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WEEKEND

Home of Mackey Greene



TOO COLD —Cheryl Massey, 12, tries to coax her six-year-old sister, Amy Massey, into the water Friday during opening day at Towle Park Pool. The morning's rainy weather did not deter a few afternoon swimmers. Also shown is James Simmons, 11. (SDN Staff Photo by Joyce May)

June shapes up to be busy month in Snyder

By Joyce May
SDN Staff Writer

There's going to be boot-scootin', buckin' broncs and birdies in Snyder as June promises to be a busy time.

Throw in a banquet and a breakfast and your entertainment cup will be full to the brim.

It all kicks off Tuesday with the West Texas Western Swing Music Festival set through Saturday at Scurry County Coliseum.

Mike O'Daniel will be master of ceremonies and scheduled western swing artists include Dave Alexander, Jody Nix, Gene Watson, Don Walser, Ricky Boen & Texas Mud, Cindy Nix, Billy Mata, Texas Sand and Jeremy Watkins.

Others at the chamber-sponsored festival include Playboys 2, Fiddlin' Frenchie Burke, Emil Schattel, National Swing Bank of Texas, Cooper Fiddlers, Hot Club of Cowtown, Texas Travelers, Herb Remington, Curly Lewis and Curtis Potter.

Tickets are $20 at the door for all day and only $10 after 6:30 p.m.

The chamber's annual awards banquet is June 12. Tickets are $12.50 and may be purchased at the chamber office. Deadline to purchase a ticket is Friday.

Theme of the banquet is Wild, Wild West and those attending are asked to wear western attire.

The 3rd annual "Slingin" Sammy Baugh Celebrity Golf Tourney is June 14-16 at WTC.

The four-person scramble is sponsored by the Panhandle-Plains-Permian Basin Chapter of the Sul Ross Ex-Student Association and Sammy Baugh.

All proceeds will go to the PPP Sul Ross State University Student scholarship fund to provide aid for students from West Texas.

A few of the celebrities planning to participate are Spike Dykes, Walt Garrison, Darrell Royal, Grant Teaff, John David Crow and new Texas Tech basketball coach Bobby Knight who is scheduled to play on Saturday only.

A Western Swing Dance will be held the Friday of the golf tourney from 7 to midnight at the Wagon Wheel Ranch.

Cost is $10 for adults with children 12 and under admitted free.

Entertainers will include Bob Wills' Texas Playboys, Tommy Allsup, Red Steagall, Dan Roberts, Leon Rausch and Bake Turner.

The 66th annual Scurry County Rodeo will be held June 14-16 at the rodeo grounds on Gary Brewer Road.

The rodeo gets underway at 8 nightly, and tickets are $5 at the gate. Advance tickets are $4. For box seats, call 573-6698.

A dance featuring "Highway 208" will be held Thursday and Saturday. The rodeo parade will be held at 5:30 p.m. June 14 On June 16, a chili cookoff is slated for 10 a.m. On the same day, Winston Field will sponsor a fly-in breakfast. Everyone is invited to eat breakfast with the pilots. Cost is $3.

Also, youth ages 8-17 are invited to participate in the Young Eagles program from 8-10:30 a.m. The program is designed to introduce youngsters to flying and to careers in aviation.

Participants should gather at the airport's terminal meeting room accompanied by a parent or guardian with a signed release. Young Eagles will be given a 20-minute flight over Snyder.

All pilots and aircraft are certified and licensed by Federal Aviation Administration.

All youngsters who participate will be furnished a free breakfast courtesy of the chamber, Kiwanis Club and Winston Field.

In mishap at construction site...

Big Spring man dies

A 31-year-old Big Spring man was killed Friday evening at a construction site west of the Scurry County Airport where the U.S. Air Force is building a transmitter station.

Ronald Steven Clarkson Jr. was pronounced dead at 7:10 p.m. at Cogdell Memorial Hospital by Justice of the Peace Deborah Boyd.

The 911 call was received at 6:30 p.m. requesting an ambulance in reference to a man being injured in a dump truck.

Snyder EMS responded, and Clarkson, who was employed by Laredo Paving Inc. of Big Spring, was transported to Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Scurry County Sheriff's Deputy Patrick Coggins said that from preliminary investigation, it appears Clarkson was underneath a belly dump truck scraping the inside portion of it when the mishap occurred.

"During the process, the doors closed and caught his head in between the doors," Coggins said.

A belly dump truck is an 18-wheeler that dumps material from underneath.

"When he was found, he was underneath the trailer of the truck where the belly dump doors are. Witnesses say his body was on the ground and his head was caught between the doors."

Investigation into the industrial accident continues. Another worker was in the vicinity of the accident, and it has not been determined how long the victim was caught in the truck dump before he was discovered or what caused the doors to close.

Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring.

Channels 8 and 3 off air temporarily

Starting Monday, WFFA Channel 8 and KERA Channel 3 will be off the cable system temporarily.

In order to continue delivery of these two popular channels to customers in Snyder, Cox must switch microwave towers. The two channels will be off for five days, according to Cox manger Charlie Moore of Midland.

Moore said the community billboard would be shown on those two cable channels, in addition to channel two while the switch is being made.

Summer school starts Monday

Summer school for the Snyder school district begins Monday.

Two sessions are offered for Snyder High School students, including one that runs from Monday through June 27 and a second that runs from June 28 through July 19.

Elementary and junior high students attend summer school from Monday through July 12.

Summer school classes meet Monday through Thursday.

High school and bilingual students in kindergarten and first grade meet from 7:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. while elementary and junior high students kindergarten through eighth grade meet from 8 a.m. to noon daily.

Carmen Carpenter is the summer school principal, and all classes are held at Snyder Junior High.

A bus schedule for the summer is located on Page 5A.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "It used to be only death and taxes. Now its shipping and handling, too."

Recent grads are out job hunting and we came across a story in a civic club publication that seems timely.

Fresh out of business school, a young man answered a want ad for a firm seeking an accountant.

He was interviewed by the owner of the company which had only three employees. The owner said, not only did he want someone with an accounting degree, he needed somebody who would do his worrying for him.

The recent grad wanted to know more about the worrying responsibilities.

"I fret about a long of things," explained the businessman. "But I don't want to worry about money. Your job will be to take all the money worries off my back."

The applicant then asked how much the job paid. "The starting pay is $85,000."

"Eighty-five thousand dollars," the young man beamed. "How can such a small business afford a salary like that?" "That," the owner replied, "is your first worry."

And while on the subject of occupations, retired Snyder ISD principal Charlie Anderson passed along a story about a preacher and song leader who weren't getting along.

The problem began to spill over into the worship service.

One week the preacher spoke on commitment and how members should dedicate themselves to service. The song leader then led, "I Shall Not Be Moved."

The next Sunday, the minister preached on giving and how members should gladly give back to God. The song leader then led the hymn, "Jesus Paid It All."

The following Sunday, the minister preached on gossip and how members should watch their tongues. The song director led, "I Love to Tell the Story."

The minister became disgusted over the situation. The next Sunday he told the congregation he was thinking about seeking a church elsewhere. The song chosen was, "Oh Why Not Tonight."

The preacher resigned the next week and informed the congregation that it was Jesus that brought him there and it was Jesus that was taking him away.

The ornery music director then led, "What A Friend We Have in Jesus."

Funding for WTC is protected...

Rep. Counts performs yoeman's duty

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

A rider authored by State Rep. David Counts in the recently-concluded Texas Legislative session saved Western Texas College more than $779,340 over a two-year period.

Rep. Counts, D-Knox City, was able to attach a rider to the appropriations bill that held WTC harmless for the period of time Texas Department of Criminal Justice inmates could not attend classes due to lockdowns in various prison units.

"The college is paid on a per capita basis on a two-year cycle and the fact that the inmates could not attend classes was certainly out of the college's hands," said Counts.

"Their attendance was down quite a bit, but it was a temporary thing due to the lockdowns," said Counts.

WTC vice president Bettie McQueen said the college was primarily impacted following the prison riot at the Smith Unit in Lamesa.

Counts said the rider would keep the college from having so many dips in their revenue and keep a steady funding level.

"I was glad I could convince the appropriations committee and the legislature to approve this action," Counts said.

He also acknowledged the help of Rep. Rob Junell of San Angelo, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, in securing the rider to the bill.

"He was a big help and understood our potential problem at the college," Counts added.

Dr. Harry Kreneck, outgoing WTC president said, "Rep. Counts' assistance in this situation is perhaps the most significant legislative action on behalf of the college since the instituion was established. It is virtually impossible to overestimate the benefit to WTC."

Rep. Counts described the legislative session as "long and hard."

"Every session is different and this particular one we just seemed to drift around."

Counts did mention that the legislature removed some of the barriers to make it easier for families to obtain health insurance through the CHIPS program, and adopted legislation for health insurance for those involved in public education.

"We were not really able to do what we wanted to on the health insurance issue for educators because of lack of funding," said Counts.

"Hopefully, because of setting up the insurance pool, smaller schools can find it easier and cheaper to get health insurance for their employees," said Counts.

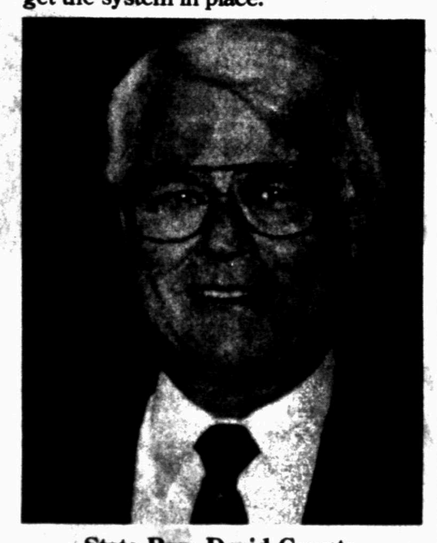
Counts said it is mandatory for every school district with 500 or fewer students to belong to the pool initially, and then in three years, the number will increase to 1,000 students.

"Eventually, every school will be involved in the plan," said Counts.

"I believe this plan is good for everyone," the representative emphasized.

The insurance plan, plus a $1,000 "bonus" to every school employee — teachers, administrators, secretaries, bus drivers in the state — will go into effect for the 2002-2003 school year, said Counts.

Counts said he expects the insurance plan to be fine-tuned in the future, but it was important for this legislature just to get the system in place.



State Rep. David Counts
...went to bat for WTC

ASK US

Q-Will you have to pay taxes on the rebate checks that are promised at the end of the summer?

A- No, the checks will be considered a rebate or reduction of taxes already paid.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 81 degrees; low, 62; 7 a.m. Saturday, 64; .04 of an inch precipitation; total for 2001, 8.73 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, mostly clear, low near 70, SE wind 10-20. Sunday, partly cloudy, high 95-100, SW wind 15-25 mph. Sunday night, mostly clear



Kelly Martinez
Windy

Sunset: 8:44 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:41 a.m.
Of 152 days in 2001, the sun has shone 140 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

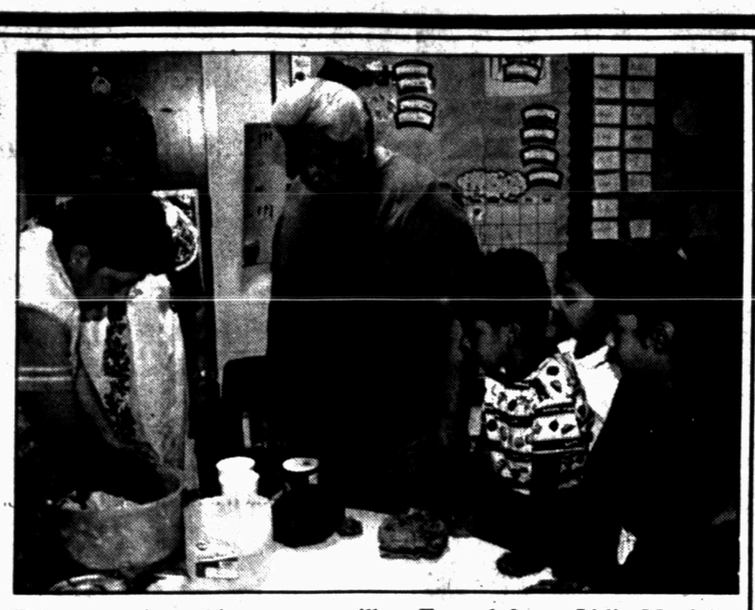
When I don't have anything to worry about, I begin to worry about that.
—Walter Kelly

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Cinco de Mayo at Central



Central primary students recently observed Cinco de Mayo as part of their study of Mexico. Sonia Cabrera is making a serape.



This group is making corn tortillas. From left are Lidia Mugicha, Frances Reyes, Oralia Martinez, Misael Arellano, Orlondo Murillo, and Janell Espinoza.



Celia Barrera shows Rebecca Chacon, Paula Aguilar and Mark Siosa (from left), how to make serapes.



This group is making flowers. Standing from left are, Andrew Pace, Alma Cabrera, Estefany Olivarez, Stephanie Hart; seated, Tavy Villa, Mario Garcia, Jennifer Facio, Dariela Garcia, Anthony Costillo, Jamie Ramirez, Michael Rodriguez, Zachary Simpson.

SDN photos by Shirley A. Gorman

Man gets death penalty for 1991 'yogurt' slaying

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas law left jurors only two options for convicted murderer Robert Springsteen: life in prison or death by lethal injection.

They chose death.

Springsteen, 26, was sentenced Friday to die for the shooting death of 13-year-old Amy Ayers during a robbery that erupted into carnage on Dec. 6., 1991.

Ayers, Eliza Hope Thomas, 17, and sisters Jennifer and Sarah Harbison, 17 and 15, all were killed at the shop. The girls were bound, gagged and shot in the head before the store was set on fire.

Springsteen confessed to Ayers' murder in 1999. He later said he was innocent but was convicted of capital murder on Wednesday.

The jury took two days to reach its decision on the death penalty. Some jurors cried when the sentence was announced.

"In compliance with the laws of Texas, I hereby assess you punishment of death," District Judge Mike Lynch said.

Springsteen stood straight and showed no emotion. He nodded twice as Lynch explained the appeals process.

As he left the courtroom, he looked straight ahead without seeing his wife, Robin Moss, who was seated in the front row. She took several deep breaths and looked at the floor but otherwise showed no emotion.

Lynch thanked the jury for their hard work before dismissing them.

"I think we can all agree there was nothing easy about this case since December 6, 1991," he said.

Asked if Springsteen had anything to say about the sentence, his lawyer Joe James Sawyer said, "Not guilty. That's what he says."

Amy Ayers' mother, Pam Ayers, read a prepared statement to reporters before the victims' families left.

"First and foremost, we would like to thank the community for their prayers and support for the last nine and a half years," she said. "We would like to thank the jury for all their time and hard work."

Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle declined comment. Two other suspects, Michael Scott and Maurice Pierce, await trial.

The case was one of Texas' most sensational unsolved crimes until Springsteen confessed. His statement was the key piece of evidence as the store fire destroyed the crime scene. The blaze left no physical evidence linking Springsteen to the murders.

The jury had several criteria to consider, including whether Springsteen would be a future danger to society and whether there were circumstances that would warrant sparing his life.

To sway the jury, prosecutors put Ayers' father, Bob Ayers, on the stand. Several jurors cried as he told them how the murders changed his family.

Prosecutors also put on the stand two West Virginia police officers who said they had run-ins with Springsteen, one for drunken driving charge and another disorderly conduct charge, while he was living there.

Defense lawyers put on no witnesses during sentencing but pleaded for his life in closing statements. Springsteen did not have a violent criminal history in the 10 years since the murders.

The crime stunned the city in 1991 and had stumped detectives for eight years. The case overwhelmed the Austin Police Department's six-person homicide unit as investigators chased thousands of leads, some as far as Mexico.

Lackland instructor sentenced to 6 years in prison

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A female instructor at Lackland Air Force Base has been sentenced to six years in prison for having sex with trainees and obstructing an Air Force investigation.

Staff Sgt. Andrea L. Reeves, 29, also was reduced in rank Friday to airman basic and given a dishonorable discharge.

Reeves tearfully begged a military jury not to send her to prison, saying she had been molested as a child, battered by a boyfriend and raped.

"I need help," she said after suggesting that men preying on her in earlier years were the genesis of those incidents. "If anything, this situation has made me face that."

Her sister and mother broke down in tears when the panel, after two hours of deliberations on Friday, ordered her confined for six years.

The sentence was slightly longer than the five-year term sought by prosecutors, who pointed to Reeves' role in a series of lurid seductions of male and female students at Lackland. She could have been sentenced to as much as 15 years in prison.

Based at Lackland since 1996, Reeves had pleaded guilty to three counts of improper sexual conduct. She was acquitted of charges that she committed two illicit sexual acts by seeking and accepting sexual favors from two airmen, both trainees with Lackland's 345th Training Squadron.

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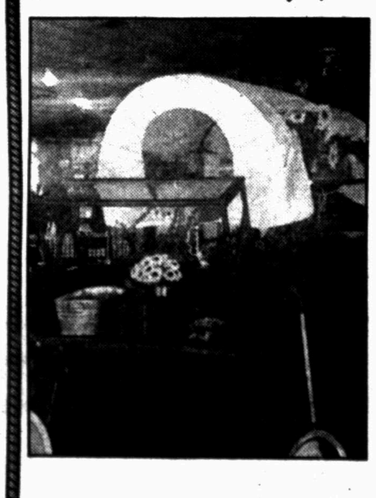
AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
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AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
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AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
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Police dreadlocks issue escalates

DALLAS (AP) — Continuing a crackdown on officers who violate a departmental hairstyle policy, the Dallas Police Department has fired a woman for refusing to change her hair worn in dreadlocks.

Chief Terrell Bolton fired Friday 30-year-old Gina Mosley, who had been with the department since 1994. Mosley was sent home last week after showing up to work with dreadlocks.

The policy says officers should present a neutral and uniform image to effectively relate to all segments of the population they serve. Mosley has said she pinned up her hair while on duty.

She filed a complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission alleging that the department's hair policy targets black officers. The police chief and Mosley are black.

Officer Frank Hasty, 47, was also sent home last week after he showed up to work with dreadlocks.

Officer Elizabeth Gates, 34, received a memo saying her hairstyle did not comply with department policy. Several other officers with similar hairstyles also have been warned to change them, police said.

Two weeks ago, a spokesman who had been wearing dreadlocks brought attention to the department's ban on the hairstyles under policies developed in the 1970s.

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A HONOR ROLL — Central third graders who made the A Honor Roll for the 2000-2001 school year are (top photo) front row from left, Sarah Parmer, Kylie Moreland, Tanner Bragg, Jathan Williams, Tosha McGlouthin and Stacey Clifton; middle row, Natasha Garcia, Brodie Calley, Linsdsey Urias, Javiel Esparza, Autumn Castillo, Gina Guerrero and Aryn May; back row, Sami Dee Barrera, Brailee Sanchez, Alexandra Rios, Humberto Juarez, and Michael Guardado, Samana Arizmendi and Raven Luna; others are (middle photo) front row from left, Alicia Chaidez, Eleanor Ashley, Rachael Dupree, Meghan Cooley and Tayla Wesson; middle row, Colton Curry, Megan Thompson, Shane Hicks, Jake Crenwelge and Jessica West; back row, Valeri Guzman, Jake Strickland, Marcos Aguilar, Meagan Downing and Alex Hernandez. Jonathan Kerr and Kyra Lara are not pictured. First graders on the A Honor Roll are (bottom photo) front row from left, Samuel Edwards, Timothy Hagins, Daniel McVey, Armando Monroy and Mystery Thurman; back row, Mario Ortega, Randi Sanchez, Itzel Arellano, Jainie Fuentez, Jessica Guardado Adalberto Jaimes. (Contributed Photos)

Man beaten by police summer receives 18-year sentence

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A man who was beaten by police last summer in an arrest caught on videotape and broadcast worldwide was sentenced Friday to 18 years in prison for a crime spree committed in the two weeks prior to his arrest.

"I'm sorry to the city of Philadelphia and the families of the people affected," Thomas Jones said in court.

Jones, 31, pleaded guilty in March to carjacking, robbery, assault, reckless endangerment and drug charges. He could have faced a sentence of 127 to 255 years.

"It's enough and it's fair," prosecutor Anthony Voci said. "It was a well-informed and well thought-out sentence."

Last July 12, two weeks before the Republican National Convention was held in the city, Jones led police on a high-speed chase through Philadelphia in a stolen car. When he was stopped, Jones was shot five times by police. He fled in a police cruiser.

When stopped for a second time, police yanked Jones from the car. A news crew in a helicopter taped the throng of officers as they repeatedly kicked and punched Jones before leading him away in handcuffs.

A grand jury is investigating the beating and Jones is expected to testify before the jury in the near future.

Jones' civil lawsuit against the city still is pending.

FBI says Shadowy eco-militants up arson campaign

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A shadowy group blamed for costly arson attacks across the country is stepping up efforts to punish companies and institutions it says are threatening the environment, federal authorities say.

This week, the Earth Liberation Front posted a manual on its Web site that tells would-be arsonists how to build simple incendiary devices. And on Friday, the group claimed responsibility for fires last month at the University of Washington and a tree farm in Oregon.

"I don't think there's any doubt the ELF is upping the ante," said Beth Anne Steele, a spokeswoman for the FBI in Portland.

The ELF's declaration came the same day three logging trucks were torched in an Oregon forest. There was no immediate claim of responsibility. Steele refrained from blaming the ELF and said usually their claims of responsibility for an arson attack are delayed.

The FBI considers the ELF to be one of the nation's most dangerous terrorist groups. No one has been hurt in the ELF's four-year spree of violence and the group has said its aim is to protect the environment, not harm anyone. But the FBI worries it's only a matter of time before a firefighter or someone else is harmed.

"The Earth Liberation Front says it doesn't commit violent acts that hurt people," Steele said. "But arson fires are unpredictable."

The ELF and a sister organization — the Animal Liberation Front — have claimed responsibility for more than two dozen acts of vandalism since 1997 — arson at three luxury homes in Mount Sinai, N.Y., sabotaged logging equipment in Indiana and a 1998 fire that caused $12 million damage at the Vail, Colo., ski resort.

On Friday, the ELF claimed responsibility for two May 21 arson fires — one at the Jefferson Poplar Farms in Clatskanie, Ore., and the other at the University of Washington Center for Urban Horticulture in Seattle.

Both operations are developing hybrid poplar trees. The fire at the university caused as much as $3 million in structural damage; the Oregon fire caused at least $500,000 in damage.

Before dawn Friday, someone tried to torch six logging trucks at a company in Eagle Creek, 40 miles southeast of Portland. One truck was destroyed and two others were damaged. Plastic milk jugs were found beneath the trucks, apparently filled with a flammable liquid.

The trucks were going to be used for harvesting trees at a nearby site in the Mount Hood National Forest. For the past two years, environmental activists have been trying to block logging at the site.

The FBI suspects the reason for delays in the past is the ELF wants to make sure no one was hurt before asserting responsibility, Steele said.

"These are not stupid people," she said.

Little is known about the ELF. The group's spokesman, Craig Rosebraugh, owns a vegan bakery in Portland.

Rosebraugh says he sympathizes with the ELF, but insists his only involvement is forwarding to the news media the group's claims of responsibility for attacks.

Brigham Young's birth celebrated

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — More than a century ago, Brigham Young led his faithful Mormon followers 2,000 miles across the Great Plains and colonized much of the West.

The man largely credited for the success of the Mormon experiment was celebrated by church members Friday, the 200th anniversary of his birth.

"I think he sort of showed that, hey, the West is a viable place for people to live and to flourish," said Tom Williams, president of the Brigham Young Family Society, which tracks Young's descendants and holds annual gatherings in his honor. On Friday, the group dedicated a commemorative statue near Young's downtown Salt Lake City grave site.

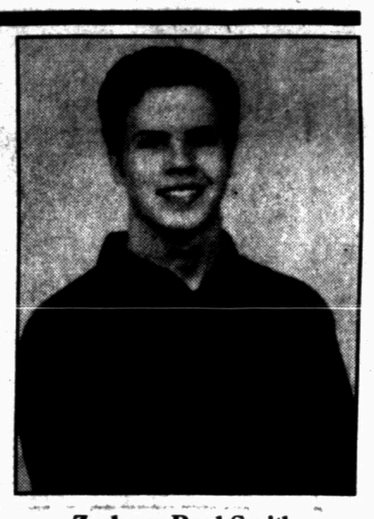
Young, the second president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, led the first party of Mormons to settle Utah in 1847 and directed the exodus of 70,000 who later came to Utah along the Mormon Trail.

