enough to deliver the message to her fiance that she's uncomfortable having the Ghost of Romance Past at her nuptials. If they can't reach an understanding or a compromise, I see a huge red flag ahead.

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Solar cars built by students race at state motor speedway

FORT WORTH (AP) — Ten odd-shaped cars moved around the 1.5-mile Texas Motor Speedway track at speeds of up to 35 mph, and the 155,000-seat stadium was empty.

The cars would be no competition for Dale Earnhardt Jr., Jeff Gordon and other NASCAR drivers — but the cars' designers may soon be giving engineers, scientists and inventors a run for their money.

The solar-powered cars built by high-school teams from several states are competing in the seventh annual Dell-Winston Solar Car Challenge, which started Tuesday and ended Thursday. The car that finishes the most laps wins.

"It gets kids excited about science again," said Lehman Marks, who coordinates the race and heads the science department at The Winston School in Dallas. "The program is definitely increasing the number of students going into science-related fields, but no matter what they go into, they can use these skills."

Marks founded the event as a new way to teach at The Winston School, a private school for students with dyslexia, attention-deficit disorder and other learning challenges.

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Saints and Sinners by George Plagenz

The business of praying

If your prayers aren't being answered, maybe you should turn the job over to someone else. Perhaps an organization like Silent Unity.

Will their prayers work better than yours? They might. They have been in the business of praying for others since 1891.

The founders of the Unity School of Christianity were Charles Fillmore and his wife, Myrtle. Charles was a successful real estate operator in Kansas City. His wife's life was threatened when she was became afflicted with tuberculosis. She attended a lecture on spiritual healing and this started her on the way to her recovery.

It was not an instantaneous healing (the complete cure took two years) but it changed her life. She developed a following — a group of people in Kansas City who met each night at 10 p.m.

Sometimes they sang a hymn or two, followed by a prayer, remembering those who were in special need and who had asked the group to pray for them. This type of prayer became known as "absent treatment," which meant that one's physical presence was not required for a healing to take place. It is still the basis for healing in the Unity School of Christianity, a Missouri-based, loosely knit denomination devoted mostly to healing.

Silent Unity — as the healing arm of the movement is known — gets 3 million prayer requests a year. Silent Unity staff workers answering telephone calls for healing 24 hours a day. Even in the middle of the night, someone is there to take your call and say a prayer with you.

What is Silent Unity's secret? According to James Dillet Freeman, long-time director of Silent Unity, it helps people discover the truth about themselves — that "at the core and center of their being is the infinite power and intelligence of God, ready to flow into their lives."

Once they realize this, the circumstances in their lives change, says Freeman.

A woman who phoned Silent Unity when her husband had a heart attack was told, "All is well. God is there and His healing power is at work in your husband. Mighty currents of God's healing love are flowing through your husband's heart and he is healed."

She was told to copy down that "affirmation" and pray it herself. Meanwhile, for the next 30 days, her prayer request — like all others — was taken into the Silent Unity prayer room by the worker who received the call. Throughout the day, workers take prayer breaks throughout their busy routine of opening and answering letters and receiving phone calls.

Did the woman's husband recover? He did, but how did his wife's prayers reach him?

"I've thought quite a bit about that question of how prayer works," says Freeman. "I don't really know. We're dealing with a mystery. I think prayer for other people may work because we are all closely linked together in ways we don't understand. Certainly love is a link between people. Because healing thoughts are loving thoughts, they reach others."

Freeman tells the story of one man who phoned Silent Unity. When the worker answered, the man paused a moment and said, "I don't know what to say to you. I called to ask your help in healing a vicious headache I've had for days. But right after I dialed your number, the headache vanished."

Some people say they have experienced a healing while writing a letter to Silent Unity or after dropping the letter into the mailbox.

Unity is probably best known for its devotional publication, Daily Word. Its 3 million subscribers include members of all faiths. Each day's lesson includes an affirmation, meditation and Bible verse.

A typical meditation: "God has given me a body that is spontaneously able to heal itself. I cooperate with my body's natural healing ability when I pray and when I open myself to the prayer of support of others. Healing accelerates in the sacred environment of prayer ..."

If your prayers aren't being answered, Silent Unity — and a subscription to Daily Word — might give you the answer you've been seeking. You can contact Silent Unity by calling (816) 969-2000, or visiting their Web site, www.unityworldhq.org.

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Letter to the Editor

Comment on incident

Dear Editor:

Snyder Day Care along with Shirley Fritz and her capable staff provide a valuable service to our community and children.

All the recent negative criticism directed their way is in my opinion, unwarranted. Many parents and grandparents would not be able to go to work if not for the day care. It is a safe haven for our children.

The incident with the Sanchez child could have had a tragic outcome, but it did not, so why can't the parents be thankful their child is alive and will not suffer any long-term damaging effects?

It seems anyone that ever had a child attend the day care is looking for anything to throw at them.

It is ultimately the prime responsibility of parents and grandparents to keep the day care provider informed of any change of plans for their child. If they do not know the child is to ride the bus, they cannot put the child on the bus.

They cannot read minds. Snyder Day Care has been caring for our community's children for a long time. Thank God we have someone like Shirley Fritz in charge.

