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Home of Roy Neves

Historic ranch sells

Land had been under Winston family ownership since 1917

By Annie Rowe
SDN Staff Writer

A Scurry County dynasty came to an end this month with the sale of the vast Winston Brothers Ranch.

"I haven't had time to really think about the sale," said Florentz Winston Joyce, daughter of ranch co-founder Wade Winston. "It hasn't really sunk in yet".

The reality of the ranch's sale came as quick as the wind across West Texas pastures for the family.

"We had the ranch on the market and it had been shown several times. But we hadn't had any serious offers until we were contacted about Mr. Cavender's (offer)," said Helen Joyce Hatter, Mrs. Joyce's daughter.



BLUE RIBBON – Reserve Grand Champion Domino Prince, one of many champions sired by Winston Brothers' Domino Return, was shown at the San Angelo fair in 1948. Harrie Winston is far right. Exhibitor (left) is James Fryar of Big Spring. (Family photo)

"Mr. Cavender" is James R. Cavender, owner of the Cavender's Boot City stores located throughout Texas. His purchase of the approximate 6,279-acre ranch was finalized Oct. 31.

While physical ownership may have changed hands, mother and daughter still have ownership in their hearts. Mrs. Joyce, a capricious and bright 84-year-old, is happy to reminisce about her lifetime of involvement as member of the Winston Brothers family partnership. Helen, a younger duplicate of her mother, also speaks proudly of their roots on the ranch.

"Both my Daddy and Uncle Harrie were very honest men. That's the way they ran everything about the ranch. They always talked things over when they made decisions," said Helen.

The Winston Brothers Ranch had a humble beginning. In 1907, Wade and his brother Harrie, at ages six and eight respectively, were given two orphaned or "dogie" calves to raise. The brothers later sold the calves, pooling their money to buy a little red cow.

By 1908, utilizing only themselves, some horses, very little money and the unpredictable West Texas seasons, they began building a herd that would eventually see international fame.

In a hand-written personal account written by Harrie Winston he told of the advice his father gave him about the cattle business.

"Our father, when we started out, gave us two strict orders. The first one was always comply with your commitments regardless of what it costs to do so. The second was handle your cattle slow and easy and take good care of them if you want them to make money for you."

But the money was slow to fruition.

In 1917 Wade and Harrie established the Winston Brothers Ranch, as it is now known. Harrie, who was a bachelor, lived on the ranch with Wade and his wife LeClaire. Wade and LeClaire had two daughters, Florentz and the late Dorothy Casey.

"Things were not easy for us back then," said Florentz. "I remember one year my mother got hold of some material that she used to make our Easter dresses. Those new dresses were quite a treat and we were so proud of them. But a grass fire started and my mother and daddy began to fight it. Me and Dot had to take off those new dresses and use them to beat out the fire. Our dresses didn't look too good after that."

Fighting fire, wind, drought and snow paid off for the family. They began raising registered Hereford cattle in 1918. The foundation herd consisted of six heifers, and then later nine cows were added. Some years after that, another 40 head were purchased.

The trend continued until the partnership owned approximately 1,000 head of registered cattle. Eventually, the herd cattle name Domino Return was coined. The records of the Hereford Breeders Association show thousands of Domino Return and Anxiety IV progeny used in breeding programs throughout the world.

The international influence of the Winston Brothers was especially strong in Mexico. In 1950, Teofilo Berunda, speaker of the Mexican National Congress, and Senator Carlos Serrano were among a group of Mexican cattle buyers who visited the ranch.

In addition to a vast knowledge of cattle, Wade was an accomplished horseman. Wade and Harrie had a policy of placing all cattle profits back into the cattle business. The sale of horses kept the family fed, housed and clothed.

"My Daddy was also a very talented horse trainer," said Mrs. Joyce. "He trained Polo ponies which is very difficult. We actually had a Polo field behind our house. We had all the mallets, balls and everything to play the game. He had a good eye for telling what type of horse would be good for what (use)."

Wade sold horses to the Remount Service for many years including Fort Sill, Fort Bliss, New Mexico Military Institute and others.

"I used to go with my father on trips to buy horses. He would go all over to find them," she said.

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Progress made on energy bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional Republicans say they're pushing for completion of energy legislation after finishing a version that calls for doubling use of corn-based ethanol and provides billions of dollars in tax subsidies to energy industries.

The legislation for the first time would impose mandatory reliability rules for operators of high-voltage power lines with penalties for violators — a response to the blackout last August.

GOP lawmakers called the bill a path to "restructuring energy in this country" and said it would provide hundreds of thousands of jobs and bring greater stability into an energy sector stung by sharp price volatility, impending shortages and power blackouts.

But even as details of the draft bill, which is said to cover 1,700 pages, were being printed, Democrats complained about the GOP's priorities. And they groused about the bill being crafted behind closed doors in negotiations by only GOP lawmakers.

While approval of the bill is virtually assured by the House, probably within a week, it is likely to provoke controversy in the Senate.

Democrats — as well as some moderate Republicans — have strongly objected to a provision in the bill that would protect makers of MTBE, a gasoline additive that is contaminating water supplies, from product liability lawsuits.

Board meets Monday night...

Wednesday first day for early hospital vote

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

Early voting for the Dec. 6 hospital district election begins Wednesday and continues through Dec. 2.

County Clerk Joan Bunch said early voters will cast ballots in the county clerk's office.

"We have had elections where we used the county courtroom" said Bunch. "But this time, the election booths are in the county clerk's office."

The office will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. during the week, added the county clerk.

Bunch said the upcoming election did not generate a rush on citizens registering to vote.

"Actually, we only had four or five people register since the election was called," said Bunch. "We do feel like there will be a good turnout in December. There seems to be a lot of interest in the election."

That could be an understatement based on the number of meetings that have been held and are scheduled in matters related to the hospital district, and the hospital itself.

Two meetings were held last week in support of the bond issue as Bill Dickinson, the hospital's lab manager, led both discussions.

One was Monday in Hermleigh and the other was Thursday in Ira. Those opposing the district held their organizational meeting Thursday in Snyder.

Also, an informal meeting was held Wednesday in the boardroom of the hospital.

Three members of the hospital board were invited to that meeting — Bill Voss, Terry Williams and Bo Robinson. Also in attendance were three local physicians — Dr. James Burleson, Dr. Bid Cooper and Dr. Marcia Odal, plus several members of the current hospital staff.

Ramifications of the hospital district vote were discussed, as was the possible termination of the hospital's management contract with Covenant Health Systems.

A called board meeting is set for 7 p.m. Monday at the hospital and the management agreement with Covenant is on the agenda, as is the contract with Arapaho Home Health Services.

The final item on the agenda is the setting of future meeting times and dates.

This meeting was called in an unusual fashion as three board members — Dink Foree, Bill Voss and Terry Williams — wrote letters to board secretary Dr. Charles Church requesting the posting of the meeting.

The third and final scheduled meeting of those in favor of creating a hospital district also will be held at 6:30 p.m. Monday at Martha Ann Woman's Club.

One of the opposition spokesmen, Bob Bell, said he is organizing a town hall meeting for 6:30 Tuesday in the Towle Park Barn.

"We are inviting as many representatives from all the affected organizations to be there," said Bell, adding he has invited members of the committee favoring the district to attend, as well as current hospital board members and commissioners' court.

"We don't know who is going to show up, but they're invited to speak their piece," said Bell.

Although there has never been a vote, Scurry County commissioners last week all pledged their continued support for the hospital if the hospital district vote failed.

"It's a county hospital and we're obligated to support it," said County Judge Rod Waller. "We just want good management of the facility."

Precinct 3 commissioner Howard Limmer questioned Covenant Health System's management, but said closing the hospital has never been an option.

Precinct 4 commissioner Chloanne Lindsey said the hospital's recent designation as a sole community hospital provider status would help the financial outlook of the hospital.

Lindsey also pledged her support for the hospital if it remains under the wings of the county.

Support for the hospital was echoed by Precinct 1 commissioner Ralph Trevey and Precinct 2 commissioner Jerry House.

Trevey said the hospital would survive whether managed by an elected hospital district board or a board appointed by the commissioners' court.

House said with proper management, plus the additional sole provider status and the $700,000 the county has pledged for next year, the hospital should be able to make it should the election fail.

Design of parks is on court's agenda

Scurry County commissioners' court, meeting at 10 a.m. Monday, is expected to discuss proposals from firms to provide design services for renovation of county park facilities.

"There will be some discussion about the firms and the bids that have been submitted," said Scott Crenwelge, parks and recreation director.

"It will be more of a discussion matter rather than a finalization. We haven't pinned anything down at this point."

In an executive session, the court will discuss and consider the employment of a law firm to investigate, and if warranted, file common-law claims for the underpayment of ad valorem taxes and related matters.

In other business, the commissioners' court will open and consider bids for sheriff patrol cars and bids for scrap metal disposal.

Additionally, the court will consider recommendations from the parks department to seek bids on the the replacement of air conditioning units at the Scurry County Coliseum.

Also on the agenda is a request to vacate a portion of three county roads in the original town of Hermleigh.

The court also will consider interim financing for a bio-terror and preparedness grant.

The court meets in the county courtroom on the third floor of the courthouse.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A man is rich by what he is, not by what he has."

We call it a heck of a deal.

Getting to eat lunch with Governor Ricky for a mere $150,000.

It's more than breaking bread, it's real male bonding, 'cause after the grub is gone, there's going to be a quail hunt on a premier Texas ranch.

We have to admit that a $150,000 meal is pretty upscale, even for a guy who sprung for a $4 banana split for a friend a few weeks ago.

The eating is gonna occur at the Governor's Mansion and the purpose is to raise $5 million for the Enterprise Fund, established to provide incentives for companies to relocate to Texas.

It may be a good cause, but we don't know that many folks in Texas with an extra $150,000 lying around. But there is good news, you can pay it out in three equal — not easy, but equal — installments of $50,000.

We've haven't seen the menu, but we would pay five bucks just to see such a spread in person. Now there's a good money-maker — five bucks for gawking rights.

And if they would move it out of the Governor's Mansion to some place like Texas Stadium, the Ballpark or Scurry County Coliseum, then a big crowd at five bucks apiece would help any sore toe.

We know beef keeps going higher, but this T-bone must really be something. Probably imported.

What really concerns us is a hundred or so Republican CEOs with full bellies and loaded shotguns. Now that's not a pretty picture.

Wouldn't you just love to see local game warden Mel Reed try and control the Guv and his town buddies who are wanting to get on down the road and do some more shootin'.

We do have a plan, however.

If we could just raise $50,000 for the first installment, then we could send our brother-in-law, a Democrat, on that hunt with all those Republicans.

Some might see taking care of a brother-in-law and a Democrat at the same time as truly in the interest of a better Texas. Sort of like community betterment.

Now to raise the 50 grand, we're gonna have to get started. Cash donations would be accepted, but we don't want to necessarily do it all the easy way.

Now we'd be willing to grill you up a cheeseburger for a mere $25 bucks. And bring a friend. Three for 50 bucks.

Nope, we haven't spoken to ole what's-her-name, but we're sure we can count on her pouring iced tea — for 5 bucks and unlimited refills — and a few tips.

But don't drink too much, we'll have to have pay toilets.

Call for reservations.

And if the Guv call for the next installment, we'll just have 'em repossess the brother-in-law.

ASK US

Q-Is the county judge a member of the hospital board?

A-The county judge is an ex-officio member of the board of managers and votes in the case of a tie.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Lauren Kleck

...is a fairly new resident to Snyder, moving here in August. She lives with her mother, Lainie Whitmire and stepfather, Raymond Whitmire, on Cooper Mountain Ranch. Lauren, 7, is a student at Stanfield in Mrs. Hunter's class. She enjoys riding cutting horses, barrel racing, gathering cattle and going hunting with her parents.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

I leave this rule for others when I'm dead. Be always sure you're right, then go ahead.
—Davy Crockett

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Annual style show, dinner

The American Cancer Society has set its second annual style show and dinner, honoring cancer survivors, for 7 p.m. Saturday at Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Jury cancelled

The jury call for 8:30 a.m. Monday in 132nd District Court has been cancelled.

AARP meeting

The American Association of Retired Persons will meet at noon Monday at the Senior Center. Jinny Griffith will be the guest speaker.

Victory Baptist revival

Victory Baptist Church will host a revival Monday through Friday with Randy Cotton as evangelist. Services are at 7 p.m.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Why I Believe," followed by "Why Do Righteous People Suffer?"

LVN testing dates

Testing dates at WTC for LVN ASSET will be 1:30 p.m. on the following dates: on Tuesday and also Dec. 9, Jan. 20 and Jan. 27. To reserve a time, you must contact the WTC counseling office at 573-8511, ext. 313. Limited seating is available.

Citizen Corps of Scurry County

The Corps will offer CERT training to anyone that wants to volunteer to help in time of a disaster. FEMA will provide the books and training exercises will be provided by Fire Chief Perry Westmoreland and Fire Marshal Cy Posey. Contact Vicki Shroyer at 573-7886 or go by the office at 1800 26th St. Training will be held Tuesday and Thursday, and Dec. 2 & 9 to qualify for the Homeland Security grant. Class size is limited to 25.

Central Thanksgiving Dinner

Central Elementary's Thanksgiving Dinner will be Thursday. Relatives and friends of students are invited to eat with their students. Tickets must be purchased by Wednesday at the school office. Cost is $2.60 for adults and $1.60 for children under five.

Utility bill help

Assistance in paying utility bills is available through the Comprehensive Energy Assistance program. Interested persons may apply at the Texas Department of Human Services office in Snyder Shopping Center between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Thursday. Picture ID, SS numbers of all household members and proof of income is required.

GED pre-registration, testing

Mandatory pre-registration for the GED test will be Thursday at the GED testing center, Western Texas College, Building 7B, 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The math segment of the GED will begin promptly at 8 a.m. Friday. For more information, call Betty Thompson, 573-2310 or Emily Hataway, 573-8511, ext. 297 or 574-2112. It is recommended that candidates receive some preparation before attempting the test.

Turkey, ham raffle

Members of Phi Theta Kappa at WTC are selling chances for a ham and a $25 gift certificate from United and also a turkey and a $25 gift certificate from United. The drawing will be held Wednesday. For tickets, call 573-8511, ext. 276 for Patty Kuhl, advisor, or 573-9727 for Kristen Early.

United Way packets

United Way packets are now being distributed to businesses and will be picked up by Friday. Packets are bright orange. For more information, call 573-5311.

LAP signup extended

Friday is the final date to apply for the Livestock Assistance Program (LAP), which provides relief to livestock producers who suffered grazing losses due to drought, severe weather and related causes that occurred in 2001. For more information or an appointment call 573-0171. There are no late-file provisions.

Poinsettia sale

The SHS choir poinsettia sale continues through Dec. 1 when deliveries will be made. Cost is $10 and can be ordered from any SHS choir member.

Annual Christmas parade

Snyder's annual lighted Christmas parade will begin at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 6. Line-up begins at 6 p.m. at Moffett Field. For parade entries call 573-3558 for more information. Santa will be at the Towle Park Barn from 4-6 p.m. the same day. Anyone interested in having a booth in the park may call 573-9811.

Choir Christmas program

"The Christmas Suite" will be presented at 2 p.m. Dec. 7 in the Worsham Auditorium by the combined choirs of Snyder High School, Snyder Junior High and West Elementary. The concert will follow a Christmas dessert buffet in the student center. Tickets are $5 and can be purchased from any choir member.

Madrigal Christmas dinners

The annual Madrigal Christmas dinners presented by the SHS choral department will be held at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 15-16 at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Tickets are $15 and can be obtained by calling 573-6301.

Child welfare board fundraiser

The Scurry County child welfare board is offering tickets for $1,000 worth of merchandise. A donation of $10 per ticket is requested for a drawing to be held Dec. 6. Tickets are available from any board member or by calling 573-7053 or 573-2376.

2004 Tiger's Lair yearbook

2004 Tiger's Lair yearbooks can still be ordered for $45 for the book only with additional options available for an extra costs. For more information, call 574-6138.

SJHS yearbooks

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

Girl revived after being declared dead

FULLERTON, Calif. (AP) — Detective Mike Kendrick began photographing the body of a little girl on an emergency room table for an investigation of a drowning.

Then, through the lens, he saw her chest move. Just spasms, he thought. Then he saw it move again. And again.

"Am I seeing things? Does she look like she's breathing?" Kendrick asked his partner.

Less than an hour earlier, Kendrick had broken the news to the girl's mother that she had been pronounced dead by doctors. Minutes earlier, he stood by as the mother said goodbye to her daughter.

But 20-month-old Mackayala Jespersen was indeed alive. On Friday, she was in serious condition at Children's Hospital of Orange County, where she was transferred after being revived.

Her case has baffled hospital and emergency workers. They had struggled to revive her with CPR, breathing tubes, a heated blanket. How could they have missed the fact that the toddler was alive?

The Medical Board of California has launched an inquiry into whether physician error played a role, although the state Department of Health Services already has found that Anaheim Memorial Hospital followed proper protocol.

The girl's family declined to be interviewed by The Associated Press.

On Friday, the girl was breathing without a ventilator but was not fully alert. She was moving her eyes and her body somewhat, hospital spokeswoman Denise Almazan said. Earlier in the week, one of the girl's doctors said brain scans showed no serious brain damage.

Mackayala slipped out the back door of her family's home in Fullerton, about 30 miles south of Los Angeles, on Nov. 7. A family member found the girl floating face-down in the 52-degree water of the swimming pool shortly after 9 a.m., according to police reports and emergency workers.

The girl's mother, Melissa Jespersen, placed a frantic 911 call. Minutes later, two police officers arrived and began performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

"We did CPR for six or seven minutes. It seemed like a million years," said one of the officers, Steve Rubio.

At one point, Mackayala spit up water, or perhaps it was forced from her lungs by the chest compressions.

Paramedics arrived and took Mackayala by ambulance to the hospital.

Kendrick and his partner, Detective Brent Rebert, were driving to the Jespersen home when they got word that Mackayala had been pronounced dead at 10:06 a.m.

At the home, Kendrick took the mother into her daughter's bedroom, sat her on the bed and told her the news. She went limp, fell to the floor and curled into a fetal position.

"The look on this mom's face was absolute horror and disbelief," he said.

The two detectives put her in their car. "All the way to the hospital, she kept saying, 'This isn't true. God wouldn't take her at this age,'" Kendrick said.

At Anaheim Memorial, the detectives escorted her into a room off the ER to say farewell to her daughter. A few minutes later, they began the routine of photographing the body and making notes.

The heart monitor had a flat line. Her breathing tube had been disconnected. Her body was still wrapped in a heating blanket that had apparently been used to try to raise her body temperature. By all appearances, Mackayala was dead.

Then, at 10:45 a.m. — 39 minutes after she had been pronounced dead — her chest appeared to spasm. At first, the detectives thought it was releasing gas — a natural process after death. But the spasms continued and became longer.

"It looks like she's breathing," Kendrick told his partner. "Go and get somebody."

Boys and Girls Club will benefit from local fund-raiser

Beginning Monday, Taco John's will contribute 25 cents of every Nachos Navidad purchased to the Scurry County Boys and Girls Club. The fundraiser ends Jan. 4.

Nachos Navidad is a limited-time holiday version of the Super Nachos, made with festive red and green tortilla chips.

In addition, Taco John's will also sell paper peppers for cash contributions of $1. The sales donation and collections will be presented to the local club at the end of the promotion.

Taco John introduced the special fundraiser last year. Business that will match Taco John's donations include Patterson Drilling, Matthies Construction, State Farm Insurance, YZ Industries and Elizabeth Potts Realtors.

Schwarzenegger promises to boost Silicon Valley's economy

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Gov.-elect Arnold Schwarzenegger promised Silicon Valley business leaders that he would reform workers' compensation policies and return the region to its previous luster.

The high-tech region known for its prominence in the 1990s during the Internet boom has been significantly hurt during the economic downturn as businesses have gone bankrupt or slashed payrolls.

"The most important thing we need to do is bring the economy back," Schwarzenegger told 1,100 people gathered Friday for a San Jose Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce dinner.

Schwarzenegger, who is to be inaugurated Monday, has been pushing for workers' compensation reform, but state legislators predict a lengthy battle as they try to determine how big cuts should be.

The region is limping from the 2000 collapse of the dot-com bubble. Unemployment in San Jose, the heart of Silicon Valley, is 7.5 percent, according to the most recent statistics from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, compared to 6 percent nationwide.

"We've been in a downturn for way too long," San Jose resident Linda Wieck, an employee benefits consultant, said at the gala. "I'm hoping he does something quickly to help businesses turn around."

Schwarzenegger's 20-minute speech had no details about how the Austrian-born actor would reform workers' compensation rules and insurance regulations.



Shiloh

Calvary Baptist to host Shiloh

Calvary Baptist Church will host a day of Gospel music next Sunday.

Shiloh will be featured during the 10:50 a.m. worship service and again at a 1 p.m. concert.

Shiloh, organized in 1995, has its roots in Arlington. They are considered to be the premier male quartet from Texas and are "on the rise" in the world of Gospel music.

Shiloh was selected to participate in the 2000 Summer Olympics Games held in Sydney, Australia.

The group performs familiar hymns like "I Bowed On My Knee," along with several songs from their current project.

Calvary Baptist is located at 2405 35th St. For more information, call 573-2191.

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RESULTS

Friday's Lottery Numbers

Texas Two Step

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Friday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 27-19-26-28 (numerical order). Bonus Ball: 12.

Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1. Prize: $750,000 (estimate).

Number matching four of four: 11. Prize: $2,074.

Number matching three of four, plus Bonus Ball: 51. Prize: $55.

Number matching three of four: 1,768. Prize: $21.

Number matching two of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1,230. Prize: $20.

Number matching one of four, plus Bonus Ball: 8,280. Prize: $7.

Number matching Bonus Ball alone: 14,711. Prize: $5.

Estimated jackpot for Tuesday night drawing: $200,000.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) - Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 35-2-4-6-31.

Number matching five of five: 0.

Prize per winner: $0

Matching four of five: 157. Prize: $498.

Matching three of five: 5,024. Prize: $11

Matching two of five: 51,214 Prize: $2.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Tuesday night.

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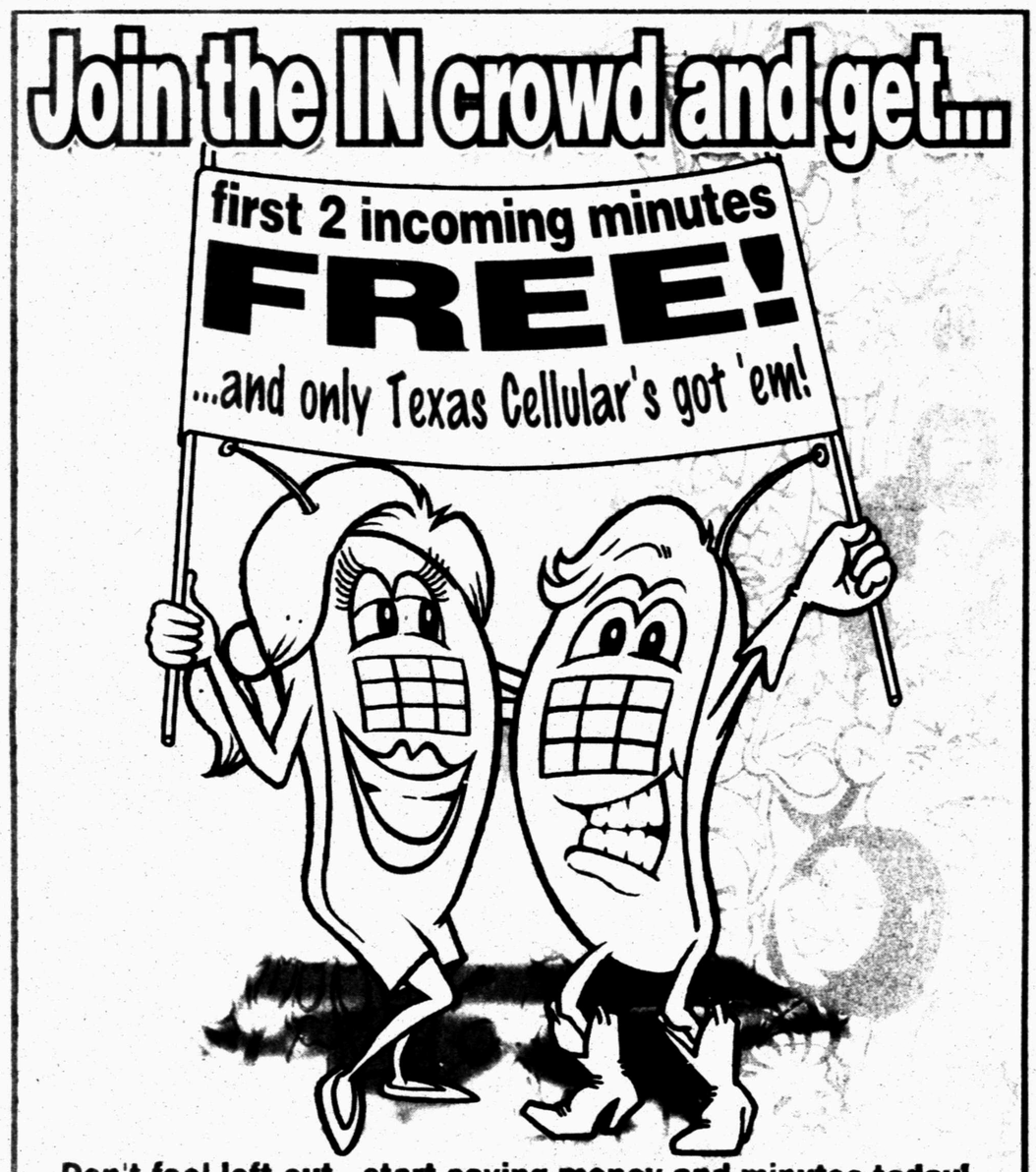
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Specials mark 40th year of Kennedy's death

NEW YORK (AP) — In the week leading up to Nov. 22, more than a dozen JFK specials invite viewers to encounter him from every vantage point on the 40th anniversary of his death.

