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Fourth of July activities taking shape

With the Western Swing Festival now a memory, the Snyder Chamber of Commerce staff turns its attention full time to putting the finishing touches on the upcoming Fourth of July celebration in Towle Park.

Since the Fourth falls on a Sunday this year, the majority of park activities will be held on Saturday.

Booths will begin setting up at 8 a.m. Friday in the park as well as the National Guard Armory. Booths will be open from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. Friday.

Entertainment also begins Friday evening as the Horseshoe Band will play at 8 p.m. in the Cottonwood Flats area. Reggie Gardner will take the stage at 9 p.m.

Saturday activities get underway at 8 a.m. with the annual prayer breakfast on the pavilion.

Registration for the horseshoe and washer pitching tournaments also gets underway at 8 a.m.

At 9 a.m. Saturday, booths open to the public and the horseshoe, washer pitching, and volleyball tournaments begin.

In addition, the annual flag-raising ceremony will be held at 9 a.m. outside the Armory.

Parade line up also begins at 9 a.m. near Moffett Field with the parade scheduled to start at 10 a.m.

Those who plan to ride horses are advised the animals must have had a recent Coggins test. No roller blades will be allowed in the parade and go-carts must be driven or accompanied by an adult.

Bicycles entered in the decorating contest will be judged beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Prizes will be awarded for first through third place in four age groups including 5 and under, 6-8, 9-11 and 12 and older.

The Pride of Texas Carnival will be at the park Wednesday through Sunday. The carnival is sponsored annually by the Snyder Lions Club.

Entertainment will be held throughout the day in the Cottonwood Flats area of the park.

Also, the First Christian Church's Christian Women's Fellowship will be raffling for a red, white and blue quilt. Tickets are $1 and will be sold in the Cottonwood Flats area.

For those needing a break from the heat, Towle Park Pool opens at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Booths close in the armory and park at 9 p.m.

Also at that time, persons are invited to the Old Rodeo Grounds on Gary Brewer Road to dance to the music of Prairie Fire.

The fireworks display will be held on Sunday, July 4th in the park after dark. The chamber will also be selling the popular glow- in-the-dark novelty items.

The community is also invited to the God and Country Celebration being planned by the Ministerial Alliance.

The service will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday at Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

First Baptist Church and Colonial Hill choirs will join in a song worship, "With Liberty and Justice For All."

An added feature this year will be the use of multimedia to present patriotic scenes on a large screen during the music presentation.

In addition, veterans will be recognized.

Casual dress is encouraged and everyone is urged to attend the fireworks display in the park following the service.

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THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "You know you're getting older when you get winded on the learning curve."

It's a conspiracy.

It's also change, and we can't help but resist — just a teeny bit. The staff says it's more like a bunch.

We have a computer system, installed in 1979, that works perfectly fine. In 20 years, we almost know what all the buttons do.

But according to the experts, parts are no longer available and support is non-existence. Computer folks — those guys with pigtails — say, "You're using what?"

And we won't even go into the warnings about Y2K.

The new system is being installed, and the first week of training is in the books. Seems like 15 steps to just turning the blasted thing on. Oops, we mean booting it up.

It's been somewhat of a shock for all of us, although we noticed the youngsters adapt with more ease. We suspect some have stockpiled tranquilizers for the transition process.

The first shocker was to clean off desks to make room for the new equipment. Looking at a virtually empty desktop is like going to a nude beach. It's been years since most of us have seen the woodgrain on the workspace.

But newspaper production has come a long way since we started in the 8th grade when a lineotype operator set type one line at a time and a veteran operator could put out one galley in about an hour.

But some years later, our Underwood typewriter was replaced with an electronic keyboard. First the output was photographic and later replaced by laser printers.

Before long, however, we will have to hang up our barber sissors used to cut and paste and we'll be outputing full newspaper pages ready for the camera room.

The guy who started us in the newspaper business always said it was necessary to have some "iron" in the building or it's not a newspaper.

Thank goodness, there's still some metal holding up that press in the back end.

The tension is high, the strain is evident. But the experts keep telling us that once we round the learning curve — everything's gonna be okay.

COWJAZZ...

Band on the road to Willie's picnic

While Snyder will be hosting its entertainment-filled July Fourth celebration this coming weekend, travelers in Central Texas might be a little surprised to find a touch of Snyder in bluebonnet country.

COWJAZZ MEMBERS — Members of COWJAZZ are, from left, Ray Carnathan, Steve Myers, J.D. Barham, Russell Davis, Doug Richburg and Bob Baker. (Contributed Photo)

Snyder-based COWJAZZ will be playing western swing music in Willie Nelson's Fourth of July Picnic in Luckenbach.

Snyder band member J.D. Barham said the band probably got its invite to join the likes of Jennings, The Gatlin Brothers, Ray Price, EmmyLou Harris and other notable acts at the annual picnic because of Willie's daughter, Lana.

"Lana has heard us several times at the Broken Spoke in Austin," said Barham. "She likes our music and Willie puts a lot of stock in her opinion."

Barham said COWJAZZ will be the only true West Texas band playing at the picnic.

The band has been together since 1994 and the size of the band ranges from five to 17 members, depending on where they are playing. When it is at its largest, it includes a seven-piece horn section, said Barham.

"We're proud to play western swing music," said Barham. "That's the whole reason behind our band."

The band will be releasing a new CD at the picnic — titled "Playing With a Stacked Deck."

It will debut in the Austin market on KVET and in Oklahoma on KVOO — two nationally-known country-western radio stations.

"We're not forgetting where we got started," emphasized Barham. "None of this would be possible if it hadn't been for the support we've received here in Snyder and Scurry County."

Barham comes from a background of music as his mother taught him to play the guitar.

"I liked the guitar, but I just seemed to gravitate to center stage and the fiddle when I was about 15," said Barham.

One can't find much about COWJAZZ that is not associated with western swing.

The band will be traveling to Luckenbach on a 1958 edition tour bus that they purchased from a polka band in Detroit.

"The name of the bus is 'Rosetta,'" said Barham. "It is named for the Bob Wills' song of the same name."

The band will be heading down to Willie's picnic on Friday, and Barham urges everyone who isn't planning to be at Snyder's Fourth of July festival to "come on down."

The telephone number to order tickets for Willie's picnic is 1-888-597-STAR.

"Come early and stay late," said Barham.

Abilene bottler not happy with district's choice of soft drinks

By Wade Warren
Managing Editor

The decision by the Snyder Independent School District to continue using Coca-Cola products exclusively on the district's campuses has drawn the ire of an Abilene soft-drink bottler.

In a letter to Snyder ISD Superintendent Gayle Lomax, and with copies sent to board members and the Snyder Daily News, the general manager of Abtex Beverage Corporation is asking the district to set aside the decision to use Coke exclusively

Frank Peck said he read with "great dismay" that the district had awarded a 10-year exclusive contract for soft drink vending on the district's campuses to Coca-Cola.

The school board voted on June 8 to award Coca-Cola a 10-year exclusive contract with a one-time cash payment of $40,000 and $5,000 for nine years.

The vote for the contract was unanimous with both Lomax and Asst. Supt. Lee McNair stating they felt it is the best contract the district could receive from any soft-drink bottler.

Peck is contending that McNair did not treat the Pepsi-Cola and Dr. Pepper distributor fairly, and mislead the company concerning the time schedule for a new contract.

Friday, Lomax repeated a state-

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Senior Center closed Monday

Scurry County Senior Citizens Center is still having air conditioning problems and will be closed Monday for in-house meals and activities, said staff member Valerie Drum.

However, Meals on Wheels will be delivered Monday, Drum said.

The air conditioner went out last Friday, but cool weather allowed the center to remain open. It was closed Thursday and Friday as temperatures reached into the 90s, however.

The center delivered sack lunches Thursday with enough food for two days.

The center's dance and game night, originally scheduled for Monday night, has been postponed until Tuesday.

Call 573-6700...

Criminal mischief acts prompt reward offer

Due to numerous recent acts of vandalism, the Scurry County Crime Stoppers is offering a cash award for information resulting in an indictment of persons responsible for the rash of criminal mischief.

The acts of vandalism began Monday and continued throughout the week.

Criminal mischief occurred at Bollinger Ice on Monday as windshields were broken on three vehicles and a refrigeration unit was damaged.

Also on Monday, K.A.R.S. Automotive had a window broken out of a tractor.

On Tuesday, three windows were broken on three vehicles at Dupree Motor Co.

The rash of criminal mischief continued through Wednesday as Snyder Concrete had windows broken on trucks and numerous yard ornaments were broken, as well. Also on Wednesday, National Fuel and Lubricants had windshields and side windows broken on trucks.

Tree Top Woodworks had windows broken on Wednesday, as well.

On Friday, West Texas State Bank reported windshields were damaged on four vehicles.

Several locations had motor oil poured on vehicles.

Interim Police Chief Steve Warren said Crime Stoppers will pay up to $1,000 for information leading to indictments in these incidents.

Warren said those with information should call 573-6700.

ASK US

Q—When will the new delinquent policy for the city's utility billing go into effect.

A—It will be effective with the July 8 billing.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 91 degrees; low, 66; 7 a.m. Saturday, 73; no precipitation; total for 1999, 13.59 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, partly cloudy. Low in the upper 60s. Sunday, mostly sunny and hot. High near 102.

Chase Peterson
Hot

Sunset: 8:52 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:41 a.m.
Of 176 days in 1999, the sun has shone 169 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Never measure the height of a mountain until you have reached the top."

Dag Hammerskjold

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T'Leah Eicke to play basketball in Ireland

T'Leah Eicke has been selected as a participant in the 1999 Travel Dynamics International Tour Program for basketball. She has chosen to participate in the Sports Challenge International 1999 Basketball Tour in the Treaty Classic Tournament in Ireland July 13-20.

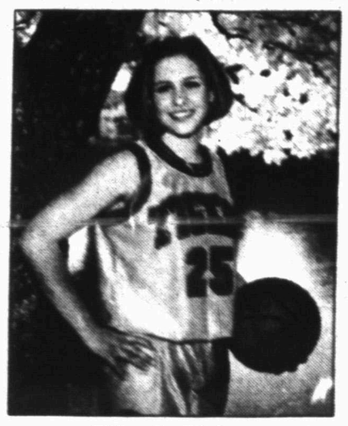
The United States will field a total of five boys and five girls high school teams in the 1999 Treaty Classic Tournament. The delegation will primarily consist of student athletes from the Midwest and Southwest Regions of the USA.

Additionally, the tournament organization plans to welcome teams from throughout Ireland and Northern Ireland, where basketball is played in a more advanced level.

1999 notes the ninth edition of the tournament.

Sightseeing will also be enjoyed by the athletes who will visit the famous Blarney Castle, have a chance to climb to the top and kiss the Blarneystone and receive the "gift of gab."

Among the most famous attractions is the city of Limrick, which is known for its beauty. The city of Frankfurt, Cork (Ireland's third largest city), and the famous Cliffs of Moher will also be on the sightseeing list.



T'Leah Eicke

Ireland Sports has extended an invitation to the U.S. to participate in the Ireland Treaty Classic Tournament, a special competition for high school aged athletes. There will be many athletic and educational opportunities, goodwill receptions, and the customary sightseeing tours to choose from.

Travel Dynamics International Travel Services Inc, founded in 1986, is America's largest network of Athletic and Educational Travel Services.

T'Leah is the daughter of Johnny and Fairy Eicke of Snyder and the granddaughter of Bill and Lewana Graham of Aspermont and the late J.N. and Wanda Eicke of Snyder. She will be a junior at Snyder High School this fall and is a member of the Snyder Tiger varsity basketball team.

She has played basketball since the age of 8, when she started with Little Dribblers. The SHS girls Tiger Varsity Basketball team earned a spot at the district 5-4A playoffs this year, which was the first time the team has achieved that honor in 19 years.

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Large Iowa union endorses Al Gore

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Vice President Al Gore on Friday accepted the endorsement of the largest union representing Iowa state workers, a nod that could mobilize an army of organizers on his behalf for the important Iowa caucuses.

"I will always remember this," Gore told about 300 cheering labor leaders after collecting the formal endorsement of Council 61 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

Allies of former New Jersey Sen. Bill Bradley had pushed hard for union leaders to put off a decision. Instead, the union swung in early behind the vice president.

The union bargains for 23,000 state workers, has 12,000 active members and is perhaps the biggest single force in Iowa Democratic politics.

With the endorsement, Gore picks up the clout of hundreds of experienced operatives adept at the mundane but essential details of putting together campaign organizations.

An elated Gore, casual in a polo shirt and slacks, plunged into the crowd.

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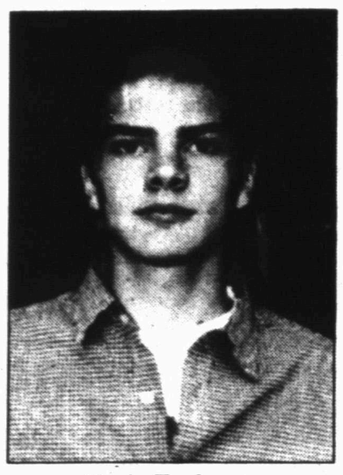


Kevin Taylor

Kevin Taylor in 'Texas'

Kevin Taylor is performing in the summer musical drama, "Texas." A member of the professional dance company, Kevin dances under the direction of Neil Hess.

"Texas" is in its 34th season with performances nightly through Aug. 21.

Locally, Taylor dances with the Judy Haines School of Dance. He is a senior at Snyder High School and will graduate with the class of 2000.

He is the son of Michael and Noreen Taylor of Snyder and Amarillo.

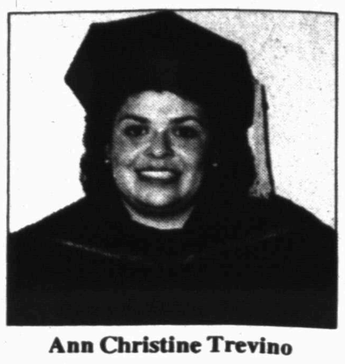
Self-regulation of entertainment industry urged

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Better self-regulation by the entertainment industry — and not government censorship — will improve efforts to shield children from harmful depictions of violence, said the head of the Federal Trade Commission.

"First and foremost, we will not judge the content of these products," Robert Pitofsky said Friday in a speech at a national convention of District Attorneys General.

"We are not the modern embodiment of the thought police, and we don't want to be," Pitofsky said. "Our goal is to work with — not against — the entertainment industry."

Earlier this month, President Clinton ordered the FTC and Justice Department to investigate whether — and how — the entertainment business markets violence to children.



Ann Christine Trevino

Ann Trevino graduates from Tech

Ann Christine Trevino, daughter of Arthur and Linda Trevino of Snyder, graduated on May 22 with a degree of doctor of medicine from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Medicine.

She graduated from De Soto High School in 1989, Rice University in 1993 and participated in a one year postgraduate science program at Boston Univeristy in Boston, Mass. in 1994.

She will begin a three-year family practice residency at Spohn Memorial Hospital in Corpus Christi on Thursday.

Pvt. Eric Childress

Private graduates

Pvt. Eric Childress of the United States Marine Corps graduated from Marine Combat (warrior) training on June 11.

He is currently at Marine Battery 2nd/80th at the United States Army Field Artillery Station in Fort Sill, Okla.

He is training as a base field Aaretillery man, a cannoneer on the Howitzer Cannon.

Childress is a 1997 graduate of Snyder High School and the son of Elida V. Chavez of Snyder.

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JOY SCHOOL GRADUATES — East Side Church of Christ Joy School students graduated May 18. Tina Cromeens students in the top photo are from left, front row, Reid Pinson, Kaitlin Stewart, Tyson Sullenger, Jessica Nobles, Hunter Cox; back row, Fernando Ramirez, Natalie Kerry, Jordan Peoples, Megan Smith, Kyler Billingsley, Audrey Miller; Laurie Etheredge's students in the middle photo are from left, front row, Susan Lee, Aaron Palacios, Shelby Ezzell, Clay Johnson; back row, Blake Soukup, Mallorie Warren, Ryan Oaks, Taryn Kubena; Amy Pharr's students in the bottom photo are from left, front row, Brent Rains, Brenon Rhodes, Jacob Tomlinson, Justin Haggard, Brianna Small; back row, Daniel Schlezinger, Samantha Aviles, Austin McNew, Sarah Pyburn, Cole Etheredge. (Contributed Photos)

Bradley closes in on Gore...

Bush leads fund-raising race

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas Gov. George W. Bush, out front in opinion polls, now is leading Vice President Al Gore and every other presidential candidate in the race to raise money, too.

Gore's only Democratic opponent, former New Jersey Sen. Bill Bradley, is closing in on the vice president.

Gore will have raised $15 million to $18 million by the end of June, a campaign aide said.

Bradley, a former professional basketball player, is expected to have raised more than $10 million, according to a source close to the Bradley campaign, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Bush, son of the former president, expects to report at least $20 million in fund raising on the next round of federal campaign finance reports, campaign spokesman David Beckwith said. Republican officials, including some close to Bush, said the governor's fund-raising figure could be closer to $23 million.

"You can't do this without a very broad base of support," Beckwith said. "We have a network of volunteers who are helping us all over the country."

Bush's top Republican competitors each raised about $2.5 million over the past three months.

Arizona Sen. John McCain should lead the rest of the GOP pack. McCain has said he would raise $4.3 million, including $2.5 million during the most recent quarter. In addition, he has transferred $2 million from his Senate campaign treasury to his presidential effort.

Publisher Steve Forbes also is expected to raise $2.5 million in the second quarter, aides said. During the first quarter of 1999, Forbes contributed $694,000 of his own money but raised only $18,538.

Former American Red Cross President Elizabeth Dole has taken in more than $3 million so far, including the $686,253 she raised during the first three months of the year, a campaign aide said.

Conservative activist Gary Bauer has raised $3.4 million, about $2 million in the second quarter, campaign manager Frank Cannon said. Bauer is relying heavily on expensive direct mail to raise money, driving up the costs of his campaign.

Former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander is expected to report raising about $2.5 million through June 30, aides said, after taking in just $748,773 during the first three months of the year. At the start of the month, Alexander ordered drastic cutbacks in his campaign staff and travel budgets because of fund-raising problems. Alexander wound up in debt during the first quarter.

Former Vice President Dan Quayle, who also was in debt as of March 31, expects to raise $1 million during the second quarter after taking in $2.1 million during the first three months of the year, spokesman Jonathan Baron said.

Murdoch weds

NEW YORK (AP) — News Corp. chairman Rupert Murdoch and television executive Wendi Deng were married aboard his yacht in New York Harbor.

Eighty-two guests attended the private ceremony Friday evening aboard "Morning Glory," which left from Chelsea Piers as a string ensemble played Mozart. The couple were married by state Supreme Court Justice Jacqueline Silbermann.

Among the guests were family members and friends including Michael Milken and Russian entrepreneur Boris Berezovsky. Welsh singing prodigy Charlotte Church performed three songs at the service.

Murdoch's divorce from his second wife, Anna, was finalized June 8, ending their 32-year marriage. Details of the settlement were not disclosed, but in a joint statement the couple described the agreement as amicable, and said management of Murdoch's media empire would not be affected.

Murdoch, 68, controls 30.1 percent of News Corp., the international media conglomerate that includes the 20th Century Fox movie studio, Fox TV, the Los Angeles Dodgers, major newspapers in the United States, England and Australia and satellite TV networks on several continents.

His net worth was estimated by Forbes magazine last year at $5.6 billion.

Deng, 31, resigned from her post as vice president of Murdoch's Hong Kong-based Star Television service late last year.

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Tombstones identify 3 Civil War soldiers

MARIETTA, Ga. (AP) — After a fruitless trip to Alabama 10 years ago, Floyd Findlay had lost hope of ever locating his great-grandfather's Civil War grave.

"We thought that was a lost cause," he said. "We didn't know where else to go."

On Friday, new tombstones were unveiled marking the graves of Findlay's ancestor, Pvt. James Harris, 24, of Missouri, and fellow Union soldiers William Britt, 38, of Tennessee, and David Sage, 20, of Nebraska.

The members of the 5th Iowa Calvary were killed nearly 135 years ago. Their graves were identified at the Marietta National Cemetery in Georgia after two decades of research by Civil War author David Evans.

"Three restless souls can be at peace now," said Evans, whose 1996 book "Sherman's Horsemen" recounts Union cavalry raids around Atlanta in 1864. "These three men who were so hopelessly lost for so long, now have been found."

The men were shot in a battle July 18, 1864, with young Confederate conscripts and University of Alabama cadets at Beasley's Tank, Ala.

Tired of Internet support over the telephone from people who don't know who you are?

Internet problems often require the physical presence of a knowledgeable technician. It takes many components to make the Internet work. There is the equipment of the Internet Service Provider (ISP), the phone lines, the modem in your computer, the browser software such as Netscape, and the operating system such as Windows 95. A glitch in any one of these can cause the Internet to malfunction. Is it any wonder that it is difficult to troubleshoot Internet problems solely over the phone?

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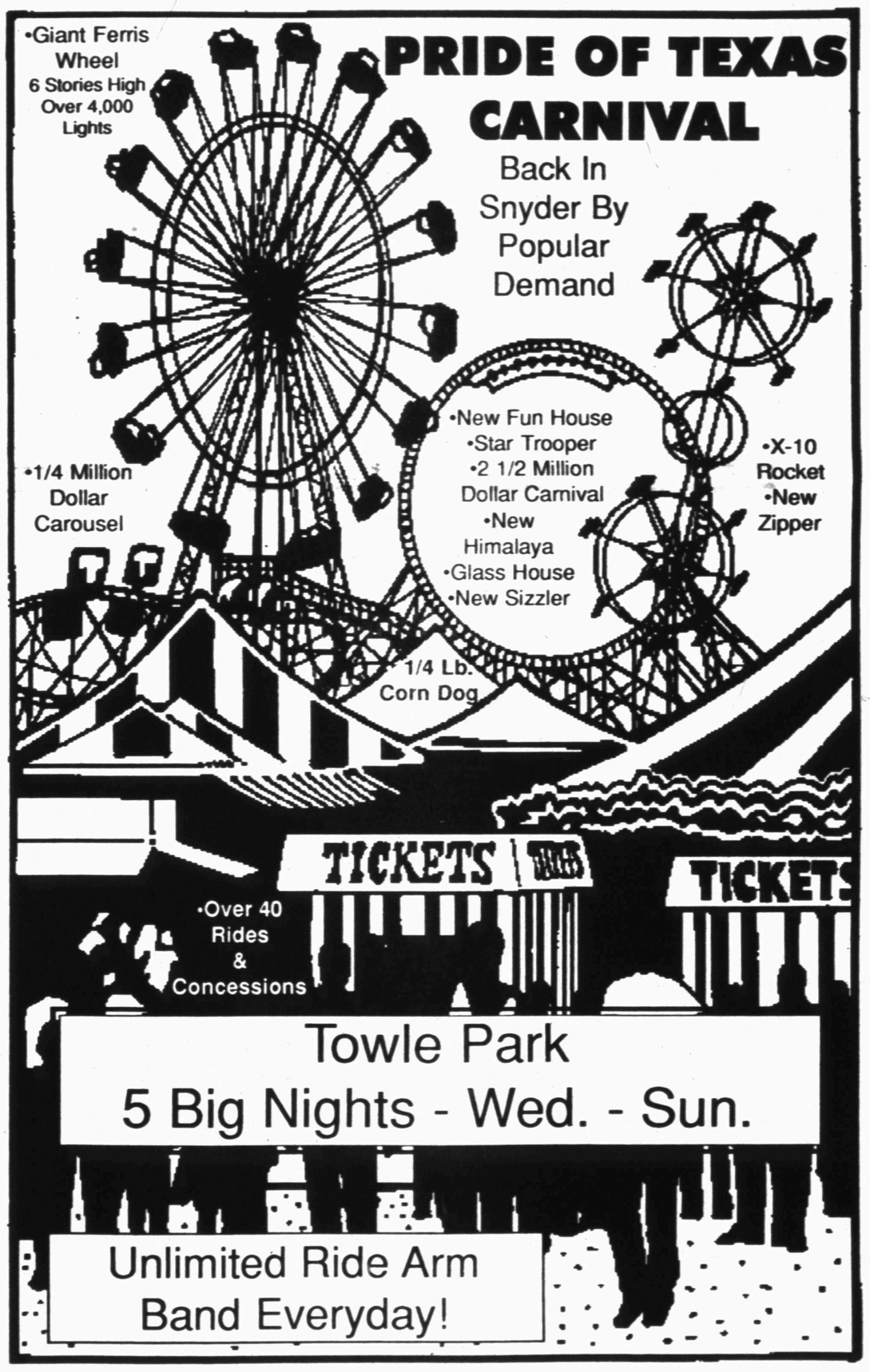

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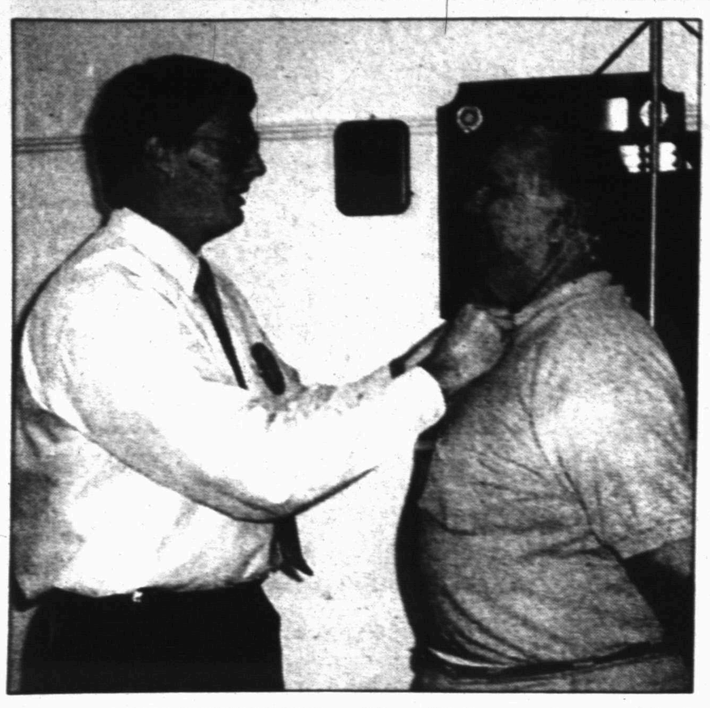

OVERHULSER PRESIDENT — Lions Club out-going president Ricky Fritz, left, pins the new Lions president, Bill Overhulser at Tuesday meeting at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. He will preside over the July 6 meeting at the MAWC. In lieu of Tuesday's meeting, Lions will attend the prayer breakfast on July 3 at Towle Park Pavilion. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

New system announced to protect endangered whales from large ships

BOSTON (AP) — Federal officials unveiled a program they hope will help avoid collisions that annually kill a handful of North Atlantic right whales, threatening their threadbare population.

