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THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Valentine's Day is like Armistice Day — both sides declare a truce."

There's still time...to get something for her to make your life easier until the next special occasion.

Take heart fellas, 'cause this could save your hide. This is how the tender genders think:

Biggest turn-on: Thirty percent say dancing to a favorite song, followed by a relaxing foot massage (25%) and sharing a decadent dessert (21%).

Men, obviously, think differently. Forty-seven percent of men say the biggest turn-on is kissing on the couch.

Both men and women agree that the Biggest Turn-off is that 10 extra pounds (31%), followed by bad cologne or perfume (24%) and razor stubble (23%).

Both men and women agree that a romantic weekend is the best way to celebrate Valentine's Day. However, age groups look at that differently. The younger consider a night on the town as the way to go, while those over 30 like a quiet evening at home (without kids, of course).

The best gift for women is a candlelight dinner (39%), while a box of chocolates rates next with 9%.

Our fax machine was hot this year with suggestions for lovers:

--The Floral News Bureau said men would rate higher on the romance scale if they simply planned their Valentine's Day activities before the last minute.

--Instead of chocolate hearts, another firm suggested the beeping wallet to protect credit cards from being lost or stolen. For some reason, we don't believe a wallet with an alarm will rank high with ole what's-her-name.

--Another pitch suggested treating your heart and sweetheart to a Lobsters for Lovers Dinner. Express It Lobster-for-Lovers Dinner for two was offered for $69.96. (Cleanup not included).

--And just before Valentine's Day on the Internet, Victoria's Secret Fashion Show was broadcast — live — online from Wall Street. It was described as "one market rally you won't want to miss."

--As part of a Godiva Valentine's promotion, actress Susan Sarandon went to the Golden Globe Awards wearing a five-carat diamond ring valued at $125,000.

The ring will be awarded when a winning certificate is found in one of its boxes of chocolate.

Give her the right box of chocolate, and you'll be guaranteed a kiss on the couch.

Suit to resume on Tuesday

The wrongful death suit being heard in 132nd District Court is scheduled to resume Tuesday after a break Monday due to Presidents' Day.

The suit is the result of an oilfield accident in January 1996 in which three men, R.L. "Buddy" Drum, Jerry McNew and Juan Guardado, died of hydrogen sulfide poisioning attempting to clean the inside of a frac tank.

Snyder police chief retires

Lannie Lee, Snyder chief of police since 1991, has resigned to pursue other interests.

Lee said he gave his letter of resignation to the city manager Friday afternoon, and the resignation was effective immediately.

"It's something I've been working on for more than a year," Lee said. "I've been in law enforcement work for 26 years and decided I had been carrying a gun long enough."

Lee, 48, said he has become eligible for full retirement, and that factor will allow him to look at other career options. "I plan to take a little time off. I'm interested in teaching and may try my hand at substitute teaching for a while." Lee said he and his family plan to remain in Snyder.

City Manager John Gayle said Saturday that Lee just decided to retire.

"Any police job is highly stressful," said Gayle.

A 1969 graduate of Snyder High School, Lee attended one year at Lubbock Christian College. He returned to Snyder and was a member of the first graduating class at Western Texas College.

Lee joined the Snyder police department and served in 1973-74 before moving to Portland for 2½ years. While with the Portland PD, Lee earned his bachelor's degree from Corpus Christi A&I.

Lee joined the Midland Police Department in 1977 and advanced to the rank of lieutenant before being named chief of police in Snyder in July, 1991.

Lee said he is proud of the department's accomplishments during his tenure. He said his immediate goal to modernize the department with computers and to provide officers with the most modern police equipment had been achieved.

Lee also said he feels members of the department are closer to the public and that there is improved communications with the public.

Lee has headed a department with 18 officers, including two school resource officers, another milestone during his tenure.

Lee also said he was successful in having officers assigned individual patrol units to accomplish greater visability and faster response time.

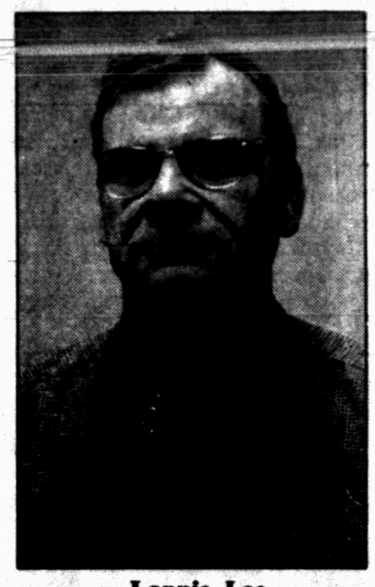
"For example," Lee said, "We were able to respond with seven off-duty officers during the power failure Tuesday night."

Lee said his decision to retire did not occur overnight. "When you deal with the segment of the population that you have to deal with as a police officer, it affects your attitude and you tend to become judgmental."

"I feel good, and I am excited about a career change," Lee added. Lee said he plans to spend more time with his family, including playing golf with son, Lyndell.

Lee and his wife, Loretta — a speech therapist for Cogdell Hospital — also have one daughter, LaTrisha, a student at Abilene Christian University.

Lee is a director of the Snyder Rotary Club and an elder at East Side Church of Christ. He was a regional director for the Texas Police Chiefs Association and a member of the National Association of Police Chiefs.



Lannie Lee

Gospel comedy auditions planned at Ritz Theatre

Auditions for an upcoming Ritz Community Theatre musical will be held Feb. 22-23 at the theatre.

The musical, "Smoke on the Mountain." is billed as a gospel comedy and has a seven-member cast.

Included in the cast is the Rev. Mervin Oglethorpe, the new, young and enthusiastic pastor of a small Baptist church in Mt. Pleasant, N.C.

The remainder of the cast are all members of the Sanctified Sanders Singers, a gospel singing and playing family who travel in an ancient bus to Saturday night gospel singings.

The family includes Burl, the father; the mother, Vera; Uncle Stanley, Burl's brother; June, the eldest daughter; and the teen-age twins, Dennis and Denise.

The actors and actresses who play the Sanders family must be able to sing and play bluegrass gospel songs. Vera plays the piano and June plays handheld percussion instruments and does sign language of a sort.

Two other members of the family need to play a guitar and a string bass. Other instruments such as banjo, fiddle, ukulele, harmonica, etc., might be used depending on the actors' or actress's skills.

In addition to performing the music, the Sanders family also intersperses their unique and humorous personal testimonies throughout the evening.

Music includes familiar favorites such as "Church in the Wildwood," "Wonderful Time Up There," "Bringing in the Sheaves," "I'll Fly Away," and "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder."

There will be other songs that are not so familiar, such as "The Filling Station," "I'll Never Die, I'll Just Change My Address," and "I'm Using My Bible for a Roadmap."

"Smoke on the Mountain" is written by Connie Ray, conceived by Alan Bailey, and musical arrangements are by Mike Craver and Mark Hardwick.

Those who audition should be prepared to play and sing a verse and chorus of "I'll Fly Away" or another familiar gospel song.

For additional information or to check out a script, call Ellie Dryden at 573-9739, or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993.



VALENTINE GOODIES — 14-month-old Morgan Benitez (right) and 22-month-old Kain Hollis found a box of Valentine goodies. They wish everyone a Happy Valentine's Day. (Staff Photo By Joyce May)

Top Ira spellers named

Ira School determined its spelling bee winners Friday morning.

Terryn Autry, 5th grader, finished first in the fourth through sixth grade division. Colton Long, 6th grader, is the runner-up.

For the seventh and eighth grade contest, John Gainer, 8th grader, garnered first place honors while 7th grader Bubba Walker finished in second place.

Terryn's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Lance Autry. Colton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Long. John's parents are Joee and Joni Gainer. Bubba is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Walker.

These four will advance to the county bee on March 5.

Cindy Shoults was the coordinator of the bee. Linda Gartman pronounced the words and Phyliss Brown was the dictionary judge.

Besides the four winners, other students who competed include fourth graders Nickelynn Bays, Aryn Calley, Corbin Clements, Krystal Espinosa, Dustin Farmer, Tyrelle Gilbert, Jessica Odom, Kelbi Pitner, Kate Wall, Derrick Watson, Genvieve Weaver.

Fifth graders were Brittany Dickerhoff, Travis Frey, Amanda Green, Kerry Jamison, David Kirk, Logan Bland, Joel Lollar, Jordan Lollar, Chad Nickerson, Whitney Payne.

Sixth graders competing were Amanda Alexander, Brandon Crane, Kevin Graves, Bryson Higgins, Wesley Kellner, Shaina Kerr, Cody Lomax, Amber Sanchez, Justin Taylor.

Seventh graders included Jake Barnes, Franki Briseno, Amanda Calley, Vanessa Espinoza, Chad Everton, Brandon Graves, Rusty Josey, Stephan Kirk, April Lollar, Phillip Payne, Jacki Thompson, Lacie Thompson, Jess Wall, Wesley White, Nathan Wilkins, Lindsey Wilson.

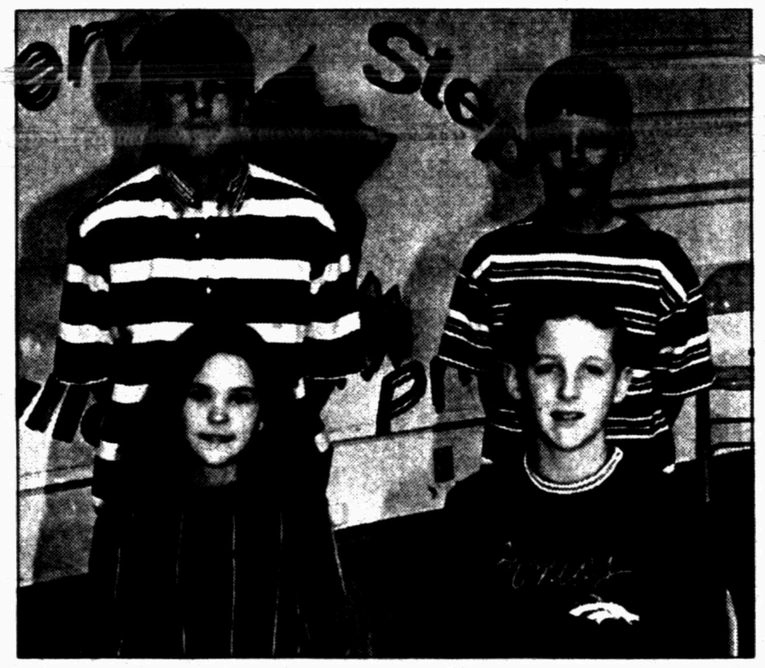
Eighth graders who competed were: Beatrice Aguinaga, Michael Allen, Colter Brown, Kali Clements, Eric Dickerhoff, Jeffrey Fine, Tyler Frey, Ryan Higgins, Christina Kellner, Kayla Krop, Michelle Nettles, Stephen Nickerson, Geoffrey Pinkerton, Amanda Ramirez, Candace Sanchez, Celeigh Sterling, Amy Strong, Joel Watson.

Other campus bees are slated next week. Hermleigh's fourth through sixth graders will compete at 12:20 p.m. Wednesday. The seventh and eighth graders will have their spell off at 12:20 p.m. on Thursday.

Snyder Junior High School has set its bee for 2:10 p.m. on Wednesday.

Northeast and West will both have bees on Thursday. West spellers will begin at 9 a.m. and Northeast's bee is set for 2:40 p.m.

The final campus bee — at East Elementary — begins at 9 a.m. next Friday.



IRA BEE WINNERS — Ira School held its spelling bee on Friday. Junior high winners include standing, John Gainer, left, first place, and Bubba Walker, runner-up. Elementary winners are seated, Terryn Autry, left, first place, and Colton Long, second place. All four will advance to the county bee on March 5. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

City, schools...

Local office sign-ups will begin Monday

Candidates may begin filing Monday for positions on the May 1 ballot for the Ira and Hermleigh school boards and the City of Snyder.

Persons wishing to file for a place on the Snyder Independent School Board ballot must wait until Tuesday, as the district will be observing President's Day Monday.

The filing period continues through March 17 for all entities.

Places up for election for the City of Snyder include the mayor's seat, currently held by David Holt, as well as a vacant single-member district council spot and two at-large positions, currently held by Terry Martin and Dayton Robertson.

Terms of Place 1 trustee Glenn Clarady, Place 4 trustee Mark McCormick and Place 5 trustee Janet Stribling will be on the ballot for Snyder ISD.

Ira ISD board of trustees will have three positions open as the terms of Sid Wall, Kirby Sterling and Lance Autry are expiring.

At Hermleigh, the terms of Burton Sandefur and Tony Lambaren are up for election.

Early voting in the election begins April 14 and continues through April 27.

City Hall will be the early voting site for the City of Snyder while persons early voting in the Snyder ISD trustee election will do so at the administration building.

On election day, voting for both the City and Snyder ISD will be held at City Hall.

Ira early voting will take place in the superintendent's office. Ballots will be cast in the Ira Community Center on election day.

All voting for Hermleigh will be held in the school library.

There are no board positions up for re-election at Western Texas College.

Presidents' Day means closings for some offices

Presidents' Day on Monday will mean a holiday for financial institutions and county employees while most others will continue with business as usual.

American State Bank, First American Bank, Snyder National Bank, West Texas State Bank and Snyder Savings & Loan will all be closed Monday.

Scurry County Courthouse and the library will also be closed.

Students and faculty in Snyder schools will have the day off. Classes in Hermleigh, Ira and Western Texas College will meet as usual.

However, The Texas Workforce Commission, located on the WTC campus will be closed.

City Hall will remain open.

Snyder Post Office will close. Mail will be placed in boxes, but will not be delivered.

ASK US

Q—Has TU Electric determined the cause of Tuesday's power failure?

A—Yes. It was a mechanical failure.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 55 degrees; low, 25; 7 a.m. Saturday, 27; no precipitation; total for 1999, .95 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Saturday, sunny. Highs, mid 60s. SE winds 5-10 mph. Saturday night, clear. Lows, near 30. Sunday, mostly sunny. Highs near 70.

Kirstie Davis
Sunny

Sunset: 6:29 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:26 a.m.
Of 43 days in 1999, the sun has shone 42 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Everything that happens, happens as it should. There are no accidents."
Marcus Aurelius

United in weariness, people welcome end to Senate trial

By The Associated Press

They were united, if only in their weariness.

Americans universally welcomed an end to the multimillion-dollar saga that has consumed their political system for more than a year, with many agreeing that Bill Clinton's place in history was ruined or at least seriously tarnished. But the issue that split them in the first place — should he have been impeached? — still made for a divided, annoyed public.

"These Republicans have made a Democrat out of me," said Gil Branton, 76, a retired court reporter from Orlando, Fla.

Across the country, in dozens of interviews, Americans sounded a common theme of relief at the impeachment trial's end. They lashed out at the president. At Congress. At the media, which they said aggravated the situation. They expressed disbelief at the high cost, fiscal and social, that grew out of a fiftysomething man's fling with a twentysomething intern.

"It's about time," said Antonio Gregorio of Newark, N.J., said during a break in the action at Daytona International Speedway. "How long has it taken? A year? It should have taken only a week."

To some, Clinton's acquittal on perjury and obstruction of justice charges was the correct and welcome outcome. Others lamented a nation and a process that, they said, could officially excuse a leader's lying and immoral conduct. Many seemed willing to separate Bill Clinton from President Clinton.

"As a president, I have no complaints," said Michelle Moore, a 26-year-old consultant working in Newark. "As a man, I don't think he's all of that."

But this was no moon landing or O.J. Simpson verdict. Few seemed glued to their televisions. In fact, few seemed to care much at all. They knew it was going to be over and they knew how it was going to turn out.

Brian Kangas, 38, a Lansing, Mich., mail carrier, was one of dozens relieved the trial was over. He said it could have been avoided entirely with a strategic answer at a crucial time. "He should have said, 'As a gentleman, I am not even going to answer that question,'" Kangas said.

The whole thing even divided couples. Jim and Judy Morris of Annapolis, Md., offered differing takes as they ate sandwiches Friday.

"What he did was wrong, but it wasn't impeachable," Morris said. Countered his wife: "I think he's a liar and he should be removed."

If anything, the verdict gave Americans tired of the Clinton-Congress tennis match time to reflect on all the twists and turns the story took during the year. And reflect they did.

On journalism's role: "If I had a remote control for life, I'd turn off the media forever," said Patty Melanson, 40, of Pawtucket, R.I.

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SHS SWEETHEARTS — Snyder High School recognized its sweethearts last week. From left, Callie Bane, boys' track sweetheart; Juan Arizmendi, girls' track sweetheart; Felsha Biggers and Nick Barboza, both Spanish Club sweethearts; Vanessa Jones and Nickolas Means, both forensics sweethearts; Toby Zalman, FHA sweetheart, and escort, Kristin Kuhl; Brittney Canada, football sweetheart; and escort, Jeff Knowles. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Agriculture Dept. okays zapping meat for bacteria

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Irradiated red meat moved closer to the nation's supermarkets Friday when the U.S. Department of Agriculture approved the controversial process for zapping potentially deadly bacteria.

"We need to do all we can to give consumers confidence we have the safest food supply in the world, which it is," Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman said at a meeting in Charlotte of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

The proposed USDA rule would permit — but not require — irradiation for refrigerated or frozen uncooked meat, and some meat products.

The industry welcomed the announcement, saying it will make meat safer.

Anti-nuclear groups oppose the procedure and some health advocates fear it might lead to a relaxation of other safety practices such as plant sanitation. Irradiation also remains a hot issue in America's kitchens.

"I'll let someone else try it first before I buy it," said Annie Miller as she loaded groceries into her car outside a supermarket in Charlotte.

During irradiation, low-level doses of gamma rays or electron beam irradiation are administered to kill bacteria.

Irradiation is the only known method to eliminate a potentially deadly strain of E. coli in raw meat. The technology can also significantly reduce levels of listeria, salmonella and campylobacter bacteria.

Recently, contamination at a meat processing plant in Michigan was linked to 11 deaths, and listeria was the suspected culprit.

The USDA rule on irradiation will be published in the Federal Register within 10 days, with a 60-day period after that for public comment.

Charles P. Schroeder, head of the Cattlemen's Beef Association, said: "It is not often that industry eagerly awaits new government regulations and guidelines, but the use of this technology in the beef industry will benefit both beef producers and consumers" by producing safer beef.

Brian Sansoni, a spokesman for the Grocery Manufacturers of America, added: "In the simplest of terms, food irradiation will save lives."

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MORE SWEETHEARTS — Snyder High School sweethearts include from left, Allison Bowden and Josh Burney, both choir sweethearts; Patrick Ely, girls' basketball sweetheart, and escort Alicia Peoples; Ana Hanan and Andy Parker, both drama sweethearts; Sam Bedell, cheerleaders' sweetheart, and escort, K.K. McClain; Keisha Gafford and Landon Day, both golf sweethearts. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Comeback Kid survives again

WASHINGTON (AP) — The last dog is still alive.

In the bleakest days of his 1992 campaign, with his political career threatened by scandal, Bill Clinton vowed to fight "'til the last dog dies." He survived New Hampshire, dubbed himself the "Comeback Kid," and continued down a career-long path of ruin and renewal.

Whitewater. Gennifer Flowers. The draft. "I didn't inhale." Gays in the military. The "Gates" — Nanny-, File-, and Travel-.

And Monica Lewinsky.

Nine lives? "Bill Clinton has 13,000 lives," said consultant Dick Morris, who has worked for Clinton, on and off, since 1977. "And so far he's had 12,999 deaths."

With the Senate's vote Friday to acquit him on impeachment charges, he lives again.

The pattern dates to his early days in politics, when the voters threw him out of the Arkansas governor's office in 1980. For each crisis, Clinton had only himself to blame — though he often blamed others. And into each crisis, he relied on the same survival skills: moxie, arrogance, luck and a stubborn resolve inherited from his mother, a woman who didn't how to quit.

"He had a lot of ups and downs as a kid and the pattern continues," said Arkansas political consultant Bill Paschall, a longtime friend. "It's nothing for him to get up and have to face a rough day. It goes back to his childhood" when he had an abusive stepfather.

His mother, the late Virginia Kelley, was pregnant with Clinton when his father died in an automobile accident. She left him with her parents and went away to college. "A bad break, you plow ahead. Sound familiar?" said an old family friend, Skip Rutherford.

It does. Indeed, there is a familiar ring to many of Clinton's comebacks.

His 1982 re-election campaign was built around a television ad that expressed regret for the mistakes of his first term. Morris insisted that Clinton use the word "apology." Clinton refused at the last minute, saying he was sorry without actually using the word.

Nearly two decades later, Clinton found it equally difficult to apologize directly for lying about his relationship with Monica Lewinsky. But, once again, voters got his point.

His first big role on the national stage, an address to the 1988 Democratic convention, was a boring bust. Hollywood pals Harry and Linda Thomason pulled strings to get him on the "Tonight Show," where he played the saxophone and poked fun at himself. The appearance repaired his image nationally.

A decade later, Harry Thomason stage-managed Clinton's finger-waving denial of the Lewinsky affair — as well as his dramatic admission hours after he testified before the Starr grand jury that the denial was a lie.

Gennifer Flowers' tabloid story of an affair with Clinton threatened his 1992 campaign in New Hampshire until Hillary Rodham Clinton sat by his side for a "60 Minutes" appearance that turned the tide. She was on TV again in the first days of the Lewinsky scandal, blaming it on "a vast right-wing conspiracy."

Clinton backers spread negative information about Flowers, just as they would about Ms. Lewinsky.

Astro-graph By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, Feb. 14, 1999

Your drive in the year ahead is likely to be channeled in a positive direction of being bolder and more enterprising in developments that could increase your income or holdings. The results should be to your liking.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you're not careful today, you might have trouble distinguishing between being effectively assertive or just plain aggressive and pushy. Don't cross over that line. Aquarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) There is nothing to gain and everything to lose by getting in the middle of someone else's mess today. Don't get involved testy situations that do not directly concern you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Watch out for trivial disagreements to be blown out of proportion today if you and someone you encounter are both strong-willed and inflexible. Try to be cooperative and open-minded.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Guard your behavior today, especially about unconsciously being undiplomatic with a person whose cooperation is essential to you. You wouldn't want to alienate this individual.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Should you need something repaired or serviced, be careful to whom you entrust your belongings today. Make certain that the establishment or person you hire to do the work is reliable.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your sign can indulge from time to time in possessiveness with those you're emotionally involved, and today might be that day. The more control you exert, the more likely she or he will rebel.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Don't allow outsiders to be brought into the picture today. They may pour gasoline on the fire should a disagreement develop between you and your mate. Be coolheaded and resolve things yourself!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Haste could cause serious errors or complications today, so take care not to get unduly rushed when handling problems. This is especially true with intricate or detailed situations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) By attempting to juggle accounts and robbing Peter to pay Paul, you could create more havoc in your financial affairs than what already exists. Try to live within your means.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Imitators are apt to follow the example you set today. If you're loving, they will be, too! If you're cranky, impatient or short-tempered, they'll become clones of this sort of behavior.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) It would be wise to smolder in silence rather than respond in kind when dealing with a difficult person today. Keep your anger in check no matter how hard it is to do so.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Rather than jeopardize a good relationship over a disagreement that could arise over something material today, it might be wiser to suffer the loss of money than a true friend.

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Your Birthday

Monday, Feb. 15, 1999

In the year ahead, friendships may turn out to be extremely lucky for you as one or more of your pals help you attain several goals. In turn, you will have to do all you can for others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Luck will fill in all the bare spots if you operate to the best of your ability today. A new cycle is beginning where your hopes and expectations have great chances of being realized. Major changes are ahead for Aquarius in the coming year. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A delightful surprise could be in store for you soon, with events turning behind the scenes. Even though it might not be immediately evident, a clue may surface today.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Except in matters that pertain to your finances and business, friends might play a prominent role in your affairs today. Their input will be positive and constructive.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Don't let negative thinking restrict your possibilities today. You're actually in a good achievement cycle, but you must believe it if you're going to make things happen.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Use to your advantage today the knowledge you've gained through personal experience, especially in competitive situations. It will give you the edge you're looking for.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Information that has something to do with financial benefits could come your way today through either a direct or indirect channel. If the source is reliable, explore it further.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you make certain that things are equally good for the other guy as they are for you, any agreements you negotiate today could have far-reaching and promising potential.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Things could be brewing today where your work or career is concerned. Some interesting developments could help you fulfill an ambitious objective. Keep your eyes open!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) A situation that is personally important to you can be reorganized today in ways that will enable you to derive the rewards or benefits to which you're entitled.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Get any projects you've been working on out of the way today so that you can set into motion something new that crosses your mind. The results could exceed your expectations.

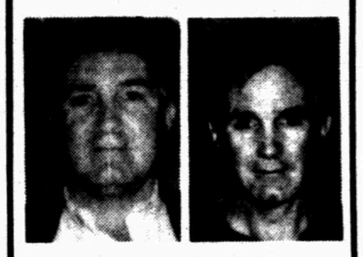
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Even though an idea or concept you get today may be grandiose in nature, do not discount it. You're now in a cycle where big things can happen for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Provided you don't let extravagant whims take root today, your financial trends could start to move in an upward swing. Profitable results are likely.

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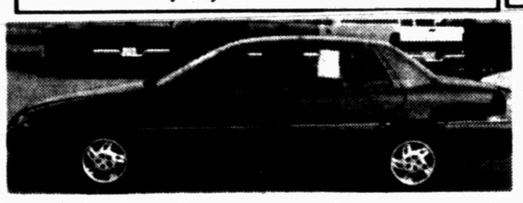


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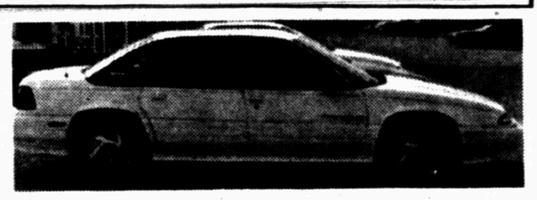
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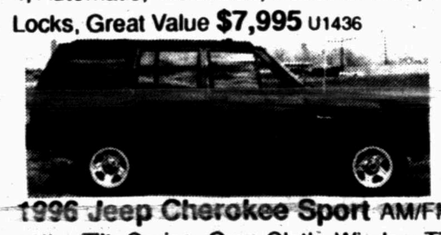
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JULY 1998

Sylvia Rodriguez has worked at the Purple Sage Motel on and off for seven years. She not only does her assigned work, but notices and fixes other things she comes across in her daily work. She has lived in Snyder for 28 years, and is a 1975 graduate of SHS. She and her husband have two daughters: Veronica 22, and Crystal 12.

