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Home of Korie Allen

# Ferry pilot thought to have been unconscious

NEW YORK (AP) — Authorities today investigated whether a Staten Island ferry pilot lost consciousness during a trip across a windy New York Harbor before the vessel slammed into a pier, killing at least 10 people and injuring 42.

Three people are missing, Mayor Michael Bloomberg said today. He added, "whether those people were really on the boat or not, nobody really knows."

The pilot quickly bolted the scene, went home and attempted suicide, a law enforcement source told The Associated Press. The source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said pilot Richard Smith slit his wrists and shot himself with a pellet gun.

Smith, 55, was in critical condition Wednesday night after surgery, St. Vincent's Hospital said. It was the same hospital where 22 victims were rushed after the 3:20 p.m. crash.

A co-worker of Smith told authorities the pilot had been asleep, slumped over the controls, the source said.

Staten Island councilman Michael McMahon said he was told at a briefing today that Smith may have lost consciousness because of "health problems and medication." He said the officials were looking into whether he had failed to take blood pressure medication.

About reports that the pilot had fallen asleep or passed out at the wheel, National Transportation Safety Board chairwoman Ellen Engleman said today the agency has "a lot of conflicting reports as far as that. We don't want to pass on stories or rumors."

Witnesses said the boat never appeared to slow down before it hit a maintenance pier, hundreds of feet from the slips where the ferries normally dock. The ferry was immediately backed up and moved to one of the passenger slips, where rescue crews began their work.

"The scene was total chaos," said passenger Frank Corchado, 29, of Staten Island, recounting a tableau of horrific sights: a decapitated man, a legless woman, a fellow passenger bleeding from his eyes.

"There was a lady without legs, right in the middle of the boat," he said. "She was screaming. You ever see anything like that?"

The dead, one woman and nine men, ranged from age 25 to 52, police said. The names of all but one were released early this morninSg.

The crew was to be interviewed and tested for drugs and alcohol. Such testing is routine after major transportation accidents. The crew members referred investigators to their union lawyers.

Smith was being represented by an attorney, said police, who obtained a sample of his blood for testing. Telephone messages left at his home were not returned.

Investigators said this morning they had gotten conflicting reports on where the crew members were when the boat crashed. The pilot and captain are both supposed to be in the pilot house when the boat is entering port.

A source close to the probe said the captain told investigators that Smith "slumped forward" in a way that drove the boat toward the pier.

"He could have hit the controls," said the official, who like the other source spoke on condition of anonymity. "He could have pushed the throttle, he could have pulled the throttle."

City Transportation Commissioner Iris Weinshall said Smith, the pilot, had been an employee for 15 years. "There's nothing in his record that we have seen so far that would indicate a problem," she said.

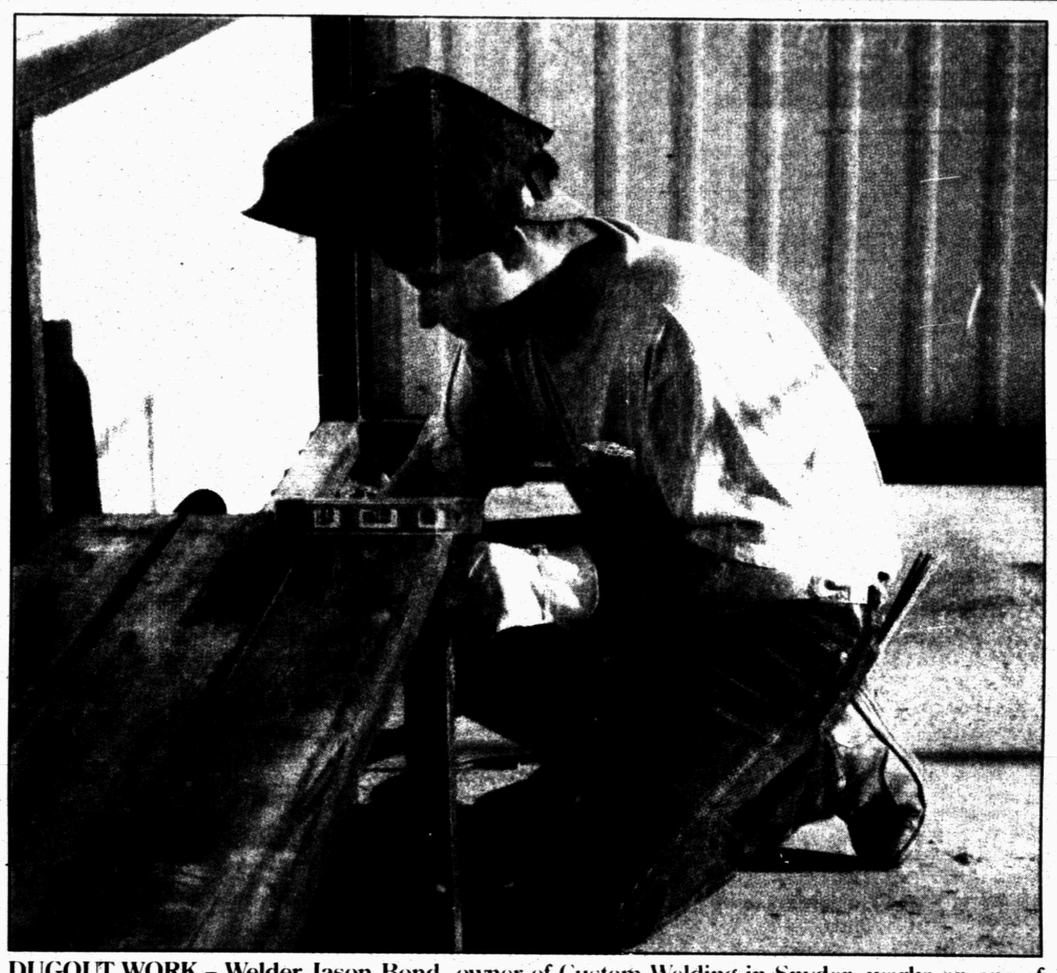
Smith gave initial comments to police but has not yet been interviewed in depth, Engleman said.

The 310-foot craft was carrying an estimated 1,500 people, 36 of whom were treated at the scene or immediately taken to hospitals. Six others walked away injured and went to hospitals later.

Corchado said he tried to help as many people as possible get out.




**TEN DEAD — This Staten Island Ferry Boat was involved in a fatal accident Tuesday as it prepared to dock. Officials are investigating a report that the ferry boat pilot was unconscious when the accident happened. (SDN Staff Photo)**



**DUGOUT WORK – Welder Jason Bond, owner of Custom Welding in Snyder, works on one of the dugouts at the baseball field under construction at Western Texas College. (SDN Staff Photo)**

## *In sniper trial...*

# Half of jury is selected

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP) — Nearly half of the people needed to seat a jury were selected in one day for the trial of sniper suspect John Allen Muhammad, as most of the potential jurors said they had limited exposure to news accounts of the spree.

Defense lawyers had predicted jury selection would be difficult because of the heavy publicity surrounding last October's Washington-area killing spree, in which 10 people were killed. However, the first eight people questioned were all held to be qualified to serve as jurors.

In all, 13 prospective jurors were qualified to serve on the trial Wednesday, while two were excluded. The judge must qualify an additional 14 to reach a panel of 27. Then prosecutors and defense attorneys can each strike six prospective jurors, for nearly any reason they choose, leaving a jury of 12 plus three alternates.

Today, potential panelists again were quizzed individually on their views about the death penalty, their exposure to pretrial news accounts and whether they felt terrorized by the sniper spree.

Circuit Judge LeRoy F. Millette Jr. rejected a defense request to reconsider his decision to qualify one of the 13 jury finalists picked Wednesday.

Defense lawyer Jonathan Shapiro said he was concerned because the woman said she would not be inclined to give much consideration to Muhammad's family history in deciding if he deserves the death penalty, saying that "childhood shouldn't affect what you're doing now."

"She has written off an entire class of mitigation evidence," Shapiro said.

Prosecutor Paul Ebert said he expected opening statements to begin Monday, even if jury selection concludes Thursday.

## Judge sends two to prison

Two prison sentences were handed down Wednesday in 132nd District Court.

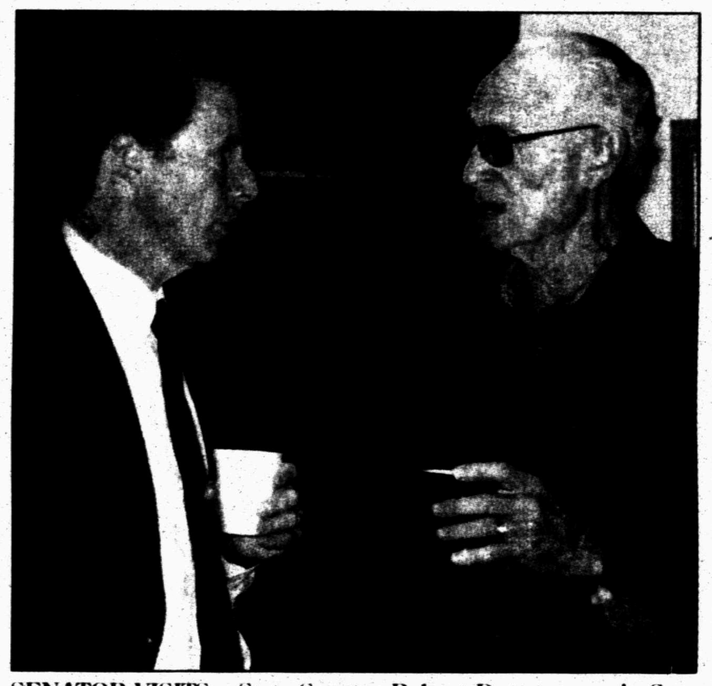
Joe Luis Silva, 18, of 2208 27th Street pleaded guilty to a Sept. 23 charge of burglary of a habitation and a May 9 charge of assault-family violence.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong ordered Silva to serve 10 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and participation in the boot camp program. Silva also was fined $1,000.

On the assault offense, Silva was assessed a five-year probated sentence and fined $750.

Joe John Vera, 34, of 312 25th Street pleaded guilty to felony driving while intoxicated, an Aug. 10 offense.

Judge Armstrong ordered Vera, who had three prior DWI convictions, to serve five years in prison.



**SENATOR VISITS – State Senator Robert Duncan was in Snyder this morning for a coffee at the Scurry County Museum. The senator was en route to San Angelo. Duncan, left, is shown visiting with J.B. Cooper of Roscoe. (SDN Staff Photo)**

## Team roping planned Sunday

The Scurry County Rodeo Association 2003 stockholder's team roping will be at 1 p.m. Sunday.

The event will be held at the rodeo grounds on Gary Brewer Road.

The admission is free and concessions will be available

The public is invited.

## THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

**The feller on Deep Creek says, "The first time you realize that a little education is dangerous is when you bring home a poor report card."**

Scurry County's E. Lou Meadows sent us the following article from a Texas ag publication, written by Lana Robinson. E. Lou figured some local readers would get a kick out of it:

"Sometahms I wunder if education's all it's cracked up to be," Mel said, bellying up to the breakfast table.

"Obvious, something's gone wrong when kids can graduate from school and not know how to read," I said, as I shoved a plate of dry toast at him.

"Ah'm not tawkin' 'bout deficiencies in the system," Mel said. He popped a small sausage link in his mouth and chomped. "Ah mean education as a concept. Ah ain't so shore it's made a soul any smarter."

'How so?"

"Well jist thank about it," my husband continued. "Thur's been more diet books wrote in the last quarter century than ever before, an' all the statistics show folks is getting' fatter by the day, 'specially kids.

"More books and courses than you can shake a stick at on relationships and how to git along with your mate, an' you got the highest divorce rate ever.

"More education than you ever seen on the ills o' drugs, drankin' an' illicit sex, an' seems lahk the more education, the more the thangs they've warnin' against increases.

"An' another thang...ever li'l rural town, seems lahk, hires some consultant group to do a feasibility study on what kiney economic opportunities they might have — what kiney bidness an' industry they cud attract to provide jobs. After thur $50,000 poorer, thur told 'tourism an' laht manufacuring'. It didn't take no rocket scientist to figger that out. Shoot, ah cudda told 'em that for $25,000 if they wanted to waste thur money.

"Then thur's all 'em know-it-alls on Wall Street, night after night on the idiot box, advisin' people on how to invest thur money. Lots uv 'em thought uv as experts in the last few years have been reduced to 'ex-spurts.' Thur just makin' educated guesses. All 'em economic models they been taught is faulty. Maht as well be gittin' yer fodder from the cow pasture. Come to fahnd out, a whole bunch 'em guys are tellin' clients to do one thang and all the time, 'em brokers an' analysts are doin' jist the opposite."

"Let me see if I understand...are you trying to make the case that the more educated a person is, the dumber he is or what?" I asked.

"Nope," Mel said. "Guess what ah'm trying to say is when whut you learned is correct, you got to appy it fer it to work. Jist knowin' it ain't good enough. Then you need to make sure o' yore source. Lots o' educated folks — some of 'em well meaning' — ain't got no more uva clue than you an' me on some subjects. Ah 'member one tahm the Home Demonstration agent come to see Mama, and commista spoutin' what the book said waz proper way to cook, keep house an' raise kids.

"Mama, who had 10 kids stopped her and asked, 'How many younguns you got?' The young woman smiled nervously an' said, 'Well, none. I'm not married.'

"Mama told her she ne'en to go no further. Said, 'Tell you whut, when you git yersef a mess o' kids, then you come back an'ah'll listen to whut you got to say.'"

## ASK US

**Q—Has the date been set for the lighting of the star on Gail Mountain?**

**A—It will be at 7 p.m. on Friday after Thanksgiving.**

## MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



### Nina Jones...

...works at McCormick Marketing and has lived in Snyder since 1956. She and her husband, James, moved from Comanche. They have two children, Kevin Jones of Snyder and his wife Nancy, and Karen Sue Jones of Amarillo and her husband Chuck. Both have three children. Her hobbies include sewing, yard work and chasing grandchildren.

## TODAY'S THOUGHT

**Remember, loyalty is a two-way street.**

**—Barbara Bush**

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# WHAT'S UP?

## ONGOINGS

### Missions conference

Calvary Baptist Church, 2405 35th, is hosting a missions conference today through Sunday. Guests will include Bruce Garner from Mexico, Josh Warneke from Fiji, Jerry Abbott from Hungary and Jeremy Brann, church planter in Marble Falls. The featured speaker will be Mike Haley, pastor of Hallmark Baptist Church in Fort Worth. Service today is at 7 p.m. The missions banquet is at 7 p.m. Saturday. Sunday services are 9:45 a.m. Sunday school, and 10:50 for worship.

### Eastern Star

Snyder chapter #450 Order of Eastern Star will have its stated meeting at 7:30 this evening. All members are encouraged to attend.