Starting Thursday, large ships entering waters off Cape Cod and the Florida-Georgia state line will have to transmit their vessels' position. A Virginia computer center will then transmit to the ships the latest information on right whale sightings.

An estimated 300 North Atlantic right whales remain. Collisions with ships account for nearly half of all known right whale deaths.

The endangered whale has a sad reputation among captains of cargo ships and tankers that cruise the eastern seaboard. Mariners say the lumpy-headed mammal is too slow or simply doesn't know any better to get out of the way.

Jim Baker, director of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, said he is optimistic the requirements can curb collisions and save the whales from extinction.

"If we can sensitize everyone that they have to watch out for the whales, then I think we'll have a fighting chance," he said.

Joe Cox, president of the Chamber of Shipping of America, which represents companies that operate commercial vessels, said the requirements are worthwhile but might cause minor delays.

"The only sure option not to harm these creatures would be to not have any traffic," he said. "We can't do that, so we have to go to plan B."

The system will run year-round in a 6,700-square-mile feeding area off Massachusetts and the Cape Cod peninsula. It will also cover 2,500 square miles off Florida and Georgia between Nov. 15 and April 15, the whale's nursing season.

Of Nuremberg Laws...

Original text to be exhibited

SAN MARINO, Calif. (AP) — The original documents that codified Nazi discrimination against Jews are to be exhibited for the first time since Gen. George Patton presented the artifacts to a small California museum at the end of World War II.

The Nuremberg Laws, signed by Adolf Hitler in 1935, have been stored at the Huntington Library since 1945, and not even Holocaust scholars knew they were there. Some questioned the delay in revealing the material.

"I wonder why they didn't give them away or lend them out years ago," Saul Friedlander, a University of California at Los Angeles history professor, said Friday. "They have such importance for the community of victims and give more completeness to events that recede with time."

The library is to announce Monday that the manuscripts will be loaned indefinitely to the Skirball Cultural Center in Los Angeles.

Robert Middlekauff, who served as president of Huntington from 1983 to 1988, said the library never tried to keep historical information from the public.

"We didn't feel like we were suppressing any revelations because the text had been published," he said. "And since the world was — and still is — coming to terms with the Holocaust and wholesale genocide, finding an appropriate venue was a stretch."

Robert Skotheim, Huntington president for 11 years after Middlekauff, said he knew of the artifacts but didn't think to display them.

"It simply never occurred to me," Skotheim said. "Perhaps that was a lack of imagination on my part. I was told of them when I came to the Huntington, but I never looked at them."

The museum, founded by railroad magnate Henry Huntington, houses a collection of British and American art and antiques, as well as a research library.

The Nuremberg Laws, typed in German on four plain white pages of paper, have been in storage since Patton, a neighbor of the Huntingtons, donated them to the institution.

"When Patton made this presentation, not only was there no Skirball, there was no Holocaust Museum ... there was no Israel," said library director David Zeidberg.

"We could have made a special case for them, put them someplace that said, 'Oh, look at this.' But it would have been so totally out of context with Lord Ellesmere's Chaucer," he said, referring to a manuscript of "The Canterbury Tales."

Maj. Gen. J.A. Van Fleet, whose troops had seized the artifacts in the closing days of World War II in 1945, gave the documents to Patton after his men found them in a vault during a siege of Eichstadt, 40 miles south of Nuremberg.

Yielding to hip, young 'Passions'

Longtime soap opera ends

NEW YORK (AP) — For two-thirds of her life, Fran Beauregard turned on the tube just about every day at 2 p.m. sharp to watch "Another World."

The 57-year-old mother raised her three kids through thousands of episodes of the soap opera. On Friday, she was seeing her TV family for the last time.

After 35 years, "Another World" is going off the air.

While most of New York City was working, a crowd of diehards gathered at a restaurant to watch the 8,891st — and last — installment on a giant-screen television and a handful of smaller sets.

A box of tissues graced each table, and they were well used.

Tears streamed as a massive gorilla broke up the long-awaited wedding between Cass and Lila, who eventually married later in the show.

"I just want to see them happy, finally!" said a sniffling Mrs. Beauregard, a homemaker from Seymour, Conn.

She sat transfixed, her hands locked anxiously as she awaited each moment that followed ads for diapers, toothpaste and shampoo.

The crowd mobbed and cheered a half dozen stars from the soap as they entered the eatery, called Blondie's. Mrs. Beauregard caught sight of Jonathan Sharp — who played Sergei — and rushed up for a delicate kiss on the lips from the blond hunk in a silver shirt.

Sharp plans to audition for other TV gigs and record a pop music CD, but he and others from the cast will surely miss the regular work.

It's also back to harder times for Taylor Stanley, who played Remy, a young woman who was saved from the streets. Ms. Stanley is bartending again while preparing to appear in a movie.

Four other "Another World" actors are luckier, moving on to other daytime shows, including "As the World Turns" and "Guiding Light."

But for AW's fans, there's just no substitute.

Bob O'Konis, a machinist for a jet engine company, said he began watching "Another World" as a kid and thinks it stinks that the network is bagging it for "Passions," appealing to a younger audience.

The cancellation is so repulsive to attorney Rosalie Friedberg that she said she "will never watch an NBC show again!"

For at least one person at Blondie's, life itself won't be the same.

"Acting on 'Another World' has meant everything to me. I made a lot of friends," said Spencer Treat Clark, 11, who played Steven. He thumped his hand over his heart and said the show will "always be right here."

For Mrs. Beauregard, television will never be the same.

"C'mon, 'Passions' isn't going to have it," she said. "What they're going for now is fighting and sex — ladies taking off their bras and getting into bed."

Senior Center Menu

MONDAY

Steak fingers, mashed potatoes w/gravy, okra & tomatoes, mixed fruit, coconut cookie

TUESDAY

King ranch chicken, mixed vegetables, french fried rounds, cucumber onion salad, cherry turnover

WEDNESDAY

Pork roast w/gravy, potatoes augratin, Brussel sprouts, peaches & cottage cheese, gingerbread

THURSDAY

Goulash, green beans, tossed salad, pickled peaches, spice cake

FRIDAY

Fried fish, french fries, butter beans, cole slaw, brownie

Senior Center News

MONDAY

Bridge play begins at 9:30 a.m. and daily exercise at 11 a.m.

TUESDAY

88 play begins at 10 a.m. The Golden K Kiwanis will meet at noon. The building will be open at 5:30 p.m. for the game and dance night. Seniors are invited to join the fun. Something different is planned.

Dinner will be at 6 p.m. and Benny Benitez Band will play beginning at 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Line dancers and cloggers will practice at 1 p.m.

THURSDAY

Tri-Chem painters will begin at 9 a.m. and domino tournament gets underway at 10 a.m.

FRIDAY

The blood pressure clinic and the bridge tournament begins at 9:30 a.m. 88 players can begin play at 10 a.m. A July Fourth program will begin at 11:15 a.m.

This Tuesday is not the regular scheduled night for the dance/game night. Last week's was cancelled because the center had no air conditioning and the temperature was too high. No lunch was served last Thursday and Friday either.

Dinner will be served this Tuesday evening before the dance so make plans to join the fun.

Another evening meal will be scheduled soon to make up for the other congregate meal we missed. These make up meals are very important because center funding is directly related to how many meals are served.

Berry's World

Financial Focus

The Euro: New Opportunity In the Old World?

To the tourist, Europe has always seemed rather quaint: lots of little countries with distinct cultures upholding ancient customs. To international businesses, Europe has always been exasperating: lots of little countries with big tariffs, protected markets and competing currencies.

Over a weekend in January, the impossible happened: Europe changed forever. The crazy quilt of countries became a colossus — one market of nearly 300 million people with one currency, the euro. The 11 countries that use the euro even have a new nickname: Euroland. Somehow, they overcame nationalistic backbiting, lowered their debt, wrestled inflation to the mat and formed the world's most powerful new currency. In the next few years, they will phase out their national currencies completely.

What does this mean to you, the individual investor? That depends on your point of view. Pessimists see the euro as a threat. Commodities like oil could suddenly be traded in euros, thus putting pressure on the U.S. dollar. Even more dire, the doomsayers think, is the possibility that foreign investors will abandon their traditional safe haven of U.S. bonds — with which they have financed U.S. debt — in favor of new euro-based investments.

Two forces should keep these possibilities in check. One, if the euro becomes too strong, European exports will become too expensive. Two, the U.S. dollar reflects a strong economy, low inflation and a stable government — all attractive qualities in the eyes of foreign investors seeking security.

Before worrying too much about the downside to the introduction of the euro, savvy investors will look for the opportunities the euro provides. For example, the euro brings more global financial stability to the market since there are now fewer currencies open to attack by speculators and hedge funds. Also, the business of moving money from country to country has suddenly become much more streamlined. Gone are the currency flucuations that made doing business in Europe so difficult. Gone are the tariffs designed to protect domestic markets but that raised costs when, for instance, auto parts made in Italy were trucked to a factory in Germany.

Who benefits first from the new streamlined Europe? International companies that already have a presence on the continent will feel an almost immediate impact. For them, the cost of doing business across so many borders has suddenly dropped. That means more profits and a better return to shareholders.

The improved financial flow brought about by the introduction of the euro will continue to have positive reverberations for years to come. That means Europe is becoming an exciting new world of opportunity for investers.

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Datebook

June 26, 1999

Today is the 177th day of 1999 and the sixth day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1917, American troops first landed in France, as the United States entered World War I.

On this day in 1963, President John F. Kennedy paid a visit to West Berlin, where he told a large audience "Ich bin ein Berliner."

On this day in 1977, Elvis Presley made his last concert appearance, at the Market Square Arena in Indianapolis, Ind.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Abner Doubleday (1819-1893), U.S. soldier-sportsman; Pearl S. Buck (1892-1973), writer; Peter Lorre (1904-1964), actor; Babe Zaharias (1914-1956), athlete; Claudio Abbado (1933-), conductor, is 66; Greg LeMond (1961-), cycling star, is 38; Jerome Kersey (1962-), basketball player, is 56.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1976, Muhammad Ali and Kanji Antonio Inoki fought 15 rounds to a draw in the World Heavyweight Martial Arts Championship.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "You cannot make yourself feel something you do not feel, but you can make yourself do right in spite of your feelings." — Pearl S. Buck

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (June 20) and full moon (June 28).

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June 27, 1999

Today is the 178th day of 1999 and the seventh day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1829, James Smithson died. In his will, he requested that his fortune be used to found the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., with the goal of increasing and diffusing knowledge among men.

On this day in 1949, "Captain Video and His Video Rangers" premiered on the Dumont Television Network.

On this day in 1993, singer Lyle Lovett and actress Julia Roberts were married.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Charles Stewart Parnell (1846-1891), Irish nationalist leader; Emma Goldman (1869-1940), political activist; Helen Keller (1880-1968), educator-writer; Willie Mosconi (1913-1993), billiards great; Bob "Captain Kangaroo" Keeshan (1927-), TV personality, is 72; Ross Perot (1930-), businessman-politician, is 69; Anna Moffo (1934-), opera singer, is 65; Julia Duffy (1951-), actress, is 48.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1975, Lee Trevino, Bobby Nichols and Jerry Heard were struck by lightning in the second round of the Western Open, in Chicago, Ill.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Striving to better, oft we mar what's well." — William Shakespeare, "King Lear"

TODAY'S MOON: Day before full moon (June 28).

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Priest murdered

BRISTOL, Conn. (AP) — When the Rev. Robert Lysz failed to show for 7:30 a.m. Mass at St. Matthew Church, parishioners began the prayer service without him.

They hadn't paid much attention to a heap of vestments near the altar. But then they noticed blood spatters on the floor.

When parishioner Tom McNamara pulled back the robes, he found Lysz's body. It was, he said, like "getting a punch in the stomach."

Authorities charged Michael Ouellette, 32, with murder after finding him in the church rectory with Lysz's credit cards, said Police Chief John DiVenere. He was held on $1 million bond and scheduled for arraignment on Monday.

Lysz, 50, a native of New Castle, Pa., was ordained in May 1975. He came to St. Matthew — a large, modern brick church in a quiet, residential neighborhood — in 1988.

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Dr. Gott

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First, grieve over loss of father

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 14 years old. My dad is dying of cancer. I don't want to lose him. What can I do to help him? Should I go to college?

DEAR READER: Your letter, which I have abstracted, is a touching plea for which, I am afraid, I have no answer. Your father appears to be in the terminal stages of lung cancer. I gather that his doctors have considered every option. Now, your family is left with the numbing job of helping your dad get through the most difficult of life's challenges: death.

First of all, you might be helped by counseling. You have no control over the disaster of cancer; therefore, you need to re-focus your efforts on improving the quality of whatever life your father has left. Be there for him. Reiterate your love. Don't be afraid to express your anger and frustration to a professional. Make every effort to ensure that your father recognizes your loyalty and concerns.

Second, with help from your family and from appropriate support personnel, learn ways to cope with such a prodigious event. You will lose your dad. Now you need to focus on what comes after. Take stock of your future. You want your father to be proud of you — but first you have to get through a normal grieving; of that I am certain. Therefore, consider your present pain — which is profound and real — to be simply the next step to adulthood. At 14, you have amazing potential ahead of you; I'm sure your father would agree.

The traditional advice would surely be: finish high school and go to college. And there are the usual, additional proscriptions, such as don't use drugs. At this point, however, you may need to deal with the realities of grief and loss. Later, maybe college will not be for you. I don't know. But, for now, be there for your father, tell him that you love him and make long-term life-choices later when you have a better prospective.

DEAR DR. GOTT: About 10 years ago, I received a pneumonia shot that I was told should last a lifetime. Now I heard on TV that boosters are necessary every five years. I'm confused.

DEAR READER: In the past, the pneumonia injection was thought to grant lifetime immunity to the 23 strains of pneumonia bacteria that were included in the vaccine. Recent studies have shown this to have been an unrealistically optimistic assessment. Experts now recommend booster shots every five to 10 years.

Remember that there are literally scores of different microorganisms that may cause pneumonia. These include bacteria, viruses and yeasts. Because the pneumonia shot protects against only 23 of the most common bacteria, it is not a panacea that will prevent all forms of pneumonia. Still, for the elderly and the infirm, pneumococcal vaccine can stave off what might develop into a life threatening pulmonary disease. Therefore, I advise you to bring your immunity up to date with a booster.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 24 year-old daughter has been diagnosed with fibromyalgia. What is this disease? Why do so many people get it?

DEAR READER: Fibromyalgia is a controversial disorder that is difficult to diagnose. In the past dozen years, more than 1,000 articles about it have been published in the medical literature. A recent review of fibromyalgia appeared in the Archives of Internal Medicine (Apr. 26, 1999). Authored by Dr. Don Goldenberg, the article contains both bad and good news: bad because there have been piteously few advances in the diagnosis and treatment of fibromyalgia; good because the affliction has become more widely accepted.

The main problem with the disorder is that it can mimic so many other diseases. Experts estimate that up to 12 percent of the general population suffer from chronic musculoskeletal pain, the hallmark of fibromyalgia. However, not all these patients have fibromyalgia: Some may have Lyme disease, thyroid disorders, rheumatoid arthritis or a variety of rheumatic diseases. Fibromyalgia is associated with depression, fatigue, anxiety, and — most important — trigger points, multiple tender areas of muscle. To a large degree, fibromyalgia is a "rule out" diagnosis, meaning that doctors must first test for other causes of musculoskeletal pain. Moreover, fibromyalgia often coexists with other disorders, such as major depression and lupus.

The second problem is that there are no tests to confirm fibromyalgia. As a general rule, experts diagnose the disease after a comprehensive medical history and examination, coupled with normal blood and X-ray tests. Women are more commonly affected than men. Depression is often a prominent feature (along with trigger points) but no one can seem to agree on whether the depression is part of the disease or merely a reaction to it. Stress may also play a role, as it does with other illnesses, such as migraine and irritable bowel syndrome.

In the past 10 years, researchers have repeatedly demonstrated that fibromyalgia patients exhibit a "hypervigilance" (accentuated reaction) to pain that appears to be mediated by various neurohormones in the nervous system. Whether this observation will eventually aid in the diagnosis of fibromyalgia is unclear.

Finally, to compound the confusion, fibromyalgia may be triggered by other conditions. For example, up to 25 percent of patients with Lyme disease may develop fibromyalgia, even though their Lyme disease was appropriately treated. Neck injuries have also been reported to trigger fibromyalgia.

Given the astounding lack of precise knowledge about fibromyalgia, it is surprising that treatment is so often successful. Such therapy includes aerobic exercise, counseling, stress-reduction and patient education, in addition to a variety of antidepressant medications. In many cases, the very diagnosis has therapeutic value: one study reported that 66 percent of patients felt better after diagnosis and 73 percent thought that their symptoms interfered little, if at all, with work.

In summary, fibromyalgia is a common clinical syndrome that is probably not a disease. Rather, it appears to be a constellation of symptoms, often triggered by physical or emotional factors that result in a disorder of pain perception. There are no definitive tests for diagnosis. Treatment involves activity, counseling, and medicine. The diagnosis itself is often reassuring. Further research should be performed to study the causes of this common malady.

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Stephen King still recovering

LEWISTON, Maine (AP) — Horror writer Stephen King is continuing to recover from surgery, hospital officials said.

King endured nearly 10 hours of surgery to repair his right hip socket on Wednesday. Minor surgery scheduled for Friday was postponed to next week to give the author more time to recover, a hospital spokeswoman said.

King remained in serious but stable condition on Friday.

He was hit by a minivan last Saturday and suffered multiple broken bones in his right leg and hip, along with a collapsed lung and a head gash. He is expected to recover fully, though his doctors anticipate months of rehabilitation.

Police have said the driver who hit King will not face charges.

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Memorial dedicated to 19 airmen who died in Saudi Arabia explosion

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — It was a struggle for Fran Heisler to celebrate a new memorial for her son, Michael, and the 18 other U.S. airmen killed three years ago by a truck bomb in Saudi Arabia.

"My son was a career Air Force man who served 17 years to the day," said Mrs. Heisler, of Palm Coast, Fla. "We should be celebrating his retirement today, not this. And it's hard to celebrate anything, because it remains unsolved."

Mrs. Heisler was among family members of the bombing victims who attended the dedication the memorial at Maxwell Air Force Base's Gunter Annex on Friday.

The ceremony was held on the third anniversary of the terrorist attack on the Khobar Towers military housing complex in Dhahran, which also injured 300 people.

The display includes mannequins kneeling in sand, symbolic of the Saudi Arabian desert, in front of a 9-foot-tall photograph of the towers after a truck bomb detonated on June 25, 1996. A nearby television shows news footage of the aftermath.

F. Whitten Peters, acting Secretary of the Air Force, dedicated the memorial by placing a wreath and speaking privately with several family members. None said they felt the memorial put closure on their losses.

"This wasn't a war that my son was killed in," said Mrs. Heisler, standing in front of her son's likeness. "This was a single act of terrorism that was unnecessary."

Another mannequin wore the uniform and name tag of Airman 1st Class Justin Wood, who at 20 was the youngest killed in the explosion. Wood's father, career naval officer Dick Wood of Modesto, Calif., fought back tears as he approached the memorial.

"To see his uniform up there, it's an honor," he said.

The FBI says the investigation into the blast has moved slowly in part because the Saudi government has restricted the agency's access to witnesses and other evidence. So far, there is not enough proof to link any specific terrorist group to the attack, the FBI says.

Five of the 19 slain airmen, including Heisler and Wood, served in the 71st Rescue Squadron at Patrick Air Force Base near Melbourne, Fla. Twelve victims were from Eglin Air Force Base near Fort Walton Beach, Fla., which dedicated a memorial to them on the first anniversary of the bombing.

Two other victims were from Offutt Air Force Base in Nebraska and Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio.

Tucker has daughter

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Country singer Tanya Tucker has given birth to her second daughter.

Layla LaCosta Laseter arrived at 5:48 p.m. Friday at Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

This was Tucker's first child with fiance Jerry Laseter, a songwriter. Her other children, ages 10 and 7, are by Los Angeles actor Ben Reed.

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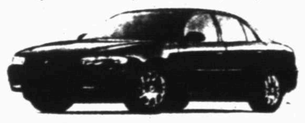
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SPORTS

Spurs finish Knicks, bring NBA crown back to Texas

NEW YORK (AP) — San Antonio's incredible run through the playoffs ended with a missed shot at the buzzer, a wild celebration on the floor of Madison Square Garden and the first NBA title for the Spurs.

San Antonio became the first of the old ABA teams to win the championship, outlasting the New York Knicks in a thrilling finish for a 78-77 victory Friday night in Game 5.

The title wasn't assured until the Knicks failed to score on the game's final play, an inbounds pass from Charlie Ward that found Latrell Sprewell too far under the basket.

His awkward shot missed, and the Spurs stormed the court, their wives and girlfriends soon joining them to celebrate.

"It's a journey that goes to show that hard work and persistence truly pays off," said David Robinson, who had been criticized during his 10-year career for not being able to lead his team to a title.

The victory, keyed by finals MVP Tim Duncan's 31 points, gave San Antonio a 15-2 record in this postseason, tied for the second-best playoff run in NBA history.

And with the way the 23-year-old Duncan combined with Robinson to form a dominant Twin Towers, the Spurs figure to be contending for more titles in the years ahead.

For now, though, this first title of the post-Jordan era will be the one they savor.

"This is incredible. It feels so great out here," Duncan said. "We kept our focus and we pulled it out."

The final game of the series turned out to be the best of the bunch, with a back-and-forth fourth quarter featuring Sprewell, who scored 35 points, and Duncan doing most of the work for their teams.

The winning points, however, came from the shortest player on a team known for its height — 5-11 point guard Avery Johnson, who hit a wide-open corner jumper with 47 seconds left.

Sprewell, closely guarded, missed a jumper with 26 seconds left, and the Spurs ran much of the remaining time off the clock before Robinson missed a runner that didn't hit the rim. Johnson then fired the ball off the back of the rim from long range, avoiding a 24-second violation, and the Knicks had only 2.1 seconds to set up a final shot.

Ward's pass found Sprewell almost directly under the basket, and his momentum carried him to the wrong side of the backboard and prevented him from getting a decent shot.

The fans at the Garden, after a moment of stunned silence, gave the Spurs a polite ovation as the teammates swarmed each other near New York's basket.

"We fought hard," Sprewell said. "We didn't want them to win on our court, but they played well. They deserved it. They were the best team this year."

Duncan finished with seven points in the fourth quarter, 31 in all and nine rebounds. Robinson, dismissed for so long as a softie because of his genteel manner and losing history, had 15 points and 12 rebounds.

Jaren Jackson added 11 points and Mario Elie 10 for the Spurs, whose season of success ended with 46 victories in their final 53 games and resounding playoff victories over the Timberwolves, Lakers, Trail Blazers and Knicks.

As for New York, its quest for its first NBA championship since 1973 ended in disappointment. But at least they went down with a fight.

Sprewell scored 14 of his career-playoff high 35 points in the fourth quarter as the Knicks were unable to get anything offensively from Allan Houston or Larry Johnson.

Houston finished with 16 points, none in he fourth quarter, and Johnson also failed to score in the fourth and finished with just seven.

Combined with the absence of Patrick Ewing because of his torn Achilles' tendon, the Knicks simply did not have enough to keep pace with a San Antonio team that was too big and too good.

Sprewell scored New York's first 10 points of the fourth quarter, including a 3-pointer for a 66-63 lead with nine minutes left, while Duncan scored the first six for San Antonio.

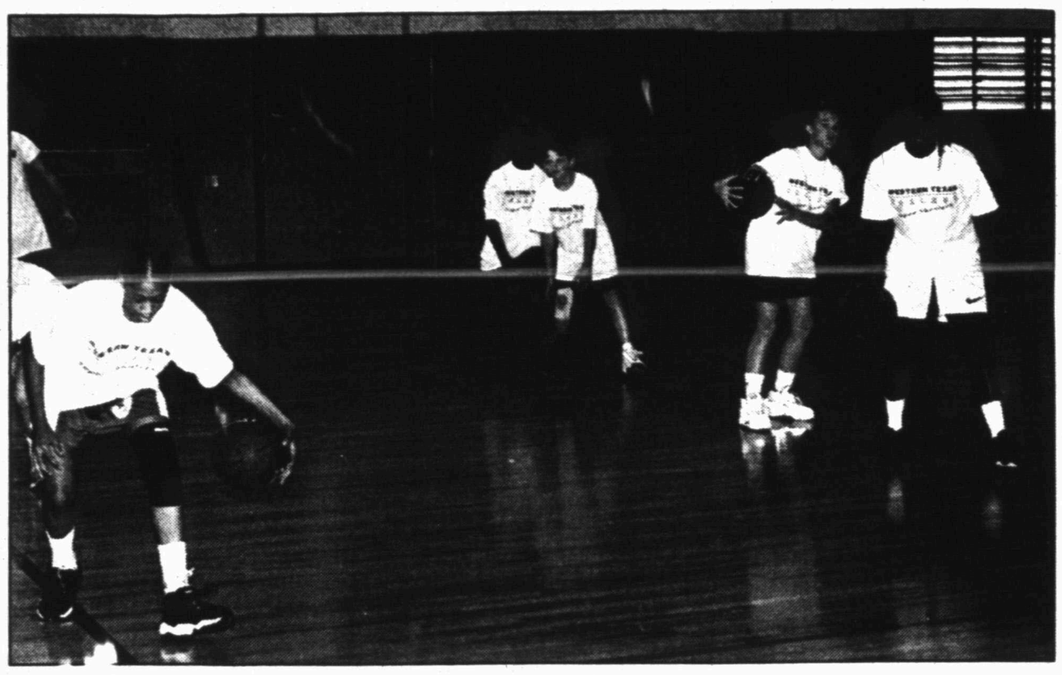
A three-point play by Marcus Camby off an assist from Sprewell put New York ahead 71-68 with 6:21 left. A dunk by Camby made it 73-70, and a 3-pointer by Mario Elie tied it at 75-all with 3½ minutes left.

Sprewell hit from the line with 3:12 left to give New York a 77-75 lead, and Duncan made only one of two from the line 39 seconds later when he had a chance to tie it. The Knicks committed a 24-second violation with 1:53 left, Robinson missed a hook shot and Larry Johnson missed a 3-pointer before Avery Johnson hit from the corner to give the Spurs a 78-77 lead with 47 seconds left.