Sylvia says her favorite hobbies are reading, sewing and gardening.

AUGUST 1998

Rosalinda Pedron has worked at the Purple Sage Motel for one year. She is a cheerful worker with a sense of fun. Rosalinda grew up in Mexico and has lived in Snyder for nine years. She and her husband have three children: Cristian, 3 years old; Gerardo, 7 years old; and Imelda, 8 years old.

When she is not working or busy with her family, Rosalinda likes to read and play on their computer.

SEPTEMBER 1998

Maribel Gutierrez has worked at the Purple Sage Motel for eight years, and has handled several positions during that time. She has lived in Snyder for 19 years. She and her husband have five children, and one grand-daughter. Three of the children attend Snyder High School and include: Cindy who is a senior, Christina who is a sophomore, and Ashley who is a freshman. A son Andres, is a junior high student, and a daughter Naomi, who is married. Maribel says she enjoys listening to Christian music on KGNZ.

OCTOBER 1998

Linda Carrisalez has worked at the Purple Sage Motel on and off for seven months. She has distinguished herself as someone who works hard at any job she is given. Linda and her husband have two girls, Lesalie 13 and Bianca 10.

She enjoys reading and playing softball.

NOVEMBER 1998

Sally White has been a faithful week-end emplyee for three years. Sally likes meeting new people at the motel. She goes out of her way to meet guest needs. She also holds down a full time job in the Snyder Public Schools.

Sally enjoys listening to classical and spiritual music, sailing, dancing, visiting museums, and attending concerts. She collects Impressionistic Calendars, spiritual books, and paintings.

DECEMBER 1998

Emily Bennett has lived in Ira for the last six years and formerly lived in Snyder for 17 years. She has a daughter and a son and two step-daughters, as well as six grandsons.

Emily returned to work at the Purple Sage Motel this last October after a number of years away from the business. The last time she worked at the motel she was also saluted for being a hardworking and dependable employee.

Emily enjoys traveling, horse-back riding and going out.

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Bidders have qualms about O.J. auction

WEST HOLLYWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Potential bidders expressed qualms about buying O.J. Simpson's seized possessions as they viewed the collection in advance of Tuesday night's auction.

"I find the whole thing a little bit sad, to take away the Heisman Trophy," said Gary Nickerson of Los Angeles, who came to view another auction lot but stopped by the Simpson display on Friday. "If I were a friend of his I'd buy it back for him."

Simpson's 1968 trophy, the most prestigious award in college football, is the most valuable item to be auctioned. The catalog noted, as did viewers, that the word "athletic" is misspelled as "atletic" on the trophy's plaque.

Auction officials, who will be taking bids on site and via the Internet, were unwilling to predict a price on the trophy.

"It's the only Heisman ever to be offered at auction," said Michael Schwartz, director of entertainment memorabilia for the Butterfield and Butterfield auction house.

The trophy and other possessions were seized from Simpson's home at the behest of lawyers representing the families of his slain ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.



1999 SHS SWEETHEARTS — Sweethearts at Snyder High School include Angela Sanchez and Brett Gibson, both tennis sweethearts; Whitney Owen, industrial technology sweetheart, and escort, Josh Hall; Kate Maguire and Justin Guy, both Tiger's Lair sweethearts; Ashley Herrera, baseball sweetheart, and escort Johnny Pena; Matt Rodgers, volleyball sweetheart, and escort Dana Durst. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

'Dates From Hell' — and a few matches made in heaven

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Norma at first figured it was just a sign of affection when her date kept nuzzling her cheek as they danced.

Then she realized his more practical motive: He was leaning close to spit tobacco juice into a Styrofoam cup he held in the hand he'd draped over her shoulder. Some of the brown spittle had dripped onto her white silk blouse.

That's one of 55 stories found in "Dates From Hell (And a Few M ments Made in Heaven)," a 179-page, $7.95 paperback book that might be the perfect Valentine's Day gift to make sure your significant other appreciates that all those awful evenings are a thing of the past.

And those without romantic plans for Sunday can take comfort they are not alone on the front lines of dating, said Mike Harris, co-author of the book along with Victoria Jackson.

People of all ages sent their dating disaster tales to the authors' Web site, reachable at www.datesfromhell.com. So plentiful are the tales of angst that the authors are gathering anecdotes for a sequel.

"Victoria and I expected them to be in their teens or 20s. We had not really thought about the fact that many people are divorced or widowed. It doesn't get any better or easier the second time around," said Harris, a cartoonist, illustrator and writer in nearby Franklin, Tenn.

He told of Rosie, a divorced Oregon woman in her 50s who met a man through an Internet chat room and agreed to see him at a coffee bar. He claimed he was a trim 6 feet 2 inches tall and weighed 180 pounds, a non-drinker and non-smoker with wavy brown hair.

When a man spoke to her at the coffee bar "every fiber of her body was screaming 'don't let this be him,'" Harris said. The man was several inches shorter, 70 or 80 pounds heavier and if he ever had brown wavy hair, it was gone. He also smelled of booze and cigarette smoke.

While she tried to formulate a polite excuse to depart, he invited her to move in with him because: "I just hate being on my own since they released me from the institution."

The book was published by Cumberland House Publishing last fall.

Federal court: Some fees for disabled OK

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — A federal appeals court ruled Friday that states can charge disabled people for some things such as handicapped license plates and parking placards.

The 2-1 ruling by the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said a regulation regarding fees contained in the Americans with Disabilities Act is unconstitutional. The decision applies only in the appeals court jurisdiction — Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina and West Virginia.

Other federal courts have ruled that states can't charge for the license plates and placards.

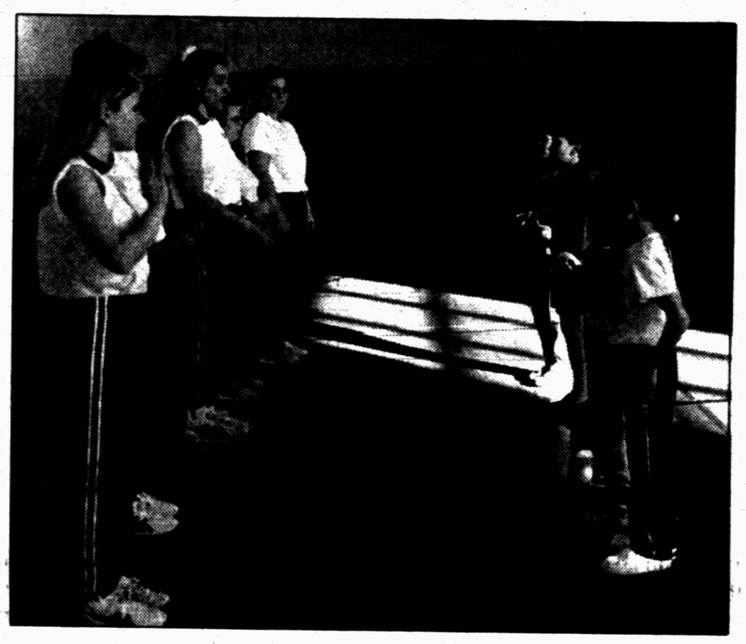
The latest ruling stems from a case in North Carolina. Five disabled residents sued the state, saying the Department of Motor Vehicles broke the law by charging $5 for handicapped parking signs.

The residents argued that the ADA prohibits states from charging for programs that give the disabled equal access.

A federal judge dismissed the case. The 4th Circuit upheld the district judge's decision.

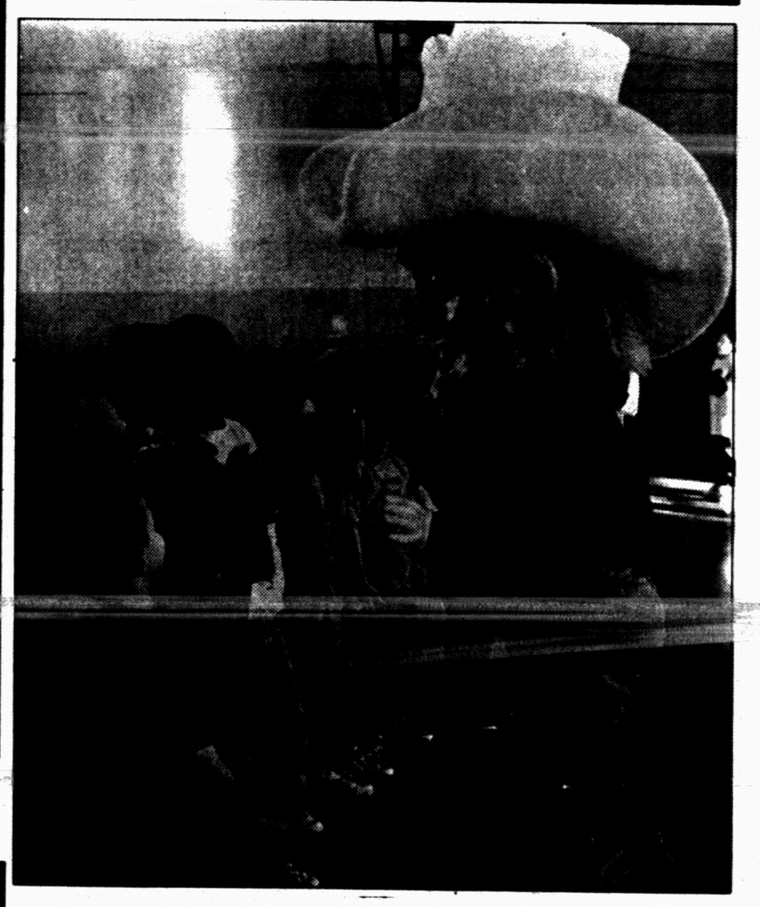
The ruling does not affect the rest of the ADA, a broad federal law designed to protect disabled people from discrimination.

Justice Department spokeswoman Gina Talamona said department lawyers were reviewing the decision and had no comment.





ALSO SWEETHEARTS — Lawrence Arellano and Lisa Moore are the Snyder High School Tiger's Tale sweethearts. (Contributed Photo)



CHEERLEADERS VISIT — Western Texas College cheerleaders and the mascot recently visited Central's after school program. The cheerleaders showed the girls how to perform stunts while alternate mascot Sherry Faulkenberry worked with the boys. Cheerleaders include Amy Lester, Mary Higby, Jessica Hernandez, Elizabeth Covey, Amanda Well. (Staff Photos By Shirley A. Gorman)

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STILL MORE SWEETHEARTS — Also named sweethearts at Snyder High School are Marcie Irvine, FFA sweetheart, and Brandon Williamson, escort; Freddy Kirschner, foreign exchange student, and escort Calli Pierce; Elodie Chapaux, foreign exchange student, Bradley Grimmett, escort; Mayu Shinbatu, foreign exchange student, Philip Broadwater, escort; Lina Alvarez, cross country sweetheart, and escort, Tim Ervin. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Private bidder gets AF work

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The Pentagon announced Friday that $10 billion in aircraft engine repair work at Kelly Air Force Base will be awarded to aerospace giant Lockheed Martin and a military base in Oklahoma.

About half the work, or approximately 1,200 to 1,500 jobs, will remain at Kelly as Lockheed Martin establishes operations at base facilities that are being privatized.

The Greater Kelly Development Corp., the city-sanctioned group overseeing privatization of the base, reacted with enthusiasm after the Pentagon's announcement even though some local jobs will be lost.

"A lot of people forget that this is a closing military base, and we could just lose everything," said GKDC spokeswoman Teresa Nino. "We're excited that we're able to retain some of the jobs here in San Antonio."

Pratt & Whitney, the other bidder, had indicated it would keep all the engine work at Kelly but reduce from 3,000 to 2,000 the number of employees doing the jobs.

12-year-old serving in-school suspension for failing to shave

MIDLAND (AP) — As Principal Scott Skidmore understands school district policy, all students must be clean-shaven, even if the student is just 12 years old and even if his mustache looks more like peach fuzz to some observers.

Skidmore, head of the James Brooks Middle School, ordered Stanley Diaz Jr. to shave or face indefinite suspension.

Stanley Diaz Sr. says the punishment is ridiculous.

"That's my decision, that's not the school's decision," the elder Diaz said. "Why they're picking this age and this grade to do this is beyond my understanding. I'm not going to back down because they're in the wrong."

Stanley has been serving in-school suspension, isolated from other students, while his father mulls legal action.

"What else can I do?" the father said. "I'm going to hold someone responsible for his suffering."

The dispute started Feb. 1, when Skidmore pulled Stanley and five other students out of class and told them about the facial-hair policy. The other students decided to shave.

"I'm required in my position to follow district policy," Skidmore said. "I'm just following district policy that all students be clean-shaven."

Stanley's father said the underlying problem might be cultural.

"The tradition of Hispanics is that 15 is the age of maturity," Diaz said. "Shaving is a very big responsibility. You're going to have to do it the rest of your life."

Joe Armesto, a member of Permian Basin League of United Latin American Citizens, said the group also plans to challenge the facial-hair policy as vague.

"I've seen Stanley Diaz Jr. myself. It's my opinion he has peach fuzz at best," Armesto said. "It's hard for me to believe that (the district) has such good schools and cannot work with parents to amend this policy to a certain age, say 16 or older."

East Texas police chief finds himself on other side of law

JEFFERSON (AP) — This quaint tourist town of 2,200 has been shaken by the resignation and indictment of its police chief on charges he skirted the law to get a car for his wife.

Chief Harry Williams submitted his resignation Thursday and, under a deal worked out between his lawyer and the Marion County district attorney, was indicted Friday on a felony charge of making a false affidavit while applying for a vehicle title.

Williams, who had been chief for six years, left his office Thursday with a coat over his head to avoid having his photograph taken.

"I am tired of fighting," Williams said, explaining his decision to quit.

Sgt. Frank Williams, the assistant chief and no relation, was named interim chief.

The former chief allegedly filed false paperwork to indicate that abandoned cars had been sold at auction, but that he instead gave one of the cars to his wife.

"There was a vehicle that was worth several thousand dollars that he allegedly paid $150 (for). She took that vehicle, and that is improper," District Attorney James Finstrom told Tyler television station KETK.

Finstrom said Williams is expected to plead guilty on Feb. 22. He could face two to 10 years in prison and a $10,000 fine.

Williams attorney, James Wedding of Marshall, could not be reached for comment Friday. His office said he was unavailable.

Under state law, abandoned vehicles are sold to the highest bidder at an advertised public auction. Part of the money from abandoned vehicles picked up by tow-truck operators in Jefferson goes back to the city.

According to Finstrom, Williams filled out paperwork indicating the car he gave to his wife went through the auction process, but that no sales have been held in the last two years.

Under an agreement with Williams' attorney, the case will be heard Feb. 22 by 115th District Judge Lauren Parish, Finstrom said. KETK reported that the chief may receive probation.

Concert dates set

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Start them up: The Rolling Stones will make up two San Jose concerts that were postponed by Mick Jagger's bout with the flu last month.

The new San Jose dates on the rockers' "No Security" tour are April 19-20, with tickets originally issued for a Jan. 29 concert to be honored April 19, and tickets for a Jan. 30 concert to be accepted April 20.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Foods interact with anesthesia

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: After recent surgery, I had a devil of a time coming out of anesthesia. The anesthesiologist concluded that the reason may have had to do with my diet. Is such a thing possible?

DEAR READER: As strange as it sounds, certain foods can exert a major influence on patients under anesthesia, according to research conducted at the University of Chicago Medical Center and reported at the October meeting of the American Society of Anesthesiologists. Here's the reason:

Many foods contain minute amounts of naturally occurring insecticides, called solanaceous glycoalkaloids, which inhibit the metabolism of many anesthetics and muscle relaxants. SGAs are found primarily in tomatoes, eggplants and — most notably — potatoes. The researchers discovered that the consumption of moderate amounts of potatoes days before surgery could result in SGA blood levels high enough to prolong the effects of anesthesia. Therefore, your anesthesiologist was correct. To be on the safe side, patients anticipating surgery should restrict their consumption of SGA-containing foods for several days before receiving anesthesia.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: My pre-teen son is physically mature for his age. However, his penis is smaller than I think it should be. What can be done to enlarge his penis and what kind of doctor should he see?

DEAR READER: Pre-adolescent boys may maintain small penile size until the effects of male hormone reach their peak later in adolescence. I suggest that you ask your son's pediatrician if the boy is following a growth pattern that is normal for his age.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I want to start a family, but I am concerned about the effects of stress on the unborn baby. I suffer from agoraphobia, which causes me great consternation.

DEAR READER: A physically sound, well-nourished pregnant woman is able to withstand a phenomenal amount of stress without risking her unborn baby's health. Agoraphobia (a fear of crowded or restricting environments) is not genetically transmitted. Therefore, from the limited information you have provided, I believe that you need not worry about pregnancy. But have you considered counseling to relieve your own anxiety? Perhaps this should be your first step. Once you are pregnant, put yourself under the care of a good obstetrician, relax and relish this very special experience.

DEAR DR. GOTT: This question is not a hoax: Can a person die of a broken heart?

DEAR READER: I take this deceptively simple question seriously. I suppose the answer depends on how you define a broken heart.

Many medical studies have proven that grief affects health. In one report, from a teaching hospital in New York City, recent widows and widowers had a higher death rate than age-matched, non-grieving persons. The profound grief-reaction appeared to affect some of the victims' immune systems and they developed cancer. Others died of heart attacks. Some just gave up. Therefore, in the broadest sense, I think that some deaths might be attributed to broken hearts.

Furthermore, doctors often have the impression (as yet unproved) that depression does adversely affect physical health. Several studies have demonstrated that depressed people of any age are more likely to get sick. The will to live and keep going despite adversity appears to play an important role in combating disease. Whether this phenomenon is due to chemical/hormonal imbalances is hotly debated in medical circles. Is such a reaction due to a broken heart? I don't know.

Finally, scientists have long recognized a peculiar form of behavior seen primarily in developing countries, especially in Africa. If a medicine man or witch doctor casts a spell on a particular person, the person may die within a few weeks. He or she stops eating and appears to relinquish all control over life, unless the curse can be neutralized or withdrawn. Technology seems incapable of reversing the process. The death curse produces death, and we don't know why.

I doubt that a majority of reputable scientists would admit that a person can die from a broken heart. Nonetheless, the mind is powerful, and we are just beginning to fathom the intriguing interactions between body and spirit. Until the syndrome of a broken heart is studied extensively and answers are discovered, I prefer to keep an open mind.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Do zinc supplements help ward off respiratory infections?

DEAR READER: In adults, probably not. In children, possibly so. In an article in the journal Pediatrics (July 1998), researchers studied the effects of zinc supplements in over 600 infants and pre-school children. The treated group showed an 11-percent reduction in respiratory infections, possibly because the mineral improved the children's immunity. More research is needed, however, before zinc supplements are routinely encouraged.

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OTHER SWEETHEARTS — Other Snyder High School sweethearts include Tyler Warren, softball sweetheart, and escort, Amy Ricks; Christy Wright, visual arts sweetheart, and escort Juan Olvera; Crystal Rascon, band sweetheart, and escort Layne Scott; Veronica Carrisalez and Kade Kubena, both photojournalism sweethearts; Tabitha Gilbreth, DECA sweetheart, and escort Kaleb Herrley. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



ALSO SWEETHEARTS — Other Snyder High School sweethearts include from left, Jessica Dea, Devin Williams, both French Club sweethearts; Jodi Dennis, boys' basketball sweetheart, and escort Brock Durham; Veronica Williams, rodeo team sweetheart, and escort Bradley Bynum. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Passengers watch TV coverage

GRAPEVINE (AP) — At the American Airlines terminal at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport, the hottest spots Friday were in front of television monitors.

It was a convergence of the day's two biggest news stories: Travelers stranded by the continuing American labor strife kept one eye on coverage of President Clinton's impeachment trial and the other on departure lists to see if their flights had been canceled.

Airport monitors were sprinkled with cancellations — flights to Tokyo, Seattle, Miami, Boston. About a fourth of departing flights were marked "canceled" in red letters.

Joseph Rood arrived three hours early for an 11:45 a.m. flight to his hometown in Southern California. He was among the lucky ones whose flights left on time. Many others weren't able to get away for planned trips on the long President's Day weekend.

The Clinton coverage offered a distraction for some frustrated voyagers.

Federal jury decides against Foot Locker

AUSTIN (AP) — A federal jury has awarded $341,000 to a former Foot Locker shoe store manager who said the company discriminated against its black employees.

Lloyd Brown sued Foot Locker, claiming the company labeled its stores "regular" or "ethnic" depending on the location and makeup of customers. Black managers were only allowed to work in "ethnic" stores, he said.

"It wasn't blatant racism. It was subtle," said Brown's attorney David Brenner. "It took years for managers to find out they were being treated differently, that managers like Brown weren't being promoted on the same track and didn't have the same opportunities as other managers."

Brown, who was working at a Fort Worth store, said he was turned down for a management position at an Austin store.

Foot Locker attorneys said Brown didn't get the job because of poor work performance, not because of his race.

The jury disagreed. After five hours of deliberations Thursday, they awarded Brown $91,000 in actual damages and $250,000 in punitive damages.

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SHS CLASS FAVORITES — Snyder High School Class favorites include from left, Ashley Owen and Stephen Ortegon, freshmen; Brooke Williams and Jamaal Wofford, sophomores; Janette Allen and Sonny Cumbie, juniors; Ashley Grimmett and Sam Bedell, seniors. Ashley Grimmett is also the powerlifting sweetheart. Sam Bedell is also the cheerleaders' sweetheart. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Most of oil has burned away

COOS BAY, Ore. (AP) — With the bulk of its fuel burned in a boldly conceived fire, the grounded tanker New Carissa lies broken in half and smoking in the surf as cleanup crews labor to shovel up what oil washed onto the beach.

By late Friday, only three patches of beach within a three-mile stretch were reported heavily oiled, and the sandy strand closest to the ship had only light streaks of black left behind by the receding tide.

"We did the right thing," said Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer Gene Maestas. "By burning the oil we prevented it from spilling into the ocean."

Coast Guard Capt. Mike Hall added, "Every gallon that is burned means one less gallon in the environment and the coastal habitat."

The 639-foot ship, a Japanese-owned freighter, ran aground in the surf Feb. 4 a mile north of the entrance to Coos Bay with nearly 400,000 gallons of diesel and tarlike bunker oil on board. It began leaking Monday as the pounding waves widened cracks in its hull, sending streaks of goo over six miles of beach.

Woman who lost legs gets $4 million

WASHINGTON (AP) — Claudia Archer had a benign tumor on her neck. She had surgery to remove it, and ended up losing both her legs.

A domino effect of mistakes and medical consequences at military hospitals also left the Army specialist's wife breathing and eating through tubes, she claimed in a malpractice lawsuit. The government settled the suit in federal court Friday for $4 million, buf did not admit fault.

"The government does not pay $4 million if there was no fault," said Gilbert Spencer, one of Mrs. Archer's lawyers.

A spokeswoman for Walter Reed Army Medical Center, where Mrs. Archer's legs were amputated below the knee in 1996, did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

Mrs. Archer, 52, first had a benign growth removed from the left side of her neck at an Army hospital at Fort Campbell, Ky., where her husband was stationed. Doctors there failed to remove all the tumor and it regrew, causing a variety of problems that eventually sent her to Walter Reed in Washington for specialty treatment, her suit claimed.

Doctors at the Washington hospital, the Army's premier medical center, got the tumor. But operating room errors, infection, and other problems ensued, she claimed.

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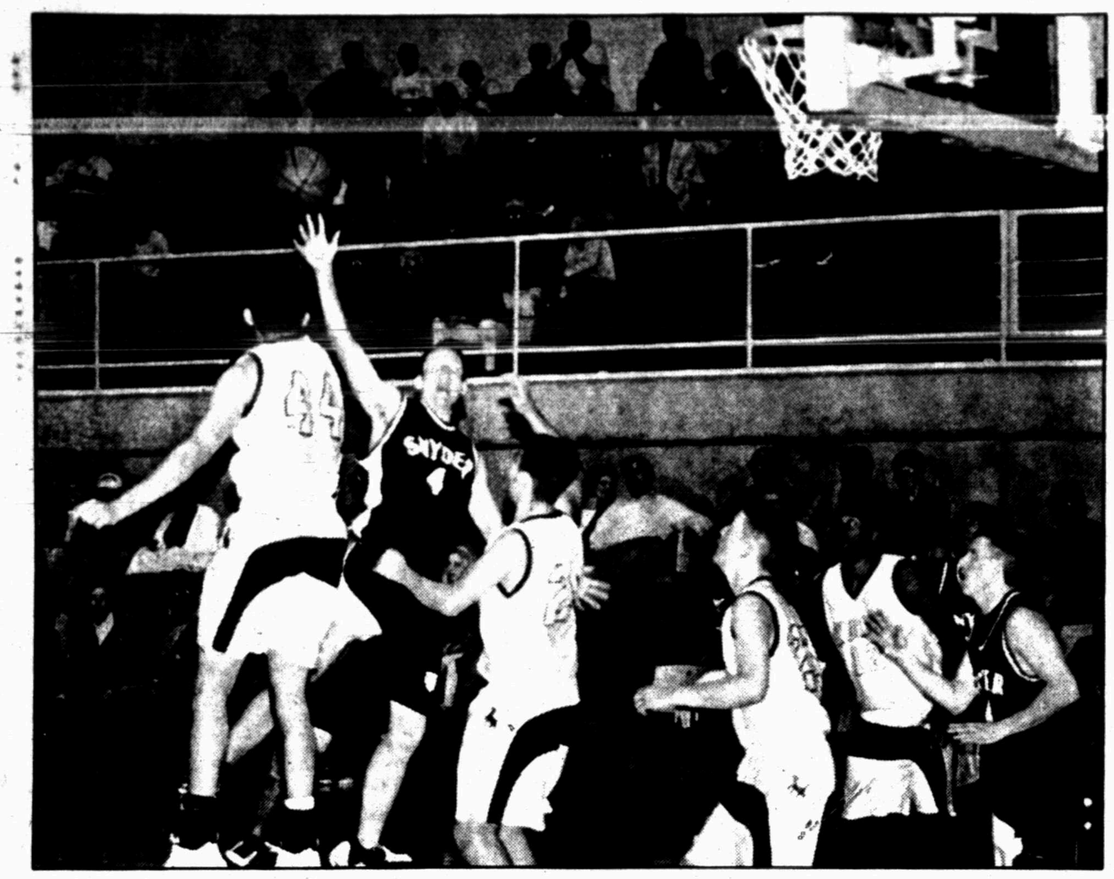
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HOOK SHOT — Snyder junior Sonny Cumbie (4) shoots over Andrews' John Kimberlin (44) during the Tigers' 62-43 victory Friday night. Snyder can wrap up at least a share of the district title with a win Tuesday over Big Spring. (SDN Staff Photo)

Tigers close in on 5-4A title with 62-43 win over 'Stangs

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

ANDREWS — Entering district play back in January, the Snyder Tigers were devising plans on how to secure one of the three available playoff spots.