"If he hadn't been the leader of a religious movement that was not well liked, I think historians would rank him as one of the greatest leaders in American history," said Craig L. Foster of the Mormon History Association. "His impact on the West is incalculable."

Young directed church members to settle as many as 400 colonies throughout the West, including Las Vegas and San Bernadino, Calif., one of the first American settlements in Southern California.

The Mormon migrants often mixed with small existing populations.

San Bernadino, Calif., was settled in 1851 by Mormons that Young had sent through the Nevada and California deserts to build a way station between Salt Lake City and the coast.



Zachary Paul Smith

C-City youth gets national art award

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Zachary Paul Smith of Colorado City has been named a United States National Award Winner in art.

The Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.

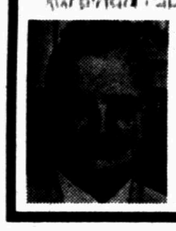
Smith, who attends Colorado High, was nominated for this national award by teacher Carolyn Walker.

Smith will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

Smith is the son of Gail and the late Melvin Smith of Colorado City. Grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Smith and the late Edith Hamman.

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PERFECT ATTENDANCE — Central third graders who were not absent in 2000-2001 are (top photo) front row from left, Raven Luna, Clint Wall, T.J. Wright, Josie Ornelas, Janie Ornelas, Nathan Rose and Bianca Cabrera; middle row, Jose Antonio Ferrusca, Amanda Browning, Ben Gonzales, Amber Gutierrez, Tayla Wesson, Francisco Fonseca and Alex Henandez; back row, David Sosa, Heather Newton, Cody Lee, Jerard Delce, Kenyon Gafford, Cassie Benitez and Daniel Escobedo. Kindergarten and first grade students who were not absent include (bottom photo) front row from left, Alma Cabrera, Michael Rodriguez, Mystery Thurman; back row, Harley Collins, Itzel Arellano and Victor Pena. (Contributed Photos)

A-B HONOR ROLL — Central third graders named to the A-B Honor Roll for 2000-2001 are (top photo) front row from left, Krystal Guerrero, Bryan Hamlin, Brance Scott, Clint Wall, Marissa Jackson, Shelby Garza and Toby Lopez; middle row, Josie Ornelas, Micayla Redman, Cassie Cochran, Jacie Eveland, Kelsi Fulford, Matt Rios and Nick Zajicek; back row, Seth Naizer, Cherokee Morin, Janie Ornelas, Chelcea Roemisch, Matthew Velasquez and T.J. Williams; (middle photo) front row from left, Bianca Cabrera, Jose Antonio Ferrusca, Amanda Browning, Devyn DeLoera, Amber Gutierrez, Johnathan Tarter; middle row, Michael Strong, David Sosa, Heather Newton, Jacob Kemp, Garrett Hale, Cassie Benitez and Jerard Delce; back row, Brent Cole, Dana Garcia, Nathan Manley, Kenyon Gafford, Daniel Escobedo and Quinton Bass. Krystal Martinez is not pictured. Others are (bottom photo) front row from left, Eva Torres, Samuel Vasquez, Kenny Kincaid, Jose Rodarte, Jacob Johnson, Jodi Hamilton, Ashley Silva and Laura Ortega; middle row, Loretta Jaramillo, Kimberly Casarez, Stephen Kelley, Kayli Brewster, Victor Chhour, Jerard Delce, L.A. Jaramillo, Tye Holley, Ty Burton and Remingtom Bloom; back row, Daisy Garcia, Kanaan Short, Jessica Cooper, Bailey Minor, Brittni Chaidez, Kristi Guerrero, Kenyon Gafford, Annie Stribling, Allison Swigert, Taylor Tyrrell and Tiffany Roemer. Eduardo Arellano and Ricky Garcia are not pictured. (Contributed Photos)

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Long-distance giant boosts rate for millions of customers

WASHINGTON (AP) — AT&T is increasing its long-distance rates for more than 28 million customers who subscribe to the company's basic plan.

The increase by the nation's biggest carrier, with some 60 million subscribers total, takes effect July 1 and involves basic rate customers — those who don't pay a minimum fee for calling plans.

Under the change, basic plan subscribers will pay 25 cents — up from 22.5 cents — per minute for long-distance calls from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. on weeknights; on weekdays, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., the rate goes up from 29.5 cents to 30 cents each minute. Weekend calls will cost 16 cents per minute — up from 14.5 cents.

Subscribers who opt for a basic plan that has the same rate all the time will be charged 17.5 cents per minute. The cost was previously 16 cents per minute.

The company kept in place its plans allowing consumers to pay 10 cents a minute on either Saturday or Sunday, but they would pay an increased amount per-minute the rest of the week.

The AT&T rate increase will come at the same time that Americans see one of the line-items on their local phone bills — called the "subscriber line charge" — go up by 50 cents. That's a result of government approved changes in how phone companies pay each other to complete calls.

AT&T officials said most basic rate subscribers don't make a lot of calls: those 28 million customers only account for 15 percent of residential calling traffic.

Consumer groups and rivals seized on the increase to accuse the long-distance company of failing to follow through on a promise to lower rates. Last year, the Federal Communications Commission adopted a plan by AT&T, Sprint and the nation's local Bell companies to reform the way phone businesses compensate each other and collect subsidies from consumers.

Under the plan, the Bell local phone companies would reduce the amount they charge long-distance carriers like AT&T to complete calls. In turn, that savings was supposed to trickle down to consumers in the form of lower long-distance rates.

But that hasn't been the case, said John Emra of SBC Communications, the nation's second largest Bell company.

"They are pocketing the savings and increasing rates," he said.

Gene Kimmelman of Consumers Union said the 50 cent increase of the subscriber line charge won't be offset for telephone users by lower long-distance rates.

"It's a double-whammy for millions of consumers," Kimmelman said.

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Secret Service agents first duy is to protect

WASHINGTON (AP) — When it comes to presidential kids, Secret Service agents walk a fine line between friendly and firm.

Their first priority is to protect, but as law enforcement officers, they've got a duty to stop their charges from getting into criminal trouble.

This week's citation of President Bush's twin 19-year-old daughters, Jenna and Barbara, for allegedly violating Texas' underage drinking laws raised questions about how involved agents should be in the lives of those they guard.

For Gerald Ford's son Jack, a bunch of men in crewcuts and suits got quite involved. They grew their hair and donned denim so they could get with his shaggy 1970s lifestyle.

Another time, agents helped get Chip Carter, son of Jimmy Carter, out of a Florida vacation cottage after a tipoff from local police that a drug bust was about to take place in the neighborhood.

2001 SUMMER SCHOOL BUS SCHEDULE

BUS SCHEDULE FOR SNYDER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

6:25 am	Depart	Transportation Department
6:30 am	Depart	Snyder High School at Tiger Drive
6:35 am	Depart	Stanfield Elementary
6:40 am	Depart	East Elementary
6:45 am	Depart	Northeast Elementary
6:50 am	Depart	Central Elementary
6:55 am	Depart	26th Street & Avenue V
7:00 am	Depart	West Elementary
7:05 am	ARRIVE	Snyder Junior High School

BUS SCHEDULE FOR SNYDER JUNIOR HIGH & ELEMENTARY STUDENTS

First Session	Second Session		
7:10 am	9:05 am	Depart	Transportation Department
7:15 am	9:10 am	Depart	Snyder High School at Tiger Drive
7:20 am	9:15 am	Depart	Stanfield Elementary
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7:30 am	9:25 am	Depart	Northeast Elementary
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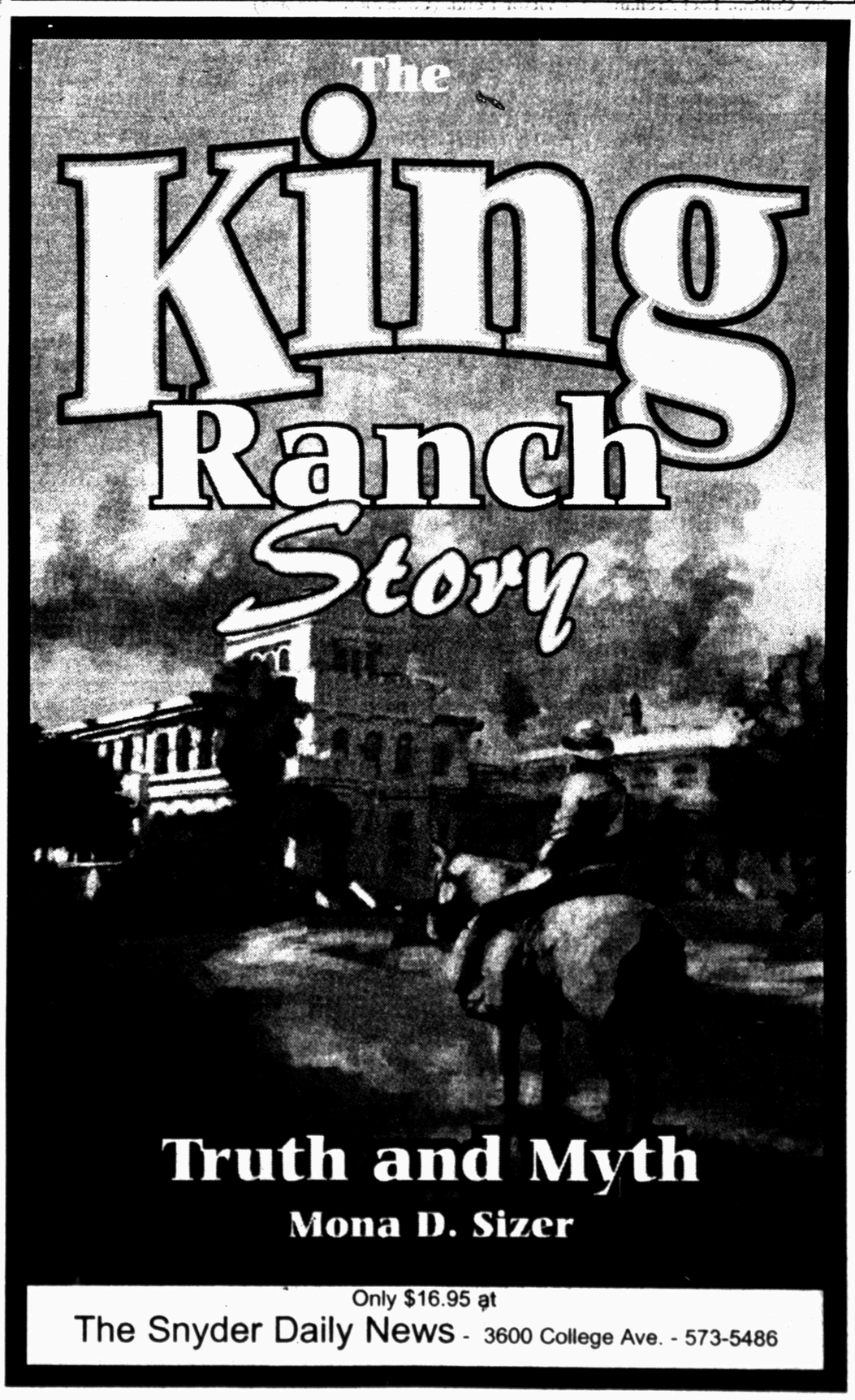
Students will dismiss and be delivered back to their home campus as follows:

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10:10 am	12:10pm	12:55pm	Arrive	26th Street & Avenue V
10:15 am	12:15pm	1:00pm	Arrive	Central Elementary
10:20 am	12:20pm	1:05pm	Arrive	Northeast Elementary
10:25 am	12:25pm	1:10pm	Arrive	East Elementary
10:30 am	12:30pm	1:15pm	Arrive	Stanfield Elementary
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Snyder High School	June 4 - June 26 7:15 am to 12:45 pm	June 27 - July 19 7:15 am to 12:45pm
Snyder Jr. High/ Elementary K - 6	June 4 - July 12 8:00 am to 12:00 pm	
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If you have any questions concerning the busing or pick up times, please call, Mike Carter at 573-2993 or 574-6011.





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SPORTS



MAJOR ALL-STARS – Snyder Major League All-Stars, along with the junior and senior all-star teams from Snyder, will enter the Little Dribblers National Tournament starting Wednesday in Brownsboro. Front row from left are Katy Crenwelge, Terann Ragland, Sydney Wright and Kaci Waller. Middle row from left are Audrey Jones, Cheyene Roemisch and Brianna Bernal. Back row from left are Coach Kevin Jones, Jordan Stansell, Kelbi Pitner, Candace Chandler and Coach Shawn Ragland. Not pictured are Kate Wall and Kendra Burns.

Snyder Major to defend title

Snyder's Major All-Stars will be looked at a little differently when they make their appearance at the Girls Little Dribblers National Tournament, because this year Snyder is the team to beat.

Snyder Major looks to defend its title when the National Tournament tips off Wednesday in Brownsboro.

Snyder's 11 and 12-year-old girls won last year's event, and will be joined in Brownsboro by Snyder Junior (9-10) and Snyder Senior (13-14).

"There are going to be quite a few good teams down there," said Kevin Jones, a coach for the major squad. "I know if we played Lamesa 10 times, they would probably win five and we would win five. At the national tournament, it's just a case of who plays their best at that certain time."

The players on this year's Lamesa Major team won the national tournament as 10-year-olds, the same year Snyder took third.

The major squad opens the event at 1 p.m. Wednesday against Athens I at the Athens College Men's Gymnasium.

Snyder Senior hits the floor at 3:30 against Martins Mill at the college's women's gym, while the junior team tips off at 6 against Bryan at Brownsboro Junior High.

Snyder Major is coached by Jones and Shawn Ragland. Members of the team are Terann Ragland, Audrey Jones, Brianna Bernal, Candace Chandler, Kelbi Pitner, Kate Wall, Kendra Burns, Katy Crenwelge, Cheyene Roemisch, Kaci Waller, Jordan Stansell and Sydney Wright.

Ragland is the only returning player from last year's championship squad.

A victory by the major all-stars would put them in a second-round match-up at 9:15 Thursday morning against the Navasota-Levelland winner.

"I think because Snyder won it last, some people will think that we're the team to beat," said Coach Ragland. "But I think anyone of a handful of teams could win it. Lamesa, Plainview and Levelland are also good from this area, and we're going to see some East Texas teams that we don't usually see when the tournament is held out here in West Texas."

In the senior division, Jones, Joel Talavera, and Thomas Peoples handle the coaching duties. Members of the team are Glyn Wright, Erica Little, Breanna Talavera, Jessica Taylor, Shaela Thompson, Sarah Henson, Sirena Medrano, Aeryal Peoples, Sequoya Powell, Emily Jones and Teddi Crenwelge.

A win over Martins Mill would pit the squad against the Plainview-Silsbee winner at 8 Thursday morning.

Talavera, Raymond Medrano and Jerry Webb are at the helm of Snyder Junior. Lining up for the squad are Shelbie Talavera, Chasidy Sterling, Samantha Medrano, Shandy McMullen, Erma Rodriguez, Briana Bryant, K'Ana Garcia, Brittany Mitchell, Jessica Bilderback, Shaquita Sneed, Britney Webb and Teryn Sullenger.

A first-round victory would put the junior all-stars back on the court at 9:15 Thursday morning against the Plainview-Lumberton winner. The double-elimination tournament wraps up next Saturday.

Joining Snyder are teams from Levelland, Dallas, San Antonio, Brownsboro, Georgetown, Pflugerville, Plainview, Martins Mill, Silsbee, Lumberton, Bryan, Liberty, Lamesa, Athens, Navasota and Hobbs, N.M.

Bucks force 7th game with 76ers

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Philadelphia and Milwaukee are going to Game 7 with both Ray Allen and Allen Iverson playing their best basketball of the series.

Allen tied an NBA playoff record with nine 3-pointers and had his own personal 17-0 run as the Bucks held off a stunning rally led by Iverson to defeat the 76ers 110-100 Friday night.

"We are going to win this series Sunday. We won't let them win in our building," 76ers center Dikembe Mutombo said.

Mutombo made a similar guarantee when the 76ers went to a seventh game in the conference semifinals, and he turned out to be correct when Toronto's Vince Carter missed the final shot of that game.

If this series also comes down to a final shot, chances are that Iverson or Allen will be taking it.

Both players showed in Game 6 that they are capable of taking over.

Hitting four consecutive 3-point shots, Allen scored 19 straight Milwaukee points over the final 51/2 minutes of the first quarter and the first 11/2 minutes of the second. Seventeen of those points went unanswered by the Sixers as the Bucks turned a 16-15 lead into a 33-15 edge.

Allen had 25 points at halftime, 31 before the second half was two minutes old and 41 when he was finished. His nine 3-pointers tied the NBA record set by Rex Chapman of Phoenix in 1997 and matched by Carter against the 76ers on May 11.

The Bucks improved to 3-0 this postseason when facing elimination, but they had to withstand an astounding show by Iverson as he scored 26 of his 46 points in the fourth quarter.

Iverson finished three points shy of the NBA record for most points in a quarter set by Sleepy Floyd of Golden State in 1987.

Allen's final two 3-pointers were the biggest of the game, coming after Philadelphia had pulled within 10 with 5:14 remaining.

Iverson made his first two shots — both 3-pointers — but was hit with a technical foul by referee Joey Crawford midway through the first quarter.

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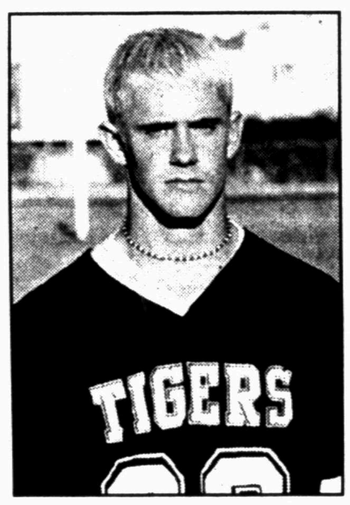
Six months after their season ended, three former Snyder Tigers hit the gridiron again Saturday night.

Recent Snyder High School graduates Mark Medley, Tremaine Johnson and Matthew Grimmett suit up for the North squad in Saturday's Big Country All-Star Classic at Abilene's Shotwell Stadium. Kickoff is set for 8 p.m., and tickets are $5 at the gate. Proceeds benefit the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

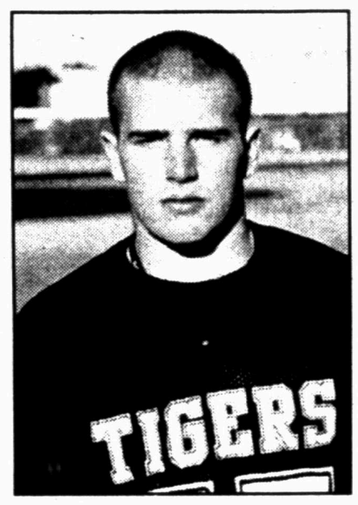
All three ex-Tigers expect to see time on both sides of the ball. Medley will play along the offensive line and at linebacker, with Johnson manning the offensive and defensive fronts. Grimmett will line up at receiver and defensive back.

Denny Faith of Albany High School will coach the North squad, while Stephenville's Mike Copeland leads the South.

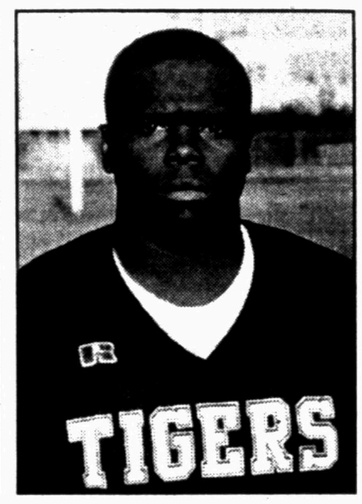
Joining the trio of Tigers for the North are players from Rotan, Munday, Merkel, Anson, Big Spring, Abilene High, Stamford, Sweetwater, Clyde, Roscoe, Haskell, Albany, Roby, Colorado City, Hawley, Knox City and Coahoma.



Matthew Grimmett



Mark Medley



Tremaine Johnson

Woods catches up in Memorial

DUBLIN, Ohio (AP) — Twice in its 25 years, the Memorial Tournament has been shortened to 54 holes by inclement weather.

If it happens a third time, two-time defending champion Tiger Woods is in position to overtake former Memorial winners Paul Azinger and Vijay Singh.

"From what I've been told, the weather's not supposed to be good, and we don't know if it's going to be a 54-hole event or not," Woods said after finishing a 69 Friday in near darkness, leaving him 2 shots back of Azinger and 1 behind Singh through two rounds of the Memorial. "I needed to get myself into position where I didn't have too many shots to make up if it was a 54-hole event."

Azinger, who won the 1993 Memorial by holing a bunker shot on the 72nd green, followed a first-round 68 with a 5-under-par 67 to stand at 9-under 135. Singh, winner of the last Memorial to be shortened to 54 holes in 1997, had the day's lowest round with a 66 and was a shot back at 136.

Woods, Chris Smith and Sergio Garcia were at 135.

Garcia, who won his first tour event two weeks ago at the Colonial, didn't mind that he would be grouped with Woods in the third round.

Told he wouldn't have to look far to keep an eye on Woods, Garcia grinned and said, "He won't have to look far to know what I'm doing, too."

A two-hour suspension of play Friday morning because of a downpour prevented three players from completing their second rounds.

They were scheduled to finish on Saturday morning — just about the time more rain is expected. After the cut, the field will go off in threesomes from the first and 10th tees to try to get the third round completed.

Tournament founder and host Jack Nicklaus was at 148 after a 73 and was in danger of missing the cut, depending on how the last three players finish the second round.

Shaud Williams will leave Tech

LUBBOCK (AP) — Texas Tech running back Shaud Williams, the Big 12 offensive freshman of the year, will transfer to Alabama this fall to play for Dennis Franchione, who recruited Williams two years ago for Texas Christian.

The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal said sources close to the situation confirmed Williams' decision in the wake of a visit to the Alabama campus on May 19.

"We wish him the best of luck," Tech head coach Mike Leach told the Avalanche-Journal.

Sports Briefs

Basketball parent meeting

A varsity boys basketball parent meeting is set for 7 p.m. Monday in the High School office. For more information, contact Gary Landes at 573-3192.

Bass Club meeting

The Snyder Bass Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the TXU Service Center. The club had its last bass tournament in May at Colorado City. First place went to Lane Martin for the biggest fish, weighing in at 7.75 pounds. His total is 13.01 pounds. Second place went to Ronnie Lindsey. His total is 11.67 pounds.

Volleyball camp

Snyder volleyball camp is scheduled for July 16-19 from 9 a.m. until noon each day. Incoming fifth through ninth grade girls are eligible, and cost is $40. Deadline to register is July 13.

For more information, call Coach Patty Grimmett at 573-9416 or 575-1785. If no answer, leave a message.

Men's softball

Today is the last day to register for Snyder Men's Softball League. For more information, call 573-8842, 573-6862 or 573-4332.

Strength, conditioning camp

Snyder Tiger strength and conditioning camps are scheduled for this summer at the SHS field house. The first session begins Monday and runs through June 29. The session is July 2-31.

Incoming 10th-12th graders meet at 7:30 a.m., followed by incoming 7th-9th graders at 10:30. Cost is $25 per session, or $40 for both. For more information, call the SHS field house at 574-6039.

Volleyball tournament

A volleyball tournament to benefit SHS tennis player Horacio DePaz is scheduled for Saturday at Towle Park. Cost is $50 per team, and T-shirts will be awarded to the top two squads.

DePaz is raising money to participate in the People to People Sports Ambassadors Program tennis tournament in Australia. For more information, call 573-0889 or 573-5248.

Ira basketball camp

The Ira Bulldog Basketball Camp will be held June 12-15 from 9 a.m. until noon. All incoming third through seventh grade boys and girls are eligible, and cost is $40. To register, call Coach Bubba Edwards at 573-2227.