Jackson scored the final three points of the first half and the first five points of the second, then stole the ball from Sprewell, leading to two free throws by Elie that made it 47-38. The Knicks could have quit right there, but instead came right back with a 10-0 run that included five points from Sprewell and four from Houston for a 48-47 lead.

A jumper by Houston completed a 16-3 run and gave the Knicks a 54-50 lead with 2:29 left in the third, but the Spurs scored six of the final eight points of the period to take a 59-58 lead into the fourth.

Camby found himself in early foul trouble again, picking up two personals in the first 3½ minutes.



DRIBBLING DRILLS — Youngsters participate in ball handling drills at the Super Shooters Basketball Camp at Western Texas College. Players from 8-years-old up to 17-years-old took part in WTC camps over the past two weeks. Both sessions were conducted by Lady Duster head coach Valery Jackson. (SDN Staff Photo)

Courier wins marathon match

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Jim Courier conjured up the pugnacious spirit of Jimmy Connors, pumping his fists, urging the clamorous crowd to its feet, grunting and grinding his way through 67 games in 4½ hours of roasting heat.

On a day when gray-haired John McEnroe teamed in triumph with Steffi Graf, and 17-year-old Mirjana Lucic flexed her muscles at the expense of Monica Seles, it was Courier who again produced the most flat-out drama.

Courier's second straight five-setter, a 7-6 (7-2), 3-6, 3-6, 7-5, 13-11 test of endurance and will Friday against the Netherlands' Sjeng Schalken, left the 28-year-old American so drained he had to go to the hospital. He was given rehydration fluids through an intravenous drip, then released.

"That's Jim's strongest quality — his heart," Pete Sampras said. "He's going to lay it on the line and fight as hard as he can. Today was the perfect example."

In the 97-minute fifth set of one of the longest matches in Wimbledon's 113-year history, Courier had to cope with the near constant pressure of being behind a game on serve.

Schalken, his face a blotchy red and his legs rubbery, finally blinked at 11-11 when he double-faulted for the 14th and 15th times. He saved three break points, but not a fourth one set up by Courier launching himself toward the net to spear a backhand volley.

When Courier boomed a backhand return on the next point, and Schalken's backhand sailed long to make it 12-11, Courier motioned with his fists to the fans three times to rise to their feet and raise their voices even louder.

There were plenty of Americans among those fans, and they recognized the kind of showmanship Connors used to brandish. Cries of "C'mon, Jimbo," cascaded down on Courier, just as they used to on Connors.

Courier, who had saved one match point in the fourth set and another in the fifth, wasted none of the crowd's support now. He held at love and punched the air with clenched fists once again as the match ended after 4 hours, 24 minutes.

Courier's flagging career has been thoroughly rejuvenated on English soil this year. He scored riveting five-set victories over Tim Henman and Greg Rusedski to help an underdog U.S. Davis Cup team beat England on carpet at Birmingham in April. And in the second round at Wimbledon, he knocked off No. 12 Carlos Moya in five sets.

Now Courier, a four-time Grand Slam champion who hadn't reached the fourth round of a major since the 1997 Australian Open, will again face the sixth-seeded Henman, who beat Sebastien Grosjean 6-1, 6-7 (8-10), 6-3, 6-2.

College hoopsters named to USA basketball team

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — Players from national champion Connecticut, Duke, Gonzaga and two each from Ohio State and Cincinnati were chosen today for the USA Basketball men's team that will play next month in the World University Games.

Kevin Freeman of Connecticut and Chris Carrawell of NCAA runner-up Duke are among the dozen players chosen for the team which begins play July 3 in Palma de Mallorca, Spain. The U.S. squad will be attempting to win the nation's sixth consecutive World University Games gold medal.

Also selected were Scoonie Penn and Michael Redd, teammates on Ohio State's Final Four squad, and Cincinnati teammates Pete Mickeal and Kenyon Martin.

The others picked for the team were Erick Barkley of St. John's, Brendan Haywood of North Carolina, Mark Madsen of Stanford, Cory Bradford of Illinois, Chris Mihm of Texas and Matt Santangelo of Gonzaga.

The U.S. team will train through Monday at the University of Dayton, site of this week's tryout competition, before departing for the Spanish city Tuesday morning. The Americans begin preliminary play in the World University Games Group B against South Korea, then take on Nigeria the following day. The championship games are scheduled July 12.

The U.S. has a 32-game winning streak in the event dating to 1987.

The University of Dayton's Oliver Purnell is head coach. His assistants are coaches Jay Harrington of Belleville Area College (Ill.) and Dan Monson of Gonzaga.

Two tied for Buick lead

HARRISON, N.Y. (AP) — Chris Perry, a reliable money-winner despite only one PGA Tour victory in 399 career starts, shot a 5-under 66 Friday and was tied with Jeff Maggert for the lead midway through the Buick Classic.

Maggert, who has finished in the top 10 in this tournament each of the past four years, also shot a 66 and the leaders were at 6-under 136.

They were one stroke better than first-round leader Stephen Ames, who survived a bogey-bogey-double bogey start at the Westchester Country Club to shoot a 1-over 72, and Duffy Waldorf, who had a 67.

Not far back were some of the biggest names in golf.

Fred Couples, who eagled the last hole he played Friday, the par-5 ninth, and Lee Janzen were among those at 4-under 138. Ernie Els, the 1996 and 1997 Buick Classic champion, was at 139 after a scrambling 70.

Perry has finished in the top 10 four times this year and made $720,423. He has missed the cut in only one of 18 tour events in 1999.

His round Friday went right from the beginning, when he saved par from the sand on the par-3 first and made a 7-footer on the par-4 second to avoid a three-putt.

He made birdie from 7 feet on No. 7 and on 9 he hit his second-shot 4-wood within 30 feet and made the putt for an eagle. He sandwiched birdies on Nos. 14 and 18 around a bogey on 15.

Putting well was no surprise to Perry, who is 12th on tour this year in fewest average putts per round.

"I have always been a great putter," he said. "I have always had a good touch and when I get the speed of the green and when they are fairly smooth I am fairly confident that I am going to be around the hole."

Maggert finished second to Els here in 1996 and 1997 and, coupled with an eighth-place tie in 1995 and a fifth-place tie last year, has made $342,000 in the Buick Classic alone over the last four years.

"I'd like to win here before I'm done with my tour days," Maggert said. "Who knows? Maybe this is the year."

Maggert at one point Friday was at 1 over for the tournament. But playing the back nine first, he caught fire starting with a birdie at No. 18. Birdies at Nos. 1, when he holed out a 20-foot sand shot, 2 and 3 followed.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
NewYork	4	1	.800	-
Detroit	4	3	.571	1
Orlando	4	3	.571	1
Charlotte	3	3	.500	1½
Washington	1	6	.143	4
Cleveland	0	7	.000	5

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	7	0	1.000	-
Sacramento	5	2	.714	2
Minnesota	3	2	.600	3
LosAngeles	3	4	.429	4
Utah	2	3	.400	4
Phoenix	2	4	.333	4½

Friday's Games
Charlotte 59, Cleveland 57
Houston 72, Washington 69

Saturday's Games
Phoenix at Detroit, 4 p.m.
Washington at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Utah, 9 p.m.
Los Angeles at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Game
Charlotte at New York, 4 p.m.

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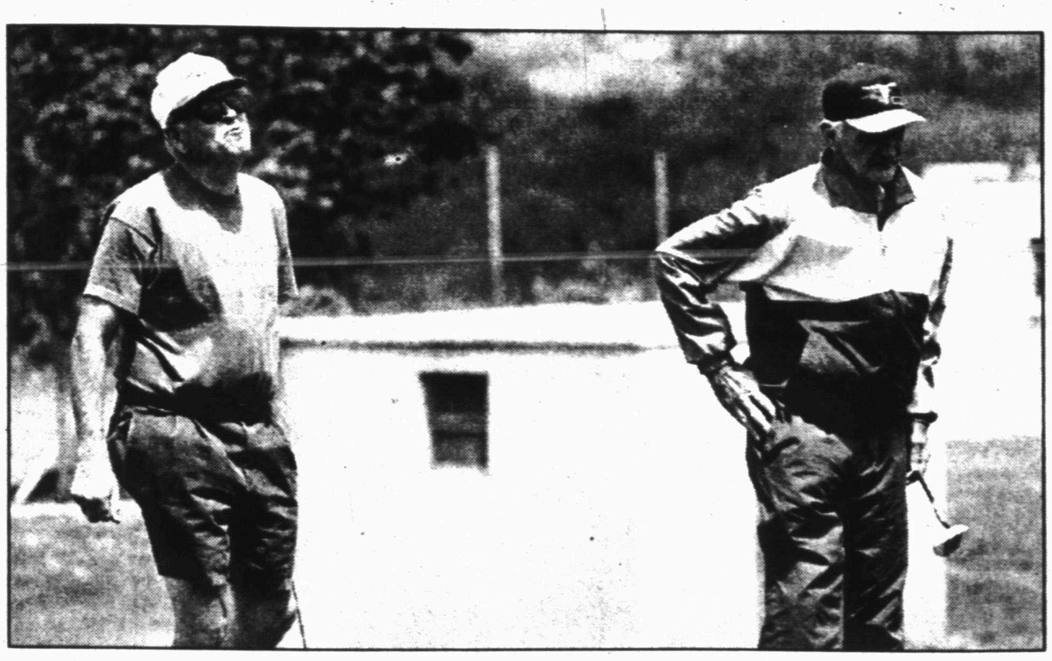


JOKING AROUND — Snyder's Bob O'Day (left), coordinator of the Slingin' Sammy Baugh Golf Classic, enjoys a lighthearted moment on the golf course with the NFL Hall of Fame quarterback. Several celebrities will be in Colorado City in July for the tournament which will benefit a scholarship fund for area students wishing to attend O'Day's alma mater, Sul Ross State University. (SDN Staff Photo)

Rodriguez, Gonzalez blast two homers apiece in Rangers' win

SEATTLE (AP) — Ivan Rodriguez and Juan Gonzalez each had two home runs and five RBIs as the Texas Rangers beat Seattle 14-4 in the opener of the final Kingdome series Friday night.

Lee Stevens also homered against the Mariners, who were without Ken Griffey Jr. because of a sinus infection. Rookie Ryan Glynn (1-2) got his first major league victory for the Rangers, who had a season-high five homers.

The AL West-leading Rangers won their third straight, while Seattle lost for the sixth time in seven games.

Seattle, which leads the majors with 132 homers, did not hit one.

The Mariners, who will play their final games at the Kingdome on Saturday and Sunday, will move to their new home, the $517-million Safeco Field, on July 15.

Glynn won in his sixth start in the majors after losing to the New York Yankees' David Cone and Boston's Pedro Martinez. Mike Munoz and Dan Patterson combined for 3 2-3 innings of hitless relief as the Mariners managed just six hits.

The Mariners took a 3-1 lead with two runs in the fifth off Glynn, but the Rangers came back to break the game open with a six-run sixth. Gonzalez hit a solo homer off starter Paul Abbott.

Stevens added a two-run homer off Frankie Rodriguez (2-2) for Texas, which had 18 hits.

Rodriguez, the Rangers' catcher, hit a three-run homer on the first pitch by Mel Bunch to give the Rangers a 7-3 lead.

Streaking Reds close in on Astros in NL Central

HOUSTON (AP) — Michael Tucker homered, tripled and drove in four runs Friday night to lead the Cincinnati Reds to their fifth straight victory, 10-7 over the Houston Astros.

Tucker, celebrating his 28th birthday, went 3-for-4 and scored three times as the Reds closed within two games of the first-place Astros in the NL Central. Houston has lost three in a row and five of six.

Brett Tomko (3-3) allowed six runs on eight hits in seven innings for the victory. Scott Williamson got four outs for his ninth save.

Chris Holt (1-7) gave up six runs and eight hits in 4 2-3 innings. Holt beat Montreal in his last outing for his only victory since Aug. 1, 1997, a span of 23 starts.

Jeff Bagwell hit a three-run homer for Houston, his 23rd of the season.

Trever Miller relieved and allowed a two-run single to Eddie Taubensee.

Sports Briefs

Ladies' Pumpjack golf tourney

The Ladies' Pumpjack Partnership will be held Tuesday at Snyder Country Club. Breakfast will be served at 8 a.m. with play beginning at 9 o'clock.

Format will be two-person low ball gross and net, with all teams flighted by handicap. Cost is $85 per team. To register, call the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

SCC scramble and MGA

A members' scramble is held each Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at Snyder Country Club. At 5:30 each Thursday, the Men's Golf Association hosts a 9-hole event. Thursday's format varies.

Basketball camp

The Sam Tipton Basketball Camp for incoming 7th-9th grade girls will begin Monday and run through Thursday at the SHS gym.

Instruction will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost per camper is $50, which includes a camp T-shirt. For more information, contact Coach Tipton at 573-6301 ext. 30 (work) or 573-4437 (home).

Snyder volleyball camp

The Snyder volleyball camp will be held July 12-15 for incoming 5th-9th graders at the SHS gym. Camp hours will be from 8:30 a.m. until noon.

Cost is $40 and all campers need to register by July 9, so T-shirts can be ordered.

To register, call Patty Grimmett at 573-9416. If no answer, leave a message.

July 4th basketball tourney

The Powerade Fourth of July 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament will begin Friday and continue through Sunday at Towle Park. Cost is $40 per team.

Teams will be divided by age and ability. Divisions will be Little Dribblers (3rd-6th graders), Young Guns (6th-8th graders), Top Guns (9th-12th graders), NBA (very competitive) and Old Timers (recreational).

Each division will have male and female brackets, with co-ed teams entered in the male bracket.

Other contests in conjunction with the tourney will be half-court shot, free throws, 3-point shooting, slam dunks, and speed dribbling (little dribblers only).

All entries must be received by 9 p.m. Monday. To register, contact Valery Jackson at 573-8511 ext. 286 or 573-1494.

July 4th volleyball tourney

A co-ed volleyball tournament will be held next Saturday, with prizes awarded to the top three teams.

Teams will be comprised of eight players, and cost is $60 per squad. For more information, contact Louis Alaniz at 573-4767.

July 4th softball tourney

The WTC Student Government will be hosting a co-ed slowpitch softball tournament Friday and Saturday at Towle Park. Entry fee is $100 per team, with a 10-player minimum.

Deadline for entry is Wednesday. For more information, contact Kara

Athletic physicals

All athletes needing to take a physical should do so prior to Aug. 3. SISD will pay for physicals through Aug. 3 only. An appointment must be made with one of the following doctors: Burleson, Cooper, Thompson, Nussey or Rakov.

Athletes requiring physicals include all incoming 7th and 9th graders, students new to SISD, students wishing to participate in athletics for the first time, and any student whose medical history form requires them to do so.

All athletes not needing a physical must return all completed forms to their coach, athletic director's office, or Steve Kreuger.

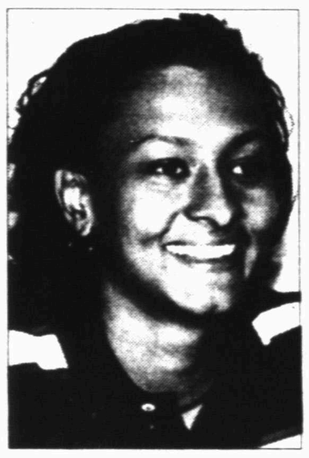
Incoming 7th and 9th graders can pick up physical forms in the doctors' office.

Sports Whirl

By Eric Drennan SDN Sports Editor

Here's a few tidbits of information to digest, while trying to figure out how Golden Gopher basketball coach Clem Haskins escaped Minneapolis with his life, much less $1.5 million.

Speaking of sideline happenings, Western Texas basketball coach Valery Jackson turned down three offers this spring to remain at WTC, but there could be more to come. Jackson, not one to go sniffing for jobs, is usually the target of schools in search of a coach, not the hunter in search of a vacancy.



Valery Jackson

Howard College, a perennial national power in JUCO hoops, is looking to replace recently-departed head coach Matt Corkery. As of yet, no formal talks have taken place, but Jackson's name usually comes up when vacancies arise.

WTC athletic director Milton Ham confirmed that Jackson was contacted by someone from Big Spring, but added it could have been a booster club member or other outside source.

Terry Hansen, vice-president in charge of athletics at Howard College, said it was most likely a person from outside the program.

"The job is open and we have faxed flyers to various places, but as of right now, we have not targeted any select people for the position," Hansen stated. "Anyone contacting coaches at this particular time is not acting on behalf of the Howard College athletic department."

Jackson added that conversations about vacancies are common in coaching circles.

"Anytime there is an opening, a number of coaches get contacted by various people connected or not connected with the program," Jackson said. "Right now I'm just focusing on my new recruits, my returning players, and the upcoming season."

Jackson will be beginning her third year on the Lady Dusters' sideline, returning to the school where she began her college playing days. The Morton native also played and was an assistant coach at Abilene Christian. The former USA Today All-American was the head coach at Dallas Wilmer-Hutchins High School, before coming back to WTC.

Celebrities and memorabilia just keep pouring in for the Slingin' Sammy Baugh Golf Classic to be held July 16-17 in Colorado City.

The tourney, which will benefit the Sul Ross exes scholarship fund, has added its final two celebrities to the field. Texas Tech and Green Bay legend Donny Anderson will be on hand, as will former University of Houston coach Bill Yeoman.

Items have also been added to the silent auction, with more likely to come. One of the newer items bringing heavy bidding will likely be a football autographed by former coaching great Tom Landry.

Landry, who led the Dallas Cowboys to five Super Bowls, was diagnosed with leukemia earlier this year and is undergoing treatment in Dallas. But despite the illness, Landry still took the time to help with the tourney's efforts.

"He is a great man," tournament director Bob O'Day said of Landry. "He's suffering from this illness, but yet he still helped in the only way he could. What he did says a lot about him and it says a lot about what people think of Sammy Baugh. Just about all you have to do is mention Sam's name and people are jumping at the chance to help."

Some basketball items have also been added to the auction, including autographed basketballs from Clyde Drexler and Shaquile O'Neal.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League
All Times EDT

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
NewYork	43	28	.606	-
Boston	43	30	.589	1
Toronto	36	39	.480	9
Baltimore	32	40	.444	11½
TampaBay	30	43	.411	14

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	47	24	.662	-
Chicago	35	35	.500	11½
Detroit	32	42	.432	16½
KansasCity	30	41	.423	17
Minnesota	26	46	.361	21½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	42	31	.575	-
Oakland	36	37	.493	6
Seattle	36	37	.493	6
Anaheim	33	39	.458	8½

Friday's Games

Boston 6, Chicago 1
Tampa Bay 11, Toronto 4
Detroit 2, Minnesota 0
New York 9, Baltimore 8
Kansas City 8, Cleveland 2
Anaheim 4, Oakland 3
Texas 14, Seattle 4

Saturday's Games

New York (Cone 7-3) at Baltimore (J.Johnson 1-1), 1:05 p.m.
Texas (Helling 6-7) at Seattle (Moyer 8-4), 4:05 p.m.
Chicago (Baldwin 3-7) at Boston (P.Martinez 13-2), 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Mays 0-2) at Detroit (Mlicki 3-6), 5:05 p.m.
Toronto (Hamilton 1-4) at Tampa Bay (Rupe 3-3), 6:35 p.m.
Cleveland (Colon 6-3) at Kansas City (Fussell 0-4), 8:05 p.m.
Oakland (Heredia 3-5) at Anaheim (Belcher 5-6), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Chicago at Boston, 1:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 1:05 p.m.
New York, at Baltimore, 1:35 p.m.
Toronto at Tampa Bay, 1:35 p.m.
Cleveland at Kansas City, 2:05 p.m.
Texas at Seattle, 2:35 p.m.
Oakland at Anaheim, 8:05 p.m.

National League
All Times EDT

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	44	29	.603	-
NewYork	42	31	.575	2
Philadelphia	38	33	.535	5
Montreal	28	41	.406	14
Florida	24	49	.329	20

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	42	30	.583	-
Cincinnati	39	31	.557	2
Pittsburgh	36	35	.507	5½
Chicago	35	35	.500	6
St.Louis	36	37	.493	6½
Milwaukee	33	39	.458	9

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	42	32	.568	-
SanFrancisco	40	34	.541	2
Colorado	34	35	.493	5½
LosAngeles	33	38	.465	7½
SanDiego	32	38	.457	8

Friday's Games

Philadelphia 3, Chicago 2
Montreal 4, Florida 3
Pittsburgh 5, Milwaukee 3
Cincinnati 10, Houston 7
New York 10, Atlanta 2
St. Louis 1, Arizona 0
San Diego 10, Colorado 1
Los Angeles 4, San Francisco 2

Saturday's Games

Cincinnati (Parris 4-1) at Houston (Bergman 4-4), 1:15 p.m.
Philadelphia (Person 0-1) at Chicago (Trachsel 2-9), 4:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (C.Perez 2-8) at San Francisco (Brock 5-6), 4:05 p.m.
Florida (Dempster 3-3) at Montreal (Smith 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
New York (Dotel 0-0) at Atlanta (Glavine 5-7), 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Ritchie 6-5) at Milwaukee (Nomo 5-1), 8:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Bottenfield 11-3) at Arizona (Anderson 1-1), 10:05 p.m.
Colorado (Brownson 0-1) at San Diego (Clement 3-7), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

New York at Atlanta, 1:10 p.m.
Florida at Montreal, 1:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Milwaukee, 2:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Cincinnati at Houston, 2:35 p.m.
Colorado at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Arizona, 8:05 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Francisco, 8:05 p.m.

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Sleepwalking murder trial...

Jury convicts husband

PHOENIX (AP) — Scott Falater didn't deny stabbing his wife 44 times, hiding the knife and bloody clothes, dragging her to their swimming pool and then holding her head underwater.

But Falater did deny responsibility for her 1997 death because he claims the entire episode happened while he was sleepwalking.

A jury on Friday rejected his defense and convicted the 43-year-old of first-degree murder.

"I think it was a strange defense," said juror Theresa Beaubien. "It seems to me that there was too much going on for it to be sleepwalking."

Prosecutors have said they will seek the death penalty, although that decision will be reviewed before a sentencing hearing later this summer, said Maricopa County Attorney Rick Romley.

"It's not over yet," Falater told his mother after kissing her on the cheek before leaving court. He showed no emotion as the verdict was read.

Relatives of Yarmila Falater did not attend the trial. Her mother said before the trial she did not want to be a part of the proceeding, said prosecutor Juan Martinez.

Two sleep experts cited Falater's family history of sleepwalking, job stress and lack of sleep as reasons for a violent sleepwalking episode.

But experts for the prosecution said Falater's actions were too deliberate for him to have been sleepwalking. They based that view in part on testimony from neighbor Greg Koons, who watched over a wall as Falater pulled on gloves, motioned to his dog to lie down, then dragged his wife's body to the pool.

Jurors agreed that Koons' testimony was key.

"If there had been no eyewitness, we probably would have acquitted him," said John Merrill.

FBI proposing a special division for hunting spies

NEW YORK (AP) — The Federal Bureau of Investigation is proposing to create a division devoted solely to hunting spies, part of a government-wide review of counterintelligence, The New York Times reported Saturday.

The move comes amid suspicions that China stole nuclear secrets for two decades. American intelligence agencies have increasingly focused on threats of terrorism, causing counterintelligence efforts to dwindle, the newspaper said, citing unidentified government officials.

Previously, the FBI's national security division had added counterterrorism to its emphasis on combating espionage, and these efforts seemed to earn a higher priority as the battle against terrorism became more important in the post-Cold War era, the officials said.

FBI Director Louis Freeh has proposed splitting the national security group into two divisions: one focusing on terrorism, and the other aimed at rooting out spies, the officials said. Attorney General Janet Reno has approved the request and forwarded it to the White House, they added.

At risk is both the theft of military secrets and economic espionage aimed at stealing technology or information to help foreign goods compete with American products. Foreign governments and military intelligence services are joined by corporations in the new forms of espionage, which can occur between scientists and at academic conferences.

The government's review also includes the Pentagon and the Central Intelligence Agency and is expected to lead to an overhaul of all counterintelligence. This represents the first time the three agencies have collaborated on a systematic assessment of espionage threats.

Reacting to criticism of its handling of suspected Chinese espionage at nuclear weapons labs, the government is changing procedures, including adding special squads of FBI agents at the labs.

Some lawmakers said the FBI and the Justice Department had failed to aggressively investigate cases including that of Wen Ho Lee, the nuclear scientist suspected of helping the Chinese acquire advanced thermonuclear technology. Lee has denied he spied for China, and Chinese officials have denied stealing nuclear secrets.

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Traveling in circles that include lots of people who are enterprising and successful is in the offing for you in the coming year. Their influence will awaken new interests in you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) The only thing that may be important to you today is what is important to those you love. Their wants and needs will motivate you to be more enterprising than usual. Cancer, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) In order to be at your best today, you'll need lots of activity and action, so don't sit around waiting for the day to happen for you. Plan a busy agenda early, one that will keep you on the go.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It could be from the very situations that others find nonproductive that you'll reap gains today. This may be true in at least two cases, so keep alert.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You're a natural born leader, so make things happen for yourself and others today instead of waiting around for something to develop. Use your initiative and drive.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Even if you don't go looking for challenges today, chances are they'll seek you out. Don't fret, however, the type taking place at this time will motivate you instead of overwhelm you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) There is nothing wishy-washy about you today and others will know it. You'll demonstrate your resolve by backing up your words with action.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) The zest and relish you possess today will have you going all out on any objective you establish for yourself. The more you do, the more enjoyment you'll get out of the day.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Logic, seasoned with enthusiasm, is what you'll use as bait today to convince and compel others to go along with your suggestions. You won't be pushy and they'll welcome what you say.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today's rewards will come from spending more time on someone else's project than you will on your own. Doing things for those you love will be most fulfilling.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) The congeniality you show today will assure you a high rating with others. In fact, the warmth you radiate will be especially attractive in the romance department.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A financial situation which may not have looked too promising could show signs today of taking on a higher value. Take a second look at it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Although you may be loaded with energy and drive today, you'll probably not want to get involved in anything too serious. You're more in the mood for fun and games.