Now, just four weeks later, the Tigers are only one win away from their first district championship in 18 years.

Thanks to Friday night's 62-43 win over Andrews, Snyder can assure itself of at least a share of the 5-4A crown with a win Tuesday against Big Spring.

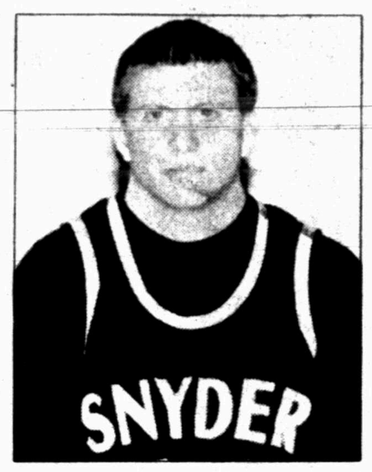
The Tigers are knotted atop the league standings with Lake View at 8-1. Should both teams finish the regular season in a dead heat, they would split the title. An extra game would be held to determine the postseason's top seed.

"It's a big ballgame coming up," Snyder coach Bud Birks said. "It's big for us and for Big Spring. They'll come out to play. We have to be ready and get after them for all four quarters."

The Steers will also have something to play for. With a win, Big Spring still has shot at the final playoff berth.

Against Andrews on Friday, the Tigers started hot and stayed that way to extend their winning streak to six games.

After grabbing a 12-8 first-quarter lead behind seven points from Cory Mandrell, Snyder blew the game open in the second period.



Justin McNair

Senior sharp-shooter Justin McNair nailed two of his four three-pointers in a 60-second span to spur a 17-4 Tiger run.

Mandrell added five more points in the second period to put Snyder up, 33-21, at the midway mark.

The Tigers' only scare of the second quarter came when senior leader Tyler Warren went down with a knee injury. While Warren remained sidelined for the final 20 minutes, preliminary examinations showed no ligament damage. The senior guard is listed as probable for Tuesday's contest.

The Mustangs picked up the pace in the second half, trading baskets with Snyder through the third period.

But the Tigers got back on track in the final eight minutes as McNair powered another Snyder run.

McNair, who finished with 14 points, drained a pair of long-range buckets to help preserve the 62-43 victory.

Snyder connected on 47 percent of its attempts from behind the arc, while shooting 53 percent overall.

"We shot the ball extremely well again," said Birks. "Justin had a good game. He played a strong game on defense and shot the ball well. Good defense and good shooting are what it takes to win ballgames."

McNair and Mandrell paced the Tigers with 14 points.

In other action around the district, Lake View was a 76-62 winner over Ft. Stockton, while Big Spring toppled Sweetwater, 61-51.

Snyder	12	21	12	17	— 62
Andrews	8	13	12	10	— 43

Snyder
McNair 5 0-0 14, Mandrell 6 0-0 14, Hester 3 1-1 7, Cumbie 2 2-2 6, Cobb 3 2-3 8, Durham 3 1-1 7, McAnaw 2 0-0 6. **Totals 24 6-7 62.**
Andrews
Lopez 7 0-0 14, Fields 3 1-2 7, Tharp 3 0-3 6, Kimberlin 2 1-1 5, Fisher 1 0-0 2, McCain 4 0-0 8, Humphries 0 1-2 1. **Totals 20 3-8 43.**
Three-point goals: Snyder 8 (McNair 4, Mandrell 2, McAnaw 2). Rebounds: Snyder 25 (Cumbie 8), Andrews 24 (Tharp 7, Kimberlin 7). Total fouls: Snyder 14, Andrews 13. Fouled out — none.

5-4A Boys

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Snyder	8	1	17	12
Lake View	8	1	24	8
Andrews	5	4	10	21
Big Spring	4	5	10	18
Ft. Stockton	2	7	14	14
Sweetwater	0	9	7	21

Friday's results: Snyder 62, Andrews 43; Big Spring 61, Sweetwater 51; Lake View 76, Ft. Stockton 62.
Tuesday's games: Big Spring at Snyder; Andrews at Lake View; Ft. Stockton at Sweetwater.

Spurs slip past Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Allen Iverson could hardly make a layup in the Philadelphia 76ers' first three games, all victories. When he finally found his shooting touch, the team lost its first game.

Iverson, shooting 27 percent from the field, scored 46 points Friday night, but the Sixers lost 98-94 to the San Antonio Spurs, who got a career-high 22 points from Malik Rose.

In the first three games, Iverson contended that he would rather win while playing poorly than lose while playing great. His story was consistent after Friday's loss.

"I would rather have had a one-point performance and win than score 40 points and lose," said Iverson, who was 14-of-26 from the field and 15-for-17 from the free-throw line.

Iverson, averaging 16.7 points in the first three games, scored 25 points in the first half and added 16 more in the fourth quarter as Philadelphia came back from a 15-point deficit to tie the game at 91-all with a 13-3 run that was fueled by Iverson's 11 points.

"We showed a lot of character, and I was proud of our effort," Iverson said. "But we just dug ourselves too big of a hole."

The hole was caused mainly by Rose, who scored nine points in the third quarter while the Spurs outscored the 76ers 27-15. Rose was playing in his hometown in front of a sizable contingent of family and friends.

"Nervous is an understatement. I was very nervous," said Rose, who purchased 64 tickets for the game. "I was kind of dreading this game because I had to spent a lot of money on the tickets, and historically I haven't played well here."

History didn't repeat itself as Rose made 10 of 12 shots and had a team-high nine rebounds, including a key offensive rebound with 10 seconds left after Avery Johnson missed two free throws with the Spurs leading 94-92.

"I'm thrilled for him that he had this kind of game in his hometown," Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said of Rose, a third-year pro who played his college ball in Philadelphia at Drexel University.

After Robinson made a free throw to make it 92-91, Rose blocked a shot by rookie Larry Hughes. Johnson made two foul shots, making it 94-91 before Iverson converted a technical free throw, the result of a San Antonio illegal defense.

Iverson tried to tie the game on the ensuing possession, but his 15-foot jump shot was blocked by Robinson. After the Sixers took possession after a jump ball, Johnson stole it from Iverson and was fouled with 12 seconds left, setting up his two misses and Rose's key rebound with 10 seconds left.

Johnson, Robinson and Tim Duncan scored 15 points apiece, Sean Elliott had 13 and Jaren Jackson 10 for the Spurs, who shot just 28-for-51 at the free-throw line.

Hughes had 12 points and George Lynch 11 for Philadelphia, which was trying for its first 4-0 start since 1984-85.

"We had every opportunity to remain undefeated, but we couldn't do it," Iverson said.

Matt Geiger and Theo Ratliff, two keys to Philadelphia's 3-0 start, combined to shoot just 1-of-12 from the field.

NBA GLANCE

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Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	4	1	.800	-
Philadelphia	3	1	.750	½
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NewYork	2	2	.500	1½
Miami	2	3	.400	2
NewJersey	1	3	.250	2½
Washington	1	3	.250	2½
Central Division				
Milwaukee	3	0	1.000	-
Atlanta	4	1	.800	-
Detroit	3	2	.600	1
Indiana	3	2	.600	1
Cleveland	2	3	.400	2
Chicago	1	3	.250	2½
Toronto	1	3	.250	2½
Charlotte	1	4	.200	3

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	5	0	1.000	-
Houston	4	1	.800	1
Minnesota	3	1	.750	1½
SanAntonio	3	3	.500	2½
Vancouver	1	3	.250	3½
Dallas	1	4	.200	4
Denver	1	4	.200	4
Pacific Division				
Seattle	4	0	1.000	-
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Sacramento	2	2	.500	2
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Friday's Games
San Antonio 98, Philadelphia 94
Denver 100, Dallas 94
Utah 97, Golden State 81
Saturday's Games
L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Denver at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Sunday's Games
San Antonio at Chicago, 2:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Orlando, 3 p.m.
Atlanta at Philadelphia, 3 p.m.
Dallas at Vancouver, 3 p.m.
Indiana at L.A. Lakers, 5:30 p.m.
Portland at Golden State, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at L.A. Clippers, 9 p.m.

Local Sports Schedule

SATURDAY
Baseball: Snyder Tigers at Midland High, scrimmage, JV and varsity at 11 a.m.
Softball: Snyder Lady Tigers at Abilene Cooper, scrimmage at Redbud Park, 2 p.m.
MONDAY
Basketball: Western Texas at Frank Phillips, 5:50 p.m.
Snyder Lady Tigers vs. Stepheville Honeybees, bi-district at Hardin-Simmons, 7 p.m.
Ira Bulldogs vs. Stanton, playoff practice game at Lamesa, 7 p.m.
TUESDAY
Basketball: Snyder Tigers host Big Spring, district finale, 7:30.
Hermleigh Lady Cardinals vs. Robert Lee, bi-district at Westbrook, 6:30.

Bulldogs rout Roby

ROBY — With their bi-district playoff game only 10 days away, the Ira Bulldogs got the boost they were looking for Friday night.

Ira raced to a 22-10 first-quarter lead, then played steady defense to notch a 78-52 win over Jayton in a postseason practice game at Roby.

The Bulldogs, who claimed the District 18 runner-up spot, are slated to square off with Klondike Feb. 23 at 7 p.m. at Big Spring in the first round of the playoffs.

"Going into the game we were wanting to play well and get some momentum going for the playoffs," Ira coach Bubba Edwards said. "We did that tonight. Our younger kids played extremely well and now we want to keep this momentum going."

The Bulldogs were paced by freshman Nathan Smith who poured in 22 points, 11 of them coming in the final period.

After Ira opened up a 12-point first-quarter advantage, Jayton trimmed the margin to 35-25 by halftime.

But the 'Dogs resumed control in the third period.

A Jenson Gainer three-pointer spurred a Bulldog run which gave Ira a 50-34 lead, heading into the final frame.

Along with Smith, three other Bulldogs also posted double digits. Jerek Brown netted 18 points, with Logan Daves dropping in 12. Richard Wilkins registered 11.

Cade Tucker added five points, while Chet Stuart rattled home four. Gainer and Bryce Wilkins accounted for three apiece.

Ira continues its preparation for the playoffs when it takes on Stanton at 7 p.m. Monday at the Lamesa Middle School gym.

Sports Briefs

Moon looking for team

HOUSTON (AP) — Warren Moon, recently released by the Seattle Seahawks, has started working on a new game plan.

Moon said Friday he has been contacted by seven NFL teams and there's a 60-70 per cent chance he'll play next season. If not, he'd like to join Houston businessman Bob McNair in his attempts to bring an NFL team to Houston.

Moon, 42, was released Thursday by coach Mike Holmgren, who decided to go with Jon Kitna, who started the final five games of last season. Holmgren also didn't want to pay Moon $5 million in salary to be a backup.

Payton's disease progressing

CHICAGO (AP) — Walter Payton's liver disease is progressing faster than expected, and private planes have been offered to speed him to the Mayo Clinic when a transplant becomes available.

Susan Ward, a spokeswoman for Payton, said that if the urgency increases he may move up on the waiting list, but "he won't be moved up just because he's Walter Payton."

Wheatley traded to Miami

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) — Tyrone Wheatley was officially traded from the New York Giants to the Miami Dolphins for a seventh-round draft choice. Wheatley, the Giants' first-round pick in 1995, carried just 14 times last year for 52 yards and started only eight games in four seasons at New York.

Wheatley was under contract for $770,000 this year but agreed to a restructured deal for about $375,000 this season — the veteran minimum — with a one-year extension.

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Hermleigh clinches No. 2 seed

HIGHLAND — For two quarters Friday night, the Hermleigh Lady Cardinals' defense took control and directed them to a postseason berth.

Hermleigh held Blackwell to only three points in the second and fourth quarters, powering the Lady Cards to a 46-32 district playoff victory at Highland.

Hermleigh advances to face Robert Lee in a bi-district contest Tuesday at 6:30 at Westbrook.

The Lady Cardinals had finished tied with Blackwell for the runner-up spot in District 19. But Friday night it was the Lady Hornets who dominated early on.

Blackwell raced to a 15-10 first-quarter lead, before Hermleigh stepped up its defense.

The Lady Hornets could muster only three points in the second period, while the Lady Cards poured in 13 to grab a 23-18 halftime advantage.

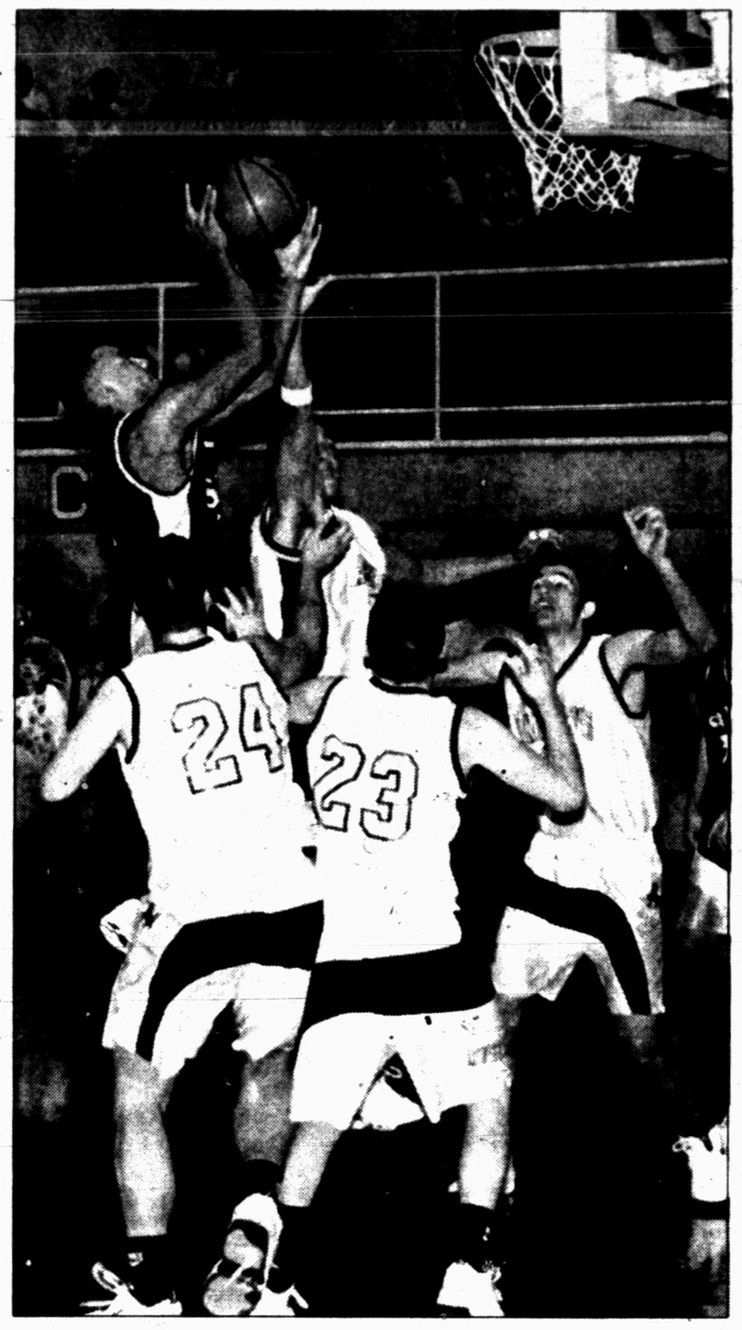
Hermleigh led by six points entering the final eight minutes of play, then once again took over on the defensive end.

The Lady Cards went on a 11-3 run in the fourth quarter to preserve the 46-32 victory..

Jennifer Roemisch paced Hermleigh's offense with 16 points, while Randi Herrington netted 12.

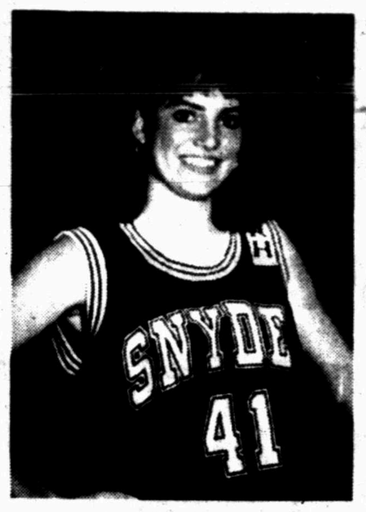
Brandy Wood dropped in nine points, with Cynthia Jackson accounting for five.

Chasity Perales notched two points, while Kendra Dacus and Sheena Callaway chipped in one apiece.

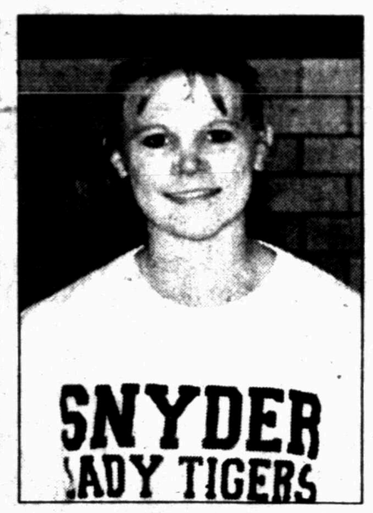


ELEVATION — Snyder's Brady Cobb rises above the defense during district action Friday night at Andrews. The Tigers' 62-43 win kept their hopes alive for a district title. (SDN Staff Photo)

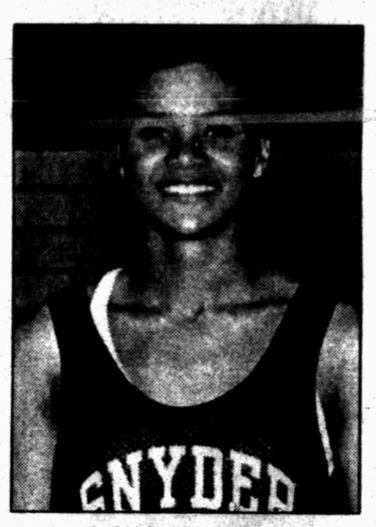
Lady Tigers enter unknown territory against Honeybees



Mandy Hess



Shannon Hall



Alicia Peoples

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

As the Lady Tigers head into their first postseason contest in 19 years, their playoff history — or lack there of — might be their biggest obstacle to overcome.

Snyder, which grabbed District 5-4A's third spot, squares off with Stephenville, the 6-4A runner-up, Monday night at 7 o'clock in a bi-district tilt at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

The Honeybees enter the match-up with a 27-5 mark, while the Lady Tigers embark on the postseason with a 14-15 record.

For Snyder, the first question come Monday night will be how it responds to playoff pressure.

"We don't have any playoff experience," Lady Tiger coach Rick Archer said. "But at the same time, we don't have anything to prove to anybody but ourselves. We know we can win in the postseason if we come out and play like we're capable of playing and not get wrapped up in the moment."

To combat the pressures of the postseason, the Lady Tigers are treating Monday's contest just like any other. Snyder has held the same type of workouts and worked on the same things it has all season.

"We haven't changed anything," said Archer. "We're treating this just like any other ballgame, because it is. You have to play four quarters of eight minutes each and the team that plays the best during those 32 minutes will win the game."

While the playoffs are new to Snyder, big games certainly aren't. The Lady Tigers played a slew of top-ranked teams during the course of its season and Archer is hoping that those experiences will pay off on Monday.

"We played so many ranked teams this year, that our girls are used to playing against stiff competition," the third-year Snyder coach remarked. "That's the reason we scheduled the games we did. So that now it can pay off."

The Lady Tigers have reached this point, despite a rash of injuries. Snyder has been without the service of Callie Bane, Ashley Delce and Mandy Hess for much of the season. Hess returned four games ago to her starting position and will line-up against the Honeybees.

"This season has had such high points and such low points. It's been up-and-down all year," stated Archer. "Our girls have had to overcome a lot just to get here. We've had so many players step up when they needed to, that now we have a number of players we can count on in certain situations."

Against Stephenville, the three players Snyder will count on most will be seniors Shannon Hall, Alicia Peoples and Hess.

The senior trio has been the backbone of the Lady Tigers throughout the 98-99 campaign and will be looked upon for production, as well as leadership on Monday.

"Our three seniors will be the key to our success in the playoffs," said Archer. "They have been great leaders for us this year and we're going to need that in the postseason. I think Alicia could have a big game against Stephenville, and if Shannon and Mandy are hitting from the outside then it will make things even easier for us."

The Honeybees are led by the inside play of Amy Pack. The senior post leads Stephenville in scoring and rebounding and is the main cog in its offensive scheme. Controlling Pack will be key for Snyder.

"We have to keep Pack off the boards," Archer remarked. "We might double-team her and make them hurt us from the outside, but then we can't let her get on offensive rebound and an easy two points."

Both squads favor full-court pressure, with the Lady Tigers likely to stay in a zone, until the Honeybees prove they can hit the outside shot.

The fact that the Lady Tigers are even battling for a berth in the area round of the playoffs is an accomplishment, given the 19-year postseason layoff.

Snyder's success this season is a direct result of the players' competitive spirit, according to Archer.

"We have a bunch of girls that won't give up," the Lady Tiger coach said. "They've stepped up all year long and now they're going to be asked to do it again."

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EAST
Dartmouth 64, Cornell 57
George Washington 94, St. Joseph's 70
Harvard 68, Columbia 63
Loyola, Md. 85, Rider 72
Penn 73, Brown 57
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Santa Clara 89, Loyola Marymount 81

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Fordham 54, Temple 48
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Niagara 71, Manhattan 62
Princeton 62, Yale 40
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Virginia Tech 67, Massachusetts 51

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Santa Clara 88, Loyola Marymount 63
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Free agent bargaining begins around the NFL

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

On the first day of the 1999 free-agent period, another star decided to stay put.

Zach Thomas, Miami's All-Pro middle linebacker, agreed to a $22.5 million, 5-year deal with the Dolphins on Friday, taking another attractive free agent off what is probably the thinnest market since the system started in 1993.

Thomas, who has played three years, was only a restricted free agent, meaning Miami would have had the right to match any offer he got and get compensation in return.

But the Dolphins were taking no chances.

"You're always concerned about giving big bonuses and a big contract to a player," coach Jimmy Johnson said. "But with Zach, you're never going to be concerned about that because you know that every day, he's going to give 100 percent. He'll always make you proud."

The Dolphins also added one player on Friday, obtaining running back Tyrone Wheatley from the New York Giants for a seventh-round draft choice. Wheatley, the Giants' first-round pick in 1995, was in trouble from the start with the two coaches for whom he played — first Dan Reeves and then Jim Fassel — and was active for only five games last season.

The first big name to switch teams was safety Carnell Lake, who left Pittsburgh for division rival Jacksonville. The Jaguars also signed defensive tackle Gary Walker, who played three years with the Oilers.

The signing of Lake ends a 10-year career with the Steelers in which he was a three-time All-Pro selection. Lake will be reunited with Dom Capers, his former defensive coordinator in Pittsburgh who was hired to revamp a Jaguars' defense, which ranked 25th on the league last season.

"Our style has always been to be well-organized and to strike fast," coach Tom Coughlin said. "No doubt we're a better defensive team with these two players."

The New York Jets and punter Tom Tupa agreed to a contract. Tupa spent the last three years with New England, where he played under Jets coach Bill Parcells in 1996.

There was little other action on the first day teams could make offers to free agents. One reason is that some had to make plans because the top players available were taken off the board by their own teams.

Minnesota re-signed safety Robert Griffith, who could have become a free agent and Green Bay did the same with defensive tackle Santana Dotson and linebacker George Koonce.

Wide receivers Antonio Freeman of Green Bay, Arizona's Rob Moore and San Francisco's Terrell Owens were designated franchise players, meaning their teams can match the offers or let them go for two first-round draft choices.

Nuggets nudge Mavericks

DENVER (AP) — Mike D'Antoni wasn't ready to celebrate his first victory as an NBA coach.

"There wasn't any bottle popped," D'Antoni said after the Denver Nuggets defeated Dallas 100-94 for their first victory in five games. "And there won't be one popped until we win 25 games."

D'Antoni replaced Bill Hanzlik after Denver posted an NBA-worst 11-71 record last year.

"I can finally get some sleep," D'Antoni said. "This was a must win for us because this is the only non-playoff team we play in our first 11."

Nick Van Exel made the win possible with 27 points and six assists. Van Exel, who was 3-for-19 from the field in Wednesday's loss to the Lakers, was 10-for-18 against the Mavericks, including 4-for-7 on 3-pointers.

"Throughout my career, I have been known as a streaky shooter. I can't deny that," Van Exel said. "I could go through seven games and be really hot and then come out for another seven games and not make a single bucket."

Antonio McDyess added 23 points as the Nuggets won for the first time in five games this season. McDyess hit his first five shots and finished 9-for-13.

"I made some bad decisions and took some stupid fouls," said McDyess, who fouled out with 1:01 left.

Michael Finley scored 28 points for Dallas, which lost for the second time in as many nights.

"I don't know if we took them lightly," Finley said. "I don't know if we just thought we could turn it on any time, but it just wasn't there."

Steve Nash hit a 3-pointer with 17 seconds left to cut Denver's lead to 95-91, but Chauncey Billups then hit two free throws to seal the victory for the Nuggets.