I know the staff and teacher of the Sanchez child is hurting much more than the child or parents. Also, in my opinion, I believe there is something else looming in the minds of the parents who believe their child has been wronged or neglected in some way by the day care. Could it be monetary?

Thank You,
Deanna Cooper

Grateful for funds

Dear Editor:

I am grateful for the opportunity to thank all the generous businesses and individuals who supported the recent fundraiser for the Snyder Park Club.

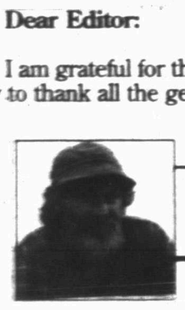
The Snyder Park Club is a nonprofit organization that provides meeting space for several 12-step recovery groups in Scurry County and also for People for Progress.

Through the month of June the board members sold raffle tickets to give away a TV/VCR and $100 in gift certificates from United Supermarket. Wal-Mart discounted the price of the TV/VCR and United donated a $25 gift certificate. On July 8, the drawing was held, and a pool of employees from Patterson-UTI won the TV/VCR. Bill Wilson at Trans-Texas Tool won the $100 gift certificate from United.

Many thanks to all for your generosity in supporting an organization that provides such a needed service in Scurry County.

Sincerely,
Vicki S. Mahoney
Secretary,
The Snyder Parks Club





North of Forty by Red Green

The defense rests

Whenever you see a married couple telling a story to a third party, there is a drastic shift in the relationship and dynamic between them. The person who's telling the story, in most cases the wife, becomes the Prosecutor, while the person who the story's about, in all cases the husband, becomes the Defense Attorney. The third party, who is usually a friend or neighbor, becomes judge and jury.

Unlike formal court procedures, these trials have very few rules. There is no prerequisite to present evidence or provide witnesses or most importantly, to tell the truth. The two quasi-lawyers start with the summations and then just interrupt each other at will, imploring the judge to see it their way.

The judge on the other hand has no hard evidence to make a decision and ultimately sides with the person they like, which puts the friendship in jeopardy. So I suggest that if you and your wife have a story to tell, never tell it together. Let her tell it her way to her friends, and you tell it your way to yours. Neither one of you is telling the story the way it actually happened anyway, so the outcome is not relevant or important. And if you ever do get into a situation where you accidentally find yourselves telling a story simultaneously to the same person, ask for a recess, take your wife aside and settle out of court.

I'M KING OF THE WORLD

I know that in the early stages of child development, they go through a phase when they believe they are the center of the universe. As a parent, it is your job to alter that misconception by trying to convince them to be mindful of others, mainly to be mindful you. It happened to us.

Through the experiences of growing up and having teachers and friends and bosses, we all became convinced that we are not the center of our universe. I think this is a mistake. This may be a good policy short term, but in the long run, like when you get to be my age, it's really important to be the focus of your own life.

Otherwise, you run the risk of making a 27-year-old Hooters waitress the center of your universe and that will only lead to disappointment as you fall short in oh so many areas. But when you're the one who sets the standard for your universe, you're like a chapter from the Goldilocks story — everyone different than you is either too young or too old or too big or too small, whereas you are just right. So be the center of your universe. Make all of your decisions based on how it affects you. Live everyday as if you are the Intergalactic Emperor. But don't tell anyone. Especially your wife.

TIME CAPSULE RE-THINK

A long time ago some of us made time capsules, filled them with memorabilia and buried them in our backyards. Now that we've gained the perspective of time, you may not want to be remembered for what you put in there. Here are a few items you should remove before it's too late:

— Your pet rock.
— Your Slim Whitman 8-track.
— Your mood ring.
— Your lucky rabbit's foot.
— Your Nixon button.

GRANDCHILDREN SHOULD BE SEEN

A lot of people my age have grandchildren. That has to be the best of all worlds. All the good parts of being a parent without any of the consequences. You play with the kid until he gets on your nerves, and then you take him home. You can give him a pony for his birthday and not have to worry about where he's going to keep it. Spoiling your grandchildren is the nicest way to get back at your kids.

Quote of the Day: "There is always one more imbecile than you counted on." — **Red Green**

Red Green is the star of "The Red Green Show," a television series seen in the U.S. on PBS and in Canada on the CBC Network, and the author of the new book "Duct Tape is not Enough: A humorous guide to midlife." (Hatherleigh Press, 2002). Watch for the feature film Red Green's "Duct Tape Forever" at a theater near you.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Open Government Barometer

Number of Executive Sessions held by public entities in 2002.

Scurry County	7
City of Snyder	4
DCOS	3
Cogdell Hospital	2
Hermleigh ISD	2
Ira ISD	2
WTC	2
Snyder ISD	1



The Dallas Morning News

Divergent border views

How can two countries so close to one another on a map be so far apart on issues critical to both? Well, if the two countries are Mexico and the United States, and the issues are immigration and who has rightful claim to the American Southwest, it is not difficult to imagine such a scenario.

In a poll by Zogby International, a sampling of our southern neighbors were asked whether they agreed with the incendiary statement, "The territory of the United States Southwest rightfully belongs to Mexico," a startling 58 percent of Mexicans answered "Si." Fifty-seven percent agreed with the equally provocative assertion that Mexicans should be able to enter the United States without permission.