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Your Birthday

Monday, June 28, 1999

In the year ahead, you might find that you're luckier in situations where you don't have to rely upon others. Our chart indicates you have the wherewithal to be independently successful.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Being one of the natural born leaders in the Zodiac, you can sometimes come on a little too assertive. If you're overbearing or domineering today people may try to avoid you. Major changes are ahead for Cancer in the coming year. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) This could be that day of reckoning that's been growing because of your history of neglecting your chores. Face up to them and don't compound things by falling any further behind today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Impulsive judgment could be your undoing today. Subdue any inclinations you get at this time to take gambles on ventures or persons about whom you know little.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Assuming a "don't do as I do, but do as I say" posture today could quickly ignite sparks in the home. In order to achieve harmony, you must set the example, not the rules.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Don't attempt to impose your ideas today on those who are unreceptive. Just because a philosophy may have served you well doesn't necessarily mean it suits the needs of associates.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Back out immediately, rather than getting yourself permanently stuck if you find yourself mired in something sticky today. This holds especially true for commercial dealings.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Both trouble and collapse are likely today if you attempt to negotiate others into a lopsided deal that favors your interests alone. Fairness for all concerned is the only thing that'll fly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Only when you're left to your own devices are you likely to perform up to your usual standards today. If at all possible, avoid those who want to direct everyone's show.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Coming on too strong or in an unbecoming manner will do little for your image or attract the opposite gender today. To be charismatic, just be your sweet, gentle self.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Stay within your own sphere or influence today, because if you stray off into areas where you have no authority, some unpleasant repercussions could occur.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Although patience is normally your strong suit, when it comes to those who won't abide by your suggestions or ideas, you could quickly lose control at this time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Be cognizant of the fact that there could be some rainy days in the future where a full wallet could come in mighty handy. Keep your spending down to essentials today.

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Tow-truck driver finds wife, son dead at fatal collision

SANGER, Calif. (AP) — A tow-truck driver making a routine stop at a wreck Friday discovered that his wife and son had been killed in the accident.

Paul Gonzalez was called by the California Highway Patrol to tow cars from the wreck at about 11 a.m.

His wife, Brenda Lee, 28, and their son, Jacob Paul, 3, were killed when her car suddenly lost control, turned on its side and skidded into another vehicle, the patrol said.

The couple's daughter, Heather, 2, was hospitalized in critical condition Friday night.

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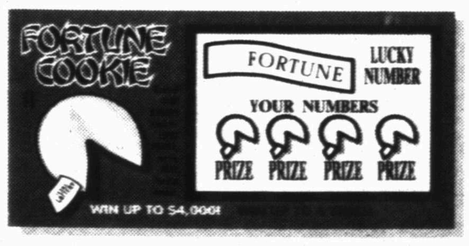

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Closed embassies had received security upgrades

WASHINGTON (AP) — All six U.S. embassies in Africa closed because of terrorism concerns received security upgrades after the bombings of the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania in 1998, the State Department said.

The embassies in Gambia, Togo, Madagascar, Liberia, Namibia and Senegal were temporarily closed Thursday after suspicious individuals had conducted surveillance at the site, the State Department said Friday.

American embassies worldwide are on heightened alert due to increased security concerns, including U.S. intelligence suspicions that Osama bin Laden, an exiled Saudi millionaire, was in the final stages of planning a terrorist attack.

"We have seen a pattern of activity indicating continued planning for terrorist attacks by members of Osama bin Laden's network," State Department spokesman James P. Rubin said. "And we take reporting of such threats seriously."

A decision will be made over the weekend on whether to reopen the six shuttered embassies in Africa on Monday, Rubin said.

Bin Laden, who is on the FBI's 10 most-wanted list, is accused of masterminding the Aug. 7, 1998, attacks on the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania, which killed a total of 224 people, including 12 Americans. He and nine of 15 suspects on trial in New York remain fugitives.

With the bombing anniversary on the horizon, U.S. officials are stepping up vigilance, although some critics say security precautions have gone too far.

"When you close six embassies in a region in the world, you send a message to the world that not only have the terrorists made us blink but we have written off a large number of people in a part of the world," said Harvey Kushner, chairman of the Criminal Justice Department at Long Island University's C.W. Post campus.

Since the twin bombings, security at many U.S. embassies worldwide, including the six in Africa, has been improved by adding physical barriers, installing video cameras and building walls, fences and barricades, the State Department said.

The number of local guards has increased and embassies have worked with the host countries to close streets or change traffic patterns. Property surrounding embassies was acquired in some cases.

The State department has added 140 special security agent jobs overseas and temporarily sent hundreds of diplomatic security officers to foreign posts. U.S. officials also are moving to hire and train 200 new diplomatic security agents.

Furthermore, all of the closed embassies — except in Banjul, Gambia, and Windhoek, Namibia — received security upgrades in the mid-1980s.

A commission chaired by retired Adm. Bobby Inman recommended better embassy protection after bombings at embassy sites in Beirut and Kuwait in 1983 and 1984.

Auditors: Legal aid program overstated caseload

WASHINGTON (AP) — An independent investigation showing that Legal Services Corp.'s five largest offices overstated their workloads has renewed Republican complaints that the agency misled Congress about how many people it has helped.

Republicans first leveled the accusation two months ago when Legal Services — which provides free legal help to poor Americans with civil cases such as tenant problems or court protection from domestic violence — said a few of its local offices had overstated by tens of thousands the number of cases they handled in 1997.

Now a General Accounting Office draft report says that five other offices of the federally funded agency reported 75,000 cases they couldn't document.

Lawmakers say they use the number of cases when deciding how much money the agency should receive. Republican critics of Legal Services said the GAO report shows case-reporting problems are more serious than the agency initially suggested.

"The fact that the GAO has confirmed our suspicions of the significance and pervasiveness of the problem underscores the need to question whether they were hiding this from Congress," said Rep. Tom Latham, R-Iowa, a member of the House Appropriations subcommittee that oversees Legal Services.

Agency officials say that even with the new findings, the number of overstated cases is small compared with the total number of poor people — more than 1.7 million — who have been helped. They denied the agency was hiding anything and said that case reporting practices have been changed to correct the problem.

Legal Services affiliates in Baltimore, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York and Puerto Rico overstated the number of cases they handled by 75,000 in 1997, according to a summary of the GAO report obtained by The Associated Press.

The GAO is the investigative and auditing arm of Congress.

The figure represents one-third of the 221,000 cases that the groups said they handled. Cases were double-counted, cases that should have been closed were counted as open, and cases paid for from nonfederal sources were included with the federal count, the summary said.

The GAO also found that some programs had no records to verify their clients' income and citizenship eligibility. Such documentation is required.

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Airline union complains about pilots falling asleep on the job

WASHINGTON (AP) — A union complaint that pilots filed with American Airlines seeking better enforcement of crew rest rules contains an eye-opening statement: On one American flight, both pilots fell asleep for a half-hour.

"When I woke up, I looked over at the captain. He was sound asleep," a pilot wrote anonymously in a report attached to the June 8 union grievance. No specifics about the alleged incident were stated, except that the pilot said it occurred over Mexico during an overnight flight to Central America.

American Airlines scoffed at the anonymous allegation.

"We need to remember that this is the same union that only four months ago tried to convince the public that 2,500 of its members were sick," said airline spokesman Chris Chiames, alluding to a sickout by American pilots in February that left thousands of travelers stranded.

A federal judge this week ordered the union, the 9,500-member Allied Pilots Association, to pay a $45 million fine for violating his back-to-work order.

American said it has more restrictive duty and rest policies than the federal government requires, but it is the responsibility of pilots to ensure they are ready for duty.

The Federal Aviation Administration said Friday that it cannot investigate the alleged incident or others like it included with the grievance because the details are too sketchy. However, its general concern about the alertness of flight crews prompted the agency to announce earlier this month that it will strictly enforce rest rules at all airlines starting Dec. 12.

"There have been simply enough reports over time and enough attention has been called to it that we want to make sure the rules are being followed," said FAA spokesman Paul Turk.

While the union grievance involves American Airlines, the issue of crew fatigue has been a lingering concern throughout the airline industry.

Under federal regulations, airline pilots cannot fly more than eight hours a day. They must also be allowed to rest eight hours each day. Crews complain that the flight and rest limits don't address the toll extracted by the extra time they spend on duty, such as checking in for a flight or sitting in an airport during a layover.

Pilots say backup crews are the hardest-hit, because they can be ordered to start their workday at any time.

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2704 34th 2-2-2 LR/Den & Sprinkler System..... $75T.
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2206 42nd 3-1¾ FPL Classic.....$46.5T
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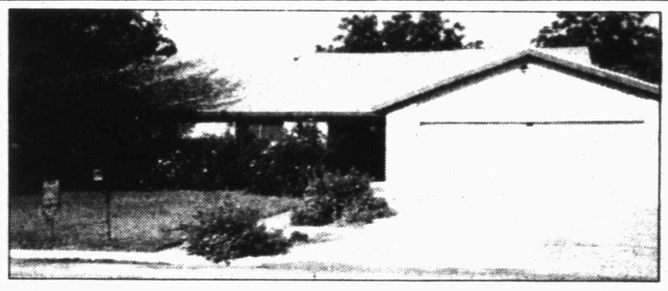

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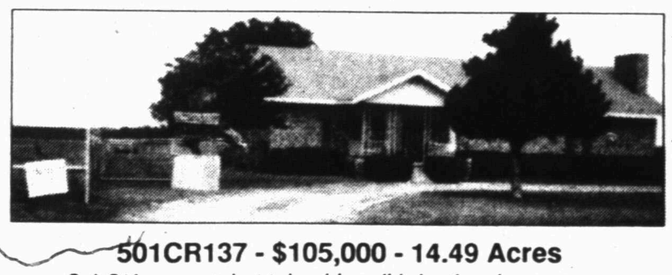

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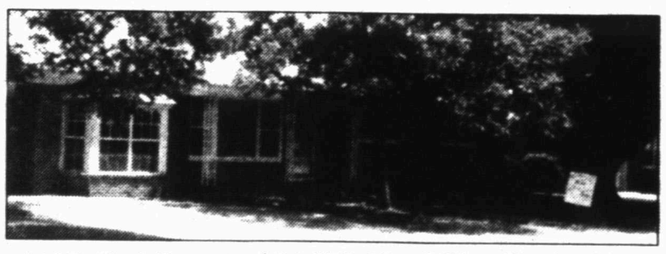
3-1 3/4-carport, hot tub, side roll irrigation, barns, pens



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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

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West Central Texas Workforce Development Board
P.O. Box 3195
Abilene, TX 79604
915-672-8544 (phone)
915-675-5214 (fax)
kspaar@abilene.com (e-mail)

RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE CLUB REGISTRATION PERMIT

Application is filed by: Spanish Inn Club of Snyder. Location: 2212 College Avenue Snyder, Scurry County, 79549. Mailing address: 2212 College Ave. Snyder, TX 79549. Officers: Wilbert L. Rawlings, Vice President. Chon Rodriquez II, President. Mary Ann Rodriquez, Secretary.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

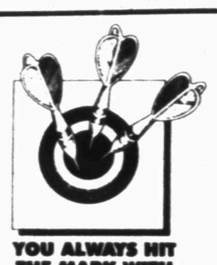
THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF SCURRY §

To those indebted to, or holding claims against the Estate of RUBE LEE McKINLEY, deceased, Probate Case Number 5,515:

The undersigned, having been duly appointed Independent Executor of the Estate of RUBE LEE McKINLEY, deceased, late of Scurry County, Texas, by Ricky Fritz, Judge of the County Court of said county, on the 24th day of June, 1999, 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 LARRY ANDERSON, P.O. Box 406, Snyder, Texas 79550-0406, within the time prescribed by law.

Executed this 24th day of June, 1999.

(s)LARRY ANDERSON
Independent Executor
of the Estate of
RUBE LEE ANDERSON,
deceased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NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF SCURRY §

By virtue of a Writ of Execution issued out of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. One, Scurry County, Texas, on a Final Judgment rendered in said Court on January 26, 1999, in favor of Matt and Kori Glenn, Plaintiffs, and against Shaun Terrell and Stephen Kennedy, individually and d/b/a Computer Partners, Defendants, in the case of Matt and Kori Glenn vs. Shaun Terrell and Stephen Kennedy, individually and d/b/a Computer Partners, No. S-607 in said Court, the undersigned did on the 10th day of May, 1999, at 10:00 o'clock A m. levy upon the following described property as the property of said Shaun Terrell and Stephen Kennedy, individually and d/b/a Computer Partners:

-ITEM 1 – One complete computer system
1a – Pentium 166 processor with 12 - 16x CD-ROM drive and 3.5" floppy drive
1b – System includes mouse, keyboard, speakers, modem and had Windows 95 installed; also includes Sceptre 15" color monitor

-ITEM 2 – Various processors, monitors and printers

-ITEM 3 – Various boxes of computer related parts

You are further notified that on the 6th day of July, 1999, being the first Tuesday of said month, at 10:00 a.m. on said day, at the Old Scurry County Jail Annex, located in Snyder, Scurry County, Texas, all of the right, title, and interest of Shaun Terrell and Stephen Kennedy, individually and d/b/a Computer Partners in and to the above-described property will be offered for sale and sold at public auction, for cash.

WITNESS my hand this the 10 day of May, 1999.

Darren Jackson
Sheriff of Scurry County, Texas

By Bobby Goodwin
Bobby Goodwin, Deputy Sheriff

SNYDER POLICE DEPARTMENT
COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION
SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION
June 24, 1998

NOTICE

The following person has registered with the Snyder Police Department as a convicted sex offender.

(1) 39 year old male, 19th. Street, Snyder, Texas 79549, convicted of "Indecency With A Child, By Exposure". Victim was a female child 15 years old.

NOTIFICATION

El siguiente persona se a registrado con el Departamento de Policia de Snyder, y fue convicto de una offensa sexual.

(1) Un hombre, 39 anos de edad, Calle 19th, Snyder, Texas 79549, convicto de "Indecencia Con Un Menor Por Descubrir". La victima era nina, quince anos de edad.

Stephen W. Warren
Interim Police Chief

SNYDER POLICE DEPARTMENT
COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION
SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION
June 23, 1999

NOTICE

The following person has registered with the Snyder Police Department as a convicted sex offender.

(1) 25 year old male, 37th Street, Snyder, Texas 79549, convicted of "Sexual Assault". Victim was a female child 15 years old.

NOTIFICATION

El siguiente persona se a registrado con el Departamento de Policia de Snyder, y fue convicto de una offensa sexual.

(1) Un hombre, 25 anos de edad, Calle 37th, Snyder, Texas 79549, convicto de "Asalto Sexual". La victima era nina, 15 anos de edad.

Stephen W. Warren
Interim Police Chief

Wife calls suspect 'model' husband

HOUSTON — The common-law wife of suspected serial killer Rafael Resendez-Ramirez says the man she has lived with since 1995 is not a rapist or a killer — she says a wife would know.

"They say his motive was rape and all that. But I, as his sexual companion, would know to what degree those tendencies he might have had. But he was absolutely normal," Julieta Dominguez Reyes said Friday.

Resendez-Ramirez has been a "model" husband and father, she said.

Ms. Dominguez, 42, talked about her husband as she cared for the couple's 3-month-old daughter, Lirio Judith, in the remote Mexican town of Rodeo, in the Mexican state of Durango, where she is a laboratory technician at the state health department clinic.

Ms. Dominguez said she is cooperating with authorities and opened her home in recent days to U.S. law enforcement authorities, turning over some of her husband's letters, underwear and a guitar he brought back from one of his many trips to the United States.

But Ms. Dominguez said if authorities can prove her husband's guilt, he should be prepared to pay for his crimes with his life.

"I say, if he did something, he should pay," Ms. Dominguez said in a lengthy interview with the Chronicle Friday afternoon in the simple white, stucco home she shares with Resendez-Ramirez. Her husband's pet dogs, a white German shepherd and a black mutt, lolled on the front porch.

She added, "If he was involved in this, if he touched death, then death should touch him, right? It is cause and effect."

Ms. Dominguez said Resendez-Ramirez, whom she knows as Angel, was last home on June 10. She said her husband received a call that authorities were looking for him in the central Mexican city of Puebla — where he was born — and he quickly packed a few things and was gone in 45 minutes.

"I don't think he's the one, because he would have to be extremely cold and calculating and he would have raised some of the details in front of me, but there was absolutely nothing," Ms. Dominguez said. "He was a person who was absolutely exemplary in his treatment of me and his daughter."

Her husband told her U.S. authorities were after him because of his past activities with a group of anti-abortion activists.

Ms. Dominguez said her husband claimed he was prosecuted in the United States in 1988 — an investigation that cost $4 million — and the government was still after him.

Ms. Dominguez said her husband, who often sent home his earnings, worked at "honorable jobs" in the United States, mostly as a seasonal agricultural worker.

"His income was not fixed," she said. "He worked at temporary jobs, picking oranges in Florida, tobacco in Kentucky, asparagus in Washington."

And he also smuggled local people across the border, Ms. Dominguez acknowledged, but she said he charged only $400 apiece instead of the going rate of $2,500.

"Yes, he took people, one or two people he would take to cross illegally and that's when he would get a little bit of money because he didn't charge what they usually do."

Local police in Rodeo, a small town of 3,569 residents that straddles the main highway heading north to Juarez and the border, say Resendez-Ramirez often appeared in town with late model cars that he either gave to relatives or sold.

Rodolfo Ramirez Ceniceros, commander of the Durango state judicial police in Rodeo, stressed that Resendez-Ramirez had never been involved in any crime in the small town or was even the subject of a complaint. Local officers said Resendez-Ramirez was apparently a member of an evangelical Christian group and did not smoke, drink, attend dances or go out to dinner.

"He is an introverted person; he was always alone," Ceniceros said. "He would ride his bike with his dogs, wearing shorts and a T-shirt. He didn't have any friends."

Police said Resendez-Ramirez's mother, Virginia, and stepfather — a Mexican army retiree named Luis Maturino Morales — moved to Rodeo and built a small house eight years ago, and Resendez-Ramirez moved there about five years ago. Ms. Dominguez said her husband told her he was the illegitimate son of a musician who refused to acknowledge him.

Police said Resendez-Ramirez for a short time taught English as a bilingual instructor at a private school on the town square that offered technical courses and is run by an order of nuns.

Funeral held for slain Iowa couple

KILLEEN (AP) — A woman found murdered with her husband in the trunk of their car had dreamed recently of being sent "to the palms of the Lord," the minister said at the victims' funeral.

The Rev. Terry Whitley of Grace Christian Center was overcome Friday while reading his eulogy for Stacie and Todd Bagley, who were victims of a deadly carjacking.

Whitley said that he was touched so much by the tragedy that while preparing his sermon, he became angry about what had happened to his friends, who were members of the church visiting from Ottumwa, Iowa.

"I was asking. 'Why do I have to do this? Why do we have to do this?'" said Whitley, admitting he had repented for his "anger, confusion, hurt and disappointment.

Whitley also said the pastor of Jubilee Family Church in Oskaloosa, Iowa, where the Bagleys were also members, had called him Friday morning and told him that Stacie Bagley had come to him a few weeks ago and told him that she had a dream.

"And in that dream, she and Todd together were sent to the palms of the Lord," Whitley said. "And she had asked the pastor what does that mean?"

The bodies of Todd, 26, and Stacie, 28, were found Monday by Nolanville firefighters called to a remote site at Fort Hood to extinguish a burning automobile.

The Bagleys, each shot once in the head, were found in the trunk. Four teens have been arrested.

The FBI said in a criminal complaint Wednesday that Chris Vialva, 19, and Brandon Bernard, 18, both of Killeen, took the Bagleys' car "with intent to cause death or serious bodily harm."

A 15-year-old boy and a 17-year-old boy also were taken into custody near the burning vehicle.

A Waco federal magistrate denied bail Thursday for Vialva and Bernard. The magistrate ruled that the two should be held over for trial.

Bond also was denied for the two younger teens. Their names have not been released because they are juveniles.

The charges against Vialva and Bernard carry a possible death sentence, while the juveniles could face life in prison if convicted, according to the FBI.

Before Friday's funeral, computerized images of the Bagleys in happy times were reflected on video screens in the front corners of the chapel.

During the service, Steve Timmerman said the mere presence of the Bagleys in a room would lift the spirit of everyone in that room that they found pleasure in God, and they were totally committed to each other.

"They knew what each other was thinking and feeling at all times," Timmerman said. "Their marriage was what God intended marriages to be like."

Timmerman told the congregation that the Bagleys would want it to rejoice, because now they are in a better place.

"The event of this week is just a reminder that we never know when, we never know where and we never know how (our lives will end)," Timmerman said.

Whitley's sermon was about preparing oneself to meet Jesus in heaven. He told the congregation if the Bagleys could speak to them, "Todd and Stacie would say walk with faith, not by sight."

Criminal mischief reports handled

Officers investigated two reports of criminal mischief Friday with both incidents occurring within close proximity.

At 12:48 p.m., an officer was requested at West Texas State Bank in reference to criminal mischief done to repossessed vehicles. An offense report for state jail felony criminal mischief was submitted.

Brenda Trammel advised officers at 3:16 p.m. of a dump truck behind Vision Makers, 2509 College, that had a broken windshield. An offense report for Class B criminal mischief was filed.

Officers also investigated two reports of theft Friday.

An offense report for Class B theft was filed at 8:20 a.m. at Jack's Used Cars in reference to the theft of hubcaps.

Florestina Gomez contacted officers at 10:59 a.m. to report a stolen bicycle from 1903 19th. An offense report for Class B theft was submitted.

Two subjects were taken into custody Friday night.

Officers arrested a 19-year-old male at 9:52 p.m. near the Santa Fe bridge and U.S. Hwy. 180 for misdemeanor possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. A 17-year-old female was also taken into custody for public intoxication.

A report of possible gunshots was made at 9:31 p.m. in the area around Elm Street. Officers checked the area but were unable to locate.

Murder suspect was released

HOUSTON (AP) — Suspected serial killer Rafael Resendez-Ramirez was in custody of immigration officials early this month but was let go, officials said Friday.

"I'm not going to discuss whether it was a mechanical error or an error at all," Don K. Clark, special agent in charge of the Houston FBI office and head of a task force pursuing the Mexican national, said Friday.

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Lucille,
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We take this opportunity to thank everyone who sent flowers, food, cards, and donations in the passing of our father, Bishop (Boe). In our time of sorrow all of your prayers and kind words were greatly appreciated.

May God Bless all of you.
Keith Moffett,
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Barbara Moffett

Thank You

We wish to thank all of the friends who came to us in the time of our loss of Herman Richburg, the hospital nursing staff of Codgell Hospital, Dr. Thompson, Jeannette, Pat and Drs. Mark and Kathleen Weaver and the OR staff.

Many thanks to the Rev. Glenda Johnson, Dr. Rex Reynolds, and for the music Cherril Becks, Merribeth Kahlich and the Kitchen Band. Also, thanks to Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

To those who brought food, sent cards and all expresions of love. A special thanks to the ladies who served the meal. May God Bless you and keep you.

Love,
Tonnie, Chris & Timmy
Marlene, Jan & Quaid,
Gay & Kayla

Thank You

We wish to thank all who have been so helpful and comforting in the loss of our sister, sister-in-law and aunt, Ruth Jones.

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Thanks all of you for your words of comfort, prayers, visits, cards flowers and food. All were a great comfort. May God bless each of you.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Property Becomes the Weapon When Couple Battles to Split

DEAR ABBY: You were 100 percent right when you advised "Old-Fashioned Southern Lady" to get a prenuptial agreement. Permit me to share my experience.

My now ex-husband exploded when I suggested a prenuptial agreement. I was a single mother of two, owned my own home and was completely independent. He was coming into the marriage after living at home with his parents, with nothing to his name other than his boat and truck. I bought the part about "not loving him enough" and "you don't trust me."

I wound up having to buy my own home back from him. I was in exactly the same place I was prior to the marriage — only with a smaller bank account.

I have finally determined that love and property have nothing to do with each other. Please tell "Old-Fashioned" that when and if her marriage ever comes to a parting of the ways, all the love in the world, be it now or then, has nothing whatsoever to do with her property. When tempers and emotions are flaring, hurting the other party becomes the only thing that matters, and that's where the property comes in.

I hope, by the grace of God, that "Old-Fashioned's" marriage will flourish and she will never have to look at the prenuptial agreement again. But if and when she might need to, I promise she'll be glad she did the deed.

POORER AND WISER
IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR POORER AND WISER: You learned an expensive lesson, and no one could argue with your conclusion.

I suspect the reason most people are reluctant to ask for a prenuptial agreement is insecurity or lack of assertiveness. And that's no way to enter a partnership.

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DEAR ABBY: Titles and forms of address are confusing. How should a letter be addressed when the husband is a medical doctor and the wife has a Ph.D.?

Another son is a lawyer; his wife is a medical doctor. How should a letter be addressed to the two of them?

HOWARD STREIM,
TRUMBULL, CONN.

DEAR HOWARD: Stay with me on this: According to "Amy Vanderbilt's Complete Book of Etiquette," the envelopes should be addressed this way:

The Doctors Streim, Drs. Sally and Howard Streim, or Dr. Sally Jones and Dr. Howard Streim.

If only the husband is a doctor, it's Dr. and Mrs. Howard Streim, or Dr. Howard Streim and Ms. Sally Jones.

If the wife is a doctor and he is a lawyer, the envelope should be addressed to: Dr. Sally Jones and Howard Jones, Esq. (Esq. or Esquire is from British law and indicates the person is a lawyer.)

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DEAR ABBY: Your story about the husband who was asked whether he would save his wife or his mother if they were both drowning reminded me of a charming old tale about the queen and the courtier. The queen, a beautiful lady-in-waiting and the courtier were boating. The queen asked him which of them he would save if the boat capsized. He replied, "But madam swims so well!"

JOHN TOMASIN, ESQ.,
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DEAR ABBY: I'm writing in response to "Frustrated Doc, Utica, N.Y." who's looking for some explanation as to "why insurance companies employ people to handle claims in subjects about which they are not knowledgeable." As a fellow physician and medical director for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota, our state's oldest and largest health plan, I believe I can offer some insight.

For starters, customer service representatives for health insurance companies do not make medical policy decisions; however, as the first point of contact for health-care consumers, they often answer questions about plan benefits. In addition, customer service representatives navigate what is often a complex health-care system. For this, they should be commended.

To address "Frustrated Doc's" concerns about who makes policy decisions for a health plan, let me briefly explain the process: At Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota, as is the case at many health plans across the country, decisions about what is covered or not covered are made by a panel of physicians and health-care experts. Decisions are based on solid, reliable, peer-reviewed, published medical research results.