Tuesday scramble and all-day MGA

The Men's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club holds its weekly scramble at 5:30 p.m. each Tuesday.

Also, an all-day MGA event is held each Thursday.

WGA play day

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club holds its weekly play day at 9 a.m. each Tuesday. Format this week is roughing it — front nine. A luncheon and business meeting will follow play.

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SPORTS

In Belfast, Ireland...

Vasquez, U.S. team ready to fight for world championship

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

In the training facility adjacent to his house, Snyder boxer Johnny Vasquez Jr. has spent the last several years training in front of a large American flag that almost covers an entire wall.

On Monday in Belfast, Ireland, Vasquez will step into the ring against the best fighters in the world with those same American colors draped across his back.

Vasquez and the other 11 members of the U.S. national team begin their quest for world titles Monday when the 2001 Amateur Boxing World Championships get underway in Belfast.

It's the youngest American team in recent years, and like his teammates, Vasquez is making his first appearance in international competition.

"I'll probably be a little nervous," said Vasquez. "But once the bell rings, you have to forget about where you are and stay focused on the fight."

The 17-year-old local product will be a senior next fall at Snyder High School, and is the second youngest member of the U.S. squad. American coach Anthony Bradley had to reload this year after the departure of last year's Olympians, but has put together a talented, yet inexperienced team.

"This is a major competition, and it's the first competition of the year," Bradley said. "There's not much time to prepare these guys for their first international fights, so we've had some pretty intense days of training."

The Americans trained for 12 days in Lake Placid, N.Y., before jetting across the ocean to Belfast, where the Irish plan to put on a top-notch competition.

All bouts will be held at the Odyssey Arena, the showpiece of Northern Ireland's "Landmark Millenium Project." Situated on Abercorn Basin at Belfast Harbour Estate, the arena holds 10,000 spectators, making it Ireland's largest indoor venue.

The World Amateur Championships are second in scale and importance to only the Olympics, with 400 boxers from more than 60 countries battling for 12 titles.

The fighters will stay in Competition Village on the campus of Stranmillis University College, located only four kilometers from the arena and two km from downtown Belfast.

"I'm looking forward to all of it," said Vasquez, who is trained at home by his father Johnny Vasquez Sr. "It's a great opportunity in the ring, and a great opportunity to go someplace I've never been."

The competition culminates next Sunday when the 12 weight classes will hold their final bouts to decide the world champions.

Vasquez, who weighs in at 119 pounds, will compete as a bantamweight. He earned a spot on the national team by winning the U.S. Challenge in Lake Placid back in April.

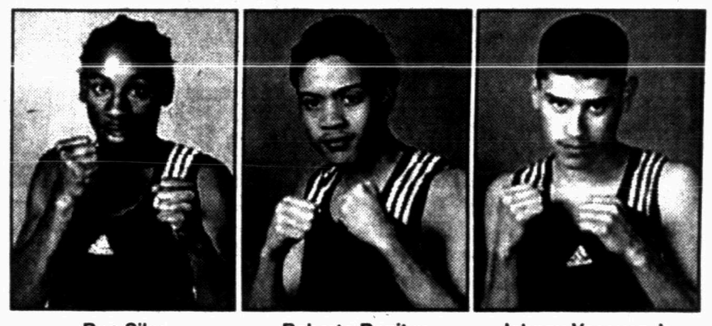
Each bout will consist of four two-minute rounds, with judges on hand from around the world to score the fights.

Johnny Jr. isn't the only member of his family finding success in the ring. His 16-year-old brother Anthony Vasquez recently won the Texas State Junior Olympic title in the 132-pound class. The victory earned Anthony a spot in the National Junior Olympic Boxing Championships to be held June 18 through July 1 in Marquette, Mich.

Countries Competing at World Boxing Championships

Algeria	Czech Republic	Japan	Romania
Argentina	Denmark	Kazakhstan	Russia
Armenia	Dominican Republic	Korea	Scotland
Australia	England	Latvia	Sierra Leone
Austria	Estonia	Lebanon	Slovakia
Azerbaijan	Finland	Lithuania	Spain
Barbados	France	Macedonia	Sweden
Belarus	Gambia	Malaysia	Tajikistan
Botswana	Georgia	Mexico	Thailand
Brazil	Germany	Moldova	Trinidad
Bulgaria	Greece	Netherlands	Turkey
Canada	Hungary	Norway	Ukraine
China	India	Philippines	USA
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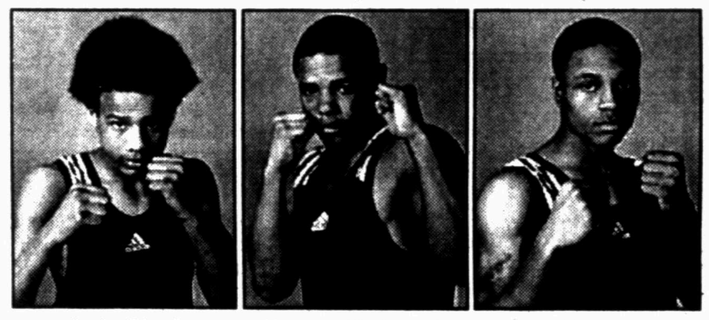
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Cincinnati, Ohio

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Flyweight
Age 20
Brooklyn, NY

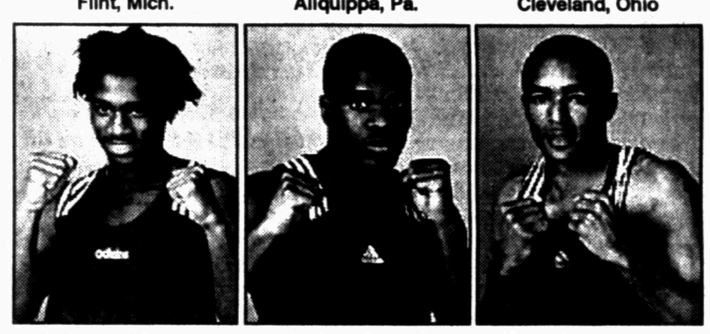
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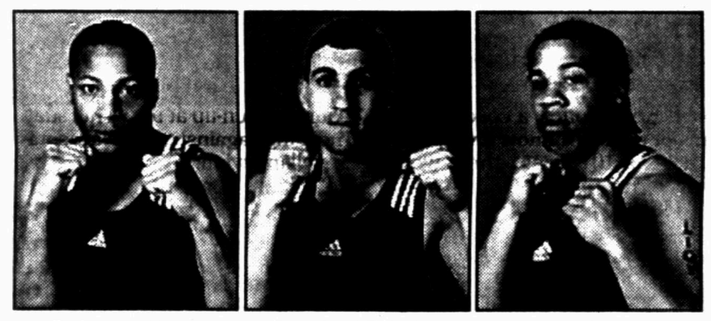
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Light Welterweight
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Cleveland, Ohio



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Welterweight
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Philadelphia, Pa.

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Light Middleweight
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Julius Fogle
Middleweight
Age 29
Ft. Carson, Colo.



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Light Heavyweight
Age 28
Ft. Carson, Colo.

Francisco Palacios
Heavyweight
Age 23
Bronx, NY

Jason Estrada
Super Heavyweight
Age 20
Providence, RI

Twins deal Rangers loss

ARLINGTON (AP) — With a small payroll and small-ball style, the Minnesota Twins are one of the great stories in baseball this season.

With a huge payroll and huge ERA, the Texas Rangers are one of the biggest flops in baseball.

The contrasts collided for the first time this season Friday night and, even with obstacles in their way, the Twins cruised to a 10-7 victory.

Torii Hunter, batting cleanup for the first time in his five-year career, had RBI singles in both of Minnesota's five-run innings, and Jack Cressend pitched four solid relief innings.

The Twins won for the fifth time in six games despite arriving in Texas at 6:30 a.m. following a long flight from Anaheim, where they lost in extra innings. Their starter failed to make it through the fifth inning even though he had an eight-run lead.

Of Minnesota's 12 hits, 11 were singles. The Twins walked eight times, and five of them turned into runs.

Their top eight hitters all scored, with the top two, Cristian Guzman and Denny Hocking, scoring twice.

Only No. 9 hitter A.J. Pierzynski failed to score, but he went 3-for-4 and drove in two. Doug Mientkiewicz and Brian Buchanan also had two RBIs each.

Blackhawks to play here

Heavy rains and resulting wet fields in San Angelo forced a teenage league baseball tournament to move to Snyder's Moffett Field this weekend.

Three games were scheduled Saturday in the West Texas Baseball League tournament of which the Snyder Blackhawks are the newest league member.

The Blackhawks and Abilene Blue Soxs were facing off at noon Saturday.

Midland Lee and Abilene Cooper were scheduled to play at 3 p.m. while Snyder's Blackhawks take on Midland Colt 45 at 6 p.m.

Major League Baseball

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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	35	18	.660	—
Atlanta	27	26	.509	8
Florida	25	28	.472	10
New York	23	32	.418	13
Montreal	21	34	.382	15

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	32	20	.615	—
St. Louis	29	24	.547	3½
Milwaukee	28	25	.528	4½
Houston	27	25	.519	5
Cincinnati	21	32	.396	11½
Pittsburgh	17	35	.327	15

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	32	22	.593	—
Los Angeles	30	24	.556	2
San Diego	27	27	.500	5
San Francisco	27	27	.500	5
Colorado	26	28	.481	6

Friday's Games

Atlanta 5, Pittsburgh 1
N.Y. Mets 11, Florida 5
Philadelphia 13, Montreal 2
Houston 10, Los Angeles 9
Chicago Cubs 4, Milwaukee 3
Cincinnati 5, St. Louis 1
San Francisco 11, Colorado 7
Arizona 4, San Diego 2

Saturday's Games

Cincinnati (Reith 0-2) at St. Louis (Morris 7-3), 1:15 p.m.
Los Angeles (Dreifort 3-3) at Houston (Oswalt 2-1), 4:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Ortiz 7-3) at Colorado (Neagle 4-2), 4:05 p.m.
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Philadelphia (Wolf 4-4) at Montreal (Armas Jr. 5-5), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (Eaton 6-3) at Arizona (Anderson 2-3), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Atlanta (Smoltz 1-2) at Pittsburgh (Anderson 3-4), 1:35 p.m.
Philadelphia (Daal 6-0) at Montreal (Yoshii 1-2), 1:35 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Tavarez 3-3) at Milwaukee (Sheets 5-4), 2:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Gagne 1-3) at Houston (Rottenfield 2-4), 2:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Gardner 1-3) at Colorado (Astacio 4-5), 3:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Appier 3-5) at Florida (Burnett 3-2), 4:05 p.m.
San Diego (Jarvis 3-4) at Arizona (Johnson 5-4), 4:35 p.m.
Cincinnati (Bell 0-3) at St. Louis (Matthews 2-1), 8:05 p.m.

American League
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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	30	22	.577	—
New York	29	23	.558	1
Toronto	26	28	.481	5
Baltimore	25	28	.472	5½
Tampa Bay	15	39	.278	16

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	35	17	.673	—
Cleveland	34	17	.667	½
Detroit	22	29	.431	12½
Chicago	21	30	.412	13½
Kansas City	20	34	.370	16

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	41	12	.774	—
Oakland	26	27	.491	15
Anaheim	25	28	.472	16
Texas	19	34	.358	22

Friday's Games

Boston 6, Toronto 4, 11 innings
Cleveland 7, N.Y. Yankees 4, 5½ innings, rain
Chicago White Sox 3, Detroit 0
Minnesota 10, Texas 7
Baltimore 8, Oakland 4
Seattle 8, Tampa Bay 4
Anaheim 7, Kansas City 1

Saturday's Games

Cleveland (Colon 4-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 5-1), 1:15 p.m.
Boston (Wakefield 2-0) at Toronto (Hamilton 2-3), 4:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Towers 1-1) at Oakland (Zito 3-4), 4:05 p.m.
Detroit (Weaver 4-5) at Chicago White Sox (Wells 3-5), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 7-1) at Texas (Rogers 3-3), 8:35 p.m.
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Kansas City (Durbin 3-3) at Anaheim (Schoeneweis 3-4), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

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NBA Playoffs

NBA Playoff Daily Glance
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Conference Finals
(Best-of-7)

Saturday, May 19
L.A. Lakers 104, San Antonio 90
Monday, May 21
L.A. Lakers 88, San Antonio 81
Tuesday, May 22
Philadelphia 93, Milwaukee 85
Thursday, May 24
Milwaukee 92, Philadelphia 78
Friday, May 25
L.A. Lakers 111, San Antonio 72
Saturday, May 26
Milwaukee 80, Philadelphia 74
Sunday, May 27
L.A. Lakers 111, San Antonio 82, L.A. Lakers win series 4-0
Monday, May 28
Philadelphia 89, Milwaukee 83
Wednesday, May 30
Philadelphia 89, Milwaukee 88, Philadelphia leads series 3-2
Friday, June 1
Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 9 p.m.
Sunday, June 3
Milwaukee at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m., if necessary

NHL Playoffs

National Hockey League
All Times EDT
STANLEY CUP FINALS
(Best-of-7)
Colorado vs. New Jersey

Saturday, May 26
Colorado 5, New Jersey 0
Tuesday, May 29
New Jersey 2, Colorado 1
Thursday, May 31
Colorado 3, New Jersey 1, Colorado leads series 2-1
Saturday, June 2
Colorado at New Jersey, 8 p.m.
Monday, June 4
New Jersey at Colorado, 8 p.m.
Thursday, June 7
Colorado at New Jersey, 8 p.m., if necessary
Saturday, June 9
New Jersey at Colorado, 8 p.m., if necessary

Astros win third straight game after losing 8

HOUSTON (AP) — Richard Hidalgo did the hitting. Jeff Bagwell issued the warning.

Hidalgo batted .200 on the just-completed road trip, but he went 4-for-5 with a game-winning homer to lead off the ninth inning Friday night, rallying the Houston Astros to a 10-9 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers.

The Astros won their third straight game after ending an eight-game losing streak.

Hidalgo homered on the third pitch from Mike Fetters (1-1). It was Hidalgo's second game-ending homer of the season. Hidalgo watched the first two pitches and got ahead 2-0.

"It was about time for him to break out," Astros manager Larry Dierker said. "Those two pitches, two weeks ago, he probably would have swung at them."

Fetters knew he had no choice. He had to bring a pitch in over the plate.

"I was behind two balls and I had to throw a strike down the middle, and when you throw over the plate to big league hitter, they are going to hit it a long way," Fetters said.

Octavio Dotel (2-3) pitched the final two innings for the victory. He stranded a runner at third in the ninth.

Down by three runs, the Dodgers rallied to take a 9-7 lead in the seventh on Mark Grudzielanek's first career grand slam and an RBI double by Adrian Beltre.

Craig Biggio had an RBI double in the seventh to make it 9-8, and Moises Alou's RBI single in the eighth tied it.

Vinny Castilla hit a two-run homer for Houston in the fifth. His seventh straight hit two games gave the Astros a 7-4 lead against Luke Prokopec.

"I was trying to do too much and pressing," Castilla said. "I just needed to relax and be myself. When you're in a slump, you try to get a hit no matter what and you start swinging at bad pitches. Now, I'm seeing the ball all the way."

Castilla went 4-for-4 on Thursday against San Diego. He singled in the first and third innings before his fifth-inning homer. Castilla struck out in the seventh, ending his streak.

Houston starter Scott Elarton allowed a two-run homer by Shawn Green in the first.

The Astros scored four times in the first on RBI grounders by Bagwell and Alou and singles by Hidalgo and Brad Ausmus.

Alex Cora tied it at 4 with a two-run homer in the second. Hidalgo's single in the third gave Houston a 5-4 lead.

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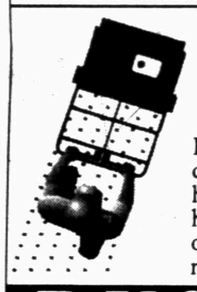
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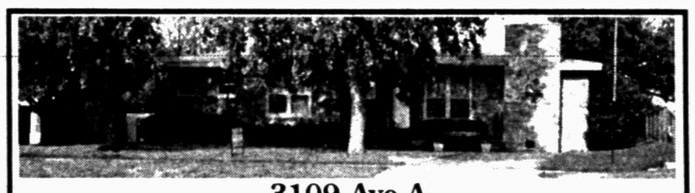
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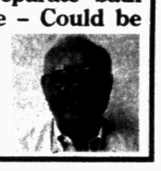
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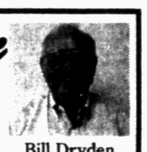
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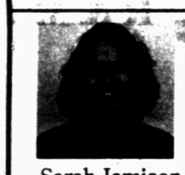

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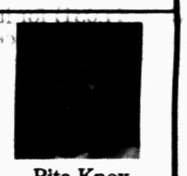
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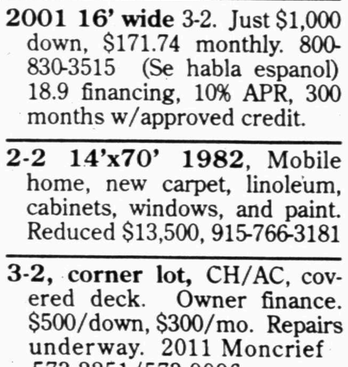
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Community Notification
Sex Offender Registration
May 24, 2001

NOTICE

The following person has registered with the Scurry County Sheriff's Office as a convicted sex offender.

(1) Hadley Dees Vineyard, 21 years of age, male, 2744 CR 3126, Snyder, Texas 79549, convicted of "Sexual Assault". Victim was a female child 14 years of age.

NOTIFICATION

El siguiente persona se a registrado con el Departamento de Sheriff de Scurry County, y fue convicto de una offensa sexual.

(1) Hadley Dees Vineyard, Un hombre, 21 anos de edad, 2744 CR 3126, Snyder, Texas 79549, convicto de "Asalto Sexual". La victima era nina, catorse anos de edad.

(S) Darren Jackson
Sheriff

'Dennis The Menance' creator dies

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Marcus Hamilton was waiting for workers to repair the fax machine so he could send his latest sketches to Hank Ketcham for his approval when the call came: The creator of America's favorite 5-year-old towheaded tornado had died.

"He's really been like a second father to me. He's directed my life for the last eight years," said Hamilton, of Charlotte, N.C., who began drawing "Dennis the Menace" for Ketcham in 1994.

Ketcham, 81, died Friday at his home in Pebble Beach after suffering from heart disease and cancer. He had stopped drawing Sunday panels in the mid-1980s and retired from weekday sketches in 1994. Though his assistants handled the bulk of the work after that, Ketcham still oversaw the feature daily by fax.

"He was kind of like God, you know he's there but you didn't see him," said Ron Ferdinand, who also works on the strip with Hamilton. "Right up until the end he was still editing."

In March, Ketcham's panels celebrated 50 years of publication — running in 1,000 newspapers, 48 countries and 19 languages.

Unlike the late "Peanuts" creator Charles Schulz, who insisted on drawing every panel himself and had a clause in his contract dictating that original drawings would end with his death, Ketcham's panels will continue.

The antics of his 4-year-old son inspired Ketcham to create the freckle-faced cartoon character named Dennis, who has tormented cranky Mr. Wilson and amused readers for 50 years. The comic strip debuted in 16 newspapers, and was an instant hit.

The strip inspired several books of cartoons, a television show, a musical, a 1993 movie and a playground in Monterey, where Ketcham had his studio. The TV show, starring Jay North as Dennis and Joseph Kearns as Mr. Wilson, ran on CBS from 1959 to 1963.

"It's a joyful pursuit realizing that you're trying to ease the pain of front-page news or television," Ketcham told The Associated Press in March. "There's some little bright spot in your day that reminds you that it's fun to smile."

Ketcham was born March 14, 1920, in Seattle and grew up there. He recalled he was no more than 6 when he knew he wanted to be a cartoonist. One day he watched a family friend sketch Barney Google and other then-popular cartoon figures.

In 1938, he dropped out of the University of Washington after his freshman year and went to Southern California to work as an animator, first for Walter Lantz, creator of "Woody Woodpecker," and then for Walt Disney. Ketcham worked on "Pinocchio," "Bambi," "Fantasia" and Donald Duck shorts.

When the United States entered World War II, he enlisted in the Navy, where he was put to work drawing cartoons for Navy posters, training material and war bond sales.

A free-lance cartoonist after the war, Ketcham was living in Carmel when he got the idea for "Dennis the Menace" in October 1950. His wife, Alice, burst into his home studio, exasperated that their 4-year-old son, Dennis, had dismantled his room instead of taking a nap.

"Your son is a menace!" she said.

Despite the strip's real-life inspiration, Ketcham didn't depend on family life for ideas. He used comedy writers and credited the team approach for the strip's longevity.

Ketcham and his first wife had been separated when she died in 1959 of a drug overdose. He and son Dennis drifted apart, and they spoke infrequently in later life.

He made his first trip abroad in 1959, to swap Dennis drawings for Soviet-sketched cartoons. The CIA heard of the trip and asked him to take snapshots with a spy camera.

On a flight from Moscow to Kiev, he saw "big circles and long rectangular shapes," he said. "I had my sketch book and I would put them down, and the flight attendant would walk by and I would put a big nose and some eyes and make the whole thing into a funny face. So I had a whole book full of funny-face cartoons at the end that I didn't know how to read."

Sometime later, Ketcham met a CIA official and mentioned his days behind the Iron Curtain.

Ketcham said, "I'm sorry I didn't have anything to report. He said, 'Yeah, I know, Hank, we haven't sent any more cartoonists on any more missions.'"

Ketcham stayed in Europe, drawing Dennis from Geneva for 17 years.

A second marriage ended in divorce. He moved back to California in 1977 with his third wife, Rolande and their two children, Scott and Dania.

On the Net:
Ketcham gallery:
http://www.hankketcham.com

On Nutrition By Ed Blonz, Ph.D.

How safe are farm-raised fish

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I have some concerns about farm-raised fish. I used to think that raising them on a farm protected bottom-feeders, such as catfish and flounder, from industrial contaminants that have settled onto river bottoms.

Such is not the case if the article I have enclosed is correct. The low prices at supermarket fish counters mean that we can afford to make fish a big part of our dietary protein, but after reading this article, I am afraid to buy any. How does fish farming affect the environment, and what are the nutritional differences between fish raised on a farm and those caught in lakes, oceans or bays? — **K.B., Springfield, N.J.**

Dear K.B.: The article you enclosed is critical of fish farming, pointing to widespread dangers from unsanitary conditions, diseases, parasites and the use of antibiotics and toxic chemicals. It is a fear-provoking, unbalanced piece.

Aquaculture — the cultivation and raising of fish and water plants for human use — is the fastest-growing form of agriculture in the United States. Studies are generally supportive of the raising of fish in water-based pens. I say generally because this system attempts to take a natural process and reproduce it in a semi-enclosed system. Nature, however, can be unpredictable, so a fish farm is not immune to problems. The key is that there are strict quality-control standards that need to be observed. If and when there are problems, treatment options are followed by waiting periods to assure that fish are of good quality before they are harvested. When things run well, the fish that come to market are safe to eat, and they look and taste great.

What about the impact of aquaculture on the environment? Aquaculture can be effective, but it does not hold the promise of an unlimited supply. Care must be exercised to ensure that a fish farm does not upset the ecology of the area where it is being set up. Overcrowding can quickly turn fish farming into a waterborne version of a factory farm. There are a number of areas of concern. Fish escaping from their pens, for example, might introduce an unnatural species that could interbreed with or destroy native inhabitants. Other concerns involve the potential for disease transfer and the problems that come with waste disposal and antibiotic use.

The key, therefore, is to have fish farms that operate in an environmentally friendly manner. You can help by asking your local fish store where their fish come from. Speak to providers, identify your concerns and let them know that you care. If you buy your fish at a supermarket fish counter and you are unable to get satisfactory answers, take the issue up with customer service people at corporate headquarters. Providing feedback is the first step toward letting people know what you want. You can use your purchasing power to affect change.

As for nutritional value, farm-raised fish will, for the most part, be comparable to fish raised in rivers, lakes and oceans. One exception might be the character of the oils in the fish.

Fish such as salmon, which live in the ocean, will dine on smaller fish, insects and plants. All these foods can be sources of the compounds that give salmon meat its flavor, color and omega-3 fatty acids, which are the health-promoting oils for which salmon and other varieties of higher-fat fish are known.

