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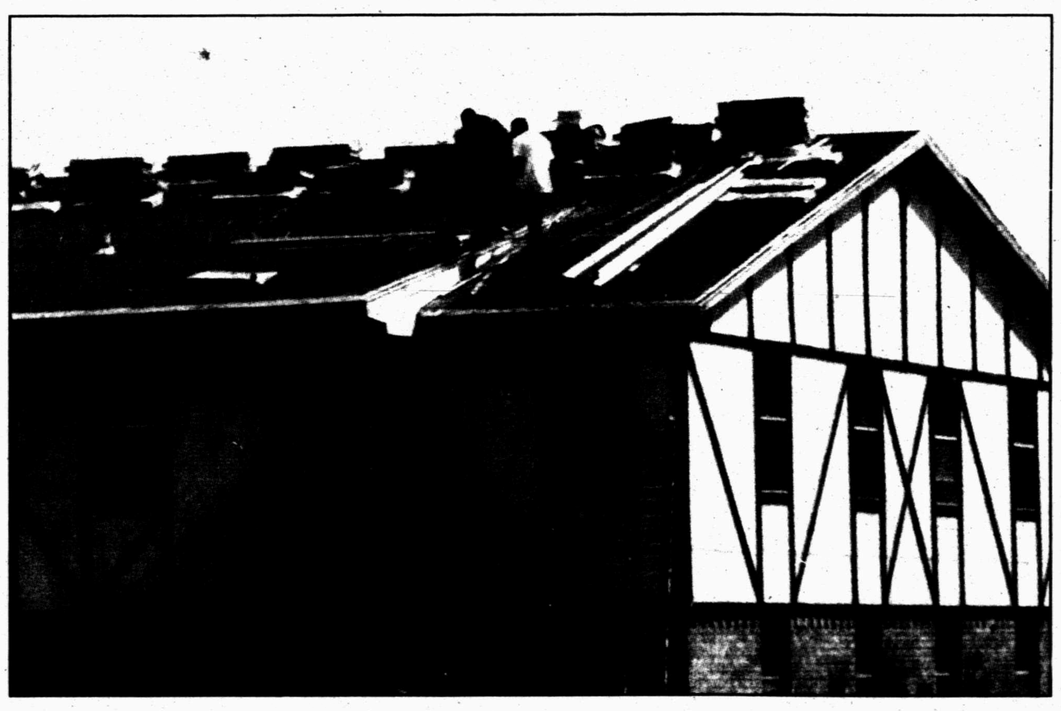
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Home of Jamie Putnam



GOING UP — Oscar Vasquez and Marcelo Martinez work on the roof of the Kingswood I Apartments preparing them to re-open. (SDN Staff Photo by Jeff West)

Vacant apartment units are being renovated

Snyder is getting more affordable housing and a nearly abandoned property is getting a facelift and new life.

Mid-Coast Property Management, the company that owns the La Posada Apartments on Brick Plant Road, has formed a new company that has bought the Kingswood I apartment complex that has been closed since they were foreclosed on by the federal government.

Mid Coast president Johnny Melton said he is in the process of "overhauling them" and will soon offer them as affordable housing.

Among the improvements will be new roofs, siding, appliances and reworking the insides to make them meet energy codes, he said.

Crews are working at the site right now, both on the roofs and removing old appliances for replacement.

"We're going to add brick planters to the parking lot, we're going to make it look really nice," Melton said.

He has formed Snyder Housing Venture Limited and has received a loan from the Department of Agriculture's Rural Development Program.

He said he hopes to have the new complex open by the middle of September — if all goes well. The apartments will be listed as renting from $350-$400, but as affordable housing, the amount a renter will pay is on a sliding scale based on income.

"Some of our renters may be getting some government assistance but we will also have a lot of working people who are just having trouble making ends meet," Melton said.

He also said that his company will take over management of the Kingswood II apartment complex on the other side of the parking lot. He said there would be improvements on those apartments as well.

Melton said that when the apartments were close to being finished he would let Snyder residents know when and how to apply to live in the rejuvenated units.

New director now at CADA

One of Snyder's newest residents is Camille Karcher, who is the new executive director of Snyder Area Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse (SACADA).

Born and reared in Denison, Karcher moved to town this month Celina.

The new director received her bachelor of arts degree and her master's in marriage and family therapy from Abilene Christian University.

"I'm thrilled to be in this community, working with this staff, and under the direction of the SACADA," Karcher said.

"I'd like for us to continue the important work of drug and alcohol use prevention with the youth of this community as well as our organization becoming a valuable resource for those seeking help or information," she continued.

Karcher noted that the organization feels strongly about supporting the community of Snyder, "and I'd like to keep that a priority and continue to be involved in a variety of community events."

SACADA is currently working on its third annual Back-to-School Bash.

Karcher said this year's bash will be celebrated as a combined effort with the Boys and Girls Club for National Kids Day around the first of August.



Camille Karcher

Many activities are planned for children of all ages. Anyone wishing to volunteer is asked to call SACADA at 573-1141 or the Boys and Girls Club at 573-3344.

Karcher's husband, James, is an assistant baseball coach at Western Texas College. They have two sons: Jacob, 5; and Christopher, 3.

Woman pleads guilty to sex offender charges

Londie Typrine Campbell, 26, whose permanent address is in College Station, pleaded guilty Wednesday to failure to register as a sex offender.

She also had failed to notify authorities within seven days after being fired from a job in Snyder.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong sentenced Campbell to three years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

The original offense occurred March 1999 in Brazos County.

Two officers shot at Grand Prairie

GRAND PRAIRIE (AP) — Two officers were wounded in a shootout with someone inside a van at a Wal-Mart parking lot today, then police surrounded the van in an hours-long standoff that kept customers trapped inside and halted traffic on a nearby interstate.

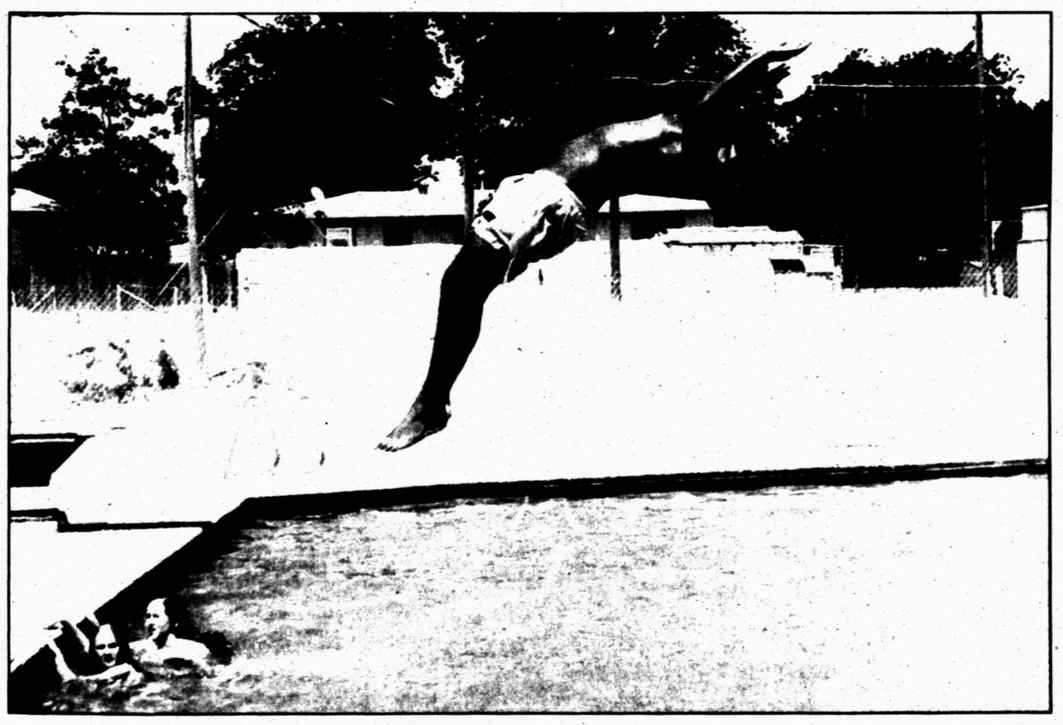
At least six police cars circled the blue van, which had several bullet holes in the windshield and side, and officers crouched behind them with their guns drawn.

Detective John Brimmer said officers were called about 8:45 a.m. to investigate a report of a van with New Mexico tags sitting in the parking lot all night with its engine running.

The first officer arrived, and then a second, he said. Both were shot as they approached the van. One of the officers' patrol cars was parked behind the van with three of its doors open and its lights flashing.

Both officers were taken to Dallas-area hospitals. Their names and conditions were not immediately available.

John Jacobs, the manager of a Payless ShoeSource near the Wal-Mart, said he was about to leave the store to go to the bank when he heard three pops.



FLIPPING OUT FOR SWIMMING — Bradley Emerson, 13, is enjoying the pool this summer as are a lot of residents. (SDN Staff Photo by Jeff West)

THE SDN COLUMN

MY TURN

by Wade Warren



A couple of events that have sprung up over the past few years in Snyder are the Snyder Wheels Car Show and the Fly-In at Winston Field.

The car show was held in May with more events and the largest number of cars on display since its inception.

Tomorrow is the fourth annual Fly-In and the fact "breakfast" has been dropped from its title indicates this event is also growing.

"We dropped the breakfast part because it is fast becoming an all-day event," said John Rogotzke.

Rogotzke is one of the many workers on the fly-in, but is the most visible to us at the newspaper as he provides us information on the show, along with photos.

Besides John, Mark Erwin and Ronny Collins also send us digital photos of the event from their individual perspectives.

We send our own photographer, of course, and wind up with far more photos than we can ever use.

The reason is that there is a jillion opportunities at an event like the Fly-In to take pictures.

There are all kinds of aircraft, new and old, and lots of interesting folks around.

If you want to make a good friend on Saturday, ask one of the out-of-town pilots about their airplane. Be prepared to listen awhile because there's always more than one story to tell.

And if you really want a good story, ask one of the pilots about the vintage warplanes they flew into the airport.

The event is sponsored yearly by the Scurry County Pilots Association, Snyder Chamber of Commerce and the Texas Air Museum.

The breakfast in the morning is a deal in itself as it is only $3.50. The last couple of years, the serving lines have moved a little slower than most people liked, so a new approach will be used tomorrow.

There will be three serving lines and it will be self-service with chamber members charged with keeping the platters full.

It will be an interesting place to be Saturday morning, and it will probably stretch on after lunch.

If you don't get out to the airport often, or never, take time tomorrow to see the different airplanes, and just to look over the airport.

Airport manager Rodger Sullenger and his crew, along with Commissioner Howard Limmer make sure the airport is in tip-top shape at all times.

A new use of the airport is now possible following a remodeling of part of the main hangar by members of the Texas Air Museum and local pilots association.

The north side of the hangar now has a large conference room that has already been used by a number of local groups and clubs.

See ya' at the airport Saturday morning!

ASK US

Q—Whom do I contact about entering a big float in the Fourth of July parade?

A—Call the chamber of commerce at 573-3558.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Helen Feinsod...

...has lived in Snyder since 1973. Her daughter, Celia Feinsod Morales, now runs the family business, Purple Sage Motel. Her son, Virgil, recently left the youth minister position at the First Methodist Church in Dimmitt. She enjoys her grandchildren, Fox News, reading and teaching Sunday school at Trinity United Methodist Church.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Never be afraid to recreate yourself.

—George Foreman

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Fill-a-Boot campaign

The Snyder Fire Department will have a fill-a-boot campaign to benefit the MDA from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday at Wal-Mart.

SHS cheerleader car wash

Advance tickets for the SHS cheerleader car wash are on sale now. To purchase tickets, call 573-3475. The car wash is Saturday, June 26 at Wal-Mart.

Father's Day Luncheon

The public is invited to honor fathers at a Father's Day luncheon Sunday at 1600 Martha Ann Boulevard. Serving will begin at 11:30 a.m. and reservations are needed as soon as possible by calling 573-3427. The cost is $10 for adult and $4.50 for a child.

VFW Ladies Auxiliary

The VFW Ladies Auxiliary will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the post home. Members are asked to attend.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "The Unchanging Nature of God," followed by "Let Us Love One Another."

Class of 1989 reunion

The SHS class of 1989 is seeking addresses of graduates for the 15th-year reunion on July 3.