It was in roughly the same percentages that Americans voiced support for limiting immigration, denying illegal immigrants amnesty, and stationing U.S. troops on the border between Mexico and the United States.

That disparity is worrisome news for those who believe that the relationship between the two countries is among the most important in the world, and that the order of the day calls for more dialogue and cooperation on multiple fronts. That relationship will thrive only if all concerned look forward instead of backward.

Victoria Advocate

Afghanistan today

The accidental U.S. bombardment of a wedding party in the village of Kakrak and three other nearby Afghan villages on July 1, causing the deaths of as many as 48 people and the wounding of 117 others, and the subsequent assassination of one of Afghanistan's three vice presidents, Haji Abdul Qadir, are complicating U.S. efforts in the country.

When President Bush called Afghan President Hamid Karzai to express regrets over the mistaken air assaults and to promise a full investigation, Karzai expressed concern that such incidents could turn Afghan civilians against the American military. That is no idle concern. Afghans have a history of turning on foreign armies, as they did against the Soviets and, before that, the British.

As for Qadir's assassination, while it appears he may have been killed by political rivals who support the current government, his death raises serious questions about security and the stability of the Karzai government. Qadir was the second senior Afghan government official to be assassinated this year.

Both the bombing and the assassination have increased pressure on the Bush administration to divert some of the more than 7,000 U.S. combat troops in Afghanistan to securing the peace, a move the administration is resisting.

Security in Afghanistan is now the responsibility of a 19-nation, 4,500-person security force, almost all of whom are confined to Kabul, the capital. The United States and other nations are training what will become an Afghan security force.

The Bush administration rightly contends that America's primary role after the defeat of the Taliban and al-Qaida is to help Afghanistan help itself, and the president has said this will be a long-term effort.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Ruling benefits Texas patients

Tucked among the rulings on school vouchers, student drug testing and capital punishment that highlighted the final days of the U.S. Supreme Court's term came a pair of actions with considerable impact for Texans who participate in HMO health care plans through their employers.

First, the court upheld an Illinois law that allows patients to seek an independent review when their HMOs refuse to pay for services that the insurers deem medically unnecessary.

Next, based on that decision, the justices vacated a federal appeals court ruling that had struck down a similar Texas law two years ago. The high court told the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans to restudy the case. That was good news for the Texas patient's rights law, the first such statute in the nation.

The reason that the justices ruled on the issue in the first place was that the 5th Circuit and the Chicago-based 7th Circuit had issued conflicting rulings on whether federal employee benefits law prevented states from setting up panels to review HMO decisions about the medical necessity of surgery or other procedures.

Though the federal law, known as ERISA, sets standards for benefit plans, it also permits states to continue regulating insurance. Justice David Souter, writing for a 5-4 majority in the Illinois case, called the review panels akin to "the stuff of garden variety insurance regulation."

Houston Chronicle

Problem economy

After a week of steep declines, a late rally Monday held the Dow Jones industrial average to a 45-point loss. Perhaps the stock market has found its bottom, but the economy confronts challenges beyond the loss of confidence in the bookkeeping of corporate America.

In the first quarter of this year, a 6 percent annual growth rate in GDP was accompanied by a counterintuitive decline in federal revenues and a projected federal deficit of $165 billion. White House budget officials blamed the revenue shortfall on the drop in capital gains taxes that resulted from the disappearance of many people's capital gains. Unless Congress acts, more U.S. corporations will reincorporate offshore, further reducing federal revenues.

A second speech by President Bush halfheartedly decrying corporate greed failed to return the markets to positive territory as fears of a "double-dip" recession grew. The market reacted favorably, however, to an announcement by Coca-Cola that it would list future stock options as employee compensation, disproving the notion that honesty and candor must be restrained to protect the value of investors' portfolios.

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WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE

Campus Happenings

July 1-31
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Let's See What Develops



By Dennis Noblett, Director of Development

A flatlander who couldn't swim went fishing with a friend and after a while hooked a big one. He was so excited about his catch that as he was reeling it in, trying to get it next to the boat, he learned over just a little too far and fell in the water. He panicked and began to yell, "Help me! Help me!"

So his friend calmly reached out and was going to grab the man by the hair to pull him over and into the boat. But the man's toupee came off and down he went.

He came up yelling again, so the friend reached down and grabbed his arm. As he pulled it, it came off because it was an artificial limb.

The man continued to thrash around so the friend reached out to grab his leg. (You guessed it.) It came off because it was a wooden leg.

As the man continued splashing and calling out for help, his friend looked at him in disgust and said, "How can I help you if you won't stick together?"

It Takes Teamwork

You'll note the list of businesses, organizations and individuals that it took to raise over $18,000 from our truck giveaway on July 4th.

You have probably already read in the Snyder Daily News that WTC was notified last Wednesday afternoon of being awarded one of only 27 Federal Talent Search Grants nationwide. In addition, our grant proposal was rated in the top 10% in terms of quality. This process began last October because of Dr. Gregory Williams and the Board of Trustees initiated the process, and Bettie McQueen who led the administrative staff to put this proposal together.