You can step back and survey his role in a powerful political dynasty on "The Kennedys" (encoring on PBS, 9 p.m. EST Monday and Tuesday).

If for some reason you care, you can dally with admirers such as Donald Trump and Jay Leno as they describe their shocked reactions to that grim day in Dallas, on MSNBC's dumbed-down "JFK: The Day That Changed America" (9 p.m. Monday).

You can re-experience the tragedy by focusing on the journalists who originally reported it. Through their memories as well as with painstakingly compiled footage, CNN's "President Kennedy Has Been Shot" (8 p.m. Sunday) and PBS' "JFK: Breaking the News" (check local listings) track Kennedy's death, then, two days later, the killing of his collared murder suspect on live TV.

In the process, both programs document media history being made.

"With no preparation whatsoever," says "Breaking the News" narrator Jane Pauley, those long-ago newscasters mobilized "the most massive coverage of any event since the invention of television." They gathered the nation in a video vigil. And created a model for cable news two decades later.

Between this pair of films, perhaps "Breaking the News" has the edge in conveying how journalists responded when a one-day story took on timeless gravity.

Particularly telling are extended excerpts that show Jay Watson, program director at WFAA-TV in Dallas, as he is pressed into unaccustomed on-air duty (ail the station's reporters happened to be out in the field).

At one point, Watson manages to chain-smoke, monitor a telephone for updates, and interview Abraham Zapruder, who by chance had just made the most famous home movie of all time. "I got out about a half-hour earlier to get a good spot to shoot some pictures," he explains.

His 26-second, 8mm film — the only known visual record of the full ambush — figures heavily in a trio of documentaries that re-examine whether Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone or as part of a conspiracy. And, befitting a debate that will likely never be resolved, the films arrive at differing conclusions.

Fox News Channel's "JFK: Case Not Closed" (9 p.m. Sunday) supports a conspiracy hypothesis. It disputes the "single bullet theory" and interprets an audio transmission from a Dallas police motorcycle as containing sounds from four gun shots, not three — which would prove the existence of a second assailant in Dealey Plaza.

But Court TV's "JFK: Investigation Reopened" (9 p.m. Wednesday) draws on high-tech analysis that accounts for how that single "magic" bullet might have plausibly traveled through Kennedy, then struck Texas Gov. John Connally in the front seat of their limousine.

This fascinating hour also means to debunk the police tape with techniques that suggest the "gun shots" are random noise — and the recording was made a full minute after the shooting was over.

"Peter Jennings Reporting: The Kennedy Assassination — Beyond Conspiracy" (ABC, 9 p.m. Thursday), provides even more elaborate computer simulations. This two-hour program (only part of which was available for review) reaches the same verdict: Oswald acted alone.

Not that any amount of evidence, one way or another, is likely to settle the question. Nor is this mystery ever likely to be pried loose from assessments of the thousand days that went before.

"Kennedy's legacy is defined in part by the manner of his passing," observes the splendid three-hour "JFK: A Presidency Revealed" (History Channel, 8 p.m. Sunday).

But before his fateful trip to Dallas, Kennedy faced the possibility of nuclear war with the Soviet Union no fewer than three times. (In the film, then Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara recalls an October night during the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis when he wondered if he — and by extension the human race — would be alive a week later.)

And three times Kennedy would confront the prospect of sending federal troops to occupy Southern states to protect the civil rights of black Americans.

During his brief presidency, Kennedy set America on a course for the moon. He altered fashion, refusing to wear a hat and wearing his hair longish by the standards of that pre-Beatles era. With his wife, Jackie, he was the arbiter of excellence, cool and glamour that helped "create an illusion that later became known as Camelot."

But in the meantime, he struggled with a remarkable variety of ailments and medications while maintaining a guise of health and vitality. He had a family the world admired, yet he lived a secret life of extramarital conquests.

Veteran reporter Hugh Sidey, who covered Kennedy for Time-Life publications, believes there was "a very good chance" that news of his indiscretions "would have broken wide open sometime in his second term, if not before, and he might have been forced out of office."

But, 40 years after Dallas, that's just one of countless "what ifs."

"He's frozen in our memories at the age of 46," says Kennedy biographer Robert Dallek. "So handsome, so articulate, so witty, so charming, so charismatic. He was a man of exceptional promise."

Another valuable program, "The Kennedy Tapes Revealed" (Bravo, 8 p.m. Friday), draws on recollections recorded by Robert Kennedy, the fallen president's brother and attorney general, as an oral history after his death.

This intimate hour charts the Kennedy administration from Bobby's perspective, as well as hearing from other observers including Anthony Lewis and Arthur Schlesinger Jr., whom he had picked to interview him for his taped memoirs.

At times on the tapes Bobby is brutally direct, as when he describes Lyndon Johnson, President Kennedy's successor, as "a mean, bitter and vicious animal in many ways."

But even in these private reflections, he is protective of the brother he served so loyally, at one point dismissing rumors of President Kennedy's trysts as "ridiculous, on the face of it."

The world knows better now. Even so, John Kennedy's "enduring appeal seems to transcend personal frailty," notes the History Channel's "A Presidency Revealed." One reason? "He spoke of an America of tolerance, prospering in a world free from fear."

With Americans discovering new fears all the time, Kennedy may seem more appealing than ever.

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FIRST PLACE — Tamara Taylor, a member of Snyder High School's FFA, recently exhibited rabbits at the National A.R.B.A. Convention in Wichita, Kan. Her intermediate buck and intermediate doe each took first place in their classes. She also exhibited rabbits that placed 4th, 9th, 10th and 13th. There were over 20,000 rabbits exhibited. Tamara is the daughter of Warren and Raylene Taylor. (Contributed Photo)

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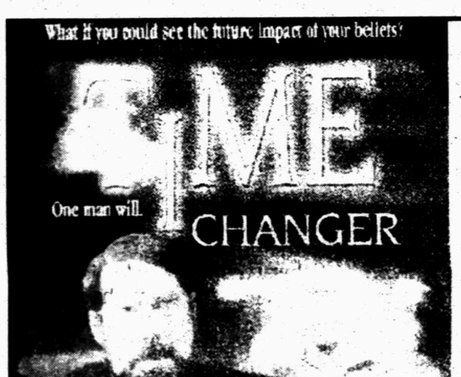


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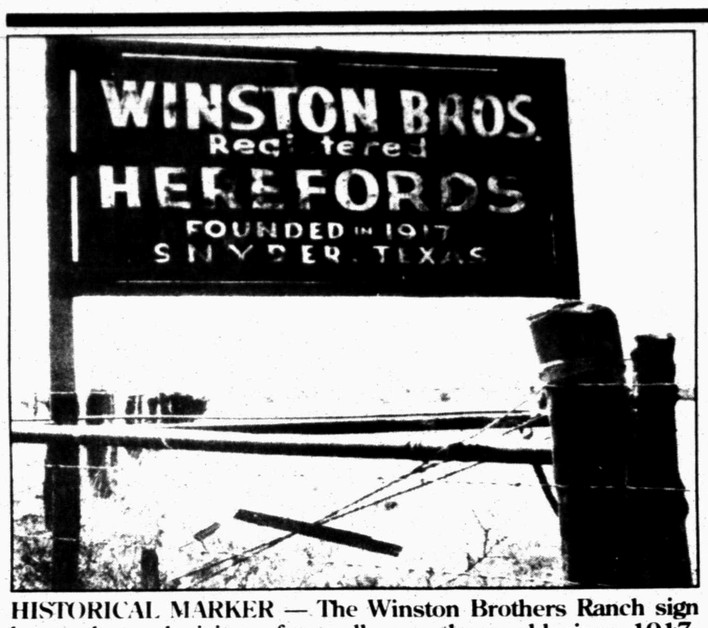
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HISTORICAL MARKER — The Winston Brothers Ranch sign has welcomed visitors from all over the world since 1917. (Contributed photo by Mary Hatter Boone)



TEXAS RANCHING FAMILY — Three generations of the Winston Brothers Ranch family standing from left are Florentz Winston Joyce, Sam Joyce, John Joyce, LeClaire Winston, Scott Casey, Dorothy Winston Casey. Seated are Wade Winston, Helen Joyce Hatter, Sam Casey and Harrie Winston. (Family photo)

Ranch

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Wade enjoyed some fame as a Quarter Horse judge as well. He judged the first cutting horse contest at the Fort Worth Stock Show where he placed the famed foundation cutting horse Snooks as champion. He was also the first judge to recognize the talents of AQHA foundation sire Poco Bueno when he placed him with his first championship.

So far as future changes in the ranch are concerned, it's too soon to make a determination.

But the most important thing to the hearts of both brothers was their spiritual relationship with God.

"Many times I remember driving out across the pasture with Uncle Harrie and we would sing hymns," said Helen. "I was a little girl then. Small enough to be standing up beside him on the seat."

Among the many philanthropic benefactions, the brothers donated the property for Colonial Hill Baptist Church in Snyder.

Jim Thompson, chief financial officer and spokesman for Cavender's, does not expect many changes, only improvements.

"The Cavender's have a deep heritage here in Texas," said Thompson. "Mr. Cavender owns other property in West Texas, so the area is very important to him."

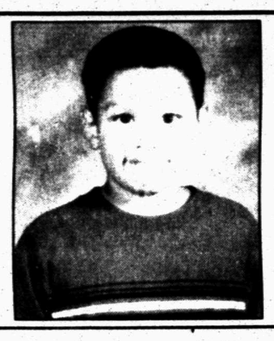
It's expected that the ranch will mainly be used for hunting and recreation, but no firm decisions have been made. Although the Winston Brothers sign will remain at the entrance for the time being, it's not known if the name will change.

"Mr. Cavender probably won't change much about the ranch. I can say that he will make any necessary improvements that are needed. I don't think there's been any thought given to changing the name," he said.

Though time has indeed marched on for descendants of the Winston Brothers, all parties seem satisfied with the outcome.

"I keep thinking to myself that the ranch is not as important as my family. It's something that had to be done and that's it. I haven't cried over it yet, but I can feel it every once in a while in here," Mrs. Joyce said as she motioned to her heart.

"It's still a little hard to get used to. I guess a lifetime isn't all that long."



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Senior Center News

Newcomers are encouraged to join us for meals and activities. There is no membership fee for participating at the Scurry County Senior Center. We serve the noon meal Monday-Friday and we do ask that each senior citizen make a donation for his/her meal.

Guests under the age of 60 must pay $4 per person. We receive support through the Scurry County, Snyder, Western Texas College, the federal nutrition program, donations of participants, the Memorial Fund, and fundraisers.

We have an army of volunteers that support the center through their time and energy. In addition to the weekend article, we also have a bi-monthly newsletter.

MONDAY

Dominoes, eighty/eighty-eight, pool, bridge, Skip-Bo, and quilting are always available at the center; but we do have scheduled times for some of these activities. Party bridge is played on Monday and Friday mornings from 9:30-11:30 a.m. The AARP will meet at noon in the conference room.

TUESDAY

The swimnastics class at Western Texas College meets Tuesday & Thursday from 10-11 a.m. The class and parking are free. Seniors may play eighty/eighty-eight at 10 a.m. The Aubrey Wilson Country Band will entertain in the center dining room 11 a.m. to noon. The newly organized Booster Club will meet at noon in the conference room for the noon meal and business.

WEDNESDAY

Join us for ladies pool at 9 a.m. and bingo from 10-11:30 a.m. We ask volunteers who are able to bring homemade muffins for all of us to enjoy as we play bingo. Central Elementary third graders will celebrate National Education Week by performing in the dining room 11:40-noon. Pinochle will be played at 1 p.m. in the bridge room.

THURSDAY

The fabric painting class will meet from 9-11:30 a.m. in the bridge room to work on items for our May Day fundraiser. Don't miss swimnastics at WTC from 10-11 a.m. in the physical education building. The Sunshine Choir will entertain the residents of Snyder Oaks from 10-11 a.m.

FRIDAY

Blood pressure readings and the bridge tournament begin at 9:30. Eighty/eighty-eight begins at 10.

The Scurry County Senior Center is located at 2603 Avenue M and can be reached by calling 573-4035.

Financial Focus

When Investing, Get on "Same Page" as Spouse

Communication is the key to successful marriages. But a surprising number of married couples may think they communicate well, only to discover that they have radically different ideas about one of the most important aspects of their life together - their money.

At least that's the finding of a recent research project completed by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The study showed that men tend to estimate the family income 5 percent higher than their wives. And men view their family wealth — stocks, bonds, home equity, etc. - as 10 percent higher than wives do. Also, wives believe that family debts are about $500 higher than husbands.

This "disconnect" could lead to problems when it comes to making important savings and investment decisions. For example, husbands, operating under inflated assumptions of income and assets, may be more inclined to spend, rather than save. Conversely, wives, concerned about higher debts and lower income and resources, may favor more conservative investments. In fact, other studies have shown that this may well be true.

Of course, in anyone's individual situation, it might not be particularly helpful to generalize on how husbands and wives think differently about saving and investing. Nonetheless, to make sure you and your spouse are working together toward your common long-term financial goals, you may want to consider the following suggestions:

•**Review your finances regularly** — Don't assume that you and your spouse know the exact same things about your income, savings and investments. Take the time to "put all your cards on the table." And do it regularly, because things change all the time - one of you may get a raise, one of you has noticed something unusual in your investment statement, etc. If you work with an investment professional who conducts regular reviews of your financial situation, you and your spouse have the perfect opportunity to scrutinize the same information.

•**Discuss your goals** — With careers, kids and all the activities of everyday life, you and your spouse may not have a lot of time to discuss topics such as retirement, college funding and other long-term financial goals. But you need to make the time. If you each have different conceptions of your ultimate financial destinations, you'll have a hard time agreeing on the proper strategies for getting there. Make sure each of you knows when the other would like to retire, what sort of retirement lifestyle you envision, what kind of contributions you're thinking of for your children's college education, etc.

•**Reach common ground** — If you and your spouse have different investment personalities, you may well have to find some "common ground." That is, if one of you is an "aggressive" investor, while the other is "conservative," you might have to chart a course that is considered "moderate." If one of you is unhappy with the way you are investing as a couple, then nobody really comes out ahead.

•**Keep your records accessible** — In some marriages, one partner manages the finances so completely that the other spouse doesn't even know how to find the investment statements, tax records and other documents. That is a recipe for disaster — if something were to happen to the "in-the-know" spouse, the other one could face big delays in taking control of much-needed assets. By following these basic suggestions, you and your spouse can work together to make continual progress toward your objectives. And, as you know from any endeavor in life, any job is easier when people pull in the same direction.

Wind-whipped mill fire destroys homes

PAWTUCKET, R.I. (AP) — A raging, wind-whipped fire that began in an abandoned textile mill destroyed at least 10 homes and ignited buildings over a five-block radius Friday.

The fire started in the Greenhalgh Mills complex and spread at least five blocks east and five blocks south, setting fire to homes along the way while sparing others.

"The wind is killing us," police Lt. John Clarkson said.

Some residents hosed down their houses to save them from blowing embers.

Around the block from the fire, Jean Langborg, 53, had tossed her crutches aside and was busily sweeping leaves away from her house with a broom.

"I just got through a divorce, and I'm trying to keep the house, and I'm not about to lose it to a fire," she said as embers floated around her.

Winds up to 45 mph had hampered firefighters' efforts against the fire, which had not been brought under control late Friday night. Fire officials estimated between 10 and 13 homes were destroyed, but had no final numbers.

At least seven firefighters suffered minor injuries, Pawtucket Mayor James Doyle said. Twenty people were evaluated at a nearby hospital, including three who were admitted with injuries that did not appear to be life-threatening, hospital officials said.

One resident, David Williams, arrived home from work to find his neighborhood on fire. The smoke was so thick, he said, he couldn't see down the street to his house. Williams, 45, had yet to speak with his wife.

"I got to find the wife," he said frantically. "Hopefully, she got the cat out, too."

Students from an elementary school a block away covered their noses and mouths against the smoke as they left school.

Thousands in town lost power, and as many as 200 people were evacuated from the neighborhood.

The cause of the fire was not immediately known. Asbestos abatement had been completed at the mill, but fire officials did not know whether the building contained any hazardous chemicals.

Man who plunged over Niagara Falls joins Texas circus

HIDALGO (AP) — The only person to survive a plunge over Niagara Falls without a safety device has run off and joined the circus.

Kirk Jones, 40, planned to make his debut as the "world's greatest stunt man" during a Friday night gig with the Toby Tyler Circus, now touring Texas' Mexican border towns.

Last month, the former auto parts salesman from Canton, Mich., jumped over the Canadian side of the falls and somehow emerged from the rushing foam with only a few broken ribs.

Jones said circus promoters called him a few days ago and promised him something "spectacular." He would not say what his act would involve.

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San Angelo Central 31, EP Montwood 11
Midland Lee (6-3) vs. Duncanville (8-2), 6 p.m. Saturday, Duncanville.
Euless Trinity (9-1) vs. Arlington Lamar (10-0), 2 p.m. Saturday at the Birdville Fine Arts Complex, North Richland Hills.
Coppell (8-2) vs. South Grand Prairie (9-1), 4 p.m. Saturday at Texas Stadium.
Region II
Plano East 35, Dallas Skyline 24.
Tyler Lee (7-2) vs. Garland Naaman Forest (8-2), 3 p.m. Saturday, Rose Stadium, Tyler
Temple (7-3) vs. Round Rock McNeil (7-3) 2 p.m. Saturday, Buckley Stadium, Killeen.
The Woodlands (10-0) vs. Jersey Village (7-3) 7 p.m. Saturday, Galena Park ISD.
Region III
Houston Lamar 44, Houston Sam Houston 0.
Fort Bend Kempner 28, Alief Elsik 21.
Aldine Eisenhower (9-1) vs. Humble (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, at George Stadium, Spring.
Galena Park North Shore 52, Houston Clear Lake 0
Region IV
SA Madison (8-2) at Austin Westlake (6-4), 1 p.m. Saturday.
SA Jay (9-1) vs. SA Southwest (5-5), 2 p.m. Saturday at San Antonio Gustafson.
CC Carroll (7-3) vs. Eagle Pass (6-4), 2 p.m. Saturday at San Antonio Farris Stadium.
Harlingen (6-3) at McAllen Rowe (7-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday.
DIVISION II Region I
EP Franklin (8-2) vs. Lubbock Monterey (5-5) 2 p.m. Saturday at Bulldog Bowl, Artesia, N.M.
Abilene Cooper (6-4) vs. DeSoto (7-3), 8 p.m. Saturday, Gordon Wood Sports Complex, Brownwood.
Arlington 30, Grapevine 7
Southlake Carroll (10-0) vs. Irving MacArthur (7-3), 1 p.m. Saturday at Texas Stadium.
EP Andress (9-1) vs. Amarillo (6-4), noon Saturday at Midland's Grande Communication Stadium.
Abilene 21, Mansfield Summit 10
Keller (8-2) vs. Arlington Sam Houston (6-4), 7 p.m. Saturday at Birdville Fine Arts Complex, North Richland Hills.
Flower Mound Marcus (4-6) vs. Irving (7-3), 7 p.m. Saturday at Texas Stadium.
Region II
Allen (9-1) vs. Dallas Samuell (5-5), 9 p.m. Friday at Texas Stadium.
Lufkin (9-1) vs. Garland (7-3), 2 p.m. Saturday at Ennis.
Pflugerville 48, A&M Consolidated 27
Klein Forest 24, Tomball 14.
Dallas Carter 39, Richardson Berkner 16
Longview (7-3) vs. South Garland (8-2), 1 p.m. Saturday at Waco ISD Stadium.
Leander 14, Belton 13
Spring (6-4) vs. Cypress Springs (6-4), 2 p.m., Saturday at Houston's Pridgeon Stadium.
Region III
Houston Washington (8-2) vs. Houston Bellaire, 7 p.m. Saturday, at Crump Stadium, Alief.
Katy (9-1) vs. Willowridge (5-5), 2 p.m. Saturday, Tully.
Port Arthur Memorial 41, Aldine 40
Pearland 30, Brazoswood 25
Houston Yates (8-2) vs. Houston Westside (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, at Alief's Crump Stadium.
Alief Taylor (8-2) vs. Hightower (6-4), 2 p.m. Saturday, Rhodes Stadium.
Aldine Nimitz (5-5) vs. Baytown Lee (9-1), at 7 p.m. Saturday at Tully Stadium.
La Porte (6-4) vs. Galveston Ball (6-4), 2 p.m. Saturday, at Galena Park.
Region IV
Schertz Clemens 28, San Marcos 6
Smithson Valley 24, S.A. Taft 14
CC King 49, Laredo Alexander 21 Complex.
Donna (7-3) at Edinburg Economedes (7-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Economedes.
Buda Hays 14, SA Roosevelt 10
SA East Central (5-5) vs. SA O'Connor (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday at San Antonio Farris Stadium.
Laredo Nixon 19, CC Moody 7
PSJA North (9-1) vs. Brownsville Rivera (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Brownsville Sams Memorial Stadium.

CLASS 4A
Note: all games are bi-district
DIVISION I Region I

EP Irvin (8-2) vs. EP Riverside (8-2), 7 p.m. MST, Saturday, Sun Bowl, El Paso.
Amarillo Palo Duro (7-3) vs. Wolfforth Frenship (8-2) 1 p.m. Saturday at Bivins Stadium, Amarillo.
Wichita Falls Rider 32, Richland 22
FW Arlington Heights (10-0) vs. North Crowley (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Birdville ISD Fine Arts Complex, North Richland Hills.
Region II
Dallas Kimball 29, Dallas Hillcrest 7.
Greenville (7-3) vs. Richardson Pearce (7-3) 1 p.m. Saturday at Kimbrough Stadium, Plano.
Texarkana 21, Jacksonville 0
Waxahachie vs. Corsicana (9-1) 7:30 Friday at Ennis. **Region III**
Pflugerville Connally vs. Rosenberg Terry (5-5), 7 p.m. Saturday, Round Rock ISD.
Conroe Oak Ridge (8-2) vs. Beaumont Central (8-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Thorne Stadium, Aldine.
Dayton (9-1) vs. Houston Waltrip (9-1), 7 p.m. Friday, at Dayton.
Friendswood (6-4) vs. Bay City (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, at Thorne Stadium, Aldine.
Region IV
New Braunfels 34, Austin Anderson 21
Kerrville Tivy (8-2) vs. S.A. Lanier (6-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Alamo Stadium.
CC Calallen 56, South San Antonio 14
Harlingen South (4-6) vs. Edinburg (8-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Harlingen Boggus Stadium.

DIVISION II Region I

EP Chapin (10-0) vs. EP Parkland (7-3), 3:30 p.m. MST, Saturday, Sun Bowl, El Paso.
Pampa 27, San Angelo Lake View 7
Wichita Falls (7-3) vs. Lewisville Hebron (7-3) 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Memorial Stadium, Wichita Falls.
Aledo 42, FW Western Hills 20
Canutillo (8-2) vs. Clint Mountain View (7-3), noon MST, Saturday, Sun Bowl, El Paso.
Plainview (8-2) vs. Andrews (10-0) 6 p.m. Saturday at Lowery Field, Lubbock.
Mineral Wells vs. Denton Ryan (9-1) 1 p.m. Saturday, Elk Stadium, Burleson
FW Dunbar (4-6) vs. Brownwood (10-0), 7 p.m. Friday at Gordon Wood Stadium, Brownwood. **Region II**
Dallas Wilson 35, Dallas South Oak Cliff 13
Wylie 24, Denison 8
Kilgore 27, Henderson 0
Terrell 16, Waco University 14
Dallas Spruce (3-7) vs. Dallas Lincoln (9-1), 7:30 p.m., Friday, Forester Stadium, Sulphur Springs.
Dallas Highland Park 49, Sulphur Springs 28.
Hallsville 20, Palestine 19
Midlothian (5-5) vs. Ennis (10-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lumpkin Stadium, Waxahachie.
Region III
Richmond Foster 49, Harker Heights 42 (2OT)
New Caney (7-3) vs. Nederland (7-3), 1 p.m. Saturday, at Pasadena Memorial.
Crosby (7-3) vs. Houston Davis (7-3), 7 p.m. Saturday, at Pasadena Memorial.
La Marque 42, Brazosport 17.
Waller 54, Taylor 26
Port Neches-Groves 48, Willis 14
Houston King 54, Houston Kashmere 18.
Texas City (8-2) vs. El Campo (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, at Robertson Stadium, Houston.
Region IV
Bastrop (5-5) vs. Austin McCallum (7-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Buda Hays.
SA Alamo Heights 47, SA Fox Tech 6
Gregory-Portland 24, Pleasanton 14
Brownsville Porter (8-1) at PSJA (6-3), 7:30 pm. Saturday.
New Braunfels Canyon 38, Austin Reagan 15
SA Sam Houston 32, Fredericksburg 22
Rockport-Fulton 40, SA McCollum 7
Edcouch-Elsa (7-2) at Mission Sharyland (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday.