Fish raised on farms, however, dine on a controlled diet, which is often a vegetable-based fish chow. If their chow regimen does not contain the omega-3 fats, they will not supply as much to us. They would also have to be fed natural pigments to give them that red color.

Finally, keep in mind that fish in the wild can accumulate toxic compounds based on where they live and feed. The controlled environment of the farm-raised fish should translate to lower toxin levels, and studies have borne this out.

As always, it is best to eat many different foods. Whether they are caught in the wild or are raised through aquaculture, fish are an important part of a healthful, varied diet.

Send questions to: "On Nutrition," Ed Blonz, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. For e-mail, address inquiries to: ed@blonz.com. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

Ed Blonz, Ph.D., is a nutrition scientist and the author of "Power Nutrition" (Signet, 1998) and the "Your Personal Nutritionist" book series (Signet, 1996).

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Population boom pushing California state to its limit

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Every weekday before dawn, engineer Martin Wuest drives 82 miles to his job in Silicon Valley. He and his family fled San Jose for the life of "super-commuters" 10 years ago, driven out by rising housing prices as tens of thousands of people poured in.

Since then, California's population has grown more than 13 percent.

With a nip, a tuck — and the occasional angry rip of a busted seam — the nation's most populous state is finding out what it's like to choke on success.

"It's too crowded here now," says Jerry Knoester, founder of a support group for long-distance commuters. "The population in California has just skyrocked. It's crowded in the cities, it's crowded on the highways. There's no elbow room any more."

In 1950, there were 10.5 million people in California; in 2000, there were 33.9 million.

"There is no other developed region of the world the size of California that has grown as fast as California over the last few decades," says Hans Johnson, a demographer with the nonpartisan Public Policy Institute of California.

The same can't be said of the state's housing, highways and transportation, partly because of a mistaken belief that "if you build it they will come and so maybe you shouldn't build it," Johnson says.

Recent U.S. Census data show the number of households grew in California by 10.8 percent in the '90s, while the number of housing units was up only 9.8 percent.

While middle-class families can move out to the far suburbs, poor families have been squeezing into one-room apartments and even garages, said Doug Shoemaker, policy and program director of the National Nonprofit Housing Association of Northern California.

"We have this enormous housing crisis," Shoemaker says.

There are still wide-open spaces in redwood country and in the state's desert southeast. Elsewhere, the squeeze is on.

In San Francisco, people have taken to parking on the sidewalks in such numbers that there's a move afoot to double fines.

Congestion in Yosemite National Park got so bad that a draft plan proposes eliminating some parking spaces and motel rooms and closing part of a popular road.

In Los Angeles, some schools have switched to year-round schedules to try to accommodate the district's 723,000 students; others have lengthened the time between classes to give students a chance to work their way through crowded corridors.

About two million people left California in the early 1990s as the state struggled with recession and drought. Still, the decade ended with a net gain of about 4 million people.

"People just seem much tenser," says Sima Misra, a mother of two from Berkeley. "Women have yelled at me on the road for not driving fast enough."

But even a crowded California has its appeal.

"I've seen the rest of the country and, frankly, I'm not impressed," said Ed Holmes, a member of the San Francisco Mime Troupe. "This is paradise."

Knoester, founder of the support group Commuter Alliance, estimates there are about 7,000 people making the long drive in from Central California to the San Francisco Bay area, up to 100 miles away.

He and fellow super-commuter Wuest — both of whom while away the drive time by talking on their CB radios — say the benefits of a nice house in a pleasant town far outweigh spending three hours a day in the car.

San Jose resident Justin Prester shudders at the thought.

Prester began taking the train after traffic tacked an extra hour on to his commute to a job in desktop publishing. "You spend an hour and a half in the car and you start going bonkers," he says.

Prester considers himself lucky to pay $1,200 a month for a modest one-bedroom apartment — $2,000 is not unusual — and he may move out of the area when his wife finishes her degree. Still, they won't be going far — maybe San Diego or L.A. "My wife doesn't like the rain," he says.

Wuest is equally reluctant to leave California.

"I'm an hour and a half from the seaside. I'm an hour and a half from the Sierras. I'm an hour and a half from work," he says. "The world's our oyster."

On the Net:
Public Policy Institute of California: http://www.ppic.org

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

12-year-old boy assaults his mother

• ***Family disturbance***

A mother called 911 at 2:12 p.m. Friday in reference to her 12-year-old son hitting her and making threats against her. An officer transported the juvenile to the police department where he was later released to another family member. An offense report for Class C assault was filed.

• ***Possible break-in***

A representative with Colonial Hill Baptist Church requested an officer at the 3505 El Paso location at 9:44 a.m. Friday in reference to someone possibly trying to break into the building.

There was nothing missing from the church, and officers were asked to keep a close patrol.

• ***Theft***

Deputies filed two offense reports Friday at the road construction site on U.S. Highway 180 near the traffic circle.

An offense report for burglary of a building was taken in reference to items stolen from a trailer belonging to Jones Bros. Construction. Also, an offense report for state jail felony theft was submitted.

• ***Gas drive-off***

A clerk with Wes-T-Go Conoco reported a gas drive-off in the amount of $3.01 at 6:24 p.m. Friday.

A $20.01 drive-off occurred at 6:39 p.m. Friday at the Tiger Mart. An officer located the vehicle, and the subject was escorted back to the store to handle the matter.

At 6:59 p.m. Friday, a clerk with Town & Country on North College notified officers that a subject had left without paying for $5 in gasoline.

A drive-off in the amount of $31.01 was reported at Rip Griffin's at 9:54 p.m. Friday.

• ***Close patrol***

A woman called police at 8:30 p.m. Friday requesting a close patrol of her residence in the 4500 block of Houston in reference to receiving an anonymous call that her house was going to be broken into. The woman advised officers she had a gun in her house. A close patrol will be maintained.

• ***Fight***

Peace officers were called to the little league fields in Towle Park at 9:23 p.m. Friday to a report of several juveniles involved in a fight. The parents of the juveniles were contacted, and no offense report was requested.

• ***Loud music***

A complaint of loud music in the vicinity of Huffman and Avenue R was called in at 12:02 a.m. Saturday. A deputy spoke with a resident in the area and told him to turn the music down. He also advised him that a citation would be issued if an officer had to return.

• ***Arrests***

Two men were arrested at 11:59 p.m. Friday in the 2900 block of Denison. Kevin Arthur Holmesly, 36, of 2226 Sunset was jailed for felony driving while intoxicated, and a 28-year-old man was arrested for failing to pay fines on two tickets for public intoxication.

At 1:20 a.m. Saturday, a 31-year-old man was taken into custody by a deputy at the turnoff to the Price Daniel Unit on Highway 180. He was charged with misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

Revocations send 3 to prison

Three Scurry County residents will serve time in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice following probation revocation hearings Thursday and Friday in 132nd District Court.

Huey Lee Jackson, 19, of 410 30th Street was serving concurrent five-year probated sentences on two counts of injury to a child.

The offenses occurred May 13, 2000, and Jackson pleaded guilty to hitting two children under the age of 14 with a shoe.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong originally sentenced Jackson to concurrent prison terms of 10 years in the TDCJ, probated for 10 years, plus a $500 fine on each count.

Judge Armstrong Thursday sentenced Jackson to 10 years in the TDCJ and participation in the prison's boot camp program.

The motion to revoke was based on a March 13 burglary of a coin-operated machine in Snyder and the March 7 county court conviction of burglary of a vehicle.

Judge Armstrong also sent Richarado Rocha Medrano, 25, of 1211 19th Street to prison for eight years.

Medrano's original eight-year probated sentence for possession of a firearm by a felon in 1997 was revoked because of a firearm possession charge last Jan. 22 in Rockwall County.

Friday afternoon, Raymond Medrano Vera, 28, of 130½ 23rd Street, was assessed a five-year prison sentence for a June 24, 1995 conviction of felony driving while intoxicated.

Vera's original five-year term of probation was revoked because of a June 4, 2000 public intoxication conviction. The defendant also violated his parole by failing to avoid establishments that serve alcohol and failing to be at his residence during certain hours.

Commissioners have brief agenda

Scurry County Commissioners Court is scheduled to meet at 10 a.m. Monday, but there are no items of new or old business on the agenda.

The court will consider the bills for payment and line-item transfers and budget amendments, if necessary.

Free lunch program to begin on Monday at Central cafeteria

The Scurry County Ministerial Alliance will begin its second year of its free lunch program Monday at the Central Elementary cafeteria.

The program will continue through July 27 and all children who qualify for free lunches during the school year are eligible for the meal served Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Also, an adult that is accompanying the child may also receive a free lunch.

For additional information, call the First Presbyterian Church at 573-6915.

Obituaries

Marvin Hanson

1919-2001

Marvin H. Hanson, a native of Scurry County, died Thursday, May 31, in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene after a lengthy illness.



Mr. Hanson

Funeral service for Mr. Hanson, 82, is set for 10 a.m. Monday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Michael Howard of Stillwater, Okla., and formerly of Snyder, will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born April 16, 1919 in Dunn, his grandfather had settled there in 1902. Mr. Hanson graduated from Dunn High School in 1936 and one of his teachers was his mother. He entered McMurry University on a football scholarship, but withdrew in December, 1940 to enlist in the Army Air Corp.

During World War II, he was stationed in Alaska and on the Aleutian Islands. While home on furlough, he married Mary Evelyn Davis on April 3, 1943 in Lubbock. They lived at Tampa, Fla., until his discharge from the military when they returned to Dunn in September, 1945.

Mr. Hanson was a rural mail carrier for 34 years and a deacon of the Central Baptist Church. He served three years on the Hermleigh school board and was chairman of the Scurry County school board.

The Hansons later moved to Snyder and then to Clyde about two years ago to be near a daughter.

Mr. Hanson was preceded in death by his parents, Marvin and Carrie Bowers Hanson; a daughter, Marvis June McClain in July, 1998; two brothers, Roy M. Hanson and Don Hanson; and sister, Evlyn Winter.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Hanson of Clyde; two daughters, Virginia Darden of Eastland and Mary Naizer of Clyde; six grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Family visitation will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday. Lunch will be served Monday after the service at the Hermleigh Community Center.

Memorials may be made to Hendrick Hospice Care, 1242 N. 19th in Abilene, 79601, or to a favorite charity.

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John Henderson

1913-2001

John D. Henderson, a Snyder resident for 47 years, died Friday, June 1, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mr. Henderson, 87, was set for 3:30 p.m. Saturday in Wright Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Dan Crawford, pastor of Victory Baptist Church, was to officiate. Burial was to follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born July 7, 1913, in Iredell, Tex., he married Frankie Teeters on May 3, 1953. She died on Sept. 4, 2000.

Before retirement, Mr. Henderson was manager of B&B Parkway Grocery. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and a member of Victory Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Howard and Dolores Jones of Snyder; a grandson, Clay Hoblit and his wife, Carol, of Corpus Christi; three granddaughters and their spouses, Kathy and Dane Vickers of Post, Jeannie and Sasha Kashirin and Kelly and Leroy Beaver, all of Lubbock; a great-grandson, Jarrett Vickers of Post; two great-granddaughters, Rachel Hoblit and Martha Hoblit, both of Corpus Christi; and three nephews, John Henderson, Tom Henderson and Bill Henderson, all of Clifton.

Estine Blakey

1918-2001

LUBBOCK - Estine Dorward Blakey, a former resident of Snyder, died Wednesday, May 30.

A memorial service for Mrs. Blakey, 82, was set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Marisue Smith officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Rix Funeral Directors.

Born Sept. 19, 1918 in Lamesa, she was a graduate of Snyder High School and Southwestern University. She earned her master's degree in journalism from the University of Texas.

She married John E. Blakey Jr. on Aug. 31, 1940 in Snyder. He died Feb. 20, 1993.

She also was preceded in death by her parents, J.C. and Hattie Dorward.

She was an original director of the Ranching Heritage Association. She also founded the Ranch Record, the association's publication. A former member of the Texas Tech President's Council, she also helped found and staff the Museum Shop.

A member of the First United Methodist Church, Mrs. Blakey served twice as president of the Junior League and editor of the Branding Iron. She twice was president of Delta Delta Delta and helped install and sponsor the sorority on the Tech campus.

Survivors include two sons, John C. and James E. Blakey, both of Lubbock; a daughter, Carolyn Blakey of Dallas; and two grandsons.

Elouise Bearden

1917-2001

HOUSTON– Hazel Elouise Bearden, 83, a retired nurse, died Saturday, May 12, 2001 in a Houston hospital.

Graveside Service: 8 a.m. Sunday, June 10, 2001 at Friendship Cemetery in Solgohachia, Arkansas officiated by Rev. Harold Gray of the Perryville Baptist Church.



Hazel Bearden

Elouise was born November 29, 1917 in Perryville, Arkansas to parents Mark and Josephine Van Dalsem. She married Horace Hillman Bearden in 1934 and provided a loving home for their three sons. Their home from 1953 was in Snyder, Tex. She was preceded in death by her husband and her oldest son, Billy.

Survivors: Sons Tony and Hillman, daughter-in-law Daisy, their children and grandchildren.

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ONGOINGS

Lucky 13 car wash

Lucky 13 will have a car wash until 4 p.m. Saturday at Long John Silver's.

Camp Springs homecoming

Camp Springs homecoming will begin at 10 a.m. Sunday. Bring a covered-dish for the potluck meal. Ice, cups, plates and flatware will be furnished. Call Carla Guinn Bavousett at 573-8948 for more information.

Grand jury

The Scurry County grand jury will convene at 9 a.m. Monday in 132nd District Court. The grand jury is expected to consider seven felony cases.

Free lunch program

The free lunch program at Central Elementary will begin Monday and continue through July 27. Meals will be served on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from noon until 1 p.m. All children who qualify for free lunches at school may eat. An adult accompanying a child will also be served. For more information, call 573-6915.

Colonial Hill VBS

Colonial Hill Baptist Church will hold Vacation Bible School from 8:30-11:45 a.m. Monday through Friday for grades K-6.

Vacation Bible School

The 37th St. Church of Christ has set its "Jesus to the Rescue" Vacation Bible School for Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to noon. It is for ages two years through the sixth grade. For more information, call Kinney Mabry at 573-0154.

Presbyterian VBS

Children ages 3-12 are invited to Vacation Bible School Monday through Friday at the First Presbyterian Church, 2706 Ave. R. Hours are 9 a.m. until noon and theme is "The Ark." For information, call 573-6915.

CPR provider course

Western Texas College has set a CPR Provider Course for Monday and Wednesday at the Vocational Nursing Building, 7C, from 6-10 p.m. Cost is $45. Register early as space is limited. For more information call, 573-8511, ext. 390.

Bible study tapes

Bible study videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "God Has Spoken of His Enemy," followed by "Senior Suicide."

WTC swimming pool

The WTC swimming pool will open Monday for public use. Lap swimming: M-TH 6:30-8 a.m. Open swimming: M-TH 2-5 p.m. Cost is $3 per person or $50 for a semester pass. The pool is also available for parties on Fridays and Saturdays. For more information, contact Mike Harrison at 573-8511, ext. 279.

Late registration

Late registration for Western Texas College's Kids' College will continue through Wednesday. Classes will be held June 11-21. For more information call 573-8511, ext. 223.

Children's Saturday fun time

Children's Saturday fun time will be held at Avenue D Baptist Church at 10 a.m. on Saturdays throughout the summer. All children are invited. Puppets and snow cones will be part of the fun. For more information, call 573-0971 or 573-6878.

Alzheimer's support group

The Alzheimer's support group will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 12, at Snyder Oaks Care Center.

Winston Field fly-in breakfast

The first Winston Field fly-in breakfast will be held from 8-10:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 16. The public is invited to the event and can eat breakfast with the pilots for $3. There will be numerous airplanes on display, including antique aircraft.

Biker Sunday

The second annual Biker Sunday will be Sunday, June 24, at Colonial Hill Baptist Church. Services start at 10:45 a.m. and there will be bike rodeo games, door prizes, free food and a live band.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients is available every day free of charge to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland. For more information, call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakely Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Imogene Coca, Caesar's perfect foil, dies at age 92

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Imogene Coca, the elfin actress and satiric comedienne who co-starred with Sid Caesar on television's classic "Your Show of Shows" in the 1950s, died Saturday. She was 92.

Coca died of natural causes at her Westport residence, said longtime friend Mark Basile.

"She was a humanist," Basile said. "Her humanity was so strong, so giving. She made people want to be with her.'

Coca's saucer eyes, fluttering lashes, big smile and boundless energy lit up the screen in television's "Golden Age" and brought her an Emmy as best actress in 1951. Although she did some broad burlesque, her forte was subtle exaggeration.

A talented singer and dancer, her spoofs of opera divas and prima ballerinas tiptoed a fine line between dignity and absurdity until she pushed them over the edge at the end.

"The trouble with most comedians who try to do satire," a critic once wrote, "is that they are essentially brash, noisy and indelicate people who have to use a sledge hammer to smash a butterfly. Miss Coca, on the other hand, is the timid woman who, when aroused, can beat a tiger to death with a feather."

K.D. Heard SDN winner

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Snyder Junior, Major & Senior All-Stars at the Little Dribblers National Tournament

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SNYDER SENIOR ALL-STARS: Front row: Glyn Wright, Erica Little, Breanna Talavera. Middle row: Jessica Taylor, Shaela Thompson, Sarah Henson, Sirena Medrano. Back row: Coach Thomas Peoples, Aeryal Peoples, Sequoya Powell, Emily Jones, Teddi Crenwelge, Coach Kevin Jones.



SNYDER MAJOR ALL-STARS: Front row: Katy Crenwelge, Terann Ragland, Sydney Wright, Kaci Waller. Middle row: Audrey Jones, Cheyene Roemisch, Brianna Bernal. Back row: Coach Kevin Jones, Jordan Stansell, Kelbi Pitner, Candace Chandler, Coach Shawn Ragland. Not pictured: Kate Wall, Kendra Burns





SNYDER JUNIOR ALL-STARS: Front row: Shelbie Talavera, Chasidy Sterling, Samantha Medrano, Shandy McMullen. Middle row: Erma Rodriguez, Briana Bryant, K'Ana Garcia, Brittany Mitchell, Jessica Bilderback. Back row: Coach Joel Talavera, Shaquita Sneed, Britney Webb, Coach Raymond Medrano, Coach Jerry Webb. Not pictured: Teryn Sullenger.

WEDNESDAY GAMES:

Snyder Junior vs Bryan, at Brownsboro Junior High, 6 p.m.
Snyder Major vs Athens, at Athens College Men's Gym, 1 p.m.
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Association plannng 66th county rodeo

Cowboy contenders like Eddy Akridge, former world champion bareback rider, cut their teeth on the Scurry County rodeos of yesteryear.

In its heyday, the rodeo, a three-day event, drew large crowds to Snyder. Over the years though, the makeup of the county changed, especially with the discovery of oil, and other activities began to draw more and more of the crowds away from the arena on Gary Brewer Road (west 30th St.), where the rodeo has been held since around 1950.

With a steady decline in attendance, there was a real fear this year that the annual rodeo might become a thing of the past. "Old timers," area men who had served as past SCRA directors, did not want the tradition to die, much as the fair did last year.

Some of the former SCRA, members who rejoined the board this year include Ralph Miller, Tommy Riley, John Ward, L.J. Mueller and Doyle Newton. They are members of a steering committee which has been meeting on Monday nights to plan the June 14-16 rodeo.

Largely through their efforts, interest in the rodeo has been rekindled, and plans are in the works to make the 2001 edition bigger and better that its predecessors. The 66th annual rodeo is approved by the Texas Cowboys Rodeo Association.

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Ralph Miller, area rancher, had served 14 years on the SCRA board, including several terms as president. His interest in rodeos goes way back. Besides the Scurry County rodeo, Ralph and his wife, Dewey Fay, were also longtime organizers of the AJRA (American Junior Rodeo Association) rodeo finals once held in Snyder. The Miller Brothers are also credited with starting the first rodeo in Snyder more than 60 years ago.

Miller said the Scurry County rodeo's popularity has had its ups and downs in past years. After one decline in attendance, he said the Match Bronc Riding tradition between Texas and South Dakota was established.

"That revived the rodeo for several years," Miller said.

To attract people to the rodeo, he added, "we have to appeal to the entertainment dollar to get people out."

Years ago, Miller said the rodeo was a gathering place for the farm and ranch community. People stayed in town for the entire rodeo and so did the contestants who competed twice. Today, contestants attend several rodeos a week, so after they perform they go on to the next one.

Miller noted that some of the top competitors got their start at the Scurry County Rodeo, including Don and Gene McLaughlin and Eddy Akridge. Other past participants included Butch Kirby, trick rider; Neal Collier, stock hand; Louis Blair, clown; Nat Fleming, announcer; and John Ferris, stock superintendent.

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Tommy Riley served on the rodeo association board in the late 1960s. His father, Bill Riley, also served some 30 years on the board. He was the chute boss when the first rodeo was held at Wolf Park.

Riley noted that the rodeo attendance had been good for many years, but then started a steady decline. This year, he and others who had served in previous years decided to get involved again.

Riley began calling people. Largely through the telephone campaign, interest and enthusiasm for the 2001 rodeo began to build.

"We've got a good board now, and we've agreed to help all we can," Riley said. "We're going to have a great rodeo but we need the support of Scurry County and the community," he added.

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John Ward, area rancher, was a director from about 1964-1975. His granddad, Ollie Stimson, and father-in-law, Novis Rodgers, also served as directors, and his son-in-law, Mike Murphy, currently serves on the board as well.

"We didn't want the rodeo tradition to die," Ward said. "That's why some of the older ones became involved again."

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L.J. Mueller, who shoes horses, served 13 years on the board, from about 1985 to 1998, including three or four terms as president.

One of the causes of declining interest in the rodeo, he noted is that many people are now busy with many other activities.

Mueller said they hope to "bring people out to the rodeo who have never been to it before. We want to give people a different aspect of the rodeo."

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Doyle Newton served around 15 years on the board and was the rodeo's flag judge for several years. His son, Cody, who recently moved back from New Mexico, has also joined the rodeo association board. Newton's father-in-law was Frank Miller, one of the original founders of the rodeo.

That's the main reason Newton decided to become involved with the rodeo association again. That and the fact that he has lived here most of his life.

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In addition to Miller, Riley, Ward, Mueller and Newton, other members of the steering committee are Joe Rollins, Drew Bullard and Sid Johnson. Clayton Riley is the president of the Scurry County Rodeo Association; Daryl Drain is the vice president; and Cliff Price is the secretary and treasurer.

Board members include Roscoe Massingale, Cody Newton, Eric Robertson, Van Hale, Lance Wilson, Danny Williams, Cameron Price and Mike Murphy.