"We didn't seem to get anything generated," Dallas coach Don Nelson said. "Our first quarter was fine, but in the second quarter we couldn't score at all."

The Nuggets shot 58 percent in the second quarter and outscored the Mavs 31-16 to take a 55-40 lead at the break.

"Maybe we will be more relaxed now that we've gotten this win," McDyess said. "We might not be looked at as such a bad team now because there are plenty of teams with just one win."



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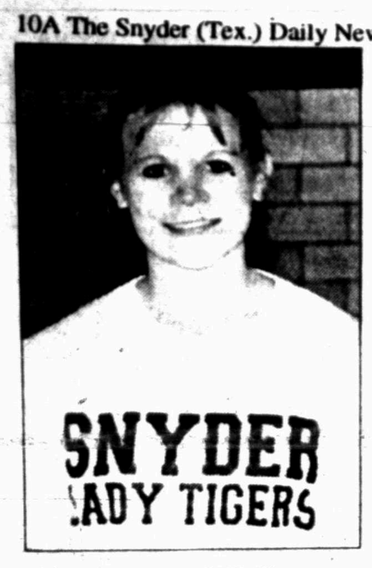
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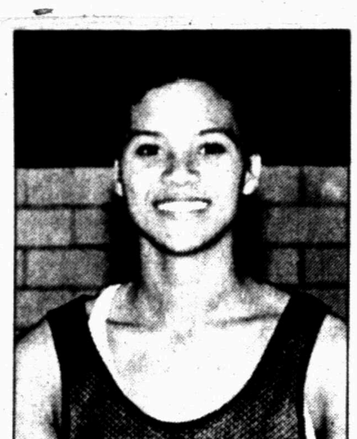
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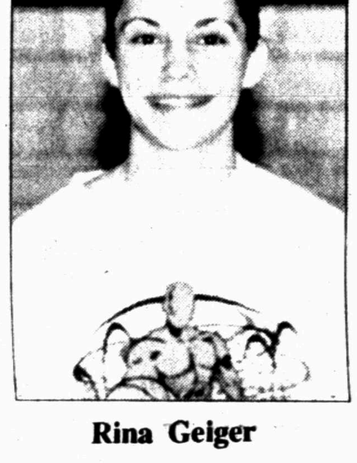
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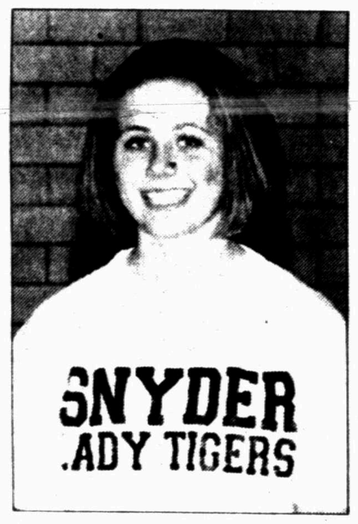
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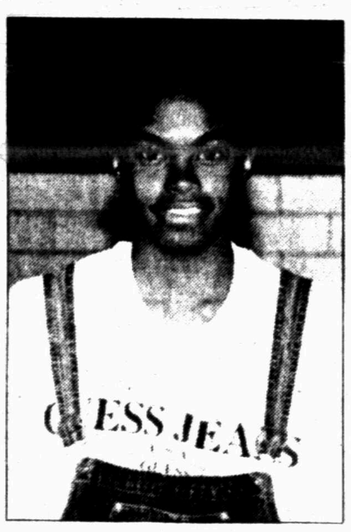
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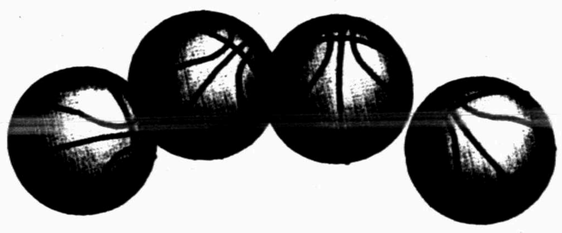
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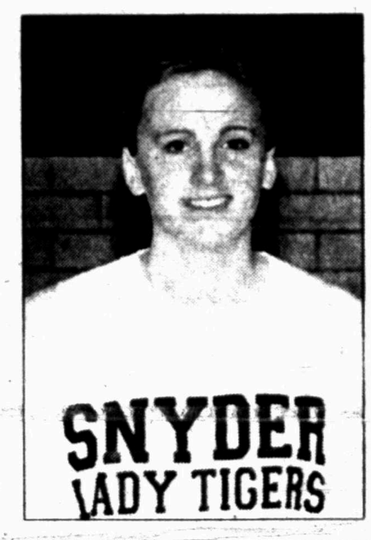


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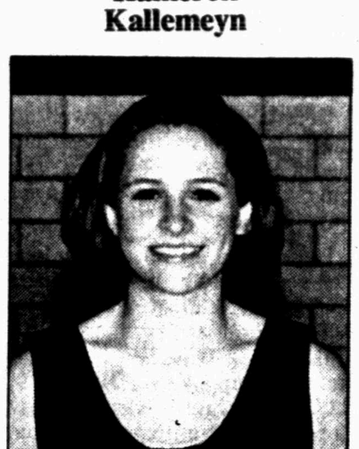


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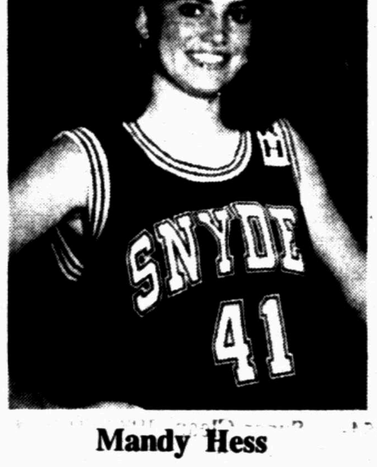




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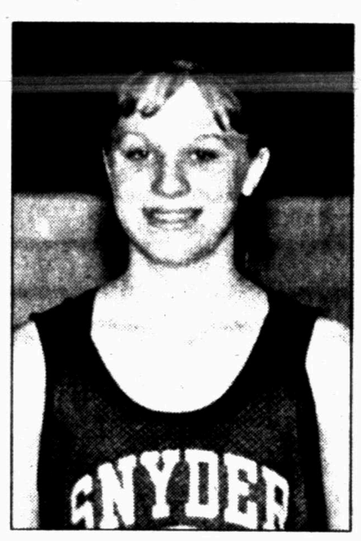
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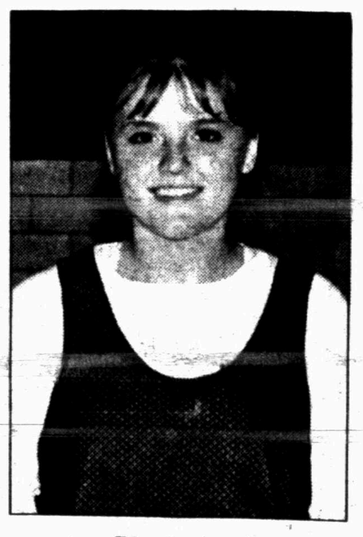
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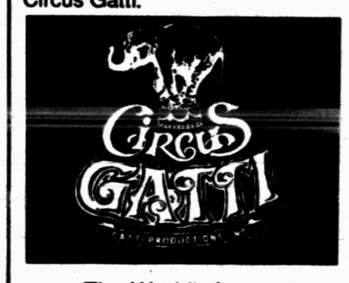
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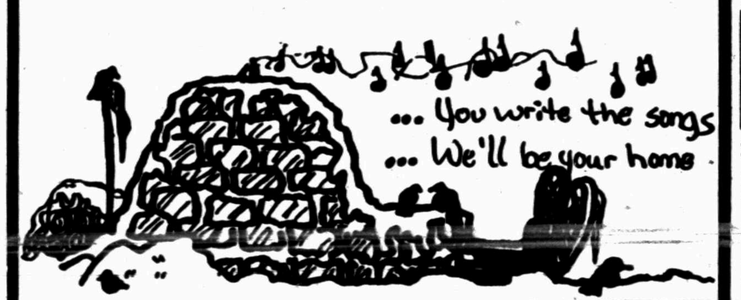
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Acquittal verdict also liberates Hillary

WASHINGTON (AP) — Before Hillary Rodham Clinton took off across the East Room in a tango with the Argentine president, a guest at that state dinner asked if she had her campaigning shoes ready for next year's Senate race in New York.

The first lady tossed her head back, lifted her arms and let them fall. "Aaah-ah-ah-ha-uh!" she replied, giving neither a quotable syllable nor a clear clue of her plans. She turned to greet another guest.

For Mrs. Clinton, who shooed away talk of future roles as long as she played stalwart wife through 13 months of scandal, the Senate votes Friday to acquit President Clinton of impeachment charges freed her, too, to think ahead.

The certainties: Mrs. Clinton will crisscross the country promoting her husband's Social Security and Medicare proposals. She will make another "spring break" mission overseas, probably with daughter Chelsea. She will take her "America's treasures" tour to the West to promote historic preservation.

It is Mrs. Clinton's own post-impeachment "comeback" strategy to salvage the legacy of the administration she and her husband share.

"I don't see her taking time to say, 'Gee, thank goodness (impeachment) is over.' I think she says, 'Gee, thank goodness people will start paying attention to our work on the issues,'" said Neel Lattimore, a former top aide to Mrs. Clinton.

The president's acquittal Friday was "obviously a great passage" for Mrs. Clinton, said Democratic pollster Celinda Lake. "But I don't think it will be considered over for her until they get their legacy back on track."

Mrs. Clinton, who logged at least 100 appearances in the 1998 campaign, also will "go out enthusiastically" this year and next for congressional Democrats, spokeswoman Marsha Berry said.

Republican consultant Frank Luntz remarked with envy that Mrs. Clinton is "a home run" for campaigning Democrats. But he warned it will be a tightrope walk regarding those candidates aiming to topple the Republican House majority that impeached Clinton.

"The one thing the public doesn't want to come from this year of scandal — they don't want anyone seeking revenge," said Luntz.

It was Mrs. Clinton who formulated the strategy early in the Monica Lewinsky scandal to attack the president's accusers as part of a "vast right-wing conspiracy." On last fall's campaign trail, she vilified Republicans as "the other side," bent on "defaming and tearing down" Democrats.

The first lady will campaign in the next round only as an advocate for the Democrats' agenda, Berry said. "She takes her own future too seriously to do anything for revenge. That's stupid."

Clinton weighs Russian steel deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is considering a deal to avert possible tariffs on Russian steel, risking the wrath of a domestic steel industry that sought the sanctions.

Commerce Secretary William Daley, in announcing evidence of illegal dumping by Japan and Brazil, said Friday he was hopeful for a settlement agreement with Russia by next week. An announcement on dumping findings for Russia was delayed.

"Based upon our discussions with the negotiators who have been leading there for the Russians and for our people, and my discussions with one of the ministers, I'm optimistic," Daley said.

The development is yet another sign of the difficult choices facing the administration about how exactly to respond to complaints from American steel companies and workers' unions.

The industry is seeking stronger trade sanctions, but the administration does not want to risk further aggravating troubled economies abroad or closing foreign markets off from U.S. exports.

"They're really saying in order to further our initiative in foreign policy in Russia, we're willing to sacrifice American steelworkers' jobs," said Rep. Ralph Regula, R-Ohio, chairman of the House steel caucus.

Although the U.S. industry opposes a deal because it would lock in certain import or price levels for Russia, Daley said any agreement would come "because we believe it's good for American workers and is good for our overall economic relationship with Russia."

Steel imports surged to record highs last year. The Asian economic crisis reduced demand abroad and forced foreign producers to seek American outlets, often by selling goods at prices below the prevailing U.S. levels.

The Commerce Department issued a preliminary finding Friday that producers from Japan and Brazil have sold steel in U.S. markets at up to 71 percent below production costs or home-market prices.

The department also found that Brazil illegally may have subsidized its producers, driving down the price of steel by up to 9 percent.

Those determinations trigger a full investigation that could lead to tariffs by this summer.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Mother Who Talked Tough Could Take It Just as Well

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: You advised "Emotionally Bruised" to confront her mother and tell her how she felt. I, too, received a lot of criticism from my mother while growing up. I felt I couldn't do anything right. I took all the criticism out on myself. I became anorexic. It was something I knew I could do right.

I finally realized I had to talk to my mother and stop hurting myself. Believe it or not, not only did Mom listen, she also helped my husband and me financially to get treatment for my disorder.

I wish I could be in "Bruised's" shoes just one more time. I lost my mother last year to cancer. I was able to tell her how much I love her, although I don't know if she heard me. She opened her eyes one time and smiled at me. Mom brought me into this world and I watched her leave. Her nurse told me that Mom talked about me all the time, and how proud she was of me.

Avoiding your mother is a sad choice to make, especially if you haven't tried to talk. I wish my mother were here. I miss talking to her, and wish I had the chance to see and hug her again. Please don't give up. You'll have a lifetime to regret it.

GLAD I TRIED, JOLIET, ILL.

DEAR GLAD: Your letter brought tears to my eyes. There is no single solution for dealing with emotionally abusive parents who belittle or constantly criticize their children. Sadly, some parents are emotionally dysfunctional. They may have experienced the same kind of treatment from their own parents and are "mirroring" that behavior. As one reader pointed out, those who repeatedly criticize are usually unhappy people who dislike themselves — so they project their feelings onto their children. If they were happy, they'd be bubbling over with kind words. Those comments show keen insight.

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DEAR ABBY: The letter about the "ugly" secretary and your reply reminded me of a story my secretary, "Alice," told me years ago about her son who was in the second grade.

Sonny kept coming home telling his parents how beautiful his new teacher was. Alice and her husband looked forward to meeting this beautiful teacher. The night of the PTA open house finally arrived. When they met Sonny's teacher, they were shocked to see she was a plain, somewhat elderly, woman. After they returned home, they asked their son how he could call his teacher beautiful. He replied, "Because she smiles so pretty."

Abby, may I share another anecdote with you — this time, my own? I was a part-time food server for many years. I was thrust into my first server's position from a busboy's job when one of the servers called in sick. I was unprepared for that job and uneasy, but what could I do but follow the boss's orders?

On my second night, I had to serve a party of eight. I was terrified I'd make a mistake, but I made it through.

When the gentleman paid the bill, he told me, "You are a good server." I guess he could see my relief and surprise as I stammered a thank-you. He added, "Do you know why I said that? You smile a lot." I have always remembered that.

ALFRED J. WILSON, SOUTHLAKE, TEXAS

DEAR ALFRED: Your anecdotes clearly illustrate the value of a smile. Thank you for sharing them. They remind me of a line from a song that Al Jolson used to sing: "I'd walk a million miles for one of your smiles ..."

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DEAR ABBY: Years ago you printed a list of tips for a happy marriage. I thought they were wonderful and had them framed. My husband and I recently retired to Florida, and somehow the list was lost during the move. Could you please run it again?

NANCY IN ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

DEAR NANCY: I'm pleased they meant so much to you. They certainly bear repeating, particularly on Valentine's Day, the day that celebrates love. Read on:

1. Look not for perfection in your mate. You will not find it, and it's just as well. Living with a saint could be very tiresome.

2. Let your love be stronger than your hate or anger.

3. Learn the wisdom of compromise, for it is better to bend a little than to break.

4. Believe the best rather than the worst. People have a way of living up or down to your opinion of them.

5. Remember that true friendship is the basis of any lasting relationship. The person you choose to marry is deserving of the courtesies and kindnesses you bestow upon your friends.

6. Practice forgiveness, for who among us hasn't needed to be forgiven?

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DEAR ABBY: I am writing to you in order to reach grandparents of divorce who have been victimized by tangled state laws that make it difficult and expensive for them to visit their grandchildren if the custodial parent has moved out of state.

On Nov. 12, 1998, President Clinton signed into law a bill authored by Rep. Rob Andrews, D-N.J., that guarantees grandparents the right to visit their grandchildren anywhere in the United States, so long as a state court has provided for grandparent visitation. The law, known as the Visitation Rights Enforcement Act, requires states to recognize one another's visitation findings.

I was one of the thousands of grandparents who have experienced devastating difficulties trying to exercise my court-ordered visitation to my grandchildren. When my ex-daughter-in-law moved from New Jersey to North Carolina, I had to repeat the legal process all over again in North Carolina. I was granted visitation, but only after legal fees, travel expenses and bureaucratic delay.

The Visitation Rights Enforcement Act mandates the reciprocal recognition of grandparents' rights once a state has ruled that those rights ought to exist, but please point out what this new law will not do: It will not impose a federal decision about grandparents' visitation rights on any state. The new law also does not preclude a new finding that changed circumstances or newly discovered inappropriate behavior might warrant the reversal of an earlier visitation order.

I urge grandparents to use this new law cautiously, but *do* use it.

JOSEPHINE M. D'ANTONIO, PRESIDENT OF GRANDPARENTS COUNT, CHERRY HILL, N.J.

DEAR JOSEPHINE: More than 75 percent of older Americans are grandparents. Congressman Rob Andrews advised me he sponsored the legislation because he had heard from many grandparents who had lost their relationship with their grandchildren when the state to which the custodial parent had moved would not grant visitation rights. I'm pleased to spread the news about the Visitation Rights Enforcement Act, which was designed to help frustrated grandparents keep in touch with their beloved grandchildren.

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Everybody has a problem. What's yours? Get it off your chest by writing to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, Calif. 90069. For a personal reply, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

4 jailed Friday early Saturday

Friday and early Saturday resulted in law enforcement personnel making four arrests.

At 4:01 p.m. Friday, a 35-year-old female turned herself in at the county jail on Nolan County warrants for misdemeanor theft by check.

Deputies arrested a 68-year-old male at 9:04 p.m. Friday on CR 3132 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and driving while license suspended.

A 43-year-old male was taken into custody by officers at 2:37 a.m. Saturday in the 400 block of 30th Street for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

Officers arrested a 20-year-old male at 5:26 a.m. Saturday in the 500 block of 33rd Street on outstanding warrants for minor in possession of alcohol, driving under the influence of alcohol by a minor, and four counts of failure to appear.

In other activity, officers filed an offense report for Class C assault at 6:16 p.m. Friday at The Movie Stop.

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ATTENTION: Jimmy R. Pate; I have surveyed the property located at 2605 Avenue U, (S/2 Lot 1, Block 18, Blankenship Addition to the City of Snyder). I declare this structure to be unsafe as defined in Ordinance 324 and intend to order the demolition of the structure on or about March 8, 1999.
(s) Tom Valentine
Building Inspection Department
City of Snyder
(915)573-4959

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF SCURRY, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

Pursuant to the authority conferred upon me by that certain Deed of Trust executed by GORDON E. WITHERSPOON and wife, DONA JO WITHERSPOON of Scurry County, Texas, to DANNY PAYNE or HARRY HUTCHISON, TRUSTEE, dated MAY 5, 1983, for the benefit of the Beneficiary therein identified, duly recorded in Volume No. 238 and Page 183 of the Deed of Trust Records of Scurry County, Texas, securing the payment of that one certain promissory note in the original amount of $360,000.00, I will, as Substitute Trustee under said Deed of Trust, in order to satisfy the indebtedness secured thereby, default having been made in the payment thereof, sell on TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 1999, (that being the first Tuesday of said month), at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in the area designated by the County Commissioners' Court at the hour of 2:00 P.M. or within two (2) hours thereafter of that day, the property described as follows:

A field note description of the survey of a 75.42 acre tract of land in the NW/4 of Section 15, Block 1, J.P. Smith Survey, Scurry County, Texas, and described by metes and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pipe set in the West line of county road, for the NE corner of this tract, from which the NE corner of the NW/4 of Section 15 bears S.89 degrees 56'57"E. 40.0 feet;

THENCE 5.0 degrees 01'12"E., with the West line of county road, for 1045.03 feet to a ½" iron rod set at the NE corner of that tract of land conveyed from Williams to Kimbler in Vol. 303, Page 452 of of the Deed Records, for a corner of this tract;

THENCE 5.89 degrees 59'34"W., with the North line of said Kimbler Tract, and at 409.69 feet pass a 1¼' iron pipe at the NW corner of said Kimbler Tract, continuing for a total distance of 609.69 feet to a ½" iron rod set for a corner of this tract;

THENCE South 219.97 feet to a ½" iron rod set for a corner of this tract;

THENCE N.89 degrees 56'57"W., 2092.35 feet to a ½" iron rod set in the West line of the NW/4 of section 15, for the SW corner of this tract;

THENCE North, with the West line of the NW/4 of Section 15, for 1265.61 feet to a ½" iron rod set at the NW corner of Section 15, for the NW corner of this tract;

THENCE S.89 degrees 56'57"E., with the North line of Section 15, for 2701.57 feet to the PLACE OF BEGINNING.

Executed this 3rd Day of February, 1999. Ron Hanway, Substitute Trustee, 6923 E. Hwy 80, Odessa, Texas, 915-366-0018.

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2ND FRONT PAGE

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

President Clinton's impeachment trial:

Acquitted, but tarnished forever

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton is campaigning for better relations with Congress and the nation after his acquittal by the Senate. The drive to oust him from office failed but seems destined to taint him as the second president in history to be impeached.

"I hope all Americans here in Washington and throughout our land, will rededicate ourselves to the work of serving our nation and building our future together," Clinton said in a brief, low-key statement he read Friday after the Senate, with Democrats solidly in his camp, acquitted him on charges of perjury and obstruction of justice.

"This can be and this must be a time of reconciliation and renewal for America," he declared.

Republicans, battered by this latest defeat in a series of Clinton administration probes, were happy to oblige.

"Let's move on. He won. He always wins," said Sen. Bob Smith, R-N.H., who twice voted to convict the president and remove him from office.

"We must move forward on the people's business," Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott said Saturday in the GOP's weekly radio address. "We must do our job."

Lott, R-Miss., made good on the promise later in the speech by hitting Clinton on his spending ideas. But he also said Republicans agree with Clinton on using most of the budget surplus to save Social Security.

Democrats who were furious at Clinton's misleading statements about his affair with Monica Lewinsky said they would take his word on future policy issues.

"I have to. We've got life-and-death issues facing us" here and abroad, Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb., told reporters before the long-expected vote to acquit. Still, he said, "The relationship is unquestionably damaged."

The effort at renewal came in the hours following Chief Justice William Rehnquist's somber announcement that Clinton was "hereby acquitted of the charges" passed by the House in December. The votes fell far short of the two-thirds margin required for approval.

The first vote, on perjury, was 55-45 against, with 10 Republicans joining all 45 Democrats in voting not guilty. The second vote, on obstruction of justice, was 50-50, with five Republicans breaking ranks to join the Democrats.

Moments after the trial ended, Republicans blocked an effort led by Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., to censure Clinton for "shameless, reckless and indefensible" behavior. Lawmakers said they did not expect the issue to resurface when lawmakers return to the Capitol after a 10-day recess.

Other matters remain unresolved, however, such as whether Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr will indict Clinton, and whether the widely criticized statute that authorized his nearly five-year investigation will be renewed when it expires in June.

Snyder man gets 2 50-year terms

A 39-year-old Snyder man was sentenced to two 50-year terms in Odessa this week after being found guilty of burglary and aggravated sexual assault. Both were repeat offenses for Ricky DeWayne Howell.

A spokesman with the Ector County district attorney's office said Howell's sentences would run concurrent with Lubbock County sentences for similar crimes.

He has also been sentenced in Howard County to serve time in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for sexual assault.

At one time, Howell was implicated in assaults in Odessa, Sweetwater, Abilene, Lubbock and Big Spring.

Howell, who lived at the American Motor Inn in Snyder, was sentenced here in 1983 for burglary with the intent to commit sexual assault.

He ws released on bail in 1992 for that crime, but a parole violation sent him back to prison.

He was released in 1996 under the mandatory release program.

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Obituaries

Billie Ruth Holt

1928-1999

Funeral service for Billie Ruth Holt, 71, is pending at Bell-Cypert Seale Funeral Home.

She died Saturday, Feb. 13, at her home in Snyder following a lengthy illness.

She was born on Feb. 1, 1928 in Breckenridge. She married Terry Holt on March 22, 1943 in Paducah. He survives.

Other survivors include two daughters, Sherry Jo Autry of Snyder and Kerry Ann Holt of Odis, La., a son, Terry E. Holt of Tampa, Fla.; a brother, Floyd C. Reaves of Temple; and five grandchildren.

Bill Sumruld

1920-1999

CARROLLTON — William L. "Bill" Sumruld, a native of Snyder, died Thursday, Feb. 11, at his home in Farmers Branch.

Funeral service for Mr. Sumruld, 78, is set for 10 a.m. Monday in the Rhoton Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Jerry Hayes will officiate, and burial will follow in the Howard Cemetery in Desdemona.

Born March 14, 1920 in Snyder, Mr. Sumruld was an aircraft machinist. His wife, Margie Nelle Sumruld, preceded him in death.

Survivors include a daughter, Jana Sumruld of Dallas; three granddaughters, Julie Golden, Sharon Littlejohn and Tammy Littlejohn, all of Dallas; a great-grandson, Christopher Golden of Dallas; and a brother, C.W. Sumruld of Snyder.

Marion Bishop

1927-1999

LUBBOCK — Funeral service for Marion Bishop of Lubbock, mother of a Snyder resident, will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at Emmanuel Baptist Church. Burial will be in the Terry County Memorial Park under the direction of Rix Funeral Home in Lubbock.

Mrs. Bishop, 72, died Thursday, Feb. 11, at her residence.

Born on Feb. 12, 1927 in Borden County, Mrs. Bishop was a longtime Borden County and Scurry County resident. She was a nutritionist at Brownfield Regional Hospital from 1971 until she retired in 1990. She was a member of the Emmanuel Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Janice Hart of Snyder and Jackie Payne of Hobbs, N.M.; three brothers, Leroy Barrier of Waco, Neil Barrier of Brownfield and Jerry Barrier of Lubbock; a sister, Sandra Lumkin of Taylor; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends after the service at the church.

The family suggests memorials to Community Action Home Health at 612 Houston, Levelland.