In addition to administrators Mike Thorton, John Gibson, Jim Clifton, Patricia Claxton, Dr. Jim Palmer, and Britt Canada, there were others who were involved in the process such as Carolyn Osborn and Administrative Assistant Melanie Schwertner, plus additional WTC staff.

This group also included a host of high school counselors, principals and superintendents, law enforcement officials, and governmental and civic leaders from several towns in our area including Snyder, Sweetwater, Post, Ballinger, Roby, Rotan, and others.

You and I both know that rarely is success the result of one person's efforts. Our efforts to boost enrollment and state funding, to build our new baseball and softball complex, or to develop new sources for scholarships depends upon you.

For that, we at WTC say "Thank you, all!" for helping bring this first year to a very successful close. We all need each other for the financial success of both the local economy and of WTC.

We Need Each Other

We are appreciative of the fact that many of you are not like the two shipwrecked men among several in their lifeboat.

From their end of the boat, the pair watched as those at the other end bail frantically to keep the boat afloat.

The one said to the other, "Thank Heaven, the hole isn't on our end of the boat!"

Allied Health Director participates in Virtual College of Texas Consortium



INTERNET INSTRUCTION VIA STREAMING VIDEO

Allied Health Director, Tammy Shirley lectures on the Emergency Care Attendant curriculum while two students from the campus EMS program demonstrate specific skills. Mass Communications instructor, Donny Brown is videotaping the lectures, which will be used as part of a Virtual College of Texas consortium to offer state-wide training via the internet. (WTC Photo)

WTC Allied Health Director, Tammy Shirley, is assisting with a project that will make the "Emergency Care Attendant" or ECA class available on the internet through the Virtual College of Texas.

"I was contacted by Neil Coker of Temple Jr. College and asked to participate in the project," she said

Dr. Pat Smith who is Temple College's Information Sciences Workforce Development director, serves on a VCT committee that has been looking for a course to serve as a pilot for developing an Internet course that could be owned by the Virtual College.

Rather than being owned by a specific school, the course would be the property of all of the Texas community colleges and could be offered by any school that wants to put the course on its webserver.

Dr. Smith and Neil Coker put together a consortium of five community college EMS programs that were interested in working on the development of the course, and Western Texas College was one of the ones asked to participate because of its EMS training program.

Shirley also noted that the Texas Department of Health is fully supporting the project under its mandate from the Legislature to make ECA training more widely available in underserved rural areas.

She attended meetings in Austin, where the curriculum was divided among the 5 representatives. "We then returned home and began dividing out lectures and skills to be digitally videoed and edited together to create an Internet course complete with streamline video of lectures and the required skills demonstrations," she said.

WTC Mass Communications instructor, Donny Brown is assisting us with the video taping of the college's sections of lectures and skills training. The video will then be sent to Austin to be edited in full with the portions contributed by the other colleges participating in the consortium.

Do you know someone from WTC's first graduating class of '73?
Or from any other classes through 2002?

It could be you!

We need names, addresses and phone numbers for future reunions and for building an alumni database.
If you do, please contact:

Dennis Noblett
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Your help and information are greatly appreciated!

Western Texas College

would like to gratefully acknowledge the following businesses and individuals for working towards the success of our recent truck giveaway:

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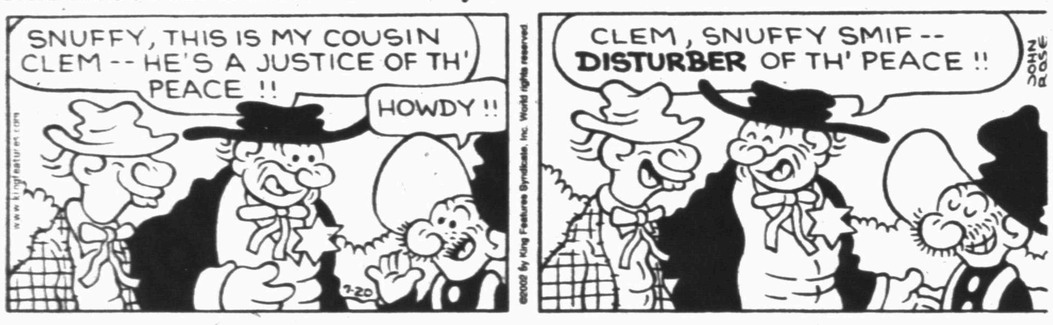
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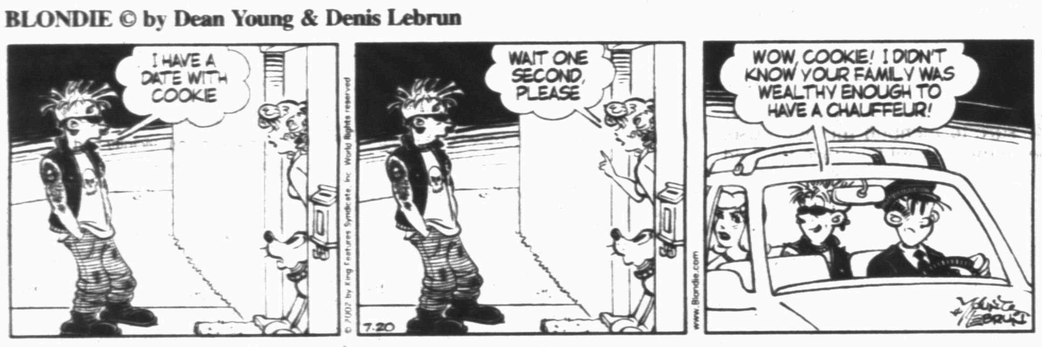
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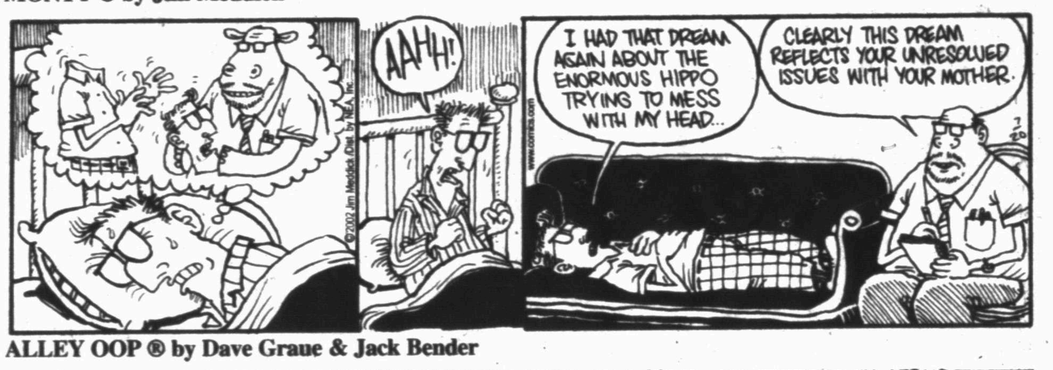
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"I thought you were finished!"