Health plans are committed to paying for treatments that have been rigorously proven for their safety, efficacy and reliability. New treatments that have been tested only on a few patients at one academic institution shouldn't be covered until much more study is done. Fen/phen is a classic example of well-intentioned, but poorly researched medical therapy that, when unleashed prematurely, can have profoundly devastating effects.

If patients are not satisfied with decisions regarding specific treatments, I would encourage them to appeal the decisions through their health plans. Customer service representatives can provide information about the appeals process.

JAMES WOODBURN, M.D.,
MEDICAL DIRECTOR,
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE
SHIELD OF MINNESOTA

DEAR DR. WOODBURN: Thank you for taking the time to address the concerns of "Frustrated Doc in Utica." Although I heard from many claims administrators, nurses and patients, you are the only insurance executive who responded to the question. Please read on for a slightly different perspective:

DEAR ABBY: May I comment on the letter from "Frustrated Doc"? As a pharmacist, I see the medical profession developing a new dimension — generating reports and filling out insurance forms. Often attention is diverted to completion of a form. Believe me, there is nothing uniform in claims submission. Imagine 31 ways of submitting a claim for a prescription. (Or suturing a finger and completing a claims report.)

On Dec. 31, 1998, PCS (a prescription card) canceled all prescription coverage for federal employees for one day. I could fill a thick book with similar experiences.

Perhaps the next time your readers have a prescription filled, they will understand why the pharmacist has his attention centered on an insurance claim, or the reason you see six to 10 people in a doctor's office struggling with claims.

Members of the medical profession would be happy to spend their time working with patients and skip the insurance claims — but we have families to feed.

If you can get this message to one insurance company or HMO, my time will have been justified in writing this.

ARTHUR BOHLMANN, R.PH.,
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Head of weapons programs resigns

WASHINGTON (AP) — The top Energy Department official in charge of the nation's nuclear weapons complex has submitted his resignation to President Clinton, The Washington Post reported Saturday.

Assistant Secretary Victor Reis quit Friday following allegations of Chinese nuclear spying at the nation's laboratories, the newspaper said.

Reis refused to comment on his departure to the Post. But some officials speculated it was a result of a disagreement with Energy Secretary Bill Richardson. Reis reportedly supports a bill drafted by Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., that calls for the creation of a semiautonomous agency responsible for the nuclear weapons laboratories nationwide.

Richardson is opposed to such a move and has his own plan to reorganize the department that calls for creating a new undersecretary for nuclear stewardship to oversee the weapons complex.

Officers fired for brutality

FORT WORTH (AP) — Pat Wiggs said her Fort Worth northside neigborhood blazed some trails during the city's growth over the past half century.

The 69-year-old retiree said the Diamond Hill community she's lived in for decades was the first to serve hot lunches at its public schools and one of the first to see a boom in Hispanic residents.

It also was the first Fort Worth neighborhood where Mexican immigrants were able to purchase lots and build houses in the 1920s and 1930s, she said.

"It's been a first in a lot things," Ms. Wiggs said Friday, standing in her front yard. Her modest, single-story home was surrounded by rows of other aging tract homes.

"This is an old neighborhood ... but it's a quiet place," she said.

Diamond Hill, also called La Loma — Spanish for "The Hill" — now lays claim to another benchmark event: site of one of the worst police brutality incidents in Fort Worth's recent history.

Five city police cops were fired last week for hogtying a man on New Year's Day in La Loma, leaving him tied up until the moments surrounding his death and then conspiring to cover up the incident for more than five months.

"It's a sad day for me and for the department," Fort Worth police chief Thomas Windham told reporters Friday. He said the force had never endorsed or taught the hogtying technique, which is believed to have caused the death of 31-year-old Luis Enrique Hernandez.

"We were shocked that these officers could have done this, and we were equally shocked that they covered it up," Windham said.

Many residents of Diamond Hill said they were surprised the lethal force incident happened in their usually-quiet neighborhood.

Ms. Wiggs said police are rarely called to the area. One Hispanic man, who was walking La Loma's streets on Friday, said he'd lived there since 1961.

The man, who would only give his first name as "Art," said he couldn't remember any other incident before this year where city cops had treated neighborhood residents badly — whether white, black or Hispanic.

"Fort Worth police are good, I couldn't find any complaints with them," the man said. "I think what happened here was just an isolated incident."

The lethal force charges led to the firing of officers David N. Stefanos, 30, an eight-year veteran; David P. Alkins, 27, who was commissioned in October 1995; Linn William Goodman, 27, an officer for slightly more than a year; Hector Luis Melendez, 28, also with a year on the job; and John R. "John-John" Ornelas, 25, an officer since December 1995.

The chief also said that Sterling Gilliland, a Police Explorer Post scout who was on a ride-along with the officers at the time, has been implicated in the cover-up. His application to the police academy has since been rejected, the chief said.

Windham said the fired cops hogtied Hernandez after responding to a call at about 2:30 p.m. that the suspect had assaulted a neighbor's teen-age boy.

Hernandez, who suffered from the mental disorder schizophrenia, struggled with officers attempting to interview him. He was later taken outside and forced to lie face down on the sidewalk while the cops handcuffed him behind his back and then locked the cuffs to leg restraints tied around his ankles.

"It was awful," said Hernandez's sister, Gricelda Luna, who witnessed the whole event at the Hernandez household. Mrs. Luna, along with her son, lives at the same Diamond Hill residence where her brother was confronted.

She talked to reporters Friday from the living room of the home, and claimed her brother only scolded the neighborhood boy that day for picking on her own son, Juan. "Just protective of his nephew," Ms. Gricelda said. She said her brother only slapped the one boy with an open hand.

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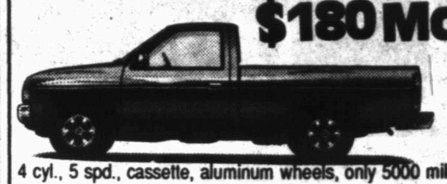
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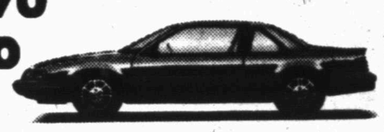
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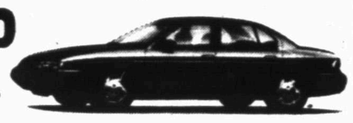
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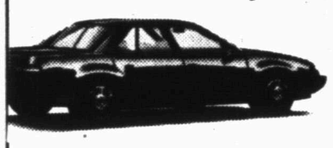
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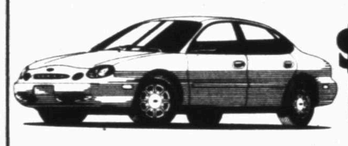
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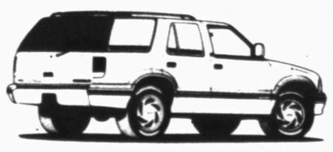
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Clinton suggests:

Serbs consider ousting Milosevic

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton suggests the Yugoslav people rethink whether they want Slobodan Milosevic to remain in power in view of atrocities in Kosovo, but he insists a $5 million reward for the arrest of the Serb leader and associates on war-crimes charges is not an invitation to assassination.

At his news conference Friday, Clinton also said Belgrade will get no aid to repair NATO bomb damage if Milosevic's fellow Serbs continue to endorse his effort to drive the ethnic Albanian majority out of Kosovo, a province of Serbia. "I wouldn't give them one red cent for reconstruction," he declared

The Serbs are "going to have to come to grips with what Mr. Milosevic ordered in Kosovo" and "they're going to have to get out of denial."

"And then, they're going to have to decide whether they support his leadership or not, whether they think it's OK that all those tens of thousands of people were killed. And all those hundreds of thousands of people were run out of their homes and all those little girls were raped and all those little boys were murdered," Clinton snapped.

"They're going to have to decide if they think that is OK."

Clinton also responded sharply when a reporter asked about the $5 million U.S. reward offered for the arrest of Milosevic and associates for alleged war crimes.

"We have not put a price on Mr. Milosevic's head for someone to kill him. ... So let's get that clear," the president said. He added he has rigidly followed a policy adopted during the Ford administration banning the assassination of foreign leaders.

At the same time, Clinton deplored attacks on Serbs in Kosovo by returning refugees. "NATO is not letting it happen," he declared. "We're doing what we can to stop it and I'm concerned about it. I'm not particularly surprised, after what they've been through."

Russian peacekeepers land in Pristina

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia (AP) — A Russian jet carrying paratroopers and airport technicians touched down at Pristina's airport Saturday, the first airplane to land in Kosovo since NATO began its peacekeeping mission two weeks ago.

It was followed moments later by a French transport carrying equipment to help make the airport fully operational.

The 21 Russian paratroopers and 18 technicians will join about 200 Russian troops who seized the airport June 12 after traveling overland from Bosnia, beating NATO into Kosovo by hours and forcing protracted negotiations on Russia's role in the Kosovo peacekeeping mission.

"This is all part of bringing Kosovo back to normality and the better future that we all hope for all the people of Kosovo," said British Lt. Gen. Mike Jackson, the NATO commander in Kosovo, as he welcomed the planes.

Col. Gen. Viktor Zavarzin, who led the Russian land convoy onto the airfield two weeks ago, said the day marked "the start of the air bridge which will serve in the future as a delivery point for all the things we need."

Russia plans to send about 3,600 peacekeepers to Kosovo to serve alongside a NATO-led force that eventually will include 55,000 troops.

The Russians will join a peacekeeping mission that so far has been unable to curb unrest sweeping the province. Ethnic Albanians have been seeking revenge for atrocities committed by Serb-led Yugoslav forces since President Slobodan Milosevic cracked down on Kosovo separatists in February 1998.

Russia, a traditional ally of Serbia, had demanded its own zone of control within Kosovo. That was firmly rejected by NATO, which worried it would lead to a partition of the province.

Instead, a compromise was reached in which the Russians will be deployed in separate zones within three areas assigned to U.S., German and French peacekeepers.

The planes that arrived Saturday are the first of 12 flights — six Russian and six NATO — expected at Pristina's Slatina Airport over the next 10 days, NATO spokesman Jan Joosten said. The transports will bring technicians and equipment to make the airport fully operational for flights to ferry in humanitarian supplies and peacekeeping troops.

Medicare...

Clinton administration tests support for drug coverage

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is testing political support for a new Medicare drug benefit that would pay roughly half the cost of prescriptions — up to perhaps $3,000 to $5,000 a year — in return for higher premiums from beneficiaries.

"We should offer a drug benefit but we should do it in a way that it's quite clear that it won't break the bank," President Clinton said at a news conference Friday, announcing that next week he will unveil his long-anticipated plan to offer retirees government assistance paying for prescriptions.

"This is the most significant health care need that senior citizens have Saturday," Clinton said. In addition to helping retirees, he said, a new Medicare drug benefit "will, in the long-term, save medical costs because it will help keep people out of the hospitals and out of the nursing homes."

The drug proposal still is being written, White House press secretary Joe Lockhart said, and final details will not be disclosed until Clinton presents it Tuesday.

Administration officials have said the drug benefit would be made available as an option for all 39 million elderly and disabled Medicare beneficiaries, offering less expensive coverage than many seniors currently have access to in the private sector.

However, it is unclear how Clinton plans to answer politically sensitive questions such as how much the new benefit would cost taxpayers — sure to be many billions of dollars — or how it would be paid for.

Russian director plans to film movie on Mir

MOSCOW (AP) — For nearly two years, a Russian director has dreamed of sending actors into space to film the tale of a cosmonaut's stubborn refusal to follow orders to abandon the Mir space station.

Now, with Russia actually planning to abandon Mir, Yuri Kara said Friday he will finally get his chance.

Russian space officials have decided to leave the Mir unmanned after the current crew returns in August, then lower the station's orbit and let the Mir burn in the atmosphere early next year.

But they might send another crew up for a few days early next year to prepare the station for lowering.

Kara told a news conference Friday that if a new crew does go up, his actor will be among them, the Interfax news agency reported.

Russian Space Agency spokesman Sergei Gorbunov said two other crew members — actual cosmonauts — would act as cameramen, while Kara would direct the filming from the mission control center on the ground.

In Kara's film, the Russians are also abandoning the Mir. But a renegade cosmonaut refuses to leave, saying he would orbit the Earth for the rest of his days. Ground controllers decide to send up a woman to lure him back.

Only one actor would go to Mir. Space scenes involving other actors would be shot on the ground or aboard a transport airplane in a free-fall, to imitate weightlessness, Kara said.

Kara first announced plans to make a film aboard the Mir nearly two years ago, but the project appeared to grind to a halt when Russian officials decided recently to abandon their beloved station because of the lack of money for its maintenance.

Now, the film project seems on again, and the timing of the shooting scheduled for February makes the plot almost merge with reality.

Kara refused to specify the costs of the project.

Obituaries

Archie Langford

1915-1999

BRECKENRIDGE — Archie Ray Langford, a former resident of Snyder, died Friday, June 25, in an Eastland hospital.

Funeral service for Mr. Langford, 83, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the Necessity Baptist Church. Burial will follow in Mount Zion Cemetery.

Born in Stephens County, he graduated from Snyder High School and married Maxine Flow in Eastland on Sept. 28, 1938. He was a stock farmer in the Frankell Community in Stephens County and was a member of the Necessity Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Maxine Langford of Frankell; two sons, Cecil Langford of Lakeview and Bill Langford of Weatherford; a daughter, Ginger Vick of Breckenridge; a brother, Cecil Langford of Breckenridge; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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Births

Tommy and Melinda (Stephens) Roach announce the birth of their son, Collin Britt Roach. Collin weighed eight pounds, one ounce and was born on May 21 in Arlington.

Grandparents are Charles and Virginia Fulks of Snyder, Carolyn Clark and Tom Roach of Arlington. Great-grandmother is Lucille Bruce of Barnsdall, Okla.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Marisa Morin, Clifton Thomas, Linda Dodson, Leddy Lewis of Jayton and Jane Wagner of Lubbock.

DISMISSALS: Betty Naquin, Raymond Oliva, Robert Provlx, Otilia Rios, Diana Smith and Doris Wright.

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ment he made at the board meeting that Pepsi-Cola was not enthused about bidding against Coke for the contract.

"As a matter of fact, their representative told me and McNair in our first meeting with them that his company was not particularly enthused about bidding against Coca-Cola."

Lomax said when Coke and Pepsi were contacted about a possible contract with the school, it was not a request to submit bids, but to submit a proposal.

"We sent out a request for proposal to the companies," said Lomax. "Coke responded promptly, the other did not and when it was time to act on it, we only had Coke's offer."

Lomax said if the district had awarded a contract to Pepsi and broke its present agreement with Coke, Coca-Cola would have legal remedies, including assessing values to several scoreboards donated to the school district over the years.

"We're happy with the new contract, and the old one as well," said Lomax.

The old contract was to expire in 2000.

Peck said Friday that he was not out to set a raging fire in Snyder, just to be treated fairly.

"I don't think we have been."

Peck is asking the district to set aside Coke's offer and put the service out for bids.

And if the district doesn't, Peck replied, "It's too early to tell. Obviously, we're upset."

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ONGOINGS

Medical fund established

A medical fund has been established at West Texas State Bank to assist Mary Batchelor, a cancer patient and owner of MB's Beauty Salon.

Scurry Masonic Lodge

Scurry Masonic Lodge #706 will have its installation of officers at 7 p.m. Saturday. All Master Masons and their families are invited.

Joint service

Rivers of Living Water and Sound of Jubilee will have a joint service at 6 p.m. Sunday at 2301 Ave. G.

Ira Masonic Lodge #934

The Ira Masonic Lodge will install officers at 7:30 p.m. Monday. All masons and their wives are invited to attend.

Seniors swimnastics

Swimnastics for senior citizens is held from 10 to 11 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays at Western Texas College.

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air weekly on cable TV channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 p.m. Monday are "The Day Jerusalem Was Destroyed," followed by "The Family Life Blood: Encouragement."

Genealogy meeting Tuesday

Scurry County Genealogy Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Scurry County Library. The program will be stories of members' early lives. The public is welcome.

Book signing

National best-selling novelist, Jodi Thomas, will be in Snyder Thursday to autograph her newest book at Wal-Mart from 3-5 p.m.

Lions to attend prayer breakfast

Lions Club will not meet Tuesday, but instead will attend the 7 a.m. prayer breakfast at the Towle Park Pavilion next Saturday.

God, Country service

"With Liberty and Justice for All," will be presented by the choir of Colonial Hill Baptist Church at 7 p.m. next Sunday. Veterans will be recognized and the public is invited.

Quilt raffle

Christian Women's Fellowship of First Christian Church will raffle a red, white and blue quilt July 4th in Towle Park. Tickets are $1 and will be sold in the cottonwoods across from the Armory.

LVN registration at WTC

Students wishing to enroll in the September class for Licensed Vocational Nursing at Western Texas College need to contact the counseling office to arrange to take the pre-entrance exam. Tests will be given through July 27, and interviews will be scheduled through Aug. 9. For more information call 573-8511, ext. 313 or toll-free at 1-888-GO TO WTC (468-6982)

Adult education classes

Adult Education will be held from 8 a.m. until noon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in the library at Western Texas College. Classes include English as a second language, GED preparation and those wanting to improve basic skills. No night classes are available.

July 4th celebration

Anyone interested in providing entertainment for the July 4th celebration should contact the chamber of commerce at 573-3558. Also food, activity and arts and crafts booths are still available.

Class of '69 reunion

The SHS Class of 1969 will hold its 30th reunion July 9-10 at Snyder Country Club. All teachers, former classmates and those from other classes are invited. For more information, call 573-8877 or 573-6454.

Foster parent training

A training session, "Framework for Understanding Poverty," will be presented by the Oil Patch Foster Parent Association from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. July 17. RSVP to Donna Zalman at 863-2275 or Donna Dickinson at 573-7817. Cost of the workbook is $15.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:

17-22-24-30-37

(seventeen, twenty-two, twenty-four, thirty, thirty-seven)

Pick 3

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

0-8-8

(zero, eight, eight)

Texas million

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Million numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:

0-15-40-70

(zero, fifteen, forty, seventy)

Western heritage, cowboys important to local man

Snyder resident Jerry Cline likes to sketch and collect spurs

Scurry County Folks

by Shirley A. Gorman

Jerry Cline loves the cowboy way of life so much, he is doing his part to preserve it for future generations.

His median is the pencil sketches he began drawing in earnest two years ago.

They reflect the cowboys' way of life, something he is very interested in. He also has a special affinity for collecting spurs and other memorabilia.

While Jerry has always liked to draw, he never devoted much time to it until the business he and his wife, Beatrice, founded began to become more than a "mom and pop" operation.

When Omega Services and Carpet Cleaning moved into its first building, Jerry said that he would sometimes sit in his office and doodle.

As pencil drawings began to take shape, he realized just how much he enjoyed creating them. He prefers to work with pencils rather than oils or water colors because "pencil (work) fascinates me."

"I enjoy sketching. It relaxes me, " Jerry said. "I would like to be able to do this all of the time. It's more fun than watching TV."

He has always liked the Western lifestyle and he particularly likes to draw horses and "romantic art," cowboys and their gals.

"I want my artwork to reflect the cowboy and the cowgirl, not just scenery or area wildlife," Jerry said.

His works are often copies of photographs or other pencil sketches or oil or water paintings that interest him. He changes the picture in some way, either by adding or taking something away or by changing the pose.

"I don't know if that is right or wrong," Jerry said. "But that is what I like to do."

Pictures on the Western Texas College rodeo calender have also served as inspiration.

In addition, he often draws special requests. One will be a water tower for a friend.

He also enjoys nose art, such as pictures painted on the noses of World War II bombers. He likes to draw cartoons as well.

One of Jerry's favorite pictures is a portrait of his sister and her two sons which he presented to his mother at Christmas.

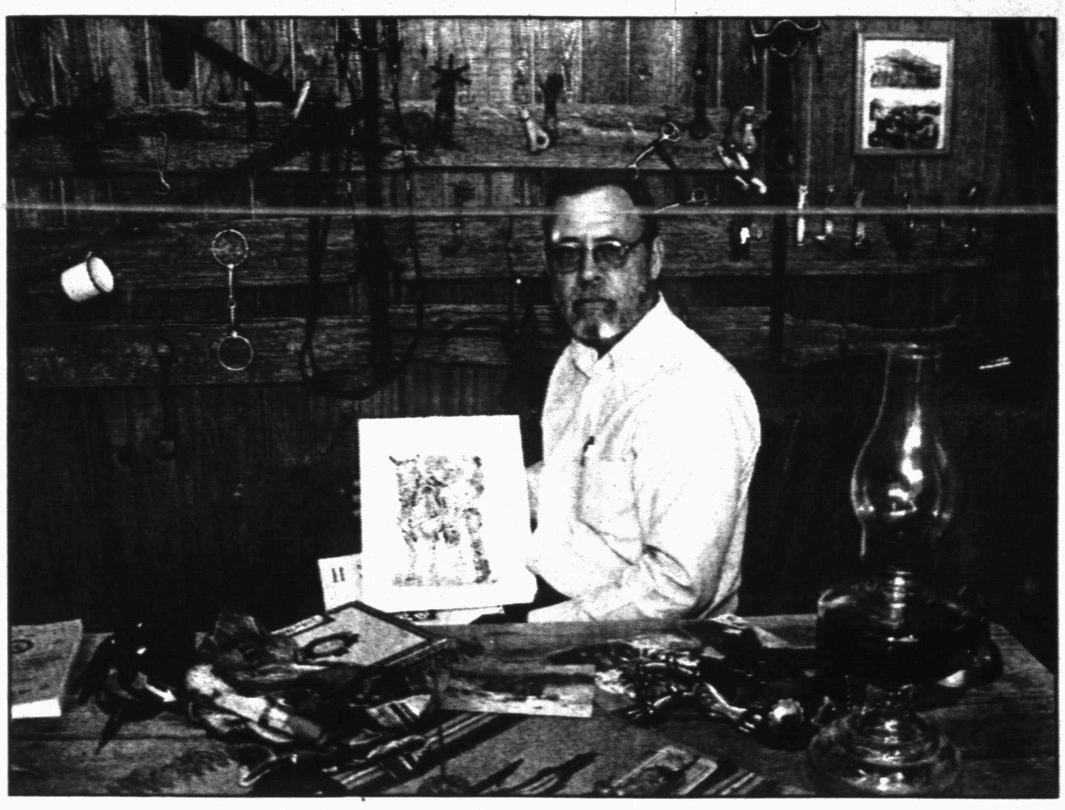
His sister was murdered when one of her sons was a week old. He began with a picture of his sister taken the year she died and then super imposed a picture of each son at his present age on it. The portrait was something his mother had always wanted.

Jerry's sketches can take anywhere from two hours to four days to complete. One was particularly time consuming because of the barbed wire, which he used a Dr Pepper lid to help create.

While Jerry has never studied art or had any formal training, he has received pointers about shadowing from the likes of Paul Wylie, renowned Western arist.

Jerry said a friend who is an art engineer who is helping him learn how to use shadow boxes.

Jerry's wife, Beatrice, is a big fan of her husband's work. In the beginning, she said she did not realize how good the sketches are.



ALL THINGS WESTERN — Jerry Cline of Snyder loves all things that have to do with cowboys and the Western heritage, including collecting spurs and sketching pictures which reflect the cowboy's life. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Jerry is getting ready to market some of his work. Harley Bynum will matte some pieces which will then be offered for sale. Some will be displayed in the Rusty Spur Cafe located on the Wagon Wheel Ranch.

Besides drawing, collecting spurs is another of Jerry's passions, something he started four years ago. He is interested in the history of each spur and has become a "pretty good authority" on them. He collects spurs the way other people collect road signs or service station or other type of memorabilia.

Collecting spurs is one way to help preserve the cowboy heritage in this region, Jerry said. He finds spurs at various places, but cowboy symposiums and similar gatherings are a good source. Occasionally, he will trade some that he acquires. He always documents each transaction, and he keeps a diary.

"It's fun to know the history of each spur," Jerry said. Within the past four months, he said he has become interested in contemporary spurs. He said one of the best contemporary spur makers is Jimmy Wilson who lives in Snyder. Wilson made a pair of spurs for Jerry in November of 1998. They are a copy of Kelly Brothers. Jerry said it is only a matter of time before spurs will no longer be hand made.

About a month ago he acquired one of about 175 pairs of spurs made especially for the Bicentennial celebration by a spur maker in Abilene. The man is 78 and will soon quit making spurs, Jerry said. However, he told Jerry that he would sign the pair he has if Jerry will bring it on his next trip to Abilene.

The oldest spur in Jerry's collection is a colonial spur from about 1780 to 1792. But most of his spurs (the really Western cowboy spurs) range from the 1870s to about 1930s.

Cowboys who wore them were like male peacock's spreading their feathers, Jerry said. The spurs had dingle bobs and heel chains. When the cowboys worked they had their spurs cinched up tight on their boot. But when they went to town they put them in a town notch, which meant they loosened them one notch so they would drag and the chains made noise.

Apparently, Jerry laughed, that was a good way to attract the unmarried ladies' attention.

He also has a pair of pure silver Mexican spurs and one pair from England in his collection.

An interesting fact about spurs, Jerry noted is that during one period in England, everyone wore spurs, even to church. If your spurs made any noise then the clergyman would fine you.

He noted that spurs have been found in tombs which date to 700 BC.

He also has toy spurs in his collection as well as old photographs and other items which working cowboys used.

Jerry said he would like to have a 1900s McChesney spur. He considers him a premiere spur maker. Another favorite is August Buermann who did very intricate work. He's also looking for a match to a spur made by Wally Boon.

"The spurs have helped inspire me to really start sketching," he said. Ideally, he said he would like to draw pictures, sell them and then buy spurs.

He likes to collect memorabilia that reflect the working cowboy's life, including boot jacks. He also collects cowboy toys.

Even though rodeos are part of the cowboy's heritage, Jerry doesn't collect much memorabiilia. But he does have some trophy buckles.