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events WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Valentine service, banquet

First Church of the Nazarene will have a Valentine's Day service Sunday at 10:45 a.m., followed by a banquet. There will be door prizes, games and activities. The church is located on the Colorado City Highway and everyone is invited.

Hermleigh Masonic Lodge

Hermleigh Masonic Lodge No. 987 will have a called meeting at 7 p.m. Monday for work in the E.A. Degree.

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air weekly on cable TV channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 p.m. Monday are "Omens," followed by "Raising Children for Success."

Parkinson's Support Group

The Parkinson's Disease support group will meet from 10 until 11:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Cogdell Hospital board room. Guest speaker will be JoBeth Hardegree, Cogdell Hospital registered nurse.

Free tax aid service

Free tax help will be available every Wednesday at the Senior Center. Help is also available for shut-ins. Call 573-3822 or 573-4035.

East Elementary parent council

The East Elementary parent council will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the school auditorium.

Fish Fry

A Fish Fry sponsored by St. Elizabeth Catholic Church Men and Women's Association will be held from 5:30-8 p.m. Friday in the Parish Center, 30th and Ave. A. Tickets, sold at the door, are $6 for adults and $4 for children ages 6-12. Proceeds will go to the scholarship fund.

Discover Creation program

A Discover Creation program, presented by former evolutionists, will be presented from 7-9 p.m. Feb. 22-24 in the Family Life Center of the First Baptist Church. Evidence from both science and scripture will be presented and will be informative for both youth and adults.

Distance learning course

Midwestern State University will offer a trimester course, public personnel administation, through the distance learning lab on the Western Texas College campus. The course begins Feb. 23 and will meet from 5:30-9:15 p.m. each Tuesday. To apply, call 1-888-521-1112 or 940 397-4400.

Community garden meeting

A meeting to plan the 1999 community garden will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23, in the basement of First Presbyterian Church. All interested persons are welcome.

Kiwanis pancake feast

Snyder Kiwanis Club will held its annual Pancake Feast Saturday, March 6, in the West Elementary Cafeteria from 7 a.m. until 2 p.m. Tickets are $4 per person and children under six may eat free. There will be a drawing for a free TV. Tickets may be purchased at the door, from any club member or by calling 573-2191.

Food Cupboard needs freezer

Snyder Food Cupboard is in need of a large freezer to store meat. Can pay a small sum or will accept a donation. Call 573-3203.

Hermleigh photos wanted

The Scurry County Museum is seeking photographs of buildings in Hermleigh. The photos may be donated or loaned and one will be used on the 1999 Christmas ornament. Call 573-6107 or come by the museum on the WTC campus.

1998 First Methodist cookbook

The First United Methodist Church's 1998 cookbook, compiled by the Angel Seekers Sunday School Class and dedicated to the memory of Ruby Anderson, can be purchased at the church or Classic Interiors. The cost is $10 and all proceeds benefit the Lord's Acre projects.

Planetarium shows

The refurbished planetarium at Western Texas College is available for group shows Thursday evenings and all day on Fridays. The shows are by reservation only and there is no charge. There are three presentations available in the 59-seat auditorium, one for pre-K, another for K through 4, and one for general audiences. For reservations contact Sharon Gill at WTC, 573-8511, ext. 312.

Pick 3

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

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery:
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Double pleasure, double fun for local twins

Patsy Medley and Paula Whitesides enjoy life to the fullest, working at Snyder High

Scurry County Folks

by Shirley A. Gorman

They are "just alike" and yet they are also different. Patsy Medley and Paula Whitefield are identical twins. They even sound alike. Yet each is also an individual, complete with her own likes and dislikes.

Patsy likes chocolate, Paula prefers vanilla. Paula listens to religious music, Patsy likes classic music from the 1960s and 1970s. Patsy is a sports fan, but Paula has to be "dragged" to games.

Both love weekend garage sales, but Patsy likes to collect McDonald's toys and Paula prefers Dalmations and cookie cutters. Each has a Labrador, but Patsy's is blond while Paula's is black.

There medical history isn't identical either. Patsy had had several surgeries that Paula has not had to have. And, like really close friends, they can sense when something is wrong with the other. Paula hyperventilated when Patsy had a long labor before the birth of one of her sons. During one pregnancy, Patsy's husband had to work late hours so Paula drove from Monahans to Brownfield so she could be her sister's coach.

And, they both agree, it's a good thing that each has a nice sister because the two are often mistaken for each other.

It's easy to get them confused. Like the time a clerk at Wal-Mart thought Patsy was trying to buy a second Furbie, when the limit was one to a customer.

No, that was Paula.

When they shop for groceries one has her sacks tied to keep their food items from getting mixed up.

Sometimes, even hospital staff can't tell them apart. When they were both pregnant and under the care of the same doctor it happened more than once.

After Patsy had a C-section, hospital staff saw Paula walking in the corridors and thought Patsy had made a remarkably fast recovery.

When their sons were growing up, even they couldn't always tell which one was their mother. Today, they are all so close that it's like the boys have two mothers.

Sometimes even their parents, who are antique dealers in Artesia, N.M., have a hard time telling their daughters apart. When the twins lived in different towns and developed an "accent" similar to their friends, it was easier for their mother to know which daughter she was talking to on the telephone.

At Snyder High School, where both work, they are sometimes given each other's messages as well as reports about each other's sons. But that's all right because the sisters visit every day and share everything.

They said people get embarrassed when they mix them up, but they really don't mind. They admit though they were not as patient growing up.

They enjoy being twins, and have fun using it to their advantage. One of their favorite questions, though, is "Are you twins?" Followed by, "You don't look anything alike."



THERE ARE TWO OF THEM — Patsy Medley,left, and Paula Whitesides look and sound so much alike that people often confuse them. The identical twins both work at Snyder High School. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

In school, they played lots of pranks by switching identities. That started in the fifth grade when the principal wanted them to switch identities because his wife taught one of them.

They did and there was no stopping them after that. They even switched places on dates, which did not make their boy friends very happy when they found out.

In one instance, being twins meant less school work. During their senior year in high school they had to learn 100 lines of poetry. Paula and Patsy each learned a different 50 lines and recited them first as themselves and then as the other a couple of weeks later. They never got caught.

Today, one way to tell the identical twins apart is to count the earrings they wear on each ear. Patsy prefers one per ear while Paula likes to wear two on each ear.

Patsy and Paula have not always lived in the same town, but, because they are "best friends" they said they prefer to. Plus it saves on their telephone bills.

They share the same calling to work with children. They never liked anyone else taking care of their children when they were small so they opened their own day care center. Then when their children became school age they sought jobs at their school.

Patsy has been employed at the high school for the past four years. She is a secretarial aide for special education services and the counseling office.

For the past year, Paula has been a special education aide for the alternative education placement program which enables qualified high school and junior high school students to work at the Wagon Wheel Ranch.

Both women love not only what they do but they also enjoy where they work. They think Snyder is a great place to live too.

Previously, Paula served for three years as the special education aide for resource at East. Both women had been living in Monahans before moving to town. Patsy and her family moved here first and then the Whitefields followed.

Patsy and Paula were born in Anson, but moved quite a bit because their dad worked for Halliburton. They lived in Sweetwater, Abilene, Anson and Eldorado and graduated from high school in Monahans.

They said their mother pushed them to pursue their own interests, something they are grateful for. They even attended separate classrooms until high school. They did not make the same grades in school either.

Though they knew the same people, they "hung out" with different friends.

Both served as class officers and cheerleaders. Patsy was picked baseball queen and Paula was a nominee for football sweetheart.

After high school, Patsy attended a business school in Abilene and Paula took some college courses.

While growing up, they said, they learned to share because friends who came to their birthday party brought only one present.

They have a brother who is two years older and lives in Breckinridge. On summer vacations Paula and Patsy said they were "always reminded that we are twins."

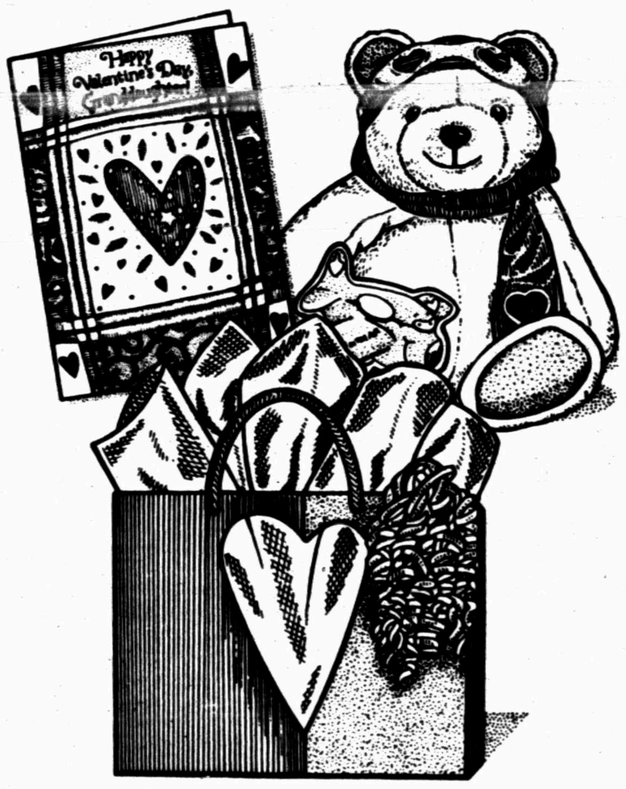
Their mother dressed them alike while they were growing up.

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APRIL VOWS SET — Teresa Fay Herrera and David Edward Smith are planning a wedding ceremony for 2 p.m. on April 17 in the Hermleigh First Baptist Church. Teresa is the daughter of Johnny and Linda Kincheloe and David is the son of Robert and Suzanne Smith of Blacksburg, Va. (Contributed Photo)

Mrs. Cross to celebrate her 90th birthday with a reception at church

Mrs. Helen Cross will be honored with a reception on her 90th birthday Saturday, Feb. 20.

The event will be in the garden room of First Baptist Church from 2 to 4 p.m.

Helen Reynolds Custis was born Feb. 20, 1909 in Bowie to Fredrick William Custis Sr. and Joan Reynolds Custis. Her brother, Fredrick William Custis, and her sister, Francis Payne, are deceased.

The Custis family moved to Post in 1924. Helen's father owned and operated cotton gins in Hobbs, Tex., Southland and Post.

Helen, a 1927 graduate of Post High School, attended Hardin Simmons College in 1927-28. She



Helen Cross

married Irvin Sam Cross on May 31, 1931 in Post and they moved to Hermleigh in 1935 to farm. They moved to the Loyd Mountain Community where they started a Grade A dairy which they operated 50 years, retiring in 1985.

Helen still lives on the farm where she enjoys friends and good health.

She has always been active in church, the former Greenhill Baptist Church, and First Baptist Church, teaching adults and preschools and serving wherever she was needed.

Helen and Sam had three children, Nancy Sue Cross Inman of Odessa, Fred Custis Cross of Snyder and Irvin Alexander Cross of Snyder; eight grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

They invite her friends and family to her birthday celebration.

Bridal Registry

Carolyn Atkinson and Chad Grimmett
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Keely Willmon and Nathan Williams
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Scurry County Library News & Views

Scurry County Library has books for children of all ages. Books for the younger readers are located in the children's reading room.

"Easy readers," which feature simpler vocabularies and fewer words per page, are located in the "E" section. These books will have a strip of green, red or yellow tape at the bottom of the book spine.

For older children, books in the "J" section offer a selection more suited to their tastes and skills.

The library also has a selection of "J" paperbacks in the children's reading room, many by popular authors. The library has a young adult section, located in the adult reading room. These books are marked "YA" and are on the shelves beside the "YA" paperback rack.

BOOK FEATURE

"Hardship and Hope," by Victoria Sherrow.

Stretching from 1929 into 1941, the Great Depression was the deepest and most prolonged economic catastrophe in this nation's history. Millions of Americans slid into poverty, thousands wandered around the country, homeless, and young people gave up their dreams of education, career and marriage.

Somehow, there was always hope to be found, though, and resourceful Americans learned to make do. First-person accounts help readers understand what life was like during these years. Families and neighbors pulled together and shared.

NEW NON-FICTION

"Teach Yourself the Internet," by David Crowder.

"Spoiled: The Dangerous Truth About a Foodchain Gone Haywire," by Nicols Fox.

"Why Am I Always So Tired?" by Ann Gattleman.

LIBRARY HOURS

10 a.m. to 6 p.m.: Mon., Wed., Fri. & Sat.

10 a.m. to 9 p.m.: Tues. & Thurs.

Nachlinger, Bankhead wed

Kerry Lyn Nachlinger and Brandon Dean Bankhead were united in marriage on Oct. 24, 1998 at 4 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Hermleigh.

Rex Reynolds, pastor, officiated the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Nachlinger of Hermleigh, and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Sledge of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nachlinger of Hermleigh.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Bankhead of Champion. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Thompson of Champion and Mr. and Mrs. Edsel Bankhead of Champion.

A heart-shaped candelabrum holding wedding tapers served as the background for the altar area which was adorned with greenery and white calla lilies. Pews were marked with matching lilies and roses.

Guests were registered by the bride's cousin, Alish Carter of Cedar Hill.

Music was provided by Bobbie Culp of Hermleigh. Candlelighters were Jessica Garmer of Snyder and Mandy Mitchell of Loraine, cousin of the groom.

The groom's family taper was lit by his parents after being escorted down the aisle. The bride's mother was escorted to the altar by her grandson, Kaden, who helped light the bride's family candle.

The bride was escorted by her father to the altar as the "Wedding March" was played. She wore a designer gown by "G" that had a fitted bodice featuring a sheer yoke with satin buttons in back. Her bodice and sheer overlay skirting were adorned with a floral design outlined with seed pearls.

The bride carried a bouquet of calla lilies, white roses and greenery. The bouquet and all other floral arrangements were made by the groom's mother.

Kara Wood of Snyder served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Kasey and Cindy Nachlinger, sisters of the bride. Attendants



Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Dean Bankhead
(Contributed Photo)

wore floor-length hunter green sleeveless dresses, made by the bride's mother. They each carried three long-stemmed lilies tied with gold rope.

Flower girl, Megan Thompson, cousin of the groom, wore a tea-length white lace overlay dress.

The groom was attired in a classic black tuxedo and his boutonniere was of white roses.

Best man was Bryan Bankhead, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Richard McGee and Mark Poe, longtime friends of the groom. They all wore black tuxedos.

Ringbearers were Scott and Laura Bankhead, cousins of the groom.

"From This Moment On," by Shania Twain and Brian White, was played during the lighting of the unity candle. The bride and groom were joined by her son, Kaden, to light the candle together.

Following the exchange of vows, "I Will Stand," by Kenny Chesney, was played.

The reception was held in the fellowship hall and was catered by The Farmer's Daughter of Sweetwater.

The bride's table was covered with a white cloth and skirted with netting and soft lights. The bride's three-tiered cake was adorned with calla lilies and roses. Sitting on each side of the cake were two champagne glasses, a wedding gift to the couple. Greenery surrounded the table. Serving were Shad Nachlinger and Lisa Sledge, aunts of the bride.

The groom's table held the punch bowl and coffee set, along with the groom's Black Russian chocolate cake. The tablecloth was white with dark green runners with the initial "B" on them which were made by the groom's grandmother.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at The Shack.

Following a trip to Lubbock, the couple have made their home in the Inadale Community.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



	North	02-13-99
	♠ K 9 7 5 4 3	
	♥ 7	
	♦ K 7 3	
	♣ J 9 7	
West		East
♠ 10		♠ J 8 6
♥ 10 6 4 3		♥ 8 5 2
♦ Q 10 6 4 2		♦ J 9 8
♣ A 6 5		♣ K Q 10 3
	South	
	♠ A Q 2	
	♥ A K Q J 9	
	♦ A 5	
	♣ 8 4 2	

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
7 ♥!	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ 3

He's done it again

By Phillip Alder

David Bird continues to put out wonderful articles. In Bridge Plus magazine, he describes bridge at Cholmleigh School, which is what the British refer to as a public school, but what the Americans more realistically call a private school. (The British can be quaint at times.)

In a recent story, the matron and the physics master, Percy Cutforth, were playing against two members of the fifth form (about 10th grade), Stuart Machin and Julian Dyer.

Cutforth had to find a lead against seven hearts. His analysis ran along these lines: South's leap to the grand slam marks him with a club void. It would therefore be inadvisable to lead the club ace, perhaps setting up the king in dummy. Leading a diamond or a spade, into a bid suit, is also unappealing. So, it must be a trump.

In next to no time, Machin claimed 13 tricks: six spades, five hearts and two diamonds.

Declarer smiled at his partner and said, "Thought we needed a good one. No point bidding six, of course. They were bound to lead the unbid suit against that."

Matron entered the conversation. "Machin, what did you have in clubs, the ace or a void?"

"I think it was three to the eight."

Turning to her partner, the matron asked, "Didn't you notice the ace of clubs in your hand?"

Soon, they work out that a club attack defeats even *four* hearts. After taking three tricks in the suit, East leads her last club, promoting a trump trick for West.

Machin chuckled to himself. "Yes, I thought it would be too risky bidding game. A grand slam was the only hope!"

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Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

Jane Hinton directed all games at the Snyder Country Club.

FRIDAY

Feb. 5

North-South

A Group:

1. Ann Davis, Anita Talbott.
2. Monte West, Jane Hinton.

B Group:

1. Durelle Gorman, Billisue Stuard.
2. Christine Stuard, Jean Thompson.

East-West

A Group:

1. Martha Fagin, Dorothy Rosson.
2. Mary Bast, Johnye Van Dever.

B Group:

1. Martha Fagin, Dorothy Rosson.
2. Pat Floyd, Margaret Presswood.

SUNDAY

1. Dorothy Rosson, Frances Stevenson.
2. Margaret Presswood, Jane Hinton.
3. Pat Floyd, Peggy Hardin.

TUESDAY

Feb. 9

1. Dora Blakey, Barbara Yorgesen.
2. Ann Davis, Louise Thompson.
3. Nona Morrison, Maribeth Vestal.
4. J.O. Morrison, Shirley Stewart.

NEW YORK (AP) — It's been nearly two years since Julie Andrews had throat surgery, and there's still no sound of music coming from her lips.

Andrews, who in December dismissed reports that her singing career is over, now concedes she's been unable to sing since she underwent surgery to remove noncancerous throat nodules.

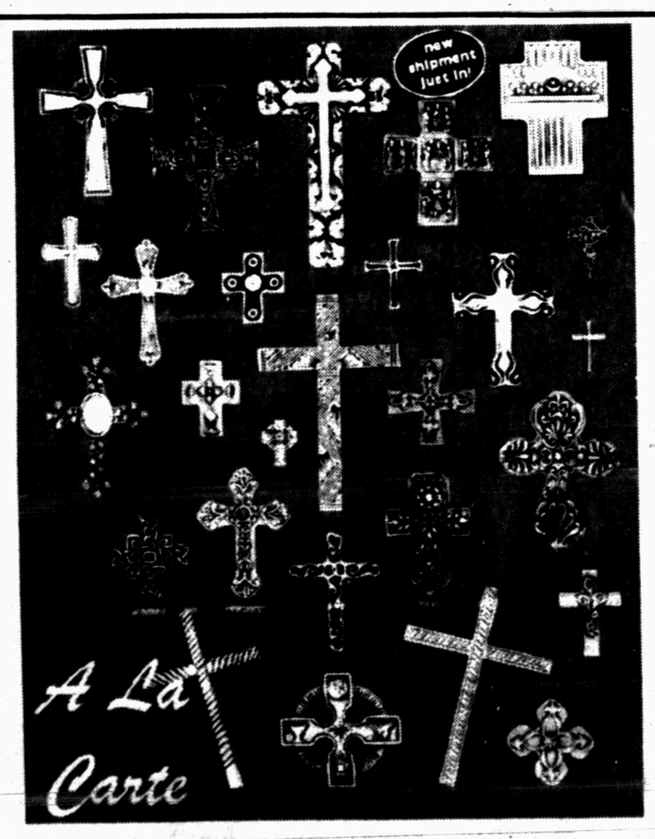
The 63-year-old Andrews, Broadway's "Fair Lady" whose voice swept across the hills in "The Sound of Music," said she is considering filing a lawsuit over the operation.

She said she will keep trying to sing, though doctors don't give her much hope it will happen. She said she tries to be optimistic but thinks she is in denial about her problem.

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WEDDING SHOWER — Mrs. Jason Miller, nee Shawn Purcell, was honoree at a wedding shower Jan 30 in the home of Mrs. Tim Riggan. The couple married Dec. 15 in Canyon and have made their home in Claude. Pictured from left are Jina Fields, sister of the groom; Juanita Hester, the groom's grandmother; Susie Miller, mother of the groom from Kerrville; Mrs. Miller, the honoree; Theresa Purcell, mother of the bride; Lois Purcell, her grandmother from Kermit; and Darcee Purcell, her sister. (Contributed Photo)

School Menus

Ira

All meals served with choice of milk.

MONDAY
Corn Dogs
French Fries
Pork & Beans
Peanut Butter Cake

TUESDAY
Hamburgers
Oranges

WEDNESDAY
Steak Fingers
Carrots
Corn
Rolls

THURSDAY
Roast Beef w/Brown Gravy
Creamed Potatoes
Relish Cup
Italian Bread
Plain Cake

FRIDAY
Sandwiches
French Fries

Snyder

All meals are served with choice of milk; for breakfast menus, an alternate choice is offered of assorted cereal and orange juice.

BREAKFAST
MONDAY
President's Holiday

TUESDAY
Pancakes w/Syrup

WEDNESDAY
Donut

THURSDAY
French Toast Sticks

FRIDAY
Scrambled Eggs

LUNCH
TUESDAY
Hot Dog on a Bun
Ham & Cheese Sandwich
Potato Puffs
Green Beans
Apple

WEDNESDAY
Pizza
Sloppy Joe on a Bun
Ranch Style Beans
French Fries
Chocolate Cake

THURSDAY
Burrito
Chicken Nuggets
Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy
Peas
Peaches
Texas Toast

FRIDAY
Fish Portion
Nachos w/Ground Beef
Lettuce & Tomato
French Fries
Fruit Cocktail

Hermleigh

All meals are served with milk.

BREAKFAST
MONDAY
Fruit
Waffles/Syrup

TUESDAY
Juice
Breakfast Pizza

WEDNESDAY
Fruit
Scrambled Eggs
Hot Biscuits

THURSDAY
Juice
Toast & Jelly

FRIDAY
Fruit
Buttered Rice
Toast

LUNCH
MONDAY
Barbecued Sausage
Baked Beans
Relish Cup
Hot Rolls
Spice Cake

TUESDAY
Fried Ham
Sweet Potatoes
Hot Biscuits
Pear Halves

WEDNESDAY
Texas Hash
Buttered Spinach
Corn Bread
Apricot Cobbler

THURSDAY
Roast/Brown Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Buttered Corn
Hot Rolls
Bread Pudding

FRIDAY
Chicken Fajitas/Salsa
Refried Beans
Tortilla Chips
Pink Applesauce

District Atty. Cooley speaks to Altrurians

Altrurian Daughters Study Club members met for a program on "Our Legal System" by Dana Cooley, district attorney for three years.

Mrs. Cooley stated the major part of her work in Snyder is juvenile cases. Most are children or juveniles referred by city policemen. Most do not have parental concern, do not have anyone to see that they are home at night. Snyder does not have a city or county curfew; the current code was written when parents monitored behavior and curfew.

Until a child is 10 they cannot be dealt with as juveniles. Recently San Antonio formed a juvenile code which parents sign. In Snyder, District Judge Ernie Armstrong deals with parents and basically they promise to maintain actions and curfews for their children.

Most crimes are misdemeanors, such as shoplifting, minors with alcohol or tobacco.

The STAR program has been instituted between probation and long term detention. Boot Camp (three weeks up to six months) is not used for first-time offenders. Parents must bring their children to STAR, which is a military type program and they follow a boot camp format: military drill, breakfast, shower, and then to classes at school.

This program saved $63,000 last year in cooperation with the school. She said 95% of the students sent last year have been successful. One-hundred percent completed community service and 85% of the parents of these students completed going to parent classes; another 15% are waiting to attend. Seventy-three have paid back the cost of rehabilitation through the STAR program.

This program was promoted by Ernie Armstrong and I.E. Martin.

Goldie Hawn Hasty Pudding Woman of Year

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — Goldie Hawn joyfully revisited her psychedelic go-go dance from her "Laugh-In" days as she accepted Harvard's Hasty Pudding Woman of the Year award.

Flanked by male Harvard students dressed in drag, Hawn was driven Thursday through Harvard Square in a BMW convertible en route to the awards ceremony and traditional roast.

There, the Academy Award-winning actress earned the coveted brass pudding pot after fielding questions about her movies from tuxedo-clad Harvard students.

And Hawn, 53, easily slipped into the go-go dance that made the bubbly blonde famous in the late 1960s on "Rowan & Martin's Laugh-In."

"Don't ever lose this joy for life and this humor that lives inside of you," Hawn told the crowd. "That smile sometimes lies dormant, but it never goes away."

Hawn won an Oscar for best supporting actress in 1969's "Cactus Flower." The Hasty Pudding awards are given to performers who have made a "lasting and impressive contribution" to entertainment.



The largest crabs in the world, which stand three feet high and often weigh as much as 30 pounds, live off the coast of Japan.

ABWA has computer program

Scurry Charter Chapter of American Business Women's Association met on Jan. 28 for the regular monthly dinner meeting with Drew Bullard, owner of Bullard's Computer Solutions, giving the program.

Bullard was reared in Snyder, graduating from high school in 1965 and from the University of Texas at Austin in 1969. Following graduation, he went into the Peace Corps in was in India for 2½ years.

He returned to Snyder and farmed and ranched the family land and taught English at Snyder High School. In 1991, he opened a computer store which he presently operates. Bullard serves on the Western Texas College board and the Scurry County Museum board.

Computer Solutions is a local Internet provider and he told about the unlimited access through Netscape or Internet Explorer. He said that although Internet has been in homes only the last two or three years, the military personel have used it for 15 to 20 years. Internet is unregulated. He explained Webb pages, chat rooms and local church pages, Snyder major events and E-mail access. He concluded with a question and answer session.