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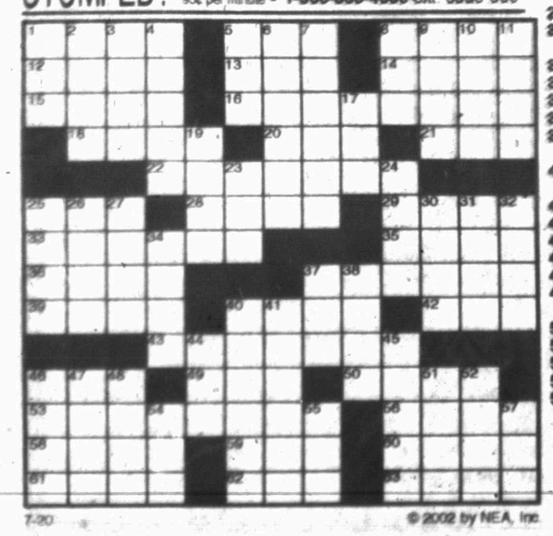
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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Spinal stenosis may be serious

DEAR DR. GOTT: Please explain spinal stenosis. I've had severe left leg pain for over a year and was diagnosed with sciatica secondary to osteoporosis. I've been prescribed pain medication and physical therapy, without relief. Now, after an MRI scan, my doctor says that spinal stenosis is the problem. Is surgery my only option?

DEAR READER: In all likelihood, yes. Let me explain.

Low back and leg pain due to pressure on spinal nerves can result from a herniated disc (which squeezes out of position between the vertebral bones and pinches the nerves), a fracture of one of the spinal bones (as occurs in osteoporosis, when one or more vertebrae collapse), spondylolisthesis (one vertebra overriding another), or spinal stenosis (actual pressure on the spinal cord itself).

In this last affliction, which you apparently have, some tissue is pinching the spinal cord. This can result from a congenital abnormality, from a herniated disc or from calcium deposits around the vertebral bones. Regardless of cause, the end result is the same: nerve damage that will progress unless treated. The condition usually worsens over time and can lead to constant excruciating pain, numbness in the legs and weakness of the feet. (As an aside, osteoporotic fractures are, in my experience, an uncommon cause of spinal stenosis. Such fractures may cause sciatica, however.)

Although many patients with spinal stenosis can be helped by rest, analgesics, physiotherapy, chiropractic manipulation and steroid injections, the problem is mechanical, so it usually requires a mechanical solution — in a word, surgery. The procedure (to remove bone spurs, repair a slipped disc and decompress the spinal nerves) is, by and large, tremendously successful. It can literally renew a person's life. One patient of mine, an attorney, was able to resume his hobby of rock climbing after the operation.

Your case appears to be complicated by osteoporosis. As I mentioned, this can alter bone structure and lead to back pain, but — in my view — should be addressed as a separate issue, using calcium/vitamin D supplements and medication such as weekly Fosamax or Actonel.

I believe you should be under the care of a neurosurgeon or orthopedic back specialist, who will advise you whether surgery is indicated. Certainly if you are experiencing uncontrollable pain or weakness, you need surgery. But, if your discomfort responds to further non-surgical therapy, you can avoid an operation. The specialist can advise you.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have a friend who advised me to take Beano for my intestinal gas. Is it safe to use?

Dear READER: Beano is an enzyme that breaks down indigestible sugars in food, thereby preventing fermentation in the colon, with resulting gassiness and bloating from edibles such as beans, peas, nuts, grains and vegetables.