### Church of God revival

Church of God, 21st and Ave. O, is conducting a revival today through Saturday at 7 p.m. On Sunday services are 9:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.

### Volleyball booster club

The SHS volleyball booster club will meet at 6 p.m. today in the gym. All parents of volleyball players are asked to attend to plan a fundraising dinner plus the banquet.

### Literary evening

Literary evening at the Scurry County Library, will begin at 7 tonight. Jean Everett and Jo Ashley will present a program about personalities who shaped America, including the Southwest. Everyone is invited.

### Chili supper

The SHS boys basketball booster club will host a chili supper from 5-7 p.m. Friday in the SHS cafeteria prior to the Merkel football game. Tickets are $5 and be purchased from any SHS basketball player or at the door. Takeouts will be available.

### Horseback riding club

Anyone interested in joining a horseback riding club is invited to an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. Friday at 1368 Smith Ave. (north on Clairemont Hwy)

### MAWC sets style show

Martha Ann Woman's Club will have a style show Saturday at the clubhouse. Chico's of Lubbock will show fall and holiday fashions. A luncheon will begin at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are $10 and may be purchased by calling 573-3427, 573-6443 or 573-5586.

### Snyder Baseball Club car wash

Snyder's Baseball Club will have a car wash from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at Wal-Mart.

### Snyder missionaries to speak

Charlie and Pat Reynolds, Snyder missionaries to the police in Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador, will speak at Trinity United Methodist Church at 6 p.m. Sunday.

### Marriage conference

The fall marriage conference, *Love, Romance and Sex: It's All God's Idea*, will be simulcast Oct. 24-25 at East Side Church of Christ. Colonial Hill Baptist is co-sponsoring. Friday times are from 6:30-9:30 p.m. and Saturday times are 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tickets are $20 per couple. Reserve by calling 573-3583. Childcare will be available.

### Fall Festival of Fun

The Fall Festival of Fun for birth through 6th graders is set from 4-6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center. Games, concession and door prizes are planned. Requested donation, one bag of candy.

### Lord's Acre

First United Methodist Church's Lord's Acre is planned for 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, at the coliseum. Booths open at 11 a.m. and a barbecue lunch will be served from noon to 1:30 p.m. Activities and games for children are planned. Everyone is welcome.

### Used eyeglasses needed

The Snyder and WTC Lions Clubs, in partnership with the local post office, will pick up used eyeglasses from mailboxes on Friday, Oct. 31. Eyeglasses should be bagged and hung on mailbox.

### Gateway needs costumes

Gateway Family Services is in need of used Halloween costumes in all sizes as well as basic arts and craft supplies for children's holiday projects. Donations may be dropped off at the shelter or call 573-1822.

### Thrive simulcast at FBC

*Thrive*, a conference for women, will be simulcast from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at the First Baptist Church. Tickets are $35 until Nov. 1. After that they will be $40. Call 573-2631 to reserve tickets. Lunch, snacks and free daycare will be provided. The event begins at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31.

### Home for the holidays

Scurry County's annual home for the holidays, sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension, is set for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, at the First United Methodist Church. Tickets are $8 each and must be reserved by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12. Call 573-5423 to reserve tickets.

### United Way packets

United Way packets have been distributed to businesses and will be picked up by Nov. 21. Packets are bright orange. For more information, call 573-5311.

### SJHS yearbooks

Snyder Junior High Tiger Times yearbook is on sale through Nov. 25 in room 110. Cost is $16 or students may make an $8 deposit. No extra copies will be ordered.

### WTC Lions Club raffle

WTC Lions Club is selling chances for two spring season passes for either baseball or softball. Tickets are $1 each or six for $5. Tickets are available from any WTC Lions Club member. The drawing will be held Dec. 10.

### Free tutoring

Free tutoring for students is available Monday through Thursday at the Boys and Girls Club. Schedule a time between 4-7 p.m. or drop in from 5-6 p.m. Tutors will be members of the Student Government Association at Western Texas College. To register call, 573-8511, ext. 276 or 573-3344.



**KEEPING IN TOUCH — Hermleigh fifth grade students in Cathy Beckman's class have been writing letters to U.S. Army Sgt. Mike Coronado, who is stationed in Iraq. His daughter, Samantha, is a class member. Pictured from left are Jacob Nachlinger, Gloria Ramirez, Kelton Garcia, Matt Williams, Duncan Sorrells, Samantha Coronado and Jordan Williamson. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)**

# Iowa researchers study corn hybrid to prevent blindness

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Plant scientists are working to develop corn fortified with beta carotene to help fight blindness, birth defects and malnutrition in developing nations.

The research, under way at Iowa State University in Ames, also involves identifying known hybrids high in beta carotene. The substance is converted by the human body into vitamin A, which is essential for vision, cell division and growth.

"Corn is a good way of delivering vitamin A because you to deliver it with fats and oils that help in its uptake," said Stephen Howell, director of the university's Plant Sciences Institute.

The project has two components: Geneticist Steve Rodermel will lead a team in developing the new corn varieties and nutrition expert Wendy White will examine how vitamin A enrichment works.

"The crucial question is how much the beta carotene needs to be increased in this corn kernel," White said in a statement. "To answer this question, we first have to understand how much of the beta carotene is absorbed by the body and converted into vitamin A to meet daily requirements."

The study will focus on the 48 developing countries in sub-Saharan Africa that use corn as their staple food.

"Nigeria will be one of the first test sites for at least part of the project," Howell said.

"In fact, a particular area has been defined and there will be a team that will go out and conduct some feeding studies," he said.

Initially, existing hybrids high in beta carotene will be planted, Howell said.

Iowa State will share in a $1.6 million, three-year grant from the U.S. Agency for International Development. Its partners on the project are the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center in Mexico; the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture in Nigeria; the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; Wageningen University, the Netherlands; and Monsanto Co. in St. Louis.

Any scientific findings will be shared freely, Howell said.

## Disaster money being distributed in Louisiana

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Federal disaster money totaling $55 million is being distributed to Louisiana sugarcane mills for losses they suffered last year in a tropical storm and a hurricane, Agriculture Commissioner Bob Odom said.

The sugarcane crop was leveled in many areas of south Louisiana in late September and early October of 2002 by Tropical Storm Isidore and Hurricane Lili.

"Our yields were badly hurt last year. And after the storms the rains kept coming until up into December, on average once a week, making it impossible to efficiently get in the fields and get the crop out," Odom said in a statement.

# Today's chuckle

## Homeless shelter to benefit from calendar

MOSCOW, Idaho (AP) — Some prominent local hunks are doing a little posing to raise a little bread for the local homeless shelter.



"How many 78-year-old guys get to pose for a calendar?" asked Bob Curtis, the radio voice for University of Idaho Vandal sports. "I think it's a great cause."

Along with Curtis, the local newspaper publisher and a state representative appear in calendar that will be sold to raise money for The Sojourner Alliance, which recently was notified that it lost an $80,000 federal operating grant.

The calendar will sell for $13 at a Nov. 7 autograph party and $16 after that.

"We were looking for as much exposure as possible, so to speak," said calendar coordinator Kathy Weber. "It's done in good taste with well-known people in the community. It's fun and hopefully will make a lot of money."

# Money split is OK'd

WASHINGTON (AP) — Insurers and manufacturers on Wednesday struck a deal with Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist to split the cost of setting up a fund to pay asbestos claims, an agreement that could revive the stalled legislation.

While the legislation cleared the Senate Judiciary Committee earlier this year, the businesses and insurance companies expected to finance the asbestos claim fund balked at the cost and how they would divide their contributions.

At Frist's prodding, the insurers on Wednesday agreed to pay 46 percent of the fund, or about $47 billion, while the companies that have been sued would pay 54 percent of the fund, or about $58 billion. A $10 billion contingency fund would also be set up by the defendants.

"While many details still remain to be worked out, clearly this is a significant and meaningful step forward between two major parties to the larger asbestos negotiations," said Frist, R-Tenn.

Under the committee bill, insurers and companies each would have contributed $45 billion to the fund.

Labor unions and trial lawyer groups have not yet signed on to the agreement. Their support would be crucial to getting the bill approved by the narrowly divided Senate, with 51 Republicans, 48 Democrats and one independent, Jim Jeffords of Vermont.

Those two groups want more money placed in the fund.

"This is certainly no improvement over the committee bill," said Carlton Carl, a spokesman for the Association of Trial Lawyers of America.

## Date Book

**Thursday, Oct. 16, 2003**

Today is the 289th day of 2003 and the 24th day of autumn.

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1793, Marie-Antoinette, widow of Louis XVI (who had been beheaded a few months earlier), was beheaded in France on charges of treason.

On this day in 1946, 10 Nazi officials were executed for their war crimes during World War II.

On this day in 1984, Bishop Desmond Tutu was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Oscar Wilde (1854-1900), writer; Eugene O'Neill (1888-1953), dramatist; Angela Lansbury (1925-), actress, is 78; Suzanne Somers (1946-), actress, is 57; Tim Robbins (1959-), actor, is 44.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** On this day in 1983, the Baltimore Orioles won the World Series in Game Five by defeating the Philadelphia Phillies, 5-0.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "A chill wind is blowing in this nation." — Tim Robbins

**TODAY'S MOON:** Between full moon (Oct. 10) and last quarter (Oct. 18)

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LOTTO TEXAS — TEXAS LOTTERY — RESULTS

**Wednesday's Lottery Numbers**

**Lotto Texas**

**AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:**

**Winning numbers drawn: 3-6-18-21-38. Bonus Ball: 17.**

**Number matching five of five: 1. Prize: $28,828.**

**Number matching four of five, plus Bonus Ball: 14. Prize: $1,868.**

**Number matching four of five: 594. Prize: $95.**

**Number matching three of five, plus Bonus Ball: 515. Prize: $96.**

**Number matching three of five: 22,585. Prize: $5.**

**Number matching two of five, plus Bonus Ball: 5,874. Prize: $5.**

**Number matching one of five, plus Bonus Ball: 26,519. Prize: $3.**

**Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: $11 million.**

**Cash Five**

**AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:**

**Winning numbers drawn: 5-20-22-30-31.**

**Number matching five of five: 1.**

**Prize per winner: $43,455.**

**Winning tickets sold in: Irving.**

**Matching four of five: 139. Prize: $140.**

**Matching three of five: 4,159. Prize: $11.**

**Matching two of five: 42,667. Prize: $2.**

**Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.**

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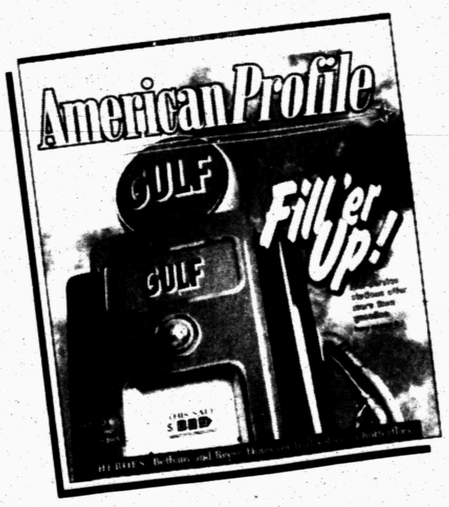
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If you thought full-service gas stations had gone the way of the dinosaur, think again. In this age of doing-it-yourself, full-service stations fill a void, offering more than gasoline.




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# Winning not everything for kids who play sports

When it comes to playing sports, winning is definitely not everything. In fact, it doesn't even rank in the top five priorities — at least for the majority of children, says Texas

A&M University sport psychology professor Arnold LeUnes. "There's been study after study done showing, on average, winning with children under the age of 14 is about sixth, seventh, or eighth in priority, and number one, in every study asking children what they would like to get out of sports, is fun," LeUnes said.

Unfortunately, too many children's experiences with sports are jaded by the unrealistic evaluations and expectations of parents, he said. Because sport is such a part of popular culture, the pressure to excel is something many children must deal with.

There is nothing wrong with parents hoping that their baseball-playing child grows up to be the next Derek Jeter, but there is a problem when parents become unrealistic about their children's talent, ability and chances, LeUnes said.

"You're much more likely to get struck by lightning than you are to become a professional athlete," LeUnes said, crediting Berkeley sport sociologist Harry Edwards for the stark comparison.

LeUnes believes that parents sometimes fall victim to pressuring their children because they associate their children's performance with their own parenting skills. Parents can see their overbearing involvement and interactions with their children and their children's sport as a validation of good parenting, he said.

There are several things, LeUnes said, parents with children participating in sports should remember.

Parents should let the coaches coach the game, and they should not harass the officials, he said. Undermining a coach's or an official's authority in front of a child not only provides a poor example of behavior, but can be a distraction and embarrassment to the child.

Parents should focus on the positive and avoid criticizing their children's performance after the game, LeUnes said. Though this can be difficult to do, parents need to be realistic and realize their children won't immediately develop the skills to excel.

Despite the media's glamorization of individual superstars in the sports world, parents should impart the importance of teamwork to their children, he said. LeUnes said he agrees with UCLA basketball coaching legend John Wooden's comment, "The main ingredient of stardom is the rest of the team."

"One of the worst things about youth sports is teaching a 9, 10 or 11-year-old child that this is a forum for them to display their uniqueness and individuality — I don't think that's appropriate, and I see a lot of it," LeUnes said.

Instead of the dashed hopes of highly improbable scholarships and even less-likely professional stardom, LeUnes believes that when it is all said and done, a child should take away from sports feelings of self-worth and confidence as well as a sense of competence from handling both triumph and adversity.

"I do believe that lessons learned on the athletic fields generalize to everyday life," he said.

# American dieters can now add lower-fat pizza to list

DALLAS (AP) — To the menu of zero-calorie Slurpees and low-carbohydrate margaritas, diet-conscious Americans can now add lower-fat pizza.

Pizza Hut, the Dallas-based restaurant chain, plans to offer the "Fit 'N Delicious" pie at most of their 6,600 U.S. locations by the end of the month.

One slice of the slimmed-down version will have 3.5 to 5 grams of fat, 25 percent less than a slice of the company's regular thin-crust pizza.

The new pizza will be available only on thin crust. It can be ordered with chicken or ham and two vegetable toppings.

Pizza Hut is simply responding to changing consumer tastes and desire for healthier food alternatives, said President Peter Hearl.

"Moms are looking to provide for themselves or their family less-fat food options," Hearl said in an interview. "They're not prepared to give up on taste, but if they can get great taste and lose fat grams, that's a winning combination."

A nutritionist reacted to the announcement with cautious approval.

"Pizza can be healthy, if you eat one or two slices of cheese pizza," said Gay Riley. "We eat too much fat, and we get too many saturated fats from dairy and meat. When they come up with a pizza with Omega 3 (from fish), that would be awesome."

## Town in quandry over governor invitation

CROCKETT, Calif. (AP) — Officials in this small town are in a quandary over which California governor to invite to the opening ceremony for a new bridge next month.