Researching the history of the cowboy boot is another interest he

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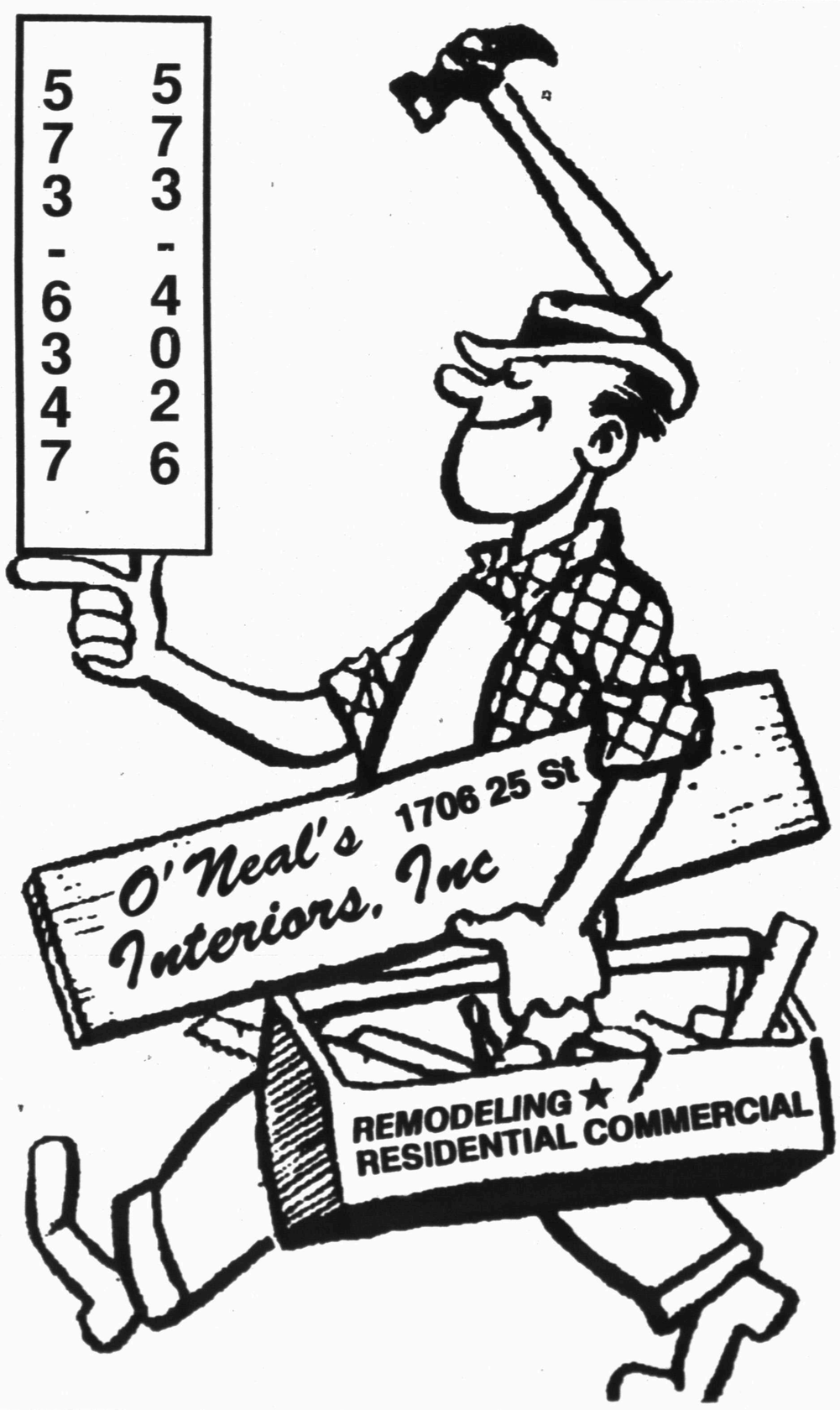

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BRIDE COMPLIMENTED — A bridal shower was held June 11 in the Dermott School honoring the marriage of Katye Galloway and Brad Draughon. The couple reside in Omaha, Neb., where Brad is stationed in the Air Force. From left are Melissa, sister of the groom; Karen Draughon, mother of the groom; the honoree; Lana Galloway, mother of the bride, Malli Travis, sister of the bride, and her daughter, Tate; and Charlcie Roberson, great-aunt of the bride. (Contributed Photo)

1949 SHS GRADUATING CLASS — Attending a 50th Snyder High School class reunion are pictured from left, first row, Lois Creswell Collier, Bobbie Rollins Browne, Frances Leath Athey, Clarice McGlaun Henderson, Sandra Josephson Caplan, Jane Ann Woodson Cotton; row two, Jean Hall Summer, Opal McCormick Blakely, Dee Lockhart, Louise Glass Linker, Helen Dennis Bolin, Lou Miller White; row three, Norma DeLoach Ross, Barbara Riggs Russell, Gladys Evans Russell, Norma Haney Laywell, Mary Ann Morrison Key, Jeanne Head Kennedy; row four, Carroll Chapman, Lyman Bryant, Beecher McCormick, James Littlepage, Junior Boatner; top row, Billy Don Harris, Dan Gibson, Kenneth Gibson, Bill Jones and LeRoy Key. (Photo by Wadliegh Studio)

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 06-26-99
♠ 7 4
♥ J 9
♦ K Q J 10 9 5
♣ A K 3

West
♠ K Q 10 9 5
♥ Q 10 7 4
♦ 7 3
♣ J 4

East
♠ 8 3 2
♥ K 5 2
♦ A 6 2
♣ 10 8 7 2

South
♠ A J 6
♥ A 8 6 3
♦ 8 4
♣ Q 9 6 5

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: West

South	West	North	East
	Pass	1 ♦	Pass
1 ♥	1 ♠	2 ♦	Pass
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ K

"if you don't make a memorandum of it."

Being able to write down everything at the bridge table would be of great assistance. No more miscounting; it's there in black (or blue) and white. Even so, that wouldn't help one to find the killing defense in this deal. If you wish to test yourself, cover the East and South hands. Defending against three no-trump, you, West, lead the spade king: four, two, six. What next?

Declarer ducked the first trick, hoping West would fall for the Bath Coup. However, West had seen his partner's discouraging spade two. So, it was time to switch. And a heart looked to be the most promising play. However, when West selected the heart four, his fourth-highest, declarer was given a reprieve. After taking East's king with his ace, South drove out the diamond ace. East returned a heart, but West could cash only two tricks in the suit, declarer's eight being better than West's seven on the fourth round of the suit.

The winning defense is to switch to the heart *queen* at trick two. If South wins the first or second heart trick, the defenders can take three tricks in the suit, along with a spade and a diamond. And what if South ducks the first two heart tricks? East pushes a spade through declarer's ace-jack.

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As the sands of time drain

What part of yourself has deteriorated the most as you have aged? For me, it is memory. As Lewis Carroll pointed out:

"The horror of that moment," the King went on, "I shall never, never forget!"

"You will, though," the Queen said,

No reprimand for AWOL seal

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — A Navy seal AWOL for five months probably won't have to worry about getting reprimanded.

It wasn't a member of the Navy's elite commando unit, but an actual animal.

The 300-pound sea lion, which had been trained to retrieve equipment from the ocean floor, disappeared from a Navy base in February.

In the water off Cape Hatteras on Thursday, the sea lion climbed onto the fantail of the USS Grasp sometime before noon.

The salvage vessel was hovering over the wreck of the Civil War ironclad Monitor, reeling in a dive team when the sea lion appeared.

The Navy searched for the sea lion for a month after it disappeared but eventually gave up, citing cost concerns.

For now, the Navy hasn't put the animal back to work. Sailors said they are letting the seal nap a lot and get used to shipboard life again.

Caretaker tells tot to bite back

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — A child-care worker is in trouble with the law for allegedly telling a toddler who was bitten to bite back.

Cheri Deschenes-Berry, 25, of Enola was working at the Harrisburg YWCA's day care center last month when a child in her care bit another child, police said.

"She allegedly had the victim bite back, leaving a nasty bite mark on the first child's arm," said police Sgt. Robert Fegan. "The first child's mother was naturally upset."

Police said the children were both about 2 years old.

Ms. Deschenes-Berry was charged Thursday with simple assault, endangering the welfare of children, corruption of minors and criminal solicitation to commit simple assault, Fegan said. She was released on $25,000 unsecured bail.

Calico cat with eight lives left is named 'Lucky'

BELOIT, Wis. (AP) — "Gray" the cat has a new name but only eight lives left.

The gray calico cat was found in late April with a 30-inch arrow shot through its neck.

"We called her 'Gray' but after that we thought we've got to call her 'Lucky' now," owner Richard Cotter said Thursday. "The cat is healthy. It's all healed up."

The 10-month-old cat disappeared in April and about 10 days later returned to Cotter's home with the arrow that had entered below her left ear and exited near her right shoulder.

Class of 1949 gathers for fun and reminiscing at the MAWC

The first reunion of the Snyder High School Class of 1949 was held at the Martha Ann Woman's Club May 14-15 with 30 classmates and their spouses and guests participating.

Registration was followed by a sandwich supper and visitation. Notebooks containing biographies and memories, name bags, welcome sacks and door prizes were distributed to all members. Local merchants (some were in business in 1949) donated gifts and prizes.

The group visited the Ritz Theater and the Scurry County Museum and gathered at the old school ground at the 2600 block of Ave. M to tour the old gymnasium. Class pictures were made as exes stood on the only original steps that remain just northwest of the senior Citizens Center.

James Littlepage was emcee for the Saturday night banquet. He introduced entertainers David Brown, Ira High School combo director and math teacher, and Mike Holmes, Snyder Junior High school history teacher, who played music from the 1940s. Ira students Tye Shirley and Tosha Walker sang songs and performed a swing dance routine from that era.

Beecher McCormick gave the invocation prior to the meal and Mary Ann Morrison Key led the class in the Pledge of Allegiance, the National Anthem and the school's Alma Mater.

A 10-piece rhythm band, manned by '49ers, led the group in a rousing rendition of "School Days" after which members surprised Norma Laywell with a gift of appreciation for her work on the reunion.

Littlepage and Laywell were elected and crowned king and queen of the Class of '49.

The class voted to meet for a 55th reunion in 2004. Dee Lockhart gave the closing prayer.

Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

FRIDAY
June 18

Dot Casey directed games at the Snyder Country Club.

1. Ann Davis, Anita Talbott.
2. Barbara Yorgesen, Margaret Birdwell.
3. Nona Morrison, Dora Blakey.

SUNDAY
June 20

Jane Hinton directed.

1. Margaret Birdwell, Jane Hinton.
2. TIE: Dora Blakey, Shirley Stewart tied with Martha Fagin, Pat Floyd.
3. Dot Casey, Louise Thompson.

TUESDAY
June 22

Jane Hinton directed.

1. LaVerne Hood, Shirley Stewart.
2. TIE: Doyle Fowler, Christine Stuard tied with Dot Casey, Jane Hinton.
3. Tizzy Hall, Louise Thompson.

Scurry County Library News & Views

Monday Storytime will feature stories about pigs. This program is for 4- and 5-year-olds.

On Wednesday a bicycle safety program, for children K-6, will be given by Sgt. Trevlyn Pitner of the Snyder Police Dept.

BOOK FEATURE

"Shy Boy, the Horse That Came in From the Wild," by Monty Roberts.

In a gripping, intimate narrative, world-famous horse gentler Monty Roberts relives the unique relationship he shared with a wild mustang. He used all his skill to connect with the special horse that he finally befriended. This is the chronicle of Shy Boy's year of fame, which will move every reader.

NEW ADULT NON-FICTION

"Values of the game," by Bill Bradley.
"Titanic Survivor: the Newly Discovered Memoirs of Violet Jessop," by Violet Jessop.
"Dieting for Dummies," by Jane Kirby.
"Walking With the Wind: a Memoir of the Movement," by John Lewis.

NEW FICTION

"Desert Crop," by Catherine Cookson.
"Biting the Moon," by Martha Grimes.
"A Darker Place," by Laurie King.

LIBRARY HOURS

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. — Mon., Wed., Fri. and Sat.
10 a.m. to 9 p.m. — Tues. and Thurs.

The SCURRY COUNTY HEALTH UNIT WANTS THE PUBLIC TO BE AWARE of the new Restaurant Inspection Forms (E-5) that will take the place of the old forms (E-40). With the formal adoption of the new County Ordinance pertaining to the Regulation of Food Establishments you will see these new inspection reports.

The rating score for the old inspection forms was a weight point value for all violations, substracted from 100. So the closer to one hundred (100) an establishment made, the better the grade. The rating score for the new inspection forms shall be the cumulative total of the demerit values of the inspection items. When the total cumulative demerit value of an establishment exceeds 30 demerits, the establishment shall initiate immediate corrective action on all identified critical violations and shall initiate corrective action on all other violations within 48 hours. With the new inspection forms each establishment will now want to make below 30 for the better score.

The new inspection forms will begin July 1. As each food establishment is due an inspection, they can expect the new form to be used. As with the old forms, under our County Ordinance, these are to be posted (with their permit), in a conspicuous place for the public to view.

Bridal Registry

Monica Rosson and Scott Squiers
Shelly Englert and Whitley Bradberry
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Jennifer Barnes and Michael Rodriquez
Katy Cooper and Shane Beauchamp
Tamara Byrd and Brian Crawford
Cara Stansell and Beau McLeod
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Sallie Eime and Dwayne Robertson
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Mrs. Robert Steven Schatz
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Granddaughter of Snyder resident marries in Dallas

Amanda Jean Smith and Robert Steven Schatz, both of Dallas, were married at 7 p.m. on June 19 in the Metropolitan Bible Church. Jerry Diffee, pastor, officiated.

The bride's parents are Gerald Smith of Wills Point, formerly of Snyder, and the late Elna Grant Smith. The groom's parents are Sue George of Hampton, Va., and Jed Schatz of Osan, Korea.

The bride is the granddaughter of the late W.H. and Dollie Grant of Snyder, Gladys Smith of Dallas and the late Earl Smith. She is also the grand-niece of L.B. and Esteleen Taylor and Balumn Grant.

Double-ring vows were pledged in the church decorated with antique rose flowers, candles and pews marked with bows. Mother of the bride lit the candles along with the bride's best friend from Mesquite, Traci White.

Musicians from Mesquite, Kelli White and Catrina Ward, presented "From This Moment" and "It's Your Love."

The bride's father presented her in marriage as she wore a white, long-sleeved gown with a lace bodice which extended around the edge of her three-foot train. Her empire veil was borrowed from her aunt, Barbara Grant Stock of Houston, formerly of Snyder.

She carried a bouquet of teardrop-shaped pink stargazers.

Maid of honor was Jaclyn Smith, sister of the bride from Dallas who also carried a teardrop bouquet. Bridesmaids were Traci White and Jennifer Brown, both of Mesquite, and Jamie Williams of McKinney. They wore antique mauve floor-length dresses featuring short sleeves.

Jason Griffin of Grand Prairie was best man. Ushers were the bride's uncles, Mike Clark of Bellaire and George Stock of Houston. Male attendants in the wedding party wore grey tuxedos.

Aunt of the bride Jayne Grant Clark, formerly of Snyder and now of Bellaire, registered guests at a table covered with a white cloth and holding a vase of white roses in remembrance of Elna Grant Smith, the bride's mother.

The reception, at the church, featured the bride's table centered with cracked glass bowls surrounded with pink ball candles, greenery and baby's breath. The wedding cake was a three-tiered Italian cream, served by Christy Humphries of Omaha, Neb.

The groom's German chocolate cake with chocolate icing was decorated with chocolate-dipped strawberries. Serving was Tonya Hubacek of Garland.

The couple made their home in Dallas where the groom is an apprentice electrician and attends electrical school. He graduated from Hecoughtan High School in 1991 and earned various certifications through the U.S. Army in hazardous materials.

Mrs. Schatz graduated in 1993 from the First Baptist Academy and received a bachelor of science degree at Texas A&M Commerce in 1997. She teaches kindergarten in the Dallas Public School System and is pursuing a master's degree in education.

Lubbock Garden, Arts Center opens Fiesta booth space

LUBBOCK — The Lubbock Municipal Garden and Arts Center, located at 4215 University Avenue, is accepting booth rentals for the 29th annual Fiesta!, a one-day arts and crafts fair to be held Saturday, Sept. 11. Fiesta! will be held on the front lawn of the Garden and Arts Center from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Fiesta! is a family-oriented event that includes over 140 vendors selling handcrafted items, all-day entertainment, art demonstrations and concession booths, and it has traditionally attracted over 10,000 visitors annually.

Cost for a 5x7 ft. outdoor booth, constructed of scaffolding and covered with tarps is $50. Also, there are several 3 ft. end booths available at $70. Booth rental agreements may be picked up at the Garden and Arts Center, Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information on Fiesta! or other programs, call 806-767-3724.

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

Al-Anon, Snyder Park Club; noon.

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

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

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

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

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

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers; Trinity United Methodist Church, 5200 Trinity Blvd.; for more information call for Nathalie at 573-0015; 5 p.m. weigh-in.

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

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

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

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

THURSDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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BRIDAL SHOWER — Jennifer Barnes, bride-elect of Michael Rodriguez, was honoree at a shower on June 5 in the home of Lavada McDaniel and hosted by several friends. From left are Mary Ann Rodriguez, prospective groom's mother; Mary Boch, the future bride's maternal grandmother from Midland; Helen Wadleigh, the future bride's paternal grandmother; the honoree; and Charlotte Wadleigh, her mother. (Contributed Photo)

Community Calendar

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

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

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

Ask Anne and Nan

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Nash-Cummings

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: Do you or any of your readers know where I can have my 33-1/3 rpm records transferred to cassettes or CDs? — **JUDY MARANGER, Racine, Wis.**

DEAR JUDY: In one of those strange coincidences that occur in the writing of our column, your letter and one from Geoff Brumbaugh of Common Ground Audio Electronic Services, 93 Prospect St., Montpelier, VT 05602 (802 223-6432) arrived on the same day. He wrote that in addition to repairing old radios, phonographs and tape recorders, he will transfer and restore old recordings (i.e., records, reel-to-reel tapes, etc.) onto cassettes or compact discs (CDs). We called him immediately for more information and discovered, as the transferral process is highly labor-intensive, it ain't cheap. For example, any hiss, ding, blip or skip sounds that may be present on an older recording must be monitored and removed. Geoff figures that the price for transferring a 45-minute-long LP onto a CD is around $40. Transfer onto a cassette runs between $20-$25. Write him for details and specific prices (please be sure to include a business-size SASE).

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DEAR ANNE AND NAN: My husband has retired and enjoys doing repair work at home and at our church. Due to age-related thinning of the skin on his hands and forearms, he has terrible bruises. I need to know where I can purchase gloves that will protect his hands and forearms yet be thin enough for flexibility. He has several friends in his age group with the same problem. We've looked everywhere. I hope you can help. — **MRS. ELSIE KERN, Coeburn, Va.**

DEAR ELSIE: We have a couple of options for you. The Langenbach catalog (800 362-1991) carries up-to-the-elbow goatskin Gauntlet Gloves ($39.95 plus shipping). Earthmade Products (P.O. Box 609, Jasper, IN 47547, 800 843-1819) offers protective sleeves called Armsavers that will fit under work gloves and extend above the elbow. The cost per pair is $15 plus shipping. So take your pick!

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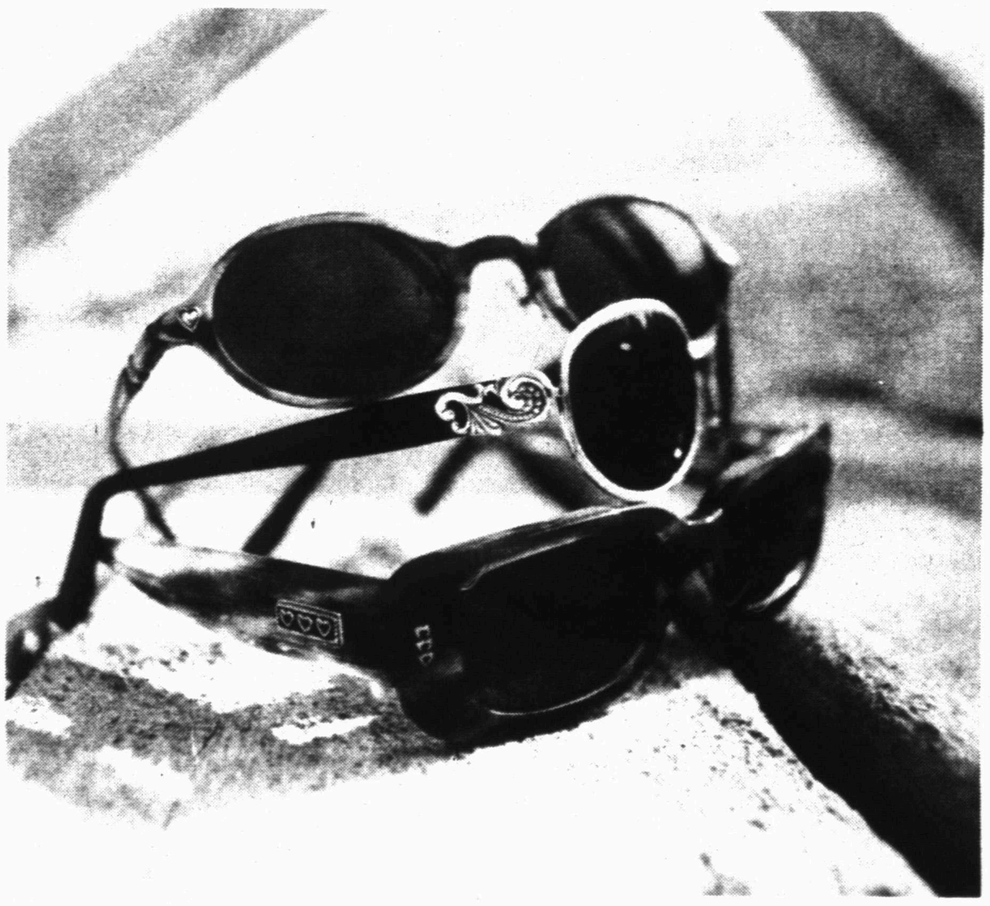

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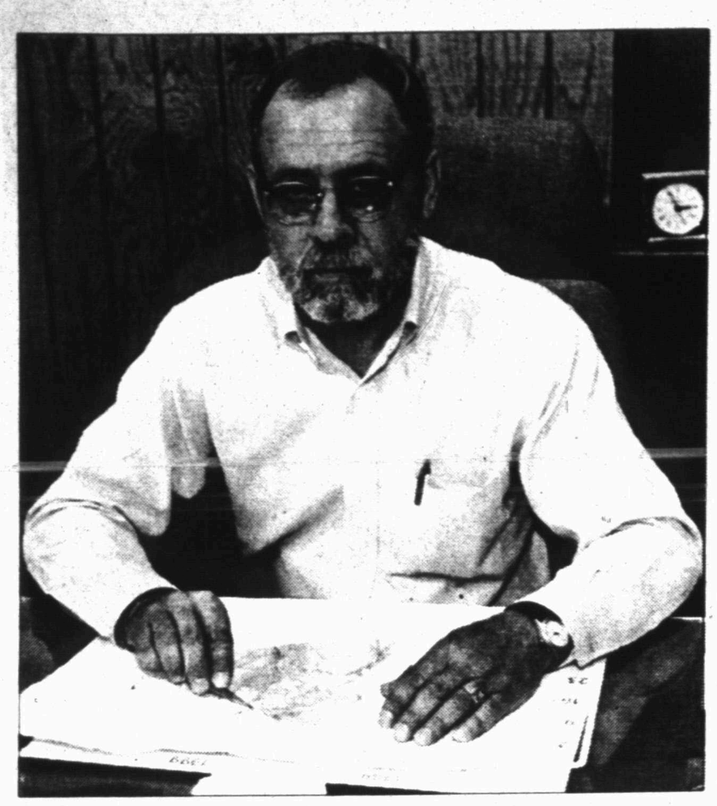

FINISHING TOUCHES — Jerry Cline of Snyder is putting the finishing touches on one of his sketches. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Local man loves to sketch

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enjoys. He reads everything he can find about cowboys, including books written in the 1930s and 1940s.

Cowboys, which he calls "true people," have always fascinated Jerry. He said he has always worn Wrangler jeans and cowboy boots, and he competed in rodeos while in high school.

He also raised horses about 10-15 years ago. He quit so he could raise a family, but now he wants to get back into it.

The Clines have a daughter, Rachel, who is married to Lance Wilson who breaks horses for a living. One son, Jim Bob, lives in South Carolina with his wife, Michelle. Both are making the Army their career. They have three children.

Another son, is Justin, 16.

The Clines have owned and operated Omega Services and Carpet Cleaning for the past six years.

Firm's Web search for flagship turns from Lycos to AltaVista

NEW YORK (AP) — With a name like CMGI, it's no wonder that a budding online empire would try so hard to parade under a flashier banner like Lycos or AltaVista.

CMGI is already a minority owner of Lycos, but apparently can't strike a deal to take control of the popular Web site and Internet search engine.

That's probably why CMGI has switched its focus to Lycos rival AltaVista, which is owned by Compaq Computer.

On Thursday, Compaq and CMGI confirmed reports they have been discussing a deal in which CMGI would buy a majority stake in AltaVista.

While weak sales and profits have prompted speculation that Compaq might be looking to focus on its personal computer business, Thursday's announcement suggested Compaq intends to retain a stake in AltaVista through a strategic alliance with CMGI.

CMGI, based in Andover, Mass., declined to provide more details or to comment on a report Thursday in The Wall Street Journal saying talks to buy the remainder of Lycos had unraveled due to a personality clash among top management.

The source of that friction, of course, might be that CMGI, with an 18 percent interest in Lycos, recently scuttled Lycos' merger agreement with USA Networks.

But despite its considerable muscle, which includes the wallop of minority backers Microsoft and Intel, CMGI finds itself lacking an established lightning rod to draw visitors and direct them to other corners of its far-flung online empire.

CMGI's holdings include stakes in Ancestry.com, CarParts.com, Furniture.com and Raging Bull, a financial investment forum.

"Part of what these deals are about is acquiring technology and money and ad revenues and Internet channels," said Jack Staff, chief economist for Zona Research. "But the deals are also about acquiring highly specialized technical people in one fell swoop."

But although Compaq may provide a friendlier partner for CMGI than Lycos, AltaVista might not provide an Internet hub quite as effective as Lycos would.

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I'd talk about it everywhere,
and watch my profits soar.

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It doesn't matter whether you're selling a new mousetrap or last year's widget, promotion still pays. Someone once defined advertising as "truth well told." I like and agree with that definition.

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•Always make a strong offer. Effective ads appeal to the reader's self-interest and state your offer in a compelling manner. Strong offers may include: innovative problem solving, clear, understandable benefits, better than usual value and a reward for responding now.

•Reinforce your market position in every ad. Your market position is formed from the advantage and benefits you offer customers they can't get from anyone else. If you can't clearly identify your position, stop right now. Get a clean sheet of paper and write down all the benefits and advantages you offer customers that no one else can match. Use these to strengthen your offer.

•Make your headlines work. Headlines in print ads should draw the reader in, state your offer, give the reader interesting news, promise a benefit, appeal to the reader's self-interest or some combination of these elements.