Beano, a natural product available in supermarkets and pharmacies, has been marketed as a liquid and — more recently — as a pill. It is completely safe and has provided valuable assistance to many patients who are troubled by intestinal gas. Give it a try.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: My 70-year-old father has been retired for five years. He admits to me that he is lonely and bored. He also reluctantly admits that instead of his traditional two cocktails before dinner, he may have three — plus a nightcap at bedtime. Sometimes, when I telephone him in the evening, he seems forgetful and vague. I'm worried that the alcohol may be to blame. How can I address this issue without precipitating a family crisis?

DEAR READER: This is a difficult question about a potentially serious disorder.

Drinking problems in senior citizens are, by all accounts, underdiagnosed. After retirement, many seniors begin to consume more alcohol — as a function of depression, loneliness, boredom or a feeling of liberation — at precisely the time in their lives when they are least able to handle it.

For example, alcohol has a much greater impact on older adults than it does on the younger, because of physiological changes. An enzyme in the stomach (gastric alcohol dehydrogenase) is reduced. This enzyme begins the metabolic breakdown of alcohol; if it is deficient, more alcohol enters the bloodstream and will affect the nervous system. Also, the liver is less able to detoxify alcohol as we age. Finally, women at all ages are less tolerant of alcohol.

The National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) has defined moderate and acceptable drinking in adults over 65 as no more than one drink a day. One drink is equivalent to 1.5 ounces of spirits, a 12-oz beer, or a 5-oz glass of wine. While this guideline may be conservative, experts agree that the elderly should not exceed 14 drinks a week for men, seven for women, and no more than four drinks on one occasion for men (three for women). Finally, researchers have estimated that the prevalence of alcoholism is 10 percent to 14 percent in the general population. Alcohol abuse is up to six times more common in elderly men than in their female counterparts.

To a large extent, the effects of alcohol consumption depend on a person's health profile and the use of medications. A healthy 70-year-old man without hypertension, heart disease, liver disorders or prescription medicines can safely consume up to two standard drinks a day without adverse consequences. In contrast, a senior in poor health should markedly moderate his intake.

As a general screening test, many physicians use the CAGE questionnaire:

Have you ever thought you should CUT down on drinking?

Have people ANNOYED you by complaining about your drinking?

Have you felt GUILTY about your drinking?

Have you ever had an EYE-OPENER to get going in the morning?

Two or more positive answers raise suspicion of alcohol abuse.

The issue is further complicated by the difficulty clarifying drinking patterns. One drink may lead to subjective interpretations. (I once had an alcoholic patient who admitted to "one" drink a day — an 8-oz glass of vodka.) A pint of beer is more than 12 ounces and a "refreshed" glass of wine is closer to two glasses than one.

Finally, many heavy (or "problem") drinkers are either in a state of denial or object to being questioned about their consumption, believing that this is a "personal matter" which is no one else's business.

All of this discussion, although interesting and (I hope) informative, is a long-winded way of answering your question. With respect to your father, I suggest a low-key initial approach. Talk to him (during the day) about your concerns. Emphasize that you love him but are concerned about the health consequences of his habit. Involve your siblings if necessary. Discuss the situation with your father's physician, who should be informed of the problem and will be able to offer immeasurable assistance. In addition, the doctor can perform liver tests, define moderate drinking and — if necessary — intervene in a treatment program, such as Alcoholics Anonymous.

If your father did not have a drinking problem before retirement, he may simply have slipped into an unhealthful habit that the doctor can correct by educating him. On the other hand, if alcoholism is to blame, a more structured rehab plan may be necessary.

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Two patients contract HIV from transfusions of blood

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Two people contracted HIV from blood transfusions after tests failed to find the virus because the donor's infection was in its early stages, officials said.

The incident marks the second time since the nation's blood banks implemented new screening technology in 1999 that HIV has been transmitted through a transfusion, according to Florida Blood Services. The first case infected a man in San Antonio in September.

The victims, one young adult and one in the mid-60s, were told Wednesday they contracted HIV from blood and plasma transfusions in Hillsborough and Pinellas county hospitals, according to Florida Blood Services, which processed the blood.

The donor gave infected blood in March, but had contracted the disease so recently that tests did not detect it, said German LeParc, chief medical officer for the blood bank. The virus takes seven to 10 days to build up sufficiently for detection.

When the donor returned to give blood again in May, the blood tested positive for HIV and that donation was destroyed, LeParc said. The donor was notified and officials began tracking down patients who received the previous donation.

LeParc said the donor, who was not identified, first gave blood on Sept. 12, when people rushed to blood banks in the wake of the terrorist attacks, then became a regular.

The infected donor had answered a list of standard questions intended to weed out high-risk donors, LeParc said. There was no indication that the donor had lied and concealed any such behavior, officials said, adding the donor was stunned to learn of the infection.

Small Colorado city is out of water and praying for rain

DENVER (AP) — The town of Beulah has gone dry. There is no water — not a drop — except in bottles, wells and a handful of swimming pools. It's gotten so bad the county Friday began trucking in a limited amount of water.

Residents who can afford it are ordering private water deliveries from Pueblo, about 25 miles north, or have relied on bottled water. A few of the luckier ones are tapping small, private wells. Many are praying for rain.

"We don't have any water. What can we do?" water treatment plant co-operator Ken Wahl said.