Will it be recalled Gov. Gray Davis? Or Gov.-elect Arnold Schwarzenegger?

The ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Carquinez Bridge is scheduled for Nov. 15, the deadline for the secretary of state to certify the recall election results.

"Crockett will welcome the governor, whoever it is. But Schwarzenegger has a nice ring to it. Maybe we'll call it, 'Iron Man Meets Iron Workers,'" said Gene Pedrotti, chairman of the Carquinez Bridge Celebration Committee.

Davis' office cleared the grand opening date before the Oct. 7 recall election, although the governor has not confirmed an appearance, a spokeswoman said.

Schwarzenegger has received several appearance requests, but "nothing has been scheduled by virtue of the fact that we're waiting for the certification process," said H.D. Palmer, the governor-elect's spokesman.

# Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 10-16-03
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♥ A K
♦ 9 8 6 3
♣ A 5 4

West
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♣ K J 10 8 7 3

East
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♥ 9 7 6 5 4 3 2
♦ 5 2
♣ Q 6

South
♠ A K J 9 5 3 2
♥ —
♦ A K J 10
♣ 9 2

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: North-South

| South | West | North | East |
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| 1 ♠ | 2 ♣ | 3 ♠ | Pass |
| 5 ♠ | Pass | 6 ♣ | Pass |
| 7 ♠ | Pass | Pass | Pass |

Opening lead: ♥ Q

**Thursday, Oct. 16, 2003**

## The unusual leap to five of a major

**By Phillip Alder**

You and your partner, in a competitive auction, have agreed a major suit. Suddenly, without further ado, you jump to five of that major. What message are you sending to partner?

Next question: How would you plan the play in seven spades after West leads the heart queen to dummy's king?

West is right to overcall two clubs. Although he has only nine high-card points, he has excellent distribution. North makes a limit raise, promising 10-12 support points with at least four spades. Then, South's jump to five spades tells his partner that he has two quick club losers (the opponent's suit) and wishes to bid a slam if North can control that suit. When North continues with six clubs, that guarantees first-round club control: the ace or a void. Finally, South takes an optimistic lunge into seven.

Many players would start by pitching a club, but they would eventually lose a diamond trick and go down.

Instead, discard the diamond 10, draw trumps, and cash the ace-king of diamonds. If the queen falls, you can claim. However, let's assume the queen is still on the loose. If West began with queen-fourth, your contract was unmakable. If East started with queen-fourth, cross to dummy's club ace, pitch your diamond jack on the heart ace, and lead the diamond nine to ruff away East's queen. Finally, return to dummy with a trump and jettison that pesky club loser on the established diamond eight. With this layout, you follow the same plan to ruff down West's diamond queen.

Nicely bid and beautifully played!

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# Community Calendar

**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.

AA Big Book Study; closed meeting; contact numbers are 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

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

**FRIDAY**

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

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

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

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

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

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 573-1141; 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.

# Births

Lyndsey Nicole Davis was born at 6:43 a.m. on Oct. 13 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital to Angela and Tim Davis of Snyder. Lyndsey weighed six pounds, four ounces.

Paternal grandparents are Velma Davis of Carrolton and Richard Davis of Abilene. Maternal grandparents are Becky and Doyle Weatherby of Colorado City and Tom Kiefe of Pueblo, Colo.

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Joe Wimmer and Ann Rodriguez are parents of Brooke Marie Aston Wimmer. Brooke was born at 2:54 a.m. on Oct. 14 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed five pounds, 13 ounces.

Paternal grandparents are Tom and Dorothy Wimmer of Sweetwater and maternal grandparents are John and Eva Rodriguez of Snyder.

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Happiness is not a destination. It is a method of life.

**—Burton Hills**

*Chico's of Lubbock...*

# MAWC style show will feature holiday fashions

Chico's fashions from Lubbock will be featured in a holiday style show at the Martha Ann Woman's Club on Saturday.

Chico's will show fall and holiday clothing and accessories.

The luncheon will begin at 11:30 with the show to follow.

The event is $10 and tickets may be purchased at the woman's club or by calling 573-3427, 573-6443 or 573-5586. Reservations are needed by 5 p.m. Friday.

Sandra Brace, caterer, will serve chicken breast, steamed broccoli, candied carrots, spinach salad, hot roll, cheesecake, coffee or tea.

# New business helps seniors to be more independent living



**Doris Lollar**

It is estimated that up to seven million women are unpaid caregivers to the elderly. They struggle to cope with the exhaustion, loneliness, mental and physical demands and heartbreak of watching their loved one grow weaker. They need help desperately.

Aging with Grace Senior Care Inc. provides an affordable solution for older individuals or couples capable of managing their physical needs, but who require non-medical assistance, light housework, meal preparation and/or companionship in order to remain at home.

According to Mrs. Lollar, Aging with Grace Senior Care's services can be arranged far as little as three hours, or as many as 24 hours a day. Short term assistance or longer term care is available seven days a week, including holidays.

When a potential client calls the company, Mrs. Lollar will arrange a meeting with the client and his or her family to discuss what services are needed. "Cost is on an hourly basis so hours can be decreased or increased based on changing needs," Lollar said.

One-on-one service to the company's clients are performed by the caregivers who are thoroughly screened, bonded and insured. Special attention is given to matching caregivers with clients to achieve the utmost compatibility.

"Elder care has become the top problem in our society today as it replaces child care as the number one issue for the men and women in today's work force," Lollar said. "Already people are spending more time caring for or providing for the care of their elderly parents that they did caring for their own children. The problem will only magnify with the aging of the population."

A census bureau report released on May 20, 1996 forecasts that the 65 plus population will grow from one in every eight Americans now to one in every six by 2020 and one in every five by 2050. The fastest-growing segment of the population will be the people ages 85 and older, whose numbers are expected to double to 7 million by 2020.

"Research shows that older people who remain at home live longer and happier lives than do people of similar circumstances who are forced to leave their homes to live in other environments. Aging with Grace Senior Care can help the elderly remain in the comfort of their own homes for much longer periods of time," Lollar said.

The company can be reached at 325-573-3527.

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**—Mark Twain**

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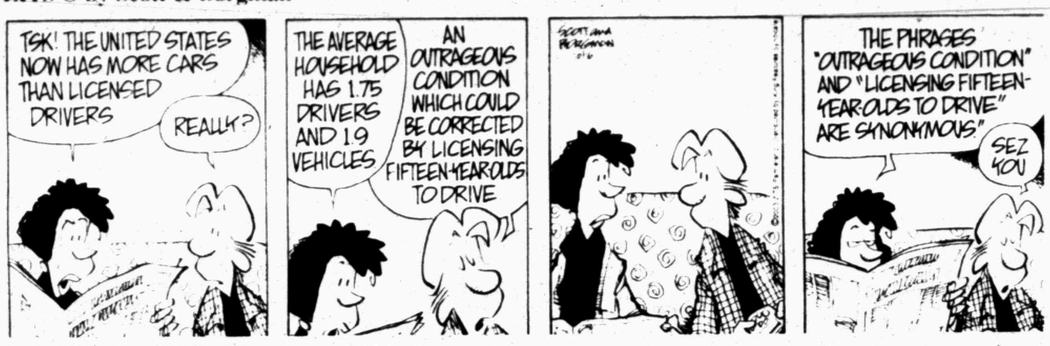


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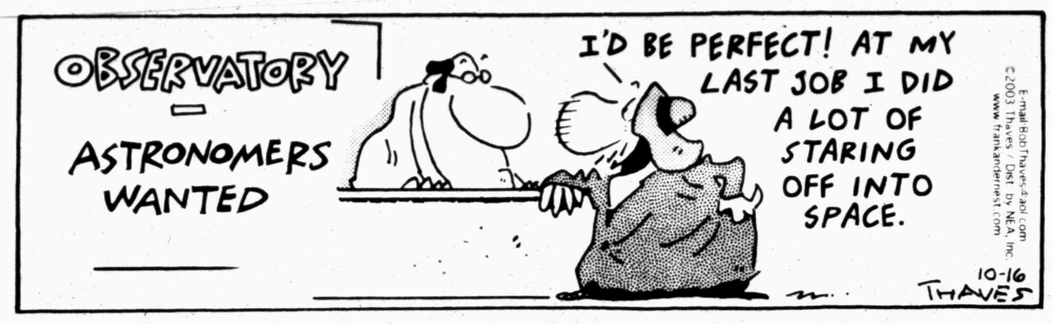

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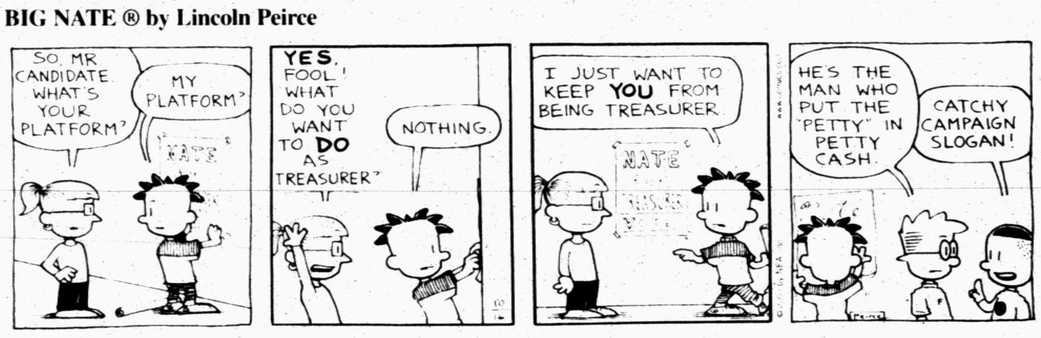

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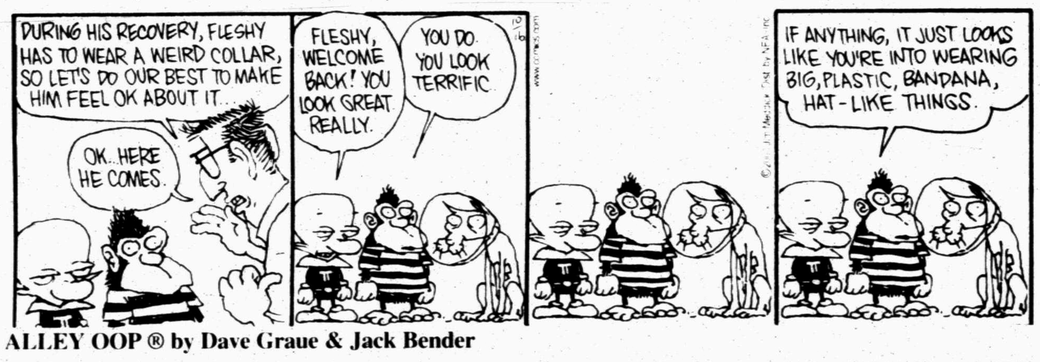

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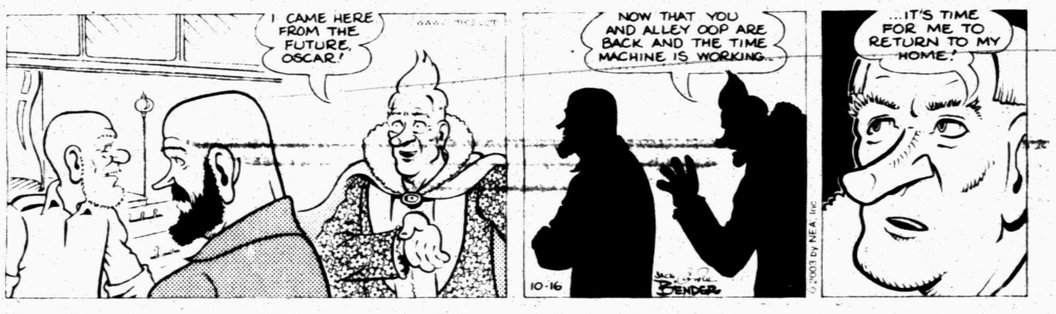