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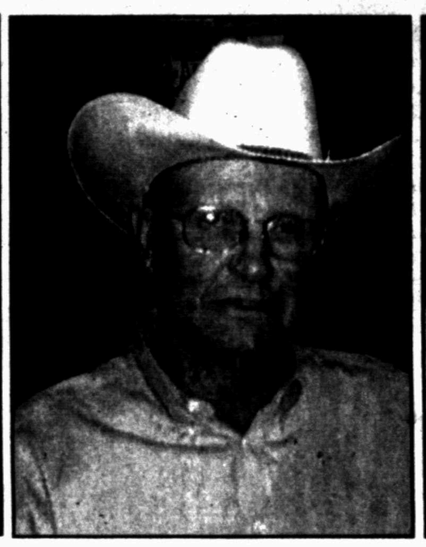
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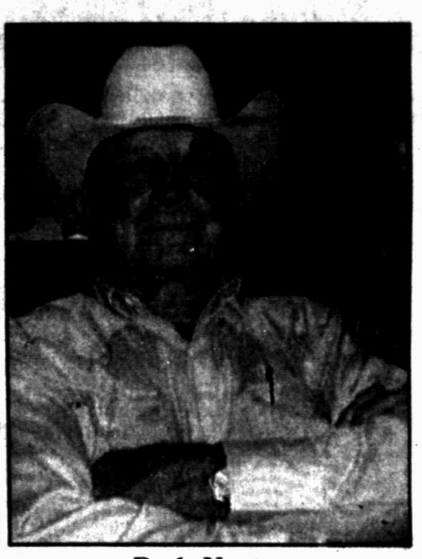
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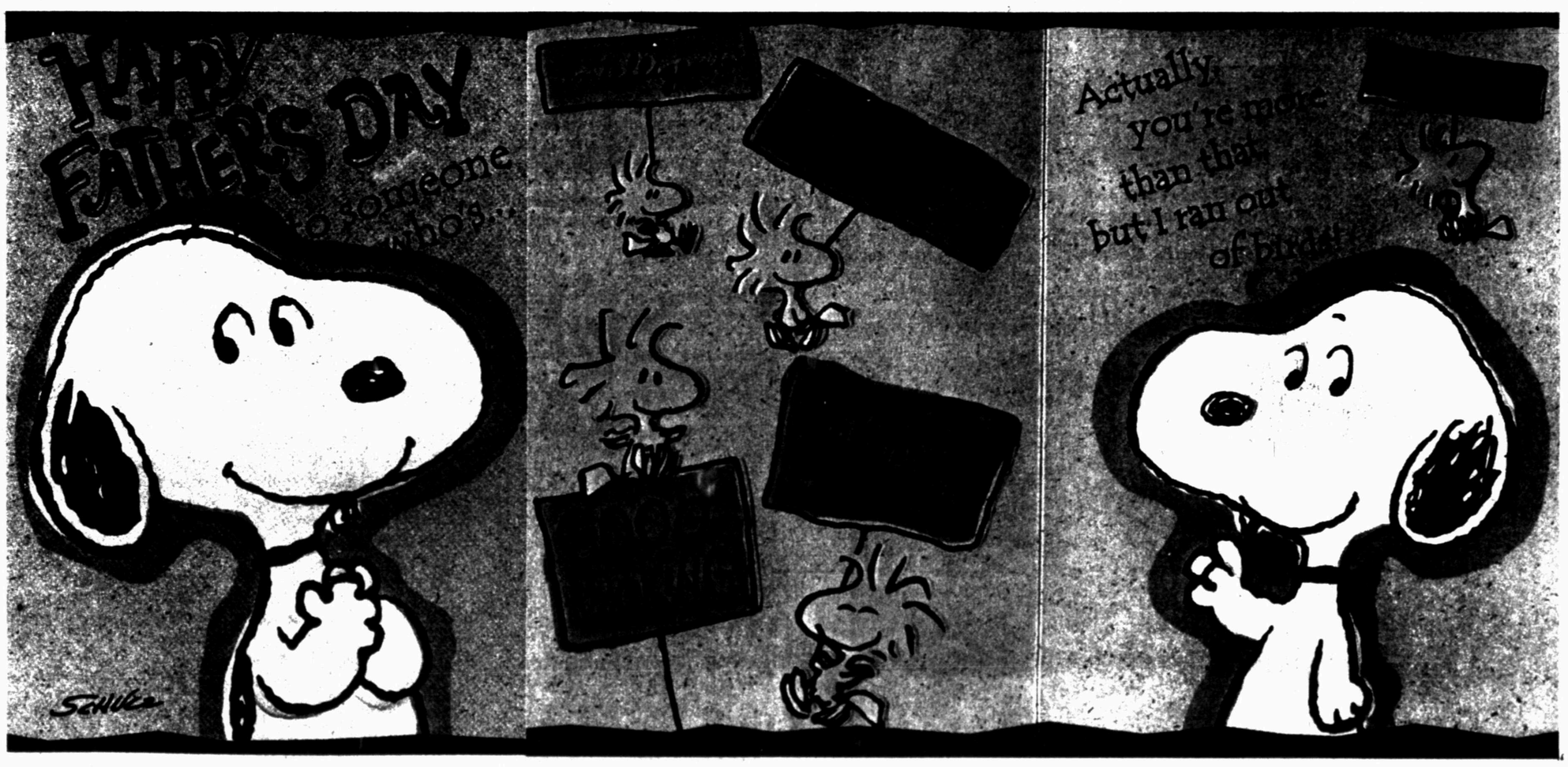
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ESL GRADUATES — English as a Second Language (ESL) graduates this spring include from left, Gina Juarez, Maria Cabrera, Ana Davis, Maria Jaimes, Yadina Larrea, Adelaida Rains, Gracia Sosa and Louisa Gonzales. Classes are offered through the special education of Snyder Independent School District. Graduation service was held at the Martha Ann Woman's Club with Dr. Melissa Jones, assistant superintendent, and Mary Ann Juarez, home and community liaison, presenting diplomas. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS —Adult technology students of the SISD program received certificates at a ceremony at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. From left are Ruth Holloway, participant; Diana Garcia, Melly Gibson and Gaynel Cline, all completed the technology program; and Don Johnson was also a participant. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



LITERACY CLASS PARTICIPANTS — Participants of the English as a Second Language class this year are, from left, Juana Cortez and her son, Alejandra Ornelas and Remijio Medina. They received certificates at a recent dinner at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. ESL class is offered through the Snyder Independent School District. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

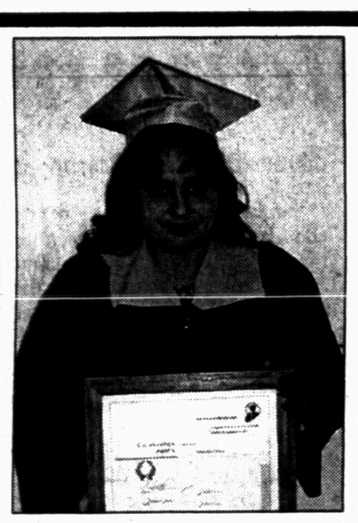
Zoo euthanizes aged male rhinoceros

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Herman, the oldest male Indian rhinoceros in a North American zoo, was put down Thursday at the Los Angeles Zoo.

The 36-year-old, 4,500-pound rhino was suffering from severe foot lesions that would not heal, blindness, digestive problems and lameness in his right hind leg, the zoo said.

"It was a difficult decision, but everyone knew that he was an old guy with a lot of pain and discomfort," zoo veterinarian Marnie Lamm said in a statement.

Herman was a yearling when he was captured in northern India.



RECEIVED GED — Esmeralda Juarez received her GED diploma. She obtained this effort with the adult special program through Snyder ISD. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Graduation ceremony is held for literacy grads

Snyder ISD held a graduation ceremony for adult literacy students last Tuesday evening at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

The Family Literacy Program was an initiative of the district's Academics 2000 program. The program attracted more than 100 adults who attended classes in ESL and GED. Course content addressed literacy needs required for job skills which resulted in employment for some of the students.

Those successfully completing the program included eight ESL students — Gina Cabrera, Maria Cabrera, Ana Davis, Louisa Gonzales, Maria Jaimes, Yadira Larrea, Adelaida Rains and Gracia Sosa. These students were taught using the Laubach Way To Reading that included four skill level books with 22-24 lessons each. At the end of the fourth book, students should be reading at the fourth grade level.

Others honored included three technology students, Gaynel Cline, Diana Garcia and Molly Gibson. These students learned basic keyboarding and various aspects of the computer.

The Family Literacy Program also exited one GED graduate, Esmeralda Juarez and all others received participant awards.

Instructors for the program were Esther Clarady, Linda Patterson and Mary Ann Juarez.

Residents too frisky

SUN CITY WEST, Ariz. (AP) — The residents of this retirement community are getting a little too frisky for town officials.

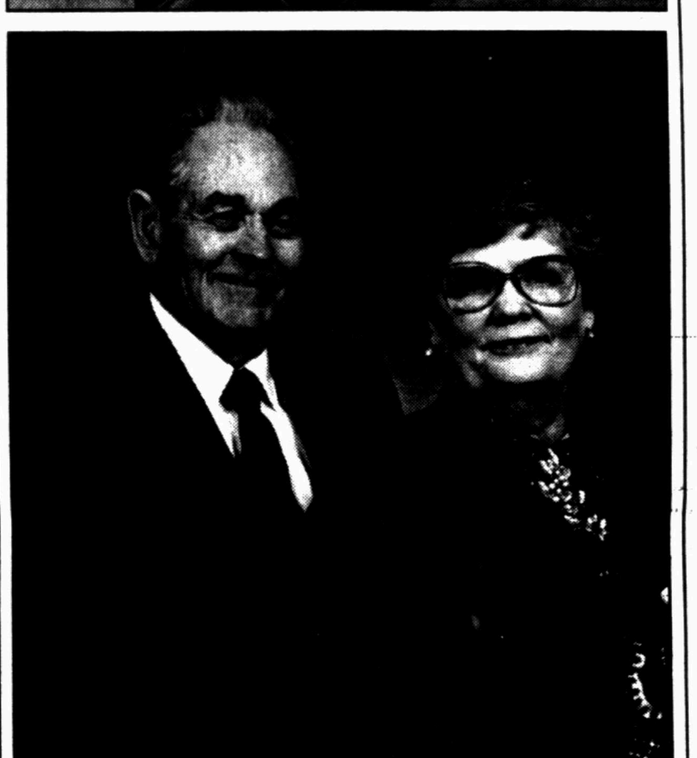
The Sun City West recreation center has reported about a dozen incidents of public sex recently, and warnings have been issued to those involved.

"Our staff and the posse have found members having sex in the swimming pools, the spas, the bench on Meeker Mountain, a bench in the Doggie Park and in the Palm Ridge and R.H. Johnson (centers) parking lots," governing board President Dee Hjermstad told the Daily News Sun.

Board member John Orr said lights had been installed in areas near where the conduct had been observed, but they were vandalized.

"So we set them in concrete to keep them there, and they were battered with a hammer or baseball bat," he said.





Wayland and Ann Walton
(Contributed Photos)

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Waltons celebrate 50th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Walton will be honored on their 50th wedding anniversary June 9 at a reception given by their children and grandchildren.

The event will be 2-5 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Family Life Center. They were married on June 9, 1951 in New Home, Tex. Their children and respective spouses are Wayla and Andy Pistone of San Diego, Calif., Marta and Richard Hanks of Abilene, Scott and Barbara Walton of Snyder, and Bryan Walton of Grand Prairie.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton have eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Burglaries baffle detectives in Reno

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Detectives are baffled by a series of store burglaries stretching from Reno to Bishop, Calif., in which more than a dozen propane-powered floor buffers were stolen.

"We are having a heck of a time figuring this thing out," Police Sgt. Loren Ross said. "I've never had one of these stolen before. If it was one or two, I would think we've got a couple of guys trying to start a new business. But a dozen all on the same day?"

Eleven buffers, which are worth more than $4,000 apiece and would take more than three people to lift, were stolen from Reno stores.

Cleaning crews that arrived to work after midnight Tuesday began noticing the missing buffers at stores including Raley's, Albertsons and Super Kmart, Ross said.

Detectives have no information on suspects or a possible motive, Ross said.

"Even the owners say, 'I don't know what they'd do with it,'" he said.

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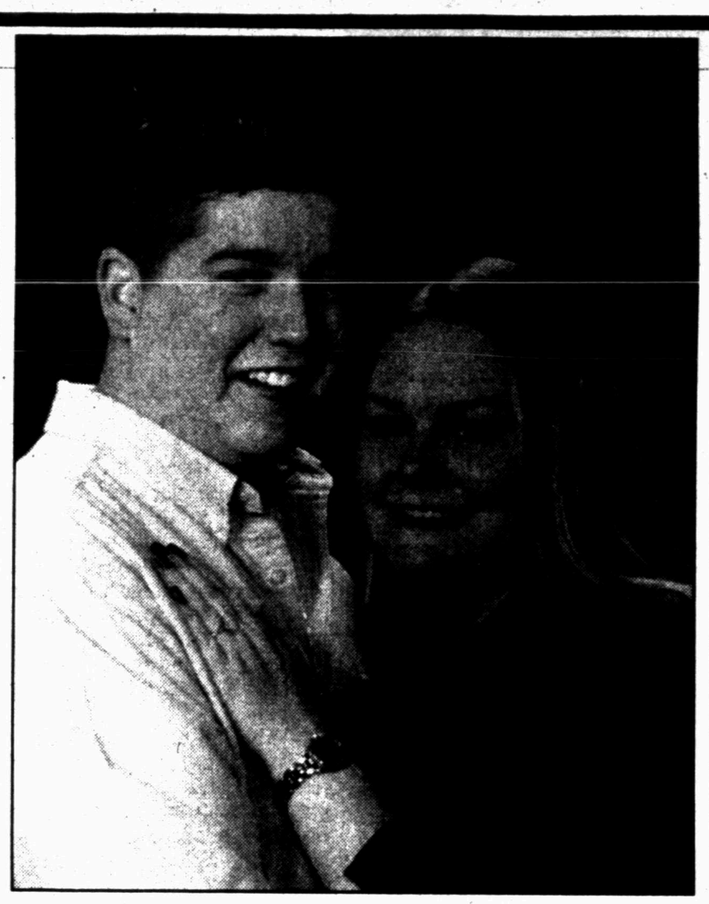
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HILDEBRAND-PATTERSON ENGAGED — Max and Carol Hildebrand of Snyder announce the engagement of their daughter, Tessa Hildebrand, to Page Patterson, son of Alton and Sherry Patterson. A 7 p.m., Sept. 8 wedding is being planned at First Baptist Church. (Photo by Wadleigh Studio)



COMPTON-SPARKS TO WED — Don and Linda Compton of Snyder announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amanda Compton, to Bryan Sparks. He is the son of Barbara Lane of Hobbs, N.M., and David Sparks of Newcastle, Okla. They are planning a 2 p.m., July 7 wedding in the Snyder First Baptist Church.



JULY WEDDING PLANNED — Danny and Vicki Williams of Snyder announce the engagement of their daughter, Veronica Renee, to Tommy Harris. Tommy is the son of David and Donna Harris of Colorado City. The wedding is set for July 7 at Willow Park Inn. (Contributed Photo)

Community Calendar

MONDAY

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

Al-Anon Brown Bag Open Meeting, Snyder Park Club in Winston Park; noon.

Weight Watchers meeting; Trinity United Methodist Church; for more information call Nathalie at 573-1868 during the evening; weigh-in is at 5 p.m.

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 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 573-9458, 8 p.m.

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

TUESDAY

Scurry County Chapter of American Heart Association; The Shack; noon.

Overeaters Anonymous, Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 574-1254, 573-8322 or 573-3733; 6:30 p.m.

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

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

AA Beginner's Meeting-Open; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 7 p.m.

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-4048,; 8 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5 to 6 p.m.; 2501 35th. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

Storytime at the Scurry County Library for 4- and 5-year-olds; 10 a.m.

Spiritual Solutions for Living Problems Book Study; Snyder Park Club; 6 p.m.

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

THURSDAY

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

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

Rock and Roll Quilting Club evening meeting; Hermleigh Community Center; for more information call 863-2426; 6:30 p.m.

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

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information call 573-4048; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626; 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 573-0538 or 573-0770.

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

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving Course; no reservations necessary, cost $30; for more information call 573-2850; 8 a.m. to 3 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 573-9458; 10 a.m.

Man abandons study of cockroaches

BELLEFONTE, Pa. (AP) — The noise from the airport is one thing, but when cockroaches start moving in, well there goes the neighborhood.

Penn State University researcher Glenn Holbrook said Thursday that he had canceled plans to infest a rural home with cockroaches after neighbors worried they would spread to nearby homes.

Holbrook had hoped to study the behavior of German cockroaches — first outfitting the home with see-through interior walls, then infesting it with about 500 roaches. Since roaches rarely come out during the daylight, the home would have been fitted with special lights that would have allowed researchers to observe the insects while the cockroaches thought it was night.

Holbrook, an assistant professor of entomology, said that he would continue his cockroach research in an on-campus laboratory but that no research would be conducted at the university-owned home near University Park airport.

"I'm not going to carry out research that is going to be problematic, that might cause people trouble," Holbrook said. "People have enough stress in their lives already."

Wed on cold day

MANDAN, N.D. (AP) — Terryl Roningen always said it would be a cold day in Hell when she got married. And it was.

Roningen and Lance Gaebe, both of Mandan, were wed recently in Hell, Norway. The temperature was 50 degrees when they tied the knot.

Roningen said she stopped in Hell 12 years ago when backpacking through Europe. When she and Gaebe decided to get married, she brought up the idea of having the ceremony there.

"A good way to start out a marriage is with luck," Gaebe said.

SC Library News & Views

By Janie Romine, Librarian

Children, have you come to the Scurry County Library Summer Reading Program yet? If not, come on and join us for some fun.

Monday preschoolers will be exploring the seashore with stories about the beach and sea creatures. They will decorate a starfish, making it a very special one.

On Wednesday, those who have completed grades K-6 will have game day. This is the day that everyone enjoys.

There will be all kinds of games such as ring toss, ball toss, and other games of skill. Also, there will be lots of prizes.

If any children have completed a reading log, the staff will take the log, authenticate it and award any prize due.

Remember — students who cannot read, may keep a log of the time that others read to them.

Children who have not registered for the summer program, it is not too late. Registration may be made throughout the program.

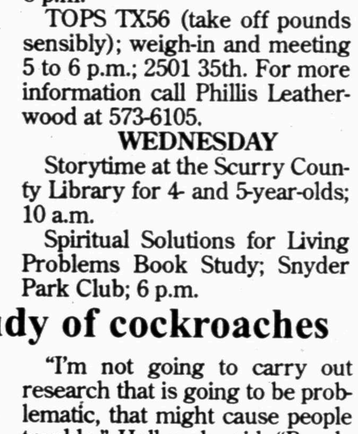
Adults are you wondering what kind of butterflies are in your yard? Come to the library and consult one of our excellent books.

As vegetable crops begin producing, you may be wondering about safe ways to can and freeze your harvest so come to the Scurry County Library and check out a canning book or books.

Teachers, are you ready to read something besides kiddy literature or YA literature now that you are on your own time?

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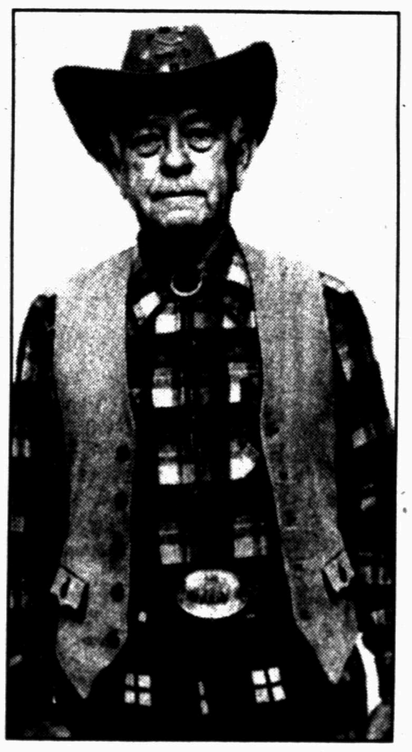
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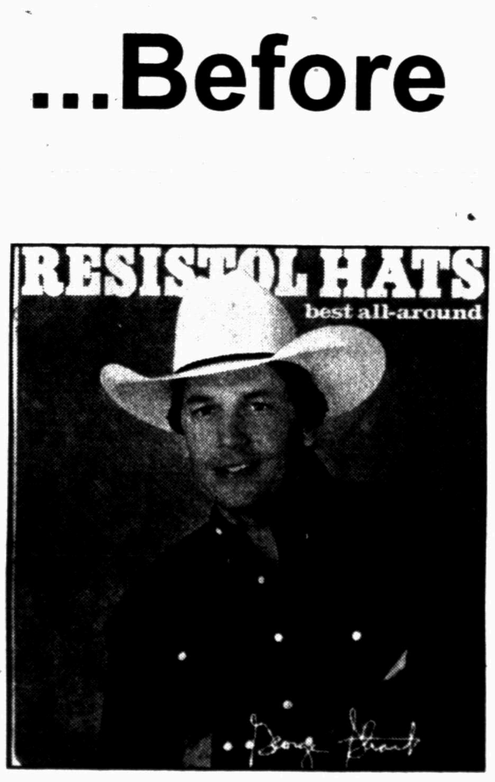
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BRIDAL SHOWER — Alicia Kubena, bride-elect of Shane Guldbransen, was honoree at a miscellaneous shower May 12 in St. Elizabeth Parish Hall. The couple plan to wed at 3 p.m. on July 23 in St. Elizabeth Catholic Church. From left are Frances Suttle, maternal grandmother of the future bride; Brooke Kubena, her sister; the honoree; Marsha Kubena of Hermleigh, her mother; and Leone Kubena, her paternal grandmother. (Contributed Photo)

Emilie Dubois traveled 13 hours to make pitch to William and Mary

NORTH SMITHFIELD, R.I. (AP) — When Emilie Dubois was placed on a waiting list of 800 for a Virginia college, she hung a sandwich-board on her shoulders and traveled 13 hours to make her pitch.

Dubois, 17, walked around the College of William and Mary's campus carting around her message: "Wait Listed! Hi! You probably are wondering what I'm doing; Ask me. I love this school, and I'm here to remind admissions how thrilled I'd be to attend!"

Dubois walked into the president's office but wasn't able to talk to him. She did chat with admissions officers and spent the rest of her time handing out fliers across campus.

She also met the school's track coach, who put in a good word for her. Dubois has been captain of the varsity volleyball and cross-country squads at North Smithfield High School and wants to join the track team in college.

After three days, Dubois was accepted to the college.

"I can't believe things turned out as they did," Dubois told The Providence Journal. "It's a fairy-tale ending."



MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED — Vernon Lee Presswood and Krystal Blundell were married March 16 in Lubbock. Parents of the bride are James Blundell of Mt. Pleasant and Kay Bell of Carrollton. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Lee Presswood of Snyder. (Contributed Photo)

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



Saturday, June 2, 2001

The gulf was reduced in size

By Phillip Alder

The year 1991 was famous for two occurrences. First, there was the Gulf War, when allied troops forced Iraq out of Kuwait. The result of that conflict wasn't a surprise. However, the second was: Iceland won the Bermuda Bowl, beating hot favorite Poland in the final in Yokohama, Japan.

This deal highlights a situation one sees occasionally in an expert game.

Both teams reached five clubs by South. In this auction by Icelanders Gudmundur Arnarson (North) and Thorlakur Jonsson, it looks as though they control-bid (cue-bid) first- and second-round controls at random.

The Polish declarer, Piotr Gawrys, received a diamond lead. He won with his ace and advanced the club queen. When West smoothly contributed the four, Gawrys, afraid of a diamond ruff, played "safe," going up with dummy's ace. Now he was history! Declarer continued trumps, but had to lose two spades, one club and one diamond ruff: two down.

After his partner's lead-directing double, the Polish West led a spade, East winning the first two tricks in the suit. Now, though, declarer had no option but to take the club finesse, and he cruised home.

The spade lead looks the worst for South, but it forces him into a winning line. In contrast, the apparently beneficial diamond opening gave declarer just enough rope to hang himself.

Will we ever have world peace? Or will the aggressive few always persuade the many to try to harm others just because of color or race?

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♦ K Q 6 4 2
♣ A 10 9 6

West
♠ 10 9 7 4
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♣ K 8 7 4

East
♠ A Q 3 2
♥ J 4 3 2
♦ J 10 8 7 5
♣ —

South
♠ J 5
♥ K Q 10 8
♦ A 9
♣ Q J 5 3 2

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: North-South

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
4 ♣	Pass	4 ♦	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	4 ♠	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	5 ♣	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 10

Bridge Winners

Friday, May 25

Monte West directed games at the Snyder Country Club.

1. Nonnie Ward, ElWanda Nall.
2. Dorothy Rosson, Tizzy Hall.
3. Suzy Reed, Martha Fagin.
4. Nina Nesbit, Nona Morrison.

Sunday, May 27

1. Billisue Stuard, Pat Floyd.
2. Louise Thompson, Dot Casey.
3. Nina Nesbit, Barbara Yorgesen.

No games Tuesday.

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New Mexico is also known as the Land of Enchantment.

Girl Scouts honor top cookie sellers

Scurry County Girl Scouts honored their top cookie sellers at closing ceremonies at Towle Park Pavilion.

Megan Downing of Troop 150 was the top cookie seller for Scurry County and the top Brownie cookie seller by selling 342 boxes.