CLASS 3A
Note: all games are bi-district
DIVISION I Region I

Brownfield 10, Borger 7
Snyder 26, Monahans 0
Abilene Wylie 28, Graham 21 (2OT)
Everman 56, Lake Dallas 7 **Region II**
Gainesville (10-0) vs. Paris North Lamar (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Wylie High School.
Texarkana Liberty-Eylau (4-6) vs. Lindale (7-3), 4 p.m. Saturday at Mount Pleasant.
Forney (9-1) vs. Wills Point (7-3), 7 p.m. Friday at Forney.
Longview Spring Hill vs. Carthage, 7 p.m. Friday, Maverick Stadium, Marshall. **Region III**
Waco Connally 33, Caldwell 7
Jasper 20, Mexia 9
Hamshire-Fannett (7-3) vs. Barbers Hill (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lumberton.
Navasota (8-2) vs. Manor, 7:30 p.m. Friday at Brenham.
Region IV
Burnet (10-0) vs. Somerset (8-2), 6 p.m. Saturday at Bobcat Stadium, San Marcos.
Cuero (9-1) vs. Wharton (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Victoria.
Carrizo Springs (4-6) vs. Sinton (6-4), 2 p.m. Saturday at San Antonio Harlandale Memorial Stadium.
Zapata 21, La Feria 10
DIVISION II Region I
Perryton 20, Lubbock Cooper 15
Sweetwater 26, Kermit 0
Vernon (7-2) vs. Brady, 1 p.m. Saturday, Mustang Bowl, Sweetwater.
Decatur (9-1) vs. Venus (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dragon Stadium, Southlake.
Littlefield 21, Dalhart 12
Merkel (7-3) vs. Midland Greenwood (7-2), 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Angelo State University.
Iowa Park 32, Ballinger 21
Sanger (5-5) vs. Kennedale (9-1), 7 p.m. Saturday at Saginaw Boswell.
Region II
Celina 28, Commerce 14
Gilmer 43, Daingerfield 0
Canton 14, Crandall 13
Tatum 22, White Oak 21
Pilot Point (6-4) vs. Quinlan Ford (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Memorial Stadium, Frisco.
Atlanta (6-4) vs. Mt. Vernon (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, at Lobo Stadium, Longview
Van 36, Kaufman 16
Jefferson (6-4) vs. Rusk, 7:30 p.m. Friday at Athens.
Region III
China Spring 23, Rockdale 0
Crockett vs. Diboll, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lufkin.
Anahuac (9-1) vs. Huffman, (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Stallworth Stadium, Baytown.
Bellville (10-0) vs. Giddings, 7:30 p.m. Friday at A&M Consolidated.
Waco LaVega (7-3) vs. Marlin (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, at Waco ISD stadium.
Newton 30, Fairfield 0
Orangefield (7-3) vs. Liberty (10-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, at Orangefield.
La Grange 15, Sealy 6
Region IV
Liberty Hill 63, Marion 6
Yoakum (7-3) vs. Edna (5-5), 2 p.m. Saturday at Victoria
Hondo 35, Mathis 20
Orange Grove (7-3) vs. Port Isabel (6-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Alice.
Wimberley 21, La Vernia 15
Rice Consolidated 43, Hallettsville 24
Devine (5-5) at CC West Oso (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, CC West Oso.
Falfurrias (5-5) vs. Lyford (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Mission.

CLASS 2A
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DIVISION I Region I

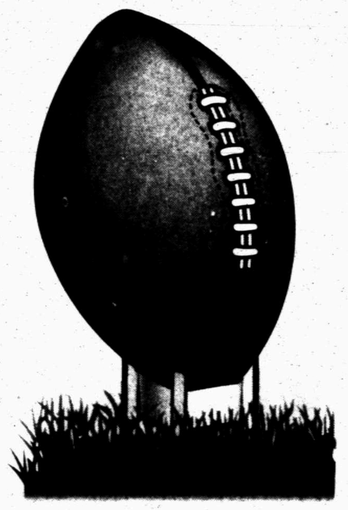
Alpine (8-2) vs. Wall (8-2), 8 p.m. Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium, Midland.
Shallowater 35, Colorado City 34 (OT)
Canadian 19, Floydada 0
Eastland 34, Henrietta 7
Region II
Jim Ned 43, Dublin 15
Jacksboro 35, Aubrey 6
Howe vs. Grand Saline, 7 p.m. Saturday at Kimbrough Stadium, Plano.
Maypearl 50, Frankston 0
Region III
Hooks 18, Prariland 13
Elysian Fields 42, Big Sandy Harmony 14
Corrigan-Camden 27, McGregor 21
San Augustine 32, East Chambers 0
Region IV
Comfort 40, Lexington 20
Brookshire-Royal (3-7) vs. Vanderbilt Industrial (8-2), 2 p.m. Saturday at El Campo.
Navarro 14, Natalia 12
Karnes City 14, Odem 13
DIVISION II
Region I
Marfa (9-1) vs. Sonora (4-6), 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Ratliff Stadium, Odessa.
Crane 20, Idalou 14 (OT)
Lockney (8-2) vs. Amarillo Highland Park (8-2), 7:30 Saturday, Kimbrough Stadium, Canyon.
Holliday (9-1) vs. Anson (6-4), 1 p.m. Saturday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene.
Anthony (8-2) vs. Ozona (7-3), 4 p.m. Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium, Midland.
Coahoma 52, Post 20
Panhandle 56, Olton 14
Cisco 39, Electra 17
Region II
Bangs 36, Hico 29
Boyd 28, Prosper 0
Tom Bean 47, Caddo Mills 14
Italy (9-1) vs. Malakoff Cross Roads (6-4) Saturday, 6 p.m. at Athens High School.
Crawford 46, San Saba 0
Gunter 54, Paradise 14
Whitewright vs. Quitman, 7 p.m. Saturday at Greenville.
Kerens 26, Rio Vista 9
Region III
Cooper (7-3) vs. Omaha Pewitt (6-4), 1 p.m. Saturday at Mount Pleasant.
Big Sandy vs. Arp, noon, Saturday, Gladewater.
Rosebud-Lott 14, Leon 12
Garrison 43, West Hardin 6
Chisum vs. Linden-Kildare, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, at Mt. Pleasant
Hawkins vs. Troup (9-1), 4 p.m. Saturday at Gladewater.
Franklin 26, Centerville 22
Timpson 26, Hull-Daisetta 12
Region IV
Rogers 2, Mason 0
Van Vleck 48, Boling 42
Universal City Randolph 35, Dilley 7
Refugio 27, Banquete 14
Junction 40, Jarrell 34
Granado 23, Hitchcock 20
Poth 21, Brackett 20
Yorktown 49, Premont 0

CLASS 1A
Note: all games are bi-district Region I

Sunray (9-1), bye.
Wheeler (6-4) vs. Farwell (8-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Amarillo Highland Park.
Anton 42, Sundown 0
McCamey (5-4), bye.
Stratford (9-1), bye.
Nazareth 45, Memphis 14
Crosbyton 45, Morton 15
Wink (9-1), bye.
Region II
Knox City (4-6), bye.
Muenster vs. Albany (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Elk Stadium, Burleson.
Tolar (8-2), bye.
Roby 20, Menard 0
Paducah (6-4), bye.
Petrolia (6-4) vs. Windthorst (9-1) 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Memorial Stadium, Wichita Falls.
Baird (8-2), bye.
Roscoe (7-3) vs. Harper (10-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, San Angelo Stadium.
Region III
Celeste (8-2) vs Union Hill, 7 p.m. Friday at Sulphur Springs.
Mount Enterprise, bye.
Wortham, bye.
Chilton 52, Oakwood 0
Quinlan Boles vs. Harleton, 7:30 p.m. Friday at Mineola.
Joaquin, bye.
Hubbard, bye.
Bosqueville (6-4) vs. Normangee (8-2), Friday, 7:30 p.m. at Cameron.
Region IV
West Sabine (10-0), bye.
Bartlett, bye.
D'Hanis (9-1) vs. Shiner (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday at East Central.
Blanco, bye.
Burkeville (4-5), bye.
Thrall, bye.
Center Point (6-4) vs. Falls City (10-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Lytle.
Woodsboro, bye.
Sunray (9-1), bye.
Wheeler (6-4) vs. Farwell (8-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Amarillo Highland Park.
Anton 42, Sundown 0
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Nazareth 45, Memphis 14
Crosbyton (9-1) vs. Morton (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Bulldog Stadium, Plainview.
Wink (9-1), bye.

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Region I/II

Follett 51, Patton Springs 35
Whitharral 66, Wellman-Union 28
Sanderson 70, Borden County 29
Aspermont 37, Highland 30
Valley 56, Miami 26
Meadow 63, Amherst 12
Fort Davis 64, Grady 33
Ira 63, Rule 38
Region III/IV
Strawn 52, North Side 6
Lohn 61, Panther Creek 34
Zephyr 66, Kopperl 29
Aquilla 55, Milford 39
Gordon 51, Guthrie 6
Jonesboro 54, Mullin 6
Calvert 67, Trinidad 22



Texans take on Bills in cold

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Maybe it's the strong, cold wind blowing in off nearby Lake Erie that the Buffalo Bills find comforting. Maybe it's the chicken wings.

"That could be it," Bills guard Ruben Brown said when asked to pinpoint why his team has been far superior at home than on the road this season. "We should look into it, get somebody in here to try to figure out what the problem is, a psychologist or something."

The Bills could certainly serve as a case study of a schizophrenic team that, going back to last season, is 7-2 and outscoring opponents by an average 31-16 at home, and 1-8 and being outscored 20-12 on the road.

"I don't know," Brown said. "That's definitely something we're all evaluating."

Whatever the case, the Bills (4-5) hope that trend continues at least this Sunday. That's when they will be back playing at Ralph Wilson Stadium for the first time in nearly a month, facing the Houston Texans (3-6).

For Buffalo, it's an opportunity to kick-start a playoff run after losing five of its last seven, and begin to shed its label as an underachiever.

While the revamped defense showed signs of jelling in limiting Dallas in last weekend's 10-6 loss, the Drew Bledsoe-led offense remains in a deep funk.

The Texans might be the right matchup for the Bills who, despite their troubles, possess the AFC's eighth-best record, and sit a win behind Miami and Denver.

Houston's defense, its strength last year, is banged up, missing several starters, including end Gary Walker and tackle Seth Payne. And the Texans could be down to playing a third-string pass-rushing linebacker with starter Charlie Clemons listed as questionable and backup Antwan Peek out.

It's on offense where the Texans, in their second year of existence, are much improved.

Second-year quarterback David Carr, sacked an NFL-high 76 times last season, is getting much better protection from a revamped line. Carr is clicking with an emerging corps of receivers, led by rookie Andre Johnson.

Cowoys vs Patriots is game of the week

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — Bill Parcells and Bill Belichick share two Super Bowl championships, one public breakup and no interest in the hype over their upcoming meeting.

So don't expect Parcells to glare from the Cowboys' sideline at his counterpart across the field Sunday night. And Belichick will be too busy telling the Patriots what to do to mutter epithets about his mentor.

"I am a coach," Belichick said. "I am not going to make any tackles. I am not going to throw any passes."

He spent 15 seasons as an assistant to Parcells, who coached the Patriots for four seasons. That adds to an already potent mixture: two division leaders with surprising 7-2 records, plus the return to New England of wide receiver Terry Glenn, Dallas' leading pass catcher.

But just as Glenn went from 90 catches as a rookie with the Patriots in 1996 to a career marred by injuries and suspensions, the teams' fortunes can change dramatically.

"I'm happy that we're in a good position, but it doesn't mean anything right now," Patriots cornerback Ty Law said. "We're 7-2, but it's just as easy if you don't focus to go 2-5 the rest of the way."

Belichick and Parcells keep pressure on players to avoid complacency, and are the masterminds behind their teams' rise to division leaders after season-opening losses.

"We are really inexperienced in a lot of respects. I'm not crying wolf here at all. I'm just telling you that this is a work in progress," Parcells said.

He joined a team that went 5-11 the past three seasons and added a demanding style. Belichick overcame numerous injuries to starters by changing schemes and plugging in substitutes.

Even some players are surprised by the success.

"Honestly, yes," Dallas strong safety Darren Woodson said.

The last time they faced each other, in 1995, Parcells coached New England and Belichick led Cleveland. They're 2-2 in head-to-head matchups and both took the Patriots to the Super Bowl; Parcells lost in 1997 and Belichick won in 2002.

But there is more at stake Sunday than coaching bragging rights.

The Patriots, coming off a bye week, must stop the NFL's seventh-ranked rushing attack and beat the league's top defense that held its fourth opponent below 10 points last Sunday with a 10-6 win over Buffalo.

The Cowboys must handle Tom Brady, who has thrown six touchdowns and one interception in the current five-game winning streak, and must exploit a defense that has allowed an NFL-low four touchdown passes.

"As an offensive group, we don't just take punches and just lay there and look for the next blow," Dallas running back Tony Hambrick said. "We try to throw one back."

The Patriots, hoping to neutralize the Cowboys' blitzing and defensive speed, want to grind out yardage and avoid third-and-long plays.

"The best way to counteract speed is to just play powerball against them," guard Damien Woody said.

Belichick was Parcells' defensive coordinator with the New York Giants in the 1986 and 1990 seasons when they won Super Bowls. On Jan. 3, 2000, Parcells stepped down after three years as coach of the New York Jets and was succeeded by Belichick — for a few hours.

On Jan. 4, Belichick resigned amid uncertainty about the pending sale of the team and Parcells' presence in the front office. Belichick, still under contract to the Jets at the time, lost a lawsuit seeking his freedom from the pact. A deal involving draft choices was worked out that allowed him to coach the Patriots in 2000.

"I have no hard feelings about anything," Parcells said. "I know it has been characterized otherwise, but that's not the case at all. I do wish him well."

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SPORTS

Tigers dominate Monahans, win first bi-district trophy since 1990

By Bobby Allen
SDN Sports Editor

Snyder has taken the next step.

The Tigers erased 13 years of first-round futility and got revenge against the team that bumped them from the playoffs last season, dominating the overmatched Monahans Loboes, 26-0, to hoist the first bi-district trophy for the school since 1990.

"It doesn't get any better than this," said jubilant head coach Chad Rogers in between hugs, handshakes and congratulations from the gathering of Snyder faithful that swarmed the turf at Midland's Grande Communications Stadium. "These kids had to overcome a lot. They deserve this for all the work they have done, and the belief they have in each other."

After a scoreless first quarter, the Tigers made an emphatic statement on the first play of the second period when quarterback Boicy Martinez hit a wide open Justin Boyd in the end zone for a 30-yard scoring strike.

The Tigers never looked back, and the rout began in earnest, with Snyder scoring twice more in the quarter to take what would turn out to be an insurmountable lead.

The Snyder defense, increasingly more formidable as the regular season came to a close, disrupted the Monahans spread offense from the outset, dominating the line of scrimmage and never allowing Loboes quarterback Kevin Kenyon to set up in the pocket.

The Tigers held Kenyon to 88 yards on 9 of 20 passing, with Boyd and Marcus Villarreal each snatching an interception in the fourth quarter to kill a pair of late drives.

"We thought we could put pressure on him and force him into bad throws," defensive coordinator Armando Martinez said. "We rotated guys in and kept them fresh, and threw in the nickel and it worked out well."

The Tigers also silenced the Loboes' running game, holding Monahans to 2.5 yards-per carry. The Loboes finished with 75 yards on 30 carries.

It was different story for the Tiger rushing attack, which saw Martinez and Wells both eclipse 90 yards on the night.

The Tigers rushed for 292 yards on 48 carries, picking up six yards for every attempt.

"We started a little slow, but we changed schemes and started knocking guys off the ball," offensive line coach Roger White said. "When you do that it's just a question of time before you move the ball. We kept coming and beat them at the point of attack."

Martinez paced the Tigers with 105 yards, as he and Wells each had 15 carries, and Chad Brown picked up the tough yards inside, rushing for 65 yards on just eight carries.

"Not bad for a quarterback who is too short, huh?" Rogers joked.

After Martinez connected with Boyd for the first score, the Tiger defense forced a Monahans punt. The Loboes set Kenyon at a shallow depth on fourth downs most of the game, allowing their quarterback to either run a play or quick kick.

The strategy backfired after the Tigers sacked Kenyon at the Monahans 24.

Wells raced in for a touchdown on the very next play, and Isaac Ramon added a two-point conversion to make it 14-0.

Three minutes later, Ramon smashed his way into the end zone from the 3 to give the Tigers a three-touchdown advantage at halftime, after Martinez and Boyd connected again, this time on a 34-yard play made possible by Boyd's circus catch along the sideline.

Monahans had their best opportunity to score after a punt hit a Snyder player and was recovered at the 29 by the Loboes. But the defense held, forcing a 4th-and13 at the Snyder 18 and stopping Ruben Arroyo well short of the first-down marker.

Senior linebacker Ramon said the team's speed and execution allowed them to record the second shut out of the year.

"Everybody was pumped up, and we kept attacking. We waited a whole year to play (Monahans) again," he said. "Coach Rogers told us he would get us back here."

Martinez had another sensational game at quarterback for the Tigers, adding 64 yards on 2 of 3 passing, directing the Snyder offense to positive gains on 48 of 51 plays from scrimmage. He added the final score of the night on a 12-yard blast early in the fourth quarter.

"It feels great. There was a lot of pressure on this team, but came out focused and we handled our business," he said.

Rogers said he did not necessarily expect a shutout, but was not surprised at the one-sided nature of the game.

"It goes back to preparation," he said. "The kids are playing with a lot of confidence. If we come out and play, we can play with anybody."

The Tigers will meet the Brownfield Cubs Friday night.

Brownfield stunned Borger, 10-7.

Snyder will be the visitor when the teams battle at 7:30 Friday at Grande Communications Stadium in Midland.



BI-DISTRICT CHAMPIONS — Snyder head coach Chad Rogers raises the bi-district golden football during the midfield celebration after the Tigers' 26-0 beating of Monahans in Midland. The Tigers advanced to the second round for just the fourth time in school history. (Contributed Photo by Ronny Collins)

Game Summary

Snyder	00	20	00	06	—26
Monahans	00	00	00	00	—00

Second Quarter

Snyder — Justin Boyd 30-yard reception from Boicy Martinez (kick blocked), 11:53.

Snyder — Malcom Wells 24-yard run (Isaac Ramon run), 10:10.

Snyder — Ramon 3-yard run (kick no good), 7:10.

Fourth Quarter

Snyder — Martinez 12-yard run (conversion failed), 10:44.

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First Downs	19	9
Rushes-yards	48-292	30-75
Passing yards	64	88
Comp-Att-Int	2-4-0	9-20-2
Punts	4-20.8	5-37
Fumbles-lost	2-2	2-0
Penalties-yards	4-39	4-30

RUSHING — Snyder: Martinez, 15-105; Wells, 15-98; Chad Brown, 8-65; Ramon, 9-28. **Monahans:** Dimas Porras, 5-37; Johnny Rodriguez, 8-17; Kevin Kenyon, 15-15.

PASSING — Snyder: Martinez 2 of 4 for 64 yards. **Monahans:** Kenyon 9 of 20 for 88 yards, 2 int.

RECEIVING — Snyder: Boyd, 2-64. **Monahans:** Tyqualy Fletcher, 3-27; Rodriguez, 2-36; Tyson Carter, 2-8; Ruben Arroyo, 1-8.

Raiders, No. 5 Longhorns clash for bragging rights

AUSTIN (AP) — The numbers can be mind-boggling: more than 4,700 yards passing, 44.9 points per game, 62 touchdowns and an average of 61.5 pass attempts.

Texas Tech's offense can make a mockery of a defense, just like it did to No. 6 Texas last year.

This year, however, there's only one number that matters to the Longhorns: their No. 5 ranking in the latest Bowl Championship Series standings.

Texas (8-2, 5-1 Big 12) hosts the Red Raiders (7-3, 4-2) Saturday night with a potential BCS bid in the balance. Tech can't get there but Texas can by winning its last two games.

It's similar to last year when Tech stunned then fourth-ranked Texas 42-38 in Lubbock. Kliff Kingsbury passed for 473 yards and six touchdowns.

Texas may have been caught looking past the Red Raiders. The Longhorns say they're determined not to do that again.

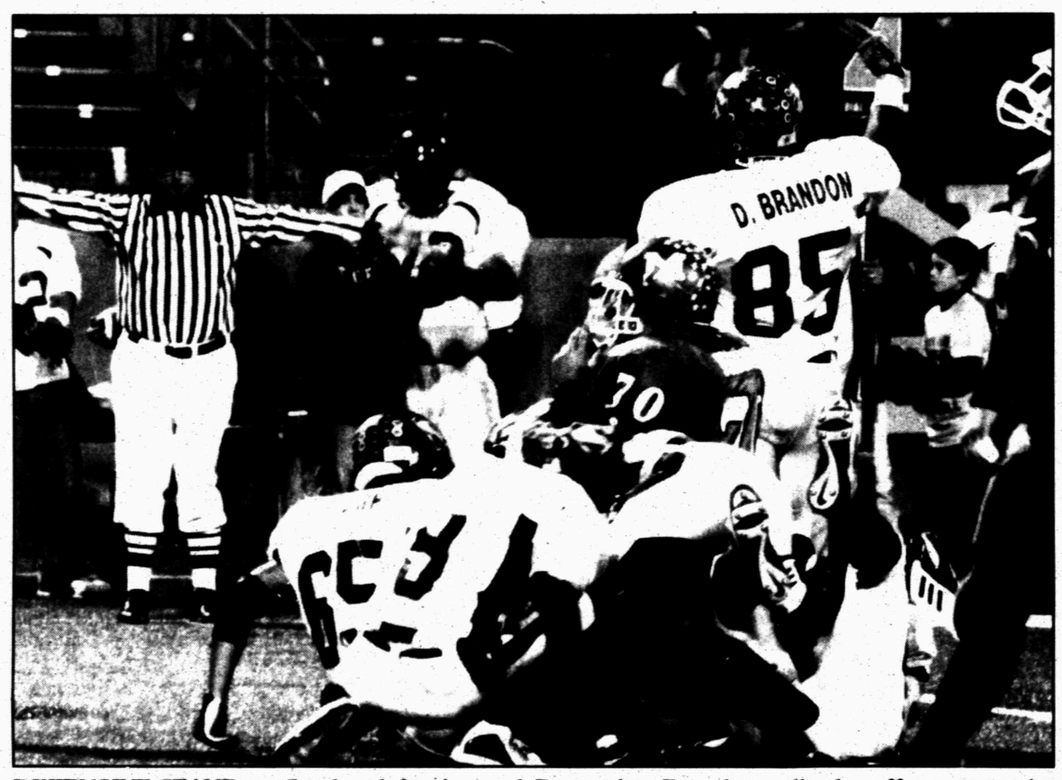
"We understand we won't be there if we don't win out," said linebacker Derrick Johnson, a finalist for the Butkus Award given to college football's best linebacker.

Tech would like nothing better than to spoil the party again.

Tech quarterback B.J. Symons has more than filled Kingsbury's shoes, passing for 4,741 yards and 44 TDs in the No. 1 offense in the country.

"I think he's probably better than Kliff," said UT cornerback Nathan Vasher. "He's got a stronger arm and he's putting the ball in the right place."

Although Texas leads the all-time series 38-14, the Red Raiders have won three of the last six. A fifth-year senior, Symons has been waiting for his shot at the Longhorns.



DEFENSIVE STAND — Snyder defensive end Demetrius Brandon calls the offense onto the field after a fourth-down sack of Monahans quarterback Kevin Kenyon. Snyder scored on the first play after the sack on a 24-yard run by Malcom Wells. (SDN Staff Photo)

Coyotes, Stars skate to tie

DALLAS (AP) — It turned out Jan Hrdina saved the Phoenix Coyotes' night, not Branko Radivojevic.

Hrdina knocked a loose puck past goalie Marty Turco after Phoenix pulled goalie Brian Boucher for an extra attacker, giving the Coyotes their second late rally in two nights, this time for a 3-3 tie with the Dallas Stars on Friday night.

Radivojevic, who scored in the second period and got the winner in overtime against Colorado on Thursday night, was originally given credit for the goal. But after the game, the official scorer awarded the goal to Hrdina.

The Stars still snapped their longest losing streak since March 1996 — they had lost four in a row since Nov. 2.

"It's a step forward," Stars defenseman Richard Matvichuk said.



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SPORTS

Ira outlasts Rule to capture third straight bi-district title

The Ira Bulldogs won their third consecutive bi-district trophy Friday, pulling away from the Rule Bobcats late to take a 63-38 victory.