Vern Beasley gave the invocation and Leona Wiggins gave the benediction. Kerri Kemp was given the ABWA spring scholarship.

Austin will be the site for the spring conference set for April 9-11.

Inez Teaff and Carol Young were recognized for having January birthdays.

Barbara Scrivner, who died Feb. 2, was president and conducted the meeting at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.



MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED — Gary and Gloria Cato of Snyder announce the marriage of their daughter, Kimberly White, to David Lane, son of Blanche Lane of Snyder. Kimberly is the granddaughter of Gerrel and Rosie Bigham of Snyder. The couple married on Jan. 9. They have two children, Colton Newman and Cenna Lane. Mrs. Lane is employed at TDCJ, Price Daniel Unit, and Mr. Lane is employed at Snyder Area Contractors. (Photo by Wadleigh Studio)

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MADRID, ALVAREZ TO WED — Mr. and Mrs. Guadalupe Madrid announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Olivia Madrid, to Anthony Alvarez. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anastacio Alvarez. A March 20, 2 p.m. wedding ceremony is being planned in Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. (Photo by Wadleigh Studio)

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Al-Anon, Snyder Park Club; noon.

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

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

Stargazers Family Community Education Club; 7 p.m.

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

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

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

TUESDAY

Art Guild Study Club; MAWC; 5 p.m.

Weight Watchers; Trinity United Methodist Church, 5200 Trinity Blvd.; 5 p.m.

Just For Today NA, closed meeting; for information, call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

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

Hermleigh Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge; 7:30 p.m.

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

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

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5 to 6 p.m.; 2501 35th. For more information, call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

WEDNESDAY

Cosmorama Study Club; MAWC; 4:15 p.m.

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary; board room; all members are urged to attend; 10 a.m.

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Snyder Country Club; noon.

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

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; houseshoe courts, located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information, call 573-9762; 3 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

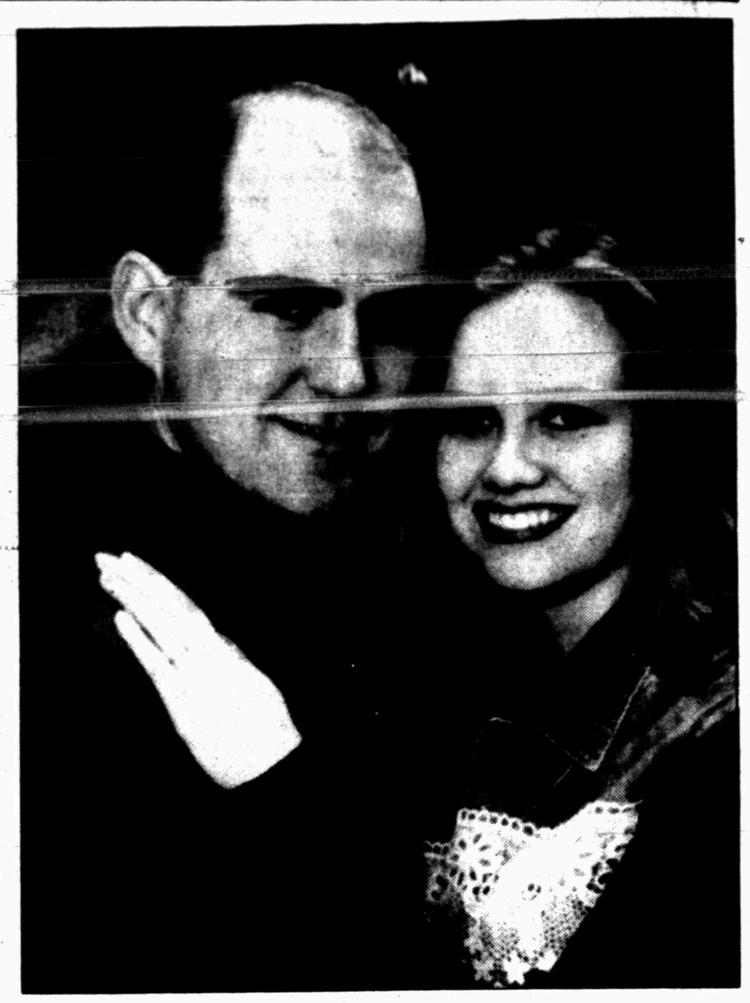
Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA, open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information, call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 10 a.m.

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

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



SUMMER WEDDING PLANNED — Sidney and Glenna Burrow of New Home, formerly of Snyder, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Cindi Burrow of Lubbock, to Lanny Zant of New Home. He is the son of Leland and Susan Zant of New Home. Cindi, a 1995 graduate of Snyder High School, now attends Texas Tech. They are planning a 7 p.m., July 10 wedding in the New Home Church of Christ. (Contributed Photo)



SNYDER OAKS QUEEN, KING — Snyder Oaks Care Center residents crowned (seated from left) Adolfo Martinez Valentine king and Ruth Eades Valentine queen Friday. Standing are Deanna McClure, activity director, and Jim Rhodes, social worker. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Top videos for children

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Weekly charts for the nation's most popular videos as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission:

Top Kids Video Sales

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports)

1. "Lion King II: Simba's Pride," Walt Disney Home Video.
2. "Lady And The Tramp," Walt Disney Home Video.
3. "Mary-Kate & Ashley Olson: Billboard Dad," Dualstar Video.
4. "Pokemon: Vol. 1," Viz Video.
5. "Teletubbies: Dance With The Teletubbies," Warner Family Entertainment.
6. "Quest For Camelot," Warner Family Entertainment.
7. "Blue's Clues: ABC's and 123's," Nickelodeon Video.
8. "Teletubbies: Here Come The Teletubbies," Warner Family Entertainment.
9. "Scooby-Doo On Zombie Island," Warner Family Entertainment.
10. "Hercules," Walt Disney Home Video.

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Fixing up old Venetian blinds

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: My wife and I recently bought a wonderful, rambling, wood-shingled house — piazza and all! Our problem: We love the old, wide-slatted Venetian blinds that came with the house, but they are in terrible condition. The tape is worn out and a few of the slats need replacing. Is there anyone anywhere who still sells the old-style tape and also carries or can make replacement slats? — **FRED, Barrington, R.I.**

DEAR FRED: You're in luck. McMinnis Industries, 2301 Highway 65, Port Arthur, TX 77640 (409-727-0044) not only sells the old-style tape, which they import from Holland, but can provide you with custom-made slats to replace the broken ones. If you need any related hardware, they have that on hand as well. Jerry McMinnis' father started making "old-style" Venetian blinds in 1939, and Jerry (lucky for all of us!) is carrying on the family tradition. When you order the tape and/or slats, he'll send along a "do-it-yourself" installation sheet, and if you should encounter any problems, he'll be more than happy to help you solve them.

We noticed you included an e-mail address on your letterhead. If you are on the Internet, you can find out more about the company by looking at their Web site at www.McInnisIndustries.com, or you can e-mail Jerry at jerrydan@exp.net.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: Help! My coffee looks like it has an oil slick! I cleaned the coffee maker twice with Dip-It and twice with Whink. I've used two different kinds of coffee and it hasn't made any difference. It's a West Bend 12-cup Designer Series. — **SHARON SMITH, Grand Island, Neb.**

DEAR SHARON: We called the ever-helpful people at West Bend Customer Service, who suggested you do the following:

1. As your West Bend is a drip coffee pot, use a paper filter in the basket. 2. Only use a coffee specifically ground for electric coffee makers. 3. Use bottled water.

If the above suggestions don't solve your problem, though we bet they will, give West Bend Customer Service a call at (414) 334-2311 — there's an outside possibility that your heating element needs replacing.

FEEDBACK: One of our readers asked if we knew of a good way to separate a single coffee filter from the stacked filter pack. She noted that she'd seen a way to do it on TV, but it was such a simple solution that she immediately forgot it. We were STUMPED. Subsequently, we received tons of letters suggesting all sorts of things, from pricking off the top filter with a safety pin to using a piece of sticky tape to buying a tweezer sort of thing with rubber tips at the ends.

However, many of you wrote in with the truly simple solution. Here it is: Turn the entire pack of filters inside out, and whack it a couple of times on the side of the kitchen counter. Remove the filters from the top as you need them. Easy as pie.

V.B. of Baton Rouge, La. — who was one of those who suggested using a safety pin — added, "Now, does anyone know an easy way to get garbage bags open, the kind that come in a tear-off roll?"

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AARP Corner

By M.J. Merritt Community Coordinator

I discussed in my last article about the surplus and how we should be studying how to use it wisely. This article will cover some Social Security facts and options. It is the purpose of this "AARP Corner" to keep the older citizens of Scurry County up-to-date and informed on matters of concern to them — Social Security being a main issue — and since Social Security will be debated by the 106th Congress, it is necessary that we know the facts and the options for changing Social Security. Thus, let us begin with the facts.

Fact No. 1: Social Security is not broke. It has a surplus of $460 billion dollars and is growing every day. In fact it can pay full 100 percent benefits, adjusted for inflation (COLA) until the year 2032 and after that it can pay 75 percent of current benefits far into the future, if we do nothing at all to change the system.

Fact No. 2: Social Security is there now for everyone. It provides survivor benefits for spouses and children until the age of 18 years (worth $250,000 if privately insured) if a worker should die before retirement age. It provides disability payments (worth $300,000 if privately insured) for those injured before retirement.

Fact. No. 3: Social Security retirement age has been raised. Current law provides that those born between 1936-1943 will retire at age 67. Thus, the retirement age for anyone born in 1960 and after will be 67.

Fact No. 4: Social Security benefits are taxed only for those over a certain income. In 1982, Congress revamped the entire Social Security System to make it viable for 50 years. One of the changes was to tax 50 percent of benefits for those beneficiaries who had an annual income over $25,000 (adjusted gross) for a single person and $32,000 for couples. In 1996, the amount taxed is 85 percent with the threshold rising to $32,000 and $44,000. Only about 5 percent of Social Security beneficiaries have their benefits taxed.

Fact No. 5: Social Security does not contribute one penny to the federal deficit. The federal deficit is caused by spending for all federal programs. Social Security funds are maintained in a separate Trust Fund. The surplus is loaned to the federal government in Treasury Notes and Bonds at 7.5 perent. These bonds are paid back regularly and are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government — the same as the dollar bill in your pocket.

These are the facts of the matter. But we must be aware and knowledgeable of the options for changing Social Security.

These options have been kicked around in Washington for the past several months., If and when the TRIAL is over you will be hearing much about this. You, Scurry County Seniors, must be vigilant in watching future developments; thus, think about these options and make up your own mind as to whether they are good or bad. I will now give you some of the options being kicked around.

Option No. 1: Raise the payroll tax 1.1 percent, currently workers pay 6.2 percent matched by 6.2 percent from the employer. A raise of 1.1 percent would solve the 25 percent shortfall in 2032 and far into the future.

Option No. 2: Cut or eliminate the COLA (cost of living adjustment). The COLA for 1999 will be the smallest ever.

Option No. 3: Cut benefits.

Option No. 4: Increase taxes on benefits.

Option No. 5: Bring all local and state government employees into the system including Texas school teachers.

Option No. 6: Raise retirement age to 70.

Option No. 7: Eliminate the cap on wages taxed ($68,4000 in 1998) as was done for Medicare in 1992. No matter how much a worker earns, it will be taxed for Social Security.

Option No. 8: Privatization. There are 4 possibilities being considered:

(1) Invest up to 40 percent of Trust Fund in the stock market.

(2) Allow workers to invest part of the 6.2 percent payroll tax in private investment accounts. Who will manage this — the employer, the government or the worker?

(3) Allow workers to invest all 6.2 percent tax in private accounts. Again who will manage?

(4) Allow workers to invest an additional percent in individual

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Q&A

How do I raise drug free kids?

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

How to Raise Drug-Free kids?

This year 24 million young Americans will use drugs. Fortunately for the many parents seeking help, much is known about preventing drug abuse. You can learn what various drugs look like, how they're used, the effects they have on the brain and body- and what the giveaway signs are that your child might be in danger. The following is a guideline, which you can use to help your child stay drug free.

A parent's action even before birth is critical to helping a child stay off drugs in later years. Drugs, including nicotine and alcohol, can damage a fetus as early as three weeks after conception-even before the mother realizes she's pregnant. Some research suggests that babies born to addicted mothers may be at higher risk to addiction later in life. From the moment they are born, all babies need love. When cries and babbles and smiles are responded to with warmth and consistency, babies learn to trust in others- and in their own ability to influence the world around them.

Long before your children start school, begin teaching them rules for behavior: honesty, fairness, respect for others and for themselves. BE AN EXAMPLE: LIVE BY THOSE VALUES YOURSELF. If children see their parents drinking and smoking, they're most likely to follow that example. Provide a safe and happy home-life with communication and involvement. Do as I say not as I do, is not a good example to try to raise our children on. CHOICES are left to you as a parent to do and say what is right for your children.

It's important to get your child involved in family activities. Now is when to begin teaching your children to make decisions on their own, and to impart "don't be a follower". Explain to your child that just because someone tells them to do something, that doesn't mean it's the right thing to do. When in doubt, they should be taught to ask someone they trust. By the fifth grade children know of classmates who have begun to smoke, drink or use drugs. This is the time in their lives when children start making choices. What kind of values have you taught them up to this point and will their choices reflect those values you have taught them.

ONE of the MOST IMPORTANT lesson and parent can teach a child at this point is how to say NO! Help your children to stay away from places where they may be pressured to use drugs. Teach your children to be aware of how drugs are promoted.

Don't worry how to start discussion about drugs with your kids. JUST TALK. IF you're trying, they'll get the message that you care about them and their problems. When you say nothing at all could be sending the message to your children that you accept what they're doing. If you ignore the subject, your kids will hear it only from others-including those who use drugs and those who sell them. Don't put your children on the spot by asking them if they have tried drugs. Make one thing CLEAR: you feel strongly that drugs are dangerous, and you don't want your child to use them. Expect rebellion, certain amount of this behavior is a normal part of growing up- kids seeking their own identity. This is a very vital time for parents to keep ALL lines of communication open.

Give your children all the facts of drug and alcohol use, not scare tactics. Most kids today know more about drugs than their parents do. The truth of substance abuse is bad enough. There's no need to stretch it. Parents should know the different types of drugs their children might be exposed to and the dangers associated with each; be able to identify paraphernalia used with each drug; know the street names of drugs and what drugs look like; know the signs of alcohol and other drug use; and be alert for changes in their child's behavior or appearance. Many young people use drugs simply because their friends do. Get to know your child's friends and their parents. Make sure the parties your child attends are alcohol- and drug free. Monitor your child's whereabouts when in doubt. Steering children toward the right crowd is not always easy. Keep children involved and busy. When teens are unsupervised and have little to do, they are more likely to experiment with drinking and drugs. If you don't give them something to do, they'll give you something to do.

Stay involved in the life of your children. Peer pressure still holds sway. Be specific make sure your child knows what the rules are, why you have them and what the consequences will be if they're broken. Make it clear that the "no drugs or alcohol" rule applies not only at home but WHEREVER the child is. Don't add new consequences after a rule is broken, and make sure the punishment is appropriate to the situation. Keep listening don't do all the talking. You have to be ready to drop whatever your doing and listen when your kids are ready to talk, because it doesn't happen very often. To keep children away from drugs, one thing is clear: school, community, religious institutions, the police- all of them can help. But no one can REPLACE the family.

Please send your questions on drugs or addiction to P.O. Box 695, Snyder, Texas 79550. All questions and personal inquires may be submitted anonymously. Twenty-four-hour confidential information is available by calling (915) 573-1141 or 1-800-658-6722. Information on help groups and individual's phone numbers may be found in the SDN Community Calendar.

Senior Center Menu

MONDAY

Closed for President's Day.

TUESDAY

Chicken & Dumplings, golden carrots, fried squash, three bean salad, brownie.

WEDNESDAY

Country fried steak w/cream sauce, mashed potatoes, green peas, cucumber/onion salad, apricot cobbler.

THURSDAY

German sausage w/barbecue sauce, green beans, potatoes au gratin, lettuce/tomato/salad.

FRIDAY

Fried fish, baked beans, macaroni & tomatoes, cabbage slaw, pineapple flop cake

Senior Center News

MONDAY

The Senior Center will be closed for President's Day. The AARP has cancelled its meeting for this month. They will meet on March 15.

TUESDAY

88 play begins at 10 a.m., the Hoss Clayton Band will entertain at 11 a.m., and the Golden K Kiwanis Club will meet at noon. Daily exercise is at 11 a.m., and swimnastics is scheduled for Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 2:15-3-45 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bingo begins at 10 a.m. All seniors are invited. Line dancing is at 1 p.m. and clogging begins at 2.

THURSDAY

The fabric painting class begins at 11 a.m. and the Sunshine Choir will practice at 10 a.m. in the dining room. Newcomers are welcome.

FRIDAY

The bridge tournament and the blood pressure clinic will begin at 9:30 a.m. 88 play begins at 10 and the sing-a-long at 11:30 a.m.

Through April 14, Bernhard Bartels will assist individuals with their income tax on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Volunteers are reminded to record their hours by Feb. 26 in order to receive credit this year at the March 12 awards banquet.

Reminder: The center has a memorial fund. Call 573-4035 for more information.

Twins enjoy being sisters

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Even today they said she continues to buy them identical outfits, perhaps because she does not want them to like what the other received better than their present.

Though identical twins, they do not share the same birth date. Patsy was born on Oct. 6 and Paula 45 minutes later on Oct. 7. They said their mother often had slumber parties for their birthday so that both dates in October would be celebrated.

Paula refers to Patsy as "older" while Patsy calls Paula the "baby." Perhaps because she is "older," Patsy said she is the "mother hen."

Over the years, the 45-minute "difference" in their ages has been played for more than a few laughs, especially when they turned 40. Since Patsy hit the big 40 first, Paula really rubbed it in. She left a message on the TV that said something like "How does it feel to be an old hag?" Paula and some friends "kidnapped" Patsy and took her to McDonald's in her pajamas. Then Paula's husband dressed up like an undertaker and brought Patsy some dead flowers.

A sign in Patsy's yard said, "A 40-year-old coach's wife lives here."

The next day, it was Patsy's turn to get even. Paula worked as a lab aide for an elementary school so all of her kindergarten students wore black veils to school. She was identified as the 40-year-old lab aide and was even interviewed on TV.

Who knows what they have in store for each other when they turn 50.

Patsy attends First Baptist Church and Paula attends East Side Church of Christ where her husband, James, is a deacon.

Paula's husband James works in the SISD maintenance department and part-time at Lawrence IGA where he is a front-end manager. Previously, he worked at Everybody's before it closed.

One son, Andy, is a freshman at Angelo State University where he is majoring in computer science. Another son, Lane, is a sophomore at SHS.

Patsy's husband, Steve, coaches football and track and teaches social studies at the high school. One son, Joey, is a sophomore at ASU, majoring in computer science. He and Andy are college roommates and share the same birthday.

Another son, Mark, is a sophomore at SHS and plays football.

Paula and Patsy love having a twin sister, someone they can share their "deepest, darkest secrets with." Though they haven't always lived in the same town they said they know that eventually they will. They get along well, but when they argue each said she lets her sister win.

Paula said, "We would not know what to do to without each other." Or did Patsy say it?

Park service nixes request

ROANOKE, Va. (AP) — Production plans for Sandra Bullock's new movie "28 Days" sounded like a two-month nuisance to the National Park Service.

The park service refused to allow filming of the $30 million romantic comedy along the scenic Blue Ridge Parkway because the movie company wants to build a two-story facade at the Peaks of Otter Lodge.

Columbia TriStar Pictures wants to film between March 15 and May 22, but parkway Superintendent Gary Everhardt said Thursday he was concerned because "visitors would be looking at the backside of the facade."

Chief Ranger Gordon Wissinger wrote the movie company on Tuesday that the park service mission at Peaks of Otter "is to provide a serene, peaceful, relaxing visitor experience within a pastoral landscape." The filming would be unacceptable, he wrote.

Wissinger said the Park Service would reconsider if the movie company came up with a plan that did not significantly alter the lodge.

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Deanie Francis Mills

Happy Valentine's Day...

This is a Valentine to all you good guys out there who never get any credit for being good guys. I've been thinking about it for a long time, and Valentine's seemed the best time to make a statement that I think good guys are overlooked, taken for granted, and basically ignored in our popular culture.

Take the movies, for example. One of the biggest bestsellers of all time, which became a box-office hit movie, was "The Bridges of Madison County." To this day, hundreds of tourists visit the spot where the movie was filmed. Marriages have been performed on the old wooden bridge. Some wives make their husbands read the book or see the movie as some sort of lesson in what it means to be romantic.

Well, I read "Bridges." And I was outraged. My first thought was not of the handsome Clint Eastwood-type magazine photographer or of poor lonely Francesca. Instead, I was filled with sadness for Francesca's absentee husband. Here was a man who had married her, been true to her, made a home with her for 15 or 16 years, been a faithful father to their children — and the first time he got out of town for a short trip, taking the kids to a stock show, what does Francesca do? Why, she shacks up with the first good-looking guy to show up at the door asking for directions!

To all those women who thought "Bridges of Madison County" was romantic, I have this to say. Let me tell you, girlfriend, what is truly romantic: When a man sees you six months' pregnant with your head in the toilet barfing, and goes on to endure three more months of hormonal chaos while you bite his head off for breathing wrong, and holds your hand through fourteen hours of labor, and tells you that you're beautiful even though you can't seem to lose the weight you gained with the baby — THAT'S ROMANTIC.

When a man comes home to you every night and does not think about other women, and does not flirt with other women, and does not make cutesy remarks to you about other women, and does not ogle girlie magazines with other women in them, and loves you, heart and soul for year in and year out, long after your youthful beauty fades — THAT'S ROMANTIC.

When a man might dream of traveling the world over, taking scenic photographs for "National Geographic" and being free; but instead, brings home his paycheck to you every month, and fixes the toilet when it's stopped up, and carries out the trash, and calls you every day to see if you need anything from the store before he heads home to you — THAT'S ROMANTIC.

You see, movie romance is easy. Flowers and candlelight, that kind of stuff — that's easy. Many a con man has fooled a woman by "romancing" her in just that way. He sweeps her off her feet the way she sees it done in movies and in romance novels. She falls head over heels in love because she feels so "special." In the meantime, he may be sweeping several other silly women off their feet at the same time. Or he may be conniving her money out of her. Or he may be manipulating her so that he can maintain control over her, so that when the beatings start, she will be confused and will stay with him.

Don't get me wrong — not all guys who give their ladies flowers are bad guys. Sometimes my husband of 25 years gives me flowers and my heart melts with the best of them. But what I'm trying to say is that true romance is so very much more.

The hard part is the staying. Some men have a hard time saying, "I love you," but those same men would throw themselves in front of a truck if they thought their family was in danger. Some men forget anniversaries, but they never forget that they are married when pretty young collegues flirt with them at business conventions. Others may not think to send their wives flowers when their babies are born, but those same men would never forget that they ARE fathers; they would never abandon their families.

They do the hard stuff, day in and day out. They squelch their dreams and pay the bills and fix the car and raise the kids and watch their wives grow tired. They want to do so much more for their family, it seems, than they are able. But they do the best they can, and they do it with a backache and fading youth (and sometimes hairlines) and more worry than they care to admit.

They do it while the bad guys get all the press — the wife — beaters and the philanderers and the womanizers. They keep on doing it even though, very often, they are taken for granted just because they ARE doing it. And to add insult to injury, then they get dragged off to the movies to watch Clint Eastwood sashay in and steal another man's wife in three days flat.

And all along, they don't even know ... just how romantic they really are.

Happy Valentine's Day, guys.



Deanie Mills column appears weekly in the Snyder Daily News

Fighting to kill new taxes on oil producers

By. U.S. Sen Phil Grann and
Texas Railroad Commissioner Charles Matthews

We are very concerned about an item in President Clinton's budget proposal, and we hope that the administration will have the good sense to abandon it before it begin to inflict serious damage on the Texas oil industry. In short, the President has decided to collect $4 billion in new taxes from oil producers. Needless to say, the President's idea is the worst possible idea at the worst possible time, and we plan to vigorously oppose it.

The unfortunate fact is that oil operators all over Texas are going out of business, many of them never to return. In fact, in the last year nearly 5,000 oil field workers filed for unemployment. The oil business has always had its ups and downs, but there is a full-fledged depression in the oil patch right now.

The situation is so critical that the Texas Railroad Commission, which regulates oil and gas issues for the State of Texas, is urging our Legislature to suspend state severance taxes on oil production, and the governor has accorded the bill emergency status.

The President's proposal, which was contained in his budget submission to Congress, seeks to reinstate the oil spill liability tax that expireds in 1995. The 5-cent-a-barrel levy was used to fill a $1 billion fund overseen by the Treasury Department. President Clinton is aksing to reinstate the tax for anotehr ten years and to let him collect at least $4 billion more from hard-pressed oil producers. What he's really asking Congress to do is dramatically accelerate the rate at which Texas oil producers go broke.

Texans are especially vulnerable to the oil crisis, in part because most of the 170,000 wells that operate in our state are "stripper" wells which pump fewer than 15 barrles a day. Whether you pump a barrel a day or hundreds of barrels a day, the cost of electricity, waste and water disposal, maintenance, insurance and other overhead is the same.

Moreover, cities, counties and school districts which rely on a local tax base are being hammered because when the bottom falls out of the oil business, the tax base drops away with it. In 1998, oil and gas producers contributed $170 million to the Texad Permanent School Fund and $78 milion to the Texas Permanent University Fund. Ninety-five school districts get at least half of their property tax income from oil and gas production. That explains why when you talk to school superintendents, there is almost panic in their voices. They see school funding evaporating before their eyes.

The restoration of stability in the world economy will go a long way toward helping Texas oil producers, and so would adoption of the U.S. Energy Economic Growth Act introduced by U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison. That legislation is aimed at using tax credits and exemptions to help producers offset the cost of keeping stripper wells in operation and restarting inactive wells.

At a time when the budget is projected to generate surplus as far as the eye can see and at a moment when oil state lawmakers are working to cut taxes, it's very difficult to understand why struggling oil producers are the target of a new tax from the administration. That the President doesn't recognize this is beyond comprehension.