Kayla Liccardi of Troop 210 was the top Jr. Girl Scout seller with 300 boxes. Nikki Timora of Troop 98 was top Cadette cookie seller with 180 boxes. Tressie Martin was top cookie seller for Senior Scout Troop 100 and sold 312 boxes.

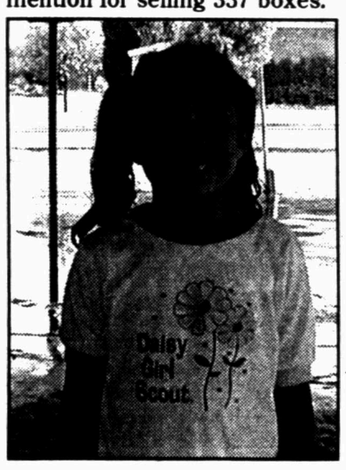
Ashley Browning of Brownie Troop 172 received honorable mention for selling 337 boxes.

In addition to being honored by their troops and service Unit 46 the two top sellers, Megan Downing and Ashley Downing, was to have tea with the president of West Texas Girl Scout Council.

Peggy Vernon expressed appreciation on behalf of the scout troops to Scurry citizens for supporting this project by purchasing 8004 boxes. Money from the cookie sale helps troops with supplies, uniforms, badges, trips and camp. They also receive incentives according to the amount they sell.

Sabrina Salinas became a Brownie Scout.





Sabrina Salinas

TOP COOKIE SELLERS — Girl Scouts Nikki Timora, Megan Downing, Kayla Liccardi and Tressie Martin were top cookie sellers for 2001 and were recognized at closing ceremonies (Staff Photos by Jo Ann Nunley)



FLY UP TO JUNIORS — Brownie Scouts participating in a fly-up ceremony to become Junior scouts were, from left, Jessie Hibbitt, Megan Downing, Amanda Midwell and Samidee Barrera. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

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Rodeo preparations underway

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Two new attractions have been added to this year's rodeo, bull poker and a pickup giveaway.

Bull poker is set for each night of the rodeo. Four contestants will sit at a card table in the arena playing poker. Then a bull is turned loose. The last man sitting wins.

Persons attending all three nights of the rodeo will also get a chance to win a 2001 Chevrolet pickup. The person whose name is drawn will get a chance to select the right key to start the vehicle.

A calf scramble for children 12 and under is also planned. The annual parade will begin at 5:30 p.m. on June 14.

Prize money has also been increased, including $500 to be added to each timed event and $750 will be added to each rough stock event, plus entry fees.

Rodeo events include bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, bull riding, bull dogging, calf roping, barrel race, girl's



breakaway roping, and team roping.

Terry Wells will provide the stock.

Other activities will include a chili cookoff beginning at 10 a.m. June 14. On Thursday and Saturday nights, two dances are planned at the rodeo grounds. Friday's dance will be at the Wagon Wheel Guest Ranch.

Two favorites, Rick Chatman, former world champion clown, and Leon Coffee, former world champion barrel man, will also return for the upcoming rodeo.

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The Scurry County Rodeo Association was formed in 1936, with the charter members each putting up $25. Miller noted that that was a lot of money in those days.

In 1936, first place in calf roping paid $7.50. Today, first place in that event will probably pay around $2,500 to $3,000.

The forerunner to the current rodeo was the Miller Brothers Cowboy Reunion organized in 1934-1935.

Public Records

Marriage License

Michael Adrian Moreno and Jamee Danai Goolsby, both of Snyder.

David Crockett Hays and Stella Phillips Bailey, both of Snyder.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Kathy Josie Medina and Aurelio Medina, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Elizabeth Guzman and Ramon Guzman, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Michael Shane Carroll and Krystal Dawn Carroll, divorce granted.

Teresa Seale vs. American Home Products Corp., et al, order of non-suit with prejudice.

Devon Energy Production Co. vs. Sparta Energy, et al, order of dismissal regarding defendant Weston H. Hausman and Deborah Heaton.

Weldon Key and Leroy Key, Trustees of the Opal Key Irrevocable Trust, as and independent co-executors of the estate of Opal Key vs. Jimmie Joe Key, agreed order granting plaintiffs' motion for severance.

Deed Records

Jimmy Don Lloyd to Rafael and Araceli Guerra, tract one being Lot 2 in Block 22, west of the Highway in the Cody Addition; tract two being a tract out of Sections 155 and 180 in Block 3, H&GN survey.

Estate of Bertha Mae Willis to American State Bank, Lot 9 and the west one-half of Lot 8 in Block 2 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Joe Barrera Jr. to Dario Espinoza, Lot 4 in Block 5 of the Cloyes Subdivision of Block 12 in the Cody Addition.

Mary Ann Smith, co-independent executor of the estate of Lorene R. Haygood, and Garland Haygood, to Mary Ann Smith and Garland Y. Haygood, the east one-half of the west one-half of Section 32, Block Y, T&P survey.

Steven C. and S. Janelle Rich to Michael Darren and Jackie Sue Jackson, Lot 23 in Block 11 of the Park Place Addition.

Billy Ray Grimmett, individually and as independent executor of the estate of Maxine Hailey Grimmett, to Sandra Raylene Grimmett Hodges, 15 acres out of Survey 13, J.P. Smith survey.

Tommy D. and Carol Davis to Steven C. and Janelle Rich, Lot 2 in Block 5 of the Cedar Creek Addition, Section 1.

Laurie Grinslade to Dewey Grinslade, tract one being Lot 25 in Block 3 of the Parkway Addition; tract two being Lot 4 in Block H of the Highland Park Addition; tract three being a tract in Section 181, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Laurie Grinslade to Dewey Grinslade, the north 50 feet of Lot 4 and the south 10 feet of the west one-half of Lot 3 in Block 10, Blankenship Addition.

Laurie Grinslade to Dewey Grinslade, Lot 7 in Block 1 of the North Towle Addition.

Laurie Grinslade to Dewey Grinslade, Lot 12 in Block E of the Replat of the Highland Park Addition.

Andrea Velasquez to Rodolfo and Ambrosia Rodriguez, Lot 2 in the Snyder Shopping Center.

Ford sales drop 12 percent in May

DETROIT (AP) — Ford Motor Co., in the middle of a costly program to replace 13 million Firestone tires, said Friday that its U.S. auto sales dropped 12 percent in May.

Sales were hurt be weak sales of Ford's high-profit sport utility vehicles. Sales of the 2002 Explorer dropped 16.5 percent from sales of its predecessor a year ago.

Car sales declined 12 percent, while trucks were off 11 percent. The results do not include sales from its foreign brands.

Ford announced the tire recall last week after concluding Wilderness AT tires installed on several of its SUV, including the best-selling Explorer, would fail at a greater rate than competitors' tires. Ford will take a $2.1 billion after-tax charge this quarter to pay for the program.

General Motors Corp. and DaimlerChrysler AG's Chrysler division also were expected to report softer May sales later Friday.

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On the Net:
Ford Motor Co.:
http://www.ford.com/

Bavousett receives scholarship

Emily Bavousett of Snyder, a junior management major at West Texas A&M University, has been awarded a Levi and Margaret Cole Scholarships for $1,000.

Bavousett has also been inducted into WTA&M's Gamma Beta Phi National Honor Society. Membership in the campus-wide honor society is limited to students who have completed at least 30 semester hours, are in the top 20 percent of their class and have declared a major.

Gamma Beta Phi is a service organization and is active in the campus and community,

Hermleigh Honor Roll Sixth Six Weeks

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Jordan Williamson
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Garrett Gray
Benjamin Hernandez
Duncan Sorrells
Matthew Williams

Third Grade
A Honor Roll
Dustin Dacus
Shaye Williams
A-B Honor Roll
Naomi Arellano
Caroline Granados
Anthony Jones
Melanie Kariainen
Vincent Mireles
Shawn Shankles
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Fourth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Marissa Davis
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Casey Williams

Fifth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Willie Berkley

Sixth Grade
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Alicia Culp
A-B Honor Roll
Michael Barrera
Brittany Kelley

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A Honor Roll
Alana Culp
A-B Honor Roll
Danni Webb
Georgianne Smith
Tabitha Jones
Samantha Berry

Eighth Grade
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A-B Honor Roll
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Valerie West

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Eleventh Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Rocky Glover
Julie Mireles
Mary Spruill
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A-B Honor Roll
Janet Eckert
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Billy Lambaren
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Hermleigh School

Graduates' scholarships total more than $30,000 for 2001

Six Hermleigh High School seniors who graduated May 25 have received more than $30,000 in scholarships.

Billy Lambaren: American Petroleum Institute Scholarship, $2,000; G.E. Chorn Scholarship, $250; Honor graduate free tuition to state supported colleges; Western Texas College Dora E. Cunningham Scholarship, $600; West Texas State Bank Scholarship, $250.

Lori Eckert: Clide Wilcox Company Scholarship, $1,000 each year for four years; Hermleigh Booster Club Scholarship, $250; Howard College Dora Roberts Salutatorian Scholarship, $600; Howard College Dora Roberts Honor Scholarship, $600; West Texas State Bank Scholarship, $250.

Janet Eckert: Clide Wilcox Company Scholarship, $1000 each year for four years; Tom Chorn Memorial Scholarship, $1,000; Hermleigh Booster Club Scholarship, $250; Howard College Booster Club Scholarship, $250; Howard College Dora Roberts Departmental Scholarship, $600;

West Texas State Bank Scholarship, $250.

Sheena Callaway: Bacone College Athletic Scholarship, $4,000 each year for four years; G.E. Chorn Scholarship, $250; West Texas State Bank Scholarship, $250.

Samantha Smith: Western Texas College Student Services Scholarship, $150; Hermleigh Masonic Lodge Western Texas College Scholarship, $100.

Amber Harbin: Western Texas College Student Services Scholarship, $150.

Spring semester A, A-B honor rolls are released

Second Semester
A Honor Roll

Second grade: Jacob Nachlinger, Duncan Sorrells, Jordan Williamson.

Third grade: Dustin Dacus, Caroline Granados, Melanie Kariainen, Shay Williams.

Fourth grade: Marissa Davis, Casey Williamson.

Sixth grade: Alicia Culp.

Seventh grade: Alana Culp, Samantha Berry.

Ninth grade: Dustin Williamson, Justin Williamson.

Tenth grade: Terrel Culp.

A-B Honor Roll

Second grade: Garrett Gray, Gavin Gray, Matt Williams.

Third grade: Naomi Arellano, Anthony Jones, Vincent Mireles, Jacob Sanchez, Shawn Shankles, J.P. Smith.

Fourth grade: Lelan Shankles, Rustin Webb.

Fifth grade: Willie Berkley.

Sixth grade: Michael Barrera, Brittany Kelley.

Seventh grade: Danni Webb.

Eighth grade: Shae Rinehart, Justin Kelley, Cassie Harbin.

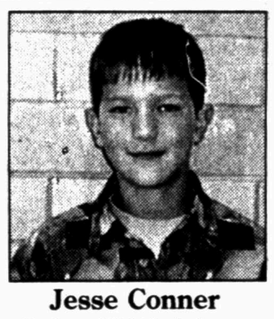
Ninth grade: Valerie West.

Eleventh grade: Rocky Glover, Julie Mireles, Sabrina Terry.

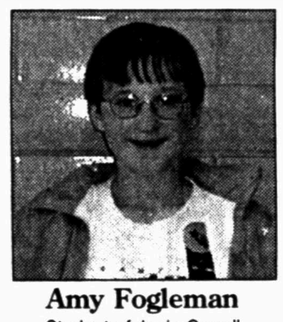
Twelfth grade: Sheena Callaway, Janet Eckert, Lori Eckert, Billy Lambaren, Chris McClure, Samantha Smith.

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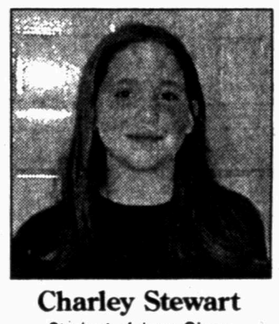
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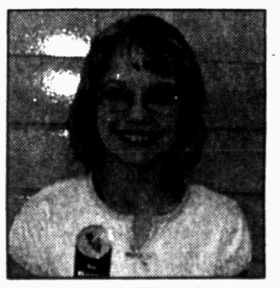

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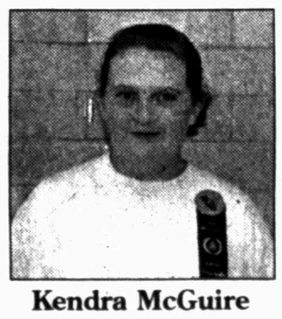

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Today is the 153rd day of 2001 and the 75th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1895, Italian inventor Guglielmo Marconi received a U.S. patent on his invention, the radio.

On this day in 1924, Congress enacted a law granting citizenship to all Native Americans within the territory of the United States.

On this day in 1986, the proceedings of the U.S. Senate were televised for the first time.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Marquis de Sade (1740-1814), writer; Thomas Hardy (1840-1928), writer; Hedda Hopper (1890-1966), gossip columnist; Johnny Weissmuller (1903-1984), swimming great-actor; Sally Kellerman (1937-), actress, is 64; Stacy Keach (1941-), actor, is 60.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1985, Nancy Lopez won the LPGA golf tournament.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Some folk want their luck buttered." — Thomas Hardy

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (May 29) and full moon (June 5).

Sunday, June 3, 2001

Today is the 154th day of 2001 and the 76th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1856, Providence, R.I., inventor Cullen Whipple obtained a patent on a machine he had invented to make pointed screws.

On this day in 1949, Wesley A. Brown became the first African-American to graduate from the U.S. Naval Academy.

On this day in 1965, Gemini IV astronaut Edward White became the first American to walk in space.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Jefferson Davis (1808-1889), Confederate president; Josephine Baker (1906-1975), singer-dancer; Tony Curtis (1925-), actor, is 76; Allen Ginsberg (1926-1997), poet; Larry McMurtry (1936-), writer, is 65; Curtis Mayfield (1942-1999), singer-songwriter.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1971, Chicago White Sox pitcher Ken Holtzman pitched a 1-0 no-hitter against the Cincinnati Reds.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "He sleeps well who knows not that he sleeps ill." — Publilius Syrus

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (May 29) and full moon (June 5).

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Man collapses

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Authorities were still trying Friday to identify a man who died last week after collapsing at an Alcoholics Anonymous meeting.

"We certainly won't give up on him for a long time. I just think of how I would feel if he were my father, my brother, my uncle," said Eileen Weller of the county medical examiner's office.

No one at the May 23 meeting knew the man who pitched in a dollar — later confirmed as the last possession he carried — when a basket was passed around for donations.

Moments later, he slumped over in his chair, said Jose Gonzalez, 24, an AA chapter member. He died at a hospital almost 24 hours later.

Weller said it appeared the man died from an alcohol withdrawal seizure, but further tests were being done. No alcohol or drugs were found in his system.

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Experts fear being linked to terrorists

NEW YORK (AP) — Several expert witnesses have refused to testify on behalf of a man convicted of murder in the bombings of U.S. embassies because they fear being associated with a terrorist, according to defense lawyers.

During a break in death penalty proceedings Thursday in federal court, attorneys for Mohamed Rashed Daoud Al-'Owhali told a judge there were scrambling to pull together a defense case, which is to begin Monday.

Political and social scientists who could help convince a Manhattan jury that Al-'Owhali, 24, of Saudi Arabia was the product of an anti-American culture "don't want anything to do with terrorists," said attorney David Baugh.

The jury convicted Al-'Owhali and three other men earlier this week of plotting the Aug. 7, 1998, bombings on embassies in Nairobi, Kenya, and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. The attacks killed 224 people, including 12 Americans.

Prosecutors say the attacks were orchestrated by Osama bin Laden, the exiled Saudi millionaire and reputed leader of the al-Qaeda terrorist organization, as part of his war on Americans.

Jurors now must decide in separate proceedings whether Al-'Owhali and Khalfan Khamis Mohamed, 27, of Tanzania should be put to death for convictions on capital murder charges. Al-'Owhali rode in the bomb-hauling truck in Kenya, while Mohamed helped build the Tanzania bomb.

Wadih El-Hage, 40, of Arlington, Texas, and Mohamed Sadeek Odeh, 36, of Jordan could face life in prison for conspiracy; no sentencing date has been set.

Baugh told U.S. District Judge Leonard Sand he hoped to show that his client joined bin Laden's jihad because he wanted to avenge U.S. atrocities against Iraq. When asked by Sand why the defense witness list had not been finalized, the lawyer claimed he had been snubbed by one "learned professor" and other experts.

"I don't think you really understand how hated Osama bin Laden is," Baugh said. "He is the boogie man."

Sand ordered a hearing early Monday to review possible defense exhibits, including video documentaries about Islam.

The prosecutor's two-day case against Al-'Owhali, which ended Thursday, relied on the testimony of more than two dozen people affected by the bombings, including Foreign Service officer Howard Kavaler, whose wife died in Nairobi.

Kavaler's daughters, Tara, 12, and Maya, 8, listened from the front row of the courtroom as their father recounted his frantic search for his wife, also a State Department employee, in the moments after the blast. As they wept, so did some jurors.

Tara had insisted on being there "to represent her mother," Kavaler said. "She felt it was important to see that justice was done."

Jurors and spectators cried again during testimony by the prosecution's final witness, Clara Aliganga, of Tallahassee, Fla. The witness — mother of Sgt. Nathan Aliganga, 21, a Marine who died in Nairobi — said she wished her son could "hold me so tight like he used to and say, 'Mom, I love you.'"

Police officer killed

GALLUP, N.M. (AP) — A police officer was killed in a shootout Wednesday with a man who surrendered after an 11-hour standoff.

Robert Kiro was arrested after he came out of his mobile home at 9:20 a.m. with his hands up, said Gallup police Capt. Bobby Silva.

Police arrived at the home shortly after 10 p.m. Tuesday after receiving a call that shots had been fired. Kiro and his girlfriend had argued, Silva said, but the woman left the home with the couple's children before the shooting.

Senior Center Menu

Monday

Vegetable soup, grilled cheese sandwich, dill pickle spears, fruit cocktail, sugar cookie

Tuesday

Baked ham, cream style corn, baked potato, tossed salad, peach cobbler

Wednesday

Baked chicken w/mushroom sauce over rice, Italian Green beans, cucumber/onion salad, pineapple pudding

Thursday

Steak fingers w/cream gravy, mashed potatoes, boiled okra, pickled beets, fruited gelatin chiffon

Friday

Fried fish, baked beans, tomatoes and croutons, pea salad, strawberry shortcake.

Senior Center News

Children and grandchildren of senior citizens are reminded that coupons for Senior Center meals would make good Father's Day gifts.

The summer swimnastics schedule will be published as soon as possible. The class is recommended for arthritis and respiratory problems.

Seniors are reminded that transportation is available during the morning, Monday and Friday. Call the center at 573-4035 a day in advance to make arrangements.

Monday

Bridge play begins at 9:30 a.m. A domino tournament is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. also. Seniors must be at the center before 9:30 to enter this contest. Daily exercise begins at 11 a.m. This is a very mild workout. Many of the exercises can be done while seated in a chair. All seniors are invited to join.

Tuesday

Eighty-eight play begins at 10a.m., the Western band will entertain at 11a.m. in the dining room and the Golden K will meet at noon.

Wednesday

The Kitchen Band will entertain at Snyder Healthcare at 10 a.m. Line dancers and cloggers will practice at 1 and 2 p.m. respectively.

Thursday

The fabric painting class begins at 9 a.m. and continues throughout the morning. Newcomers are welcome. The Sunshine Choir will practice in the dining room at 10 a.m. There are many activities available at the center other than specially scheduled activities and events.

Monday through Friday, seniors may participate in dominoes, bridge, eighty-eight, pool, walking on a treadmill or in the gym, riding a stationary bike, working jigsaw puzzles, quilting and volunteering. There is also a supply of jigsaw puzzles and books that seniors may borrow for home use.

Friday

The blood pressure clinic and bridge begin at 9:30 a.m. Eighty-eight play begins at 11 a.m. and the sing-a-long at 11:30 a.m.

Saturday

The Community Sing has been cancelled for this month due to conflict with the Western Swing Festival. The next Community Sing will be on July 14.

Rodney Blach convicted in bombings

HAYWARD, Calif. (AP) — An unemployed crime-lab technician was convicted of two counts of attempted murder for planting bombs under the homes of Fremont's police chief and other city officials.

The verdict, read Friday in Alameda County Superior Court, followed a week of deliberations and months of testimony in the case.

"You don't have to sit on a cactus to learn how to jump."

All that Virginia Shahan and her husband "Happy" knew about movies was the price of tickets when John Wayne asked to make a movie on their ranch. After *The Alamo* was released in 1960, the Shahans found themselves proprietors of a tourist attraction and movie set. More than twenty films have been shot at Alamo Village and 20,000 people visit a year. Happy passed on in '96, but Virginia still manages the property, when she's not spending time at her ranch house with her eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Virginia counts on co-op power for her home and business. She belongs to a Smart Choice cooperative. What's "Smart Choice?" We're a coalition of Texas co-ops committed to making the right decision on electric deregulation.

Deregulation is a thorny issue and no one has a crystal ball to view its impact. Like many other Texas cooperatives, Smart Choice co-ops believe the wisest course is to "wait and see." Before deciding, Smart Choice co-ops want to know if deregulation has raised or lowered rates for other Texas power customers, particularly in rural areas.

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Fired man wins lottery same day

HOBART, Australia (AP) — A man fired from his job at a ferry-building company Friday learned hours later that he had won the $4.5 million jackpot in a nationwide lottery.

The man said in a statement through Tattersall's lottery agency, which runs the Powerball lottery, that he found out early Friday that he and 99 fellow workers were to be laid off by Incat, a company that makes wave-piercing catamaran ferries.

The man, whose identity was not released, said he was job-hunting later in the day when he heard on the radio that authorities were looking for a Powerball winner in Hobart, capital of the southern island state of Tasmania.

He drove to a lottery outlet and had his ticket checked.

"I just couldn't believe it, it's an unbelievable shock," he said. "My wife knows I've been retrenched and she is pretty upset, so this will really cheer her up."

The man said he immediately gave up job-hunting.

He said he was planning to meet with his former colleagues to discuss their job losses. "But I won't say anything about my win," he added.

Incat, which sells ferries in the United States, Europe and Asia, said Friday it would fire one-fifth of its staff because of a downturn in world demand.

Former officer to be released

HOUSTON (AP) — A former Houston police officer serving a jail sentence for using his position to intimidate and sexually harass young girls is scheduled to be released from Harris County Jail this weekend.

John Sheldon Williams, 32, will begin a six-month probation term after being sentenced May 4 to six months in jail, his attorney Aaron J. Suder said. Williams pleaded guilty to official oppression in exchange for the dismissal of two felony charges of indecency with a child.

Williams received "shock probation," which places a defendant in jail long enough to get a taste of jail life.

State District Judge Jeannine Barr has ordered that Williams perform 200 hours of community service during his probation term and have no contact with any victims or go near a skating rink where he is accused of intimidating and harassing the girls.

Prosecutor Don Smyth said the charges stemmed from accusations by a teen-age girl that Williams fondled her breasts on May 6 last year at a skating rink in Deer Park.

Smyth said he agreed to drop the charges to spare the girl from testifying.

At the time, Williams had been with the police department for 10 years and was assigned to the Hobby Airport division.

Williams resigned in January after he agreed to plead guilty and admitted threatening to write the girl a ticket without cause and sexually harassing her.

Suder questioned the girl's credibility and said she had told differing versions of what happened. He said the girl had bragged she was going to get Williams fired from the skating rink because he had reprimanded her about her behavior.

Smyth said statements from eight or nine other girls, some of whom do not know the original victim, also complained about Williams. Those girls said he had grabbed their buttocks, touched their breasts or bitten them on the back of the neck.

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West Virginia is the 35th state.

Q & A

Club drugs

The Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with Al-Anon support groups and the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (SACADA), are devoting this column to current information and answering your questions about the increasing threat of substance abuse.

CLUB DRUGS: Focus on LSD and Methamphetamine

In the final installment of articles on Club Drugs, we will look at LSD and Methamphetamine.