"It was a great game," Ira head coach Toby goodwin said. "I give credit to Rule. They were real physical, but our conditioning played a big role and it showed up late. It's a good win, but we are still not satisfied."

Rule brought out a completely unfamiliar game plan against the Bulldogs, and it worked in the first half, as Ira held a slim, 26-16 edge at halftime.

"We overcame some adversity and made some adjustments," Goodwin said. "They came out with a totally different game plan than what we had seen from them on film. It wasn't the prettiest win, but a win is a win."

Rule scored on its first drive of the second half to make it 26-24, but Ira responded with a score on its initial second-half drive, and took over from there behind what Goodwin called a "total team effort."

The Bulldogs had to alter their offensive game plan to counter the Rule defense, throwing 24 times, the most Ira has thrown in Goodwin's five years as head coach.

"We thought we could run over them but we had to change our philosophy."

Wes Kellner led the Ira aerial assault, completing 11 passes for 270 yards and four touchdowns. He hooked up with Jake Barnes four times for 155 yards and two scores, and added 85 yards rushing on three carries, including a 57-yard scoring sprint.

Jess Wall, back at full strength after dislocating his elbow against Trent, rushed for 189 yards and four touchdowns, and hauled in a 15-yard score from Kellner.

"Without Joel Lollar and Caleb Gutierrez up there blocking, we wouldn't have been able to throw like we did. It's the most I've ever thrown in a game," Goodwin said. "Joel ran hard, and Caleb doesn't always show up in the stats, but he was a vital part of the game plan. I could list all the kids — several had exceptional games. I'm really proud of them."

Gutierrez paced the Bulldog defense, recording 19 tackles and six quarterback hurries.

Kellner picked off a pass and had 15 stops, while Lollar recorded an interception and tallied nine stops.

Wall added 10 tackles, and sacked Rule quarterback Kolt Kittley twice. He also had three hurries.

Ira pulled away in the fourth quarter as the Bobcats tired.

"I told the kids after the game that I have never been as proud of a bunch of kids as I was of them," Goodwin said. "It was a flat week of practice, coming off an emotional win over Highland, but we hung in there in the first half and overcame it."

The Bulldogs will face Ft. Davis in the second round, with the date and time to be determined later in the week.

Ft. Davis stopped Grady, 64-36, to advance to the second round.



TAKE DOWN — Bulldogs Jess Wall (3) and Jake Barnes (45) combine to sack Rule quarterback Kolt Kittley in the second half of Friday's bi-district game. The Bulldogs pulled away late to grab a 63-38 win and advance to the second round for the third year in a row. (Contributed Photo by Becky Hudgins)

Rockets top Suns for fourth straight win

HOUSTON (AP) — Kelvin Cato is impressing the Houston Rockets with his enthusiasm.

His six points, 10 rebounds, four blocked shots and four steals were on the minds of many of the Rockets after their 90-85 win over the Phoenix Suns on Friday night.

Steve Francis had 26 points and Yao Ming had 21 points and 14 rebounds to help the Rockets win their fourth in a row over Phoenix. But Cato's contributions loomed large, especially because of the position he played.

"We're not trying to sell him as a classic power forward and I don't think he calls himself one," coach Jeff Van Gundy said. "But I'm just so proud of how far Kelvin has come since the summer.

"He adds toughness and rebounding and protecting the paint and big defensive stops to us. To think he can play 37 minutes now after all the conditioning work he needed back last summer is to say he has come a long way."

Van Gundy especially likes the way Cato complements Yao, whose intensity isn't always the strongest.

"Yao obviously has a long way to go with his aggressiveness," Van Gundy said. "But Kelvin is helping him a lot."

Yao called Cato "the guardian of our rim."

The 6-foot-11 Cato, a backup center much of his seven-year NBA career, has already started three more games (eight) than he did all last season.

"I'm just having fun and playing basketball," Cato said. "I play more at power forward now but I don't necessarily consider myself a power forward."

The Rockets are in first place in the Midwest Division, the first time they've been there after five or more games since Dec. 21, 1997.

Stephon Marbury led the Suns with 33 points, 22 in the first half. Amare Stoudamire had 18 points and a season-high five blocks.

Joe Johnson's 3-pointer gave the Suns a 65-64 lead after three quarters. Bostjan Nachbar had five quick points to lift the Rockets into a 69-all tie, and a 6-0 run gave Houston a lead it would not relinquish.

Marbury scored nine of the Suns' first 11 points of the second quarter as Phoenix took a 32-31 lead. Behind eight points from Stoudamire the rest of the quarter, Phoenix led by as many as eight.

A 10-2 run by Houston made it a one-point game, 54-53 with 5:01 to play in the period, and the Rockets took their first lead of the second half, 62-60, on a three-point play by Yao that completed a 7-0 run with 1:11 to play in the third.

"We didn't make the shots and we lost and everything else is irrelevant," Marbury said.

Lady Raiders top UTSA

LUBBOCK (AP) — Once No. 10 Texas Tech started moving around a bit, the Lady Raiders were fine.

Looking a little rusty at times in their season opener, the Lady Raiders closed each half with a burst and beat Texas-San Antonio 76-48 Friday night in the opening round of the preseason women's NIT.

"Their team won the Southland Conference last year and they came in here with nothing to lose," Tech coach Marsha Sharp said. "I was pleased that we were able to generate some offense in timely spots."

The most timely may have been at the end of the first half, when Tech scored the final 11 points for a 32-20 lead. The Lady Raiders closed the second half on a 16-2 run.

"I thought that as we went through it, we got a little better, and I think we'll continue to see that happen," Sharp said.

Jia Perkins led Tech with 19 points, 13 rebounds and three blocks. Alesha Robertson added 14 points for Tech, and Casey Jackson and Jolee Ayers-Curry had 11 apiece.

Lacy Mingee led Texas-San Antonio with 17 points and 10 rebounds. Kim Reed finished with 13 points, including 3-of-4 on 3-pointers. She also had five assists.

"They had that first-half run and we got down 12 points," said Reed. "That sort of put us in a little bit of a hole."

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Philadelphia	5	4	.556	—
New Jersey	4	5	.444	1
Washington	3	5	.375	1½
New York	2	6	.250	2½
Miami	2	7	.222	3
Orlando	1	8	.111	4

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	7	2	.778	—
New Orleans	6	3	.667	1
Detroit	5	4	.556	2
Milwaukee	4	4	.500	2½
Toronto	4	5	.444	3
Chicago	4	6	.400	3½
Atlanta	3	6	.333	4
Cleveland	2	7	.222	5

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	6	2	.750	—
Dallas	6	3	.667	½
Denver	5	4	.556	1½
Utah	5	4	.556	1½
Minnesota	5	5	.500	2
San Antonio	5	5	.500	2
Memphis	4	4	.500	2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	7	2	.778	—
Seattle	5	2	.714	1
Portland	5	3	.625	1½
L.A. Clippers	3	2	.600	2
Sacramento	5	4	.556	2
Golden State	4	4	.500	2½
Phoenix	3	5	.375	3½

Friday's Games

Boston 91, Cleveland 82
Indiana 101, Seattle 78
Miami 105, Washington 101, OT
New Jersey 85, New York 80
Utah 85, Minnesota 77
Philadelphia 100, San Antonio 96
Houston 90, Phoenix 85
Sacramento 94, Toronto 64
Denver 106, Orlando 101
L.A. Lakers 94, Detroit 89
L.A. Clippers 104, Golden State 98

Saturday's Games

New Jersey at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Washington, 7 p.m.
Indiana at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Portland at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Utah at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Seattle at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Orlando at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Houston at Toronto, 1 p.m.
Golden State at Sacramento, 9 p.m.
Miami at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Girls take third at Snyder junior varsity golf tourney

The Snyder junior varsity girls placed third in the Snyder JV golf tournament Wednesday, carding a team total 438.

"We are really young, but we are coming along," coach Cody Cox said. "We are not far off from where we should be."

Heather Derrington led the way for the girls with a 102. Ashley Rodriguez fired a 107, while April Boyd shot a 113.

Alyssa Davis stroked a 116, and Kaylee Lacik shot a 126.

Snyder finished 51 shots off the pace set by first place Andrews. Midland Lee was second with a 417. Abilene Cooper was fourth, shooting a 461, and Sweetwater closed out the tournament in fifth place with a 466.

National Football League

All Times EST

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	7	2	0	.778	184	155
Miami	5	4	0	.556	168	141
Buffalo	4	5	0	.444	149	158
N.Y. Jets	3	6	0	.333	166	173

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	7	2	0	.778	254	171
Tennessee	7	2	0	.778	255	174
Houston	3	6	0	.333	162	244
Jacksonville	2	7	0	.222	172	231

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	5	4	0	.556	206	182
Cincinnati	4	5	0	.444	186	200
Cleveland	3	6	0	.333	135	171
Pittsburgh	3	6	0	.333	176	217

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	9	0	0	1.000	287	150
Denver	5	4	0	.556	210	171
Oakland	2	7	0	.222	162	211
San Diego	2	7	0	.222	174	243

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	7	2	0	.778	181	136
Philadelphia	6	3	0	.667	159	166
N.Y. Giants	4	5	0	.444	172	195
Washington	4	5	0	.444	176	212

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Carolina	7	2	0	.778	178	163
New Orleans	4	5	0	.444	189	205
Tampa Bay	4	5	0	.444	188	141
Atlanta	2	7	0	.222	157	250

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	6	3	0	.667	251	205
Green Bay	4	5	0	.444	244	210
Chicago	3	6	0	.333	151	211
Detroit	3	6	0	.333	152	207

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Seattle	6	3	0	.667	213	174
St. Louis	6	3	0	.667	246	181
San Francisco	4	5	0	.444	202	152
Arizona	3	6	0	.333	130	235

Sunday's Games

St. Louis at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Houston at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Baltimore at Miami, 1 p.m.
Washington at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Arizona at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Indianapolis, 4:05 p.m.
San Diego at Denver, 4:05 p.m.
Detroit at Seattle, 4:15 p.m.
Minnesota at Oakland, 4:15 p.m.
Green Bay at Tampa Bay, 4:15 p.m.
Dallas at New England, 8:30 p.m.

Monday's Game

Pittsburgh at San Francisco, 9 p.m.

National Hockey League

All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	9	2	3	1	22	48	31
New Jersey	8	3	4	0	20	35	28
N.Y. Islanders	8	5	2	0	18	48	36
N.Y. Rangers	6	5	2	2	16	40	37
Pittsburgh	4	8	3	0	11	29	55

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	9	2	3	2	23	45	33
Toronto	7	5	4	1	19	41	48
Ottawa	7	4	2	1	17	47	32
Buffalo	7	7	2	1	17	37	47
Montreal	7	9	1	0	15	32	37

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	9	2	2	1	21	42	26
Atlanta	7	6	3	1	18	48	46
Carolina	5	6	5	0	15	37	38
Florida	6	9	2	0	14	36	42
Washington	4	12	1	0	9	42	53

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	10	3	0	1	21	38	30
Detroit	9	7	1	0	19	54	45
Chicago	6	7	3	2	17	34	49
Nashville	6	8	1	0	13	38	41
Columbus	5	9	1	1	12	33	44

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	10	4	2	1	23	56	35
Colorado	9	5	1	1	20	53	43
Edmonton	7	7	2	0	16	48	50
Minnesota	7	8	2	0	16	39	40
Calgary	6	8	0	1	13	31	38

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	8	5	1	1	18	44	37
Dallas	7	8	2	0	16	40	47
Anaheim	6	7	1	3	16	34	43
Phoenix	5	6	4	1	15	40	49
San Jose	3	6	6	2	14	41	50

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Thursday's Games

Carolina 5, Atlanta 1
Philadelphia 4, Vancouver 3, OT
N.Y. Islanders 3, Montreal 1
Ottawa 5, Columbus 2
New Jersey 3, Florida 1
Edmonton 2, Minnesota 0
Nashville 4, Calgary 1
Phoenix 3, Colorado 2, OT
St. Louis 4, San Jose 3, OT
Toronto 4, Los Angeles 4, tie

Friday's Games

Boston 4, Columbus 0
Tampa Bay 5, Washington 2
Pittsburgh 2, Buffalo 1, OT
Phoenix 3, Dallas 3, tie
Detroit 4, Chicago 3, OT

Saturday's Games

N.Y. Rangers at New Jersey, 1 p.m.
St. Louis at Los Angeles, 4 p.m.
Vancouver at Boston, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Ottawa, 7 p.m.
Washington at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Atlanta at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Florida at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Nashville, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Toronto at San Jose, 10 p.m.
Calgary at Edmonton, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Florida at Atlanta, 5 p.m.
Phoenix at Columbus, 5 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Chicago, 7 p.m.
St. Louis at Anaheim, 8 p.m.

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EXECUTED this 12th day of November, 2003.

(s)REGINA ELLIS RHODES
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

KINDER MORGAN SACROC LP, 4632 W. Hwy. 180, Snyder, Texas 79549, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject water, CO2 with H2S & hydrocarbon gas into the Canyon Reef formation, SACROC Unit Lease, Well No(s). 118-28 & 265-1. Proposed injection wells are located approximately 5.5 Miles NW from Snyder, Texas in the Kelly-Snyder Field, in Scurry County. Water, CO2 with H2S & Hydrocarbon gas will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth intervals from 6350' to 7250'.

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ORDER DEMOLITION

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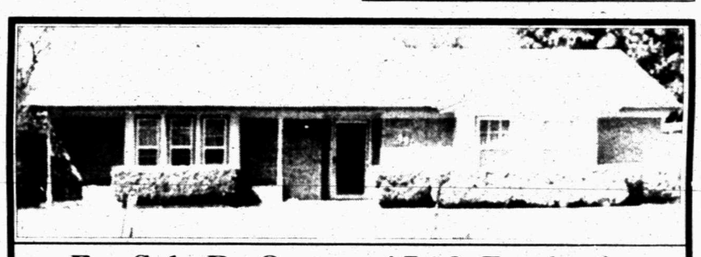
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Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am a healthy and active 43-year-old male. For the past several years, I have noticed a progressive numbness in my toes that now involves the soles of my feet. My doctor was puzzled and referred me to a local neurologist, who performed a battery of tests — including an MRI scan — that was normal. The neurologist, also puzzled, recommended that I see a "very expensive, world-famous" neurologist in another city.

In today's medical climate of rising health costs, even with insurance, having to pay 20 percent of an expensive medical bill would be very difficult. Could I somehow barter my skills with the super-specialist? What is your opinion of my malady?

DEAR READER: Based on the sparse information you provided, I cannot diagnose your ailment, nor would I presume to second-guess your neurologist. However, your symptom does concern me because it suggests a nerve disorder, such as multiple sclerosis, which may be difficult to diagnose in its early stages.

I believe that your most productive option would be to see a super-specialist. If the neurologist "in another city" is a provider under your insurance plan, he might be willing to modify his fee and reduce your co-payment. I cannot say whether he would barter; that's something you will have to ask him.

An alternative plan is for you to be examined and tested by specialists in a neurology clinic at a medical school or in a teaching hospital. In such an environment, special testing is available and the doctors welcome challenging cases such as yours.

My advice is for you to take the next step. You should, of course, discuss your financial concerns with the proper authority — either the doctor himself or the clinic supervisor. But I think your primary priority should be to get help in defining what is wrong with you. Let me know the outcome.

Readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: We are wound-care nurses in a nail-care clinic for diabetics. We read with interest your columns about the use of Vicks VapoRub in treating nail fungus. Being scientifically oriented, we decided to test the product's effectiveness on several patients. Over the last six months, we have noticed substantial improvement in the appearance of our patients' nails, to the extent that we are convinced that Vicks is an inexpensive and viable option. The patients are very enthusiastic about the results and are no longer afraid to show their feet in public. Thank you.

DEAR READERS: Thank you for sharing the results of your experiment. I'm delighted at the satisfactory outcome, and welcome comments from other readers.

DEAR DR. GOTT: After years of splendid — and even lifesaving — care, my gastroenterologist has changed his reporting policy to this: "If there is no problem discovered in follow-up testing, I don't have time to notify each patient of the test results. If you don't hear from me, everything's all right."

Even my family physician has been unable to access lab reports generated by the specialist.

Obviously, I'll soon be changing from this specialist. But shouldn't this strange practice be addressed? Should I notify the state medical society?

DEAR READER: In my first year of practice 100 years ago, I performed a Pap test on a young, healthy woman and told her that I would report back if there were anything wrong. I promptly forgot about the issue. Three weeks later, in the supermarket, she approached me to ask about the test. I was unable to give her an answer and, when I checked the hospital lab, I was told the specimen had been lost. I immediately telephoned the lady and performed a second Pap test (no charge!) that was subsequently reported as normal (which I, in turn, reported to her).

This experience taught me an important lesson: doctors and labs can occasionally screw up. Therefore, it has been my policy ever since 1) To report all lab tests, normal or abnormal, to patients, and 2) If I don't receive a lab result within a week, I raise Cain.

As a result of this policy, I usually have to set aside one or two hours at the end of the day to share lab results with my patients. This is my commitment to them, I don't get paid for it, but I believe that it is a necessary part of good medical practice.

Therefore, I must agree with you that your gastroenterologist has made a serious misjudgment. At one extreme, he is giving a message that he is not a caring physician. At the other, he is risking liability if a lab report is lost in the shuffle and a patient suffers injury because of his policy.

From the comments in your letter, which I shortened for space considerations, I gather that this physician has, in the past, provided excellent medical care. In fact, he removed a cancerous polyp from your colon. This is all the more reason why he should modify his current orientation.

Do patients welcome positive information about normal lab tests? Without question. Are they grateful about callbacks? You bet. Does my policy work? So far, so good.

Because you have had a constructive relationship with this doctor, I suggest the following. Put your change-of-physician option on hold. Meet with the doctor to express your concerns. Show him my response to your question. Especially point out that, although you are far from being litigious, other patients might not be so understanding and accepting. Request that he reconsider his position. Inquire about a compromise measure: Could you (and other patients) call the office after a week or 10 days after testing to learn the results?

My guess is that he will revise his program. If not, drop the guy like a hot potato.

Incidentally, your primary care physician should be listed on every lab report and test so that he will receive copies of the results. This can be accomplished if you request it. This gives you a valuable back-up position in the reporting procedure. (Confession: I love reporting to patients the lab results on tests ordered by specialists, because I know I've got the edge; they haven't gotten around to reporting the results to the patient, and I end up looking good. And, believe me, at my age, that's a challenge.)

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Thank You

The family of Dorothy Davis would like to express our sincere gratitude to all those who helped our family through our time of sorrow and loss. May God bless you all and know that our hearts are full because of your kindness, caring and love.

Tommy & Kay Davis **Andy & Tonya Garrett**
Monty & Christi Cox **Ryan & Angela Dooms**
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Thank You

The family of Carole Haynes would like to express our appreciation for the numerous acts of kindness shown during our recent loss. The prayers, food, visits, flowers, and other gestures of love have made things easier for us. Your contributions to the American Cancer Society and the Hermleigh scholarship fund will perpetuate Carole's memory.

God Bless You
Billy Haynes
Tim, Lisa, Justin, and Jennifer

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Sealed proposals for the Restroom/Concession Stand Addition for Hermleigh Independent School District, will be received in the School Business Offices, P.O. Box 195, Hermleigh, Texas 79526-0195, on or before 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 25, 2003. Proposals received late will be returned unopened to the proposing company. Faxed proposals will be acceptable.

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Three arrests reported Friday in Snyder

• Arrests

Law enforcement officers made three arrests Friday. The first took place at 3:56 p.m. one mile east of Ezell-Key on U.S. 84. A 36-year-old man was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces.

The next was at 7:42 p.m. at U.S. 84 near Ezell-Key. A 35-year-old woman was arrested for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

A 37-year-old man was arrested at 8:27 p.m. in the 2000 block of 42nd Street for class a assault family violence.

• Attempted suicide

A caller in the 3000 Block of Muriel contacted in reference to her son attempting suicide. MHMR was contacted and the juvenile was released back in to the custody of his parents. An offense report for attempted suicide was submitted.

• Intruder

A caller contacted police at 2:53 a.m. Saturday to report an intruder at a home in the 1200 block of Ave. M. The caller advised that an unknown woman had walked into her house, used the phone and left the residence. An officer checked the area but was unable to locate anyone.

• Threats

A man arrived at the sheriff's office to report that another person was making threats against him. The officer made contact with the other subject who was served with a criminal trespass warning and advised to stay away from the residence.

• Gas drive offs

Three reports of gas thefts from Town and Country east occurred Friday night and Saturday morning. The first was reported at 12:57 p.m. when a vehicle, unknown description, drove away without paying for $10 worth of gas.

A second call reported at 8:01 p.m. that a vehicle of unknown description left without paying for $10 worth of gas. The third gas drive-off was reported at 1:31 Saturday morning for $15 worth of gas. This time the clerk was able to give a license number and a vehicle description. The subject driving the vehicle was located by police and escorted back to Town and Country to pay.

SHS choir slates events

Snyder High School choral department has a busy month of entertainment planned through December.

The high school choir will be selling poinsettias through Thanksgiving as a fundraiser. The plants are available in red, white and jingle bell colors. The cost is $10 each and can be purchased from any choir member.

Snyder High School, Snyder Junior High and West Elementary Honor Choirs will be presenting *A Christmas Suite*, a Christmas concert and an all-you-can-eat dessert buffet. The show will be presented at 2 p.m. Dec. 7 at the Jerry P. Worsham Auditorium. Tickets are $5 will be available at the door or from any high school or junior high choir member.

Snyder High School Choir will host the annual Madrigal Dinner, Dec. 15-16 at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Tickets are $15 and reservations can be made by calling 573-6301.

Obituaries

Mrs. Zimmerman

1920-2003

CASA GRANDE, Ariz. — Marjorie Bernice Zimmerman, a former Snyder resident, died Monday, Nov. 10, in a hospice care center in Casa Grande.

Funeral service for Mrs. Zimmerman, 83, is set for 10 a.m. Monday with John Morgan officiating.



Zimmerman

Mrs. Zimmerman was born April 20, 1920 in Big Spring and resided in Snyder until she was 16 and attended Snyder schools. She moved to Casa Grande in 1936 and was an elementary school cafeteria worker. Mrs. Zimmerman was a member of the Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her mother and father, Ethel and Samuel Witten; a brother, Bill Witten; two sisters, Cleo Cummins and Glenna Rogenstein.

Survivors include three daughters, Lynda Hite of Coolidge, Ariz. and formerly of Snyder, Janice Ronquillo and Kaye Braunbeck, both of Casa Grande; five sons, Dennis Zimmerman, Duane Zimmerman, Bobby Zimmerman and Jeff Zimmerman, all of Casa Grande, Jerry Zimmerman of Lake Havasu City, Ariz.; two brothers, Max Witten of Roseville, Calif., and L.C. Witten of Scottsdale, Ariz. two sisters, Gladys Zenzen of Eugene, Ore., and Christine Miller of Yreka, Calif.; two nieces residing in Snyder, Mavadine Morgan and Evelyn Williamson; 27 grandchildren; and 32 great-grandchildren.

Lena Smyers

1913-2003

GRANBURY — Lena Rivers Smyers, the sister of Inez Pace of Snyder, died Thursday, Nov. 13, in a Granbury care center.

Funeral service for Mrs. Smyers, 90, is set for 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Moore Funeral Home Chapel in Arlington. Interment will follow in the Moore Memorial Gardens.

Born Aug. 11, 1913 in Roxton, to Odis Dee and Edith Rivers, she attended school at Powderly. She married Aubrey Smyers in 1934 and he died in 1989.

The family lived in Iowa, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arizona and Nevada before moving to Snyder in 1953.

While in Snyder, she was a Sunday school teacher at the Greenhill Baptist Church where she and her husband were charter members. The family moved to Arlington in 1963 and attended the Meadow Lane Baptist Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Gay Beasley; another sister, Elsie Benezue of Ocean Springs, Miss.; three brothers, Robert and Charles Rivers of Bunkie, La., and Bill Rivers of Mineral Wells; three grandsons; and six great-grandchildren.

Ruby Hardee

1924-2003

ANDREWS — Ruby Roberson Hardee, a former Snyder resident, died Friday, Nov. 14 at the Cimarron House in Midland.

Funeral service for Mrs. Hardee, 79, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the McNett Funeral Home Chapel with Don Ellison, Hospice of Midland chaplain, officiating. Burial will follow in the Andrews Old Cemetery.

Born July 11, 1924 in Clovis, N.M., she married M.K. Hardee of Ira on Dec. 24, 1942 in Snyder. He preceded her in death as did her parents, two sisters and five brothers.

The Hardees farmed in Scurry County before moving to Tulia in 1956. She moved to Andrews in 1999.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Lynn and Marcus Crow of Andrews; a son and daughter-in-law, Dennis Roy and Debra Hardee of Amarillo; eight grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Vivian Stone

1912-2003

BROWNFIELD — Vivian Stone, the aunt of Ernie Sears of Snyder, died Friday, Nov. 14, in Brownfield.

Funeral service for Mrs. Stone, 91, is set for 2 p.m. Monday in the First Baptist Church Chapel with the Rev. Randy Land officiating. Interment will follow in the Terry County Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

Born June 7, 1912 in Haskell, she moved to Terry County in 1921 and graduated from Gomez High School. She worked as a beautician for 12 years before entering Wayland Baptist Junior College 1972. She then enrolled at Howard Payne University and married James W. Stone in 1946 in Gomez. He died in 1995.