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## NEA Crossword Puzzle

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6 Runs in neutral
11 Bauxite giant
12 String-quartet member
13 Hit the hay
15 Calyx leaves
16 Unisex wear
18 Telegraph syllable
19 — tai
21 Hindu Mr.
22 Fireman's need
23 Lampreys
25 DA's degree
28 Extremely
30 Chicken — — king
31 Yes, to Yves
32 Nick or scratch
33 Analyst's concerns
35 Lemonade or iced tea
37 Major leaguer
38 Luke Skywalker's sister
40 Not even twice
41 TV news source
42 Wood residue
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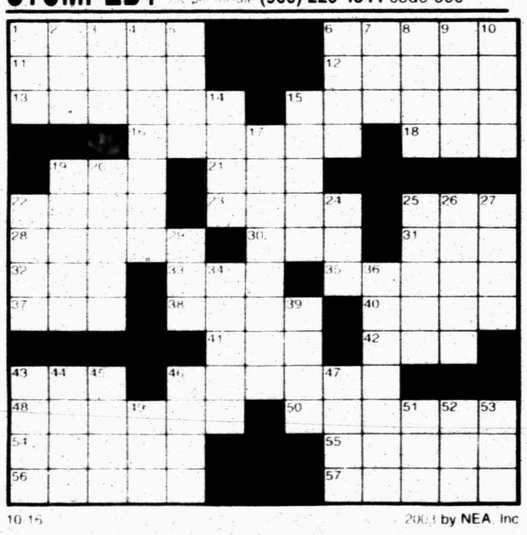
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26 Midday meal
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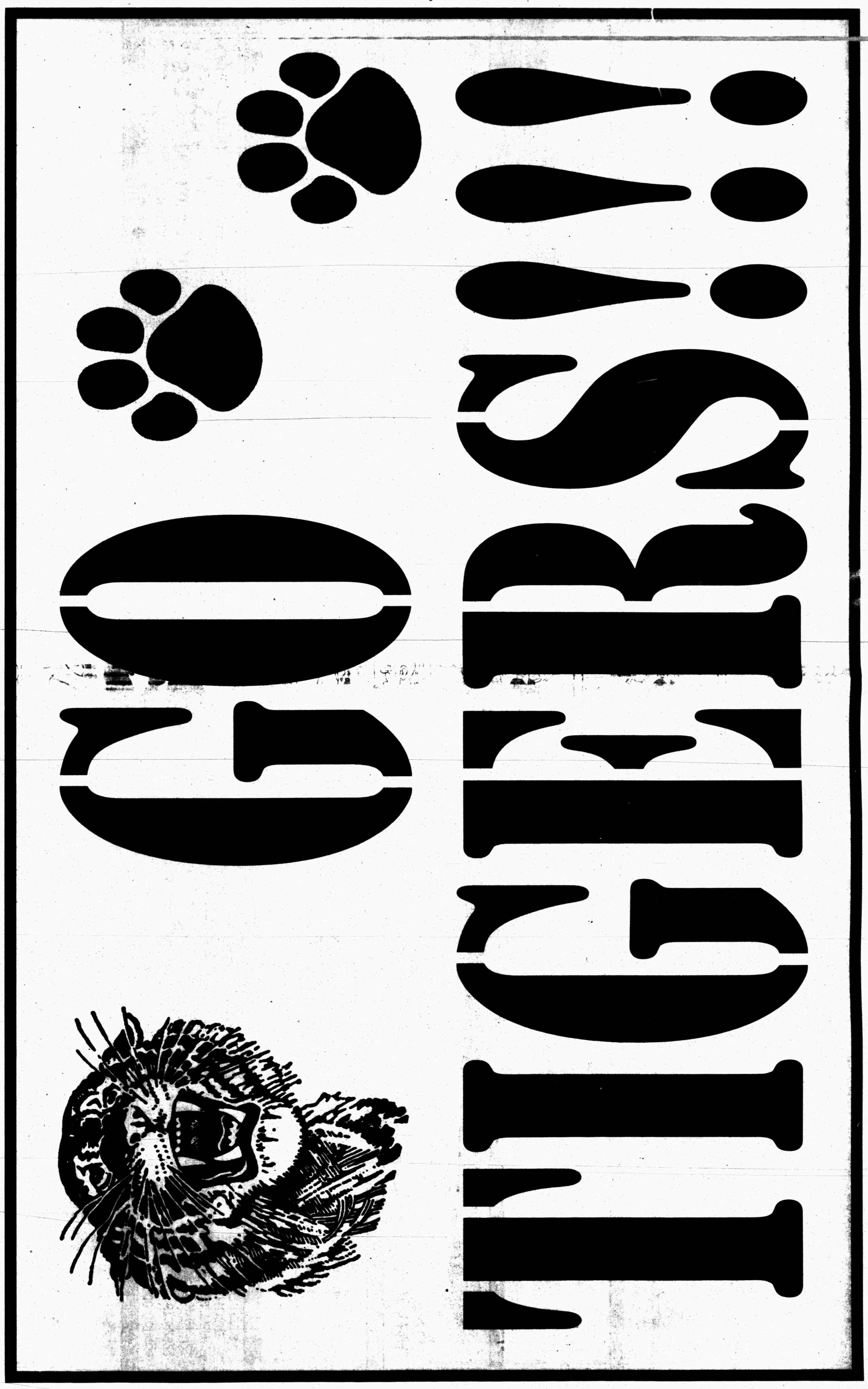
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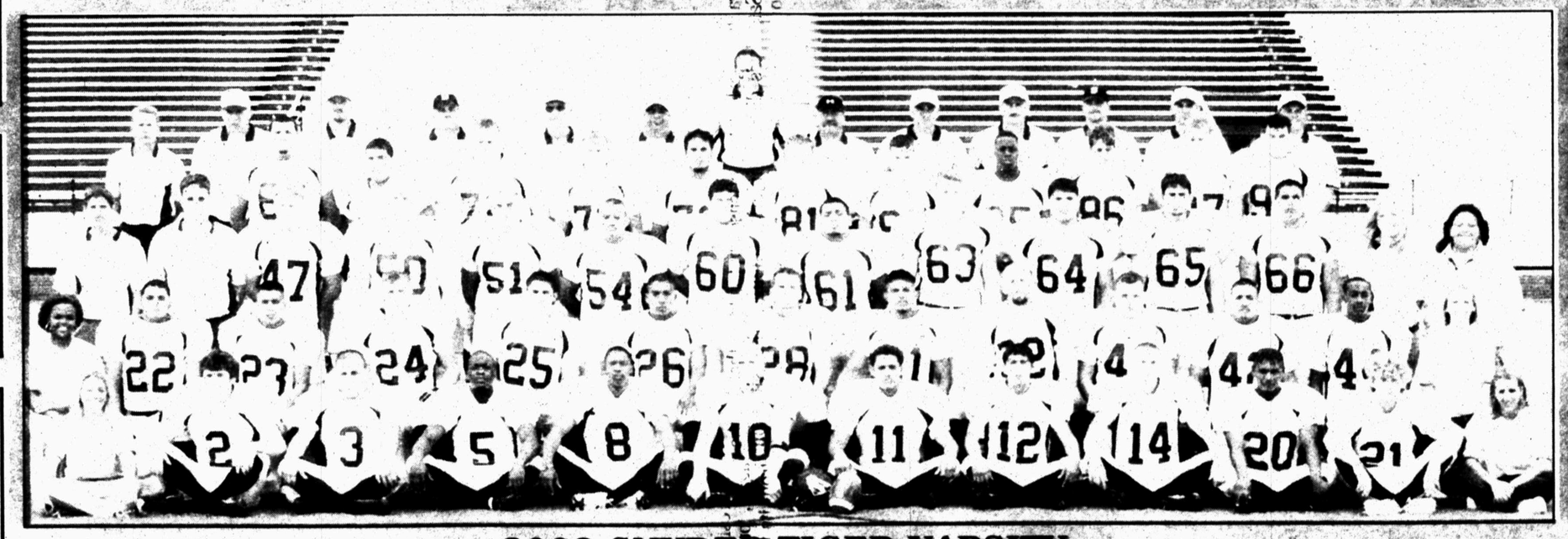

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# SPORTS

## *Pudge named NLCS MVP...*

# Marlins burn Wood, win NL pennant

CHICAGO (AP) — The shouts of joy bounced all around the ballpark, for everyone to hear at Wrigley Field. And while the Florida Marlins whooped it up, the Chicago Cubs and their fans could only watch in stunned silence.

Somehow, these Marlins had survived in Game 7 of the NL championship series. Playing like true wild cards, they rallied against Kerry Wood and added to the Cubs' lore of losing with a 9-6 win Wednesday night.

"The Cubs were America's favorite. I think we're the darlings of the baseball world now," Marlins manager Jack McKeon said.

Florida won the final three games, earning a World Series trip to face either Boston or the New York Yankees on Saturday night.

As the Marlins celebrated, another season came to a sad ending for the Cubs, signified by the blue flag with a white "L" hoisted above the center-field scoreboard. This loss might've been the most painful of all.

Destiny? Fate? The fan in Game 6? Whatever. The Cubs' long, strange drought continued because of MVP Ivan Rodriguez, Miguel Cabrera and these remarkably resilient Marlins.

"Nobody expected us to be in the World Series," Rodriguez said.

Even more stinging for Cubs' fans is that this marks Florida's second Series trip in only 11 years of existence. Chicago has been absent since 1945, prompting the team's motto of "Wait 'Til Next Year."

"I felt I let the team down, the organization down and the city of Chicago down," Wood said. "I choked."

Cubs manager Dusty Baker was not nearly as harsh.

"We didn't lose the pennant, the Marlins won it," he said. "We were close and the Marlins took it from us, it's as simple as that."

So the 58-year wait goes on.

"If it's a burden this year, it will be 59 next year," he said.

Baker's 4-year-old son, Darren, added a final word when his dad was done talking.

"The Cubs will win next year," he said.

Home teams had won 12 of the last 13 times a postseason series went to Game 7. But the Marlins became just the ninth team to ever overcome a 3-1 deficit in a best-of-seven series.

"We shocked the world! We shocked the world!" Marlins leadoff man Juan Pierre said.

Even after being shut out in Game 5 by Josh Beckett, Sammy Sosa and the Cubs were in excellent position as they returned home. But aces Mark Prior and Wood lost on back-to-back days for the first time this season and suddenly a sure thing had turned sour.

"Those are two tough guys to beat, I'll tell you what," Beckett said. "We got a break. Things work out for a reason, I guess."

A sellout crowd of 39,574 minus the infamous Steve Bartman — the fan who deflected a foul ball during the Marlins' eighth-inning rally in Game 6, he was at home with a police guard — had the old ballpark shaking as Wood and Moises Alou homered for a 5-3 lead.

But Wood could only flip his glove into the stands when the Marlins rallied. They scored three runs in the fifth, Luis Castillo hit an RBI single in the sixth and Alex Gonzalez added insurance with a two-run double in the seventh.

Brad Penny won with an inning of scoreless relief for Mark Redman.

Beckett came out of the bullpen and pitched four innings of one-hit ball on two days' rest, allowing only a homer by pinch-hitter Troy O'Leary. Ugueth Urbina worked the ninth for a save.

Florida has never lost a postseason series in its young history, going 5-0. That includes a thrilling Game 7 victory in 11 innings over Cleveland for the 1997 title.

At 72, McKeon is the oldest manager to reach the World Series. That seemed farfetched when the Marlins were 19-29 back in late May, shortly after McKeon replaced the fired Jeff Torborg.

"I told them the first meeting that if they worked hard, they'd be playing in October," he said.

Cabrera and Rodriguez once again played starring roles for Florida. Cabrera, a 20-year-old rookie, hit his third homer of the series and drove in four runs while Rodriguez singled home a run that gave him an NLCS-record 10 RBIs.

Down 5-3 in the fifth, Rodriguez doubled home a run and Cabrera tied it with an RBI grounder. Derrek Lee, whose double keyed the eight-run rally in Game 6, followed with a single that put Florida ahead 6-5.

The Cubs had been hoping this would be the year they got a chance to win their first Series championship since 1908.

Instead, add this failure to all of their previous disappointments. That includes wasting a 2-0 lead over San Diego in the best-of-five 1984 NLCS, blowing a late lead in the 1969 NL race and losing Game 7 of the 1945 World Series at Wrigley to Detroit.

"This is our first step," Sosa said. "We haven't given up yet."

Baker was trying to become the first manager in history to lead two different teams to the World Series in consecutive years. Rather, he fell short, just as he did last year when his San Francisco Giants lost the last two games of the World Series at Anaheim.

# Boston forces Clemens-Martinez II

NEW YORK (AP) — Twenty-five games later, the New York Yankees and Boston Red Sox are still going at each other.

And now, for the first time in baseball history, teams will meet for the 26th time in a single season, with the winner going on to face Florida in the World Series.

Need some more spice?

It's Roger Clemens vs. Pedro Martinez.

"The gods of baseball wanted to see this happen," Boston's Kevin Millar said after the Red Sox won 9-6 Wednesday and forced these two old foes to the limit in the AL championship series

Down by two runs and nine outs from ending their season, the resilient Red Sox rallied again, putting Boston one win from its first World Series in 17 years.

David Ortiz tied it with a run-scoring single and Johnny Damon drove in the go-ahead run with a bases-loaded walk in a three-run seventh inning.

Game 7 has all the makings of a classic: Clemens and Martinez were the central characters who set off fireworks and fights during Game 3 at Fenway Park, and it could be the Rocket's final appearance of his illustrious career.

"I guess it was supposed to come down to seven games," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "I don't know of any two clubs that are more evenly matched than we are."

Slumping Nomar Garciaparra had four hits, including a wind-blown triple that started the seventh, atoning for an error. Jason Varitek hit a third-inning homer off starter Andy Pettitte, and Trot Nixon added a two-run shot in the ninth off Gabe White.

"We have battled and fought against these guys all year," Varitek said.

A swirling 25 mph wind floated napkins across the field during the entire game, and the conditions made it difficult for fielders, spinning line drives into twisting gappers. Boston's first hit was a second-inning liner by Bill Mueller that sailed over Hideki Matsui in left for a double.

"It's a fact that it is hard to catch fly balls in wind like that," Matsui said through a translator.

Jason Giambi's first-inning homer put New York in front, but Boston went ahead 4-1 in the third on Varitek's long solo homer to left, Ortiz's two-run single over a leaping Derek Jeter at shortstop and Millar's soft RBI single to center.

Boston starter John Burkett, a 38-year-old who relies on off-speed pitches, couldn't get through the fourth. Nick Johnson hit an RBI double to the right-center gap, Aaron Boone had a run-scoring grounder, Garciaparra allowed Karim Garcia's bouncer to kick out of his glove for an error and Alfonso Soriano lined a two-run double to center that the wind pushed into left-center.

Jorge Posada made it 6-4 in the fifth with a solo homer that appeared to ride the wind over the wall in left.

Jose Contreras relieved Pettitte to start the sixth and struck out the side, but he overthrew in the seventh and wound up the loser.

Boston, the top offense in the major leagues during the regular season, had been hitting just .230 in the playoffs and hadn't scored more than five runs in 10 postseason games. But the Red Sox remembered back to the first round, when they fell behind Oakland 0-2 before winning three in a row to advance.

Garciaparra, who didn't get his first postseason RBI until Tuesday, hit a deep drive to center leading off the seventh, and the ball gusted over Bernie Williams for a triple. Garciaparra came home when the wind sent Matsui's throw to third sailing on a hop into the seats for an error. Manny Ramirez followed with a similar shot over Williams for a double.

Ramirez took third on a wild pitch and scored the tying run when Ortiz smashed a single off first base.

Felix Heredia relieved with one out and two on, threw a wild pitch that moved up the runners, then threw a called third strike past Nixon. After an intentional walk to Varitek, Heredia walked Damon on four pitches — two of them close — forcing in the go-ahead run.

Alan Embree, who struck out Giambi to help escape a big jam in the fifth, got the win. Scott Williamson, Boston's sixth pitcher, got three outs for his third save of the series.

# Banged-up Bulldogs to tackle Westbrook

IRA — The Ira Bulldogs look to build off last Saturday's district opening blowout over Trent when they travel to Westbrook Friday to take on the 3-3 Wildcats.

The Bulldogs (5-1) used eight touchdowns passes from Wes Kellner in a 61-14 victory over the Gorillas. Jake Barnes was on the receiving end for six of those passes in the rout.

Ira will battle a Westbrook squad that struggled in the first half last week against Hermleigh, before pulling away in the second half en route to a 55-21 win.

"They are young and they go hard," Ira head coach Toby Goodwin said of the Wildcats. "They do a lot of good things. They are aggressive on defense and they tackle well. We fill confident we can pick up their blitzes. They are a scrappy bunch."

An already banged-up Ira team was dealt another blow when Jess Wall was knocked from the Trent game with an elbow injury.

In addition to Wall, Brandon Crane and Justin Taylor are hurt, with Crane battling a shoulder ding, while Taylor was to be evaluated today for a leg problem.

"The injury bug has bitten us," Goodwin said.

He said the play of Joel Lollar and Caleb Gutierrez has made it easy to continue to run the offense, but added that as the injuries mount, the situation becomes more troublesome.

"The guys who have filled in have done great, but when you start getting so many go down, the puzzle pieces don't exactly fit right," he said.

He said Wall was scheduled for another check-up on his elbow Tuesday, and that with the bruising and swelling, it may be some time before he can get back in the lineup.

"We are going to make sure he's totally healthy before he gets back on the field," Goodwin said.

Westbrook runs a "J-bird" offense, but will not hesitate to go down the field through the air. Quarterback Jarod Matlock is accurate on short passes. He tallied 98 yards against the Cardinals.