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*Don Taylor is the co-author of **Up Against the Wal-Marts**. You may write to him in care of **Minding Your Own Business**, P.O. Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.*

Woman charged in death of her wealthy boyfriend

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A former casino executive who died after burying $4 million in silver bars and coins was murdered by his girlfriend and her lover, authorities alleged.

Sandy Murphy and Rick Tabish are accused of killing 55-year-old Ted Binion, who died in September from an overdose of heroin and antidepressant medication.

Ms. Murphy, 27, and Tabish, a Montana contractor who was acquainted with Binion, were arrested Thursday at a grocery store in southern Nevada, Lt. Wayne Petersen said.

They face numerous charges, including murder, conspiracy, robbery, grand larceny and burglary. Tabish is also charged with extortion and assault with a deadly weapon.

Binion, a former executive of Binion's Horseshoe Club, was ousted from the casino because of drug use and mob ties. Police initially believed his death was accidental, but a coroner ruled that the drugs were administered by someone else.

Ms. Murphy, a former topless dancer, reported Binion's death to police, telling them that she found his body draped in a comforter in front of his television.

Two days later, Tabish and two other men were caught trying to dig up a fortune of Binion's silver,

Back To Basics

By Debbie Duddleston

Are you a bargain shopper? I am! I can't pass up a good bargain. I have to watch myself because I can get caught up in the moment. Sometimes what I thought was a good bargain was no bargain at all. If I get a second rate product, then I probably didn't get a real bargain and then I feel like I've been "had."

I lived in the Dallas metroplex for about nine years and I know where to find all the bargains. I didn't inherit that trait. I acquired it after watching the "best of the bargain finders." It was a trait that developed after carefully studying the buying habits of Bill and Brenda Bargain. I'll share with you a list of a few tips I learned from my friends.

1. Don't look at anything unless it is 50 percent off.
2. Give it the old quality check!
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Warning: Rohypnol, 'The Date Rape Drug'

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

Warning: Rohypnol, "The Date Rape Drug"

To the eye they look as innocent as aspirin, but this drug has all the power of a knockout punch. This is Rohypnol, or roofie. Anyone working with survivors of sexual assault, especially those who are college-aged or teenagers should be aware of this drug called Rohypnol. Rohypnol had been dubbed the "date rape drug" because of its use in sexual assaults. Rohypnol (chemical name Flunetrazepam) is the most rapidly spreading abused drug of choice for adolescents and young adults in certain parts of the country, especially Florida and Texas. It is known on the street as "roofies," "rope," "roopies," "the forget pill," and "roach."

Rohypnol is inexpensive, ranging from $2 to $3 per pill, and produces a high similar to a strong Quaalude. The drug is actually a sedative related to Valium, but 10 times stronger. It is often combined with alcohol or other drugs for a quick high. Those who ingest it become extremely relaxed and can lose bodily control, maybe even stop breathing. They appear drunk. Sedation occurs after 10-20 minutes and its effects can last up to eight hours. Rohypnol can cause complete memory loss and blackouts.

Rohypnol is a sedative manufactured in Switzerland by Hoffman-La Roche; it is legally prescribed in 64 countries for the treatment of insomnia. A 2mg. dose of Rohypnol can last for six to eight hours. When ingested in larger doses or in combination with alcohol, Rohypnol can produce memory impairment. Mixing Rohypnol with other drugs, including alcohol, can be life threatening. Rohypnol can remain in an individual's body for up to seventy-two hours after ingestion. Rohypnol is seven to ten more powerful than Valium. Recently, the U.S. government banned importation of Rohypnol.

Rohypnol has been used in alcoholic drinks as a way to incapacitate potential victims of sexual assault. Such cases are hard to prosecute, since the woman can't usually remember any details of the crime.

Roofies are usually swallowed as a pill dissolved in a drink. When taken with alcohol, roofies produce disinhibition and amnesia. This is not only a problem in the metropolitan areas, in our 5 county coverage area there has been some suspected cases involving Rohypnol. Most cases reported involved alcohol, which the attacker could have used the alcohol to drop the pill into. Rohypnol can be detected through urine, and blood test. Never ever leave your drink unattended and be careful who you accept drinks from. Be alert to the behavior of friends. If someone appears much more drunk than they should be, given the amount of alcohol consumed, be concerned.

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

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U.S. liver transplant policy has been revised

WASHINGTON (AP) — People across the country whose livers suddenly fail and are given less than a week to live will have a much better shot at getting a liver transplant under a new policy.

The policy, which should take effect within months, brings the United Network for Organ Sharing closer to the position of the Clinton administration, which has been pressing the network to send scarce organs to the sickest patients first, rather than favoring patients in the area where the organs were donated.

But network officials emphasized that they would have made the change even without the pressure. Their insistence offers fresh evidence that the dispute between the network and the Department of Health and Human Services is about who makes the decisions as much as what those decisions are.

"This change has been coming along for a long time," said Dr. William Payne, a surgeon at the University of Minnesota, who is the network's new president.

The network's board, meeting in Atlanta, also agreed Friday to back off its long-standing refusal to release information about individual transplant centers and their performance. In the past, it has been unwilling to release transplant waiting times at each center and has only released outdated data on patient survival rates.

The change in liver policy will direct more livers to the sickest patients who are considered the most medically urgent, or "status 1," and are given a week or less to live. That includes people whose livers suddenly fail, for instance, due to an infection, drug reaction or rejection of a previous transplant.

But patients classified as "status 2a," who are also expected to die within a week, are not affected by the change. These patients are sick from chronic, rather than acute, liver failure.

"We think the community needs to go a little further," said Dr. Claude Earl Fox, who directs the HHS agency in charge of transplant policy.

The heart of the problem is supply and demand: The waiting list for organs has grown much faster than the number of donations, and more than 4,000 people die each year waiting. That has created intense competition for the organs that are available.

For the past year and a half HHS and the network have been fighting over who should direct transplant policy.

HHS issued rules ordering that more data be released and directing the network to create a new allocation system that would get organs more often to the sickest patients. The network responded with an intense lobbying effort and persuaded Congress to delay the regulations until this fall.

But on Thursday the network moved closer to what HHS wants on liver transplants, which have engendered the most debate. The change will take effect as soon as it can be implemented, network officials said.

The network has opposed giving organs more often to the sickest people, arguing they are less likely to survive a transplant. But officials calculated that the effect of this policy change will be minimal: 78 percent of patients would survive one year, down from 79 percent.

The current system offers livers first to status 1 patients in the designated local area, which can vary from part of a city to several states. If there are no medical matches, the livers are offered to other local patients, in order of medical urgency. If there are still no local matches, livers are offered to patients in the surrounding region, sickest first.

The new policy, approved on a 30-3 vote, would kick in if no local patients are in the greatest medical need. In this case, livers would be offered to status 1 patients throughout the region.

Six of the nation's 11 regions have already adopted similar agreements on their own.

As it stands, 14.5 percent of donated livers go to status 1 patients. The network expects that to rise to 22.3 percent under the new policy and the percentages going to less urgent patients to drop slightly.

Livers are the most controversial organ because they can survive outside the body for 24 hours, making it possible to transport them anywhere in the nation. Also, medically, there is no way to keep someone in liver failure alive while awaiting a transplant.

The network board also adopted a new policy Thursday on allocating livers that have been divided, with part to go to an adult and part to a child. Hospitals that agree to split all medically suitable livers will be part of the group that gets the first chance at other donated split livers.

Reject 'political correctness'

CINCINNATI (AP) — Actor and National Rifle Association president Charlton Heston urged delegates at the Young Republican National Convention to reject the "political correctness" that he says demonizes gun ownership.

Heston said proposed gun legislation in Congress is "made for TV lawmaking" and would do nothing to reduce violent crime.

"It's all just words with no action to back it up," he said Thursday.

The Senate passed White House-backed gun control legislation last month in the wake of shootings at a Colorado high school. The same provisions were rejected by the House, which also killed a measure that contained weaker curbs.

Nutrition

By Ed Blonz, PH.D.

Sharing history of vitamin E

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I read your column in the Independence Missouri Examiner on May 12 and was interested because of past personal experience with vitamin E.

If you are already acquainted with the work of Drs. Evan and Wilfrid Shute in London, Ontario, Canada, you may find this message of no interest. However, my wife and I lived in London from 1960 to 1962 and were well acquainted with the Shute Institute and their work. I was also aware of the frequent negative comments of members of the AMA during those years and for some years afterward. You are undoubtedly aware of the change as the prevailing opinion is now in favor of the use of vitamin E.

Because of our experience, we find a great satisfaction in the current support for vitamin E. I saw the results of many of the Shutes' patients. I knew a considerable number of them personally. We were also his patients, and still take vitamin E.

I remember a few quotes from Dr. Evan Shute from those days in Canada. When some doctors in the United States were saying, "We cannot duplicate their results, therefore we cannot approve the use of vitamin E," Dr. Shute said, "They do not know how much to prescribe," and "vitamin E will never be accepted until after I am dead." These were not the petulant complaints of a small man. Dr. Shute was a large man, and one of the finest and most magnanimous I ever knew. His brother, Wilfrid, I knew not so well, but he perhaps did more writing than Dr. Evan. You probably have read their books. Their credentials were excellent. As far as I know, they were never successfully accused of being anything other than qualified physicians. Another brother, Wallace, an M.D. in Ottawa, may still be alive.

I am aware of the usual doubts about the use of anecdotal methods when seeking general information, but just for your information, my wife and I have been on vitamin E since those days. She has been a diabetic on insulin for over 50 years, and still has her eyes and her feet. Although in somewhat precarious condition at 78, she feels that without vitamin E she would have been long gone. More than once she has heard an ophthalmologist say, "You are defying statistics." Her problem now is that a diabetic heart is a poor candidate for the usual cardiac procedures. She keeps going with vitamin E and several other medications.

I have nothing to gain by telling you this little bit of a most interesting historical development, but just wanted to congratulate you for supporting something which was misrepresented for so long. If this is of interest to you, perhaps if you have not already done so you may want to explore the record. — L.W.U., Independence, Mo.

DEAR L.W.U.: I thank you for your thoughtful letter and for generously sharing a bit of nutrition history. The science of nutrition is relatively young, and we continue to learn. In my relatively brief tenure, I have seen once-radical concepts work their way into the mainstream only to be embraced by the establishment that once rejected them. Such is and always will be the nature of science.

On a personal note, I began reading about vitamin E when I was an undergraduate at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. The book I read, and still have on my shelf, is "Vitamin E for Ailing and Healthy Hearts," by Dr. Wilfrid E. Shute, M.D. and Harold J Taub. These readings on vitamin E led me to seek entry into graduate school in nutrition. I sought out and went to study with Dr. Harold Olcott, then working in the Institute of Marine Resources at the University of California at Davis. He was one of the first scientists to publish on the vitamin's antioxidant abilities. I was fortunate to learn about vitamin E from one of its discoverers, and I have been an advocate ever since. I wish you both continued good health.

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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Scurry County Service Men & Women

Editor's Note: Citizens are invited to write their servicemen and servicewomen stationed stateside and overseas. Anyone having additions, changes or corrections to the list should submit them in writing to Snyder Daily News, P.O. Box 949, Snyder TX, 79550 or bring them by the office at 3600 College Ave. Sorry, no addresses will be accepted over the telephone.

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In baseball's early days, victory was awarded to the team that first scored 21 runs.

The city of Chicago tows away about 55,000 abandoned cars each year.

July 4th Food Booth Applications Necessary

All persons and/or clubs who plan on operating a food booth during the July 4th celebration must ***first*** fill out an application for a temporary vendor permit at the Scurry County Health Unit. The cost of the permit is $5.00.

The application must be completed and returned to the Scurry County Health Unit before 5:00 p.m. July 1, 1999. Those who do not turn in an application will not be allowed to operate a food booth. Once your menu has been decided and it has been written on your application you can not add to it, though you can delete any of the items. **KEEP MENU LIMITED TO THREE (3) POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS FOODS.** Example: Beef, Chicken, Rice, Beans, Pork.

ALL POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS FOODS MUST BE PREPARED ON SITE, NOT AT HOME.

We want our July 4th celebration to be a fun event for everyone, but most importantly we want it to be a safe one! We are located at 911 26th Street, Snyder, Texas 79549. Our phone number is 915-573-3508.

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Letter to the Editor

Great 'Festival'

Dear Editor:

As you are all aware, we recently hosted the Legends of Western Swing Festival here in Snyder. On behalf of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce and the festival owners Chuck and Corene Woods and Dewey and Gloria Miers, I would like to thank all of you for all of your help entertaining the thousands of visitors who visited our town, and attended the music festival this year.

Thanks to the Ritz Theatre personnel and cast and crew of the musical revue. They raved about the show! Thanks to all the volunteers who worked doors, the ticket booth and concession stand.

Also to Betty House, the Goldcoaters who are the world's greatest ambassadors, the motel owners and Western Texas College for the care and consideration of each guest staying in their establishments, the U.S. Postal Service here in Snyder for the hand stamping of the original logo for the Snyder Western Swing Festival, Cat Higgins and SISD for providing transportation to and from the festival so that our guests could shop downtown, the Dodson House and Dermott School docents and June McGlaun for hosting our visiting ladies.

Thanks to Bryant Septic Tank for "Honey Wagon" service, Lawrence IGA for delivering our supplies daily, the Ritz Diner for all their help, Bollinger Ice for their constant attention and a big thanks to the Price Daniel inmates, guards and Warden Howard for their early morning clean-up at the crack of dawn each day!

I would also like to thank my excellent staff for the hundreds of hours they spent making it a flawless week. They are the best. They are exhausted, but they are the best! Thank you Sandra, Linda, Gaynel, Manny, Gary, JR, James and Joe.

Our visitors were all full of praise for our downtown merchants, the cleanliness of our town and the friendliness of our citizens.

Thanks also to the Snyder Daily News staff for the terrific stories and pictures. The "Swingers" sent lots of clippings back home to children and grandchildren.

They're coming back next year on June 14, 15, 16 and 17. When we recover, we'll be excited about that. See you this week at the Fourth of July celebration. Like I've always said — "We're the busiest little city in the West, and it takes all of us to keep Snyder alive and growing."

Thank you all sincerely,
Donna Fowler

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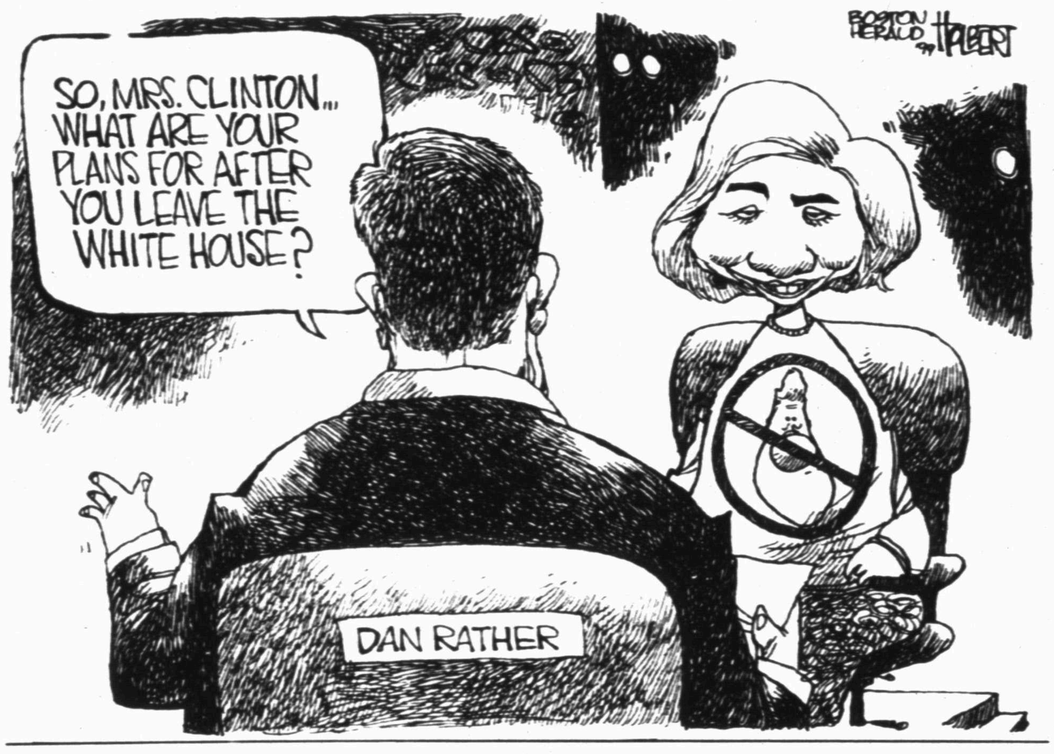
Letters to be published the weekend edition must be submitted no later than noon Thursday.



EDITORIAL COMMENT

Goodbye to a Texas legend

A guest column respectfully submitted by Senator Tom Haywood, District 30

"When wiser men are taken, let your ears hang down and listen

Texas said goodbye to a legend last week. We all mourn the loss of former Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock.

In my nearly 5 years of service in the Texas Senate, I was fortunate enough to work under the leadership of Lt. Gov. Bullock for four years. His last term was my first. And though we did not enjoy a long career side-by-side, I will never forget the lessons I learned in our brief, but lasting relationship.

A recent article in the New York Times identified him "among the last of the earthy, string-pulling, hard-living, political giants, who used to sprout in Texas as thick as bluebonnets." This was the Bob Bullock we all knew and loved — the face of Texas politics. Gov. Bush referred to him as "the largest Texan of our time." As for my thirty Senate colleagues and me, we called him mentor.

I cannot speak for his duties as a young House member from Hillsboro. I cannot offer up any tales of him as an assistant attorney general or as Secretary of State. I did not know him then. But I do recall the first time I met him as the State Comptroller.

I was the director of North Texas Oil and Gas Association and we had Bullock come speak at one of our meetings. After the meeting around 5:30 that afternoon, he was asked to do a live interview at 6 o'clock. He initially accepted but then reneged at about five minues until six. He said, "I'm not here to meet with the damn press. I'm here to meet the people." So, I took his place in the interview.

He liked the way I handled the meeting which helped pave the way for a strong and trusting relationship when I became a state senator. I knew him best as the Lieutenant Governor of the great state of Texas. And I knew his words, "God Bless Texas" were sincere and from the heart. From that first encounter with him. I realized the people of the State of Texas were his first priority.

Here was a man who ruled himself and his career by his philosophy of doing what was right for Texas. His work through the Texas Historic Commission will forever be a memorial to his love for the state and its people. In his retirement speech last year he said, "... for 40 years, I have walked through the halls of this magnificent Capitol building in partnership with the people of Texas. Only death will end my love affair with Texas."

That day has come and despite party lines, economic stragegy, social philosophy or political style, the one thing we have all learned from Bob Bullock is how to love Texas.

A temple is a valuable thing — spend but don't lose it.

Second only to his love for Texas, Bob Bullock was known for his iron fist and hot temper. The same New York Times article called him an "iron spine wrapped in a drawl." As the Lt. Gov., he presided over the Senate like a dictator. He threatened, cajoled, convinced, persuaded and charmed. He kept up with every important piece of legislation, handing out favors and withholding others. He was a true negotiator. He was a titan.

Known for his arm-twisting and demanding presence, his ability to pull people together to work out a compromise on legislation was invaluable. His political ability and legislative skills made him a force to be reckoned with. I found that out during the 75th Session when I went to him over the Governor's property tax cut. I felt I could not vote the way Bullock wanted me to. But Bullock wouldn't hear of it. He took me aside and said, "Tom, then don't come to me and ask me for any favors. I don't have time to do favors for people who don't do favors for me." Ten minutes later, we were onto the next issue and Bob Bullock was my best friend again.

Never straddle a fence — build one or tear it down

Bob Bullock's love affair with Texas spanned more than 40 years. During that time he was defined by his strong personality and set beliefs. He was considered a principal architect of modern Texas government, never floundering on what he thought was right for the state. He favored a hands-on management style that set an example for Gov. Bush and Lt. Gov. Rick Perry. In his final years, he established the role of Lt. Gov., as a problem-solver and enforced a strict non-partisanship rule in the Senate that still holds true today.

During his career, he pushed for voting rights for 18-year-olds. He championed campaign finance and election law reform. He was a friend of the taxpayers, developing the Taxpayer Bill of Rights to guarantee Texans were treated fairly, courteously and with common sense. He created the Texas Performance Review to analyze spending at state agencies and led efforts in tort reform, health, education and juvenile justice.

Gov. Bullock was a man of great vision. He was hard and determined, but underneath it all, he was a no-nonsense, public servant who tackled a challenge head-on and without deterrence. He did not straddle fences, he built them and tore them down.

With the passing of Gov. Bullock, I am reminded of a saying I read in a book once, "When there's heroin' to be done someone has to hold the horses," So, Bob, we're still here; holding your horses.

It's a Gift

Deanie Francis Mills

From the time I was a little girl, I've had this ... gift ... for lack of a better word, of crawling behind other people's eyes and seeing the world the way they do. It's more than just wondering what someone thinks, or trying to understand another's point of view. It's more, even, than "empathy," which enables us to imagine how someone else would feel if for example, we threatened them in some way. Rather, all of my life I've had a certain hyper-sensitivity, I guess you'd call it, that enables me not just to understand how another feels, but to feel it myself.

I've been able to use this gift most noticeably in my fiction. In the past ten years, I've written ten novels and seen nine published nationally and internationally. (The tenth is due out in September.) In that span of my work, I've written from the point of view of a paranoid schizophrenic, a frightened child, an FBI agent, a firefighter, a highly-trained soldier, a sociopathic killer, a federal fugitive, an Israeli terrorist, an old-time cowboy, an electronics genius, a small-town homicide detective — the list is endless. I've written as a man and I've written as a woman, and men and women equally enjoy my work.

It's a gift, and I am thankful for it.

I've also been able to use this gift in raising my children. At all stages of their lives, I've been able to think as they are thinking. For this reason, neither one of them ever rebelled to any great degree. Even in my son's angriest day, I could always wander into his room and get him to talk about his deepest fears and anxieties. To this day, my kids tell me things most kids would never dream of saying to their parents.

It's a gift and I am thankful for it, but gifts also have ways of being burdens. I saw a movie once in which a character was able to read people's thoughts around him. Most people would think that would be cool, but the truth was that this person was driven insane by the constant noise in his head. He had no ability to tune OUT the thoughts even when he wanted to.

In my case, I feel everything. I don't have the ability to tune out feelings any more than this fictional character could block the thoughts that came into his head from other people's minds. A national tragedy such as the massacre in Littleton can render me almost paralyzed with grief for weeks. And though I'm Joan of Arc in family emergencies, once the crisis has passed, I may be unable to work for days, until I recover from the trauma.

Another problem with being able to intuit other's feelings is that I have an abject inability to comprehend the fact that most people can't do this. It's like a genius-level kid finding that he can't play with kids his own age because he can't communicate with them. (And no, I'm not calling myself a genius. I'm just searching for a way to explain the unexplainable).

I see things so clearly because I can't automatically weigh opposing points of view and what motivates them. I know why this man made that crazy statement and why this other man got so angry about it. I just don't want them to fight. I want them to understand. I don't understand why they can't understand!

Most nights, my sleep is tormented by nightmares.

I don't just FEEL things when they occur, I THINK about them, analyze them from all sides. Try to find answers to the constant question. Why? When answers come to me, I put them in my work, so that others who feel anxiety might be comforted by the answers I have found.

And what I see in society today, from the Littleton massacre to the genocide in Kosovo to the dragging of a black man behind a pickup truck by white men to the crucifiction of a young gay man by a couple of losers — what I see is that the one thing we as a society, a culture, a planner can do is teach TOLERANCE to our children at home and in our schools and churches, preach tolerance to one another, and behave tolerantly in our own lives.

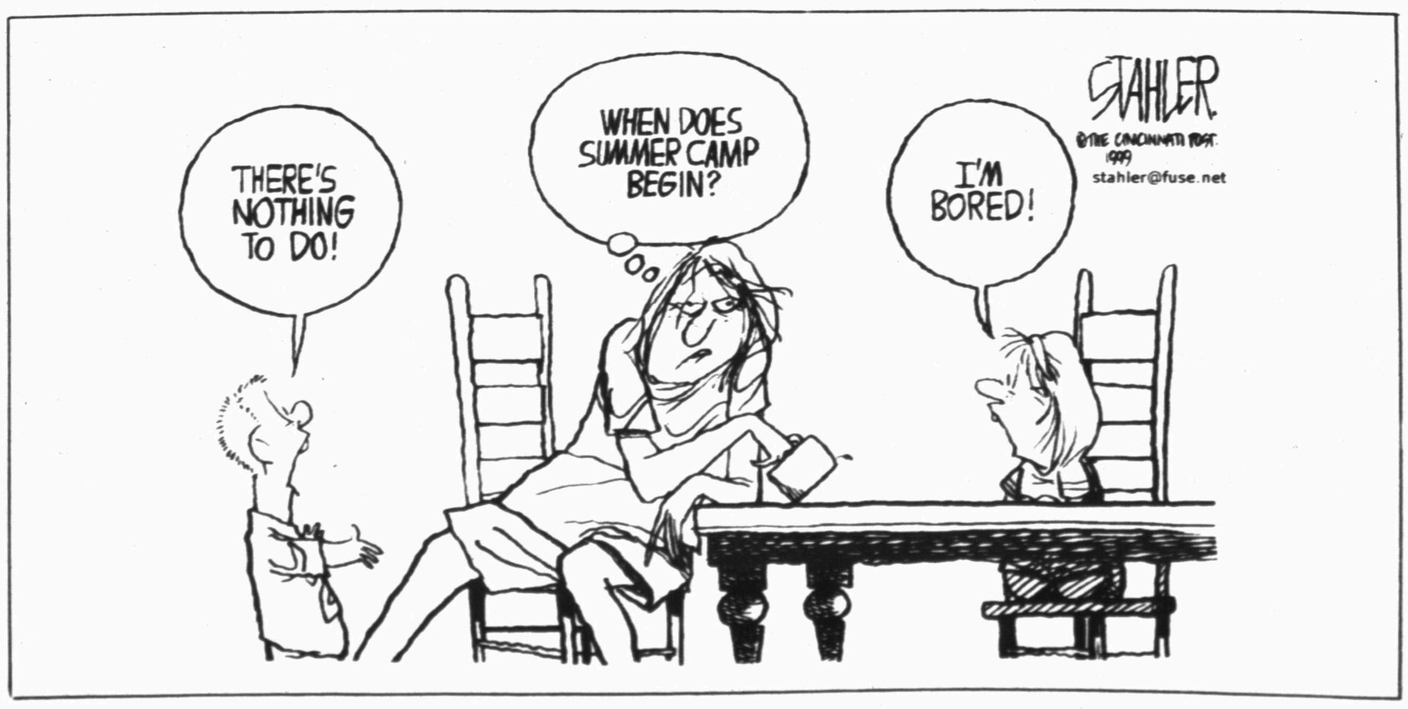
The word "tolerance" has taken a beating lately. It's gotten confused with the word "permissiveness." Tolerance and permissiveness are not the same thing. To be tolerant is to teach our kids that when somebody at school is "different," they should be accepted for those differences.