Cancer treatment transportation

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

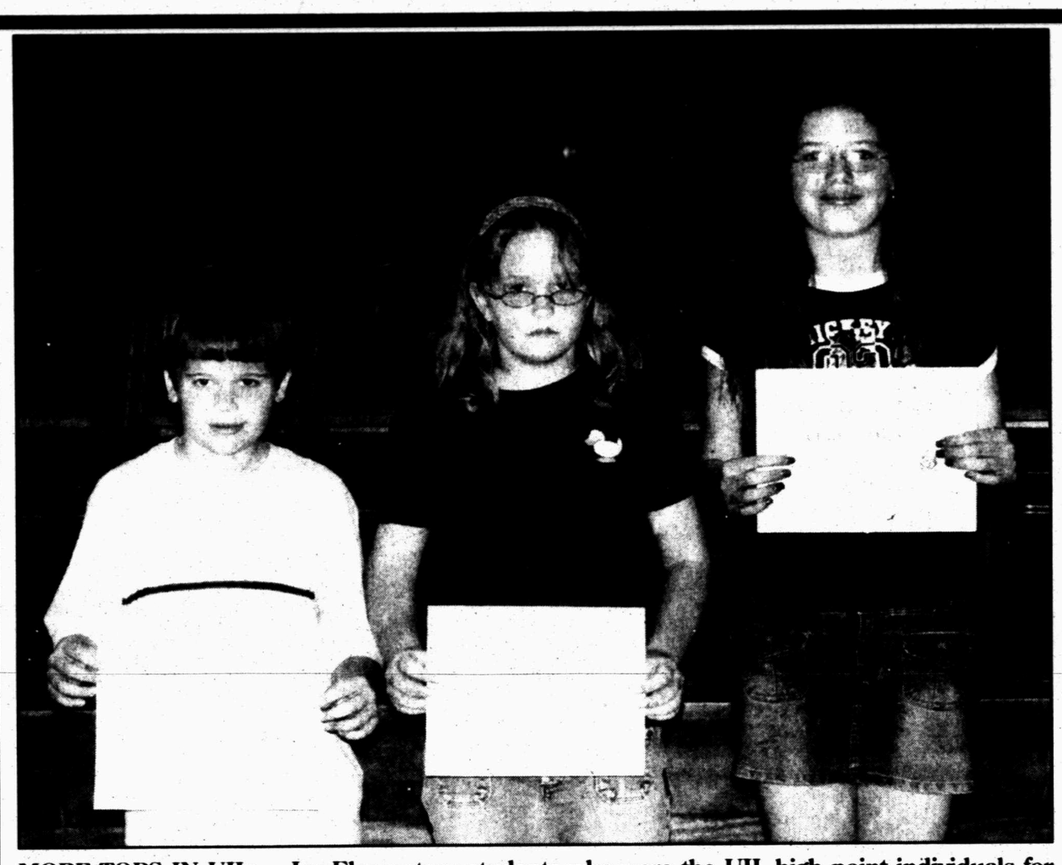
What's up guidelines

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Post office to issue Ronald Reagan stamp

WASHINGTON (AP) — A postage stamp honoring Ronald Reagan will be issued next year, the Postal Service announced Wednesday.

Postal policy is to honor prominent Americans with a stamp no sooner than 10 years after their death, except for former presidents who, the agency said, can be honored on their first birth anniversary following death. Reagan was born Feb. 6, 1911 and died June 5.



MORE TOPS IN UIL — Ira Elementary students who were the UIL high point individuals for 2003-2004 are Isaac Martin-32 points; Taylor Autry-19 points; Amber Baker-30 points. (Contributed Photo)

Three Birmingham police officers killed

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Three police officers were fatally shot as they tried to serve a warrant at a reputed crack house.

The officers were killed Thursday when they went to the apartment house with a fourth officer to arrest Nathaniel Lauell Woods on a misdemeanor domestic assault warrant, said Police Chief Annetta Nunn. The fourth officer was not injured.

Nunn, struggling to maintain her composure, called the slayings a tragedy: "This is something that seems unimaginable."

The deaths marked the third time in just over a year that two or more police officers have been gunned down in Alabama.

Kerry Marquise Spencer, 24, and Woods, 27, were booked into jail on suspicion of capital murder, according to early reports by the Birmingham News. Formal charges could come as early as today.

City Hall spokesman Brett Oates identified the slain officers as Harley Chisholm III, 40; Charles Robert Bennett, 33; and Carlos Owen, 53, who had been on the force for 26 years. Chisholm was hired in 1998, and Bennett had been a Birmingham officer since 2001.

Friends of the officers told the Birmingham News that an officer patrolling the area had an argument with one of the men inside the apartment home about noon Thursday. The officer checked police records and found that Woods was wanted by Fairfield police on an assault charge.

Owen, Chisholm, Bennett and Mike Collins went to the home to serve the warrant. Owen and Chisholm entered the apartment through the back door to arrest Woods. He broke away and ran toward the front of the house, where Bennett was about to come through the front door.

All three officers were shot multiple times.

Two officers died in the apartment, just inside the back door in a small kitchen, according to the Birmingham News. A third officer died just outside the front door, able only to make a final radio call for help for his fellow officers before a bullet struck him in the head.

Two police cars were hauled away from the scene, and it appeared a window of one had been shot out.

World Almanac

Friday, June 18, 2004

Today is the 170th day of 2004 and the 91st day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1812, the U.S. Congress approved a declaration of war on Great Britain.

In 1815, Napoleon was defeated at the Battle of Waterloo.

In 1983, Sally Ride became the first American woman in space.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Sammy Cahn (1913-1993), songwriter; Tom Wicker (1926-), journalist, is 78; Roger Ebert (1942-), film critic, is 62; Paul McCartney (1942-), singer/songwriter/musician, is 62; Isabella Rossellini (1952-), actress/model is 52; Carol Kane (1952-), actress, is 52.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 2000, golfer Tiger Woods won the U.S. Open by a record 15 strokes, the largest ever margin of victory in a major.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Be sure you are right, then go ahead." — David Crockett's motto in the War of 1812

TODAY'S FACT: Napoleon crowned himself, taking the crown from Pope Pius VII's hands and placing it on his own head, rather than following the tradition of being crowned by the pope.

TODAY'S NUMBER: 146.4 — number of hours spent by Sally Ride in space.

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (June 17) and first quarter (June 25)

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RESULTS

Thursday's Lottery Numbers
Cash Five

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

Winning numbers drawn: 3-6-10-32-34.

Number matching five of five: 1.

Prize per winner: $40,807.

Winning tickets sold in: ONALASKA.

Matching four of five: 126. Prize: $146.

Matching three of five: 4,225. Prize: $10.

Matching two of five: 42,987. Prize: $2.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Friday night.

Pick 3
(Day) 2-7-6
(Night) 4-8-3

Today's chuckle

Magician's prop is oldest living chicken

BESSEMER, Ala. (AP) — Matilda really is a magic chicken.

Long a prop in a magician's show, the hen from Bessemer has been certified by Guinness World Records as the world's oldest living chicken.

Matilda, who works with Keith Barton in his "Mort the Mystifying" act, is 14 years old. The little gray bird is believed to be an Old English Red Pyle hen.

"She used to have an understudy, but she outlived it," said Barton's wife, Donna, who also is in the act as the magician's assistant.

Matilda's role is to appear in a pan that moments earlier seemed to contain only a fresh egg yolk and a few drops of hot sauce.

Getting Maltida on stage was a lot simpler than getting her listed with Guinness. The process took nearly three years, even though the Bartons had veterinary records dating to 1990.



Guinness confirmed Matilda's longevity in an April 27 Web page posting, followed by a letter to the Bartons, which was accompanied by a certificate proclaiming the distinction. The Birmingham News reported on Matilda's newfound fame Thursday.

One of Matilda's doctors, Randy Britt of Britt Animal Hospital, said the hen has practically doubled the 7- or 8-year normal lifespan for a chicken.

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Your Price $17,500

BETTER!



June 04 Base NADA Loan Value $20,325

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4x4, 4 custom leather seats, tow pkg., dual A/C, loaded, 1 owner
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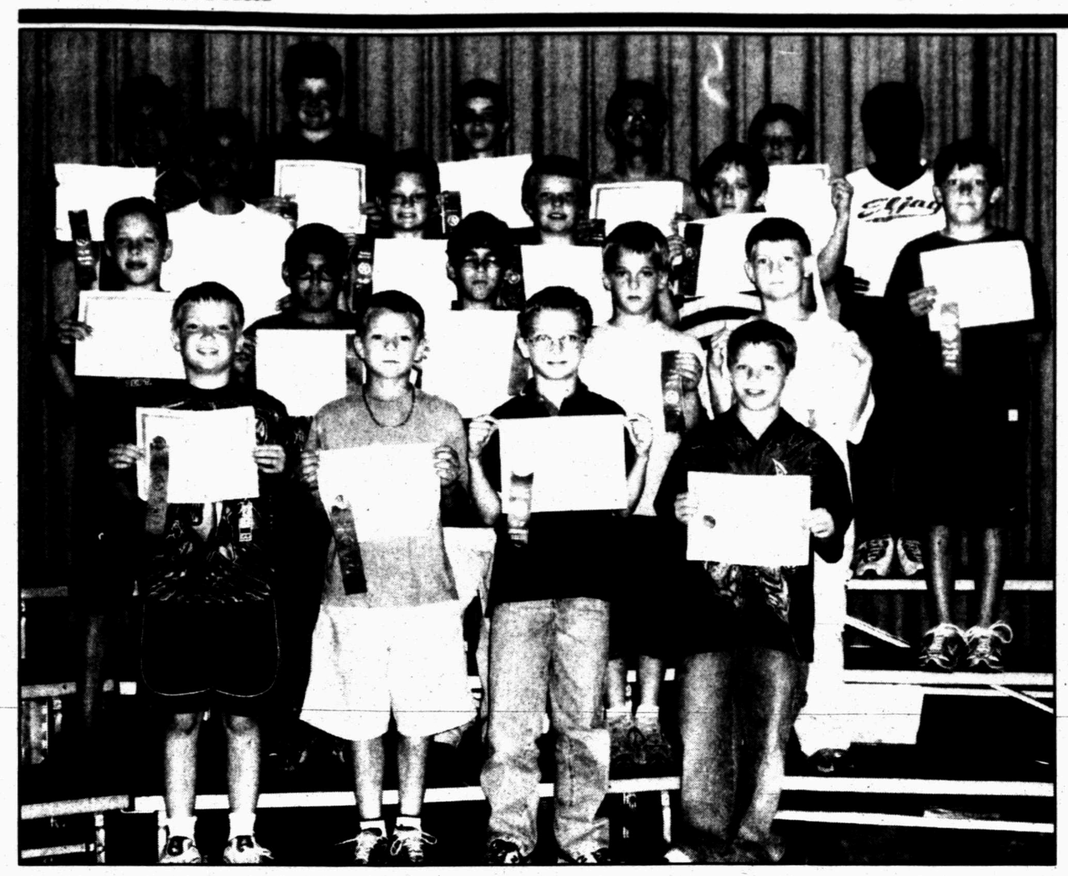
A convention for dummies

With today's computer-generated animation, ventriloquism has almost become a lost craft. Or has it? It's making a comeback say the participants in the world's largest and oldest ventriloquist convention.



In Addition...
- Smart skin secrets
- Sausage hotdogs

American Profile
Celebrating Hometown Life



NORTHEAST A-B HONOR ROLL — Northeast Elementary boys who made the A-B honor roll for 2003-2004 are from left bottom row, D.J. Clayton, Chad Pechacek, Matthew Daniell and Taran Clemmons; second row, Garrett Snyder, Donnie Medrano, Isaac White, Aaron Bounds and Kaden McCarter; third row, Roy Mojica, Brayden Culwell, Chase Gaines, Dillon West and Chris Ward; top row, Jordan Rodriguez, Brandon Scott, Dyllan Vera, Eric Overton, Chance Young and Scott Smith. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)



MORE NORTHEAST A-B — Other Northeast Elementary boys who made the A-B honor roll for 2003-2004 are bottom row from left, Ricky Esquibel, Troy Henry, Angel Guerrero and Shelby Grice; second row, Robert Velasquez, Vito Martinez, Lupe Garza and Sam Blythe; third row, Alex Jaramillo, Richard DeLuna, Anthony Taylor and Gage Welsh; top row, Alex Alcala, Roman Romero, Chad Greene, Joshua Stansell and Eric Morin. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Incest victim keeps quiet because of shame and fear

DEAR ABBY: I am a 14-year-old girl. My brother molested me. It happened only once, but since then he has twice offered me money to help him with his "fixation." He had a girlfriend for a few years and they had sex all the time. After they broke up, his next relationship lasted for only a few months before she broke it off. That's when he turned to me.

I haven't told anyone because I'm ashamed of myself. I don't want people to find out — especially my friends. I'm afraid they'll think I'm gross or something. What should I do? – **'TOY' IN INDIANA**

DEAR 'TOY': What happened wasn't your fault. You have done nothing to be ashamed of. The person who should be ashamed is your brother. His "fixation" is sick, and he should not be trying to make you a part of it.

It is important that you get help. Your friends do not have to know. Tell your mother what happened. If she minimizes what your brother did, then pick up the phone and call your local rape hotline, or the Rape, Abuse, Incest National Network (R.A.I.N.N.) — 800-656-HOPE (4673). The people there will understand the seriousness of what happened and will help you during this difficult time. Please don't wait. Trust me, you are not as alone as you think you are.

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DEAR ABBY: What is the protocol for avoiding a co-worker's third wedding? Everyone in our office was invited to her second one, a large, catered affair. We all knew the marriage wouldn't last because she was marrying a jobless, irresponsible parasite.