Running back Josiah Hannon rushed for 196 yards against Hermleigh, scoring seven touchdowns in the process.

Goodwin said the team continues to focus on each game at hand, regardless of the strength of the opposition.

"The kids have been eager for practices this week," he said. "Things have gone well and we made adjustments. (Westbrook) is scrappy, but we feel pretty confident."

Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

# Both sides claim victory at Bryant preliminary hearing

EAGLE, Colo. (AP) — Prosecutors tried to portray Kobe Bryant as an arrogant superstar who forced himself on a woman and wouldn't take "No" for an answer. Defense attorneys were just as rough with his accuser, suggesting she had sex with several men in the days before she said Bryant raped her.

Now it's up to a judge to decide whether the Los Angeles Lakers' guard will stand trial on charges that could send him to prison for the rest of his life.

A two-day preliminary hearing jammed full of revealing details about both Bryant and his accuser ended Wednesday with one more startling revelation that the panties the woman wore to her rape exam had the semen of another man on them.

Both sides claimed victory, with the prosecution saying it presented clear evidence the woman was raped and the defense contending she lied about a sexual encounter with a celebrity she was more than eager to meet.

"She is not worthy of your belief," defense attorney Pamela Mackey said.

Judge Frederick Gannett is expected to decide that by Monday, when he said he would likely issue a ruling that will either result in the case being dismissed or Bryant being sent to trial on a sexual assault charge.

Most legal analysts said they expected Bryant would be ordered to trial, and a prosecutor said there was "uncontradicted" evidence that Bryant raped the 19-year-old woman at a mountain resort.



**HANDS-ON INSTRUCTION — Offensive line coach Roger White helps move a pair of linemen into position during blocking drills at practice Wednesday. The Tigers are gearing up for Friday's game with the Merkel Badgers. (SDN Staff Photo)**

## Sports Briefs

### Basketball chili supper

The SHS boys basketball booster club will hold its annual chili supper from 5-7 p.m. Friday in the high school cafeteria before the Snyder-Merkel football game. Cost is $5 per person.

### Ladies play day

The SCGA hosts a ladies play day at 9 a.m. each Tuesday. Format is queen of the hill.

### Bears will start Chandler

LAKE FOREST, Ill. (AP) — Chris Chandler will start for the Chicago Bears Sunday against the Seahawks in Seattle, replacing quarterback Kordell Stewart, who has a leg injury.

### Falcons call on Kittner

FLOWERY BRANCH, Ga. (AP) — Kurt Kittner will replace Doug Johnson at quarterback when the Falcons host the New Orleans Saints on Sunday.

### Carruth ordered to pay damages

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Former Carolina Panther Rae Carruth and three men convicted of conspiring to kill Carruth's girlfriend were ordered to pay about $5.8 million in damages to her estate.

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Baltimore at Cincinnati, noon
Denver at Minnesota, noon
San Diego at Cleveland, noon
N.Y. Jets at Houston, 3:05 p.m.
Chicago at Seattle, 3:15 p.m.
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Kansas City at Oakland, 8 p.m.

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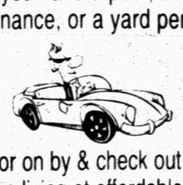
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# Dr. Gott
**By Peter Gott, M.D.**



## *The problems with American health care*

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** I have had experiences that gave me new insight into this country's health care industry.

I frequently suffered from shoulder dislocations during my childhood and teens. Although the situation was painful, I soon learned that if treated immediately — by "popping" it back into place —I could avoid serious discomfort. Consequently, my dislocations in those days were successfully reduced by simple traction.

It happened again when I was 42. Unfortunately, I was alone and couldn't correct the problem, so I drove one-handed to the nearest emergency room. First, the doctor examined me, then obtained an X-ray. Satisfied that no fracture was present, he applied traction and the shoulder returned to normal. The bill was a few hundred dollars.

This year, at age 60, the dislocation happened again. My wife drove me to a nearby hospital ER, where I had to wait while insurance information was filed. I was examined by two nurses and, eventually, had X-rays. While I was waiting (by then about three hours), the shoulder went into spasm, causing the most discomfort I have ever experienced. I was given narcotics, hooked up to an oxygen saturation monitor and given an injection that put me out. I woke up with my shoulder in place but with a bill for $2,500.

This experience scandalizes me, yet I know where it comes from: health care providers' potential liability, the need to justify every step and procedure in the treatment program, and the use of anesthesia. Americans want no pain. If it hurts, they look for someone to sue. Americans demand complete healing. Never mind if a transplant costs half a million dollars and staves off death only for weeks.

As an attorney, I can understand trial lawyers' horror at legislation that caps malpractice payouts, but no one should use an injury to get rich — not the injured, and certainly not their lawyers. Also, I'm concerned about the public's perception of death. Actually, this is merely a "graduation" to the next level of eternal life, a form of ultimate healing, if you will. I don't want to join a society — our society — that says "do whatever it takes; just keep me alive."

I really worry about this because it doesn't make sense to spend, say, hundreds of thousands of dollars on myself just to keep me half-alive in a hospital bed for a few months. I blame physicians for not having the sense to say "enough is enough."

We need our elected representatives to act with sensible, even-handed laws; judgment awards could return to reasonable levels, malpractice rates would substantially diminish, and experimental or heroic end-of-life treatments must be subsidized in some way (without all of us paying through increased health insurance premiums).

I don't have all the answer to these issues. I wish I did.

**DEAR COUNSELOR:** You raise several crucial points in your letter, which I have had to edit because of space restrictions. I agree with you about capping malpractice awards, helping the public to accept death as an unavoidable part of life, and reorienting doctors in finding a better way to integrate new and experimental surgical and medical therapies into health coverage.

Thank you for writing. I don't have any easy answers either.

If readers would like to contact Dr. Gott, they may write him through your newspaper or send their mail directly to Dr. Gott c/o United Media, 200 Madison Ave., 4th fl., New York, NY 10016.

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# Astro-graph
**By Bernice Bede Osol**



**Your Birthday**

**Friday, Oct. 17 2003**

Several money-making opportunities could come your way in the year ahead, but they may come through channels you'd least expect. Be receptive to all sources that open up so that you can take advantage of them.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) —** By being careless about monitoring your financial affairs today, it could turn out to be a rather expensive day for you. Make certain you get dollar value out of every buck you spend.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) —** Don't let your guard down for a minute when it comes to dealing with others today. If you fail to use the proper amount of courtesy and tact, you could leave a poor, lasting impression.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) —** It's best that you are honest and up front about all your actions so that you have a say in today's results. That which you're most anxious to hide will be exposed, with repercussions.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) —** Frivolous side interests can cut down on the momentum you have going for you today in achieving something far more important to you. Keep your priorities in order at all times.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) —** Unless you take the time to evaluate what is really important to you today, the objectives you choose to focus on could turn out to be empty promises with nothing in them for you.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) —** Be particularly watchful of your behavior today when out in public. You could be all thumbs when it comes to social matters and end up making a fool of yourself in front of those you'd like to impress.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19) —** When it comes to shared expenses in an involvement with friends today, make certain that everyone understands what their investment brings — or else someone might have unrealistic expectations.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20) —** Unless there is true harmony of purpose, a project you share with an alliance that is flimsy at best could have a monkey wrench thrown into the endeavor and everything could go down the drain today.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20) —** If you focus more on excuses for not doing your tasks today rather than on ways to accomplish them, it isn't likely that anything will get done. Neglected duties will be left in limbo for quite awhile.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22) —** This may be one of those days when trying to promote a commercial deal in a social setting will be too distracting and work against you. Keep business and pleasure separate today.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) —** When looking for a high-ticket item today, make certain that you understand the seller's return policy. What you buy might not be as attractive in your home as it is in the store.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) —** Being overly complacent about events taking place today could cause you to take your eye off a situation just when things starts drifting in the wrong direction and give you major problems.

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# Markets
**Midday Stocks**

NEW YORK (AP)

| | High | Low | Last | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| AMR Corp | 14.84 | 14.35 | 14.74 | + .44 |
| AT&T Corp rs | 20.23 | 20.03 | 20.18 | + .15 |
| Albertsons | 20.38 | 19.97 | 20.0[illegible] | - .43 |
| Alltel | 49.43 | 49.00 | 49.06 | |
| AmElPw | 29.60 | 29.43 | 29.50 | |
| AndarkPtr | 42.15 | 41.65 | 41.98 | + .32 |
| ATMOS Egy | 24.72 | 24.48 | 24.50 | - .06 |
| Aviall | 13.93 | 13.78 | 13.93 | + .02 |
| BP PLC | 43.94 | 43.54 | 43.65 | - .25 |
| BakerHughes | 30.44 | 30.03 | 30.[illegible] | - .25 |
| Bank of Amer | 82.12 | 81.76 | 82.16 | |
| BellSouth | 24.18 | 23.79 | 24.12 | + .26 |
| BurlNoSFe | 29.80 | 29.51 | 29.80 | + .24 |
| Caterpillar | 75.66 | 73.39 | 73.[illegible] | - 1.[illegible] |
| CenterPoint | 9.65 | 9.48 | 9.5[illegible] | |
| ChevronTex | 74.56 | 74.03 | 74.46 | + .49 |
| Citigroup | 49.[illegible] | 48.56 | 48.88 | |
| CocaCola | 45.52 | 44.50 | 44.66 | - .44 |
| ColgatePal | 58.47 | 57.80 | 57.96 | - .66 |
| CmclMetals | 23.39 | 22.58 | 23.30 | + .77 |
| ConocoPhill | 58.00 | 57.58 | 57.[illegible] | + .39 |
| Cooper Inds | 52.60 | 51.80 | 51.84 | - .74 |
| DaimlrChry | 37.75 | 37.36 | 37.[illegible] | + .23 |
| DeltaAir | 13.97 | 13.66 | 13.[illegible] | + .27 |
| Dillards Inc | 16.53 | 16.32 | 16.[illegible] | + .12 |
| DowChem | 35.30 | 34.84 | 35.[illegible] | + .25 |
| DuPont | 40.31 | 39.87 | 40.[illegible] | + .15 |
| EastmanChem | 32.97 | 32.58 | 32.66 | - .25 |
| EstKodak | 23.08 | 22.78 | 23.[illegible] | + .14 |
| EDS Corp | 21.84 | 21.57 | 21.64 | - .20 |
| Entergy | 53.90 | 53.61 | 53.72 | + .08 |
| ExxonMobil | 38.74 | 38.49 | 38.68 | + .19 |
| FootLocker | 17.50 | 17.32 | 17.[illegible] | - .07 |
| GenDynam | 85.00 | 83.76 | 84.[illegible] | - .89 |
| GenElec | 29.00 | 28.78 | 28.95 | + .11 |
| GenMills | 44.33 | 43.75 | 44.24 | - .01 |
| GenMotors | 43.98 | 43.47 | 43.54 | - .01 |
| GaPacific | 26.45 | 25.67 | 26.21 | + .06 |
| Goodrich | 27.01 | 26.80 | 26.97 | + .17 |
| Goodyear | 7.05 | 6.95 | 6.96 | - .07 |
| GtAtlPac | 7.73 | 7.35 | 7.37 | - .35 |
| Halliburtn | 24.86 | 24.02 | 24.19 | + .16 |
| Hanson PLC | 35.96 | 35.91 | 35.96 | + .15 |
| HarteHanks | 19.51 | 19.30 | 19.50 | + .06 |
| HomeDepot | 36.49 | 35.93 | [illegible] | - .25 |
| Honeywellint | 29.90 | 29.14 | 29.67 | + .53 |
| IBM | 90.20 | 88.75 | 88.90 | - 3.84 |
| IntlPaper | 39.74 | 39.42 | 39.56 | + .33 |
| JohnsonJn | 50.65 | 50.32 | 50.56 | + .06 |
| KinderMorg | 57.33 | 56.69 | 56.[illegible] | - .44 |
| Kroger Co | 18.80 | 18.36 | 18.46 | - .34 |
| LockheedM | 46.34 | 45.55 | 45.88 | - .26 |
| Lowes Cos | 58.38 | 57.81 | 57.89 | - .03 |
| Lubys | 2.46 | 2.43 | 2.43 | - .02 |
| LucentTech | 2.37 | 2.33 | 2.35 | |
| MarathonOil | 30.23 | 30.01 | 30.12 | |
| MayDeptStr | 27.45 | 27.17 | 27.29 | - .06 |
| Medtronic | 46.20 | 45.73 | 46.15 | + .20 |
| Motorola | 13.83 | 13.60 | 13.74 | - .04 |
| NCR Corp | 34.90 | 34.50 | 34.70 | + .15 |
| Navistar | 41.45 | 41.00 | 41.10 | - .64 |
| PNM Resces | 28.61 | 28.17 | 28.47 | + .12 |
| Penney JC | 24.56 | 24.29 | 24.53 | + .03 |
| PepBoys | 18.45 | 18.19 | 18.33 | + .05 |
| PepsiCo | 47.99 | 47.63 | 47.65 | - .22 |
| PhelpDodge | 57.62 | 57.24 | 57.42 | + .23 |
| PilgrimPrd B | 13.18 | 13.00 | 13.16 | + .13 |
| Praxair | 67.30 | 66.64 | 66.94 | - .10 |
| ProctGamb | 96.09 | 95.61 | 96.04 | + .47 |
| RadioShack | 30.70 | 30.34 | 30.43 | - .04 |
| RoyalDut | 46.83 | 46.53 | 46.78 | + .30 |
| SBC Comm | 22.00 | 21.44 | 21.84 | + .21 |
| SaraLee | 19.30 | 19.14 | 19.21 | - .16 |
| Scripps EW | 92.53 | 91.00 | 92.53 | + .70 |
| SearsRoeb | 51.45 | 48.71 | 49.13 | - 2.28 |
| SherwinW | 32.24 | 31.85 | 32.11 | + .23 |
| SouthernCo | 29.36 | 29.21 | 29.30 | + .07 |
| SwstAirl | 18.73 | 18.51 | 18.66 | + .06 |
| SprintFON | 16.03 | 15.82 | 16.00 | + .07 |
| SprintPCS | 5.80 | 5.69 | 5.69 | - .06 |
| Sunoco Inc | 42.33 | 41.96 | 42.08 | + .14 |
| TXU Corp | 23.02 | 22.83 | 22.97 | + .02 |
| TempleInland | 50.27 | 49.63 | 50.25 | + .48 |
| TexInd | 27.01 | 26.82 | 26.96 | - .04 |
| TexasInst | 25.87 | 25.[illegible] | 25.52 | - .03 |
| Textron | 46.98 | 46.40 | 46.87 | + .36 |
| TimeWarner | 16.00 | 15.70 | 15.89 | + .20 |
| TrinityInds | 25.64 | 25.05 | 25.0[illegible] | - .57 |
| TylerTech | 7.50 | 7.40 | 7.48 | - .05 |
| UnionPacif | 58.49 | 57.90 | 58.44 | + .62 |
| USSteel | 20.44 | 20.18 | 20.39 | - .07 |
| UnitedTech | 85.00 | 83.56 | 84.5[illegible] | + .87 |
| Unocal | 31.35 | 31.[illegible] | 31.[illegible] | + .06 |
| VerizonComm | 32.44 | 31.63 | 32.16 | - .01 |
| WalMart | 59.25 | 59.00 | 59.[illegible] | + .03 |
| WellsFargo | 55.16 | 54.05 | 55.04 | - .01 |
| WstnGasRs | 41.25 | 40.95 | 41.06 | - .04 |
| WinnDixie | 8.11 | 7.80 | 7.93 | - .18 |
| Xerox Cp | 11.35 | 11.10 | 11.31 | + .18 |
| YumBrands | 32.92 | 32.60 | 32.9[illegible] | + .14 |

# LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PETITION AND ELECTION FOR CREATION OF HOSPITAL DISTRICT**

Notice is hereby given that the Scurry County Commissioners Court will hold a public hearing to consider the Petition filed on September 30, 2003 with the Scurry County Clerk requesting that an election be called regarding the creation of a Scurry County Hospital District pursuant to Chapter 286, as amended, of the Texas Health and Safety Code.