We want there to be no doubt that this oil tax is a non-starter, and we intend to fight it as hard and as long as it takes to kill it. We won't allow the Texas oil industry, Texas schools and Texas cities to be taxed to death.

Letters

Mountain Lion?

Dear Editor:

In regard to the "Ask Us" question, of Feb. 5, asking about a mountain lion spotted around Hermleigh, Ira or Dunn. The answer — no, that there has been no report of a mountain lion being spotted, called into the local law enforcement officials.

So, to be given more information about it, I'll explain: the law may truthfully NOT know. However, the animal control department sure can verify it.

We live west of Hermleigh, less than 2 miles, and did see one — last summer — 30 feet approximately — from the house, drinking from a puddle. It was totally at ease, not even looking around or jittery. It went on its way. We have no pets, even had calves grazing and no damage to them.

However, there has been numerous people who have seen it in the daytime, entering an overgrown area approximately the length of 3 city blocks from our house, reportedly near our house. It walks slowly, as though at ease, and that has happened once in a period of a year, crossing the road into an area where it may have a den.

It was spotted about a mile from us, about twice by a relative. It also was spotted many times by a family that lives about 2½ miles south of us — near this barn and outbuilding.

They have pets, it causes the pets to raise an uproar, yet it never did bother them.

About a mile or less, north of us, people have sheep and it did do damage to the animals. That is the only damage we have heard of.

Thinking it might have been a bobcat, they put out an all metal "walk-in" trap, and it tore it all to pieces!

There have been at least 8 people who have seen it. Once again though no one has told us it is an "endangered" species, and we must NOT shoot it.

Recently the officials told us that if it is sighted we can call and they will get tracking dogs and come and try to get it. Possibly tranquilizing shot, to take it somewhere else, so we will have help.

In the meantime it can roam miles in all directions, of course. Only they want to be sure it's there to warrant all that.

Just yesterday , we were told of it being in Ira (daytime). I choose not to list all the people who have seen it as they won't have lots of nuisance calls.

This letter will caution people to be alert — that it is not just a rumor.

Sincerely,
Lorraine Barfoot
Hermleigh

To God be the glory

Dear Editor:

Now that the dust has settled and maybe all is forgotten let me say this. To God be the Glory great things he hath done. The true meaning of Christmas is the birth of Our Lord and Savior

The greatest gift that we could ever have been given was given on that beautiful night in Bethlehem I would like to take this opportunity to thank two guys who gave so unselfishly of themselves. Pete Garcia and Jayson Riggs my hat's off to both of these fine young men for a job well done.

They gave of themselves not for their glory but for the Glory of our Lord. Christmas would not have been possible for several families had it not been for these two men and the efforts of those who organized the Toys for Tots drive.

Life is too short to spend it on thinking of what might have been. If we had the same attitude and vision as these two young men did imagine what Snyder, Texas would be like.

It's not about what we do it's about who we do for. "Do unto others, as you would have them do unto you." This is a rule that we all should follow and don't. I stand guilty as the next person. It's only by His grace and Love that we overcome these things. I know that this comes a little late, but it's never too late to thank those who do work for Our Lord.

I will close with this, if this coming Christmas you want to offer a special gift to someone, offer them the Gift of Life that can only come through knowing, accepting, believing, and following our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. If you don't have much to give this Christmas jot down your favorite scripture on a note card and hand them out. Your favorite scripture may be what changes someone's life for eternity. May we never lose sight of what Christmas really is and why we celebrate. God Bless and Keep all of You.

Leroy Ochoa Jr., pastor
Knapp Baptist Church

Thanks for prayers

Dear Editor:

My daughter, Cameron Mackey, and one of ther friends, Callie Bane, were involved in an accident that totalled Cam's car, Jan. 31. She was the driver in a one-car rollover northeast of Snyder that night.

She was distracted by some car lights in the distance and missed seeing a stop sign at a country intersection and decided to run it instead of trying to stop since no one was coming from either side.

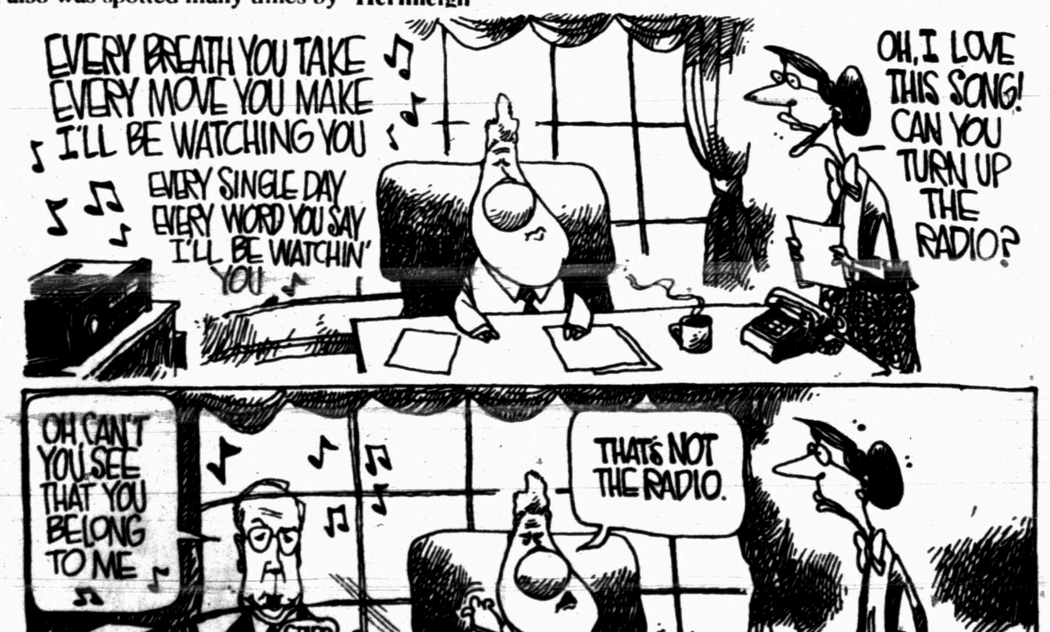
However, the road jogged left on the other side of the intersection and she ran straight into a culvert, hit the embankment, slid 10 yards on the passenger side, and began flipping side over side. Two and one half flips later the car was upside down back on the road facing the way they had come from.

Basically unhurt, they unsnapped their seatbelts, fell to the ground in the glass, crawled out the passenger side window and walked to the nearest house for help. That they are alive is a miracle, thank you Lord.

To you, faithful of God, is that 5 months ago I asked my Christian reunion group to pray over that car. Six men prayed over my daughter's car and asked God to take care of the occupants, keep them safe and asked that angels would guard them.

I believe God was holding

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Secrecy of judges' reprimand

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Federal judges hold extremely important positions in society. They render decisions that affect us all. Their salaries, and the courts they preside over, are financed by taxpayers.

Therefore, it's the public's business when a judge is publicly reprimanded. But disciplinary action against controversial U.S. District Judge John McBryde of Fort Worth remains shrouded in excessive secrecy.

The public is being kept in the dark about an extremely unusual action against a powerful, high-profile public official. It's high time to expose this matter to the sunlight.

In September, a panel of federal judges issued a stinging public reprimand of McBryde, citing his "intemperate, abusive and intimidating treatment of lawyers, fellow judges, and others." Besides reprimanding McBryde, the Judicial Council of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals also barred him from taking new cases for up to a year.

The reprimand was based on a 159-page report from an investigative committee. The report was issued after critics and defenders of McBryde testified in 1997 in closed-door hearings in New Orleans and Fort Worth, with McBryde present. Two federal judges have refused to make public the report and other records of McBryde's disciplinary proceedings.

We strongly feel that these records should be public.

McBryde himself supports release of the report, which he has seen but is not permitted to publicly comment on. McBryde asserts that it is unfair to publicly reprimand him yet seal the report detailing the basis for that punishment. We agree. Public disclosure also helps ensure that the proceedings against McBryde have been fair rather than conducted in kangaroo-court fashion.

McBryde, in a lawsuit filed in Washington, D.C., seeks to make the records public. In the suit, he also says that a federal appeals judge secretly ordered him to undergo a psychiatric examination in 1996 or be stripped of his judicial duties. The order was later withdrawn, but in 1997 a psychiatrist observed McBryde during his disciplinary hearings, the judge says in his lawsuit.

"The very idea that the United States Government, in a secret inquisition, can subject a federal judge, or any citizen for that matter, to an involuntary quasi-psychiatric examination, is so astounding, so improper, so degrading, and so wrong, that the public needs to know it happened," the suit says.

The two judges who oppose releasing the records say they should be sealed to protect "legitimate institutional and privacy concerns," including the reputation of witnesses testifying against McBryde. But what about McBryde's reputation, which he says is at "rock bottom"?

Prior to being appointed a federal judge by then-President George Bush in 1990, McBryde was a well-regarded trial lawyer. Since then, serious questions have been raised about his courtroom conduct. We're not taking a position as to whether the reprimand was justified. We just want more light shed on what is going on.

Scurry County Service Men and Women

Editor's Note: Citizens are invited to write their servicemen and servicewomen stationed stateside and overseas. Anyone having additions, changes or corrections to the list should submit them in writing to Snyder Daily News, P.O. Box 949, Snyder TX, 79550 or bring them by the office at 3600 College Ave. Sorry, no addresses will be accepted over the telephone.

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Texas honors British leader

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush made British Conservative Party leader William Hague an "honorary Texan" Friday. Hague said it was quite an honor — but not a 10-gallon one.

Bush began a news conference with Hague by saying he had "an extraordinary announcement to make, one that will change your life forever."

Happy Valentine's Day!

Amanda and Andrea,
Hey Girls, Happy Valentine's Day. I'll see you after my trip.
Love, Leah La

Ben,
Some people come into our lives, leave footprints on our hearts, and we are never the same. Happy Valentine's Day!
Love Ya, Leah

Vickie,
My wife, my friend, my Love.
Forever, Herbie

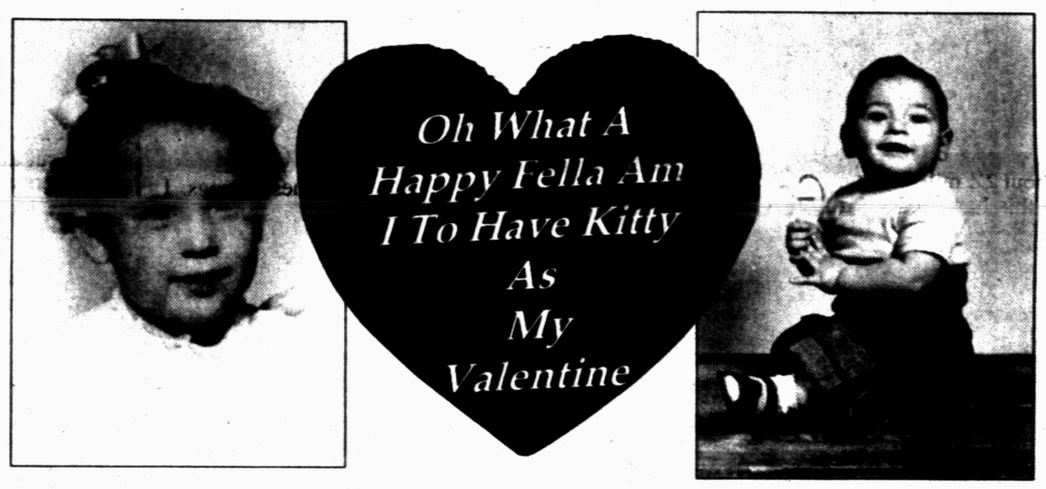
To Andrea, Bubba and Virginia,
Have a nice Valentine's Day. You are in my heart, thoughts and prayers. I love you.
Raymond

Valerie Trusty,
You're exhilarating, fascinating. You make each day beautiful. I love you!!!!
Your Secret Admirer

To Charles, my No. 1 Sweetheart,
You are the only Sweetheart I will ever need. I love you with all my heart. Happy Valentine's Day
Love, Oretha



Roses are Red, Violets are Blue,
You're the Best "DAD"and we love you.
Lesa & Sabrina Jones



Kathleen & Tommy Huddleston

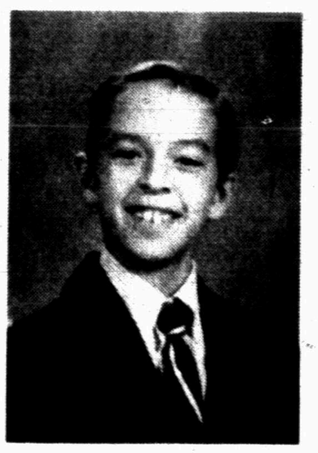


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and love to Brandon Bobbyjoe Bagwell
Grandma Vera's Ice Hockey Skater.

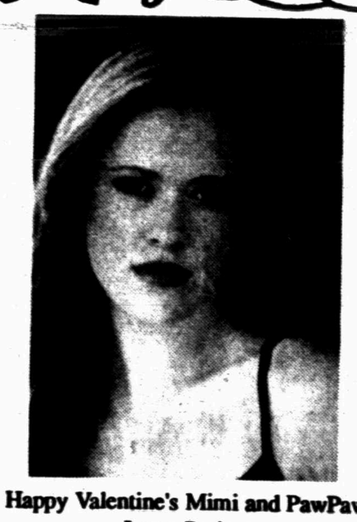


To Beth "Peaches"
Happy Valentine's Day
From Your Secret Admirer
See You At School.





I love you Mimi and PawPaw.
Love, Preston



Happy Valentine's Mimi and PawPaw.
Love, Parisse



These are our Valentines, the loves of our life.
Scott, Kathryn Frances, Alex, Sarah,
James Jr., Heather Meagan, Stephanie & Michael.
Happy Valentine's
Nanny & Poppy



Happy Valentine's Day
Love,
Shanice, Scott, Devont'a



Happy Valentine's Day.
Jaden Bradley Hood



Happy Valentine's Kaitlyn & Dylan
We love you.
Mama, Papa, Shannon, Jason & Tyler

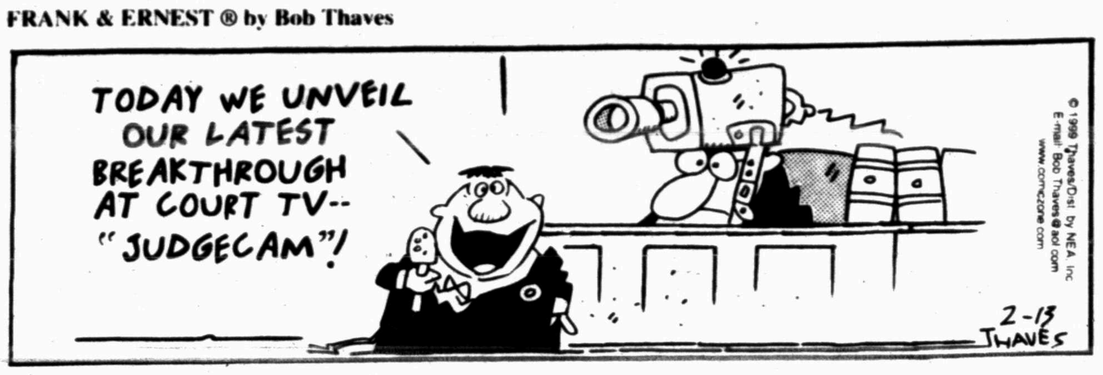
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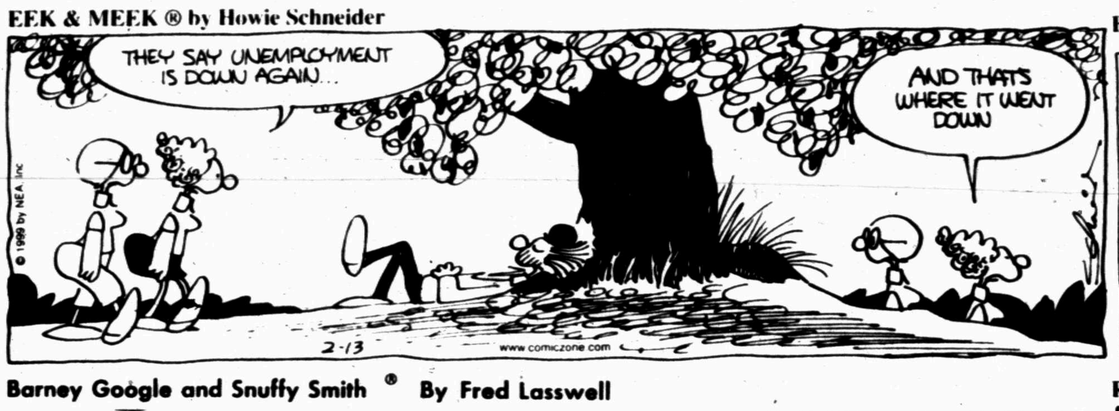
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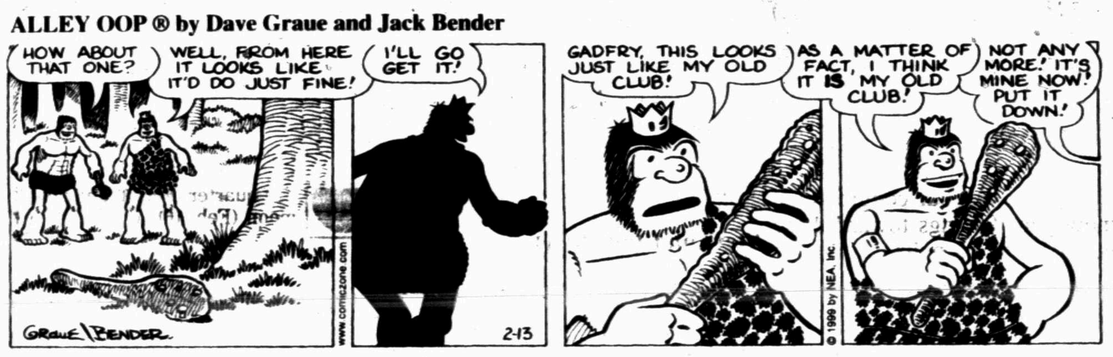
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7 Supporting tower
12 Battery terminals
13 Little girl at the Plaza
14 Cleans (up)
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18 — de cologne
21 Goes berserk
23 Made a lap
26 Skeleton part
28 Fencing sword
29 Airline info
30 St. Louis footballers
31 Sells
33 Rubbing-out
36 Lupino and Cantor
37 Goat boy?
38 — oil
40 Medicine portion
41 High card
42 Ocean features
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51 Pressed
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57 Intertwined
58 "The — Cometh"

DOWN

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6 Ancient Jewish ascetic
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8 Yellow of an egg
9 Mae West role
10 Sugary suffix
11 Profit
13 Epic poem
18 "I have found it!"
19 Visigoth king
20 Like some beds
22 Add on
23 Hardly ever
24 Army command
25 Fringed ornament
27 Balaam's beast
32 Finished
34 Spoke
35 Devastated
39 "The Twins"
43 Ice tower
45 Joyful exclamation
47 Carry
48 Moray
49 Actress Thurman
50 New Deal program
52 Steal
53 Zsa Zsa's sister
54 Lion's home

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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"I GOT YOU A VALENTINE, MARGARET..."

"...BUT I'M SAVING IT TILL APRIL FOOL'S DAY."

Datebook

Feb. 13, 1999

Today is the 44th day of 1999 and the 55th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1741, Andrew Bradford of Pennsylvania published the first magazine to be published in the United States. It was called The American Magazine.

On this day in 1914, the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) was formed to protect the work of songwriters.

On this day in 1972, the Broadway musical "Grease" opened in New York City.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Grant Wood (1892-1942), painter; Georges Simenon (1903-1989), novelist; Patty Berg (1918-), golfer, is 81; Tennessee Ernie Ford (1919-1991), singer; Chuck Yeager (1923-), aviator, is 76; Kim Novak (1933-), actress, is 66; George Segal (1934-), actor, is 65; Oliver Reed (1938-), actor, is 61; Henry Rollins (1961-), singer, is 38.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1994, Tommy Moe won the men's downhill skiing event at the Winter Olympics at Lillehammer, Norway.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I would hurl words into the darkness and wait for an echo. If an echo sounded, no matter how faintly, I would send other words to tell, to march, to fight." — Richard Wright

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Feb. 8) and new moon (Feb. 16).

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Feb. 14, 1999

Today is VALENTINE'S DAY; it is the 45th day of 1999 and the 56th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1962, first lady Jacqueline Kennedy conducted a one-hour nationally televised tour of the White House.

On this day in 1974, The Captain (Daryl Dragon) and Toni Tenille were wed in California.

On this day in 1986, Frank Zappa played the role of Mr. Frankie, a crime kingpin, on the television show "Miami Vice."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Frank Harris (1856-1931), journalist; Jack Benny (1894-1974), comedian; Mel Allen (1913-1996), broadcaster; Hugh Downs (1921-), TV personality, is 78; Florence Henderson (1934-), actress, is 65; Donna Shalala (1941-), government official, is 58; Carl Bernstein (1944-), journalist, is 55; Gregory Hines (1946-), dancer-actor, is 53; Jim Kelly (1960-), football player, is 39; Molly Ringwald (1968-), actress, is 31.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1977, Al Hill of the Philadelphia Flyers scored five points in his first NHL game, helping his team defeat the St. Louis Blues 6-4.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "To love and be loved is to feel the sun from both sides." — David Viscott

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Government to allow more hunting of the snow geese

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Interior Department said Friday it will allow 24 states to ease restrictions on the hunting of snow geese in an effort to kill thousands of the birds during their annual migration north from the Gulf Coast to Canada.

By unleashing more hunters onto the birds, the government hopes to reduce the burgeoning snow geese population. The number of snow geese has grown so large that biologists say the geese are destroying arctic breeding grounds for a wide range of other migratory birds.

But the action immediately was criticized by the Humane Society of the United States, which has long argued that the freewheeling use of hunters to reduce the snow geese populations is inhumane. The group also has questioned whether snow geese actually are responsible for the Canadian tundra's destruction.

The ecosystem problem ought to be resolved in the arctic and "not by the indiscriminate slaughter of birds" as they migrate, said John Grandy, Humane Society vice president.

The number of snow geese has grown from 800,000 birds in the 1960s to an estimated 5 million birds Friday.

The new federal regulations, which formally go into effect Tuesday, would allow hunters to use "unplugged" shotguns — those that hold more than three shells — and electronic goose calls that are currently prohibited.

AARP

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retirement account with an income tax credit. But, workers can already do this.

You have the options being discussed now think them through! Study the Facts and Options decide for yourself what is best and let your congressman know your feelings toward these matters. (Option polls do count it seems).

Letter

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them in His hands when they were flying and flipping in the air that night. They came out with a few cuts, bruises and bumps and were a little sore. They both went to school the next day. I don't know how powerful you believe prayer is; and I don't know how important a Christian accountability group is to you, but I know how powerful and important they are to me.

We would like to thank all of the friends that have called, sent notes or have come by both Callie's and our home and all of the friends that took care of them immediately after the accident.

Thanks also to everyone that was at the ER supporting us during our big scare. And thanks you to the emergency room staff. But most of all, thank you Lord for saving our daughters and giving them back to us alive and well.

Steve and Judy Mackey
John and Chris Bane

School accused of not sending retirement money to the state

WACO (AP) — Employees are accusing a charter school of deducting retirement benefits from their paychecks but failing to turn the money over to the state, the Waco Tribune-Herald reported in Friday's editions.

Employees, who were not named by the newspaper, also said that they haven't received paychecks due last week from the Emma L. Harrison Charter School and that other paychecks bounced.

A spokesman for the Texas Education Agency said it has not received payments from the school since it opened last fall. The agency monitors charter schools, which are public but are exempt from many state education regulations.

The school, which has about 200 students, receives no local tax dollars, but gets state money that would otherwise go to local school districts. It is operated by the East Waco Community Center, which is affiliated with the Heart of Texas Black Chamber of Commerce.

Ida Pinkard, who is chief executive officer of the school, is also director of the community center and president of the chamber. She declined to answer questions about the retirement fund payments, the newspaper said.

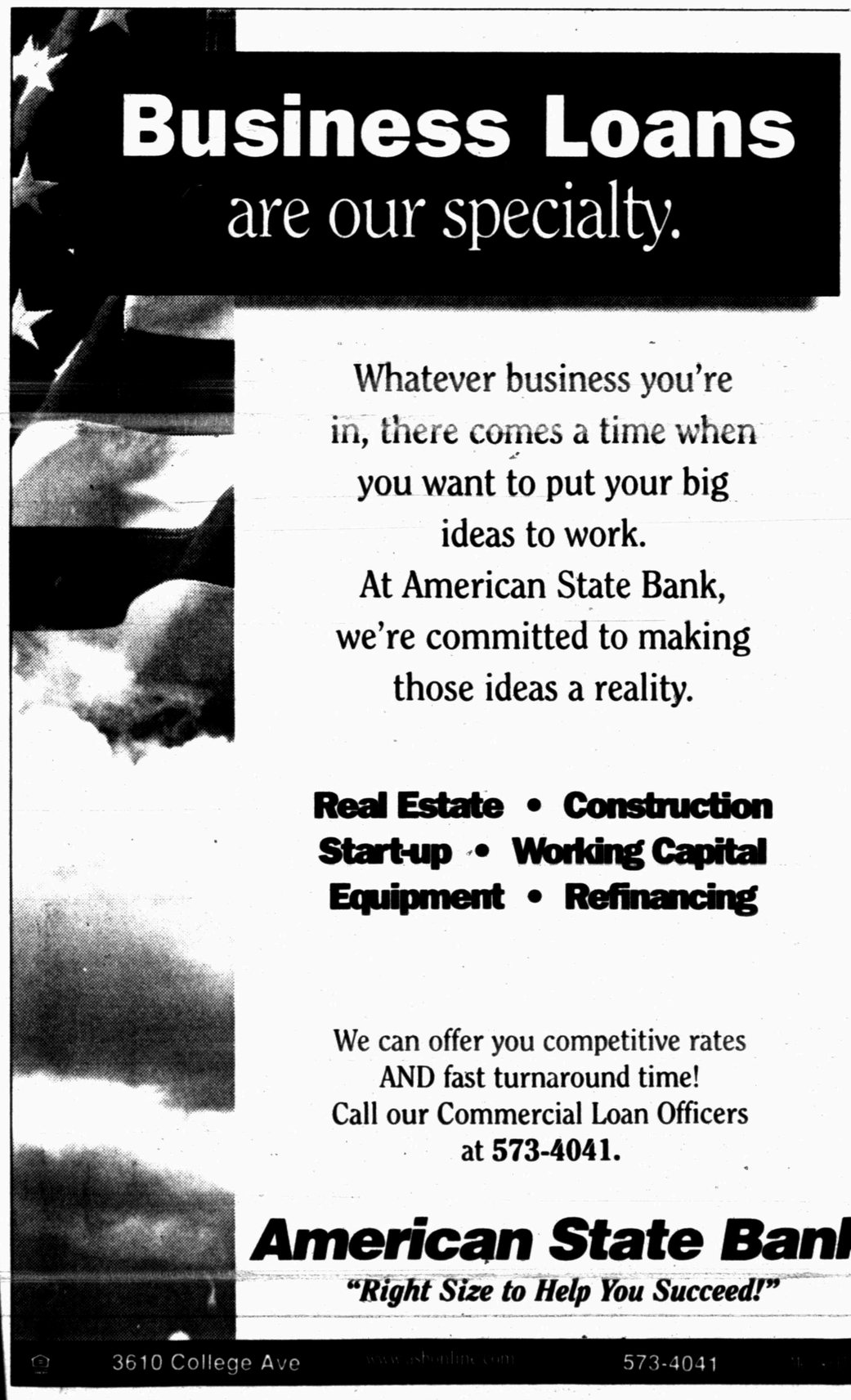
Nearly all public-school employees in Texas are required to contribute 6.65 percent of pay into the retirement fund. Schools are supposed to submit the payments monthly.