She is again marrying for the wrong reasons. She admits she doesn't love her fiance, but he provides security and takes care of her two sons from her first marriage, both of whom have problems she can't handle.

I don't plan to attend, so am I obligated to send a gift? She's having another large wedding, she says, because they need money for the house they just bought. — **DISGUSTED IN DETROIT**

DEAR DISGUSTED: You are under no obligation to give your co-worker a gift if you do not attend her fund-raiser. Since you have to work with the woman, consider sending a lovely greeting card or token gift along with your good wishes.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 13-year-old girl. I baby-sit for a family with three children. I watch them twice a week from after school until the mother arrives home from work. Lately, the kids have been involved in sports and after-school activities, so some weeks I am not needed.

Yesterday when I arrived, there sat the mother. She had taken the day off from work and didn't notify me. I'm afraid if I bring up the fact that I never know whether or not I should go to watch the kids, I'll lose my job. (Of course, when I don't baby-sit, I don't get paid.) I would appreciate any advice you have. — **GETTING FRUSTRATED**

DEAR GETTING FRUSTRATED: It's time to expand your client roster. It appears you are being taken for granted and taken advantage of. For the mother to expect you to reserve a bloc of time and then not pay for it is inconsiderate and unfair. I recommend you institute a 24-hour cancellation policy. If you allot time to baby-sit someone's children, you should be paid for that time unless properly notified. Experienced, responsible baby sitters aren't easy to find.

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Toddler boy reported kidnapped found safe

COLUMBUS, Ga. (AP) — A 2-year-old boy who was reported kidnapped in a carjacking and held for a $100,000 ransom was found safe Thursday outside a gas station in his hometown, authorities said.

Police said they were tipped to Tellious Brown's whereabouts by an anonymous caller soon after his mother pleaded for his return at a news conference. No ransom was paid, said a law enforcement source, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Any suspects had fled before police arrived to pick up the boy, Maj. Russell Traino said.

The boy's mother, 24-year-old Lakendra Trice, told police that she and her son were getting out of a car Wednesday night when two men pulled a gun on her and drove off with the child still in the car. Police found the car a half-hour later, empty.

The boy's family said the kidnappers later contacted them with a demand for $100,000, the law enforcement source said.

FBI agent Jeff Hurley said the kidnappers apparently dropped off the child at a gas station.

"I think maybe the combination of the news conference and the pressure got to them, and they decided to the right thing and release the child," Hurley said.

Michael Jackson criticizes leak of settlement in 1993 lawsuit

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Michael Jackson issued a statement Thursday criticizing whoever was responsible for leaking documents that disclosed the settlement terms in a 1993 civil case accusing him of child molestation.

The records, obtained by Court TV on Tuesday, said Jackson had agreed to pay $15.3 million to a boy who claimed the singer molested him. Jackson, who faces trial in Santa Maria for allegedly molesting another boy in 2003, said he would never harm a child and said he had reluctantly agreed to the settlement because of the case's potential to harm his career.

"I respect the obligation of confidentiality imposed on all of the parties to the 1993 proceedings. Yet, someone has chosen to violate the confidentiality of those proceedings," Jackson said. "Whoever is now leaking this material is showing as much disrespect for the Santa Maria court's gag order as they are a determination to attack me."

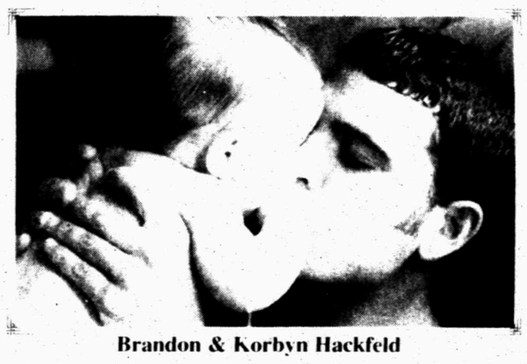
He urged the public to see the leaks "for what they a[illegible]."

"These kinds of [illegible]acks and leaks seek to try the case in the press, rather than to a jury who will hear all of the evidence that will show that I did not, and would not, ever, harm a child," Jackson said. "I have always maintained my innocence, and vehemently denied that these events ever took place."

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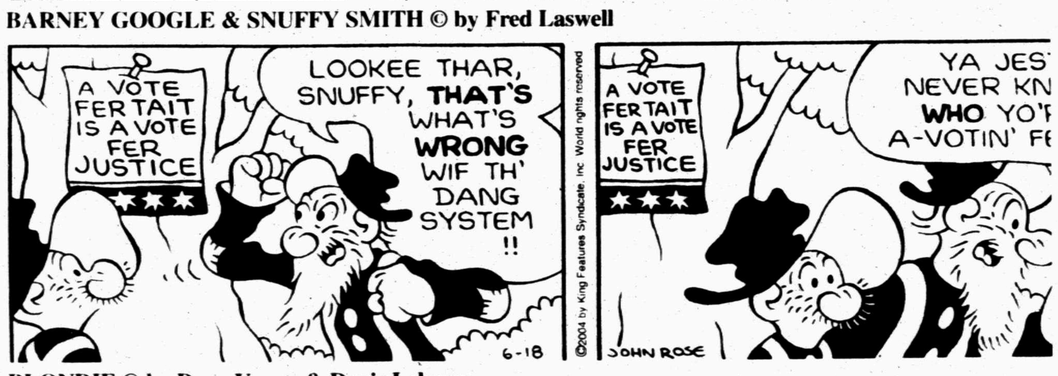
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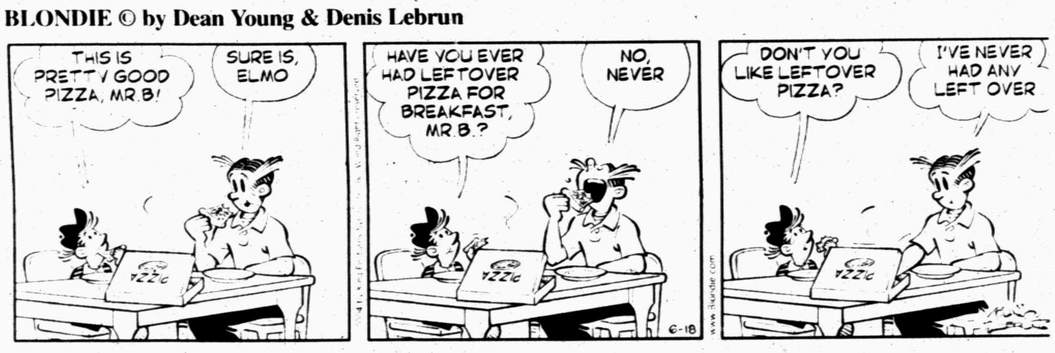
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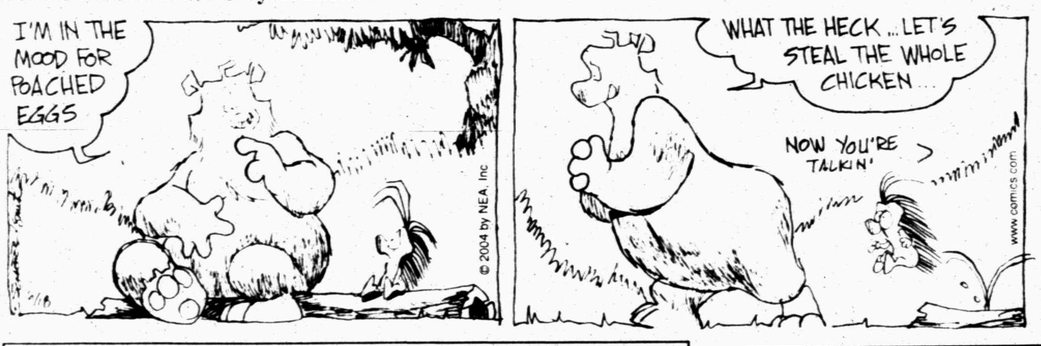
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NEA Crossword Puzzle

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5 Fat chance!
8 — chi ch'uan
11 Wallpaper, etc.
13 Spacewalk, to NASA
14 Aardvark snack
15 Look happy
16 MLK title
17 Wood ash product
18 Units of resistance
20 Famed statuette
22 Divided country
24 I. for Wolfgang
25 Web addr.
26 Quiz
28 Throat-clearing sound
32 Eliminate
33 Sibilate
34 Ford a river
35 Lose one's balance
37 Adult filly
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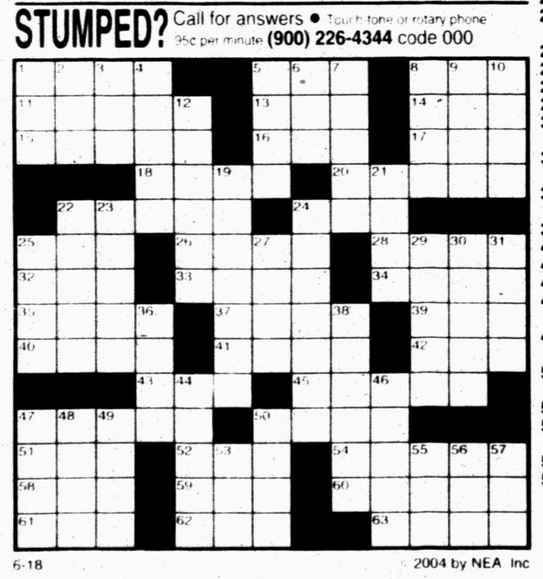
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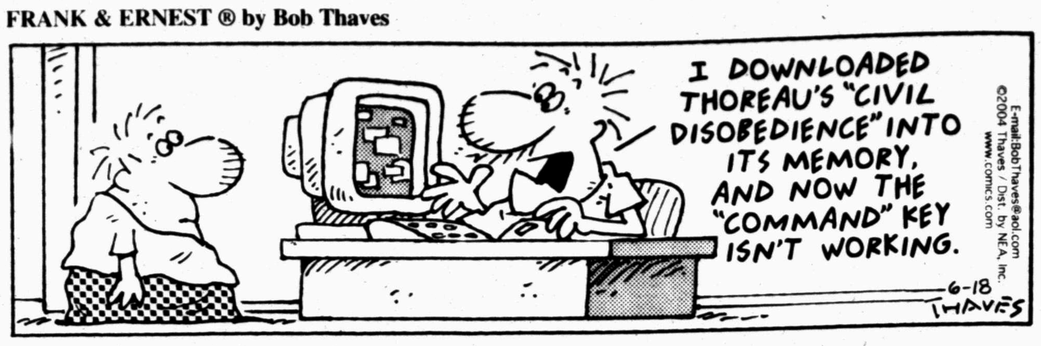
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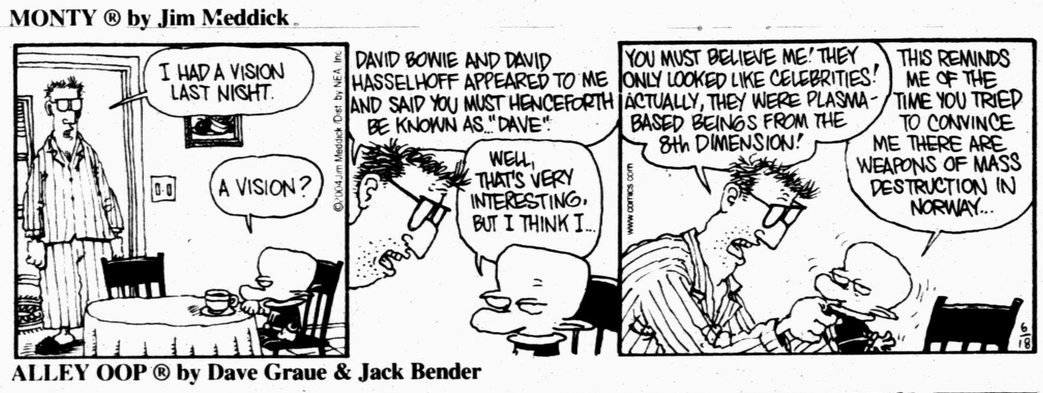
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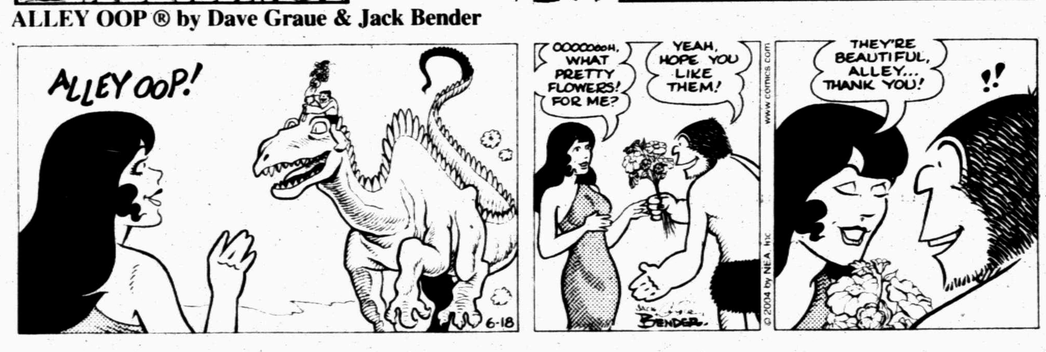
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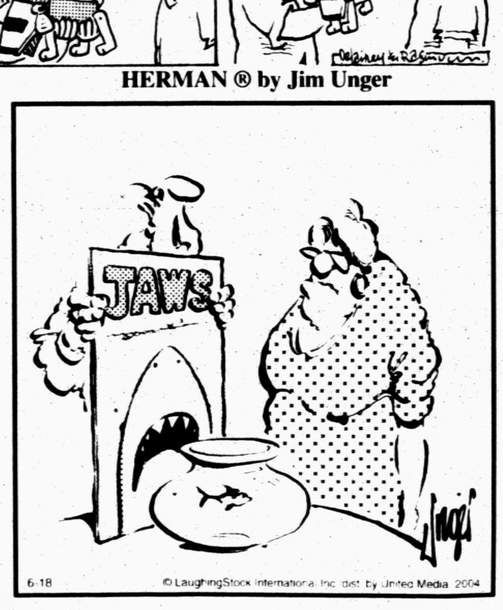


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SPORTS

Griffey misses mark; Reds sweep Rangers

CINCINNATI (AP) — Junior is taking his quest for No. 500 back on the road, still aglow over three incredible days in his hometown.