Said hearing will be held as follows:

**COUNTY COURTROOM**
**3rd FLOOR**
**SCURRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE**
**1806 25th STREET**
**OCTOBER 20th**
**10:00 A.M.**

At the hearing, the Commissioners Court will receive public comment regarding the formation of the Scurry County Hospital District whose proposed boundaries are coterminous with the official boundaries of Scurry County. Upon conclusion of said hearing, the court will also proceed with a determination, as required by Sections 286.022 and 286.023 of the Texas Health and Safety Code of whether the contents of the Petition are in compliance with said Sections and, upon an affirmative finding, grant the Petition and order an election in accordance therewith to confirm the Hospital District's creation and authorize a maximum tax not to exceed $0.50 per $100 valuation of the taxable value of all property in the Hospital District.

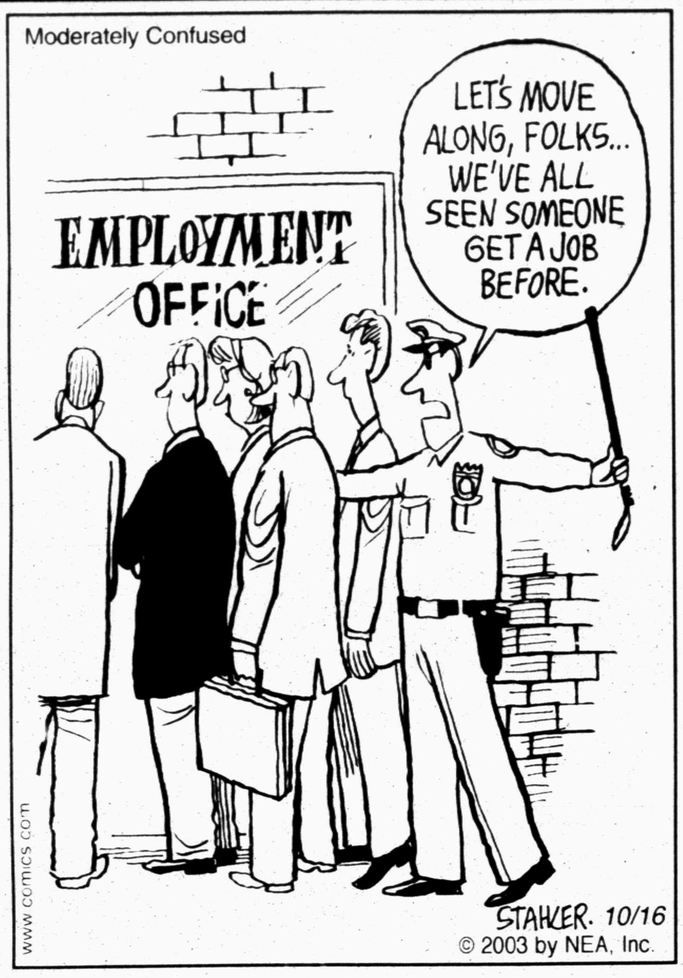
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# Case goes to jury

NEW YORK (AP) — The obstruction case against Frank Quattrone, an influential banker during the dot-com boom, went to a jury Wednesday with both sides offering different takes on what Quattrone was thinking when he urged employees to destroy files.

The government made a final argument to convince jurors Quattrone intended to block two federal investigations into how his bank, Credit Suisse First Boston, doled out shares of hot new stocks.

But Quattrone's attorney urged the jurors not to believe arguments of prosecutors who are "trying to tap into the hatred and prejudice that people feel for corporate executives these days."

On Dec. 5, 2000, Quattrone forwarded an e-mail written by a subordinate urging employees to "catch up on file cleanup" and destroy some documents. Quattrone added his own strong endorsement.

Quattrone contends he was merely following the bank's document retention policy, which requires some document destruction unless employees know the papers are sought in subpoenas or are the subject of lawsuits.

# PDU graduation held on Oct. 4

During the Oct. 4 graduation exercises at Price Daniel Unit, six offenders received their GED and 23 completed vocational certifications — including custodial technician, auto specialization (brakes) and construction carpentry.

Fifty-eight visitors attended the ceremony.

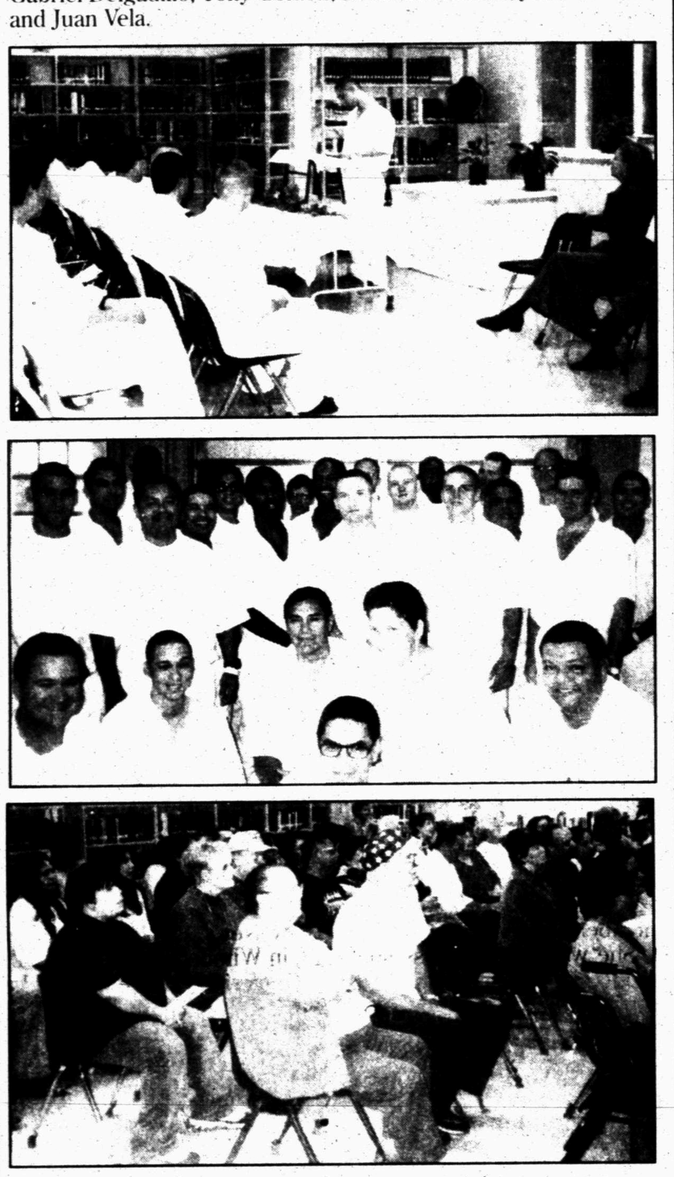
Those receiving GEDs were Bruce Gamel, Jesse Morones, Arturo Perez, Charles Powell, Rick Stowell and Giovanny Velasquez.

CTE graduates (automotives/brakes) include James Baugh, Juan Gonzalez, Robert Lee, Alfredo Mireles, Ruben Resendez and Giovanny Veslasquez.

Others are Richard Carter, Stephen Gott, Zedric Miller, Michael Price, Michael Thompson and Robert Waters.

Custodial technician certificates were presented to Jason Bloomfield, David Gregory, Fabian Ruiz, Daniel Gonzalez, Shawn McGee and Raymon Sanchez.

Certificates in construction carpentry were presented to Gabriel Delgadillo, Tony Golden, Elias Hernandez, John Toscano and Juan Vela.



PRICE DANIEL GRADUATION — Price Daniel Unit held graduation exercises Oct. 4. Offender Giovanny Velasquez (top photo) read an inspirational poem. He earned his GED and a vocational certification. Twenty-nine offenders (middle photo) either earned a GED or received a vocational certification. Fifty-eight visitors (bottom photo) attended the ceremony. (Contributed Photos)

# Tribute paid to soldiers

TIKRIT, Iraq (AP) — With Psalms and a 21-gun salute today, soldiers hailed two fallen comrades from the 1st Battalion 22nd Infantry Regiment in a memorial service at one of Saddam Hussein's palaces.

Spc. James Powell, 26, of Mark Center, Ohio, was killed Sunday when his Bradley armored vehicle struck a land mine near Beiji, 50 kilometers (30 miles) north of Tikrit.

Spc. Donald L. Wheeler, 23, of Concord, Michigan, was killed in an attack Monday in downtown Tikrit, when a rocket-propelled grenade hit his vehicle.

Tikrit, Saddam's hometown 200 kilometers (120 miles) north of Baghdad, lies at the heart of the Sunni Triangle, a region stretching north and west of the Iraqi capital where most of the attacks against U.S. soldiers have taken place.

Several hundred soldiers, including those of Wheeler's Charlie Company and Powell's Bravo Company, gathered at the downtown palace for the somber ceremony. The soldiers' units are part of Fort Hood's 4th Infantry Division in Central Texas, which controls a large swathe of northern Iraq, based in Tikrit.

The two soldiers' helmets were placed together with their nametags over their rifle butts, next to their boots on a small podium adorned with the U.S. flag and the regimental banner. Medals, including the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart, were awarded posthumously to Wheeler and Powell, and placed next to their rifles.

"We mourn their loss; we honor their sacrifice," said Lt. Col. Steve Russell, the battalion commander.

"We will finish their mission. As long as Regulars draw breath, we shall not forget them," Russell said, invoking the regiment's motto: "Regulars by God."

Company commanders recounted how Powell had volunteered for a combat mission although he was due for home leave within days, and talked of Wheeler's "contagious smile and boundless enthusiasm."

In full battle gear, the troops stood in formation as the two soldiers' names were called out three times — with no response — in a ceremonious roll-call. A bugler played taps. Surrounded by Bradley fighting vehicles and Abrams tanks, a female soldier sang 'America the Beautiful' and 'Amazing Grace.'

Tears streaming down their cheeks, the troops then filed one by one by the podium to pay their respects.