The Stones then attended Southwestern Theological Seminary before returning to Brownfield. She taught school in Gomez, Colorado and New Mexico. They raised sheep and chickens in Dolores, Colo., before returning to Brownfield in 1977.

She was a member of the hospital auxiliary, docents of the Terry County Heritage Museum and a member of the Gomez Homemakers Club. Mrs. Stone also was a Sunday school teacher at Faith Chapel Baptist Church.

Survivors also include two sisters, Iva Lee Patton of Brownfield and Wanita Dendy of Moses Lake, Wash.

Mr. Graichen

1930-2003

DUMAS, Ark. — Guenther Graichen, father of Ingrid Mullen of Snyder, died Monday, Nov. 10, in a Dumas hospital.

Funeral service was held Wednesday in the Dumas Funeral Home.

He was born on Oct. 10, 1930 in Germany.

Survivors include his wife, Hildegard Graichen of Dumas; two other daughters, Heidi Cole of Burnet and Gisela Cantrell of Dumas and her husband, Tommy; two sons, Dietmar Kraves of Houston and his wife, Birgit, and Berndi Kraus of Germany; 11 grandchildren, Gary Little, Dieter Mullen, Sherry Brooks, Susie Mullen, Paula Young, Dona Hamilton, Michael Cole, Stuart Cole, Katie and William Stilz and Chris Cantrell; 15 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

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Accident on QM2 kills at least twelve people, 32 injured

ST. NAZAIRE, France (AP) — A gangway collapsed Saturday as dozens of people were crossing it to board the Queen Mary 2, the world's largest passenger ship, killing 12 people and injuring 32 others, fire officials said.

The victims were family members visiting workers involved in construction of the nearly finished, 21-story-tall ocean liner, local officials said.

The relatives, who had been given permission to visit Saturday, had crowded on the access gangway from the dock to the ship, said Herve Malherbe, chief aid at the Loire-Atlantic prefecture. It was not immediately known how high up the gangway was or why it collapsed.

Ten of the injured were in serious condition, according to the Operational Center Fire and Rescue Center. France-Info radio reported that children were among the victims.

The Queen Mary 2 is currently in dry dock at this Atlantic coastal shipyard, where it remains under construction. Once completed, it will feature a planetarium, 22 elevators and the world's largest floating library.

The 150,000-ton trans-Atlantic liner recently finished its second test run. The first was in September.

Dozens of firefighters and rescue workers rushed to the scene of the accident, setting up medical units to treat the injured.

Once completed, the $800 million QM2 — the world's longest, tallest and most expensive passenger ship — will join an illustrious list of massive passenger ships.

The Queen Elizabeth 2 — whose trans-Atlantic route will be taken over by the new ship in April — was built in 1967; the original Queen Mary was launched in 1934 and is now a hotel in Long Beach, California.

In sheer size, the QM2 tops them all. It's 377 yards long and 79 yards high — or about the height of a 21-story building. It will weigh more than twice the QE2's 70,000 tons.

Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd.'s Voyager-class ships, about 138,000 tons, are currently the largest cruise ships in service.

The ship is being built by Alstom Marine's Chantiers de l'Atlantique for the British ship operator Cunard Line, which is owned by Carnival Corp.

Some 800 companies, mostly French, have been involved in the construction.

The QM2 has generated a lot of interest, with Chantiers de l'Atlantique saying it had received at least 150,000 letters from people asking to come aboard for a look.

Car bombs explode

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — Twin car bombs exploded outside synagogues in Istanbul during Sabbath prayers Saturday, killing at least 20 people and wounding more than 257, officials said.

Foreign Minister Abdullah Gul said there were "international connections" to the near-simultaneous attacks, one of which blasted the city's largest synagogue, Neve Shalom, as hundreds were gathered to celebrate a bar mitzvah.

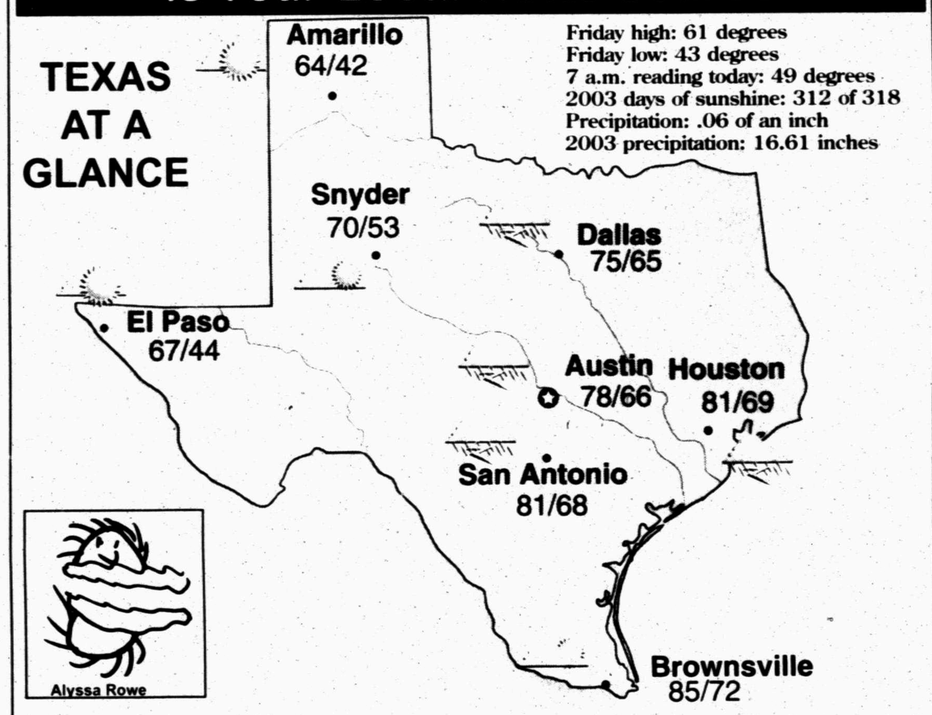
Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Sun 11/16	Mon 11/17	Tue 11/18
70/53	67/40	60/38
Partly cloudy. High near 70F. Winds SSE at 5 to 10 mph.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the low 40s.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the upper 30s.
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Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	72	58	t-storm	El Paso	67	44	mst sunny	Midland	70	52	pt sunny
Amarillo	64	42	mst sunny	Fort Stockton	73	52	pt sunny	Raymondville	87	69	cloudy
Austin	78	66	t-storm	Gainesville	74	60	t-storm	Rosenberg	81	69	t-storm
Beaumont	80	67	t-storm	Greenville	73	62	t-storm	San Antonio	81	68	t-storm
Brownsville	85	72	cloudy	Houston	81	69	t-storm	San Marcos	79	66	t-storm
Brownwood	75	61	t-storm	Kingsville	86	69	cloudy	Sulphur Springs	74	63	t-storm
Corpus Christi	83	71	cloudy	Livingston	77	65	t-storm	Sweetwater	71	57	t-storm
Corsicana	75	65	t-storm	Longview	72	64	t-storm	Tyler	74	65	rain
Dallas	75	65	t-storm	Lubbock	67	46	pt sunny	Weatherford	74	60	t-storm
Del Rio	74	64	t-storm	Lufkin	76	66	t-storm	Wichita Falls	73	58	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	68	54	cloudy	Houston	81	69	t-storm	Phoenix	62	49	pt sunny
Boston	47	33	sunny	Los Angeles	64	54	pt sunny	San Francisco	59	53	rain
Chicago	53	48	cloudy	Miami	82	73	mst sunny	Seattle	47	45	rain
Dallas	75	65	t-storm	Minneapolis	52	40	cloudy	St. Louis	63	49	pt sunny
Denver	52	31	cloudy	New York	53	44	cloudy	Washington, DC	58	44	cloudy

Moon Phases

Full	Last	New	First
Nov 9	Nov 17	Nov 23	Nov 30

UV Index

Sun 11/16	Mon 11/17	Tue 11/18
4	4	4
Low	Low	Low

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

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Sisters new members of Golden Key

Laura Jean Billingsley and Alison Paige Billingsgley, both of Snyder, have accepted membership in Golden Key International Honour Society and each was individually honored during a recent campus ceremony.

Both girls were inducted on Nov. 2 in a ceremony in the Allen Theater on the Texas Tech campus.

Alison is a junior, majoring in engineering technology, electrical division with a minor in mathematics. She graduated from Snyder High School in May, 2001.

Laura is a junior, majoring in business with minors in computer science and mathematics. She graduated from SHS in May of 2002.

They are the daughters of Shirley and Jerry Hodges and the late James Billingsley. They are the grandaughters of Mrs. Ruby Sellars of Snyder and the late Clint Sellars.

Golden Key International Honour Society was founded more than 25 years ago in Atlanta, Ga. and provides academic recognition to college juniors and seniors in the top 15 percent of their class.



Laura Jean and Allison Paige Billingsley

SJHS students ready for UIL

The following students will represent Snyder Junior High School Wednesday in the UIL academic contest in Sweetwater.

Calculator applications

Grade 7: Emanuel Hernandez, Kari Lord, Kailea Shaw and Erica Maldonado.

Grade 8: Devin Davidson, Audrey Jones, Brent Bollinger and Ryan Claxton.

Stewart Long is the sponsor.

Dictionary skills

Grade 7: Gina Hermosillo, Jackie Deleon, Ryanna Alexander and Brenna Fletcher.

Grade 8: Jessica DeLeon and Kelly Holdren.

Linda Huestis is the sponsor.

Impromptu speaking

Grade 8: Craig Robertson, Kristen Miller, Kirstie Davis and Amanda Martinez.

Darlene Robbins is the sponsor.

Maps, Graphs and Charts

Grade 7: Bailey Richardson, Mariah Robbins and Elizabeth Davis.

Grade 8: Tanner Butler, Preston Munson, Loren Toombs and Aaron DeLorera.

Gary Moore is the sponsor.

Mathematics

Grade 7: Jared Cave, Will Stewart, Wes von Roeder and Ashley Hagins.

Grade 8: Lance Day, Joe R. Garza, Blane Knipe and Morgan Moffett.

Theresa Vest is the sponsor.

Number sense

Grade 7: David Strayhorn, Kira Bilano, Jordan Wright, Britney Webb

Grade 8: J.W. Wesson, Brad Ashworth, Aaron DeLoera and Luke Robertson.

Theresa Vest is the sponsor.

Oral reading

Grade 7: Amy Fogleman, Britney Webb, Alix Rieser and Katie Spradlin.

Grade 8: Angela Amarillas, Adriana Herrera, Corey Jaramillo and Mari Robyn Gault.

Elise Keller is the sponsor.

Ready writing

Grade 7: Rubi Jaimes, Elizabeth Davis and Brittany Scott.

Grade 8: Nicole Means, Alayna Alexander, Devin Davidson and Kristen Miller.

Virginia Trevey is the sponsor.

Science

Grade 7: Jessica Bilderback, Wes von Roeder, Jordan Wright and Larissa Blackard.

Grade 8: Blane Knipe, Colton Brewster and Cassie Hernandez.

Sonja Hanks is the sponsor.

Spelling

Grade 7: Jared Cave and Ashley Hagins.

Grade 8: Angela Almanza, Christina Villa, Samantha Daves and Christian Tippens.

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Couple told to evacuate receive windfall

KELOWNA, British Columbia (AP) — It wasn't easy to notify Gerry Parker that he had won a magazine sweepstakes.

A courier couldn't deliver a letter to notify Parker that he had won more than $100,000 after the 71-year-old retired real estate agent and his wife Dianna, 57, were told to leave their home during a forest fire in September.



The Parkers stayed with friends and relatives, worrying about their home and belongings and unaware of the windfall on the way.

When the evacuation order was lifted, they found their home intact and a message on their answering machine from a courier company about an attempt to deliver an envelope.

Unaware of the contents, Parker waited a couple of days before driving to pick it up. Back in his car, he opened the letter and learned he had won a Reader's Digest customer appreciation sweepstakes.

If he responded quickly, the letter said, he would double his winnings.

On Oct. 7 — one month to the day after police knocked on his door and told him he had an hour to evacuate — Parker received two checks for about $58,000 each.

"I just about fell off my chair," Parker said Wednesday.

Parker said he had been a Reader's Digest subscriber for almost as long as he can remember and responds to all of its sweepstakes offers.

"My wife has been laughing at me for years for wasting all that money on stamps," Parker said. "Well, she's not laughing now."

Three soldiers refuse to plead to abuse charges

KUWAIT CITY (AP) — Three American soldiers refused to plead Saturday to charges of abusing Iraqi prisoners of war, and will face separate court-martials in January, a military spokesman said.

"All three deferred to plea," Maj. Victor Harris told The Associated Press. "They will do it at the trial."

The charges grew out of an alleged incident May 12 at a U.S. detention facility, Camp Bucca, in southern Iraq. The three soldiers, from the 320th Military Police Battalion, based in Ashley, Pa., are accused of punching and kicking Iraqi POWs while escorting them to Camp Bucca.

The soldiers have said they acted in self-defense, that conditions were chaotic at Camp Bucca, and that guards had been harassed and assaulted daily by unruly prisoners.

Saturday's arraignment at Camp Doha, which is run by the Third U.S. Army, was closed to the press.

The three soldiers are, Master Sgt. Lisa Marie Girman, 35; Staff Sgt. Scott A. McKenzie, 38; and Spc. Timothy F. Canjar, 21.

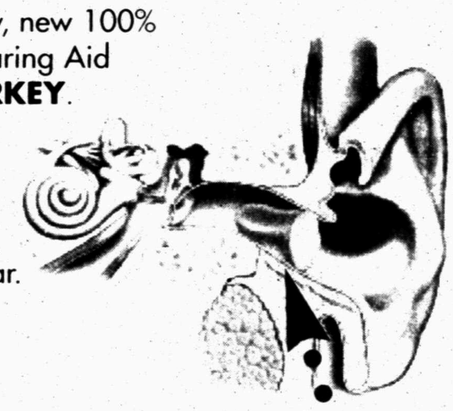
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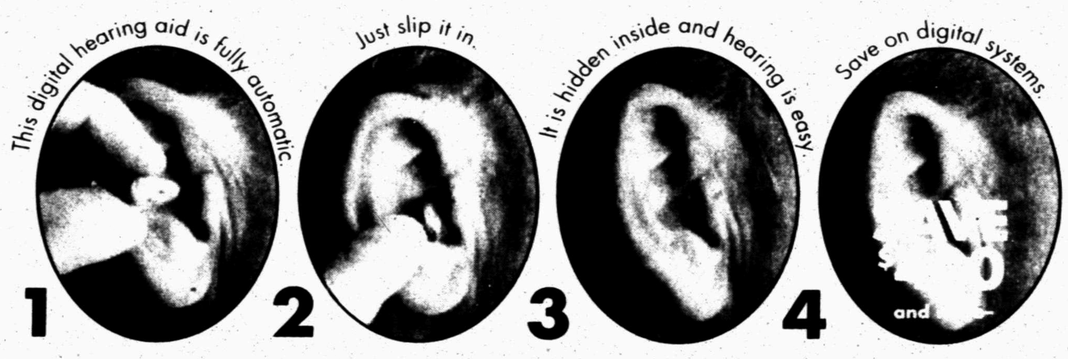
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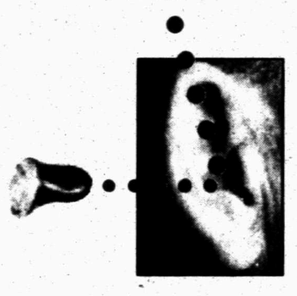
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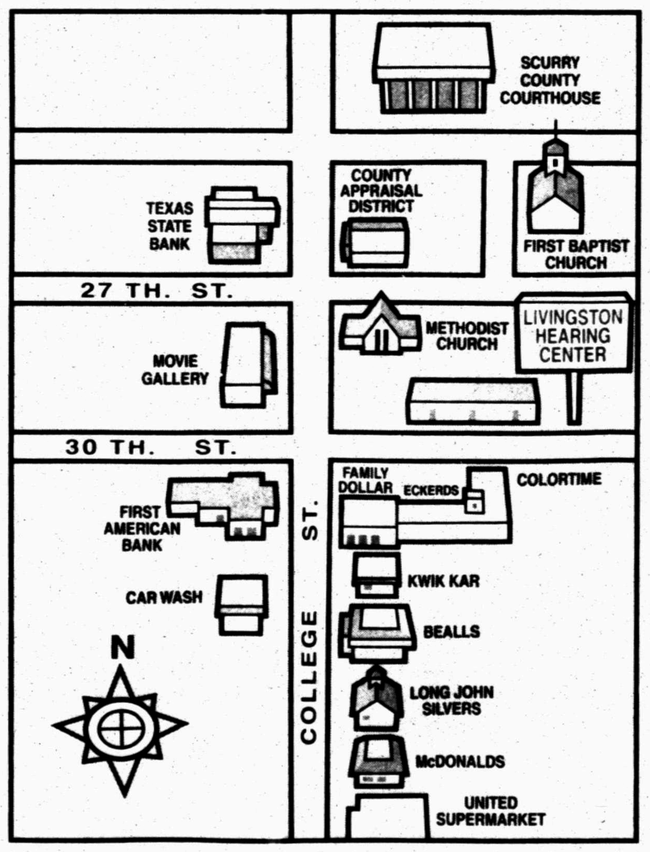
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Local woman making quilts for rehab facility

By Shirley A. Gorman
SDN News Editor

Sometimes the best way to help yourself is to help someone else.

Recent strokes have left Peggy Chandler with severe vertigo, speech difficulty and memory loss. When she started her latest quilt project six months ago, the Snyder woman had no idea that sewing would lessen her vertigo.

The quilts will be donated to 180 House, a treatment facility in Abilene for anyone trying to get clean of drugs or alcohol.

Peggy wants to give back to the place that helped her grandson, Brady Jones, 20, successfully combat his drug addiction. He continues to live and work in Abilene.

After Peggy dreamed that her quilts were on each bed at 180 House she decided to turn the dream into reality.

She had made 109 quilts at the time of this interview. Her goal is to make 115 to be distributed at 180 House's Christmas party in December.

Each quilt is different and features a variety of colors and designs. Numerous people have donated material for the project and Wal-Mart sells other needed supplies at a 10 percent discount.

Brady's mother, Vickie Jones, assists her mother with the quilt project. Vickie is a stainless welder for YZ Industries.

Peggy and her husband Doyle are retired from 84 Truck and Trailer. Peggy had worked as a mechanic for her husband.

Peggy is mainly a self-taught quilter. Her grandmother, Elry Rogers, had wanted to teach Peggy during her childhood years but at the time, Peggy said she wasn't interested.

Elry was known for always having the quilting frames up in her home. She always made quilts and gave many away to her grandchildren.

Through the years, Peggy has also made a lot of quilts and given all of them away.

Planning ahead, Peggy hopes to make quilts for the residents at Gateway Family Services, a shelter for victims of family violence.

Richard Kennedy opened 180 House 10 years ago in an abandoned nursing home. The ceiling was falling in and the wings were completed one at a time, but the treatment facility thrived.

Eight men were the first residents. Today 105 people reside at the facility. The residents are required to hold a job and they pay $60 a week while they are at 180 House.

Vickie said they learned about 180 House from the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse.



QUILT LADY — Peggy Chandler, left, and her daughter, Vickie Jones, are pictured will some of the quilts Chandler has made for 180 House, a drug and alcohol addiction rehab facility in Abilene.

In Texas...

More than 54,000 low-income kids dropped off rolls of CHIP insurance

AUSTIN (AP) — More than 54,000 low-income children dropped off the rolls of the state's popular Children's Health Insurance Program this year as new, stricter rules passed by the Legislature took effect.

Enrollment in CHIP from June 1 to Nov. 1 fell from 512,986 to 458,166, the Center for Public Policy Priorities reported Tuesday.

Even before the 11 percent enrollment decline in CHIP, Texas led the nation in the rate of uninsured, with one in four people lacking health insurance. CHIP is a low-cost health insurance program for children whose families earn too much money to qualify for Medicaid.

The center said 49,000 children who would have been enrolled in CHIP are not enrolled because of policy changes that took effect in September. Among the changes are a three-month waiting period for enrollment, the inability to deduct child care and child support payments in calculating income, and a requirement to recertify twice a year instead of once.

Other changes are still to come, including a stricter assets test to qualify.

Anne Dunkelberg, health policy analyst at the center, said the figures suggest that estimates of a 169,000 enrollment cut over the next two years is no exaggeration.

"That amounts to a one-third cut. If people were hoping those estimates were too extreme then they're going to be disappointed," Dunkelberg was quoted as saying in Wednesday's Houston Chronicle.

But Kristie Zamrazil, spokeswoman at the Health and Human Services Commission, suggested that most of the cutback came from weeding out children in families whose incomes have risen.

"Overall, the '04-'05 budget projects a decrease in caseloads largely based on the eligibility check every six months, which ensures that families who are enrolled in CHIP meet the eligibility requirements," she said.

The center's report suggests the enrollment decline resulted from a combination of changes, some that actually terminate coverage and others that discourage continued coverage. For example, families must now claim gross income and can no longer deduct expenses such as child support and child care.

"The impact of this number is already evident in the November 2003 CHIP enrollment figures," the report said. "About 16,800 children lost CHIP coverage due to this change."

Another factor contributing to the decline so far is a new three-month waiting period for new enrollees to the program as of Sept. 1. It means that those who applied in September won't begin getting health coverage until December.

While Zamrazil said requiring eligibility checks twice instead of once a year will ensure that only children in eligible families receive CHIP, Dunkelberg said it also reduces rolls because a certain percentage of parents will fail to recertify eligible children.

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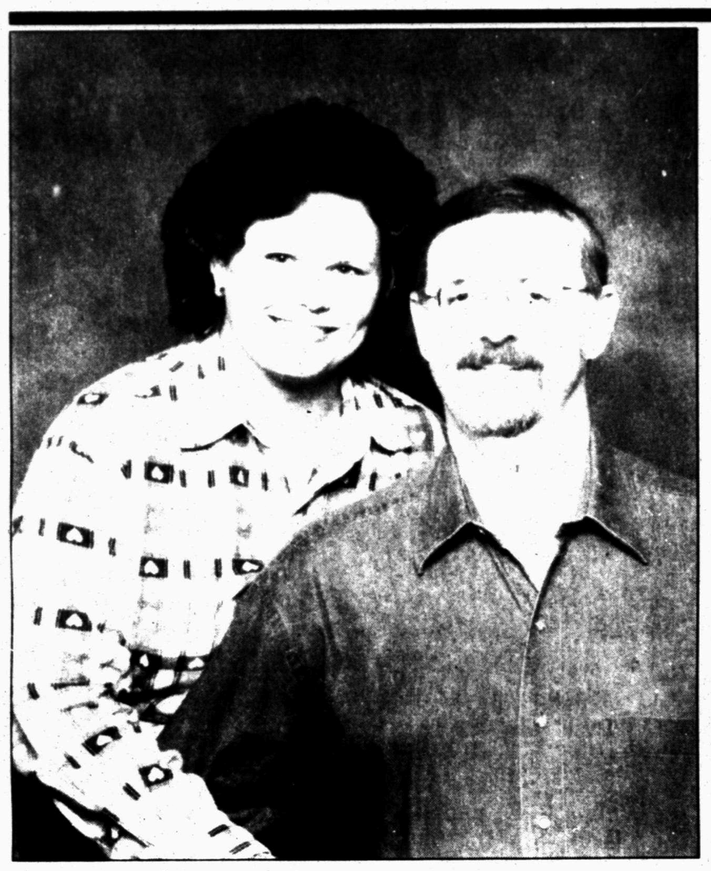
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MATHIS, HILLJE TO WED — Elizabeth Hillje of San Antonio and Dow Mathis, formerly of Fluvanna and Dermott, now residing in Kerrville, announce their plans to unite in marriage on Dec. 13 at the Center Point United Methodist Church in Center Point. Mathis is a computer analyst with GVNW Consulting Inc. The bride-elect is a legal assistant with the law firm of Lang & Kustoff, LLP. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fredric Vanden Bosch. The future groom is the son of Marge Mathis Dent of Snyder and the late Orval Mathis. (Contributed Photo)

Community Calendar

MONDAY

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

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 863-2383 for more information; 8 a.m. to noon.

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

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

Stargazers Family Community Education Club; 7 p.m.

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

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

TUESDAY

Gateway Family Services parenting discussion group, focuses on a variety of parenting issues and special challenges; no charge; call 573-1822 for more information; 10:30 a.m.

Alpha Study Club; Scurry County Library; Wanda Botsford, hostess; 2 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

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

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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



WINTER WEDDING PLANNED — Cary and Christi Coffee of Snyder announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Cailey, to Jeremy Steen. He is the son of Mike and Pam Steen of Lubbock. A Jan. 3 wedding is planned on Emerald Bay overlooking Lake Tahoe, followed by a Caribbean cruise. (Contributed Photo)

Parents' self-esteem can affect children's academic performance

Children need to feel good about themselves to be successful in the classroom, but how good parents feel about themselves can have a significant impact on their child's academic performance as well as shape what their child thinks is academically expected of him or her, according to research from Texas A&M University's Department of Teaching, Learning and Culture.