Ken Griffey Jr. failed to get his milestone homer Thursday in front of another capacity crowd, but the Cincinnati Reds pulled off another late rally for a 4-3 victory and three-game sweep of the Texas Rangers.

Sean Casey had a pair of hits and a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the seventh, a consolation prize for a raucous crowd that saw Griffey go 0-for-3 with a sacrifice fly.

The Reds then headed for St. Louis, where Griffey will resume his attempt to become the 20th player to reach the 500-homer mark. The 34-year-old outfielder wanted badly to get it in his hometown, which gave him three days of unforgettable ovations.

He hadn't been so warmly received in his hometown since he arrived in a February 2000 trade with Seattle, and he made sure that fans knew how much he appreciated it.

When Griffey caught Eric Young's fly in centerfield to end the game, he pointed to fans in left field, then the ones in right, before running off the field.

"They've been real supportive through this whole thing," Griffey said. "It was just my way of saying thank you."

The crowd of 40,383 stood and screamed encouragement in each of his at-bats.

Sports Briefs

Koch, Hidalgo traded

MIAMI (AP) — The Florida Marlins acquired reliever Billy Koch from the Chicago White Sox for minor league infielder Wilson Valdez.

The Marlins acquired Koch and cash from the White Sox, who had recently replaced the right-hander with Shingo Takatsu — Japan's all-time saves leader — as the team's closer.

The New York Mets acquired right fielder Richard Hidalgo from the Houston Astros for right-handers David Weathers and Jeremy Griffiths.

The Mets also get $4 million from the Astros as part of the deal.

Ladies scramble

Scurry County Golf Course will host a ladies scramble with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Entry fee is $180 per team and entry deadline is Saturday. There will be cash prizes and no minimum team handicap. Fee includes golf, cart, breakfast at 8 a.m. and lunch. Call Barbara Leatherwood at 573-5088 for more information.

Baseball builders camp

SHS baseball coach Charles Bollinger is hosting the third annual Snyder Baseball Builders camp Monday through Thursday at Lewis Field.

Eight-year-olds through incoming freshmen will receive instruction from 9 a.m. until noon, and children seven and under will go from 1-2 p.m.

Cost is $75 for eight and up and $50 for seven and under and includes a camp T-shirt. Pre-registration will be held at 8:30 a.m. Monday before the start of the camp. Contact Coach Bollinger at 573-5734 for more information.

Girls basketball camp

Snyder girls head coach Mike Martin will host a girls basketball camp starting Monday.

Incoming third through fifth grade players will go from 8 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., and incoming sixth and seventh-graders will receive instruction from 10:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. Camp for incoming eighth-graders and freshmen will be from 1:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Cost is $60 and includes a camp T-shirt. Forms can be picked up in the basketball office or the athletic office. Call coach Martin at 574-6040 or 575-1917 for more information.

Major League Baseball

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Florida	37	29	.561	—
Philadelphia	34	30	.531	2
Atlanta	31	34	.477	5½
New York	31	34	.477	5½
Montreal	20	44	.313	16

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	39	27	.591	—
Chicago	37	29	.561	2
Cincinnati	37	29	.561	2
Milwaukee	33	30	.524	4½
Houston	33	32	.508	5½
Pittsburgh	26	36	.419	11

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	35	28	.556	—
San Francisco	35	31	.530	1½
San Diego	33	32	.508	3
Arizona	27	39	.409	9½
Colorado	23	42	.354	13

Thursday's Games

Chicago Cubs 5, Houston 4

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	42	22	.656	—
Boston	38	27	.585	4½
Tampa Bay	29	34	.460	12½
Baltimore	27	35	.435	14
Toronto	28	38	.424	15

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	37	28	.569	—
Chicago	34	28	.548	1½
Cleveland	31	33	.484	5½
Detroit	31	34	.477	6
Kansas City	25	38	.397	11

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	37	27	.578	—
Anaheim	36	29	.554	1½
Texas	34	29	.540	2½
Seattle	26	38	.406	11

Thursday's Games

Cincinnati 4, Texas 3
Kansas City 10, Atlanta 4
Philadelphia 6, Detroit 2, 1st game
Detroit 5, Philadelphia 4, 11 innings, 2nd game
Seattle 6, Milwaukee 3
Boston 11, Colorado 0
San Francisco 8, Toronto 5
Pittsburgh 5, Anaheim 2
Minnesota 6, Montreal 4
Florida 2, Chicago White Sox 1, 11 innings
N.Y. Mets 6, Cleveland 2
St. Louis 5, Oakland 4
Arizona 6, N.Y. Yankees 1
Tampa Bay 4, San Diego 1
Los Angeles 4, Baltimore 3

Today's Games

Oakland (Redman 4-3) at Chicago Cubs (Clement 7-4), 2:20 p.m.
Seattle (Moyer 5-2) at Pittsburgh (Vogelsong 1-6), 6:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 7-1) at Montreal (Tucker 0-1), 6:05 p.m.
Kansas City (George 0-0) at Philadelphia (Abbott 0-0), 6:05 p.m.
Detroit (Robertson 5-3) at N.Y. Mets (Glavine 7-3), 6:10 p.m.
Texas (Wasdin 0-0) at Florida (Penny 6-4), 6:35 p.m.
Cleveland (C.Lee 5-1) at Atlanta (Hampton 1-6), 6:35 p.m.
Anaheim (Escobar 4-2) at Houston (Munro 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Silva 7-3) at Milwaukee (Sheets 5-4), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Ponson 3-8) at Colorado (Estes 6-3), 8:05 p.m.
Toronto (Lilly 5-3) at San Diego (D.Wells 2-4), 9:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Halama 2-1) at Arizona (Johnson 9-4), 9:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Vazquez 7-4) at Los Angeles (Weaver 4-7), 9:10 p.m.
Boston (Wakefield 4-5) at San Francisco (J.Williams 6-4), 9:15 p.m.

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MLB roundup...

Cardinals come back to sweep A's

By The Associated Press

The St. Louis Cardinals already had the National League's best record. They showed they can pull off a comeback victory, too.

Pinch-hitter Reggie Sanders capped a three-run rally with a game-winning single in the ninth inning, leading the Cardinals to a surprising 5-4 victory over the Oakland Athletics on Thursday night.

It was the first time St. Louis came back from a ninth-inning deficit after being 0-for-24 in that situation.

"The early part of the year, we weren't able to win those late games," Sanders said. "Everything is clicking right now."

The Cardinals have won 13 of 17 and swept the A's, who came to St. Louis on an eight-game winning streak.

"Coming back like that against a good team like that is a good sign," Sanders said.

With Oakland leading 4-2, Edgar Renteria and Cody McKay opened the ninth with singles, and Ray Lankford was hit by a pitch to load the bases with no outs.

A's second baseman Marco Scutaro then booted Marlon Anderson's grounder to allow two runs to score.

Sanders followed with a single off Jim Mecir (0-5) to complete the comeback for the Cardinals, who are 39-27 and hold a two-game lead in the NL Central.

"We have so many clutch players, so many guys that are ninth-inning guys, that it's the first time we've reversed it," manager Tony La Russa said. "We should do it as much as anybody because we've got a lot of pressure, clutch guys."

In other games, it was: Cincinnati 4, Texas 3; Tampa Bay 4, San Diego 1; Kansas City 10, Atlanta 4; Seattle 6, Milwaukee 3; Boston 11, Colorado 0; San Francisco 8, Toronto 5; Pittsburgh 5, Anaheim 2; Minnesota 6, Montreal 4; Florida 2, the Chicago White Sox 1 in 11 innings; the New York Mets 6, Cleveland 2; Arizona 6, the New York Yankees 1; Los Angeles 4, Baltimore 3; and Philadelphia and Detroit split a doubleheader, with the Phillies winning the first game 6-2 and the Tigers taking the second 5-4 in 11 innings.

In the only NL game, it was the Chicago Cubs 5, Houston 4.

At St. Louis, Ray King (1-0) got the last out in the ninth for the win.

Oakland's short-handed bullpen wasted a good effort by Tim Hudson, who allowed two runs on eight hits.

"Obviously, those guys want to get the job done, but for some reason it's been a struggle," Hudson said. "It's hard to say why it happens but it has been and it's just something we've got to somehow get past."

The A's were missing closer Arthur Rhodes, who's taking a two-day leave of absence, and Chris Hammond, who was unavailable due to a shoulder problem.

Devil Rays 4, Padres 1

At San Diego, Fred McGriff hit his 493rd homer to tie Lou Gehrig for 21st on the career list, and Tampa Bay extended its franchise-record winning streak to eight games.

The Devil Rays also swept consecutive series for the first time in their seven-year history. Before starting this trip, they beat Colorado three straight in Tampa.

Royals 10, Braves 4

At Atlanta, Darrell May (4-8) beat his former team, and Desi Relaford went 3-for-5 with three RBIs for Kansas City.

The Royals improved their AL-worst road record to 9-21 with their second victory in a row.

Mariners 6, Brewers 3

At Milwaukee, Scott Spiezio hit a tiebreaking homer leading off the eighth inning, sending Seattle to a victory.

Jolbert Cabrera homered and drove in three runs, and Randy Winn also connected for the Mariners.

Red Sox 11, Rockies 0

At Denver, Derek Lowe pitched four-hit ball for seven innings in the 25th shutout in Coors Field history, and David Ortiz drove in a career-high five runs to help Boston avoid a sweep.

Lowe (6-5) allowed just two flyballs and struck out three for his third win in four starts.

Giants 8, Blue Jays 5

At San Francisco, Michael Tucker hit a tiebreaking triple in the eighth, and the Giants completed a three-game sweep.

Pinch-hitter Barry Bonds was intentionally walked leading off the eighth. Ray Durham beat out a bunt single, and both scored on Tucker's drive to center off Justin Speier (1-4).

Pirates 5, Angels 2

At Pittsburgh, Tike Redman and Jack Wilson homered in the Pirates' go-ahead seventh, and Kris Benson (5-6) earned his first home win since May 10, 2003.

Jose Mesa worked the ninth for his 16th save in 16 chances, tying Mike Williams' club record for consecutive saves in a season.

Twins 6, Expos 4

At Montreal, Matthew LeCroy hit his third pinch-hit homer in three at-bats this season, and Minnesota rallied for a three-game sweep.

Torii Hunter's RBI double in the eighth put the Twins ahead to stay, sending the Expos to their sixth consecutive loss.

Marlins 2, White Sox 1
11 innings

At Miami, pinch-hitter Matt Treanor singled home the winning run with two outs in the 11th, and Florida beat Chicago after losing Josh Beckett to another injury.

The World Series MVP left his start in the fourth with a muscle strain on the side of his back. He just returned from the disabled list because of a blister on his right middle finger. He's day to day.

The Marlins acquired reliever Billy Koch and cash from the Chicago White Sox after the game for minor league infielder Wilson Valdez.

Mets 6, Indians 2

At New York, Mike Cameron hit his first homer since May 10, and five Mets pitchers combined on a five-hitter.

Earlier in the day, the Mets tried to bolster their lineup, acquiring outfielder Richard Hidalgo from Houston for pitchers David Weathers and Jeremy Griffiths.

Diamondbacks 6, Yankees 1

At Phoenix, knuckleballer Steve Sparks (3-4) allowed one run in seven innings and Juan Brito hit his first major league homer for Arizona.

New York had a four-game winning streak snapped in losing for just the fourth time in 22 games and second in 19 interleague games dating to last season.

Dodgers 4, Orioles 3

At Los Angeles, Adrian Beltre snapped a tie with a homer in the eighth to lift the Dodgers to a three-game sweep.

Beltre's 16th homer came two innings after pinch-hitter Jason Grabowski hit a tying two-run shot off Rodrigo Lopez (5-3).