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| 1913 | .25 | .58 | 1.57 | 2.48 | 1.52 | 2.44 | 2.58 | .24 | 2.44 | 3.45 | 3.79 | 3.05 | 24.39 |
| 1914 | .22 | .04 | 1.04 | 4.06 | 2.59 | 4.78 | 3.03 | 5.54 | 1.22 | 3.58 | 1.59 | 1.27 | 28.96 |
| 1915 | .22 | .83 | 1.00 | 8.03 | 2.25 | 2.70 | .50 | 4.48 | 5.40 | 3.77 | ** | .82 | 30.09 |
| 1916 | .15 | * | .34 | 3.58 | 1.67 | .65 | 1.40 | .49 | 1.52 | 2.00 | .76 | .05 | 12.61 |
| 1917 | .34 | * | .34 | .88 | .99 | .83 | 1.04 | 2.18 | 1.53 | ** | .02 | * | 08.15 |
| 1918 | .32 | .57 | .21 | .45 | 2.46 | 1.14 | ** | .34 | 1.20 | 3.73 | .62 | 1.28 | 12.32 |
| 1919 | .99 | .21 | 3.43 | 3.45 | 2.19 | 3.72 | 1.82 | 2.93 | 3.20 | 5.63 | 1.13 | ** | 28.70 |
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| 1931 | 1.40 | 1.15 | .57 | 1.62 | 1.30 | 1.10 | 1.74 | .18 | .13 | 5.35 | 1.80 | 1.80 | 18.14 |
| 1932 | 1.78 | 3.01 | .05 | 2.25 | 3.57 | 3.12 | 1.12 | 5.79 | 10.60 | .43 | * | 4.10 | 35.82 |
| 1933 | .20 | 1.63 | .70 | .10 | 2.30 | .02 | 3.60 | 1.90 | ** | 2.63 | 1.20 | 1.13 | 15.46 |
| 1934 | .35 | .22 | 2.70 | .56 | .65 | .30 | .21 | 1.25 | 1.58 | .24 | 2.69 | .03 | 10.[illegible] |
| 1935 | .05 | 1.03 | 1.61 | .42 | 4.07 | 4.09 | 4.58 | .21 | 2.54 | 1.79 | 2.11 | .67 | 23.13 |
| 1936 | .64 | 1.12 | .44 | 1.03 | 2.40 | .33 | .92 | ** | 9.01 | 1.79 | .77 | .67 | 18.06 |
| 1937 | .17 | .25 | 1.36 | .06 | 4.25 | 1.55 | 1.45 | 2.38 | 1.76 | .44 | .68 | 1.03 | 15.40 |
| 1938 | 1.55 | 3.51 | 1.73 | 1.00 | 3.35 | 2.76 | 3.51 | .12 | .94 | 1.22 | .84 | .06 | 20.59 |
| 1939 | 2.42 | .20 | 1.00 | .29 | 6.38 | 7.46 | .65 | 2.28 | * | 1.66 | 1.09 | .71 | 24.14 |
| **1940** | **.22** | **1.50** | **.32** | **1.44** | **1.37** | **2.81** | **.30** | **3.51** | **.78** | **.49** | **2.63** | **.29** | **15.66** |
| **1941** | **.91** | **2.04** | **2.20** | **4.85** | **5.97** | **5.39** | **6.70** | **2.66** | **2.37** | **9.81** | **.21** | **.91** | **44.02** |
| **1942** | **.14** | **.09** | **.54** | **1.50** | **1.10** | **1.48** | **2.56** | **6.35** | **3.59** | **3.61** | **1.80** | **1.50** | **24.26** |
| **1943** | **.15** | ** | **1.30** | **.60** | **4.37** | **2.17** | **.19** | **.05** | **.37** | **.25** | **1.31** | **1.49** | **12.25** |
| **1944** | **.83** | **1.84** | **.20** | **.69** | **7.34** | **1.11** | **6.04** | **1.13** | **2.22** | **1.05** | **2.49** | **2.41** | **27.35** |
| **1945** | **1.20** | **.36** | **1.25** | **1.03** | **1.45** | **2.51** | **5.44** | **3.00** | **2.60** | **4.02** | **.34** | **.48** | **23.68** |
| **1946** | **1.53** | * | **.53** | **.41** | **3.49** | **2.42** | **.04** | **1.52** | **.97** | **2.71** | **.75** | **2.60** | **16.97** |
| **1947** | **.30** | * | **.92** | **.36** | **6.64** | **2.13** | **.80** | **1.06** | **1.77** | **.37** | **1.81** | **1.60** | **17.76** |
| **1948** | **.21** | **1.98** | **.06** | **.29** | **4.38** | **1.67** | **7.30** | * | * | **2.55** | * | * | **18.44** |
| **1949** | **2.30** | **.47** | **.23** | **3.22** | **3.69** | **3.70** | **1.04** | **1.94** | **2.32** | **1.82** | * | **.55** | **21.28** |
| 1950 | .40 | .66 | * | 2.55 | 7.37 | 2.00 | 3.03 | .98 | 4.20 | ** | * | ** | 21.19 |
| 1951 | .14 | .67 | .30 | 1.06 | 1.42 | 1.57 | .80 | 1.42 | 2.36 | .48 | ** | .04 | 10.26 |
| 1952 | .12 | .18 | .80 | 2.19 | 1.60 | * | 3.18 | 1.85 | 2.42 | * | 1.89 | .90 | 15.13 |
| 1953 | .15 | .48 | 1.17 | 1.75 | .66 | .08 | 1.73 | 3.30 | .98 | 3.70 | .10 | .15 | 14.25 |
| 1954 | .30 | .03 | .10 | 2.93 | 3.55 | 1.20 | .18 | .81 | ** | .64 | .55 | .07 | 10.36 |
| 1955 | .46 | .18 | .39 | .21 | 6.21 | 1.40 | 3.21 | .61 | 1.59 | 3.39 | .10 | * | 17.75 |
| 1956 | .19 | .11 | * | 2.97 | 2.50 | .45 | 1.88 | .24 | * | 1.77 | .28 | 1.01 | 11.40 |
| 1957 | .53 | 2.80 | .16 | 3.61 | 7.13 | 2.29 | 2.93 | .82 | 1.38 | 1.52 | 2.83 | .04 | 26.04 |
| 1958 | 1.01 | 1.11 | .94 | 3.72 | 2.73 | 2.32 | .55 | 2.06 | 1.44 | 2.41 | .55 | * | 18.84 |
| 1959 | ** | .21 | 1.03 | .97 | 2.46 | 6.95 | 5.05 | .37 | .57 | 2.23 | .20 | 1.22 | 21.22 |
| **1960** | **1.40** | **.28** | **.02** | **.28** | **.97** | **.47** | **6.28** | **2.56** | **.35** | **3.40** | * | **1.18** | **17.16** |
| **1961** | **1.87** | **.54** | **.66** | **.71** | **2.12** | **5.90** | **3.63** | **.26** | **2.95** | **2.22** | **3.36** | **.56** | **24.79** |
| **1962** | **.01** | * | **.60** | **1.16** | **.22** | **5.16** | **2.23** | **1.36** | **6.47** | **2.30** | **.69** | **.81** | **21.01** |
| **1963** | ** | **.23** | **.43** | **1.16** | **3.05** | **2.46** | **.17** | **.47** | **1.63** | **1.15** | **2.21** | **1.13** | **14.09** |
| **1964** | **1.15** | **.25** | **.57** | **.04** | **2.07** | **2.72** | **.94** | **.88** | **1.70** | **1.34** | **.71** | **.57** | **12.94** |
| **1965** | **.15** | **.46** | **.03** | **.29** | **7.21** | **3.20** | **1.21** | **3.14** | **1.05** | **2.11** | **.40** | **.41** | **19.66** |
| **1966** | **.72** | **.55** | **.47** | **4.51** | **.91** | **3.32** | **.68** | **5.20** | **1.98** | **1.04** | **.15** | * | **19.48** |
| **1967** | * | **.14** | **1.59** | **.47** | **.10** | **8.44** | **1.58** | **.94** | **3.19** | **1.91** | **.91** | **.57** | **19.64** |
| **1968** | **2.19** | **1.68** | **2.02** | **3.39** | **2.90** | **1.60** | **1.44** | **.87** | **.74** | **.37** | **3.30** | **.19** | **20.63** |
| **1969** | * | **.40** | **1.24** | **1.01** | **5.72** | **2.46** | **.70** | **.55** | **2.95** | **3.65** | **.62** | **1.98** | **21.28** |
| 1970 | * | 1.15 | 2.25 | 1.31 | 3.30 | 1.40 | * | .50 | 2.11 | 2.42 | * | .26 | 14.70 |
| 1971 | * | .49 | * | .56 | 3.77 | 2.02 | 1.78 | 16.7 | 4.0 | 3.62 | .27 | .45 | 33.66 |
| 1972 | * | .05 | * | 3.35 | 2.95 | 1.03 | 1.07 | 7.60 | 7.59 | 6.25 | .29 | .03 | 30.21 |
| 1973 | 2.09 | 2.47 | 3.19 | 1.25 | 1.12 | 2.07 | .87 | * | 4.14 | .29 | * | * | 17.49 |
| 1974 | .19 | .35 | .50 | 2.32 | .62 | 2.37 | .10 | 6.41 | 8.24 | 5.80 | .63 | 1.08 | 28.61 |
| 1975 | .33 | 2.04 | .15 | .31 | 3.33 | 1.14 | 6.24 | 2.43 | 5.38 | .58 | 2.36 | 1.01 | 25.30 |
| 1976 | .02 | * | .31 | 4.79 | 1.09 | .56 | 6.16 | .45 | 5.30 | 6.69 | .12 | * | 25.49 |
| 1977 | .58 | .63 | 1.77 | 3.81 | 1.35 | 4.03 | 4.71 | 5.38 | .07 | .37 | .30 | .09 | 23.09 |
| 1978 | .46 | 1.28 | .11 | .15 | 7.37 | 2.70 | 1.01 | 1.79 | 5.68 | 1.84 | .86 | * | 23.25 |
| 1979 | .62 | .68 | 1.26 | .17 | 3.88 | 3.02 | 4.05 | 2.73 | .02 | .44 | 1.19 | 2.40 | 20.46 |
| **1980** | **.50** | **.53** | **.48** | **.59** | **5.77** | **1.94** | **.96** | **.60** | **11.91** | **.44** | **.55** | **1.43** | **25.70** |
| **1981** | **.56** | **.70** | **.59** | **6.60** | **1.51** | **3.08** | **1.53** | **.81** | **.58** | **3.27** | **.70** | **.16** | **20.09** |
| **1982** | **.[illegible]** | **.35** | **.81** | **2.25** | **8.04** | **6.59** | **2.71** | **1.19** | **.52** | **.28** | **1.48** | **1.72** | **26.62** |
| **1983** | **2.01** | **.43** | **.47** | **1.17** | **3.11** | **1.37** | **.42** | **1.22** | **.20** | **4.33** | **1.06** | **.10** | **16.79** |
| **1984** | **.52** | **.01** | **.30** | * | **.81** | **1.75** | **1.76** | **2.0** | **2.70** | **4.15** | **1.78** | **2.40** | **18.19** |
| **1985** | **.10** | **1.06** | **2.71** | **4.55** | **5.28** | **2.30** | **3.16** | **.18** | **2.96** | **4.79** | **.36** | * | **27.45** |
| **1986** | **.19** | **.35** | **.29** | **1.19** | **3.73** | **3.98** | **3.58** | **3.89** | **3.88** | **6.53** | **.71** | **1.88** | **30.20** |
| **1987** | **.18** | **2.82** | **.15** | **.71** | **7.76** | **3.17** | **1.35** | * | **1.96** | **.06** | **.05** | **.92** | **19.13** |
| **1988** | **.25** | **.55** | **.77** | **1.06** | **1.61** | **1.20** | **3.81** | **4.51** | **1.02** | **5.52** | **.22** | **.72** | **21.24** |
| **1989** | **.76** | **1.72** | **.19** | **.53** | **.48** | **2.95** | **.11** | **2.71** | **1.21** | **.82** | **.03** | **.16** | **11.67** |
| 1990 | 1.14 | 1.90 | 3.11 | 4.20 | .19 | .21 | 5.69 | 4.16 | 5.30 | 1.60 | 1.57 | 1.42 | 30.49 |
| 1991 | 1.64 | * | * | .19 | 3.68 | 5.83 | 4.10 | 1.90 | 5.16 | 2.21 | .93 | 4.27 | 29.91 |
| 1992 | 1.81 | 4.48 | .56 | 1.61 | 6.04 | 3.87 | 2.43 | 2.07 | .95 | * | 2.10 | 1.79 | 27.71 |
| 1993 | .96 | .80 | 1.25 | 1.83 | 1.25 | 3.32 | 1.58 | 1.27 | 1.55 | 1.83 | .46 | .19 | 16.29 |
| 1994 | .53 | .47 | .11 | .81 | 3.40 | * | .54 | .23 | 2.76 | 2.16 | .41 | .79 | 12.21 |
| 1995 | .81 | .90 | 1.29 | .48 | 6.40 | 1.93 | .88 | 1.23 | 5.11 | .64 | .12 | .19 | 19.98 |
| 1996 | .21 | * | .39 | 1.33 | .29 | 2.75 | 1.22 | 3.33 | 2.82 | 1.10 | 4.80 | * | 18.24 |
| 1997 | .42 | 4.48 | .18 | 5.55 | 2.07 | 6.74 | .31 | 1.52 | .68 | 1.25 | 0.36 | 2.13 | 25.69 |
| 1998 | 1.20 | 1.56 | 2.03 | .21 | .31 | .26 | .18 | .76 | .02 | 1.43 | 2.28 | 0.26 | 10.50 |
| 1999 | .95 | 0 | 1.74 | 2.12 | 1.55 | 7.23 | 3.68 | 2.04 | 1.83 | .66 | .00 | .06 | 21.86 |
| **2000** | **.73** | **.75** | **5.83** | **.11** | **.84** | **5.55** | **.97** | * | * | **4.05** | **2.07** | **.30** | **21.20** |
| **2001** | **1.36** | **2.11** | **1.74** | **.19** | **3.29** | **.57** | **.19** | **1.99** | **3.51** | **1.02** | **3.73** | **1.07** | **20.77** |
| **2002** | **.39** | **1.09** | **3.89** | **3.13** | **2.95** | **2.24** | **2.80** | **0.77** | **1.22** | **5.82** | **0.31** | **0.98** | **25.59** |
| **2003** | **.02** | **.83** | **.56** | **.58** | **2.41** | **4.86** | **.10** | **1.32** | **1.57** | | | | |
| **Avg.** | **.65** | **.85** | **.97** | **1.85** | **3.09** | **2.61** | **2.09** | **2.15** | **2.46** | **2.35** | **1.02** | **0.84** | **21.04** |

# Dear Abby

**By Abigail Van Buren**



## *Ex-cons profit by using their skills of deception*

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm a retired police officer who has worked in prisons with both male and female inmates.

Your response to "Alarmed Host," whose co-worker "Jane," wants to bring "Al," an ex-convict, to her dinner party, needs to be expanded.

While incarcerated, inmates live with other inmates who are often smarter and more experienced. This gives them many opportunities to enhance their skills. They become experts in deceiving those around them, including persons like "Jane," the naive young lady in "Alarmed's" letter. A host has a responsibility to protect her guests. Inmates are adept at listening and taking mental notes of information, such as that being shared by potential victims that can be used later to commit burglary, home invasions, identity theft, rape, assault, etc. Without behavior modification treatment programs while in prison, few inmates change on their own. — **NO NAME FOR OBVIOUS REASONS**

**DEAR NO NAME:** Your points are well taken. The fact that Jane refused to disclose the nature of Al's crime is also telling. **Read on:**

**DEAR ABBY:** Get out the wet noodle. "Alarmed" doesn't need to meet Al before the party; she should disinvite Jane immediately!

Almost 70 percent of convicts are repeat offenders, masters in the art of deceit. I know. I have worked with them. Many proudly display albums of "girlfriends" with whom they correspond and carefully catalog their assets. "Alarmed" has due cause for concern.

I once had an inmate clerk I'll call Russ — very intelligent, quite handsome. Although he had only completed high school before his first conviction, I could explain to him a highly technical accounting procedure — once — and he'd turn in a perfect work product.

One day, Russ rushed into my office, exclaiming, "Boss, Boss, I'm getting out. I leave this weekend!" I asked him how many times he had been down. "Five," he said. "But one doesn't count because it was for parole violation." I congratulated Russ and told him, "You're a good worker. You're smart. I don't ever want to see you again." He thanked me and assured me I wouldn't.

Six months later, my inmate truck driver reported that a new inmate at Diagnostics had asked him to tell me that he wanted his old job back. You guessed it — it was Russ.

Friend "Jane" needs help. It's true that Al has paid the debt society has imposed upon him. But the relevant question is, "Has he changed?" — **FORMER PRISON EMPLOYEE**

**DEAR FORMER PRISON EMPLOYEE:** You're right. But let's not forget that some people DO change. **Read on:**

**DEAR ABBY:** I am an ex-con, a former drug dealer. Although I abide by the law now, I am still paying for what I did. I have a hard time finding work, living arrangements and living a normal life.

"Al" needs a break. You're never done with your time when you must tell everyone you're an ex-con. You're looked down on, no matter how sorry you feel or how well you're doing. It's humiliating. I wish I could go back and do things differently, but I can't. And neither can Al. — **EX-CON IN ARIZONA**

**DEAR EX-CON:** I understand that post-prison life is frustrating. However, as long as you refuse to allow your past to determine who you are, the lessons you have gained from it will make you stronger and wiser. Yes, there is a lot of bias, but if you have earned the respect of those who are closest to you, that is what's most important.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

# Senate showdown looms over Iraq funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — A bipartisan group of senators who want to convert half of President Bush's $20.3 billion Iraqi rebuilding plan into loans say they want to protect U.S. taxpayers and help prod other countries to contribute funds.

A Senate showdown over the issue was possible today, and loan supporters exhibited more confidence than the administration officials and Senate Republican leaders opposing them. The loan amendment was expected to be offered to the $87 billion measure Bush has proposed for U.S. military action and reconstruction in Iraq and Afghanistan.

A U.S. loan to Iraq "would simply compound Iraq's problems and I believe undermine our goal of stability there," Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., said today as debate resumed.