"If we have rains, we can get the water back in a matter of a half a day. We are in a kind of hand-to-mouth situation here. We don't have a reservoir," Wahl said.

Nestled in the ironically named Wet Mountains, about 110 miles south of Denver, Beulah is known for providing the distinctive red marble at the State Capitol.

The unincorporated area's 800 residents depend on several creeks for water, but all have dried up as Colorado struggles through its worst drought in a century.

Local officials don't have the money to haul the 70,000-80,000 gallons a day that consumers typically use — "We'd have to have a fleet of trucks on the road every day," Wahl said. So Pueblo County authorized emergency water shipments.

Each person will get only 10 gallons a day, commissioner Loretta Kennedy said Friday.

The county also planned to ask a nearby Army base to loan a 50,000-gallon water tanker to provide non-drinkable water for bathing and laundry.

The lack of water comes as afternoon temperatures often reach into the 90s. Firefighters are worried that summer's typical thunderstorms could spark wildfires.

Warmer-than-usual temperature and dry conditions had spread drought to 36 percent of the 48 contiguous states by the end of June, the National Climatic Data Center reported. Colorado and Nebraska had their second-warmest June since statewide records began.

Beulah's Volunteer Fire Chief Ron Jones said the department has an emergency water reserve set aside plus water in its seven tanker trucks. Homeowners with swimming pools have offered to let fire trucks fill up whenever necessary.

Residents, many of whom commute to Pueblo for work, are making do as best they can.

The Beulah General Store is selling out of bottled water and had a portable toilet installed Thursday to keep in compliance with laws requiring that it offer a restroom.

"I am lucky enough to have a well. People without wells are going to have to haul water from Pueblo or pray for it to rain," said native Jim Bergeman.

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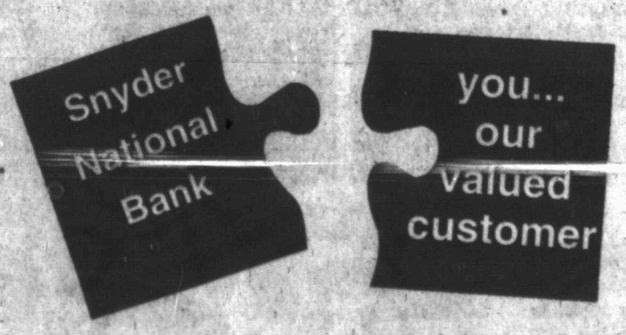
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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, July 21, 2002

You'll be capable of some rather outstanding achievements in the year ahead when it comes to your social life and making friends. You will be the center around which all will want to gather.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Because you're able to perceive the motivation and needs of others quite easily today, you'll have the tolerance and understanding that will make you a very pleasant person to be around. Cancer, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and an SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Sharpen your wits and not just your pencil today, and you will be able to figure out a way to purchase something nice you didn't think you could afford.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Seek out some sunny diversions with friends today who share your interests, and those restless feelings of late will disappear. You need to disengage yourself from mundane routines.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — You're the type of person who has always tried to be nice to everyone you encounter. As a result, a shy person you drew out and were kind to in the past will make life happy for you today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — You could be singled out today for special attention by a person who has considerable clout in the social world. An invitation to join a fun group could be in the offing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Now is the time to press for a perk from someone who can dole them out. You'll be in tune today with people in high places.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Make your presentation imaginative and colorful and others will be receptive to an idea you've been trying to present. Thoughts, like people, look better when they're all dressed up.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Someone who you've done something nice for in the past might imitate your actions and reciprocate in his/her own quiet way. Accept the gesture graciously.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — The best way to negotiate anything is to try to see things from the other guy's perspective. Keep this in mind today should a little give-and-take be in order.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — A previously closed door to an opportunity concerning a work-related issue might open for you today. Don't wait too long to walk through it; it might slam shut again at any time.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — When it comes to the romance department, this could turn out to be a pretty good day for you. Someone about whom you care a great deal has you on his/her mind as well.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Playing in the kitchen or working in the garden today may give you the pleasure other activities won't. Devotion to the needs of your home and family appeals to your domestic desires.

Monday, July 22, 2002

One of your biggest payoffs is likely to come from some type of artistic enterprise you'll become involved with in the year ahead. It may become your main source of income, but it can be a supplemental one as well.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — There's a good chance you'll be receiving some very pleasant news today from an individual who is extremely dear to you. You won't be able to hold back from telling others. Major changes are ahead for Cancer in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and an SASE to Astro-Graph c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167 Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today may be one of those very pleasant days when you're likely to experience more peaks than troughs in your financial affairs. Spend as much time in this area as you can.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — It will be important that you play a key role instead of a subordinate one in any dealings you have with others today. Anything you manage or personally direct should go off rather well.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Be on your toes today and alert for several interesting opportunities that are hovering about you at this time. They might come in areas or from sources you'd least expect.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Those of the opposite gender are likely to find you more attractive than usual today, so if you choose to capitalize on this, it could be a very pleasant day for you socially.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Don't be hesitant to request some support from your cohorts today. People in general are most helpful at this time and will happily come through for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You're apt to find that your real strengths today are your wit, charm and intellect. You'll be able to accomplish what you set out to do by using that brilliant mind of yours.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — It's an unusual day in that you may be able to profit in some manner from something where most of the work was done by another. You'll be in the right spot at the right time.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — You may not realize it now, but those goodwill gestures you show towards friends today will be sowing seeds for a bountiful harvest in the future. Because you care now, they'll care later.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Productivity can be increased twofold today if your hands and mind enjoy the tasks they're performing. Spend your time working on labors of love.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — If you've never tried it, experiment at using positive thinking today. You'll be amazed that by simply thinking of yourself as a winner, things can be turned around to work in your favor.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Don't grumble over alterations in conditions that are inaugurated by persons other than you today. The changes and shifts that take place at this time tend to benefit you very nicely.