Eric Gagne got three outs for his 16th save, and extended his major league-record saves streak to 79.

Phillies 6, Tigers 2, 1st game
Tigers 5, Phillies 4
11 innings, 2nd game

At Philadelphia, Jason Michaels homered and drove in four runs for the Phillies in the opener of a day-night doubleheader.

In the nightcap, Carlos Guillen's two-out RBI single off Ryan Madson (4-2) in the 11th helped Detroit earn a split. The game was delayed 51 minutes by rain, the fourth straight day weather affected a Phillies game.

Brandon Inge tied it at 4 with a solo homer off Billy Wagner in the ninth inning.

WTC roper in championship round at CNFR

Western Texas College breakaway roper Jaymee Roach advanced to the short round at the National College Rodeo finals after her performance Thursday night.



Roach

Roach's average score of 60 put her in fourth place in the standings heading into the championship go.

WTC rodeo coach Greg Rhodes said Roach could be knocked out of her position in the standings, but is guaranteed a spot in the short round.

"She's in great position and in good shape," he said.

The other WTC rodeo hands in Casper — bull rider Tate Stratton, saddle bronc competitior Sam Spreadborough and barrel racer Sabrina Lay — will compete for a spot in Saturday's short round this evening.

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Fading Astros drop fourth straight

HOUSTON (AP) — Glendon Rusch pitched eight strong innings, Moises Alou drove in three runs and the Chicago Cubs beat the Houston Astros 5-4 on Thursday night for their sixth straight win.

Rusch (4-1) allowed only two runs on four hits and struck out seven. He was 1-12 with Milwaukee last season and spent most of this spring in Texas' camp before signing a minor league contract with the Cubs on April 1.

Rusch was called up to the majors on April 30, but still didn't expect to pitch much.

"I don't think I envisioned getting a chance to start at first," Rusch said. "I thought I'd just be in the bullpen. But under the circumstances, with our starters not healthy, I got the chance. Obviously, we want our starters all back, but I'm glad I've been able to help."

The Astros might have helped Rusch with their anemic hitting. Houston has scored only 23 runs its last 10 games, and five of those came in one win.

"If we don't pick it up, we'll be out of it before the All-Star break," said starter Roy Oswalt (4-6). "A slump is a slump. If we don't come out of it we'll be out of it before we get started.

Oswalt, who allowed four runs on 11 hits and two walks in seven innings, thinks he and his teammates are pressing after they lost their fourth straight and six of the last seven.

Houston is 3-8 in the last two weeks.

"It's been a frustrating couple of weeks," Jeff Bagwell said. "Sometimes when you think you have hit rock bottom, you really haven't. Obviously, I'm frustrated with the way I'm hitting. But it's not about me. Things will come around for me, but it's about the team and when things will come around for us."

Earlier in the day, the Astros traded outfielder Richard Hidalgo to the New York Mets for right-handers David Weathers and Jeremy Griffiths.

Corey Patterson had two doubles and a triple, and Derrek Lee drove in two runs in Chicago's first four-game sweep of the Astros since June 23-25, 1967, and the first in Houston.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF SCURRY §

To those indebted to, or holding claims against the estate of JOY CLEMENTS KELLER, deceased, Probate Case Number 5,906:

The undersigned, having been duly appointed Independent Executor of the estate of JOY CLEMENTS KELLER, deceased, late of Scurry County, Texas, by ROD WALLER, Judge of the County Court of said county, on the 16th day of June, 2004, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to Raymond Weldon Keller, 310 23rd Street, Snyder, Texas 79549, within the time prescribed by law.

Executed this 16th day of June, 2004.

(s) RAYMOND WELDON KELLER
Independent Executor
of the Estate of
Joy Clements Keller
deceased

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

KINDER MORGAN PRODUCTION COMPANY 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). 46-13, 49-3, 49-4, 49-5, 49-6, 49-7, 50-3, 50-4, 51-1, 51-3, 52-2, 53-1 53-2, 56-3, 87-2, 90-3, 94-2, 109-1, 111-5, 112-1, 166-6 & 166-10. Proposed injection wells are located approximately 5.5 to 6.5 Miles North to Northwest 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'.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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235-2490 or 325-518-9219

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Garage Sales

3-FAMILY GARAGE SALE
2401 Ave. N
Saturday 7a.m. – ??
Clothes for all - baby to teen girl's & boy's (10-14), Comforter, Sheets, Kitchen items, Printer, Dryer, '99 van & lots more!

BACKYARD SALE
3006 40th St.
Saturday 8a.m. – Noon
(no early sales)
Children's clothes, Lots of misc.

Big Boy Toy Garage Sale
3307 Ave. U
Friday 5p.m. – 9p.m.
Saturday 7a.m. – Noon
Hunting, Bow hunting, Fishing, Golfing, Camping equipment, Tools, Household items, etc.

CARPORT SALE
2010 35th St.
Saturday 9a.m. – ??
Furniture, Computer equipment, Kitchenware, TV, New queen waterbed sheets & comforter set. Too much to list! Come see!!

CARPORT SALE
507 20th St.
Saturday 8a.m. – Noon
Women's & boy's clothes, lots of misc. items.

GARAGE SALE
2704 34th St.
Saturday 9a.m. – ??
Table w/4 chairs, 2 recliners, Dresser, Sofa w/queen size sleeper & lots more!

GARAGE SALE
2709 48th St.
Saturday 8a.m. – 6p.m.
Gas powered 2-man post hole digger, Electric tail lift (Ford or Chevy), Air compressor, misc tools. 573-7759

GARAGE SALE
2900 32nd St.
Saturday 8a.m. – ??
Tools, Computer desk, Toys, Children's clothes, Men's shirts

GARAGE SALE
3006 38th St.
Saturday 8a.m. – ??
Men's, women's, boy's & girl's clothes, Shoes, Dishes, and lots more things!

GARAGE SALE
3103 38th Place
(behind Humble Smith)
Fri. & Sat. 8a.m. – ??
Dining room set, Microwave, Golf clubs, Yard tools, Fishing poles, Weight machine, lot of misc.

Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE
3204 42nd St.
Saturday 8a.m. – ??
Clothing, Furniture, Christmas stuff & lots of misc.

GARAGE SALE
3404 Jacksboro
Saturday 8a.m. – 2p.m.
No Early Sales!!!

GARAGE SALE
3789 Dalton
(diff. family from last week)
Friday 1p.m. – ??
Saturday 8a.m. – ??
Lrg. men's & ladies clothing, Twin size bedding, Kitchen stuff & lots, lots more!

GARAGE SALE
606 29th St.
Saturday 8a.m. – ??
Too much to list!!!

GIANT MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE
3101 Beaumont
Saturday 7a.m. – 3p.m.
Patio furniture, TVs, Tools, Children's & adult clothes, Decorator items, Toys, Collectibles, Antiques, Luggage, Furniture & much more!

MOVING SALE
105 23rd St.
Saturday 8a.m. – Noon
Furniture, Tool box, Grill guard, Linens, Twin mattresses, Clothes, Shoes, Reel mower, Basketball goal. Come see!!

MOVING SALE
3204 Irving
Saturday 8:30a.m. – 1p.m.
Sofa, Dinette, Bar stools, Mattress, Vacuum, Clothes, Linens, Dishes, lots of misc.

YARD SALE
412 29th St.
Saturday 8a.m. – ??
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2411 27th Large older home 3-2-cp .$50's
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108 Chestnut 3-1 ..... MAKE OFFER
3106 Ave. B - Fresh paint & updated- 3-1 tile fence .....$50's
1701 Firestone - Town home - 2-2-2 $80's
2809 Westridge Wonderful 3-3-2, basement $100's
204 35th Ready to move in! 3-1, CH/A $30's
2705 48th Beautiful 3-2 LA's-2-2, pool $100's
2110 40th - Nice, Clean 3-1, FP .....$30's
2101 41st 3-1-1cp, corner lot REDUCED! $33T
2803 El Paso Great Location & Extra Nice!! 4 bedroom, 2 bath, office MAKE OFFER!
Colonial Hill - 3-1½-2 .....$74.5T
Wants Offer! 4003 Midland 4-2-2 $90's
2901 Westridge - Must See! 3-2-2LAs-2 $100's
2311 26th - Unique! 1-1, corner .....$30's

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RESIDENTIAL
New! 117 34th Cabin Style 2-1-2....$50T
NEW! 701 16th 2-1-cp + apartment, large garden area, water well....$28T
4000 Jacksboro 3-1¾-2, big liv. & kitchen...Call
3702 Ave. V 3-1¾-1, brick, storage bldg. metal fence....$39.9T
2609 37th 3-2¾-2, 3 living areas $107.5T
Beautiful Bldg Site Overlooking Park..Call
REDUCED 2801 37th 4-1¾-1, RV storage, corner lot, fireplace, metal roof....$79.9T
2205 42nd 3-1-1 plus....$34T
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1701 25th St SOLD $90T
Commercial for rent or lease ....West 37th
Business Opportunity! Established Buffet Restaurant in preferred location....CALL!
Commercial 2005 2 SOLD $45T
Shop w/2 offices & waiting room, fenced yard, 87 A's 23rd St. Old Gail Rd....Call

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CR 4105 - Hermleigh - 5 acres, mobile home, water well, shop....$16T
Ira - Brick 3-2-2, 1 acre....$85T
Ira School District 3-2-1....$75T
NEW LISTING 11 acres close in, FM 1607 brick 3-2-1, shop, water, barn, hay shed, chicken house, new fences....$97.5T

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2609 37th 3-2½-2, 3 LA's....$107.5T
Country on 5A's 3-2-2....$104T
4507 Galveston 3-2-2 plus pool...Call
487 Alamo Dr. 3-2-2cp w/5 acres $99,750
3000 Beaumont 3-2-2....$84.5T
4120 Kerrville 3-2-2....$84.5T
Mobile 4-3-2 LA's, 4 A's....Reduced $81.5T
2702 34th Newly updated 3-2-2....$70's
1749 Keller Ave. 3 bdrm, 1½ bath, 2 car garage, barn + 15 A's Red $79.9T
Hermleigh 3-2-2, acreage....$78.5T
New Listing 2408 42nd 3-2-2LAs-2cp $65T
2217 40th 2-2-1, 2 living areas....$62.5T
3506 Irving 3-2 Nice!....$53.5T
3200 Ave. D 3-2-2....$49,100
1601 Hillto Contract Pending **d.** $45T
2212 28th 2-2-2LA's-2....$44.5T
217 36th Place 2-1-1....$28T
707 27th 2-1....$25T
309 35th 2 or 3-1....$23.5T
1381 N. Ave. P 2-1, 4 lots....$22.5T
Lamesa Hwy - Office, shop, small A's Call
Several residential lots, E. 35th St....Call
McBeth Pecan Farm - House, 15+ acres, some equipment included....Reduced $85T
E. 180 Lots avail. w/mobile hook-ups Call
Car Lot w/comm. bldg. 709 Hwy 180....$40T
1402 College Commercial lot....$8T
Westerner Golfland....Call for details
600 37th Large Commercial Bldg....Call
Commercial Bldg - College Ave....Call
Large comm. bldg 1822 26th....$44.5T
Comm. bldg in good shape 1818 26th $35T
****Comm. Bldgs on S. Side of Square****
***1822 26th** ....building for Sale or Lease
***1806 26th** Clean, good shape, for sale $34T

Land, Farms, Acreage listed.
Kayla Moreland....573-4809
Lora Holley....573-7076
Wenona Evans....573-8165
Bill Dryden....573-9739
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Huge jackpot reflects trend in state lotteries

DALLAS (AP) — This is exactly what state officials had in mind last year when, over the grumbling of many regular players, they made the Lotto Texas game much harder to win.

Texas has gone nearly four months — 32 drawings — without a winner.

The jackpot has grown to record levels — an estimated $145 million for Saturday night's drawing.

And that has people talking, and buying more Lotto tickets.

Gail Howard, who runs a lottery Web site and wrote a book on the subject, "Lottery Master Guide," blames it all on the media.

Howard said lotteries around the country have been making their games more difficult for years in order to drive up jackpots, which in turn generates more buzz in newspapers and on radio and television. But the novelty of a $145 million jackpot may wear off.

"Pretty soon, it's going to take a $1 billion jackpot to get the media hype," Howard said.

The odds against winning Lotto Texas with a single, $1 ticket used to be 1 in 25.8 million. In May 2003, the Lottery Commission added a bonus ball, which raised the odds against winning to 1 in 47.8 million.

As the current Lotto Texas jackpot marched past the old record of $85 million, set in 2001, lottery officials couldn't have been more pleased.

"Sales are jackpot-driven. We're seeing that now," said lottery spokesman Bobby Heith. He noted that at peak frenzy before Wednesday night's drawing, when the jackpot hit $120 million, stores around the state were selling 40,000 tickets a minute.

"The more we roll, the more revenue we generate for the state of Texas," Heith said.

Many other states, including California and New York, and the multistate Powerball and Mega Millions games have also adopted the bonus ball format to increase jackpots.