The House was debating its own similar package, and approval by both chambers seemed likely by week's end. Congressional leaders hoped to rush a final version to Bush for his signature in time for the Oct. 23 and 24 meeting of donor nations in Madrid, Spain.

First, there is a fight over loans to be waged. Bush sent Vice President Dick Cheney and Secretary of State Colin Powell to lobby GOP senators over lunch Wednesday, but they did not seem to win over the loan advocates.

"I'm not overly confident, but I think people will listen" to arguments about the need for grants, not loans, said Frist.

The administration said loans would feed Arab worries that the United States wants to control Iraq's huge oil reserves.

Loan supporters said part of their goal was to protect U.S. taxpayers at a time of massive budget deficits at home.

They also said their plan would encourage other countries to help, because their proposed $10 billion in loans would become grants if Saudi Arabia, Germany and other countries forgive 90 percent of the roughly $120 billion they are owed by Saddam Hussein's regime.

# Pope John Paul II observes 25th year

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II celebrated his 25th anniversary today, reaching a milestone matched by only three of his predecessors and pushing ahead with his agenda despite increasingly debilitating infirmities.

The 83-year-old pope planned to preside over an anniversary Mass in St. Peter's Square starting at 6 p.m. (noon EDT) about the same time that white smoke from a Vatican chimney alerted the world a quarter-century ago that a Polish cardinal named Karol Wojtyla had been elected the first non-Italian pontiff in 455 years.

Cardinals from around the world have gathered in Rome for the festivities and the Mass, which was expected to draw tens of thousands of pilgrims to St. Peter's Square, including representatives from the 301 Roman parishes John Paul has visited. Millions more were expected to watch on television.

The Vatican was marking the event with great celebration, highlighting the role of John Paul as one of the greatest religious figures of the last century. The atmosphere in Rome also was bittersweet, because the pope, who suffers from Parkinson's disease, is so clearly ailing.

"He's frail, obviously, and been frail for a while. He's hurting," said Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, archbishop of Washington, D.C.

## Criminal mischief reported at Central

**• Criminal mischief**

Central Elementary principal Pam Hart requested an officer at the school Wednesday morning in reference to criminal mischief on the campus. Officers filed a report for Class B criminal mischief.

**• Fight**

An officer was requested at Central Elementary at 3:48 p.m. in reference to a fight between two female juveniles. The two were released to the custody of their parents.

**• Harassment**

A woman requested information in reference to her receiving harassing telephone calls. She was advised of the proper steps to take by an officer.

Another woman spoke to an officer in reference to receiving threatening telephone calls. She also was advised of the proper steps to take.

**• Arrest**

A 24-year-old male was taken into custody at 3:26 p.m. in the 400 block of Coliseum Drive and held for immigration services.

**• Gas drive offs**

A person left McD's without paying for $30 worth of gas but later returned and paid for it.

Two reports for gas drive offs from Skinny's was made Wednesday night – one for $17 and the other for $10.

A report for a $5.03 gas drive off from Town & Country East was made at 10:55 p.m.

# Obituaries

## Curtis Jarratt

**1915-2003**

Curtis Jarratt, former Snyder resident, died Sunday, Oct. 12, in Billings, Mont.

Funeral service for Mr. Jarratt, 88, is set for 11 a.m. Saturday in the First Baptist Church Chapel in Snyder. His grandsons will officiate. Interment will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born June 14, 1915 in Roscoe, he married Mildred Satterwhite on July 3, 1980 in Sweden. She died Jan. 28, 2002.

Mr. Jarrett was reared in the Snyder area where his mother, the late Abbie White Jarratt, owned and operated a hotel on the square. Mr. Jarrett was a musician and he and his brother, Felix, played for many dances in the area. He was a band director in Hobbs, N.M. for a number of years and also had owned a music business in Hobbs and Billings. He was a former resident of Ruidoso where he played at the Flying J. Ranch. He had also lived in San Angelo.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Genevieve Wilkes.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Celia and Art Ruff of Rockwall, Jolene and Dwight Gleghorn of Dimmitt; one son and daughter-in-law, Alan and Jeannetta Jarratt of Billings; one sister, Frances Lee of Pauls Valley, Okla.; two brothers, Felix Jarratt of Austin and David Jarratt of Caldwell; two stepchildren and their spouses, Rodney and Linda Satterwhite of Midland and Dayna and John Blevins of Monahans; eight grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and four stepgrandchildren.

## Dr. Rosenbrough

**1917-2003**

LUBBOCK — Dr. Charles A. Rosenbrough, of Graham and formerly of Lubbock, died Tuesday, Oct. 14, in Graham.

A graveside service for Dr. Rosenbrough, 85, was set for 10:30 a.m. today in Graham with the Rev. Jay Darnell, retired Methodist minister, officiating.

A memorial service was set for 3 p.m. today in the First Presbyterian Church in Lubbock with the Revs. Bob Field and Jay Darnell officiating.

Born Oct. 27, 1917 in Sweetwater, he graduated from Tulane University in 1938 and from Baylor Dental College in 1943.

A U.S. Army veteran of World War II, he married Wanda Hawley on Dec. 29, 1943 in Pacific Grove, Calif.

Dr. Rosenbrough had a dental practice in Lubbock from 1943 until his retirement in 1993. He was a member of the American Dental Association, the Lubbock Rotary Club and First Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda Rosenbrough of Graham; a son, Charles Rosenbrough III of Graham; a daughter, Gail Chilcoat of Fort Worth; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

## Velma Hester

**1911-2003**

Velma Madison Hester, lifetime resident of Scurry and Mitchell counties, died Thursday, Oct. 16, in Snyder Healthcare Center.

Services for Mrs. Hester, 92, are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born on July 15, 1911 in Mitchell County, she married W.W. Hester in 1928 in Mitchell County. He died Aug. 15, 1976. A homemaker, Mrs. Hester was a member of the Primitive Baptist. She was a seamstress specializing in draperies for private homes.

She was also preceded in death by two brothers, Guy Madison and E.P. "Preacher" Madison; and one sister, Cora Mae Lloyd.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Harold "Pete" and Juanita Hester of Ira; a sister, Nora Atkinson of Big Spring; two grandchildren, Richard Hester of Snyder and Susie Miller of Kerrville; four great-grandchildren, Matthew and Jared Hester of Alpine, Jason Miller of Ira and Jina Rollins of Idalou; two great-grandchildren, Austin Field of Idalou and Kylie Miller of Ira.

## Jimmie Jaquez

**1947-2003**

MONAHANS — Jimmie Lee Jaquez, the brother of Freddie Jaquez of Snyder, died Tuesday, Oct. 14, in a Midland hospital.

Funeral service for Mr. Jaquez, 56, is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Cornerstone Pentecostal Church. Interment will follow in Monahans Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Family Funeral Services.

Born on May 17, 1947 in Monahans, he was an electrician.

Survivors also include his wife, Nellie Jaquez of Monahans; a son, Adam Jaquez of Odessa; two daughters, Carolina Benzor of Monahans and Priscilla Carrasco of Wink; and his mother Eva Jaquez of Monahans.

## Eva Jones

**1906-2003**

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Eva Verna Jones, 97, of Abilene died Tuesday, Oct. 14, in Oklahoma City.

Service for Mrs. Jones is set for 2 p.m. Saturday at the Branstetter-Merritt Funeral Home chapel in Oklahome City with Dale Huff, minister of 37th Street Church of Christ in Snyder, officiating. Burial will follow in Resthaven Memory Gardens.

Born on Jan. 20, 1906 in Honeygrove, Texas to C.R. and Liddie Banker, she married Herman Jones on Sept. 18, 1924 in Caddo, Okla. She lived and worked in Oklahoma City for 67 years before moving to Abilene in 1996. She was a member of the Oldham Lane Church of Christ in Abilene.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herman Jones; and a son, Charles Jones.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Shirley and Jimmy Jividen of Abilene; a daughter-in-law, June Jones of Marlow, Okla.; six grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

## Overa Jones

**1906-2003**

WIMBERLEY — Overa Fox Jones, longtime resident of West Texas and the Hill Country and former owner of the Snyder Daily News, died Monday, Oct. 13, in Wimberley.

Graveside service was held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Snyder Cemetery in Snyder. The Rev. Mike Henson, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiated. Thomason Funeral home in Wimberley was in charge of arrangements.

Born on Jan. 24, 1906 in Wise County, she attended school in Dallas and graduated from Decator Baptist College. On Aug. 6, 1924, she married newspaper owner and publisher Paul Willard Jones Sr. They owned and operated a chain of newspapers, office supply stores and printing companies in Snyder, Hamlin, Haskell, Spur and Abilene. Other interests included ranches in Real, Edwards and Bandera counties.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Paul Willard Jones; a daugher, Jacquline; and her parents, Milton Harrison and Henrietta Prigmore Fox.

Survivors include a son, Paul Willard Jones Jr.; a daughter, Jeanne Rollins; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

## Syble Jones

**1929-2003**

ROOSEVELT, Ariz. — Syble Jones, aunt of Ruby Stout of Snyder, died Tuesday, Oct. 14, in Heritage Nursing Center in Globe, Ariz.

Mrs. Jones, 74, was be cremated and a private memorial service will be held Sunday at Meadowbrook Cemetery in Paris, Texas.

She was born on Aug. 29, 1929 in Texas.

Survivors include two daughters, Judy Yocum of Showlow, Ariz., and Penny Jones; a sister, Stina Lenoir of Paris; a brother, William Pierce of Roosevelt; two other nieces and two nephews; six grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

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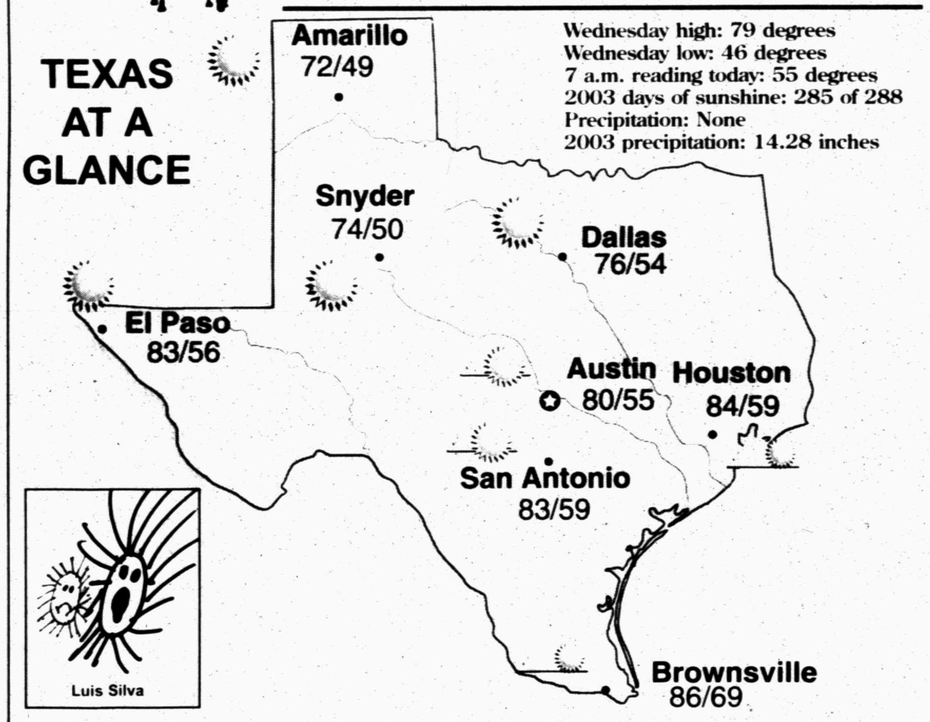
## Today's Weather

### Local 3-Day Forecast

| Fri 10/17 | Sat 10/18 | Sun 10/19 |
|---|---|---|
| 74/50 | 79/55 | 79/57 |
| Generally sunny. Cooler. High 74F. Winds NE at 10 to 20 mph. | Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the mid 50s. | Plenty of sun. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the upper 50s. |
| Sunrise 7:49 AM / Sunset 7:09 PM | Sunrise 7:50 AM / Sunset 7:07 PM | Sunrise 7:50 AM / Sunset 7:06 PM |

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### TEXAS AT A GLANCE




Wednesday high: 79 degrees
Wednesday low: 46 degrees
7 a.m. reading today: 55 degrees
2003 days of sunshine: 285 of 288
Precipitation: None
2003 precipitation: 14.28 inches


Luis Silva

### Area Cities

| City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Abilene | 74 | 53 | sunny | El Paso | 83 | 56 | sunny | Midland | 75 | 53 | sunny |
| Amarillo | 72 | 49 | sunny | Fort Stockton | 77 | 55 | sunny | Raymondville | 86 | 66 | pt sunny |
| Austin | 80 | 55 | mst sunny | Gainesville | 74 | 49 | mst sunny | Rosenberg | 85 | 58 | pt sunny |
| Beaumont | 83 | 57 | pt sunny | Greenville | 75 | 49 | sunny | San Antonio | 83 | 59 | mst sunny |
| Brownsville | 86 | 69 | pt sunny | Houston | 84 | 59 | pt sunny | San Marcos | 81 | 56 | mst sunny |
| Brownwood | 78 | 52 | sunny | Kingsville | 85 | 64 | pt sunny | Sulphur Springs | 75 | 49 | sunny |
| Corpus Christi | 84 | 65 | pt sunny | Livingston | 82 | 54 | mst sunny | Sweetwater | 74 | 52 | sunny |
| Corsicana | 77 | 52 | sunny | Longview | 76 | 51 | mst sunny | Tyler | 77 | 51 | sunny |
| Dallas | 76 | 54 | sunny | Lubbock | 74 | 51 | sunny | Weatherford | 75 | 50 | sunny |
| Del Rio | 82 | 61 | mst sunny | Lufkin | 80 | 54 | mst sunny | Wichita Falls | 74 | 50 | sunny |

### National Cities

| City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Atlanta | 70 | 49 | pt sunny | Houston | 84 | 59 | pt sunny | Phoenix | 98 | 71 | sunny |
| Boston | 56 | 42 | pt sunny | Los Angeles | 82 | 65 | pt sunny | San Francisco | 72 | 56 | mst sunny |
| Chicago | 57 | 42 | mst sunny | Miami | 86 | 74 | pt sunny | Seattle | 63 | 54 | rain |
| Dallas | 76 | 54 | sunny | Minneapolis | 55 | 46 | pt sunny | St. Louis | 62 | 44 | pt sunny |
| Denver | 76 | 47 | mst sunny | New York | 57 | 45 | pt sunny | Washington, DC | 58 | 45 | rain |

### Moon Phases

| Full | Last | New | First |
|---|---|---|---|
| Oct 10 | Oct 18 | Oct 25 | Nov 1 |

### UV Index

| Fri 10/17 | Sat 10/18 | Sun 10/19 |
|---|---|---|
| 7 | 7 | 6 |
| High | High | Moderate |

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 — 11

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