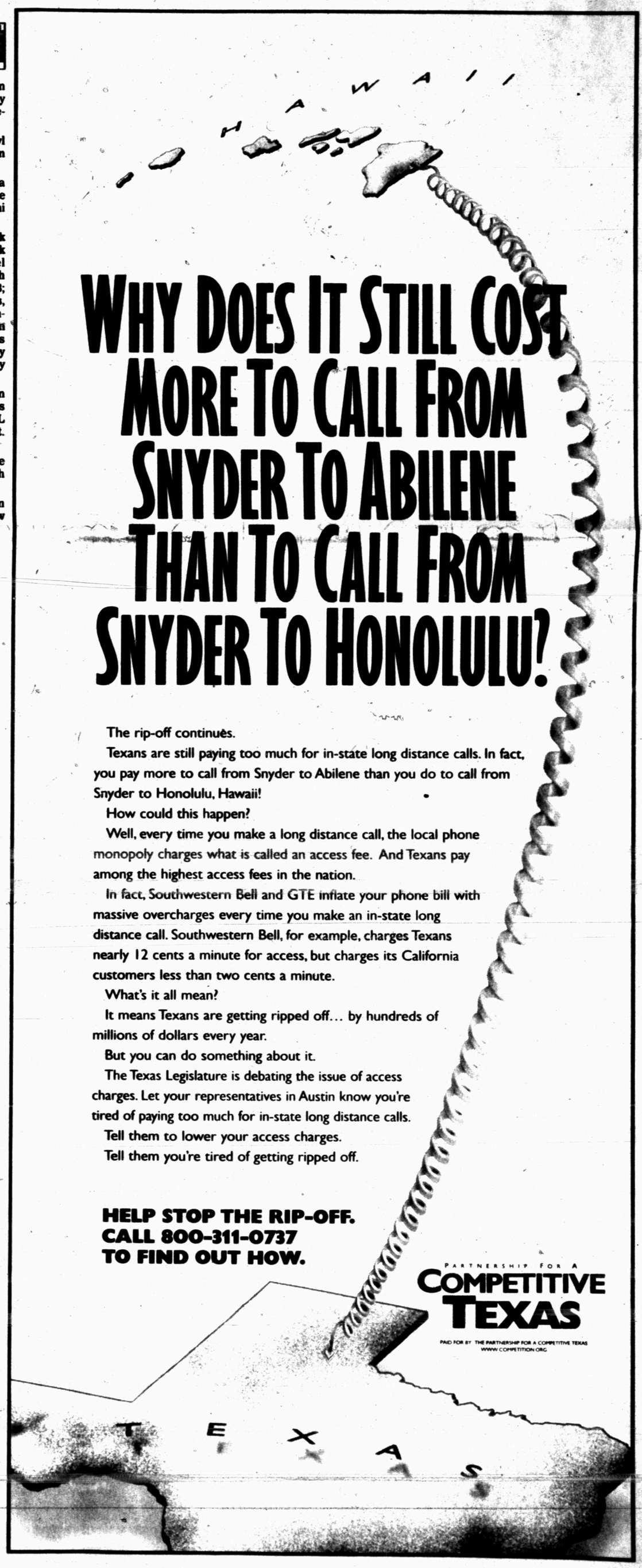
Representatives of the retirement system visited the school twice and reported the problem to the Texas Education Agency, agency spokesman Howard Goldman said.

If TEA determines there are financial problems at the school, a report on the difficulties will be presented at the State Board of Education's next scheduled meeting in March.

Debbie Graves Ratcliffe, also with the Texas Education Agency, said the agency has never been faced with a school that didn't send in its retirement deductions, "So we've got to determine what we can do under state law to rectify the situation."

Employees say their pay problems began in December.





Public Records

New Vehicle Registrations

Joseph C. McDowell Jr., 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Clarence Payne, 1998 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Ila Ruth Newton, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Juan and Mary Pena, 1998 Dodge pickup from Snyder Chrysler.

Guy Will Zan, 1999 Pontiac from Big Country Autoland.

Luther and Lavania Azbill, 1999 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Emil D. Flynn, 1999 Buick from Big Country Autoland.

Action in District Court

Scurry County vs. Leon Zamora, et al, notice of non-suit.

Scurry County vs. Kay Tidwell, et al, notice of non-suit.

Scurry County vs. Elena Osorio, et al, notice of non-suit.

Scurry County vs. John Fisken Warren, et al, notice of non-suit.

In the marriage of Camilla Lynn Stewart and James Richard Stewart, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Sonja Marie Hill and Robert Michael Hill, divorce granted.

Deed Records

Elvin B. and Patsy Dennis to Jal Ray and Michele Lynn Dennis, an 0.517-acre tract in Tract 45 of the Dallas Trust and Savings Bank Subdivision of the Grimes Ranch Lands in Section 13, Block 1, J.P. Smith survey.

Harold C. Denson, Sue Denson Brown, Wayne Denson and Patricia Denson Partain to Rodger and Doris Blackard, a triangular tract out of the southeast corner of Section 68, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Glenna G. Bane, Jayme D. Roemisch, Welda K. McHaney, Darrell K. Bills and Nelma Rae Bills, tract one to Jayme D. Roemisch, being the west 79.34 acres in Section 52, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two to Darrell K. Bills, being the east 79.3 acres out of the west 158.68 acres in Section 52, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract three to Welda K. McHaney, being the west 79.34 acres out of the east 158.68 acres of the west 317.36 acres of Section 52, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract four to Glenna G. Bane, being the east 79.34 acres out of the west 317.36 acres of Section 52, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Jimmie Joe and Delores Key to Fowler Ranches, all of Section 145, Block 25, H&TC survey.

Etta Stringer Autry to Bradley Joe Pylant, Lot 3 in Block C of the Replat of the Highland Park Addition.

Aline Whitby Parks, individually and as independent executrix of the estate of Gray Allen Parks Jr., to Aline Whitby Parks, trustee of the Gray Allen Parks Jr. Residuary Trust, all of Lot 6 in Block C of the Westridge Addition. (Deed Correction)

Gayle and Mike D. Nail to Antonio and Dominga O. Sosa, all of Lot 6 and the west 11 feet of Lot 7, both in Block 1 of the Forrest Addition.

Tony R. and Dominga O. Sosa to Paul Thomas Morgan, tract one being one acre in the west one-half of the northeast one-quarter of Section 249, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract two being one acre out of the west one-half of the northeast one-quarter of Section 249, Block 97, H&TC survey.

John T. and Sara A. Best to Kim Seng Chhuor and Siv Kheng Lao, Lots 5 and 6 in the Snyder Shopping Center.

Minnie Alma Love to Towana Nadine Webb, Lots 21-24 in Block 31 of the Belmont Park Heights Addition.

Minnie Alma Love to Eddie and Elida Medrano, tract one being Lots 1-8 and Lots 17-24 in Block 22 of the Belmont Park Heights Addition; tract two being Lots 1-12 and Lots 17-24 in Block 21 of the Belmont Park Heights Addition.



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NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Manuel Febus makes Elizabeth Taylor look like a novice when it comes to marriage.

Authorities say the New Yorker has been married more than 11 times. But the romeo allegedly wasn't promising eternal love, just a green card.

Internet wildcatter sells 'eflowers.com' to florist

HOUSTON (AP) — Internet wildcatter Marc Ostrofsky is off the hook for life when it comes to Valentine's Day gifts for his wife.

The Houston entrepreneur sold the domain name "eflowers.com" to the owner of Florida-based Flowers Direct on Thursday with one special condition: that his wife Sara Ostrofsky receive a batch of flowers once a month for the rest of her life.

"She's 36, so we figure 50 to 60 years of flowers," Ostrofsky said Friday.

Two years ago, Ostrofsky bought the "eflowers.com" for $70. He says he's been hounded ever since by florists to sell it to them.

Tired of the calls, Ostrofsky threw down an unusual deal — $25,000 up front, 50 cents off of every order made through the eflowers.com site and flowers each month for his wife — for the rest of her life.

Bill McClure of Tampa, Fla.'s Flowers Direct jumped at the deal and on Thursday the name was signed over to Flowers Direct.

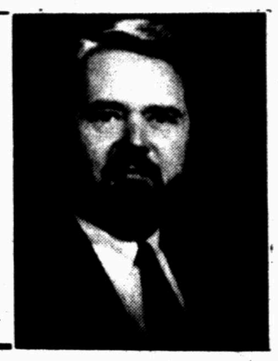
"We're pretty excited about it," said Patti Grenhart, vice president of Flowers Direct.

On Thursday, Sara Ostrofsky received her first delivery — a batch of long-stemmed red roses.

What's good for a sale, can also be good for business.

Minding Your Own Business

By Don Taylor



An Escalator to Success — 20 Success Shortcuts
(Last of a two-part series)

Last week in the first part of this series we listed 10 important traits of successful people. This week we'll add 10 more. Please share them with your friends, family and associates.

More powerful traits

•**Successful people are secure in themselves.** They gain self-confidence by trying and failing and then trying again and succeeding. They learn from each mistake and failure. They press on knowing that they are now better equipped to accomplish their goals.

•**Successful people are quick to praise others.** Will Rogers said, "Get someone else to blow your horn and the sound will carry twice as far." Successful people give credit when credit is due, and they are quick to praise others when priase is deserved.

•**Successful folks are competitive.** No, you don't see them running around the office giving high-fives to associates. They don't boast of their victories and they can lose with grace. But, they love to win and will work hard to do so.

•**Successful men and women build strong relationships.** Business is too tough and careers are too short to go it alone. You need friends. Make friends today and reap the benefits tomorrow.

•**Successful people avoid compromise.** A good compromise is a poor solution. Compromise by definition is a situation in which two parties both give up something to reach common ground. A compromise is a lose-lose decision. Yes, I know this is how we get business done in government. But do you really want to emulate our government's success in your personal life or business? I didn't think so.

•**Successful folks are non-conformists.** They are not afraid to be themselves even at the risk of being perceived as different somehow. Your success is not tied to dying your hair pink, wearing sandals in the snow and eating warm watermelon rind. You have room to be yourself — to be different — without becoming weird and radical.

•**Successful men and women are loyal.** You are not loyal just because you show up for work every day — that's self-interest. You are not loyal just because you do what your boss demands — that's job security. Loyalty is a success trait based on mutual trust, expectations and goals. Loyal people are in both directions — up and down.

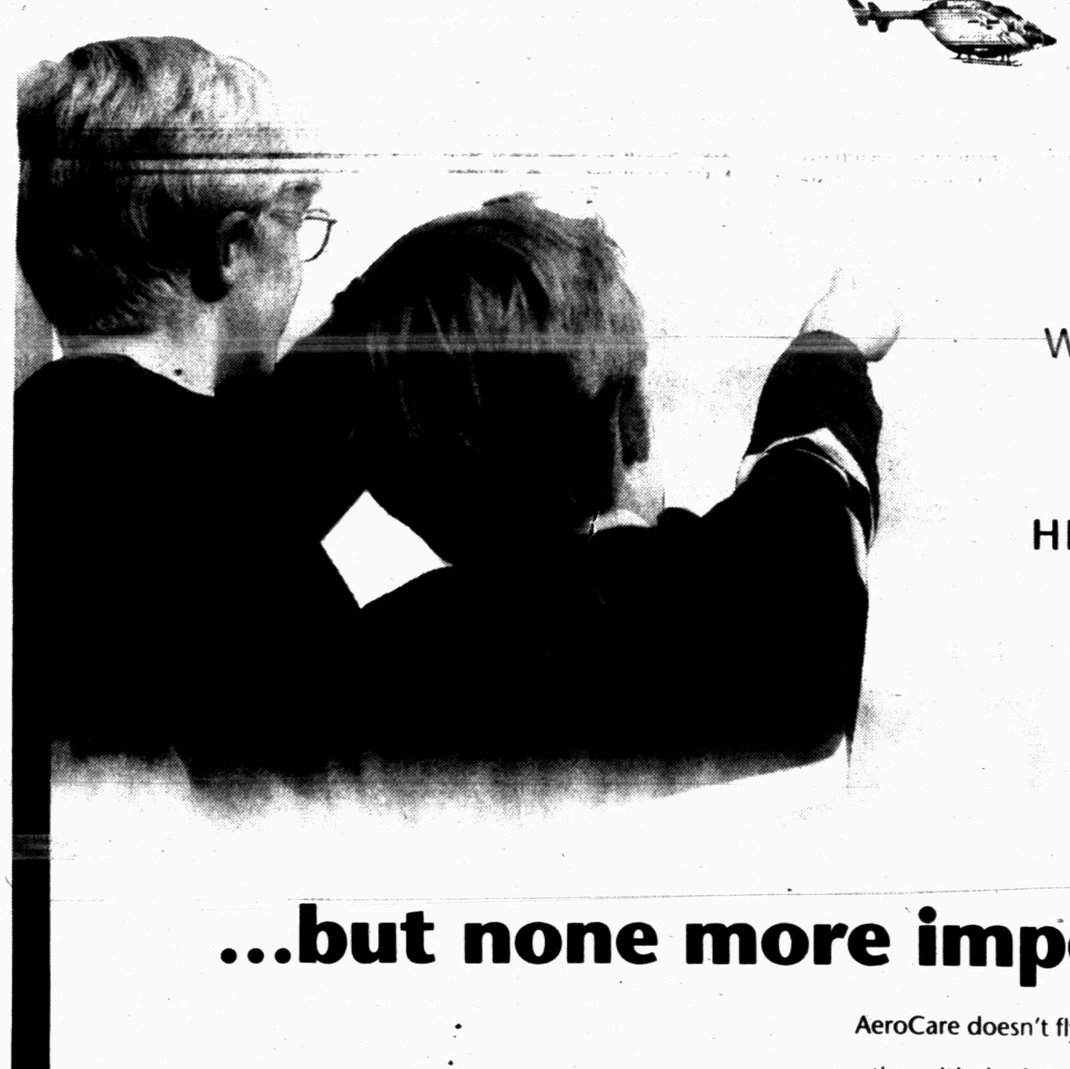
•**Successful people are focused on improvement.** Shakespeare wrote, "Happy are they that can hear their detractions and can put them to mending." Who you are today matters little compared to who you will become before this life is over. You do not get to choose your beginning, but you can choose your ending.

•**Successful folks know how to say no.** There are times when "no" is the only acceptable answer. W. Clement Stone, founder of Combined Insurance, found four causes of failure in his sales force. They were illicit sex, alcohol, deception and stealing. A drinker becomes a drunkard drink by drink. A liar degenerates lie by lie. We become successful "no by no" when it comes to improper sex, alcohol and drugs, lying and stealing.

•**Successful people neutralize negative feelings with action.** They don't brood, feel sorry for themselves or drown in their own pity. Instead, they take positive action. What you do is more important than how you feel and what you say. Actions truly speaks louder than words. You don't get to choose the cards you are dealt in life, but you can decide how you play them.

There you have my 20 shortcuts. Will you step on the escalator of success? Or, are you content to toil slowly up the stairs. The choice is yours.

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WTC judging team wins recognition

Western Texas College meats judging team competed last Sunday at the Southwestern National Judging Contest held in Fort Worth.

The team won first place in lamb carcass judging, third in questions, third in pork judging and third in the overall contest.

Eighteen colleges and universities had a total of 150 contestants in the competition.

Matt Pond of McCaulley was fifth in the overall contest, fourth in lambs, sixth in beef grading and ninth in beef judging.

Kyle Long of Andrews was ninth in lamb judging, questions and 10th in the overall contest.

Jenny Majkszak of Conroe was fifth in lamb judging and 10th in pork judging.

Jamie Ellis of Colorado City was 12th in placings.

Lisha Leatherwood of Snyder and Chris Jones of Andrews competed in the alternate contest and Lisha was 10th in lamb judging and ninth in beef grading.



WTC JUDGING WINNERS — Western Texas College's meats judging team competed last Sunday in Fort Worth. From left, seated Jenny Majkszak, Jamie Ellis, Lisha Leatherwood; standing, Kyle Long, Matt Pond, Chris Jones. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

19 from WTC in Who's Who

Nineteen students have been chosen to represent Western Texas College in the 1999 edition of "Who's Who Among Students In American Junior Colleges."

Students are nominated by faculty and staff and are chosen based on their academic achievement, servce to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

The students named are Wilma Kay Brooks, Genieve Belia Gaona, Jessica Marine Garmer, Gina L. Goolsby, Dennise Renee Hoover, Jason K. Kerby, Junichi Kikkawa, Todd W. Lancaster, Michelle Dorraine Lumpkins, Tiffany Nicole Lyons, Nicol Mazarova, Lindsey S. Northcott, Deanna D. Regaldo, Geoffrey M. Sanders, Travis D. Simpson, Jason E. Tyler, T.J. Lee Wood, Jason Neal Hargrove and Keri D'Von Kemp.

84 WTC students are named to fall academic honor rolls

Eighty-four students have been recognized for academic achievement for the 1998 fall semester at Western Texas College.

Those named to the President's List include Lonque Beshelle Coots, Summer Lyn Coulter, Marka Dawn Fambro, Jessica Marie Garmer, Alisha S. Henry, Nicol Mazarova, John Kyle Moore, Michael Andrew Moore, Matt Mason Pond, Bradley Hilton Reeves, Luke Shane Richards, Geoffrey M. Sanders, Jason Eugene Tyler, Melody Ann Weaver.

Students named to the Dean's List include Kerry Sue Cummings, James Robert Ellisor, Sherry Ann Faulkenberry, Lori Ann Favors, Reynaldo Ortiz Gomez, Amy Lynn Gruben, Christopher Bryant Holt, Halea Fay Huestis, Matthew Lawrence Hughes, Todd Wade Lancaster, Tiffany Nicole Lyons, Cory Jay Mahaney, Jennifer Rene Majkszak, John Paul Michel, Donna Ann Mills, Charsalynn Gersan Mitchell, Pete Anthony Olivarez, Sara Leeann Ramage, Summer Nicole Ray, Deanna Davila Regaldo, Michael Eugene Toshiaki Ubagai, Kory Don Williams, T.J. Lee Wood.

The Merit List consists of James Ronald Baker, Gary Slade Bigham, Brian Ray Bohannon, Christian Bolden, Jessica Inger Brown, Steven Lynn Camp, Jana Leann Cannon, Larry Castillo, Jason Paul Cooper, Garrett Monroe Cox, Sean Lee Duncan, Sadie Nicole Edwards, James Dexter Elrod, Robert Tyson Evans.

Also, Kari Joe Ferris, Rachel M. Foster, Makiko Funai, Erica Lynn Garvin, Rafael Garza, Gregory D. Gonzales, Nicholas Bert Graham, Sharon Diane Gulseth, Richard Ladon Halford, Jeremy Dale Hearn, Josh Wayne Holder, Gene Edward Howland, Eric Wayne Johnson, Ty Allan Jones, Kathy Kelly, Keri D' Von Kemp, Junichi Kikkawa, Lisha La'Dawn Leatherwood.

Also, Laurel Marie Leuck, Steven Kyle Long, Olivia Ann Martinez, Linda LaVerne Maynard, Chad Kevin McGeary, David Michael Mobley, Miranda Michelle Moore, Lindsey S. Northcott, Devin Denise Odom, George Allan Oliver, Anita Jewel Parker, Edward Richardson, Monica Jill Roberson, Denetriece Wilson, Wade Yearwood.

Criteria for the President's List include a 4.0 grade point average while taking at least 15 academic credit hours.

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must have a 3.5 GPA and carry at least 15 hours of course work.

The Merit List is comprised of students enrolled for more than eight semester hours but fewer than 15 semester hours who earn a GPA of at least 3.5.

Western Texas College fine arts hosting new exhibit

Western Texas College's Fine Arts Department is hosting a new art exhibit by a former student in the Fine Arts Gallery through Friday.

The artist is Carrie Tucker-Hobbs. The Snyder native attended Snyder High School and graduated from Wylie High School. Tucker-Hobbs attended WTC from 1983-1985, studying art under John Gibson, former fine arts division chair.

"As a potter, I have chosen the vessel as my vehicle for expression. I find throwing on the wheel physically challenging, as well as personaly rewarding," she said.

"A single thrown pot can manifest a unity of form and offer the artist opportunity for asthetic contemplation. Although the forms and materials I use are generally familiar, I hope to stir a subsconsious level of recognition and feeling in the viewer."

Tucker-Hobbs received her bachelor of fine arts degree from Hardin-Simmons University and her MEA from Texas Tech. She has displayed her artwork in many exhibitions and art activities since 1993. Tucker-Hobbs is currently working as head of ceramics at HSU.



Carrie Tucker-Hobbs

Possible threat probed

MIAMI (AP) — The FBI is investigating a possible death threat against Gloria Estefan, the singer's company told a television station.

"Gloria doesn't feel she's in any danger. She's putting her confidence in the proper authorities and letting them do their job," the Cuban-born singer's Estefan Enterprises Inc., told WSVN-TV for a story Thursday.

Phone calls to Estefan Enterprises were not returned Thursday.

"We cannot comment on an ongoing investigation," said FBI Agent Mike Fabregas in Miami.

WTC association seeks regional office in April

The Western Texas Collge Student Government Association will be running for regional office this spring at the annual SGA convention for Texas community college student governments.

Texas has six regions and each will select a slate of officers at the convention, which is set April 8-11 in Austin.

Currently, WTC is the only student government chapter running for the position of Region I president.

If WTC wins as a chapter, local SGA members will name a student to represent the campus as president.

The other eight school in Region I are Amarillo, El Paso, Frank Phillips, Howard/Big Spring, Howard/San Angelo, Midland, Odessa and South Plains.

Also to be filled at the spring convention will be the posts of vice president, treasurer, secretary, parliamentarian and host.

Too many winners

THROCKMORTON (AP) — This Pepsi challenge was one for the company.

Pepsi officials say a printing problem led to an unusually high number of residents in this North Texas town winning in a promotion offering cash and trips based on prizes listed on soft-drink caps.

The problem was a boon for customers of Clint's Grocery, which had a run on Pepsi after word got out. One family that asked that its name not be used won three trips worth more than $15,000.

TV networks mark end of Clinton story

NEW YORK (AP) — One more time, perhaps with nostalgia, NBC ran the famous videotape of a gladhanding President Clinton stopping to hug Monica Lewinsky as the network ended Friday's coverage of the Senate impeachment vote.

"Perhaps now we can file it away and not use it for a long, long time," anchorman Tom Brokaw said.

Television networks marked the end of the impeachment saga somberly, with an eye toward history. The Senate vote provided little suspense and was packaged neatly for the networks: ABC, CBS and NBC began special reports at noon and ended them an hour later.

"It's over," CBS's Dan Rather noted flatly shortly after the vote.

Rather said that the upcoming weekend, with Presidents Day and Valentine's Day, provides Americans with the time to reflect on the nation's ideals and the notion of forgiveness.

Brokaw said the day reminded him of August 1974, when President Nixon resigned because of Watergate and President Gerald Ford told the nation that its long national nightmare is over. He reminded viewers that the effects of Watergate lingered, as the Clinton saga undoubtedly would.

Shortly before the Senate vote, ABC's Peter Jennings read an eyewitness report on the Senate's cliffhanger 1868 vote at the end of President Andrew Johnson's impeachment trial.

18th annual congressional art competition scheduled

Congressman Charlie Stenholm has recently announced plans for the 18th annual Congressional Art Competition for high school students in the 17th District of Texas.

Since it was first launched in 1982, the nationwide competition has generated thousands of local competitions, involving more than 800,000 high school students.

One winning entry from each Congressional District will be displayed in the annual exhibition in a corridor of the U.S. Capitol, an area dedicated to the artistic talents of today's youth.

Students in grades 9 through 13 from Fisher, Kent, Mitchell, Nolan and Scurry Counties should enter a preliminary contest to be held in Colorado City High School by March 22.

Other regional shows will be held in Abilene, San Angelo, Big Spring, Stephenville, Graham, Mineral Wells and Brownwood.

Winners from the entire 32 counties of the 17th District will be announced at an awards brunch in Abilene on April 24.

Charlie and Cindy Stenholm will host this honors brunch.

Artwork must be no larger than 32" by 32" framed (framing not required) and two-dimensional.

Eligible categories are paintings, prints, drawings and collages. Artwork must capture the flavor or depict the heritage of the West Texas area and the 17th District in any category, which may include but is not limited to landscapes.

For more information, contact Stenholm's Stamford office at (915) 773-3623 or Martha Kiel at Cooper High School at (915) 690-3433.

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