California changed the odds from 1-in-18 million to 1-in-41 million. Powerball is 1-in-120 million, and the odds of winning Mega Millions are an infinitesimal 1-in-135 million.

Critics say the longer odds may backfire, even with big jackpots.

"If they don't win — they don't have to know about odds — they eventually just give up," Howard said.

Indeed, sales for Lotto Texas have fallen. Dawn Nettles of Garland, who runs a private Web site about the Texas games, said sales in the first 117 drawings under the new, harder game are down $119 million, or 18 percent, from the last 117 drawings under the old game with its better odds.

Nettles said sales immediately before Wednesday night's drawing were $27.7 million, barely half the amount sold in the run-up to that $85 million drawing in 2001, when odds were more favorable for players.

Lottery officials said sales for Lotto Texas have fallen because of competition from the big-jackpot Mega Millions game, which debuted in Texas in December. When sales from that game are included, the state expects 2004 sales from all lottery games, including the cheaper and popular scratch-off games, to top 2003 levels.

Whether the jackpot is $4 million or $145 million, the odds against winning with a single ticket remain the same.

"It becomes an attractive bet in some sort of theoretical way as the jackpot goes up," said Michael Orkin, a statistics professor at California State University, Hayward, and author of "What Are the Odds."

"But you are much more likely to split the jackpot because with more tickets sold, someone else might have the same numbers," Orkin said.

Orkin said lottery odds are terrible in comparison to other forms of gambling, but they hold allure because a $1 ticket can be worth a life-altering sum.

"There aren't many other bets around where for $1 you can win $145 million," he said.

Prosecutors in Scott Peterson's trial trying to establish motive

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) — Prosecutors tried to establish a monetary motive for Scott Peterson to want his pregnant wife dead through testimony about valuable jewelry Laci Peterson inherited in the months before she disappeared.

Laci Peterson, with other family members, had inherited more than $100,000 worth of jewelry from her grandmother before she vanished Dec. 24, 2002, witnesses have testified. On Thursday, prosecutors in Scott Peterson's murder trial questioned a jewelry store clerk who said she remembered Laci Peterson bringing in various items to be appraised.

Mary Anna Felix testified that Laci Peterson told her it was Peterson's husband who wanted to know how much the jewelry was worth — and when Felix estimated the jewelry to be worth more than $100,000, "she said that he would be very happy."

Felix also said Laci Peterson wore a diamond pendant, and told her she never took it off, even when she slept, for fear of losing it.

Prosecutors showed a picture of the pendant sitting atop a dresser in the Petersons' home. The photo was taken after Laci Peterson vanished.

Robin Rocha, Laci Peterson's aunt, also testified that she and Laci inventoried the jewelry when the grandmother died and that after Laci disappeared, a watch and a pair of two-carat diamond earrings were missing.

Prosecutors called the owners of a Modesto pawn shop to testify that Laci Peterson sold some of her grandmother's jewelry on Dec. 10 for $140 and on Dec. 14, Laci and Scott Peterson returned to the store to sell more items for $110.

On cross-examination, Geragos displayed a receipt that showed someone sold a watch, identical to the one Rocha claimed was missing after Laci vanished, on Dec. 31, 2002, at another area pawn shop.

Geragos didn't say whose name was on the pawn shop receipt but indicated it wasn't his client, in an apparent attempt to show that someone else was in possession of the missing watch.

Prosecutors have said Peterson's affair with a massage therapist drove him to murder. Thursday's questioning introduced another possible motive — that with his wife out of the way, Peterson might have thought that he could profit from the jewelry.

Drownings first in water gardens' 30-year history

FORT WORTH (AP) — On sweltering, summer days, the cool water cascading over large concrete steps in a downtown park seems quite inviting.

Since the 5.4-acre Fort Worth Water Gardens opened in 1974, many visitors have strolled under the large shade trees and stopped at one of several areas to wade, splash or even take a dip — despite more than a dozen "no swimming" signs.

The city has paid claims to people who have fallen down the steep steps, officials said. No injuries were serious enough to warrant erecting barriers, said Richard Zavala, parks and community services director.

But now, after four people drowned Wednesday night in a 9-foot-deep swirling pool, officials planned to meet with an engineering firm today to start an extensive study of safety at the park designed by well-known New York architect Philip Johnson.

The four victims were among 120 members of Antioch Missionary Baptist Church in Chicago attending the National Baptist Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Congress.

In the pool where they drowned, water flows down several irregularly spaced steps, creating waterfalls that empty into the pool. The water there is recirculated through a drain at the bottom of the pool.

With their hotel pool closed and temperatures in the 90s, the victims had decided to cool off at the fountain. Police say 8-year-old Lauren Dukes slipped and tumbled in. Her friend, 11-year-old Juantrice Deadmon, grabbed her hand but was pulled in. Then 13-year-old Christopher Dukes jumped in to help his sister and Juantrice.

Investigators are trying to determine whether 39-year-old Myron Dukes, father of two of the youngsters, was nearby when they entered the water. He jumped in as soon as he heard the commotion. After struggling to stay afloat, all four were sucked to the bottom.

"This was not the result of someone violating the law and going swimming. This looks as though it was an accident," Police Chief Ralph Mendoza said Thursday.

Before Wednesday, the most serious accident at the park was in 1991 when an 80-foot light pole fell and killed two people.

After getting the call about 6:45 p.m. Wednesday, bike patrol officers arrived first and dived in. Firefighters arrived a few minutes later and jumped in; after that a second group of firefighters broke down the pump station door and shut off the pump that was sending 10,500 gallons of water through the park each minute, authorities said.



On Nutrition by Ed Blonz, Ph.D.

Fishing for more information

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I read your article on salmon and PCBs in my paper with interest. I am a salmon lover and am concerned as to whether I should shop for wild or farmed. Currently, I purchase bags of frozen farmed Atlantic salmon fillets from a warehouse store. I noticed that you concluded your article by saying that "it is still a regular dish on my table," but you didn't say which type of salmon. Can you tell me what kind and why? Thanks in advance. — **T.W., San Diego, Calif.**

DEAR T.W.: I tend to favor wild fillets when available (and affordable), but have no problem with farmed fish as a general rule. Of those available, I believe that the fish coming from Chile tend to have lower PCB numbers than the North Atlantic farmed varieties. As I had stated in the earlier column, however, no matter where the fish comes from there is likely to be good farms and farms with PCB problems. Whenever possible, you should check with the fish buyers in your market to find out what they know.

Finally, even with salmon from the North Atlantic, PCB tests have been performed on the whole fish, and you are likely to be eating only the fillet. This is a major point, and another bit of information left out of studies and media reports.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: This is more of a comment than a question. I found that a short burst of exercise (such as walking up a couple of flights of stairs) within 15 minutes before giving blood not only sped up the process (since it's easier to find your dilated veins and the blood flows faster) but, more important, I never felt dizzy after a donation if I did some exercise just before donating blood. I often felt lightheaded after giving blood when I did not exercise first. — **E.F., Marblehead, Mass.**

DEAR E.F.: It's great that you found a way to prime your system and facilitate the blood donating process. I usually exercise every other day, and I time my donations for an exercise day. I found, as did you, that the veins were indeed ready and waiting. One interesting aside, though. When I donate on a non-exercise day the needle may not go in as easily, but I find that the actual donation takes less time. Perhaps because the blood isn't otherwise occupied with feeding and repairing muscles that have just given their all.

Your approach shows how important it is for people to get to know their bodies and see what works best in any particular situation. The key thing is to get people in line and donating.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I wanted to write about the woman who had difficulty absorbing iron. Iron absorption is a problem I suffered with from early childhood until adulthood. I took iron pills for years and even had three iron shot treatments, but they had side effects. About 20 years ago one doctor told me that milk products inhibit iron absorption, and that vitamin C enhances it. Adjusting my diet in this way, plus adding most of the foods you mentioned and a small amount of liver, brought my iron levels back to normal. I even had to back off on this food a bit, because at one point my iron was too high. Ever since this change, I have been a fan of the healing power of proper foods. I have so many iron-rich recipes that I have even considered writing a cookbook for people suffering from anemia. Thank you for your articles! — **Y.S., San Diego, Calif.**

DEAR Y.S.: Thanks so much for the note and for the additional information. We all must be ready to become advocates on our own behalf, and to search out potential answers when standard approaches fail. I'm glad the vitamin C connection worked well for you; I actually included it in an earlier column on iron, but the one you mentioned was a bit long so I had to do some trimming.

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

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 06 18 04
♠ Q 6 3
♥ 9 7 4 2
♦ 7
♣ A J 10 6 3

West
♠ 8 5
♥ K 10 6 5
♦ Q 4 3 2
♣ K 7 2

East
♠ 1
♥ A 3
♦ A K 10 9 8 6 5
♣ 9 8 4

South
♠ A K J 10 9 7 2
♥ Q J 8
♦ J
♣ Q 5

Dealer: East
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
			1 ♦
1 ♠	Dbl.	2 ♠	3 ♦
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ 2

Friday, June 18, 2004

Trust your partner; watch his spots

By Phillip Alder

Do you trust your partner's plays? If he drops the eight before the three (or the three before the eight), would you notice and draw the appropriate conclusion? Could you trust that deduction? If so, everyone must dislike playing against you.

Today's deal, played in four spades at a team tournament in Sydney, Australia, is instructive in this area.

West's double was negative, showing four hearts and six-plus points (or five or six hearts in a hand too weak for a two-heart response).

At the first table, the defense followed the logical route. East won the first trick with his diamond king, cashed the heart ace, and continued with a second heart. West won with the king and gave his partner a heart ruff — one down.

At the other table, the play started similarly, except that the declarer, Bruce Neill, at trick two, dropped the heart jack under East's ace, then played the queen on East's heart continuation.

West assumed that South had started with the doubleton queen-jack. So, he shifted to the club two. South ran that to his queen, drew trumps ending in hand, took another club finesse, and pitched his heart eight on dummy's club ace — plus 620.

Should West have seen through the ruse? Yes. If East had begun with the A-8-3 of hearts, he probably would have shifted to a low heart at trick two. But even if he did cash the heart ace, he would have continued with the eight, not the two: high-low with a remaining doubleton.

However, although West should not have been fooled, one must admire South's clever deceptive play.

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Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	12.01	11.84	11.92	+ .10
AT&T Corp	16.30	16.10	16.29	+ .12
Albertsons	26.06	25.70	25.91	+ .18
Alltel	50.45	49.87	50.34	+ .17
AmEl Pw	31.86	31.40	31.80	+ .23
AndarkPtr	58.10	57.60	57.87	— .11
ATMOS Egy	24.55	24.20	24.37	— .17
Aviall	17.78	17.62	17.62	— .14
BP PLC	54.97	54.59	54.77	+ .70
BakerHughes	36.99	36.24	36.26	— .49
Bank of Amer	84.63	83.75	84.46	+ .79
BellSouth	25.70	25.34	25.67	+ .13
BurlNoSFe	34.03	33.60	33.86	— .14
Caterpillar	74.93	74.44	74.58	— .14
CenterPoint	10.79	10.57	10.77	+ .11
ChevronTex	93.45	92.76	93.35	+ .57
Citigroup	47.59	47.17	47.53	+ .45
CocaCola	51.29	50.21	51.25	+ .16
ColgatePal	58.59	58.17	58.49	+ .14
CmclMetals	34.00	33.15	33.61	— .07
ConocoPhill	77.42	76.30	77.22	+ .79
Cooper Inds	58.29	57.62	57.91	— .19
DaimlrChry	46.34	45.93	46.17	+ .15
DeltaAirLines	6.49	6.15	6.36	+ .49
Dillards Inc	22.65	22.24	22.44	+ .06
DowChem	40.00	39.09	39.99	+ .94
DuPont	44.33	43.70	44.30	+ .54
EastmanChem	43.99	43.40	43.92	+ .24
EstKodak	25.50	25.30	25.44	— .08
EDS Corp	17.99	17.71	17.97	+ .11
Entergy	55.18	54.17	55.06	+ .42
ExxonMobil	44.97	44.69	44.89	+ .12
FootLocker	24.21	23.69	24.07	+ .22
GenDynam	99.98	98.58	99.81	+ .53
GenElec	32.55	32.23	32.50	+ .14
GenMills	46.33	45.80	46.26	+ .17
GenMotors	47.97	47.55	47.91	+ .14
GaPacific	35.40	35.06	35.31	— .18
Goodrich	31.40	31.02	31.34	+ .33
Goodyear	9.73	9.44	9.72	+ .28
GtAtlPac	7.36	7.21	7.29	— .08
Halliburtn	30.39	29.75	29.78	— .42
Hanson PLC	37.76	37.70	37.76	— .26
HarteHanks	23.73	23.43	23.57	— .03
HomeDepot	35.68	35.42	35.45	— .22
HoneywellIntl	36.47	36.00	36.45	+ .28
IBM	90.79	90.01	90.64	+ .20
IntlPaper	43.49	42.80	43.42	+ .37
JohnsonJn	55.58	55.23	55.28	— .27
KinderMorg	59.70	59.11	59.61	— .22
Kroger Co	17.10	17.13	17.38	+ .29
LockheedM	50.69	49.80	50.55	+ 1.15
Lowes Cos	53.94	53.55	53.82	— .19
Lubys	6.45	6.28	6.29	+ .02
LucentTech	3.57	3.46	3.55	+ .06
MarathonOil	36.65	36.38	36.49	+ .13
MayDeptStr	28.68	28.10	28.43	+ .10
Medtronic	49.29	49.00	49.20	— .02
Motorola	17.90	17.50	17.73	— .36
NCR Corp	48.95	48.62	48.89	+ .08
Navistar	39.48	38.85	39.38	+ .15
PNM Rescs s	20.42	20.23	20.36	+ .12
Penney JC	37.40	36.91	37.39	+ .59
PepBoys	24.86	24.65	24.69	+ .17
PepsiCo	55.20	54.76	54.94	
PhelpDodge	70.39	68.59	70.27	+ 1.67
PilgrimsPride	27.40	27.22	27.38	— .02
Praxair s	38.19	37.19	38.10	+ .71
ProctGamb	111.49	110.30	111.40	+ 1.03
ProctGamb wi	55.65	55.15	55.65	+ .50
RadioShack	29.54	29.30	29.48	+ .01
RoyalDut	53.24	52.68	53.06	+ .93
SBC Comm	24.82	24.43	24.76	+ .22
SaraLee	22.95	22.74	22.88	+ .06
Scripps EW	107.99	107.50	107.97	+ .27
SearsRoeb	38.94	38.55	38.65	— .05
SherwinW	39.89	39.25	39.77	+ .34
SouthernCo	29.00	28.70	28.97	+ .09
SwstAirl	15.56	15.35	15.54	+ .04
SprintFON	17.57	17.25	17.48	
Sunoco Inc	62.80	61.88	62.52	+ .22
TXU Corp	38.50	38.12	38.46	+ .11
TempleInland	65.80	65.26	65.75	— .21
TexInd	39.45	38.55	39.26	+ .15
TexasInst	23.65	23.06	23.62	+ .37
Textron	58.71	57.56	58.64	+ 1.36
TimeWarner	17.89	17.61	17.87	+ .18
TrinityInds	30.61	30.40	30.50	— .11
TylerTech	8.83	8.68	8.80	+ .14
UnionPacif	58.08	57.60	57.94	+ .02
USSteel	30.93	30.43	30.77	+ .17
UnitedTech	89.70	89.00	89.57	+ .47
Unocal	36.92	36.54	36.81	+ .04
VerizonComm	36.23	35.69	36.13	+ .25
WalMart	56.11	55.54	55.95	+ .10
WellsFargo	58.99	58.40	58.85	+ .44
WstnGasRs	62.73	61.75	62.55	+ .62
WinnDixie	6.65	6.50	6.59	+ .02
Xerox Cp	14.20	14.02	14.18	+ .05
YumBrands	38.05	37.35	37.62	— .16