Diane Kaplan, a professor in the department, found that parents with low-self esteem can significantly affect their children's beliefs as well as academic performance. And while she emphasizes that parents' self-esteem is not the only factor influencing a child's performance, she does say it can play a significant role.

Working with husband Howard Kaplan, director of the Laboratory for the Studies of Social Deviance, and colleague Xiaoru Liu from San Diego State University, Kaplan asked children in her study what they believed was expected of them by their parents when it comes to education.

She found that children with parents who had low self- esteem but high educational attainment generally believed they were expected to do well in school, but children who had parents with low self-esteem and low educational attainment believed their parents didn't have such high educational expectations for them.

"Basically, we found that for parents with low self-esteem, how much education they had obtained makes a big difference in what their children believe is expected of them academically," Kaplan explains. She believes this may have to do with the fact that parents with low self-esteem tend to be withdrawn from their children, leaving them to take cues about expectations from their surroundings. Children with parents who have a relatively low level of education aren't going to find themselves in an environment that emphasizes education, Kaplan notes.

On the other hand, if parents have a greater degree of education, their children are much more likely to be in a home that fosters educational advancement. Even if parents are not communicating with their children, the children can see, from their surroundings, that education is important and so they feel like they are expected to succeed in the classroom, Kaplan explains.

On a more positive note, Kaplan says, these results show that for parents with high self-esteem, educational attainment isn't as significant a factor in shaping children's beliefs about their parents' expectations.

"Sometimes parents don't have a high degree of education, but nevertheless want their children to succeed academically," Kaplan says. "If the parents have high self-esteem and are concerned with what's in the best interest of their child, then it doesn't matter how much education they have. The child will believe his parent's expectations are high and will expect a lot out of himself."

According to her research, even if a child perceives that his or her parents' educational expectations are high, the child may still not perform well if the child senses the parent's have low self-esteem.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 11-15-03
♠ A Q 7 4
♥ K 7 5 2
♦ 10 4
♣ J 9 7

West
♠ 9 3
♥ 10 8 4
♦ K 6 5 3
♣ A K Q 2

East
♠ 8
♥ Q J 9
♦ J 9 8 7 2
♣ 8 6 5 3

South
♠ K J 10 6 5 2
♥ A 6 3
♦ A Q
♣ 10 4

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Both

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

Opening lead: ♣ A

Saturday, Nov. 15, 2003

The League has a better magazine

By Phillip Alder

Tournament bridge is this country is run by the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL). It also mails a monthly magazine to all members. The Bulletin used to be in a small-page format and printed on low-quality paper. But — finally! — starting last January, it enlarged. Now, the paper is good, there are lots of photos, and color is used throughout.

There is a variety of articles for players at all levels. The author for this deal wasn't named. If you were South, how would you try to make four spades after West starts the defense by leading out the top three club honors?

No auction was given. North's three-spade response is a limit raise promising 10-12 support points and at least four spades. Yes, West might have made a takeout double, but it would be thin, especially with only three hearts.

The reader is advised to ruff the third club, draw trumps, and play three rounds of hearts. If the suit divides 3-3, the last heart in the dummy is a winner, on which the diamond queen can be discarded. If, however, hearts break 4-2, declarer can fall back on the diamond finesse.

Fine, but there is a second line: At trick three, discard a low heart. This gives up no chances, and perhaps West will panic, leading a minor-suit card at trick four to donate the contract immediately.

Also, for experts, if West did double, there would be a temptation to play him for four hearts and the diamond king, when he can be squeeze-endplayed.

Full details about the ACBL are available at www.acbl.org.

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Duplicate Bridge Scores

Jane Hinton directed bridge Friday at the Snyder Country Club. Monte West directed Tuesday.

Friday, Nov. 7

1. Durelle Gorman, Dorothy Rosson.
2. Suzy Reed, Anita Talbott tied with Nina Nesbit, Nona Morrison.
3. Artie Harris, Bill Harris.

Tuesday, Nov. 11

1. Billisue Stuard, Jane Hinton.
2. Charles Blakey, Dora Blakey.
3. Dorothy Rosson, Margaret Dillaha.

Births

Jesse and Rebecca Salinas of Snyder announce the birth of their seven-pound daughter, Shelby Reagan Salinas, at 8:55 p.m. on Nov. 13 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Grandparents are Janie and Shorty Salinas of Snyder and Kirby McCravey, also of Snyder.

Wendy Loper of Sunset, formerly of Snyder, announces the birth of her son, Brayden Cyle Carrisalez, at 12:24 p.m. on Nov. 11 in Nocona General Hospital in Nocona. Brayden weighed six pounds, one-half ounce and has a brother, Bradley Clay.

Grandparents are Joel and Teresa Loper of Sunset, formerly of Snyder.

Stallone sued by boxer

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Former heavyweight boxer Chuck Wepner is suing actor Sylvester Stallone for a share of the profits from the "Rocky" movies, claiming the series was based on Wepner's career.

Wepner, who went nearly 15 punishing rounds in a 1975 loss to Muhammad Ali, claims in a lawsuit filed Wednesday in state Superior Court in Jersey City that Stallone repeatedly credits that fight as the inspiration for the 1976 Oscar-winning film.

Bridal Registry

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GOLDCOATS RIBBON CUTTING — O'Reilly Auto Parts at 3607 College Ave. was welcomed by Snyder Goldcoats at a ribbon cutting this week. Elois Pruitt expressed appreciation for the business locating in Snyder and presented the chamber membership plaque to Frankie Castillo, store manager, and Randy Morris, district manager from Abilene. Following the ribbon cutting, in the bottom photo, Morris presented a check from the business and employees to the Scurry County United Way, accepted by Dee Blackwell, board member. (Staff Photos by Jo Ann Nunley)

Scurry County Library News & Views

By Janie Romine, director

This week is Children's Book Week, so take the time to read to a child. Bring a child to the library, get him a library card if he does not have one, and let a child pick out some books for you to read together.

Each time a child checks out books this week, he may put his name in a drawing for a prize.

The Scurry County Library has books for AR, books for reports, or books for reading pleasure. We have the books you had as a child, such as *The Boxcar Children*, and we have the new books that your child will recognize.

Each child will be given a special bookmark this week each time he or she checks out a book.

On Thursday evening we will have a special "PJ" Storytime. Children, aged preschool through sixth grade, are invited to Storytime and they may wear their pajamas and bring their Teddy bears. It will begin at 7 p.m. with stories, and will finish around 8 p.m. Bring your child for this special Storytime.

Do not forget to check out books for your child while here, and fill out a card for a prize.

The month of November kicks off our "Food for Fines" drive. If you have any fines owed to the Scurry County Library, you may pay these fines with canned goods. The library will accept two (2) cans for every dollar you owe.

This is a good time to clear your fines so that you can resume checking out books and use the Internet at the library. Bring in those cans and we will deliver them to the food cupboard to help those less fortunate. Please make sure the cans are in good condition.

We hope to see you this week for Children's Book Week. Remember, give your children the best start in life by reading to them. Check out a book at the Scurry County Library and share some special moments with a child.

Second-hand gifts may not be good

CLEMSON, S.C. (AP) — Your cousin gave you a sentimental figurine last year that doesn't exactly blend with your collection of Imari porcelain. It's still in its box, so maybe you can just rewrap it and present it to a co-worker this season.

Then you reconsider. After all, your sister-in-law once gave you a chiffon scarf which smelled of her cologne and carried a few telltale wisps of her hair. You resented that second-hand gift.

So, is regifting, as it's called, unethical? Not necessarily, says Dan Wueste, director of the Rutland Center for Ethics at Clemson University. But it might be unseemly to give someone a gift you didn't like, knowing the recipient probably won't like it either. "It's somewhat like putting your trash in someone else's yard," he said.

There also are the ramifications about your obligation to the giver, he said. Wueste says you ought to ask yourself what you owe to the person giving the gift; the answer could be different for each individual.

As an example, he cites the possibility an aunt has sent you a handmade lime green sweater — something you'd never wear. If you decide to give it away, what do you say if the aunt asks how you like it?

You have two options, Wueste says. You can be honest and tell her you didn't like it and gave it to a neighbor to line a doggy bed, or you can tell a little white lie about how you're allergic to lime green dye.

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4. "Blow Fly" by Patricia Cornwell (Putnam)
5. "Shepherds Abiding" by Jan Karon (Viking)
6. "Blood Canticle" by Anne Rice (Knopf)
7. "Love" by Toni Morrison (Knopf)
8. "Safe Harbour" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte)
9. "Bleachers" by John Grisham (Doubleday)
10. "Split Second" by David Baldacci (Warner)

NONFICTION/GENERAL

1. "The South Beach Diet" by Arthur Agatston (Rodale Press)
2. "The Purpose-Driven Life" by Rick Warren (Zondervan)
3. "A Royal Duty" by Paul Burrell (Putnam)
4. "Dude, Where's My Country" by Michael Moore (Warner)
5. "Lies and the Lying Liars Who Tell Them" by Al Franken (Dutton)
6. "The Ultimate Weight Solution" by Phil Mcgraw (Free Press)
7. "Who's Looking Out For You? " by Bill O'Reilly (Broadway)
8. "Flyboys: A True Story Of Courage" by James Bradley (Little, Brown)
9. "Every Second Counts" by Lance Armstrong and Sally Jenkins (Broadway)
10. "A National Party No More: The Conscience of a Conservative Democrat" by Zell Miller (Stroud & Hall)

MASS MARKET PAPERBACKS

1. "Key of Light" by Nora Roberts (Jove)
2. "Angels and Demons" by Dan Brown (Pocket)
3. "Dr. Atkins New Diet Revolution" by Robert C. Atkins (Avon)
4. "Mystic River" by Dennis Lehane (HarperTorch)
5. "Reversible Errors" by Scott Turow (Warner)
6. "Deception Point" by Dan Brown (Pocket)
7. "Portrait of a Killer: Jack the Ripper-Case Closed" by Patricia Cornwell (Berkley)
8. "By the Light of the Moon" by Dean Koontz (Bantam)
9. "Timeline" by Michael Crichton (Ballantine)
10. "Four Blind Mice" by James Patterson (Warner Vision)

TRADE PAPERBACKS

1. "The Secret Life of Bees" by Sue Monk Kidd (Penguin)
2. "Life of Pi" by Yann Martel (Harcourt)
3. "Middlesex" by Jeffrey Eugenides (Picador)
4. "Dr. Atkins' New Carbohydrate Gram Counter" by Robert C. Atkins, M.D. (M. Evans)
5. "30-Minute Meals 2" by Rachael Ray (Lake Island Press)
6. "Rich Dad, Poor Dad" by Robert T. Kiyosaki and Sharon L. Lechter (Warner)
7. "Golden Buddha" by Clive Cussler and Craig Dirgo (Berkley)
8. "Under the Tuscan Sun: At Home in Italy" by Frances Mayes (Broadway)
9. "What to Expect When You're Expecting" by Heidi E. Murkoff, Arlene Eisenberg and Sandee Hathaway (Workman)
10. "The Little Friend" by Donna Tart (Vintage)

Jethro Tull off list

MANAHAWKIN, N.J. (AP) — Jethro Tull is off the playlist of a classic rock station after the band's frontman criticized displays of the Stars and Stripes.

"I hate to see the American flag hanging out of every bloody station wagon, out of every SUV, every little Midwestern house in some residential area," Ian Anderson was quoted as saying in an interview published Sunday in the Asbury Park Press. "It's easy to confuse patriotism with nationalism. Flag waving ain't gonna do it."

The verdict from listeners of WCHR-FM's "The Free Beer & Hot Wings Morning Show" was swift.

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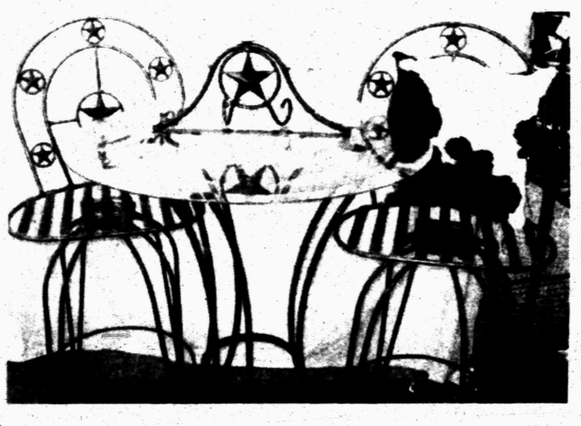
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SNYDER MENU

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BREAKFAST
All Schools
Monday
Scrambled Eggs w. Bacon
Tuesday
Chilled Peaches
Biscuit & Sausage
Wednesday
Egg & Cheese Taco
Applesauce
Thursday
French Toast Sticks
Friday
Sausage in a Biscuit

ELEMENTARY LUNCH
Monday
Chicken Nuggets
Salisbury Steak
Cheddar Mashed Potatoes
Seasoned Green Beans
Texas Toast
Tuesday
Beef Enchiladas
Barbecued Chicken w/Roll
Refried Beans
Santa Fe Rice
Chilled Peaches
Wednesday
All American Chili Dog
"Fighting Tiger" Hamburger
French Fries
Golden Kernel Corn
Hot Rolls
Thursday
Chicken Pot Pie
Spaghetti & Meat Sauce
Broccoli
Mashed Potatoes
Chocolate Fluff
Friday
Pepperoni Pizza
Bean & Rice Burrito
Buffalo French Fries
Carrot Sticks
Hot Peach Cobbler

LUNCH
Junior High
Monday
Chicken Nuggets
Salisbury Steak
Pepperoni Pizza
Cheeseburger
Cheddar Mashed Potatoes
Lettuce & Pickle
Seasoned Green Beans
Texas Toast
Tuesday
Beef Enchiladas
Barbecued Chicken w/Rolls
Pepperoni Pizza
Cheeseburger
Lettuce & Pickles
Refried Beans
Santa Fe Rice
Chilled Peaches
Wednesday
All American Chili Dog
Spaghetti & Meat Sauce
Pepperoni Pizza
Cheeseburger
Lettuce & Pickles
French Fries
Golden Kernel Corn
Fresh Fruit
Thursday
Chicken Pot Pie
Chef Salad
Pepperoni Pizza
Cheeseburger
Lettuce & Pickles
Broccoli
Mashed Potatoes
Chocolate Fluff
Friday
Thanksgiving Celebration
Turkey & Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Seasoned Green Beans
Hot Rolls
Ice Cream Cup

High School
Monday
Chicken Nuggets
Salisbury Steak
Beef Burrito
Pepperoni Pizza
Salad Bar
Cheddar Mashed Potatoes
Seasoned Green Beans
Lettuce & Pickles
Texas Toast
Tuesday
Beef Enchiladas
Barbecued Chicken w/Roll
Hamburger
Beef Burrito
Pepperoni Pizza
Salad Bar
Refried Beans
Santa Fe Rice
Chilled Peaches
Wednesday
Chili Dog
Spaghetti & Meat Sauce
Hamburger
Beef Burrito
Pepperoni Pizza
Salad Bar
French Fries
Golden Kernel Corn
Hot Rolls
Thursday
Chicken Pot Pie
Chef Salad
Hamburger
Beef Burrito
Pepperoni Pizza
Salad Bar
Broccoli
Mashed Potatoes
Chocolate Fluff
Friday
Thanksgiving Celebration
(Same as Junior High only with fruit salad)

HERMLEIGH MENU

All meals are served with milk and juice is offered for breakfast.

BREAKFAST
Monday
Blueberry Muffins
Tuesday
Ham & Toast
Wednesday
Breakfast Combo
Thursday
Pancake Pups
Friday
Cinnamon Rolls

LUNCH
Monday
Chicken & Dumplings
Spinach
Carrot Sticks
Hot Biscuits
Chocolate Pudding
Tuesday
Chili Dogs
Onions/Pickle Relish
French Fries
Peanut Butter Cookies
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Fried Chicken Sandwich
Lettuce & Tomato
Tater Tots
Pineapple Tidbits
Thursday
Turkey & Dressing
Sweet Potatoes
Green Beans
Hot Rolls
Fruit Salad
Friday
Barbecue Sandwich
Pickle/Onions
French Fries
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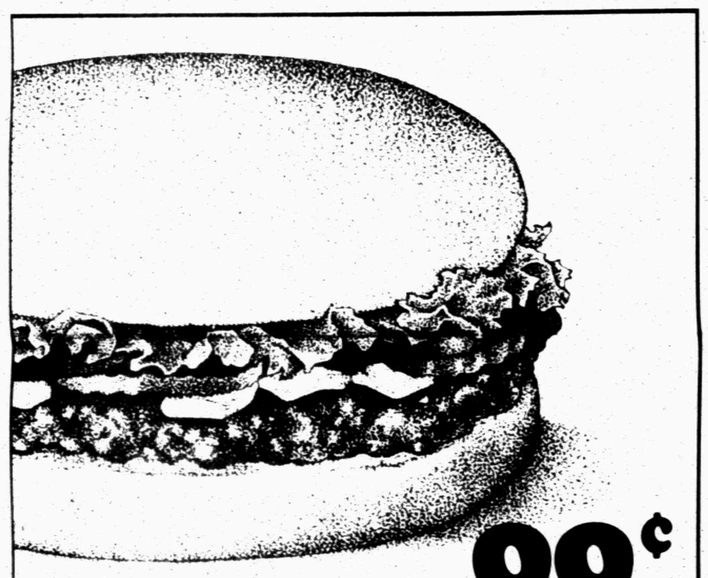
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LUNCH
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Chicken Fried Steak/Peanut Butter Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes, Gravy
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Chili Cheese Dogs/Grill Cheese
Potato Wedges
Pork-n-Beans
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Wednesday
Turkey, Dressing
Mashed Potatoes
Sweet Potatoes
Green Beans
Stuffed Celery
Hot Rolls
Pumpkin Pies
Thursday
Chicken Patti on a Bun/Hamburger
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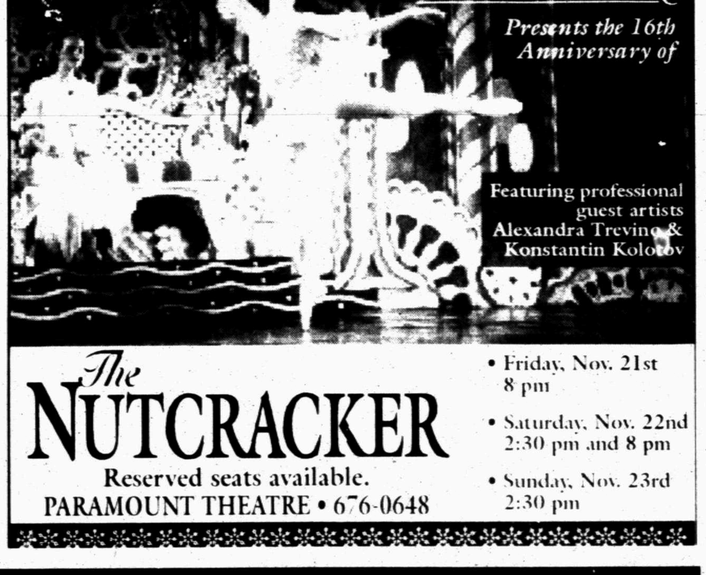
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By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003

Chances are there will be a plethora of opportunities to come your way in the year ahead to better your lot in life. You won't have to look for them out of your field of operation; they'll come from happenings around you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Watch how you conduct yourself in testy situations today. Scorpios can strike back at a moment's notice and end up looking like the perpetrator instead of the inflicted.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — It might be wise to face what is irritating you today and bring it out into the open. That famous temper of yours could explode when you least expect it if you keep things bottled up.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Keep your nose clean today and stay out of a friend's dilemma. You could get yourself so deeply involved in this person's interests that his or her burden could be transferred to you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Failing to acknowledge the role cohorts had played in an accomplishment you were part of will cause you to lose respect today. Make it a point to give credit where credit is due.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Attempting to force others to yield to your orders today may get them to comply, but will only gain you mediocre results. If you want quality input, try consideration and tact.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Sweet-sounding investment proposals could turn out to be a lot of pie-in-the-sky today. Before plunking down good money, check things out thoroughly so you don't end up with burnt crust.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — If both you and your mate don't have equal input in making a major family decision today and something goes awry, it could trigger an ongoing fight. Render all judgments together.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Your directives will fall on deaf ears today if others think you're telling them to do things that you won't do yourself. You're going to have to set the example first in order to get compliance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — A lack of self-discipline today could end up being pretty costly, not just in reckless spending, but by talking yourself into believing you can get something for nothing and taking a foolish gamble.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — By misplacing your loyalties today you could be more tolerant and understanding with strangers than you are with your own relatives. Reverse your priorities.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Belittling your abilities could stop you from accomplishing all that you're capable of today. If you think you can't do something, you'll prove yourself right.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Only remorse will result today from frivolously spending funds that are allocated for essential needs, hoping you can cover them later. You know that won't happen, so protect your interests.

Monday, Nov. 17, 2003

The year ahead could be a banner one for you if you take advantage of all the opportunities that develop for you financially or materially over the next 12 months. Don't give up on your dreams.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Be careful when shopping today. You could see something that you so completely fall in love with that you'd buy it at any price, yet, unfortunately, your fascination with it isn't likely to last.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — An obstacle that has been hampering your progress in fulfilling a personal ambition can be alleviated today if you act now. The same conditions won't be there tomorrow.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Watch yourself if you're feeling a bit insecure today about someone you love. Your emotions could cause you to become excessively jealous or possessive and drive this person away.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Events today could serve as a catalyst that would bring friends and associates together in ways that encourage warm relationships and help push forward a project you all share with one another.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Try to focus your efforts today on truly meaningful objectives. Chances are you'll be able to accomplish things at this time with difficult people you wouldn't be able to do at any other time.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Plans you make today need to be scheduled for review at another date to make certain that you hadn't fallen so-in love with your concept that you forgot about the details. If the base is sound, it'll hold up.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Devote time to a joint interest you have with another today to sort out the possibilities for gain. An item you overlooked could be turned into something that would be very worthwhile.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Lay the groundwork for an agreement of importance that you've been contemplating. The timing is excellent for structuring something that would be most agreeable for both.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — This could be an excellent day to go job hunting or seek a promotion if you're looking to better yourself. The kind of impression you're apt to make today would appeal to the boss.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Expose yourself to situations where you can meet and make new friends today. One among them could be fascinating to you and hold much potential for developing a relationship.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — A domestic situation that may have been causing a bit of friction on the home front can be resolved today in a way that would make everybody happy and satisfied.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Today's effects will pass quickly, so don't lock yourself into any plans that are so strictly structured you wouldn't be able to alter them later when the sudden shift in conditions occurs.

Major changes are ahead for Scorpio in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167. Visit www.bernice4u.com for more advice.

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Filed in District Court

Mike Tatum vs. S&J Operating Company, Robert Roland and Basic Energy Services, suit for injuries.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Connie Day Irvine and John Elon Irvine, divorce granted.

Deed Records

Betty L. Hataway and Sonny Joe Hataway to Robert D. and DeLois K. Howland, tract one being an 0.555-acre tract in Section 207, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract two being an 0.0023-acre tract in Section 207, Block 97, H&TC survey.

David W. and Terra Holley to Darci C. Cone, Lots 1-4 in Block 3 of the Glenn Huffman Subdivision.

W.M. and Bonnie Ward to Larry and Virginia Antognini, tract one being a 0.11-acre tract in Section 46, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being 10 acres in the southwest one-quarter of Section 56, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Ann L. Lord to Alice Lord Daniels, Lot 11 in Block 1 of The Highland Terrace Addition.

Geral Mac Greene to Eddie Don and Martha Floyd, 1.66 acres in the north one-half of Section 76, Block 2, H&GN survey.

James Thomas Beckham to James R. and Leslie A. Hoyle and Dalvin and Belinda Alexander, the north 75 feet of the east 120 feet of Lot 1, Block 22 of the Blankenship Addition.

Eddie Don and Martha Floyd to Tim M. and Connie A. Collier, tract one being 10 acres in the west one-half of the southwest one-quarter of Section 76, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being 10 acres in the west one-half of the southwest one-quarter of Section 76, Block 3, H&GN survey.

J.L. and Doris May Byars to Augustine Roy and Maria Christine Torres, a tract in the northeast one-quarter of Section 120, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Joe Zamora to Swartz and Brough Inc., the east 100 feet of the south 75 feet of Lot 2 in Block 37 of the Blankenship Addition.

Combs donates $1 million to schools

NEW YORK (AP) — Hip-hop entrepreneur Sean "P. Diddy" Combs gave the city $1 million he raised for public schools by running the New York City M[illegible]

The money will be used to support school libraries and technology.

At a City Hall news conference to announce the donation Thursday, Combs and members of his entourage met with Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

"It's an honor and blessing," said Combs, whose [illegible] children attend private schools, "to do something good for the city."

[illegible] who completed the marathon in 4:14:54, raised $2 million overall. The other $1 million will go to other charitable causes.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



College graduate is flunking his transition to real life

DEAR ABBY: I am a 24-year-old guy a year out of college. For a while, I had a job in my field, but it didn't hold my interest. Management picked up on it. They let me go before my six-month probation period was over.