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Head of TSA resigns

WASHINGTON (AP) — John Magaw resigned as head of the new agency that protects the transportation system from terrorists, leaving his successor to meet looming deadlines for tighter security at airports.

Magaw said Thursday he resigned as head of the Transportation Security Administration for health reasons. But a Bush administration official with knowledge of the situation said Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta asked Magaw to leave.

Taking his place will be Adm. James Loy, Magaw's deputy who previously served as Coast Guard commandant. Loy now faces a Nov. 19 deadline to replace private passenger screeners at U.S. airports with an all-federal work force, and a Dec. 31 deadline for making sure airports inspect all checked bags for explosives.

Concern about lack of progress in meeting those deadlines and the size of the agency will be the focus of a congressional hearing on Tuesday.

"Mr. Magaw was headed for a firestorm on Capitol Hill," said Rep. John Mica, R-Fla., chairman of the House Transportation aviation subcommittee.

The Transportation Committee's chairman, Rep. Don Young, R-Alaska, defended Magaw, saying he had done a good job under difficult circumstances.

"While there has been some criticism of the TSA in recent months, the aviation security bill and its overly ambitious deadlines made it virtually impossible for the TSA to operate and function smoothly during the early months of its conception," Young said.

Magaw, 66, did not cite any of the criticism in his resignation letter to President Bush, who installed him in the transportation post in January without Senate approval by using a so-called recess appointment. Bush had complained at the time that the Democratic-controlled Senate had not acted quickly enough on Magaw's nomination.

"Unfortunately, my health will simply not permit me to continue to give the energy and effort to this task that is required to see it to completion," Magaw wrote the president. He had angioplasty in April to clear a clogged artery.

Magaw is a former head of the Secret Service who as an agent protected President Bush's father. He is considered close to the Bush family.

A senior White House official said Bush remains a strong supporter of Magaw. The official said Magaw did not get along with Mineta and when the secretary sought his resignation, the White House did not intervene.

Magaw was praised for his stewardship of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, which he took over following its confrontation with followers of David Koresh in 1993 near Waco.

Stewart to be honored by art foundation

NEW YORK (AP) — Not everyone is down on Martha Stewart.

The entertaining guru, who is under investigation for her sale of ImClone stock, will be honored by Russell Simmons' Rush Philanthropic Arts Foundation next weekend. Others to be honored at the event, taking place at the hip-hop mogul's East Hampton estate on July 27, are "Sex and the City" co-star Cynthia Nixon, Black Enterprise magazine founder and publisher Earl Graves, and Radio One founder and chairman Cathy Hughes.

Although Stewart's image has taken a beating lately, Simmons says his commitment to honor her never wavered.

"Rush Philanthropic Arts Foundation is proud to honor Martha Stewart for her dedication to creative expression and education," he said in a statement. "She been a good friend to me and Rush Philanthropic over the years and has helped us to fulfill our mission of providing at-risk youth with access and exposure to the arts."

Stewart is expected to attend the event.

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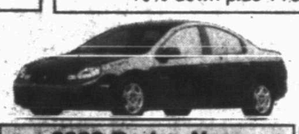
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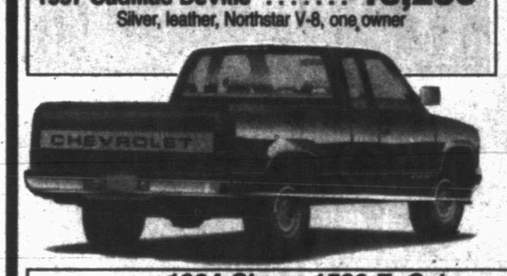


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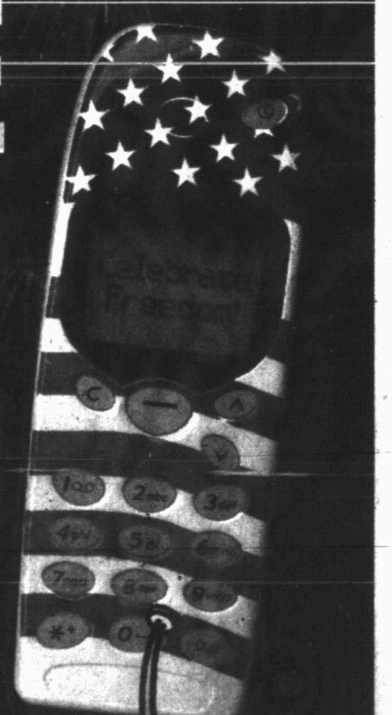
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