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Saturday, June 19, 2004

Although the year ahead will be full of unpredictable happenings, you'll flow with the tide nicely. In fact, chances are you'll find ways to take advantage of each and every event to better your lot in life.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Bargains may abound at this time, so take the family shopping today for all those little items that are likely to be on sale. You'll save a bundle and they'll no longer grumble.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Today may be a good time to retire from the outside world and all of its concerns in order to give yourself an emotional rest. Have a pleasant time relaxing at home with just the family about.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — You may not feel much like socializing today and that's OK, but if you have a need to sort out events, find a good friend with whom you can talk things over. It'll make you feel better.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Tried and true pals that fit like an old shoe are the ones who'll enjoy you the most today, so don't attempt to knock yourself out trying to please or entertain people with whom you have little in common.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Establish meaningful objectives today that mean a lot to you personally and you'll be able to accomplish more than usual. When you like what you're doing, time seems to fly by.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Get away from the daily routine today and do something you enjoy, such as getting in touch with friends you haven't talked to for some time and getting caught up on all the latest happenings.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Don't be surprised if you find yourself wanting an emotional experience today. For example, you might be drawn to people who have an intense effect on you just so you can feel the passion.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — The spotlight will be centered today on your most personal relationships, but this is because you're the one who'll be focusing it on them. Make sure you show off their best, not their worst.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Spending time on a labor of love will do much for your emotional state today. Its calming effects will help your nerves and boost your optimism.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Your pleasant, get-along-with-everybody nature is your greatest asset today and you'll find plenty of ways to express this wonderful quality with all those you encounter at this time.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Spend some time with those who are near and dear to you. The most precious gift you can give to your loved ones is being there for them when they need you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You're likely to be more proficient with mental tasks today rather than physical ones, so leave the mending of fences until another time when your muscles want to be exercised.

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Western drought beats Dust Bowl

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The drought gripping the West could be the biggest in 500 years, with effects in the Colorado River basin considerably worse than during the Dust Bowl years, scientists at the U.S. Geological Survey said Thursday.

"That we can now say with confidence," said Robert Webb, lead author of the new fact sheet. "Now I'm completely convinced."

The Colorado River has been in a drought for the entire decade, cutting an important source of water for millions of people across the West, including Southern California.

Environmental groups said the report reinforces the need to figure out a better way to manage the Colorado River before reservoirs run dry.

"The water managers, they just continue to pray for rain," said Owen Lammers, director of Living Rivers and Colorado Riverkeeper. "They just say, well, we hope that things change and we see rain."

The report said the drought has produced the lowest flow in the Colorado River on record, with an adjusted annual average flow of only 5.4 million acre-feet at Lees Ferry, Ariz., during the period 2001-2003. By comparison, during the Dust Bowl years, between 1930 and 1937, the annual flow averaged about 10.2 million acre-feet, the report said.

Scientists use tree-ring reconstructions of Colorado River flows to estimate what conditions were like before record-keeping began in 1895. Using that method, the lowest five-year average of water flow was 8.84 million acre-feet in the years 1590-1594. From 1999 through last year, water flow has been 7.11 million acre-feet.

"These comparisons suggest that the current drought may be comparable to or more severe than the largest-known drought in 500 years," the report said.

The report said the river had its highest flow of the 20th century from 1905 to 1922, the years used to estimate how much water Western states would receive under the Colorado River Compact.

The 1922 compact should now be reconsidered because of the uncertain water flow, said Steve Smith, a regional director for the Wilderness Society.

The report did not surprise water managers.

Adan Ortega, spokesman for the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, said the water district has been increasing water storage, buying water from farmers and investing in alternatives to the Colorado River.

"The big lesson is communities cannot afford to put all their eggs in the proverbial basket. You need ... a diverse portfolio of resources," Ortega said.

Herb Guenther, director of the Arizona Department of Water Resources, said the agency continues to plan for a lingering drought.

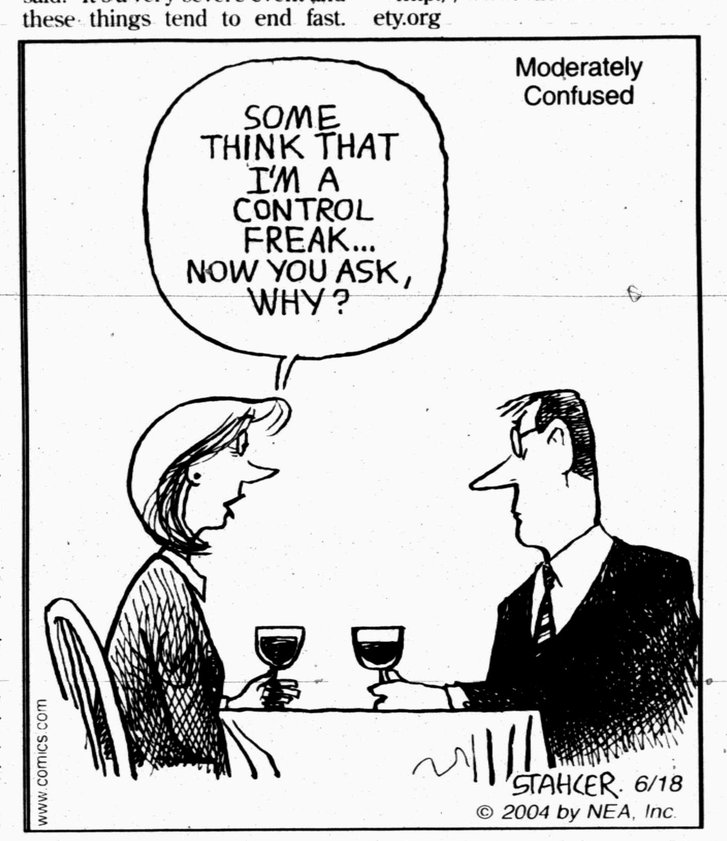
"It's serious, but the sky is not falling. Of course, we wish it would in the form of rain," he said.

Droughts seldom persist for longer than a decade, the report noted. But that could mean the current drought is only half over.

"If you're a betting person, you will bet that we will come out of this drought next year," Webb said. "It's a very severe event and these things tend to end fast. There are other indications, though, that suggest that this drought could persist for as long as 30 years.

"We don't really know."

On the Net:
http://water.usgs.gov/pubs/fs/2004/3062/
http://www.livingrivers.org
http://www.wildernesssociety.org



Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Thiamine in alcoholics

DEAR DR. GOTT: I recently read that thiamine is a possible cure for alcohol-induced neuropathy. What is the recommended dosage and how often should the vitamin be taken?

DEAR READER: People who consistently abuse alcohol usually develop vitamin deficiencies, in addition to disorders of the brain, heart, pancreas and liver. Furthermore, many alcoholics suffer from neuropathy (nerve malfunction) that causes numbness and tingling of the extremities.

During a period of abstinence, such as occurs during detoxification, seizures may appear. These "rum fits" can be prevented by vitamin supplements, chiefly thiamine. During withdrawal, alcoholics are customarily prescribed 100 milligrams of thiamine a day in three daily injections. This replenishes the deficiency.

I am not aware that oral doses of thiamine when taken by an active alcoholic will improve neuropathy. The continued use of intoxicants virtually neutralizes any beneficial effects the vitamin might have. It makes more sense to stop drinking, end the physical self-abuse, and receive professional assistance in overcoming the disastrous effects of alcohol.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Mental and Substance Abuse." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 440992. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have an underactive thyroid gland and a high cholesterol level. Is there any reason why I shouldn't use coconut oil to correct the problems?

DEAR READER: There are two reasons why I would discourage the use of coconut oil in your case.

First, you should be taking a thyroid supplement under your physician's supervision. When given in appropriate dosages, such a supplement will completely correct the metabolic consequences of hypothyroidism, one of which is an elevated cholesterol level.

Second, in some instances, coconut oil actually causes the cholesterol level to rise, a complication you want to avoid.

My advice is: get your thyroid under control. Then, if your cholesterol level doesn't drop (as I suspect it will), you should consider medication to bring it down. Again, this is a topic that you and your doctor need to explore.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Understanding Cholesterol." Other 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: I've heard a lot of differing opinions after reading your recommendation that patients seek to obtain prescriptions from Canada, even though such an option is currently illegal and, opponents argue, should be discouraged. Do you still feel strongly about the price-shopping option?

DEAR READER: After receiving a lot of heat because I endorsed the practice of price-shopping for prescription medications in Canada, a recent "60 Minutes" segment called "Prescriptions and Profit" by Morley Safer (broadcast on March 14) expressed a similar viewpoint to mine. So it may not be long until the law is changed to allow consumers to obtain the medicines they need at less cost.

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

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Saudi police search for U.S. hostage

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — With helicopters flying overhead, thousands of Saudi police searched for American hostage Paul M. Johnson Jr. today, as a deadline loomed for the kingdom to release jailed al-Qaida suspects or see him killed.

Police went through several Riyadh neighborhoods, even going door to door, but authorities acknowledged having few leads for finding Johnson, a Lockheed Martin employee who was kidnapped a week ago by a group calling itself al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula.

Security forces expanded their searches later today to more suburbs of Riyadh, and police stopped cars at checkpoints throughout the capital.

In Johnson's hometown of Eagleswood Township, N.J., relatives held a vigil Thursday night to pray for his safe return.

Johnson's wife, Thanom, a Thai citizen, fought back tears as she pleaded for her husband's release in an interview broadcast today on the Saudi-owned satellite TV channel Al-Arabiya.

"When I see his picture in TV, I fall down," said Thanom, who wore a black headscarf. "When I hear the name Paul Johnson, I cry a lot. He is my only family here."

The kidnappers released a videotape of Johnson on Tuesday night saying they would kill him within 72 hours unless the Saudi government released all militants in its prisons. The Saudis have rejected the demand.

The group did not set a specific time when the deadline runs out. The videotape appeared on a Web site at about midnight Tuesday, and if counted from that point the 72 hours would run out by midnight today, or 5 p.m. EST today.

The organization that claimed the kidnapping is believed to be headed by Abdulaziz Issa Abdul-Mohsin al-Moqrin, the top al-Qaida figure in Saudi Arabia.