Now I'm stuck living at home collecting unemployment. I don't have any idea what I want to do with my life. My days are spent watching TV, puttering around on the computer and playing video games. My parents are nagging me to get another job and treating me like a second-class citizen because I don't have one.

I'm clear on the things I like and don't like, but nobody's going to pay me to watch TV for a living. I know I'd like to get married and have a family, but in terms of a career, I don't have a clue. I envy people who have their whole lives planned and stick to it.

Every time my mother makes a suggestion, I tell her she's way off. She complains I have no ambition, and she's right. I'm a tad lazy. All I care about is what's happening on "Friends" and what my friends and I are doing for fun on the weekend.

According to statistics, it takes six to nine months for someone to find another job, but I don't know how or where to begin. Meanwhile, my bills are piling up, and I'm supposed to be paying rent to my parents. I also have a student loan hanging over my head like a hatchet. Abby, please help me get outta here! — **DOWN ON MY LIFE IN EDMONTON, ALBERTA**

DEAR DOWN: A logical first step would be for you to go back to the college from which you graduated and consult its career counseling services. You will be tested to see where your talents and training lie. Somewhere along the line, you lost your direction and self-confidence. You should also be evaluated by your doctor for ADHD and depression.

You are obviously a bright young man. There is more to life than parties and television. Please take the necessary steps to get on with your life. You have much to offer.

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DEAR ABBY: I am 34 years old, married for three years. My husband does not work. He gets a disability check but doesn't help with the bills or anything around the house. He claims he's looking for a job.

I recently told him about a job opportunity, and he asked me if I would forward his resume. I did. The next day, he told me he wasn't interested in the job because it was a graveyard shift.

I thought a graveyard shift was better than no shift at all. I am struggling to make ends meet, and he is still making no effort to help. I told him almost a year ago that he would have to move out. Well, he is still here.

I want to move on with my life, but I'm afraid to take the next step. Please give me some advice. I am very confused. — **STRUGGLING IN MARYLAND**

DEAR STRUGGLING: It appears your husband is shiftless in more ways than one. If the present situation continues, you will crack under the stress. If he were looking for employment but unable to find it, I'd advise you to be patient and have your husband screened for depression. However, since he has you carrying the entire load and shows no signs of assuming his share of the responsibilities, my advice is to contact a lawyer. That may be the wake-up call your husband needs.

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DEAR ABBY: I'm 15. My mom recently split up with her second husband. He was very controlling and abusive. Afterward, she promised me she would not get into any more relationships with men for a while. I was glad because I really need her attention right now — and so do my younger sisters. (Our stepfather never allowed her to be alone with us.)

Our problem is, one month later mom broke her promise and started seeing another man. My sisters and I don't like him because he is an alcoholic, with no job, and he's making our mother more depressed than she was. When he gets drunk, he flips out and threatens suicide. I don't think this is healthy for my mom, and it saddens me to see her in another messed-up relationship.

I have tried talking to her about this, but she gets mad and says I don't want her to be happy. I just want what is best for her. Am I being selfish or are my feelings right? Can you please talk to her? — **MARIE IN WASHINGTON**

DEAR MARIE: Sometimes the young people who write to me have a clearer vision of what's going on than the adults in their lives. You appear to be one of them.

You didn't mention whether your father is part of your lives, or if you have any aunts, uncles or grandparents to whom you can confide.

Your mother appears to be desperate for a man in her life. She is not thinking clearly, which is why she's not getting your important message. She needs to hear it from another adult, so bring this problem to the attention of a trusted relative, teacher, school nurse, clergyperson or the parent of a friend. Please don't wait.

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DEAR ABBY: "Adam," the boy I went to the prom with last spring, had a serious car accident just before summer vacation. He had multiple injuries and some brain damage. Miraculously, he has almost fully recovered. I visited Adam many times while he was in the hospital and in rehab. I wanted to "be there" for him and his family.

My problem is, now that he is better, he wants to pick up where we left off and continue our romantic relationship. But I don't feel the same about him. It has nothing to do with his accident; it's just that I met a great guy this summer and he is now my boyfriend.

The other day, Adam told me he can't stop thinking about me, and when he does it makes him feel good. How do I tell him that we are no longer a couple without making him dejected? He is already pessimistic and could get depressed. I would like him just to be a friend. — **CAN'T GO ON LEADING HIM ON**

DEAR CAN'T GO ON: Tell Adam the truth before he hears it from someone else. Make it plain that you care about his welfare and want to remain friends — as your behavior has demonstrated — but that you are now romantically involved with someone else.

Do not allow anyone to make you feel guilty about it. You were there for Adam when he needed you most — and you were only dating. Neither of you had made a lifetime commitment.

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Troops returning for R&R get big welcome

LINTHICUM, Md. (AP) — The young soldiers arriving from Iraq for two weeks' R&R have become a familiar sight at Baltimore-Washington International Airport since the military launched its leave program Sept. 26.

Equally familiar are the volunteers from the USO and veteran's organizations who are there to greet the soldiers.

The soldiers land in groups of 200, usually after a grueling 16-hour flight. They arrive dressed in sandy-colored desert fatigues with huge knapsacks on their backs. Some are with a buddy, but most wind up sitting alone, looking very tired, confused and anxious.

The volunteers arrive solo or in pairs, wearing jackets, vests or caps identifying their organization. Generally two generations removed, the volunteers bustle about the lonely soldiers like loving grandparents, offering coffee, advice and a smile.

"When the first flight came in, we looked at each other and said 'My God, they're babies,'" said Richard Udoff, 72, of Owings Mills.

Udoff, a VFW district commander, felt moved to come down by the memory of how he felt as a young soldier in 1949.

"You know, at our post meetings and district meetings, guys are saying: 'Nobody did anything for me after World War II or Korea or Vietnam,'" Udoff said. "And I say, 'Isn't that the point?'"

The Pentagon launched the R&R rotation program, the largest since the Vietnam War, this summer. Baltimore's airport, already a major military gateway for troops stationed overseas, handles two flights a day — one arriving and one departing. Volunteers have met every flight.

Adrienne Trout, director of the USO International Gateway Lounge, said volunteers have logged over 1,600 hours since October. Early in the program, they had so many volunteers she had to place them on a waiting list.

"They've really stepped to the plate," she said.

The USO lounge, built in 1999, offers a 60-inch television screen, usually tuned to a sports channel. It has a sleeping room, Internet connections and telephones. Volunteers have donated coffee and doughnuts. A nearby motel offers soldiers a place to shower and nap.

"It makes me feel good to get out here. I feel we do a lot of good," said Raymond Shipley, 75, the state VFW commander. "Anything we can do to make their time here more pleasant, we're glad to do. I hate to see them going back though. They ought to be home, falling in love or helping with the chores instead of going back to war."

Many of the soldiers passing through the airport Tuesday said they are grateful for the attention — especially after the weekend attack that downed a military helicopter, killing 15 and wounding 20.

"I think they're wonderful — it made me want to cry," said Specialist Amanda Veech, 21, of the 123rd Military Support Battalion. "This is the first time I've been in the states for two years and just seeing them smile at me was special."

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EVERYBODY HAS MUSIC — East Elementary students in Janie Carroll's and Ann Wright's classes recently performed *Everybody Has Music*. Sharlot Sparlin is the musical director. Mrs. Wright's class (top photo) top row from left, Flavio Borrego, Tyler Clay, Lateisha Richardson, Angela DeLoera, Miriam Arellano and DaShay Smith; middle row, Gina Garcia, Slade Birkenfeld, Jessica Guardado, Malak Wills, Edgar Molina and Dalton Toland; bottom row, Justin Haggard, Savannah Glasscock, Virginia Torres, Andrea Rodriguez, Alberto Resendiz and Lance Morris. Carroll's students top row from left, Aaron Garza, Kenner Escobedo, Jazmyn Moore, Donica Flores, Damian Donaldson, Alicyn Hernandez and Veronica Arriega; middle row, Jr. Rodriguez, M.J. Diaz, Timmy Hart and Samantha Edwards; bottom row, Mystery Thurman, Alex Rivera, Zoi Malone, Adrian Segura and Carlos Sanchez. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

'Shadow jury' helped defense team develop strategy for trial

GALVESTON (AP) — Days before an eccentric millionaire was acquitted by a jury of charges that he murdered a neighbor whose body was cut up and thrown into Galveston bay, four people who aided consultants for the defense attorneys had come to the same conclusion.

Jury consultant Robert Hirschhorn said Thursday that the "shadow jury" members didn't know whether they were hired by the defense or the prosecution to view the seven-week murder trial of Robert Durst that was decided earlier this week.

In an elaborate defense strategy to anticipate problems before and during the trial, Hirschhorn said, the shadow jurors were picked to reflect Galveston County demographics — a cross-section of big-city, suburban, rural and Galveston Island residents. He said the group was debriefed each evening of the trial by people unidentified with either side.

Hirschhorn, a Dallas-based attorney, helped Durst defense attorneys pick the official 12-member jury panel.

In mid-2002, the defense attorneys first conducted a telephone survey to determine if they felt Durst could get a fair trial in Galveston County.

"Based on the survey, we felt that if the judge would let us question potential jurors individually and let us have them fill out a questionnaire, that would be sufficient to allow us to not seek a change of venue to another county," the attorney said.

Prosecutors, with state District Judge Susan Criss's approval, agreed to the defense requests to avoid a costly move of the trial to another county.

Defense attorneys, in presentations to focus groups of Galveston County residents, confirmed that Durst's admission that he dismembered Morris Black's body, accusations of his bond-jumping and months as fugitive from the Texas murder charge were the biggest defense problems.

"Then we wanted to find out how we could defuse those hot-button issues so jurors would be open to hearing Bob's case," Hirschhorn told the Houston Chronicle in Friday's editions.

Durst maintained he acted in self-defense after Black pulled a pistol on him in his apartment in September 2001, with the two struggling over the gun that accidentally discharged, and the defendants later cut up the body in a panic. Prosecutors accused Durst of fatally shooting Black, 71, to assume his identity.

Comments of focus group members, after hearing the two versions, led defense attorneys to change from traditional trial tactics, Hirschhorn said.

"Normally, the state focuses on just the gunshot or the stabbing in a murder case," he said. "Prosecutors are always trying to limit the jury's focus. The defense is always telling jurors they have to look at what happened before and after the death in order to figure out what caused it to occur."

Defense attorneys emphasized throughout pre-trial research and individual questioning of scores of potential jurors starting in August that if the gun fired accidentally, Durst's dismemberment of Black's body didn't change the fact that he acted in self-defense.

"In the Durst case, the defense urged jurors to look only at what happened in the apartment when the gun went off," Hirschhorn said.

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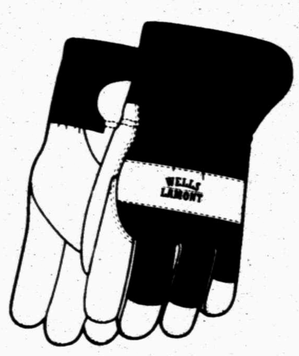
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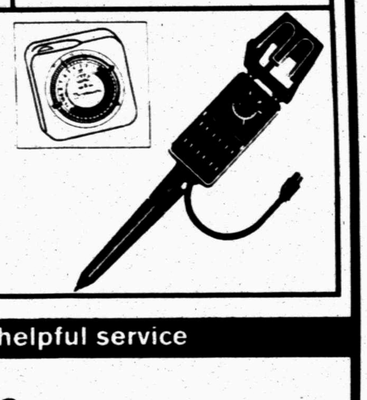


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Speaker for all seasons

by Don Newbury

She was busy, working around the home, in and out of the den. She was half-listening to the TV. He was deeply engrossed. She kept hearing comments about "slam dunks" and King James.

"I give up," she said, "Is it a basketball game or a Bible drill?"

Hubby smiled. He explained that all the to-do was about LeBron James, the 18-year-old Ohio youngster who went straight from high school in June to the Cleveland Cavaliers in the National Basketball Association.

He told her about this being the first professional game for the 6-8, 240-pounder, and how he earned a starting role. Further, he emphasized that stardom almost certainly awaits, and that fans fully expect "King James" to be fully anointed for many years to come.

That first game provided the expected "ooohs and ahhhhs." James scoring 25 points in his first NBA outing was an eighth wonder of the world feat. Eight previous NBA stars coming straight from high schools scored a total of 25 points in their first pro games. (James is fixed financially with a $13 million contract, and more than $100 million for endorsements, with Nike leading the way.)

Odds are great that LeBron, like others crowned in advance of conquests, may fall prey to the ravages of riches, stardom and the national media spotlight. Ever present, the glare will make memories of his high school coverage seem as mere candles. He will find no shadows beyond his own.

Near his spread — wherever he chooses his spread to be — will be four horses worthy of fear. They will be ever present and ever chafing to be ridden. May Famine, Plague, Pestilence and War find other riders.

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To realize the difference in baseball attendance Miami's Pro Players' Stadium during regular season games and the three World Series games there, imagine this: At a typical game, there were three extra seats for each fan. They could have all lain down, thus described, I suppose, as a "lying room only" crowd.

Yet, the Marlins' attendance of 16,000 plus per game was up by 69 percent over 2002. The 2003 numbers ranked them 28th among the 30 major league teams. The world champions' attendance was slightly more than a third of New York's, whose payroll for starters doubled Florida's.

A pertinent question is: Are we really sure baseball is our national pastime? Or, perhaps a better one is this: Do we really have a national pastime... or need one?

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For better, for worse: Holly Darden and Tim Ward of Garland — wed a few days back — seem to have a strong grip on reality right from the git-go. They featured a puzzle on the back of the wedding program with names of close friends encrypted. Also printed was this explanation: "We understand that there are moments of boredom that come with a ceremony such as this and that you are reading all of this because of that boredom."

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It was about this time last year, when cranberries and canned sauce of same were being carted out of supermarkets by the tons. I was driving back home from a speaking engagement, well after the midnight hour.

Up ahead I saw a truck. It was riding low on the springs—perhaps grossly over-loaded — and unable to keep pace. As I passed, I noticed the expressions on the faces of countless turkeys crowded into the crates. "It can't get any worse than this," the birds' faces seemed to express. Little did they know.

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Bill Parcells was at least disgusted — perhaps a bit to the left of spittin' mad — about the Dallas mascot, Rowdy, being banished from the stadium twice during the Cowboys-Redskins game. Guess we never fully appreciated stickhorse-riding Crazy Ray, who well understood his role.

One suggestion is to trade Rowdy* for the AFLAC duck.... Or, maybe give him a mask and send him to Lubbock. I imagine Coach Bobby Knight would "unRowdy" him, or dispatch him in other ways, in, oh, 20-30 seconds.

Finally this: Animal rights groups contend that Baylor University's mascots should not be taken to the football games. Hmmm. Maybe they've got a point. Two-legged fans can easily cover their eyes. For the bears to do likewise, it means a lot of standing on hind legs.

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*Okay, if they balk on the offer for the duck, offer Rowdy and two Cowboys to be named later.

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The Village Idiot by Jim Mullen

I believe...

That life is a cabaret, but there is a two-drink minimum.

That if they ever make a tornado rod it will look like a trailer park.

That million-dollar ideas are a dime a dozen.

That 20 years from now we'll find out that sunblock causes skin cancer.

That nature abhors a vacuum cleaner.

That no Christmas present should remove hair.

That there is no such thing as an atheist in a taxicab.

That it's only last-minute shopping if you plan to die later in the day.

That most people would enjoy a movie called "A Very Brady Chainsaw Christmas Massacre."

That a journey of 10,000 miles starts with a single vaccination.

That you'll never see an airline ad that says, "Our engines won't fall off."

The only thing we have to fear is the greenhouse effect, toxic waste, ozone depletion, old age, earthquakes, wild fires, terrorists and fear itself.

That time is on our side, it's the third dimension that's against us.

That my personal trainer is seeing someone else.

That it's OK to yell "fire" in a half-full movie theater.

That a man's home is his hassle.

That if you wake up and smell the roses, chances are you've been buried alive.

That where there's a will, there's a lawyer.

That if you can't stand the heat, get out of the Jacuzzi.

That a leopard can't change its spots unless it uses my dry cleaner.

That religion kept us apart — she was a body worshiper.

That somewhere there's a place for us, but it's $4,200 a month, plus utilities.

That you can take it with you, but it's gonna smell bad.

That there will be a new age country song called "Your Cheatin' Aura."

That there's no use crying over skim milk.

That I would only be offended by a condom ad on television if it featured Wilford Brimley.

That someday, Jacoby will sue Myers.

That paramedics and paralegals come from Paraguay.

That fashion goes in one year and out the other.

That people who live in stone houses shouldn't throw glass.

That Sammy Davis Jr. was forced to be in the Rat Pack against his will.

That I have bulimia, I just forget to throw up.

That the truth, and a large inheritance, shall set you free.

That bacon is always a half-inch longer than the frying pan.

That all work and no play make Jack my lawyer.

That my dining room table is so clean you can eat off of it.

That into every life a little acid rain must fall.

That love may be better the second time around, but egg salad isn't.

That the people you meet going up the ladder are painting your house.

That there's a song in my heart — "Taps."

That quality time flies first class.

That if it's not broken, you don't have children.

That you know you've got a great fake fur if people still spit on you.

That nothing's shorter than the public's memory — or has someone already said that?

That the best thing you can say about most people is that they are biodegradable.

That only God can make a tree, but it took an Australian to invent dwarf-tossing.

That sex education begins at home, right after the parents leave.

That whomever invented the lawnmower never had time to invent anything else.

That the truth hurts, but where?

That all politicians, no matter how important, should have to wait in line to get their driver's licenses.

That the fastest way to kill the Olympics would be to let the winners give speeches.

That you should never take the law into your own hands if a policeman is watching.

That before this decade is over they will find another body part that needs deodorizing.

That the only difference between talk and therapy is that talk is cheap.

That the Prince of Wales does for England what Goofy does for Disneyworld.

Tupperware should make coffins.

Nothing is "fun for the whole family" unless the parents are under 10.

A picture's worth a thousand words, but the negatives are worth cash.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Bryan-College Station Eagle

Dean's Confederate flag comments

It's amazing how, 138 years after the guns fell silent at Appomattox Courthouse, the Confederate battle flag continues to divide America. Long the center of controversy in many parts of the former Confederate states of the American South, it now has become a heated talking point in the race for next year's Democratic presidential nomination.

Former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean stirred up a hornet's nest when he said he wants "to be the candidate for guys with Confederate flags in the window." He made the comment last Friday in Iowa, when a reporter asked him about his efforts to woo gun-rights advocates over the past decade.

Perhaps afraid that those efforts might cost him votes in the South, Dean responded with his flag comment.

Almost immediately, the other Democrats in the race assailed his choice of words, several of them calling them divisive and racist. At first, Dean glossed over the controversy, but Tuesday night, at a candidate debate, he suffered intense criticism from, among others, Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina and black activist Al Sharpton.

Later, Dean said, "The flag of the Confederate States of America is a painful symbol and reminder of racial injustice and slavery," adding that he does not "condone the use of it."

Stopping well short of an apology, Dean said he merely meant to start a dialogue about race with all voters, admitting, "I started this discussion in a clumsy way," which is politspeak for "I screwed up and please, please don't hold it against me."

Most politicians have the good sense not to get involved in the debate over the Confederate flag — actually flags, including the familiar battle flag which is most often the one stuck on pickup truck windows and the "Stars and Bars" national flag. Even in virtually all-white Vermont Dean should have been aware of the great emotions the Confederate emblem invokes.

Southerners who proudly display the battle flag say they are honoring their heritage. Many other Southerners, especially African Americans, see the flag as a symbol of slavery, that hated institution that has shaped so much of our nation's past, present and future.

Houston Chronicle

National energy bill

The national energy bill long sought by the Bush administration has been hung up in a congressional conference committee for a variety of causes. However, the overriding reason the bill is bogged down is because the legislation is being crafted more to reward narrow parochial interests than to achieve the goal of increasing and protecting the nation's energy supply.

U.S. Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham said Monday that President Bush would sign a bill even if it did not allow oil and gas drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. No matter how valuable an energy source ANWR might become after 10 years of exploration and pipeline construction, there is no reason to hold national energy policy hostage to a single source.

Some Senate Democrats vowed to go to the wire to keep ANWR free of drilling rigs, but U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay of Sugar Land probably killed any chance of exploring ANWR for the time being. DeLay recently announced to some of his colleagues that ANWR was just the first step toward opening many federal preserves to mining and drilling. His declaration added credence to charges that few scenic vistas will be safe from commercial exploitation.

Unfortunately, without ANWR, the legislation will do too little to expand U.S. energy supplies or lessen dependence on foreign oil. The bill's final version, with its focus on corn-based ethanol, could tighten U.S. gasoline supplies.

Ethanol enjoys a 5.2-cent-per-gallon tax break when mixed with gasoline. A proposal to double use of ethanol in motor fuels would benefit few Americans, constrict gasoline refining capacity and reduce highway funds for the entire nation. To keep the highway trust fund whole, congressional Republicans propose to end the gasoline tax break and transfer the money directly from taxpayers to ethanol refiners and blenders.

Leave aside, for a moment, the fact that making and distributing ethanol requires almost as much energy as it gives off when burned in car engines. There is little evidence that it reduces smog, the only other justification for the whole enterprise. Furthermore, because ethanol can make up only 5 percent of gasoline blends (as opposed to 10 percent for other additives), the more ethanol Congress requires to be used, the fewer gallons of fuel will be available.

San Antonio Express-News

Afghani women test free speech

Women trading burqas for microphones and radio transmitters are an encouraging sign for Afghanistan's future.

Three radio stations in Afghanistan are run by and for women. They broadcast Afghan pop music, news and advice, offering an alternative to state-controlled radio and television.

American and Canadian groups financially support the stations.

It's heartening to see female voices taking to the airwaves in a nation that once muzzled women.

But Afghan women still don't enjoy fully free speech. The Washington Post reports Islamic clerics are riled by what they consider provocative programming.

One station had to stop airing a series on women's divorce rights when senior clergy demanded it.

Yet the station manager didn't lose heart. She said, "If we make direct criticisms, it is turned into a religious issue. So we just make indirect criticisms, in jokes and satires."

As an Afghan government is pieced together, its leaders should tune in to the courageous women on the radio and guarantee free speech to all their people.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Kennedy wins Bush award

"During his remarkable career spanning over four decades, (he) has consistently and courageously fought for his principles."

Those were words that Roman Popadiuk, executive director of the George Bush Presidential Library Foundation, used to describe Sen. Edward Kennedy, who last weekend received an award from the 41st president for excellence in public service.

Former President Bush himself (who has the final word on who gets the award named for him) recognized that, despite often bitter clashes over policy, he and Kennedy understood that they were focused on a common goal.

"At the end of the day, we are Americans who love our country and want the very best for it," Bush said at a Nov. 7 dinner. "Our prescriptions for what ails America may be different, but each is born of the same patriotic concern."

The good-natured bantering at the awards presentation was a sharp contrast to the increasingly partisan struggles inside Washington and out, pitched battles that often seem intent not just on winning political victory but on annihilating anyone with an opposing view.

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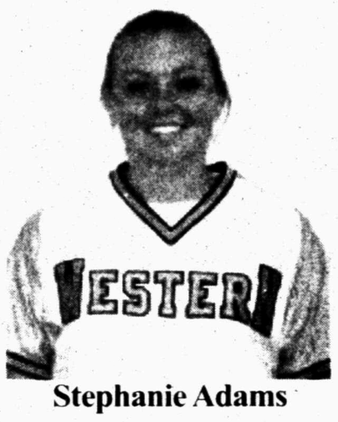
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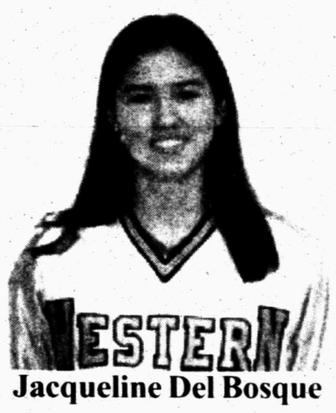
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Western Texas College Softball Coaches Rodney McNeill and Rome McNary currently have 24 players on the team, four of whom are Snyder High School graduates.

Their first home game is not until March 5, but they do start tournament play when they return in January after the Christmas break. The coaches would like to introduce the Lady Duster softball team to the community and tell a little about each player.

Stephanie Adams is the daughter of Steve and Jani Adams. She is from Greenwood, Texas. She is a freshman and plans to major in fitness management. Stephanie is an outfielder. She also enjoys "chilling with her friends" and dancing. Her favorite movie is *Dirty Dancing*.

Jacque Alvarez is the daughter of Anastacio and Alice Alvarez. She is from Snyder, Texas. She is a freshman and plans to major in teaching. Jacque is a pitcher. She also enjoys listening to music and reading. Her favorite movie is *Save the Last Dance*.

Catherine Calvert is the daughter of John and Lisa Calvert. She is from Grand Prairie, Texas. She is a sophomore and plans to major in graphics design. Cathy is an outfielder. She also enjoys cars and dogs. Her favorite movie is *Love and Basketball*.

Dara Chambers is the daughter of Richard and Brenda Chambers. She is from Snyder, Texas. She is a freshman and plans to major in kinesiology. Dara is on third base. She also enjoys playing basketball and being with friends. Her favorite movie is *Remember the Titans*.