LSD, aka "acid", is odorless, colorless, and has a slightly bitter taste and is usually taken by mouth. Often LSD is added to absorbent paper, such as blotter paper, and divided into small, decorated squares, with each square representing one dose. The effects of LSD are unpredictable, dependent on the amount taken; the user's personality, mood, and expectations; and the surroundings in which the drug is used. The user feels the first effects of the drug within 30 to 90 minutes after taking it.

The physical effects include dilated pupils, higher body temperature, increased heart rate and blood pressure, sweating, loss of appetite, sleeplessness, dry mouth and tremors. Sensations and feelings change much more dramatically than the physical signs. The user may feel several different emotions at once or swing rapidly from one emotion to another.

If taken in a large enough dose, the drug produces delusions and visual hallucinations. The user's sense of time and self is altered. Sensations may seem to "cross over," giving the user the feeling of hearing colors and seeing sounds. These changes can be frightening and can cause panic.

LDS trips are long – typically they begin to clear after about 12 hours. Some users experience severe, terrifying thoughts and feelings, fear of losing control, fear of insanity and death, and despair while using LSD. In some cases, fatal accidents have occurred during states of LSD intoxication.

Many LSD users experience flashbacks, recurrence of certain aspects of a person's experience, without the user having taken the drug again. A flashback occurs suddenly, often without warning, and may occur within a few days or more than a year after LSD use.

Flashbacks usually occur in people who use hallucinogens chronically or have an underlying personality problem; however, otherwise healthy people who use LSD occasionally may also have flashbacks. Bad trips and flashbacks are only part of the risks of LSD use.

LSD users may manifest relatively long-lasting psychoses, such as schizophrenia or severe depression. It is difficult to determine the extent and mechanisms of the LSD involvement in these illnesses.

Methamphetamine is an addictive stimulant that strongly activates certain systems in the brain. Methamphetamine is closely related chemically to amphetamine, but the central nervous system effects of methamphetamine are greater. Both drugs have some medical uses, primarily in the treatment of obesity, but their therapeutic use is limited. Street methamphetamine is referred to by many names, such as, "speed." "meth", and "chalk."

Methamphetamine hydrochloride, clear chunky crystals resembling ice, which can be inhaled by smoking, is referred to as "ice", "crystal", and "glass". Methamphetamine releases high levels of the neurotransmitter dopamine, which stimulates brain cells, enhancing mood and body movement. It also appears to have a neurotoxin effect, damaging brain cells that contain dopamine and serotonin, another neurotransmitter.

Over time, methamphetamine appears to cause reduced levels of dopamine, which can result in symptoms like those in Parkinson's disease, a severe movement disorder.

Methamphetamine is taken orally or intranasal (snorting the powder), by intravenous injection, and by smoking. Immediately after smoking or intravenous injections, the methamphetamine user experiences an intense sensation, called a "rush" or "flash" that lasts only a few minutes and is described as extremely pleasurable.

Oral or intranasal use produces euphoria – a high, but not a rush. Users may become addicted quickly, and use it with increasing frequency and increasing doses. The central nervous system actions that result from taking even small amounts of methamphetamine include increased wakefulness, increased physical activity, decreased appetite, increased respiration, hypothermia, and euphoria.

Other central nervous system effects include irritability, insomnia, confusion, tremors, convulsions, anxiety, paranoia, and aggressiveness. Hypothermia and convulsions can result in death. Methamphetamine causes increased heart rate and blood pressure and can cause irreversible damage to blood vessels in the brain, producing strokes. Other effects include respiratory problems, irregular heartbeat, and extreme anorexia. Its use can result in cardiovascular collapse and death.

The information from this series of Club Drug articles was taken from the TheAntiDrug.com website. If you have access to the internet and would like more information on the club drugs we have discussed you may subscribe to this page by sending a blank e-mail to: theantidrug-html-on@theantidrug.exactis.com. You will receive tips for parents and valuable information on these drugs and all others.

Send your questions on drugs or addiction to P.O. Box 695, Snyder, Texas 79550. All questions and personal inquires may be submitted anonymously. 24 hour confidential information is available by calling (915) 573-1141 or 1-800-658-6722. Information on self-help groups and indiidual's phone numbers may be found in the SDN Community Calendar

'War on cancer' can be won

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush welcomed breast cancer survivors to the White House on Friday, declaring that advances in medical research give him "some measure of confidence that the war on cancer is winnable."

"I hope, I believe and I pray that we are on the verge of great victories against breast cancer," Bush told dozens of women who will participate in the National Race for the Cure on Saturday.

Organizers of the race, which first took place in 1983, expect 1.3 million people to participate this year in 112 events nationwide, raising money for research, community programs and free cancer screenings for uninsured women.

First lady Laura Bush, her mother a breast cancer survivor, and Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson, whose mother-in-law died of breast cancer and whose wife survived the disease, joined Bush at the East Room event. The stately room was filled with women wearing pink T-shirts, a symbol of their fight against the disease.

The president, Laura Bush and Thompson all wore pink ribbons on their suit lapels to show their support of the cause.

"As long as there is a reason to wear pink," the first lady said, "my husband will be on our side."

Bush's budget includes $766 million for breast cancer research, prevention, screening and education programs.

"In your suffering you have shown dignity and determination. Grit and Grace. Courage and character," the president said. "And through your fight against cancer, you have become witnesses to the power of hope."

He said fewer women are dying of breast cancer, awareness and early detection of it are on the rise and better treatments are becoming available.

"For the first time in human history we can say with some measure of confidence that the war on cancer is winnable," Bush said.

Thompson said he will participate in the run Saturday. Bush, a regular jogger who plans to spend the weekend at Camp David, said he won't be able to take part.

Country star Jo Dee Messina closed the event by singing "I'm a Survivor," written for the cause.

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The highest point on the Atlantic coast of the United States is Mount Cadillac, on Mount Desert Island, Maine.

Iowa crash victim goes home

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — A woman who was trapped in her car for five days following a crash has been released from the hospital.

Doctors had already let Lindsay Margaret Song Thomas, 18, go home last weekend to attend her high school graduation Sunday. She then returned to the hospital for more treatment before doctors released her for good Thursday.

Thomas' car slammed into a concrete culvert and came to rest in a stream after she fell asleep at the wheel April 25. Her car, which could not be seen from the freeway, was found by transportation workers five days later.

Her right wrist, jaw and ribs were broken, and her legs were so severely injured both of them were amputated below the knee.

"She's decided she wants to be at home," said her orthopedic surgeon, Dr. Lawrence Marsh. "We think it's safe for her, and we're optimistic that she's going to be ready to stand soon."

At Sunday's graduation, she wasn't strong enough to sit through all the presentations, but she did arrive in time to collect her diploma and toss confetti into the air with her fellow graduates. The audience of 2,000 gave her a standing ovation.

Classmates contributed $500 toward the purchase of artificial legs, and she told them, "I'll be walking soon."

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Letters to the editor

Project graduation

Dear Editor:

On Saturday, May 19, Ira ISD students in grades 8-12 celebrated our graduation ceremony with a drug and alcohol free party sponsored by the Texas Department of Transportation at Western Texas College Athletic and Recreation Complex.

The administration, faculty, and parents of Ira students sincerely appreciate the generosity of our local merchants, businesses and individuals who contributed prizes, gift certificates and money as a reward for our students who chose to remain drug and alcohol free on that eventful and fun filled night.

A special thanks is in order to the Abilene division of the Texas Department of Transportation, Western Texas College administration and personnel for use of their facilities and for furnishing a Karaoke Deejay, and to the Rev. Rocky and Sheila Alexander for organizing this year's Project Graduation.

Thank you all for your support,

Mike Duke,
Principal Ira ISD

Julia Roberts fan miffed

Dear Editor:

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing a letter to the editor regarding Julia Roberts. I was in your town last week for a funeral. I stayed at a local hotel, not knowing that there was a filming crew at the same hotel, filming a movie

On the last day I was there, I happened to see Julia Roberts. I was not very impressed by her. I have been a huge fan of hers for years and she was very rude to meet for the first time.

I asked her for an autograph and she wouldn't give it to me because she stated "you know, I only do that for children".

I was very confused by that response because the movies she makes are not usually intended for just children.

I noticed her loading her vehicle with luggage and she was parked next to me. When she walked off to go elsewhere, I took a picture of our cars parked next to each other (I thought it was cool to be parked next to my idol). She happened to see me do that and it infuriated her. She came up to me yelling at me, waving her arms in the air, and told me it was not nice to do that. She said that she wants respect from people and that we don't treat her as if she is like a normal person.

She is not a normal person; she is a huge actress, whom everyone loves. I don't think I was disrespectful because I did not bother her the whole time while being at the hotel, even though I knew she was there. The only dream I ever had was to meet her because I was a huge fan, and I was very hurt that she was so rude to me. I just wanted to let ya'll know how she really treats her fans.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter, I hope this will give you information about the celebrity in your town.

Sincerely,
Annabel Seals
Ingleside, Texas



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Letters to the editor must be signed and must give the address of the writer. Letters should be of reasonable length.

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Opinions in favor or in opposition to an issue or candidate may be published in paid political advertisements.

Letters to be published in the weekend edition must be submitted no later than noon Thursday.





North of Forty By Red Green

Techno? Heck no!

I know I've said a lot about technology in this column, but it keeps coming up in my life — and let's all remember I have to write one of these every week.

So my latest take on technology is that it carries a negative message buried deep within itself. Now, I know life is better with computers, and DVD players, and microwave ovens, and garage door openers. But the truth of the matter is, very few of us have any idea how these things work — which means every new piece of technology in my home is just one more thing I can't fix.

You know that feeling you have as the mechanic stares blankly at your engine and does a few "uh-oh"s? That's not a good feeling. That's not something you want to experience in your own home. Over time, being in an environment that you don't understand eventually causes you to give up control, and before you know it, you're buying Zirconium jewelry off the Shopping Channel.

Then there's the disposability factor. This technology is not only complicated, it's also relatively cheap. That means when it doesn't work, you throw it out. This could mean trouble for you — especially if you haven't worked for a while.

INPUT/OUPUT

Have you noticed how gigantic kids are these days? I know kids were pretty tall for a while there in the '70s, but it was mainly the shoes. Today kids are just plain big. I asked a doctor friend why this was, and he said it was due to better nutrition. And it goes farther than that.

Farmers are feeding the plants and animals better, and those nutrients are passed on to whoever eats them. And it affects kids more because their cells are dividing faster than those of adults. This is the food chain at work here.

Now when I look at a kid I try to figure out what nutrients were socked to the food he ate. I can usually spot iron and vitamin E, and, at the other extreme, lead. And when I watch politicians answering questions, it's obvious that the plants they eat are heavily fertilized.

TOO MUCH WHINE

Nobody likes a whiner. The trouble is that as we get older, we sometimes overreact to trivial problems, and friends are hesitant to point out this flaw, particularly if you own a firearm. So here are some signs that you're a whiner.

— 90 percent of your conversations revolve around dissatisfaction with your bodily functions.

— Nobody ever does what you tell them to.

— A hundred people are experiencing the same inconvenience, but you're the only one who's mad about it.

— Your complaints versus your compliments are sustaining a seven-to-one ratio.

— You think everyone wants to hear about your sore knee.

— Nobody has said "How are you?" for over a year.

LIVE LONG AND PESTER

We have several industries devoted to extending our lives. That's a good thing, but there is a limit. Yes, we want doctors, and nutritionists and fitness experts to help us make sure we get our full quota of time on this Earth, but let's face a few hard facts before this escalates out of reason.

The goal seems to be to get as close to immortality as possible. Let me be the first to stand up and say "Not for me, thanks." I can go 80, 90, even 100 years. But immortality? No.

Living forever means way too many phone calls from charities and too many tax increases and too many Windows upgrades. By the time I get to 150, it's very unlikely that I will have an original thought, and if I do, it will be extremely dangerous.

Life is like a movie — you should leave when it's over. You don't need to sit through the credits.

Quote of the Day: "Anybody who's egotistical should get married or take up golf." — **Red Green**

Red Green is the star of "The Red Green Show," a television series seen in the U.S. on PBS and in Canada on the CBC Network, and the author of "The Red Green Book" and "Red Green Talks Cars: A Love Story."

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

The Dallas Morning News

Session overshadowed

The chambers in which George W. Bush said farewell to his Austin colleagues were still warm with the glow of that historical moment when the Texas Legislature began its work in January. As the Bush caravan pulled out of Austin, however, it seemed to suck some of the oxygen out of the Capitol. Whereas the 1995, 1997 and 1999 legislative sessions were full of energy, the session was slated to end Tuesday often seemed more like an opportunity for lawmakers to catch their breath.

A historical pause can be natural. The state after all had marched through everything from school finance to tax reform to prison buildups to welfare overhaul to tort reform over the last decade. And Gov. Bush had been joined on the state stage in the 1990s by such towering figures as Ann Richard's and the late Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock.

Let's also be honest: Not every session is definitive. And lawmakers understand this point. Very few eyes light up when legislators describe this session. They tend to explain it in more pragmatic ways.

Legislators corrected some worrisome problems with the state's death penalty. They started to change the way Texas funds highways. The state will provide a new and deserved health insurance plan for school employees. Legislators gave colleges another significant allocation. They corrected the way Texas treats Medicaid patients. Social services like nursing homes received attention. Legislators addressed water issues. And they took a closer look at clean air laws.

After so much attention was placed during the presidential campaign on the state's services and environment, lawmakers were right to address these problems. As Rep. Garnet Coleman, D-Houston, said, this was a session where lawmakers invested in Texans.

Texarkana Gazette

Teen depression skyrocketing

A recent study has found that the use of prescribed antidepressant drugs in children and teen-agers between 1988 and 1994 soared three- to five-fold over the seven-year span of the study.

Now the question needing to be answered is: Are there more depressed children, or are these drugs being over-prescribed by doctors?

Health industry observers say the most likely answer is that the medical community is better equipped today to diagnose and treat depression in younger patients. Severe underrecognition and undertreatment of depression in children over the past two decades, they say, probably accounts for the significant increases found.

Which, in a sense, is good news. It should be obvious to the American public that there is a serious problem with depression in children and teens and that they can be treated with medication is promising too. Children and teens certainly aren't immune to mental disorders, and the fact that diagnoses are up indicates a greater awareness in the medical community.

While this is promising on the treatment front, it does nothing to address the root causes of childhood depression. Therapy and treatment for young people who are suffering from depression are beneficial after diagnosis, but there needs to be more study on why so many of our young people are dealing with depression.

Depression is the most common form of serious psychiatric problems in youth and adolescence, and its grip on our children is growing. The options of treatment offer hope, but the question truly in need of an answer is why, and why so many.

San Angelo Standard-Times

Afghani woes

The people of Afghanistan are sick, destitute and starving, and their fanatical Taliban government seems determined to make those problems worse.

In accord with their own bizarre interpretation of Islam, the Taliban in March destroyed two huge and ancient statues of Buddha, along with assorted other archaeological treasures. In response to international protests, a Taliban official dismissively said the world was more interested in the well-being of the statues than that of Afghanistan's children.

The United Nations might feed those children if the Taliban would let it. The government routinely arrests and harasses U.N. relief workers and just recently ordered closed four of the five U.N. offices in territory it occupies.

The food situation wasn't helped by a new Taliban order that bakeries run by women be closed. Again in accord with a twisted interpretation of Islam, the Taliban have reduced Afghanistan's women to chattel status. Education is frowned on; it is forbidden to women.

The health situation wasn't helped either when the Taliban closed an Italian-funded hospital, supposedly because the men and women of its Afghan staff were thought to be socializing. Social contact between men and women is forbidden. Afghan doctors were arrested and 16 foreign staff members expelled, hardly an incentive for other nations to provide medical assistance.

The brutal, intolerant rule is enforced by public hangings and floggings, and lest the citizens be distracted from the bleakness of their daily life, music, TV and movies have been outlawed. Over 2 million Afghanis, somewhere close to 10 percent of the population, have fled their homeland. Pakistan and Iran are so saturated with refugees that they are refusing to accept any more.

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Iraqi policy shift a good idea

After President Bush ordered stepped-up attacks along Iraqs no-fly zone in the early days of his administration, some feared the new president might have a policy toward Iraq that was even worse than the policy pursued by the Clinton administration.

It seemed like a clampdown on Iraq was coming, especially since some top Bush advisers are notoriously hawkish toward Saddam Hussein. Fortunately, the fears have subsided, especially after recent news reports that the Bush administration was backing British calls for a lifting of economic sanctions. Another good sign, reported on WorldNetDaily by the Stratfor Global Intelligence organization, is that U.S. generals have called for reduced air patrols along the no-fly zones America and Britain maintain over Iraq.

For 11 years following the Gulf War, in which the United States and its allies pummeled Iraq after it invaded neighboring Kuwait, the U.S.-dominated United Nations Security Council has enforced a virtual embargo on the nation, something that has caused widespread misery for the Iraqi people. United Nations reports have put the figure at 5,000 deaths of children each month caused directly by sanctions, notwithstanding an inadequate oil-for-food program that allows Iraq to import some items. Meanwhile, the Iraqi dictator has been as strong as ever, which is reason enough for the Western powers to rethink their strategy.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, June 3, 2001

Some changes may be inaugurated in the year ahead by circumstances over which you'll have little control. However, you'll be the one who guides them to the conclusions you want.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Just because it's Sunday may not be enough to keep you from being extremely productive today. There's a do-it-yourself project you've been eager to tackle and that time might be right now. Gemini, treat yourself to a birthday gift.

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CANCER (June 21-July 22) — A friend of yours who is always subconsciously competing against you may find it too overwhelming to do so today. Members of both genders are likely to find you more appealing than your pal.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — What makes you the happiest today is doing for others rather than for yourself. You'll find great enjoyment in satisfying the needs of those you love.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Because your powers of observation and concentration will be extremely acute today, things that are so apparent to you may be totally overlooked by your competition.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Although nothing is handed to us on a silver platter, your probabilities for adding to your resources or holdings are very high today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — It isn't likely you're apt to go unnoticed today, so it behooves you to be extra cognizant of your appearance and demeanor. A favorable impression will be a lasting one.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — What you hope to accomplish with the aid of others can be done far easier today if you let them think it is their idea. Play it smart and operate as the power behind the scenes.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You'll not want to be a loner today. In fact, the more the merrier as far as you're concerned. You might want to make plans to hang out at places where the crowd gathers.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Challenges arouse your will to win today, and you'll know exactly how to do so with grace. It won't matter if you're up against friend or foe, you'll handle yourself well.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Don't fall prey to a bad habit pattern that has led you down dead end streets many times in the past. Profit from your past experiences and handle things differently today.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — You could be at your best today dealing in the material or commercial realms. Use your logic and insights wisely and some type of gain is possible.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — An associate will have many good things to say on your behalf today. It could make a difference concerning some type of negotiation you're trying to work out.

Monday, June 4, 2001

The only thing that could stop you from achieving your aims in the year ahead is to bog yourself down with ineffective alliances. Select your companions and partners with great care.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Give-and-take should always be part of your behavior, but today it's necessary if you hope to maintain a cordial relationship with someone who is important to you. Major changes are ahead for Gemini in the coming year.

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CANCER (June 21-July 22) — If you're aware today of a friend's plight, don't stand idly by doing nothing to help. When it becomes your turn to need assistance, you'll only get what you gave out.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Be careful today that you don't become so engrossed in your own desires that you put too many strains on a friendship with unreasonable demands. The relationship may never be the same.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Although you may come out on top today in a competitive development, if you use tactics that you can't be proud of, your achievements will count for little.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Just because a friend may usually endorse your ideas or support your position, it doesn't mean that he or she will agree with you 100 percent of the time. Give a little.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Should you be going through a trying financial time, don't aggravate it further today by yielding to an extravagant purchase. Live within your present means.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Every once in awhile, you have the tendency to put yourself first when dealing with others. Today could be one of those days. Be careful, it could be costly.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Scars are caused by all kinds of hurtful situations, and you must be careful not to inflict such a wound on another today by neglecting to show proper gratitude for a kind deed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — You make friends quite easily because you like everybody you meet. However, today an unscrupulous person might get chummy with you in order to manipulate you in some manner. Be careful.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Knowingly stepping on someone's toes in order to gratify a personal ambition will come back to bite you. People who observe your actions will reject you forevermore.

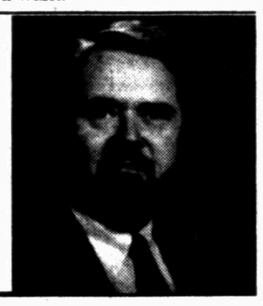
ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Don't be disappointed if friends or associates don't want to go along with your plans today. They simply are not as infatuated with your ideas as you are.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Be careful when out shopping today, because some slick salesperson might see you as an easy target and palm off onto you an inferior piece of merchandise that he or she has been trying to ditch.

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Minding Your Own Business

By Don Taylor



Planting Success in a young person's future

We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future. — Franklin D. Roosevelt

The future success of America lies not in our wealth of resources, standard of living or political system. Nor will our future accomplishments be created by technology, global marketing or even our free-enterprise economy. The future of America is young men and women.

Don't misunderstand me, free enterprise, technology and natural resources are all important elements of our success. However, this nation's real future is in our youth. These young men and women, armed with knowledge, seasoned with experience and equipped with positive attitudes can and will lead America to even greater heights.

I don't agree with those who are quick to condemn our young people. Though I can't predict how each individual will turn out, I will predict that soon they will become the generation who is worried about how the young people in America will turn out.

This takes me back to the quote I used to open this column. I agree with FDR, we can help our young people become more prepared to deal with the future. In fact, we have a responsibility to do so.

I believe our schools do an adequate to good job in some areas of this "success" training. Other elements that pertain to success are neglected. For some time, my associates and I have discussed and dreamed about a summer camp for high-school students that would focus on business and related success topics. This year our dream has become a reality.

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* **Ethics.** We believe a successful business is profitable and has integrity. We see no conflict between profits and ethics. We will prove that in any success character counts.

* **Etiquette.** Yes, Mom, you were right - manners are important. Our campers will discover the principles of table etiquette, master proper introductions and practice writing thank you notes.

* **Everyday Financial Skills.** Every attendee will go home equipped with personal money management strategies. We'll help them learn how to make more money in their lifetime and how to build their earnings into lasting wealth and security.

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Dave Roever, has spoken to millions of students in high schools around the world. Using his war experiences of disfigurement, pain, loneliness and peer pressure, Dave will close our camp with an inspiring message of hope.

I'll be addressing the "great opportunity" presented by our free-enterprise economy and entrepreneurship. I see a great future for those who do the right things and do them well.

The camp is available to high school sophomores, juniors and seniors. We're looking for a few more sponsors. Would you like to sponsor some young men or women? Would you like to have your son or daughter attend? The four-day camp costs $400, and we still have a few openings. For more information, call us at (806) 374-9777 or e-mail me at dtaylor@arn.net.

Don Taylor is the co-author of Up Against the Wal-Marts. You may write to him in care of Minding Your Own Business, PO Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.

Mavs owner to get television show

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Maverick owner Mark Cuban will now have a new venue to let his opinion be known — his own television show.

The outspoken Cuban, who sparred time and again over officiating and his personal conduct with commissioner David Stern, racking up $505,000 in fines, will get the show as part of a new three-year broadcasting deal between the team and KTVT-TV and KTXA-TV.

"We're going to try to do things that are fun," Cuban said. "There's a lot you can do at 10 o'clock on Saturday night that you can't do at other times."

The half-hour KTXA program will provide an inside look at basketball, airing at 10 p.m. on Saturdays during the basketball season. The new gig puts him on par with Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones, who has a KTVT show on Saturday evenings during football season.

"Mark has captured the imagination of the public in the same way Jerry Jones has," said Brian Jones, vice president and general manager for KTVT and KTXA.

Cuban, one of the league's most talked-about owners since buying the Mavericks in a $280 million transaction in January 2000, will be the first owner in the National Basketball Association to have his own television show.

"I've never heard of an owner with any kind of show," said NBA senior vice president Brian McIntyre.

The Mavericks announced Thursday that they would show five games on CBS-owned KTVT and 25 games on UPN affiliate KTXA. Fox Sports Net, a cable sports outlet, will broadcast the rest of the team's 82-game regular-season schedule.

Besides Cuban's program, the stations will broadcast a half-hour pre-game show and a CBS news segment at halftime.