Insurgents and U.S. soldiers clash in Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Insurgents clashed today with U.S. forces near Baghdad for the second time in as many days, and crews repairing a sabotaged crude oil pipeline expect to have full exports flowing by the end of next week.

The patrol from the U.S. Army 1st Infantry came under attack about 7:45 a.m. in the town of Buhriz, near Baqouba, said Maj. Neal O'Brien. Troops returned fire, killing two militants, he said. There were no U.S. casualties.

U.S. helicopters hovered over buildings and cars gutted by fire. Masked gunmen held up rifles and rocket propelled grenades as they danced for the cameras. Women wailed in the streets.

Baqouba, a largely Sunni Muslim area 35 miles north of Baghdad that formed a core of support for Saddam Hussein's former regime, has been the scene of frequent clashes between coalition forces and insurgents. Fighting in the city broke out again late today afternoon, witnesses said by telephone, but there were no further details from the military.

On Thursday, another 1st Infantry patrol came under attack in the same area. There were no U.S. casualties from either attack.

Military officials said seven insurgents had been killed in the two days of skirmishes, but officials at Baqouba General Hospital said five people had died and 15 were injured. Insurgents often don't bring wounded fighters to the hospital out of fear of arrest.

Four Iraqi policemen were injured in the southern city of Nasiriyah when a bomb they were trying to defuse exploded, witnesses said. An Italian officer confirmed the explosion and the injuries.

In southeastern Iraq, British forces clashed with fighters loyal to a radical cleric Muqtada al-Sadr late Thursday, killing at least two insurgents, witnesses and military officials said.

No British soldiers were hurt in the fighting in Amarah, 180 miles southeast of Baghdad, a British military spokesman said.

The insurgents used small arms, mortars and rocket-propelled grenades in clashes that lasted about two hours, witnesses said.

Insurgents also launched attacks against British soldiers in Amarah on Wednesday after they detained militia leader Ahmed Hachi.

Al-Sadr's forces are skirmishing regularly with U.S. troops in Baghdad's Sadr City district, but they were routed by the 1st Armored Division in Karbala and their ranks were significantly reduced in Najaf and Kufa, coalition forces say.

Crews are completing repairs on a major pipeline system in the south that was sabotaged by insurgents a weeks ago. Full crude oil exports are expected by end of next week, but could come as early as Wednesday, coalition officials said today.

Bush says credible evidence does link Iraq and al Qaida

WASHINGTON (AP) — Disputing the findings of the commission investigating the Sept. 11 terror attacks, President Bush continues to insist there was a link between Saddam Hussein and al-Qaida.

"This administration never said that the 9-11 attacks were orchestrated between Saddam and al-Qaida," Bush said Thursday after meeting with his Cabinet at the White House.

"We did say there were numerous contacts between Saddam Hussein and al-Qaida. For example, Iraqi intelligence officers met with (Osama) bin Laden, the head of al-Qaida, in the Sudan. There's numerous contacts between the two," he said.

Saddam's alleged link with terrorists was a central justification the Bush administration had for toppling the former Iraqi regime. Bush also argued that Saddam had weapons of mass destruction, which have not been found, and that Saddam ruled his country with an iron fist and tortured his opponents, claims that no one has disputed.

"The reason I keep insisting that there was a relationship between Iraq and Saddam and al-Qaida is because there was a relationship between Iraq and al-Qaida," Bush said.

The Sept. 11 panel reported this week that while there were contacts between al-Qaida and Iraq they did not appear to have produced "a collaborative relationship."

Vice President Dick Cheney vehemently disagreed with that conclusion, saying on CNBC's "Capital Report" that "the notion that there is no relationship between Iraq and al-Qaida just simply is not true."

Senior members of the commission seemed eager to minimize any disagreement with the White House.

Four arrests reported Thursday

• ***Arrests***

Police responded to a family disturbance call at 12:36 p.m. Thursday and arrested a 37-year-old male on charges of assault-family violence.

A disturbance at Allsup's at 3:20 p.m. Thursday resulted in a criminal trespass warning being issued to a 26-year-old female who also was arrested on a city warrant for theft under $50.

At 8:04 p.m. Thursday, police responded to a family disturbance in the 500 block of 29th Street and arrested a 35-year-old male on charges of abuse of inhalants and assault-family violence.

A 31-year-old male was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated at 4:55 p.m. in the 2500 block of Ave. G.

• ***Criminal mischief***

A truck window was reported damaged in the 400 block of 32nd Street at 7:49 a.m. Thursday.

A close patrol was requested on U.S. 84 and FM 1673 at 10:19 a.m. Thursday after several horses were spotted on the road. Deputies suspect someone opened a gate and let the horses out.

Police responded to a report of a broken rear vehicle window at 8 p.m. Thursday in the 3700 block of Rose Circle.

• ***Harassment***

A woman reported she was being harassed in the 700 block of 33rd at 1:04 p.m. Thursday.

• ***Shoplifting***

Police responded to a call of two juvenile shoplifters at Wal-Mart at 2:29 p.m. The youths were ordered to stay away from the store and released to their parents

• ***Aggressive dog***

A pit bull dog that attacked another dog in the 500 block of 32nd Street was taken to the animal control shelter at 6:45 p.m. Thursday.

Obituaries

Paityn Ann Collier

Infant

Service for Paityn Ann Collier, stillborn daughter of Will and Lauren Collier of Snyder, is set for 4 p.m. Saturday in Hillside Memorial Gardens. The Rev. Mike Henson, minister of First Baptist Church, will officiate.

Paityn Ann was stillborn Thursday, June 17, 2004 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

Survivors include her parents, Will and Lauren Collier of Snyder; a brother, Jaxson Collier of Snyder; paternal grandparents, Tim and Connie Collier of Snyder; maternal grandmother, Karen Pinkerton of Snyder; maternal grandfather, Stan Hackfeld of Loraine and his wife, DyLynn; paternal great-grandparents are Keith and Janice Collier, and Carl and Nona Williams, all of Snyder; maternal great-grandparents, Elouise Lambert of Snyder and the late Derald Lambert, and Melba Hackfeld of Snyder and the late Alfred Hackfeld.

Mrs. Abercrombie

1911-2004

Treva Hart Abercrombie, longtime Scurry County resident, died Wednesday, June 16, in the New Hope Manor Nursing Home in Cedar Park.

Graveside service for Mrs. Abercrombie, 92, is set for 10 a.m. Saturday in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home. The Rev. Miller Robinson, retired Baptist minister, will officiate.

Visitation for family and friends will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Born Oct. 26, 1911 in Snyder, she married Earl Abercrombie in 1931. She had worked at several places in Snyder during her lifetime to include Bryant-Link, McDonald's and Owen's department stores, Buccaneer Stamp Store, and Virdies Appliances. She was the cook at the jail during the time her husband was sheriff of Scurry County. She also worked as a cook for many years at the Fuller Ranch during round-up time. She traveled with her family over the years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Earl Abercrombie in 1991; a son, Billy Wade Abercrombie in 1960; a grandson, Lance David Hickam in 1970; her parents, Pete and Ethel Sullenger Hart; three brothers; and two sisters.

Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law, Adalane and Carl Hickam of Lago Vista; a sister, Ida Jo Longbotham of Snyder; three grandsons, Kyle Wade Hickam, Alan Lane Hickam and Kelle Carl Hickam; four great-grandchildren, Phillip Carl Hickam, Taylor Lane Hickam, Katie Isabelle Hickam and Carla Kay Hickam; one nephew; and five nieces.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances should be directed to a charity of choice or the Odyssey Hospice at 14205 Burnet Road, Suite 400 in Austin, 78728.

John Hartman

1976-2004

KERMIT — John Paul "J.P." Hartman, brother of Melissa Roberts of Snyder, died Tuesday, June 15, in Kermit.

Funeral service for Mr. Hartman, 27, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Family Services Funeral Chapel in Kermit. Burial will be in the Kermit Cemetery.

Born in El Paso, Mr. Hartman was a roughneck and resided in Kermit.

Survivors include his wife, Heather Hartman of Kermit; three sons, Lee Hartman, Christian Hartman and Zachary Hartman, all of Kermit; a brother, Jason Bliss of Kermit; another sister, Angel Partain of Kermit ; his parents, Arnold Roy Hartman of Alaska and Marci and Jimmy Bliss of Kermit; his grandparents, Joe and Maria Valerio of El Paso, Doug and Martha Ford of New Jersey, Ruby Bliss of Kermit and Andy and Betty Partain of Kermit; and his stepfather, Lee Partain of Kermit.

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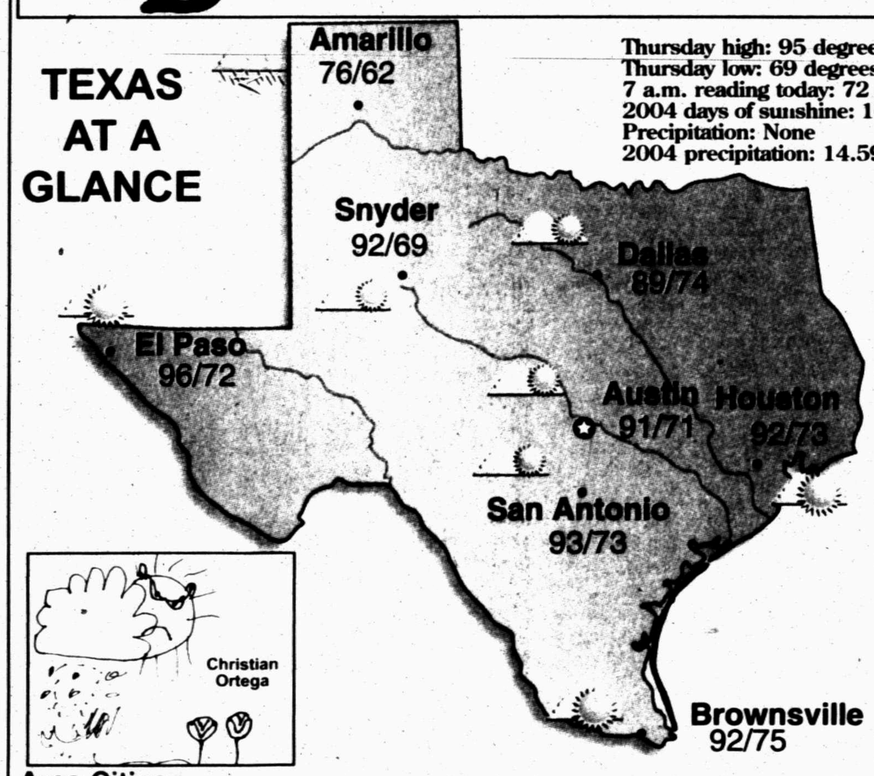
Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Sat 6/19	Sun 6/20	Mon 6/21
92/69	94/71	97/70
Partly cloudy. High 92F. Winds SE at 10 to 15 mph.	Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	Slight chance of a thunderstorm.
Sunrise 6:36 AM, Sunset 8:54 PM	Sunrise 6:36 AM, Sunset 8:55 PM	Sunrise 6:36 AM, Sunset 8:55 PM

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TEXAS AT A GLANCE



Thursday high: 95 degrees
Thursday low: 69 degrees
7 a.m. reading today: 72 degrees
2004 days of sunshine: 161 of 169
Precipitation: None
2004 precipitation: 14.59 inches

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	91	70	mst sunny	El Paso	96	72	mst sunny	Midland	96	70	windy
Amarillo	76	62	t-storm	Fort Stockton	95	69	mst sunny	Raymondville	94	73	pt sunny
Austin	91	71	pt sunny	Gainesville	86	70	t-storm	Rosenberg	92	73	mst sunny
Beaumont	91	73	sunny	Greenville	88	71	pt sunny	San Antonio	93	73	pt sunny
Brownsville	92	75	mst sunny	Houston	92	73	mst sunny	San Marcos	92	72	mst sunny
Brownwood	92	70	mst sunny	Kingsville	93	73	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	87	71	t-storm
Corpus Christi	90	76	pt sunny	Livingston	92	71	sunny	Sweetwater	92	70	pt sunny
Corsicana	89	72	mst sunny	Longview	89	72	pt sunny	Tyler	90	71	mst sunny
Dallas	89	74	pt sunny	Lubbock	88	68	windy	Weatherford	87	69	pt sunny
Del Rio	94	75	pt sunny	Lufkin	92	72	sunny	Wichita Falls	85	68	t-storm

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond
Atlanta	88	70	t-storm	Houston	92	73	mst sunny	Phoenix	104	78	sunny
Boston	76	57	pt sunny	Los Angeles	69	61	pt sunny	San Francisco	68	53	windy
Chicago	66	50	mst sunny	Miami	89	79	pt sunny	Seattle	82	57	sunny
Dallas	89	74	pt sunny	Minneapolis	70	53	mst sunny	St. Louis	76	58	pt sunny
Denver	73	54	t-storm	New York	82	62	pt sunny	Washington, DC	86	62	pt sunny

Moon Phases

New	First	Full	Last
Jun 17	Jun 25	Jul 2	Jul 9

UV Index

Sat 6/19	Sun 6/20	Mon 6/21
Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

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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