Katy Chester is the daughter of Paul and Vickie Chester. She is from Midland, Texas. She is a freshman and plans to major in pre-med. Katy is in right field. She also enjoys softball and FCA. Her favorite movie is *Goodwill Hunting*.

Theresa Culver is the daughter of Dub and Patty Culver. She is from Red Oak, Texas. She is a freshman and plans to major in psychology. Theresa is on first base. She also enjoys shopping, music, and concerts. Her favorite movie is *Gone With the Wind*.

Lindsey Davis is the daughter of Glenn and Debbie Davis. She is from Red Oak, Texas. She is a freshman and plans to major in education. Lindsey is an outfielder. She also enjoys softball, swimming, and water skiing. Her favorite movie is *Field of Dreams*.

Jacqueline Del Bosque is the daughter of Sergio and Jeonette Del Bosque. She is from Fort Worth, Texas. She is a freshman and plans to major in dentistry. Jacqueline is a shortstop. She also enjoys watching movies. Her favorite movie is *American Pie*.

Shelly Fisk is the daughter of Russell and Laura Fisk. She is from Snyder, Texas. She is a freshman and her major is undecided. Shelly is a shortstop. She also enjoys shopping, eating, and skiing. Her favorite movie is *How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days*.

Patricia Gonzales is the daughter of Aurora Marquez. She is from Los Angeles, California. She is a sophomore and plans to major in pre law. Patricia is a pitcher. She also enjoys watching movies and swimming. Her favorite movie is *The Lion King*.

Brooke Guidry is the daughter of Maurice and Sheila Guidry. She is from Granbury, Texas. She is a freshman and her major is undecided. Brooke is on third base. She also enjoys seeing friends and family. Her favorite movie is the *Texas Chainsaw Massacre*.

Amber House is the daughter of Jeff and Sandra House. She is from Watauga, Texas. She is a sophomore and plans to major in psychology. Amber is a pitcher. She also enjoys shopping, scrap booking, and antique shopping. Her favorite movie is *Just Married*.

Michelle Jones is the daughter of Terry and Lori Jones. She is from Arlington, Texas. She is a freshman and plans to major in physical therapy. Michelle is a pitcher. She also enjoys dancing. Her favorite movie is *Van Wilder*.

Brandy Jordan is the daughter of Orson and Sandy Jordan. She is from Chino, California. She is a sophomore and plans to major in pharmacy. Brandy is on first base. She also enjoys horseback riding. Her favorite movie is *Ever After*.

Eryn Kearbey is the daughter of Raynard and Susan Kearbey. She is from Olivia, Texas. She is a freshman and her major is undecided. Eryn is a pitcher. She enjoys playing softball. Her favorite movie is *The Barber Shop*.

Heather Patterson is the daughter of Bryan and Cindy Patterson. She is from Greenville, Texas. She is a sophomore and her major is undecided. Heather is a catcher. She also enjoys hunting and fishing. Her favorite movie is *Forrest Gump*.

Tori Picazo is the daughter of David and Patricia Picazo. She is from McKinney, Texas. She is a freshman and plans to major in business. Tori is a catcher. She also enjoys basketball and shopping. Her favorite movie is *Love and Basketball*.

Jessica Prewitt is the daughter of Kevin Prewitt and Paula Kennedy. She is from Duncanville, Texas. She is a freshman and her major is undecided. Jessica is in the outfield. She also enjoys "chilling" and dancing. Her favorite movie is *Joe Dirt*.

Tiffany Quick is the daughter of Debbie and Mylee Quick. She is from Bangs, Texas. She is a freshman and plans to major in science. Tiffany is on second base. She also enjoys hanging out with friends and scuba diving. Her favorite movie is *Finding Nemo*.

Chaelyn Robinson is the daughter of Phil and Eva Robinson. She is from Snyder, Texas. She is a freshman and plans to pursue a Chiropractic degree. Chaelyn is a catcher. She also enjoys riding horses. Her favorite movie is *10 Things I Hate About You*.

Tabitha Rodriguez is the daughter of Rocky and Eliza Rodriguez. She is from Rockwall, Texas. She is a sophomore and plans to major in psychology/fashion merchandising. Tabitha is on second base. She also enjoys playing softball and being with the team. Her favorite movies are *Old School*, *Dumb and Dumber*, and *My Best Friend's Wedding*.

Ashley Sirman is the daughter of Bill and Thelma Sirman. She is from Sugarland, Texas. She is a freshman and her major is undecided. Ashley is in center field and outfield. She also enjoys art and photography. Her favorite movie is *Runtildat*.

Amber Taylor is the daughter of Don and Brenda Taylor. She is from Mansfield, Texas. She is a sophomore and she plans to major as a social worker. Amber is in the outfield. She also enjoys reading. Her favorite movie is *Pretty Woman*.

Stephanie Wardlaw is the daughter of Steve and Ann Wardlaw. She is from Midland, Texas. She is a sophomore and plans to major in law. Stephanie is on third base. She also enjoys camping and hanging out with friends. Her favorite movie is *The Breakfast Club*.

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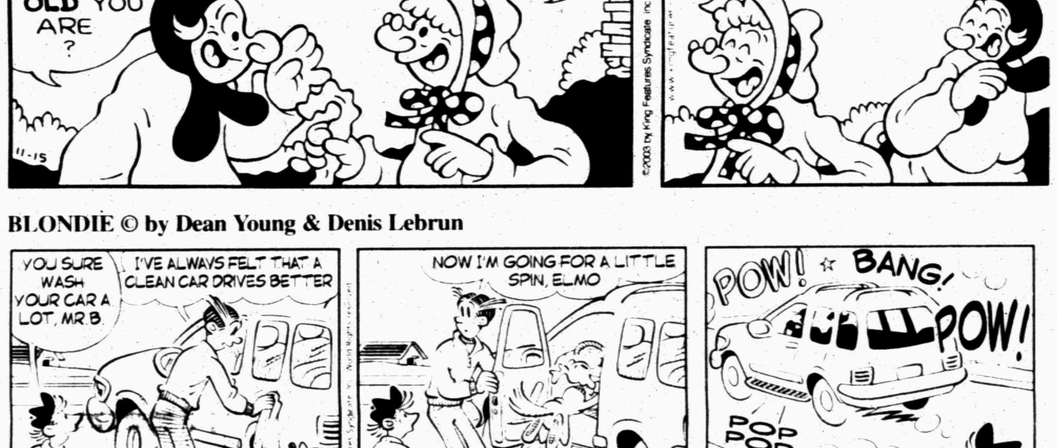
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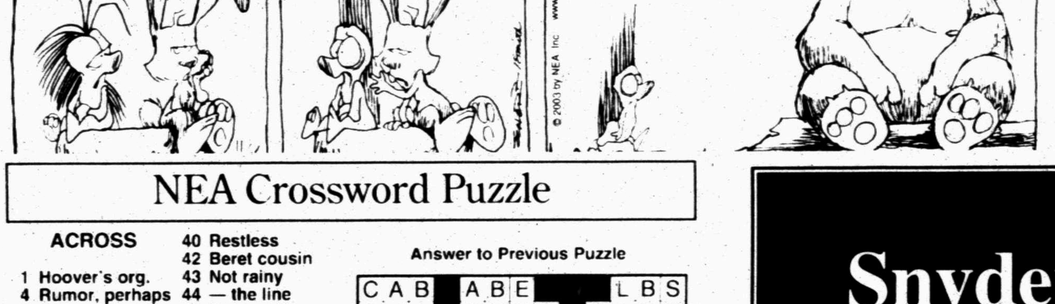
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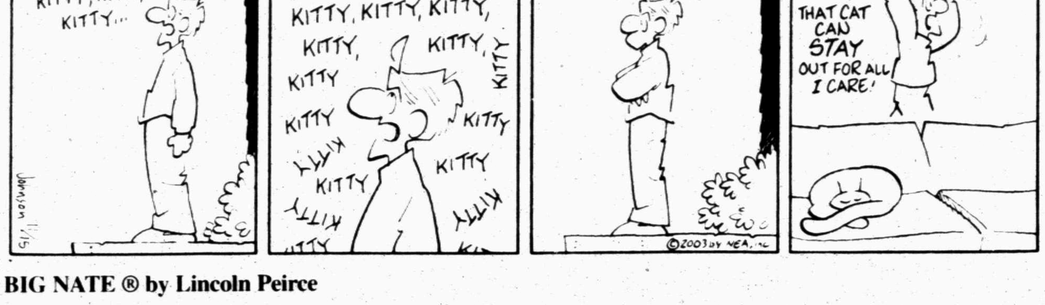
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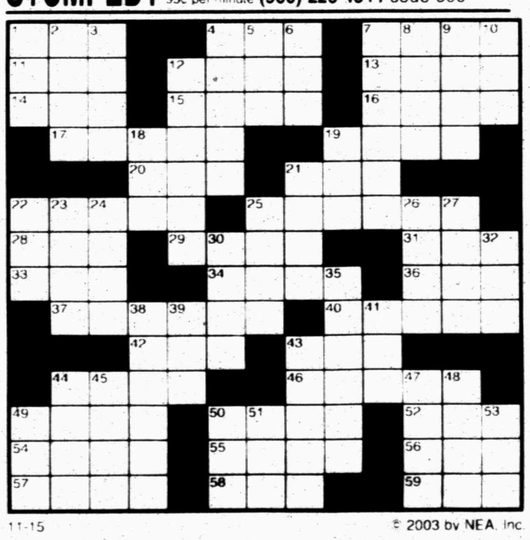
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The best things in life are drug free

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

The Great American Smokeout — Nov. 20

Quitters will find camaraderie and support on Nov. 20 when thousands of Americans avoid tobacco use for the day or for good.

For 26 years more smokers have kicked the habit during the Great American Smokeout than any other day of the year. We have what you need to plan, resist, and stay quit.

Plan Your Quit Day
To Get Ready to Quit Smoking,
Ask Yourself These 3 Questions

Why do I want to quit smoking? What method will I use to quit smoking? How do I stay smoke free?

Cigarettes and cigarette smoke contain over 4,000 chemicals, including 43 known to cause cancer. Many of these chemicals are added in the processes of tobacco farming and cigarette production. The tobacco burns while a cigarette is smoked, exposing the smoker to these deadly chemicals, tars and gases.

Nicotine occurs naturally in tobacco and does not cause cancer, but it does keep many people addicted to smoking.

Nicotine in cigarette can be very addictive. Each puff of a cigarette delivers a concentrated dose of nicotine straight to the brain — and reinforces the need for the next puff. Even after you've given up nicotine, you may still have the urge to puff.

Even after you've given up nicotine, you may still have the urge to smoke. To maximize your chances of staying smoke-free for good, you need a plan.

Your plan has three phases: Deciding To Quit, Preparing To Quit and Following Through.

Moving from one step to the next requires careful thought and preparation.

Deciding To Quit

Why should you quit? Each smoker has his or her own reasons; here are three good ones:

Your Family. Your family needs your financial and emotional support. If you die prematurely from a smoking-related illness, who will do all the things you do for your family?

Your Kids. Kids exposed to secondhand smoke at home are more prone to colds, ear infections and allergies than children of nonsmoking parents. By age 7, they may be shorter than their friends, lag behind in reading ability and have behavior problems. Worse still, they will likely become smokers themselves.

Yourself. It's never too late to quit smoking. Right away, you'll look better (no more yellow teeth and fingers), feel better (good-bye hacking cough, hello vitality) and enjoy life better (flowers smell sweeter, food tastes better).

The Next Move: You know why you want to quit. Now choose a date and put a big red circle on the calendar. Every night before going to bed, state your reasons for quitting out loud 10 times

Preparing To Quit

Now you're ready to look into smoking cessation options. You may want to discuss this with your pharmacist or other health care professional. In choosing the method that's appropriate, consider these factors How long you've been smoking? How many cigarettes do you smoke a day? What triggers your urge to smoke? Do you smoke on a regular schedule or randomly? Do you experience intense morning cravings? Whether you've tried to quit in the past. Why you had problems quitting or staying off cigarettes?

You will also need a support program to help you overcome the psychological and behavioral aspects of smoking as you reduce your nicotine intake.

The most common smoking cessation methods are: cold turkey, gradual and nicotine replacement therapy.

Gum or patch — which is right for you?

To find out, check which statements apply to you.

Smoke at irregular intervals (such as more in the evening).

Want to relieve cravings as they occur throughout the day?

Want something to occupy your hands?

If you have answered "yes" to 2-3 of the items above, then the nicotine gum allows you to control your dosage schedule to help keep periodic cravings at bay.

or — Smoke at regular intervals (such as once every 1/2 hour). Want once-a-day convenience? Prefer not to chew gum.

If you have answered "yes" to 2-3 of the items above, then the nicotine patch may be your best choice. Nicotine patches provide once-a-day convenience to help prevent cravings throughout the day.

Next steps

Don't keep your intention to quit a secret. Tell your friends and family that you are trying to quit smoking and let them know what they can do to support you — and invite other smokers you know to join you so that you can reinforce each other's efforts.

Keep smoking "out of sight and out of mind" by getting rid of cigarettes, lighters, matches and ashtrays from your home, office and car; asking friends and family members not to smoke around you; and vacuuming your home and car to remove the smell of cigarettes (don't forget to send your clothes to the dry cleaner for freshening).

Avoid bars and other spots where other smokers gather; calm the jitters with long strolls and deep breaths of fresh air; go to the movies, museum or other places where smoking is not allowed; keep your hands busy (try a crossword puzzle or building a model ship).

Strengthen your resolve by making a friendly wager with a co-worker or a family member that you can stay smoke-free all day on your quit day, and then the day after, for a whole week, and so on.

Following Through

Now that you've chosen your smoking cessation method, make sure you include a support program to change your smoking behavior.

The American Cancer Society offers programs to help you through your quit attempt. Call 1-800-ACS-2345 for more information, or contact your local office. If you have chosen a nicotine replacement therapy, there are now cessation support programs available with the over-the-counter therapies.

To cope with cravings, practice the 4Ds:

DEEP breaths. Slowly inhale and exhale.

DRINK lots of water throughout the day (especially during a craving).

DO something else to get your mind off the craving. Call a friend, go for a walk, chew on a carrot stick.

DELAY reaching for a cigarette. The urge will pass.

The above was provided from the *American Cancer Society* website. www.cancer.org

For more information on how you and/or your business or organization can be involved in promoting a drug-free community, contact the Scurry County Anti-Drug Connection at the Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 574-1931 or 573-1411.

Enron bankruptcy may cost $1 billion

HOUSTON (AP) — Failed energy giant Enron say its legal, accounting and other professional costs since declaring bankruptcy may top $1 billion by the end of 2006.

"I don't think there's anything close," Anthony Sabino, an energy and bankruptcy law expert at St. John's University in New York, told The Associated Press on Friday. "This is phenomenal. It is unprecedented."

Enron, whose filing led a wave of corporate scandals, has already exceeded $514 million in legal, professional and accounting fees, including billings from more than three dozen law firms and a handful of accounting and consulting firms since the company filed for reorganization on Dec. 2, 2001, according to the Texas Attorney General's office.

The Houston-based company's budget estimates shows it will spend $146 million in the second half of 2003 on professional fees, which include billings from lawyers, accountants and two court-appointed examiners.

Even after it gains approval for its reorganization plan, expected in January, its budget through 2006 estimates more than $330 million will be spent.

The estimates were included in more than 1,000 pages of amended documents Enron attorneys submitted to its bankruptcy court Thursday in support of the third version of its reorganization plan. At a hearing Tuesday, Enron will ask Judge Arthur Gonzalez to give initial approval to the massive document, a step toward confirming the plan.

Enron, its bankruptcy lawyers and some bankruptcy professors have defended the company's expenditures, saying the bankruptcy is complicated.

"This is undoubtedly the most complex bankruptcy in U.S. history," Enron spokeswoman Karen Denne said Friday.

She said the budget reflects money intended to cover costs of winding down the company and ongoing lawsuits.

Enron went bankrupt after devastating revelations of hidden debt, inflated profits and accounting tricks that made the company appear more financially successful than it was. Thousands of employees lost their jobs, and stock that once traded at $90 per share became worthless.

Shareholder lawsuits have piled up and creditors have jockeyed for their share of the company's dwindled estate, seeking compensation for everything from bank loans to retirement funds.

Date Books

Saturday, Nov. 15, 2003

Today is the 319th day of 2003 and the 54th day of autumn.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1777, the Articles of Confederation were adopted by the representatives of the first 13 states.

On this day in 1859, the final installment of Charles Dickens' serialized novel, "A Tale of Two Cities," was published.

On this day in 1969, a Vietnam War moratorium rally drew approximately 500,000 protestors.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Marianne Moore (1887-1972), poet; Georgia O'Keeffe (1887-1986), painter; Ed Asner (1929-), actor, is 74; Sam Waterston (1940-), actor, is 63.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1964, Kansas City's Len Dawson set an NFL record with seven fumbles in a 28-14 loss to San Diego.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The passion for setting people right is in itself an afflictive disease." — Marianne Moore

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Nov. 9) and last quarter (Nov. 17)

Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003

Today is the 320th day of 2003 and the 55th day of autumn.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1907, Oklahoma became the 46th state of the United States.

On this day in 1914, the Federal Reserve Bank officially opened for business.

On this day in 1973, the Skylab 4 mission — astronauts Gerald Carr, William Pogue and Edward Gibson — rocketed into Earth's orbit to rendezvous with Skylab. They remained aboard the space station for 84 days, performing experiments and making observations.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: W.C. Handy (1873-1958), composer; George S. Kaufman (1889-1961), dramatist and critic; Burgess Meredith (1907-1997), actor; Lisa Bonet (1967-), actress, is 35.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1912, Army Cadets' halfback (and former president) Dwight D. Eisenhower suffered a knee injury that ended his football career.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I understand your new play is full of single entendres." — George S. Kaufman

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Nov. 9) and last quarter (Nov. 17)

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The basic monetary unit of China is the yuan, and its chief fractional unit is the fen.

Snyder High Students will provide their **Christmas Cheer project** again this season. This project, called **Students Helping Seniors** is in its 4th year. Juniors and seniors volunteer to put Christmas lights/decorations for the senior citizens in Snyder. This is a free service to this segment of our population. It gives the students a chance to spread a little Christmas cheer and allows the older population a chance to meet the great kids we have here in Snyder.

Anyone interested is encouraged to fill out the application form and send it to:

Beth Bowen
Snyder High School
2901 37th Street
Snyder, TX 79549

Appointments can also be made by calling the SHS office at **573-6301 between 2:00 & 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.**

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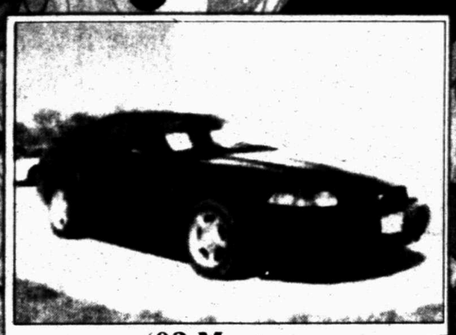
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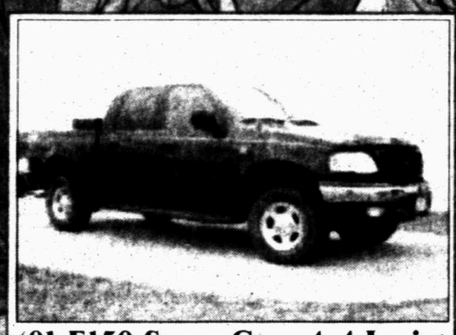
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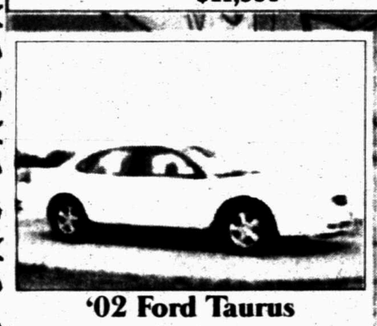
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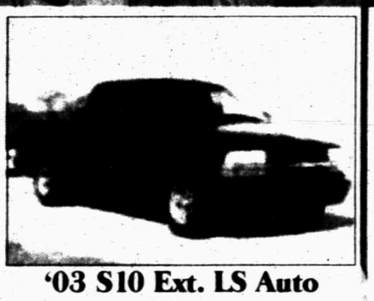
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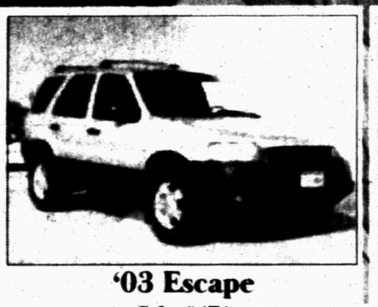
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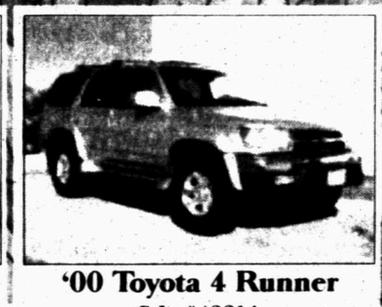
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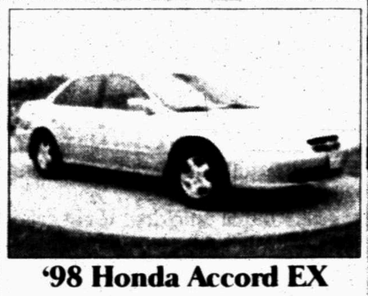
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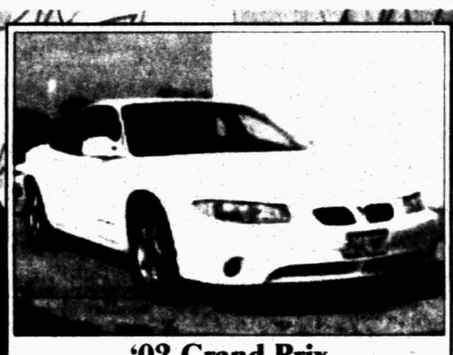
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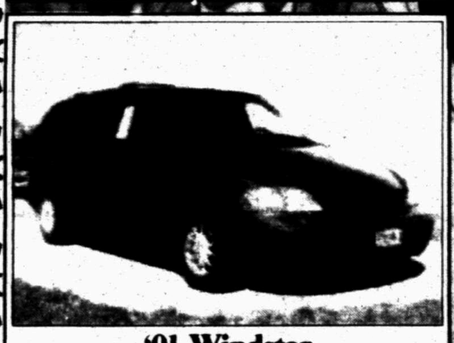
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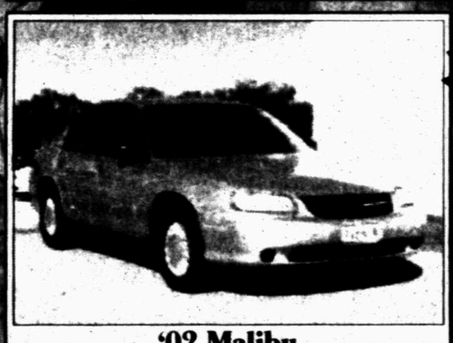
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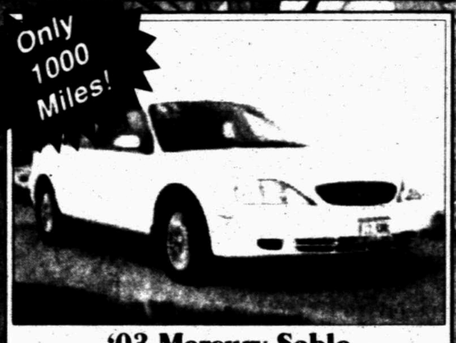
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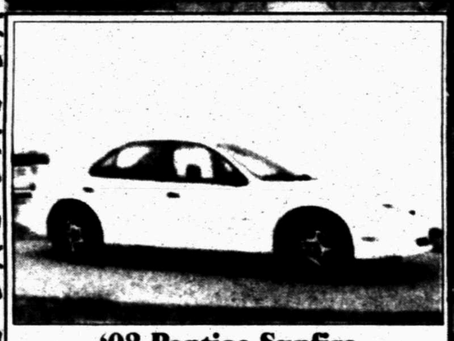
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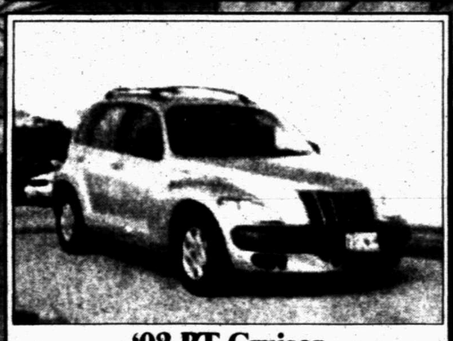
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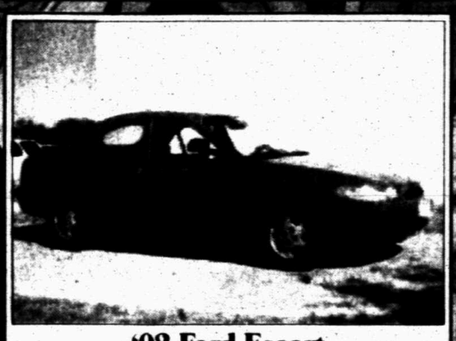
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