The Mavericks also announced that KESN-FM, the new ESPN Radio station, would replace KLIF-AM as the team's radio broadcaster.

Leads kids to golf

DUBLIN, Ohio (AP) — Tiger Woods leads the PGA Tour in tournament titles, earnings and name recognition. Yet it's important to him that he's also leading many kids to golf.

"The game is becoming more hip, is becoming more cool," Woods said Wednesday. "And I think you're starting to see more kids play it who traditionally would never even think about playing the game."

He added, "It's neat to be a part of a change like that. This great game of ours in the past wasn't accessible to everybody who wanted to play it."

The 25-year-old said the reason so few blacks are on the tour isn't just because of racism or socio-economic issues.

Woods is in Dublin for the Memorial Tournament. He's the two-time defending champion.

Homicide eyed in girl's death

DALLAS (AP) — The death of a 7-year-old girl who was found submerged with her 12-year-old brother in their family's shallow, aboveground swimming pool has been ruled a homicide, police said Thursday.

Maira Avitia died Wednesday night at Methodist Hospital. Her brother, German Alejandro Tovar, died late Thursday in Children's Medical Center's intensive care unit. No ruling on his death is available yet.

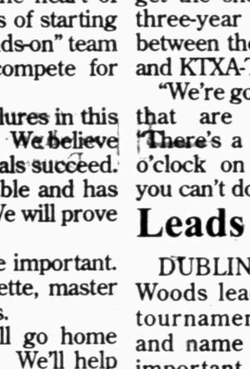
Medical investigators listed Maira's preliminary cause of death as "homicidal violence," rather than drowning. A spokeswoman in the Dallas County Medical Examiner's Office declined to comment to The Associated Press on Maira's injuries early Friday morning.

The circular pool had 2 feet, 4 inches of water in it when the children were found, authorities said.

It was unclear from police and 911 reports who found the children. The pool is about 50 feet behind the house.

Child abuse investigators said they're "covering all bases," but would not comment in detail about the investigation.

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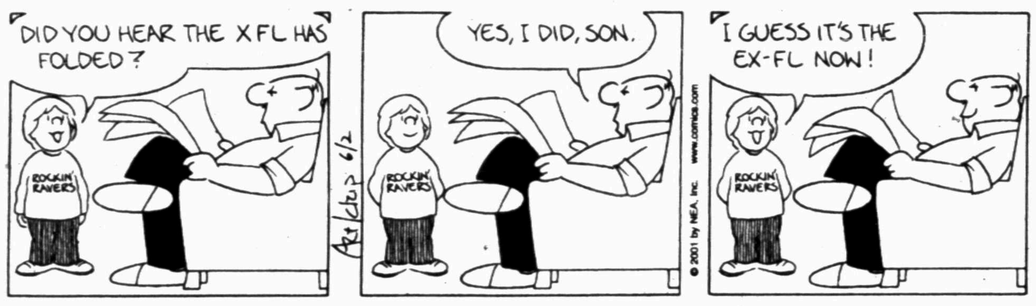
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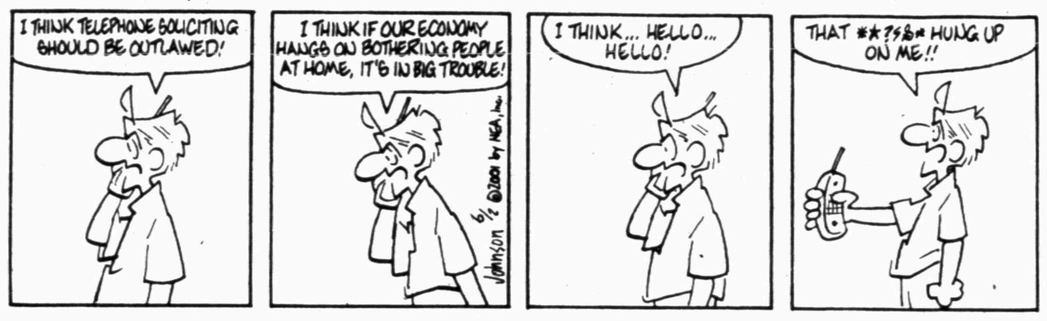
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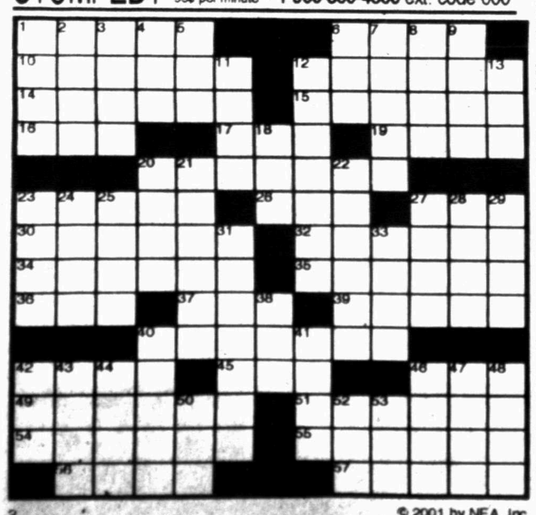
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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Daughter's switch of wedding site puts damper on mom's plans

DEAR ABBY: Nine months ago, my 30-year-old daughter, "Natalie," who lives on the West Coast, announced that she wished to be married in July in our East Coast waterfront home. I told her I'd be happy to host her wedding.

Last Christmas, she wrote our East Coast family members (who number over 60) asking them to save the date. On Natalie's trips home since the announcement, we have worked together to procure a minister, a band, and a tent for the reception. I put down a payment on the beach area of our community for the reception. I was even able to find private homes for guests to stay to reduce their expenses.

Out of the blue, last week Natalie called me and announced that she has changed her mind. She now intends to be married in August on the West Coast.

I don't want to put a damper on my daughter's wedding plans, but should I just humbly accept this last-minute change? Perhaps my vision of a wedding as the joining of the bride and groom — as well as their two families — is an outmoded concept. (Our large East Coast family will NOT be able to make the trek west.)

My Natalie is a hypersensitive child, and I am reluctant to tell her how disappointed and saddened I am by her sudden change of plans. Tell me, should I just MYOB? — **IN SHOCK IN SEVERNA PARK, MD.**

DEAR IN SHOCK: Your daughter may be hypersensitive, but she would have to suffer from amnesia not to be aware of all the plans that you and the rest of her East Coast family have made. Tell her how you feel.

I believe a bride should have the wedding of her dreams — but it doesn't give her the right to ride roughshod over the feelings of others.

Now: Contact the minister, the band, the homeowners, the tent supplier, etc., and ask them to return all or a portion of any deposits you have made. I wish you the best of luck, because I foresee a migraine in your near future.

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DEAR ABBY: My husband and I live in a small neighborhood. We are one of about five families who have a swimming pool. Over the years we have told our next-door neighbors they are welcome to use our pool during the summer and while we are on vacation. They have two children, ages 6 and 12. We are not close friends, but have had them to our home on occasion. They have never reciprocated.

Last summer, after we returned from vacation, our neighbors "laughingly" informed us that they had invited two other couples (and their extended families) to OUR home for a pool party. We were shocked speechless.

We are entering "pool season" again. These neighbors are now waving and becoming friendlier. My husband and I are in firm agreement that we will NOT offer the pool for their family to use again this summer. Of course, this doesn't mean that while we are gone they will not invite themselves over anyway.

What do you think of their behavior? How would you handle this? — **NOT FEELING NEIGHBORLY IN TENNESSEE**

DEAR NOT FEELING: Hospitality is supposed to be a two-way street. Your neighbors were not only rude, they were presumptuous. If their guests had been injured on your property, the liability would have been yours.

Waste no time in telling these people that you can no longer accommodate them because of the potential liability. Were I in your position, I would fence the pool and install key locks on the gates. Your swimming pool should be fenced anyway — for your protection and the safety of small children in the neighborhood.

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Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips.

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DEAR ABBY: I am 15 years old. My mother and father are divorced. Dad remarried a woman with three kids. I have a younger sister and brother. We live with my dad.

Last week, I heard my stepmother talking on the phone to a friend about my brother, sister and me. She said, "I didn't bargain for them." She is always complaining to Dad about us. Our mother wasn't very good to us either, and she gave us to Dad.

Whenever my brother, sister or I gets sick, my stepmother complains if she has to take us to the doctor. We don't eat dinner until 7 or 8 at night. She dishes out our food. We're not allowed to serve ourselves. If we don't like what she gives us, she yells at us. Her kids wait until she leaves the room to throw their food in the trash can. If she sees it, she blames us and doesn't believe we didn't do it. Her kids sit and watch TV while we get in trouble for not picking up after ourselves. We try. She and her mother are always saying bad things about Daddy behind his back.

My grandma says I should tell Daddy. If I do, I know he'll get mad at me. He yells a lot, too, and believes everything my stepmother tells him.

After my mother gave us to him, I heard him say to her, "This wasn't in the plan."

If you print this, Abby, I would like to tell my dad: Please believe us. We don't lie to you. Give us a hug now and then. Tell us you love us. See that we are trying. Please stop yelling at us. How can we be good when all you see is bad? Daddy, can't you see how sad everyone is?

And to my stepmother, I'd like to say: We try to be good so you'll like us. You say you raised your kids right. Teach us the right way, too. Please stop yelling. I want to love you if you will give me a chance. We just need someone to love us in our house. — **NO NAME, NO ADDRESS, NO PHONE**

P.S. I'm sorry this letter is a mess. I had to write it at school. Abby, if you print this so my dad will see it, please, please, please don't reveal where it came from.

DEAR NO NAME: It saddens me to say this, but you are not alone in your plight. Please read on:

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend's little sister is being abused by her stepfather. He threw her into a closet door. She has a noticeable black-and-blue mark on her arm. I don't know what to do. I'm not sure how often this has happened before.

Part of me is screaming to tell. Another part of me warns me not to for fear that he will do something bad to me. I'm so confused. I don't know what to do. — **NO NAME, NO ADDRESS, NO PHONE**

DEAR NO NAME, NO ADDRESS, NO PHONE I & II: I understand why neither of you felt comfortable revealing your personal information. I have received many similar letters over the years, and I always feel frustrated that I cannot personally contact you.

I'm printing your letters as a reminder to all young people who find themselves in similar situations to speak to a school counselor, a trusted relative, family friend, neighbor or member of the clergy, **AND TELL THEM WHAT IS GOING ON.**

Also, there are several toll-free hotlines to call, including The Childhelp USA National Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-422-4453. Also, there is Boys Town National Hotline for boys and girls at 1-800-448-3000. All calls are confidential.

Adults who suspect a child is being physically or emotionally abused should call local child protective agencies, local law enforcement or the above hotlines. Help IS available.

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Gramm calls for DNA funding in light of backlog

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A Texas lawmaker has urged Congress to approve $512 million in federal spending over the next six years to eliminate the nationwide backlog of untested DNA samples in crime laboratories.

The backlog allows "violent predator criminals" to commit crimes while going undetected for months, Sen. Phil Gramm told police and other law enforcement officials at the San Antonio Police Training Academy on Thursday.

Gramm, R-Texas, pointed to the weekslong delay in identifying paroled offender Gary Dale Cox as a suspect in the abduction earlier this year of a 9-year-old San Antonio girl as an example of how the backlog hampers law enforcement.

"The important thing to remember is that we're using science to solve crimes that would have been unsolvable 20 years ago," Gramm said. "Clearly, one of our big problems today — when we've got good DNA evidence — is we've got to wait six or seven months to have it processed, and that's six or seven months when a violent predator criminal could and may well commit other crimes."

Congress voted last year to fund the Paul Coverdell National Forensic Sciences Improvement Act, but left out of appropriations legislation.

"What we're trying to do with this money is, first, get rid of that backlog, and then secondly upgrade the state labs," Gramm said.

Texas and other states are attempting to take DNA samples from a prison population approaching 2 million, while at the same time processing suspects' DNA. That's translates into crime labs buried over the past two years in a backlog of 750,000 DNA samples.

In Texas, nearly 40,000 unprocessed blood samples were stacked up on state crime lab shelves at the end of last year.

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Only one baseball player besides Nolan Ryan had more than one of the major-league teams he played for retire his number: Carlton Fisk (Boston Red Sox, No. 27; Chicago White Sox, No. 72).

Former senator ready for new life

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nancy Kassebaum Baker envisioned retirement from the Senate as a time for relaxation. Instead she's starting a new career about as far from her farm and grandchildren as she can get.

In about a month, she'll be in Tokyo as the wife of the new U.S. ambassador to Japan, former Tennessee Sen. Howard Baker.

"This is a bit of a leap from my original plans," said Mrs. Baker, 68. "I'm looking forward to it as a very interesting adventure, but I must say it's hard for me."

Not seeing her seven grandkids will be the most difficult part, she said, and Mrs. Baker also admitted to being a bit unprepared for the role she will play.

"You know, I always enjoyed at home going to the county fairs and the farm bureau dinners and so forth, but that's a little bit different than being responsible for having a dinner for the Japanese prime minister," she said. "I will be drawing up menus now for teas and dinners and luncheons."

Her influence is likely to extend well beyond social occasions.

Former colleagues joke that President Bush is getting two ambassadors for the price of one, not only because of her partnership with fellow Republican Baker, whom she married in December 1996, but also because of her influential tenure on the Foreign Relations Committee.

Her successor in the Senate, Republican Pat Roberts, said Mrs. Baker has the self-effacing charm and listening skills of a natural diplomat.

"Boy, is that important, because our relationship with Japan in terms of the national security alliances we have there in the Pacific are so essential," Roberts said.

"Most Kansans are saying, 'Well, that's nice,' or 'What a marvelous experience,'" he added. "What they fail to realize is that this is an exceedingly important post."

Among other things, Mrs. Baker could play a key role in helping soothe tensions that remain over the deaths of nine Japanese people in a collision between a U.S. submarine and a Japanese fishing vessel off Hawaii on Feb. 9.

Baker clearly will look to his wife for help on a number of issues, large and small. While she spoke to a reporter recently in a conference room at her husband's law office, Baker entered to ask whether a particular diplomat had actually served as ambassador.

"You think it's safe to call him 'Dear Mr. Ambassador?'" Baker asked.

"I do," she replied.

"You know who the protocol officer is in this family," he quipped.

"I wouldn't count on it!" she said with a laugh.

Mrs. Baker thinks her Senate experience may help, "but on the other hand, I have to be careful not to offer my own points of view, which as a senator, you were free to."

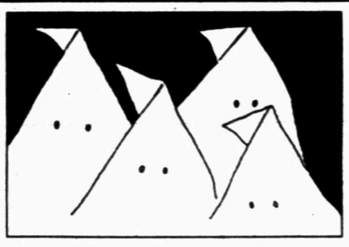
This would be true even if she were ambassador, Mrs. Baker said. "Of course you can give certain emphasis to things that you hope will bring about better relations," she said. "But you can't be quite as free either way."

Mrs. Baker believes the system for picking ambassadors and other presidential appointments needs to be changed. The reams of forms and lengthy background checks are simply too burdensome, she said. Mrs. Baker is helping lead a campaign by the Brookings Institution think tank to streamline the process.

"I know people who turned down nominations because they just don't want to go through it, or put their families on hold for months wondering what's going to happen in the process," she said.

Preparations for her move are keeping Mrs. Baker busy. There was "ambassador school" last month, and the Bakers will be learning Japanese once they arrive. She also hopes to get a dog soon after the move.

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By Peter Gott, M.D.



Lithium therapy must be monitored

DEAR DR. GOTT: Following a nervous breakdown in 1994, I was diagnosed with manic-depression and placed on lithium. Do you believe that an otherwise healthy 38-year-old, who stumbled once in life, should have to take medicine forever? My doctor, who hasn't seen me since 1995, refuses to let me go off the lithium.

DEAR READER: Lithium is particularly useful in preventing the recurring cycles of agitation and depression that mark the disease now called bipolar mood disorder. I cannot comment on whether you should continue treatment but I can say that chronic drug therapy is standard. The lithium may well be the reason that your disease has been under control for seven years. The decision about continuing treatment is best left to your psychiatrist, who is familiar with your condition and needs.

However, I do think that you should be monitored more closely. You haven't been examined in six years. This is not good medical practice. For one thing, you may not need lithium anymore; more important, lithium can build up in your body and cause a toxic reaction, marked by tremor, poor concentration, weakness, drowsiness and difficulty walking. Therefore, patients taking this medicine should have periodic blood-lithium levels obtained.

Check with your psychiatrist about closer medical supervision, and inquire whether the dose of the drug could be reduced or, over a period of time, tapered.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Mental and Emotional Illness." 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: What is eosinophilic granuloma? I was recently diagnosed with this disease, based on a lung biopsy.

DEAR READER: Histiocytes are roving white blood cells whose function is to engulf and destroy foreign material that invades the body. On occasion, for unknown reasons, histiocytes will congregate in certain tissues, especially lungs and bones. Inflammation and scarring result.

The inappropriate presence of large numbers of histiocytes in organs causes a spectrum of diseases called as a group, histiocytosis X. This group includes Letterer-Siwe disease, Hand-Schuller-Christian disease and eosinophilic granuloma.

In the latter condition, histiocytes clump together with other blood cells, called eosinophils, to form collections of cells (granulomas) that cause harm to normal lung and bone. The diagnosis can be made by biopsy, during which a small specimen of tissue is extracted and examined under a microscope. The typical granulomas can thus be identified.

Patients with this disorder may recover without treatment, however therapy with cortisone is often required in severe cases. Although not as serious as other forms of histiocytosis X, eosinophilic granuloma can lead to progressive lung impairment and brittle bones.

DEAR DR. GOTT: In 1992, I was robbed at gunpoint while a second man held a knife to my throat. I know I'm lucky to be alive, but I still suffer anxiety, insomnia, memory difficulties and fear of public places. My doctor says I have post-traumatic stress disorder. Is there any help for me?

DEAR READER: After such a horrendous experience, I'm not surprised that you have continuing symptoms. I agree with your physician that post-traumatic stress disorder is the likely cause. You probably would be helped by occasionally using a mild tranquilizer or anti-anxiety medication, under your doctor's supervision and guidance.

However, I believe that your most successful (and permanent) solution would be counseling. In such a therapeutic environment, you could learn ways to cope with your unpleasant memories and chronic apprehension. Ask your doctor to refer you to an appropriate therapist.

DEAR DR. GOTT: You used to use Dr. Ethan Mergatroyd as your amusing "typical" doctor. I haven't heard from him in quite awhile. How about another column of satire?

DEAR READER: Okay, here goes.

Dr. Ethan Mergatroyd, the consummate physician of the new millenium, a legend in his own mind, was seriously burned up. Really steamed. He had experienced chronic exasperation from the increasingly obnoxious regulations in his practice: Medicare forms, peer reviews, numbing malpractice premiums, managed care — the whole bit. But what really bugged him, pulled his chain and sent him into orbit was driving his aging Volkswagen into the doctor's parking lot and searching for an inconspicuous space among the surgeons' luxury cars.

Every time he parked next to a meticulous Mercedes, a cushy Cadillac or a sleek Saab, he got heartburn. Why should he, a solo practitioner and the last of a dying breed, be unable to afford the self-gratification of a vehicle commensurate with his social standing? In short, why were surgeons allowed their extravagantly inflated fees, while he eked out a hand-to-mouth living? They made out like bandits and rewarded themselves with cars that ... that ... well, drew attention to themselves and proved they were Important People.

Mergatroyd was consumed with frustration. He despised having to practice medicine in a two-tiered system of Haves and Have Nots. He was painfully aware that he was a member of the latter group, always on the outside looking in, at the bottom of the medical food chain.

He once believed that doctors were doctors. But reality had re-educated him. The inequalities of insurance reimbursements and Medicare payments had produced a near-feudal two-class society, and he desperately yearned to be a member of the elite class with prestige, power, influence — and, primarily, appearances.

Mergatroyd disdained the new technology of healing. Long ago, he had chosen fly-by-the-seat-of-your-pants medicine, in preference to the luxury of scientific certainty. Consequently, his practice consisted of elderly people in nursing homes and patients with trivial ailments. By developing skills in what he fondly termed the "art of medicine," he was able to slough off truly sick patients to inexperienced young doctors who specialized in serious illness.

In this way, he found he could reduce time wasted in keeping up with current medical advances. By not reading scientific journals, he was free to watch nightly grade-B movies on satellite TV. By avoiding medical lectures and continuing-medical-education seminars, he salvaged precious hours to indulge himself in a variety of non-medical ventures. He had developed a system. Trouble was it didn't pay as well as he wished. No wonder he was envious of surgeons. They intimidated him with their cocksure aggressiveness. More important, they were well-paid. Too well for his taste. How else could they afford to drive fancy gas-guzzlers? And all of this came as a result of minimal office obligations, no housecalls and no nursing home visits, the exact opposite of Mergatroyd's bread and butter.

After careful consideration of the matter, he concluded that he would obtain greater acceptance and professional satisfaction if he possessed an expensive automobile. It was as simple as that. Thereupon, he resolved to get one — and to charge patients for telephone calls to help achieve his goal.

After making this decision, Mergatroyd was a different person. His life was finally coming together. He felt important and pampered. He was, at last, no less a person than a surgeon — maybe even better. He no longer felt cheated, manipulated and exploited.

Of course, the commitment was a financial hemorrhage; he'd have to forgo his annual Caribbean vacations for a couple of years. But that was OK. The glow of a spring suntan, the mark of medical success, was evanescent. The car was more permanent.

As Mergatroyd nudged his gleaming, newly leased BMW (with MD plates) into a handicapped slot in the hospital parking lot, he set back in the caress of the hand-stitched, bucket-seat padding. He couldn't help admiring his jovial face in the tinted rearview mirror. Nothing, no nothing, smells as good as fine, new, leather upholstery. I've finally made it. I'm real, he thought.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a postal worker. My fellow workers and I would like to wear white cotton socks during the summer months. We feel they would be cooler and more healthful than the 100-percent synthetic-fiber knee-length black or blue ones the postal service requires. Do you have any medical documentation that supports our position?

DEAR READER: No, I don't. However, in a situation such as this, I see no reason why the postal workers cannot decide the issue for themselves. Rather than formulating guidelines for an arbitrary dress code, the postal authorities ought to be spending their time in more appropriate ways, such as finding out how to get the mail delivered on time.

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Pennsylvanian priest strangled in home in Havanna, Cuba

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A priest from Pennsylvania who has lived on and off in Cuba in recent years, helping the poor, was strangled in his home in Havana, his brother said.

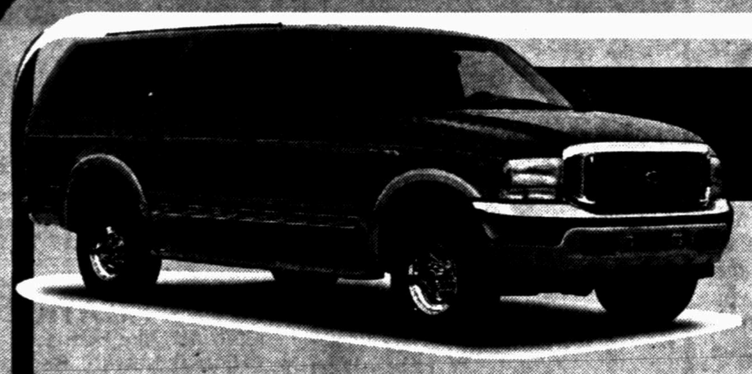
The Rev. George Zirwas was killed either Sunday night or early Monday, his brother, Frank Zirwas, said Thursday from his home in western Pennsylvania.

A State Department official said Cuban authorities were investigating and that the U.S. Interests Section was working with the family and Cuba to have Zirwas' body sent to Pennsylvania. The motive for the killing was not known.

Frank Zirwas said he initially found out about his 47-year-old brother's death Monday when a friend of his brother called the family from Cuba. The death has since been confirmed by Cuban officials, Frank Zirwas said.

The Roman Catholic priest had been on a personal leave of absence from the Pittsburgh Diocese since 1996, said the Rev. Ronald Lengwin, a diocese spokesman. Frank Zirwas said his brother had medical problems.

Zirwas had lived in Cuba on and off for the last three years, delivering toothbrushes, clothing and other items to people in Cuba.



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