People of color, of different sexual orientation, religion, gender, appearance, culture, and habits are just that: different. There is no reason to fear them or hate them. And to hurt them in any way is just unacceptable. Yet we as a society continue to make fat jokes and call each other "fags" and assume that the only reason a black person is browsing an upscale department store is to shoplift.

When intolerance is allowed to run rampant, here is what we have. Nazi Germany and the "Final Solution," Jim Crow America and the Ku Klux Klan, Kosovo and Bosnia and "ethnic cleansing," gay-bashing, rape and sexual harrassment, gang warfare and blights on our culture like the Jerry Springer Show. We have nightmares in living color on the evening news.

Maybe we can't all feel what others feel. Maybe we can't always understand. But we can accept — even celebrate — one another's differences. We don't have to fear them, and they shouldn't have to fear us. If we could all just learn to be tolerant of one another, I know I would be able to sleep better.

Nightmares would give way to sweet dreams of the way God must surely have intended it when He created us all differently in the first place.



Public Records

New Vehicle Registrations

Clinton Gregory and Shirley Gregory, 1999 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Rod B. Hales, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Morris and Geenita Sturdivant, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Marvin L. and Cheryl L. Gaskins, 1999 Dodge van from Snyder Chrysler.

Robby Floyd, dba AccuChem, 1999 Lincoln from Wilson Motors.

Ford Motor Credit Co., 2000 Lincoln from Wilson Motors.

Thomas Hayden Mills, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Joee and Joni Gainer, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Bobby Horton, dba LJD Ranch, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Jimmy and Linda Roemisch, 1999 Ford Explorer from Wilson Motors.

Larry Brock, 1999 Mercury Mountaineer from Wilson Motors.

Jessie and Dionisia Requejo, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Clifford L. and Daphne Castilaw, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Brandon and Kerry Bankhead, 1999 Pontiac from Big Country Autoland.

Martha Gist and Natalie Gist, 1999 Pontiac from Big Country Autoland.

Gary P. Smith, 1999 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Pauline and William Walters, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Ricky and Debbie Williams, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Thomas H. Seabourn, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Derwayne Rasco, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Joe F. Matin and Georgia Higgins, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

John DeLille, 1999 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Associates Leasing Inc., 1999 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Sebastian Jaimes, 1999 Pontiac from Big Country Autoland.

Marriage License

Darold Bryon Baldwin and Annie Lynn Bethel, both of Snyder.

Gary Don Grant of Big Spring and Jessica Marie Blevins of Snyder.

Beau Brandon McLeod and Cara Beth Stansell, both of Snyder.

Billy Joe Digby and Amber Nichole Brady, both of Hermleigh.

Devin Lee Bollinger and Camilla Lynn Stewart, both of Snyder.

Filed in District Court

Scurry County vs. John Fisken Warren, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Federal Oil Inc., et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Red River Royalties L.P., et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Charlotte Romaine Rehmeyer, aka Charlotte Reymeyer Odell, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Action in District Court

LeaseComm Corp. vs. 3-K Jar Inc., dba Taco John's, and John Lacik, order of dismissal relating to defendant 3-K Jar Inc., dba Taco John's, only.

In the marriage of June Alice McNiel and Ronnie Eugene McNiel, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Oscar Tavarez and Delia Tavarez, divorce granted.

Deed Records

Clara L. Fowler to Tracy O. and Gina L. Henderson, 2.260 acres in Section 120, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Willie G. and Bonnie L. Potter to Brian L. and Gina L. Haggard, Lot 26 in Block 11 of the Park Place Addition.

Donny and Cynthia Taylor to Mid Trustee State VII, tract one being part of the southeast one-quarter of Section 133, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract two being a tract out of the southeast one-quarter of Section 133, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Gerald R. and Denise L. James to Mark H. Smith, 1.401-acre tract out of the southwest one-quarter of Section 14, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Thomas Benjamin and Karen R. Shaw to Daniel Jason and Rose Mary Smith, all of Lot 1 in Block 7 of the Correction of the Bassridge Addition.

J.B. and Mamie Patterson to Retha Canon, the south one-half of the southeast one-quarter of Section 169, Block 97, H&TC survey.

John Cagle to Nora Morris, all of Lot 9 and the east 10 feet of Lot 10 in Block 3 of the Noble Heights Addition.

Robert Lee White to Tina Louise White, tract one being 0.25-acre tract in the northwest one-quarter of Section 208, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract two being a tract in the northwest one-quarter of Section 208, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Tina Louise White to Robert Lee White, 11 acres in the northeast one-quarter of Section 49, Block 3, H&GN survey.

CE Distribution Services Inc. to Smith International, the north 126.6 feet of the Boothe Homesite, a part of Bootheland West, a Subdivision in Section 179, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Kendrick Ray Graves Jr. to Frances O. Farmer, tract one being 69.547 acres in the northeast one-quarter of Section 191, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being 4.794 acres in the northeast one-quarter of Section 191, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Allen M. and Mary Charlotte Irwin to Ross Blanchard, all of Lots 16 and 17 of Block 1, the 1st Replat of the Noble Heights Addition.

Mark Roger and Amy Leigh Hargrove to Travis T. and Amy Lynn Chaney, Lots 8 and 9 of the North Bank Addition.

Herman William Dorman and Randall Earl Dorman to Tommy G. and Bridget D. Moore, 3.787 acres in the west one-quarter of Section 147, Block 97, H&TC survey.

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Congress, White House try to avoid veto on Y2K bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Putting aside veto threats and confrontation politics for the moment, Congress and the White House are making a last-ditch effort to save legislation that would reduce the number of lawsuits resulting from Y2K computer breakdowns.

House and Senate lawmakers Thursday decided to wait until Tuesday before formally approving the final version of legislation that the White House has promised to veto.

"Right before the meltdown, both sides pulled back," said Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., of the decision to give the White House and Congress a chance to discuss changes that might result in the president's signing the bill. Staff from the two sides are to begin talks today.

Republican supporters of the House and Senate Y2K bills, angered by what they said was the failure of the White House to present details on how to save the bill, had planned to send the more moderate Senate bill to President Clinton for his veto.

That veto would have certain political repercussions for Clinton and Vice President Al Gore among their longtime allies in the high-tech industry, which has keenly sought the legal protections offered by the legislation.

The Year 2000 Coalition, a group of major business and high-tech groups supporting the bill, wrote House Republican leaders Thursday thanking them for not closing off negotiations.

"Truly you have bent over backwards to accommodate the White House, despite a rather unhelpful string of veto threats," wrote the coalition, which earlier in the week wrote GOP leaders urging both Congress and the White House to put politics aside and cooperate.

The administration has issued several position papers explaining its problems with the House and Senate bills, mostly with provisions it says give too much protection to defendants at the expense of people with legitimate grievances.

But both Republicans, led by Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., the chief Republican sponsor of the Senate bill, and Democrats complained that the White House had failed to offer to sit down with them to work out differences.

"I've never seen such obdurate and noncommunicative behavior," McCain said.

"The White House has been waltzing around when they could have been working with us productively," said Wyden, with Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., the chief Democratic sponsor.

White House chief of staff John Podesta wrote to House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., Thursday to say the administration wants to stop frivolous lawsuits and to urge efforts to prevent the veto.

"Rather than going down this destructive path, we should work together to find a bipartisan solution," he said.

The Senate bill, which would require House and Senate votes before going to the president, seeks to avoid a flood of economy-crippling lawsuits related to disruptions caused by the year 2000 computer bug by giving companies 90 days to fix computers before lawsuits can be filed and encouraging mediation.

It also would cap punitive damages for small businesses and try to protect companies from predatory lawsuits by stating that in most cases a defendant would be held liable only for the share of damages it caused.

The high-tech community fears it could be hit with billions of dollars in lawsuits from problems arising from computers that mistake the year 2000 for 1900.

Smithsonian gets original specimen of first penicillin

WASHINGTON (AP) — A mold that produced the first penicillin, grandfather of all antibiotics, has been acquired by the Smithsonian Institution.

The mold is a round, gray, flat, fuzzy-looking substance about an inch and a half wide, encased in glass. Next to it is a facsimile of the reverse side, showing the handwritten inscription: "The mould that makes Penicillin. Alexander Fleming."

Fleming, a Scot, developed penicillin in 1928, but only made tiny quantities. Under the pressures of World War II, an American pharmaceutical firm found a way to mass produce it in 1944. Penicillin and its successors have saved millions of lives, but scientists worry that bacteria are developing ways to resist antibiotics faster than new ones can be found.

Pfizer Inc., the original mass producers, bought one of the two slides that Fleming gave his laboratory assistant, paying $35,160 at a London auction in 1996. The company lent it to a Smithsonian traveling exposition, "Microbes: Invisible Invaders, Amazing Allies," now on show in Washington at the International Gallery of the Smithsonian.

Sotheby's auction house authenticated the inscription as Fleming's handwriting.

Pfizer's board formally made a gift of the slide to the Smithsonian on Thursday. After the exhibit closes here Sept. 6, it will travel to the Chicago Academy of Sciences and at least nine other American cities through Jan. 5, 2003, before going into the National Museum of American History.

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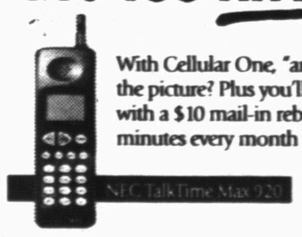

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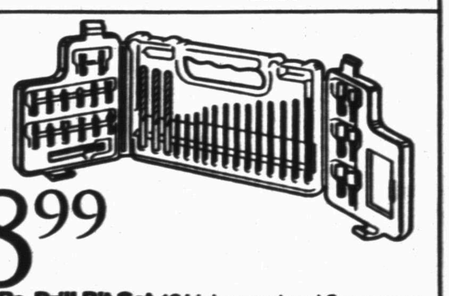

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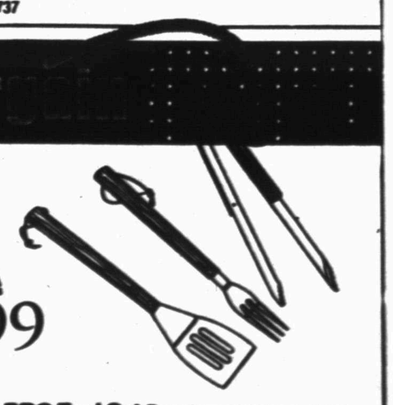

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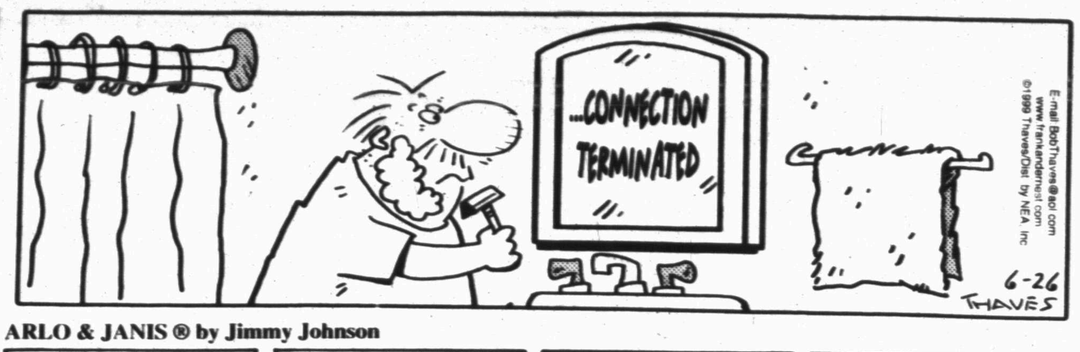

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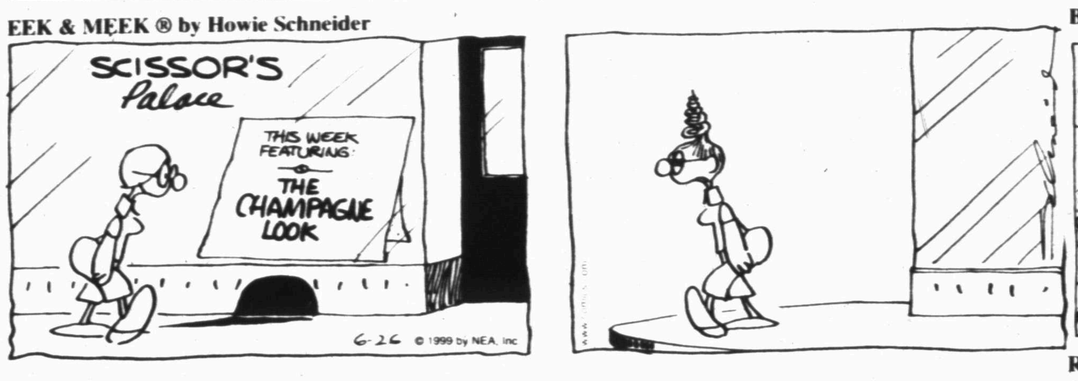

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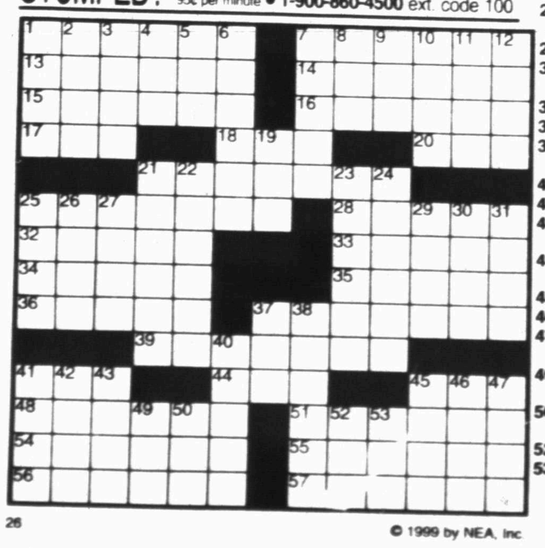

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1 Beckoned
7 Food for cattle
13 Jerry Seinfeld's friend
14 Shoe part
15 Ointments
16 Country
17 Nautical rope
18 — — fault (overmuch)
20 Explosive inits.
21 Cover
25 Skittish
28 Feel one's way
32 Helps a criminal
33 Consumer pro Ralph —
34 Type of parking
35 Water willow
36 Macaw
37 Theater necessities
39 Spread on thick
41 The female
44 Comparative suffix
45 — Paulo
48 Acquired by labor
51 In an oblong fashion
54 Melodic
55 Hour fraction
56 Took a break
57 Inflame with love

DOWN

1 Of the highest quality
2 Now — — me down to sleep
3 Sheltered glen
4 Math function (abbr.)
5 Chemical suffix
6 Settler
7 Type of exam
8 Three — — match
9 Aug. time
10 "Just — —!" (act)
11 North Carolina college
12 Landlord's due
19 Jazz player Kid —
21 Aquatic mammals
22 Chaste
23 Disregard
24 Pencil end
25 Indonesian island
26 Construction beam (2 wds.)
27 Layer of tissue
29 Garfield's pal
30 Part of a hammer
31 Is mistaken
37 Sault — Marie
38 Metal for plating
40 Assisted
41 Char
42 Hound's quarry
43 Goddess of discord
45 Urban area
46 Singing voice
47 — and terminer
49 Negative word
50 Language suffix
52 French wine
53 Collection of anecdotes

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Study: Stricter drinking laws alone won't reduce crashes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Reducing by one drink the alcohol it takes to become legally drunk doesn't conclusively reduce the number or severity of alcohol-related crashes, according to a new government study.

The finding challenges statements by President Clinton last year in advocating 0.08 percent blood alcohol content as a nationwide standard for legal drunkenness rather than the 0.1 percent limit in effect in two-thirds of the states.

"If all states lower their BAC (blood-alcohol content) to .08, it will result in 600 fewer alcohol-related deaths each year," Clinton said, citing a 1996 university study.

The General Accounting Office, an investigative arms of Congress, said in a report Wednesday that such claims cannot be supported. Research to date has used flawed methodology or ignored other factors that could contribute to a lower fatality count, the congressional auditors said.

"A .08 BAC law can be an important component of a state's overall highway safety program, but a .08 BAC law alone is not a 'silver bullet,'" the GAO wrote. "Highway safety research shows that the best countermeasure against drunken driving is a combination of laws, sustained public education and vigorous enforcement."

Data from the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board indicates that the lower standard for many people translates into having one less drink before reaching legal drunkennesss. It defined a drink as 1.25 ounces of 80-proof liquor, 12 ounces of beer or 5 ounces of table wine.

But Dr. Marcelline Burns of the independent Southern California Research Institute says several factors beyond the number of drinks determine blood-alcohol content: a person's size, sex, body, the time over which drinks were consumed and how much food was taken with them.

"There is no easy answer," Burns warned. If people are worried about hitting the blood alcohol limits, "they need to eat and to pace their drinks."

In a rebuttal to the report, the Transportation Department said a series of studies "provided positive, if not conclusive, results and formed a reasonable basis for supporting .08 BAC laws."

The department also said it has consistently supported a broad approach to combating drunken driving, including public education and stricter law enforcement in addition to a lower blood-alcohol limit.

A leading drunken driving group, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, said the GAO report supported its call for a comprehensive approach to fighting drunken driving.

"All research is equivocal and, by definition, inconclusive," said MADD President Karolyn Nunnallee. "The fact is, all research to date points in the same direction: .08 laws are effective in reducing alcohol-related traffic fatalities."

Thirty-two states and the District of Columbia have laws making it illegal for people to operate an automobile if their blood contains 1/10th of 1 percent alcohol.

Welfare reform now taking hold in biggest cities

WASHINGTON (AP) — Welfare reform's new work-first message has transformed even big city bureaucracies that historically are resistant to change, according to the first report from a large-scale study.

But big cities, in their push to move people off public aid, may be failing to tell recipients about child care, health insurance and other benefits available to them when they go to work, said the report being released Friday by New York-based Manpower Demonstration Research Corp.

Ultimately, welfare reform is likely to succeed or fail in the nation's big cities, with their concentrations of poverty and dependence. They also have entrenched bureaucracies that have seen numerous "welfare reforms" come and go.

"It's a little bit like steering a ship — these big cities are hard to turn," said Gordon Berlin, the project's director. "They have in fact begun to turn."

Researchers also found positive attitudes among welfare recipients, who seemed to welcome the new focus on work, saying the changes were fair and overdue.

"Many of them saw this as an opportunity where they were finally going to get some help," Berlin said.

The five-year study involves four counties — Cuyahoga County, Ohio, including Cleveland; Los Angeles; Miami-Dade, Fla., and Philadelphia. They were selected to represent a geographic, ethnic and economic mix.

Welfare rolls are dropping across the country, but they are falling much more slowly in big cities compared with suburban and rural areas. While cities have the vast majority of welfare recipients, most of the new jobs are in the suburbs.

This first report is based on in-depth interviews with welfare workers and recipients. Future reports will examine the effect on neighborhoods and individuals, including crime rates, marriage and childbearing trends, homelessness and mental health.

So far, the report confirms that welfare's new focus on work has worked its way into these communities.

Staff members are telling recipients welfare is temporary and the rules apply to virtually everyone. Participants are pushed to take a job as soon as possible and steered away from the remedial education that used to be routine.

But there is work to be done. Many caseworkers still are spending much of their time calculating who is eligible for benefits, leaving less time to help them find jobs. Caseloads remain high.

While caseworkers tell recipients about time limits, there has been a mixed message in Miami and Philadelphia, where the rules call for cutting people off after certain deadlines hit. In fact, many extensions have been granted.

Researchers also suggested that cities need to do a better job explaining tradeoffs to people.

Recipients are encouraged to stay on welfare for a while even after they get a job, because they continue to collect some cash welfare along with their new paychecks. But that means eating away at their five-year lifetime limit of benefits. For some people, it might be a better idea to "bank" their time in case they need it later.

The project is funded by 11 of the nation's largest charitable organizations, including the Charles Stewart Mott, W.K. Kellogg, Ford and Robert Wood Johnson foundations.

Lightsabers, dive sticks, infant carriers recalled

WASHINGTON (AP) — Kids may be trying to emulate their favorite Star Wars characters, but a new lightsaber toy could leave them with burns, the government said Thursday.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission has received 38 reports about the batteries in Hasbro's Star Wars Lightsabers overheating or rupturing. Three users suffered minor burns.

In addition, the commission has recalled more than 19 million pool "dive sticks" because they can impale children who land on them.

Dive sticks are hard, plastic cylinder-shaped objects that stand upright on the bottom of pools so children can dive down and retrieve them.

The safety commission said that at least six children have been rectally or vaginally impaled by the toys, which have been sold for about 20 years at various retail stores. In another case, a child suffered cuts just below her eye.

"Although the number of reported incidents is relatively low, the severity of the injuries that have occurred is very significant," the commission said in a statement. In four of the six incidents documented, the children required surgery and hospitalization.

The commission recommends that parents throw the toys away. The commission's staff is also recommending that the commission itself ban the future production and importation of the toys.

The dive sticks — measuring 4 to 8 inches — were sold by 15 firms at drug, pool and discount stores nationwide for about $4 to $7.

The lightsaber recall includes two models. One is the Darth Maul Double-Bladed Lightsaber, which has retractable red plastic "light blades" on both sides of a metallic-gray hand grip. When the blades are fully extended, the toy is 5 feet long.

The other is the Qui-Gon Jinn Lightsaber, which has a single retractable "light blade" made of green plastic that extends from a metallic-gray hand grip to about 3 feet. Mass merchandise and toy stores sold the lightsabers from May 1999 through June 1999 for $20 to $30. Lightsabers currently being sold with "Now with battery protector" are not part of this recall.

Consumers should stop using these Lightsabers immediately and call Hasbro at 888-690-6141 to get a free repair kit.

The commission also announced the recall of an infant carrier — the Snugli Front & Back Packs with vertical "T" straps — because children can fall through it. At least 13 children have slipped through the leg openings of the carrier, including one who suffered a fractured skull.

These soft infant carriers have model numbers beginning with 075 and 080. The model number is on a tag inside the carrier which reads, "SOFT CARRIER" and the model number.

Consumers should immediately stop using these carriers. They can call Evenflo at 800-398-8636

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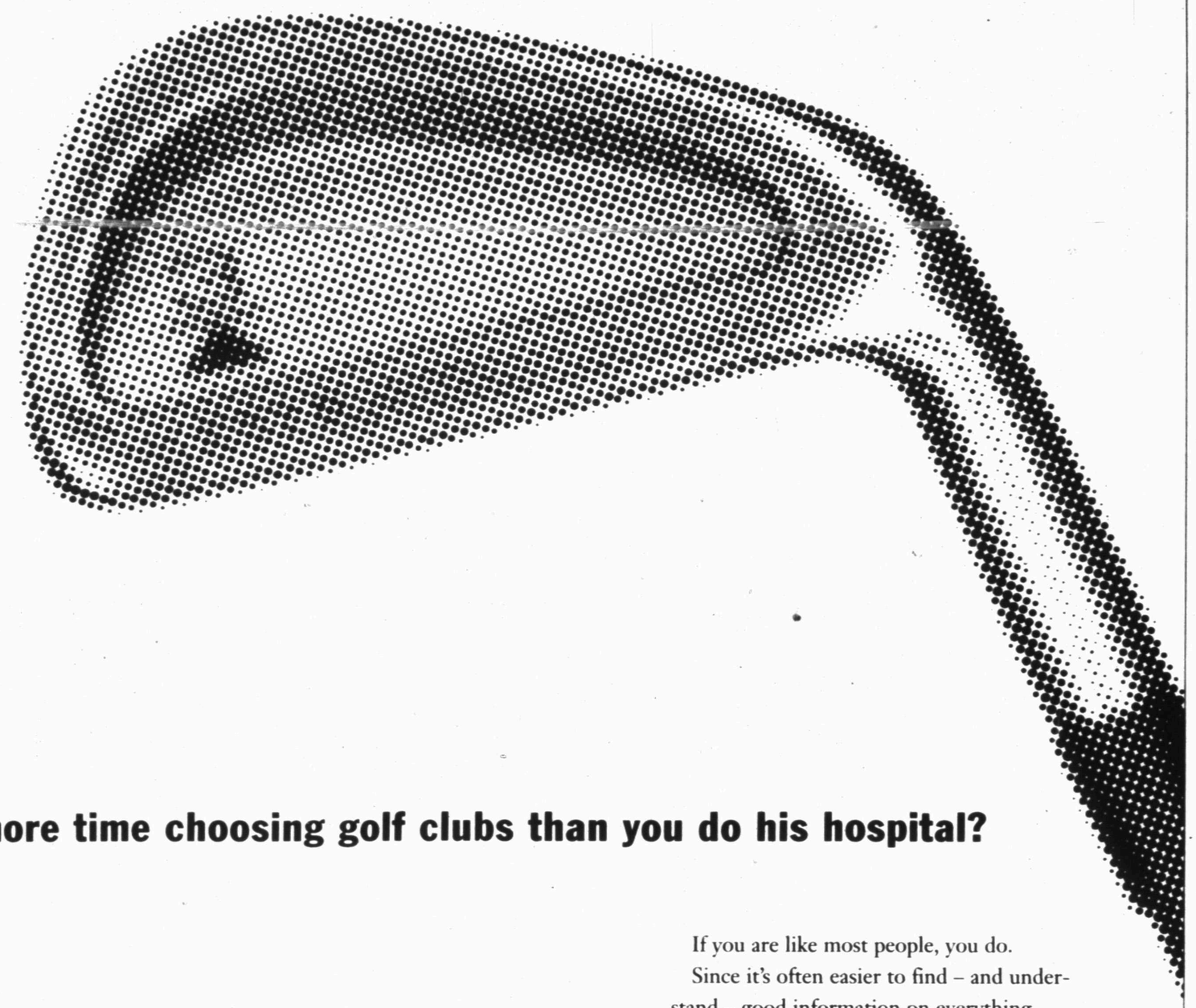

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