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MADRIGAL PLAYERS — Snyder High School choral department will present the annual Madrigal Dinners at 7:30 p.m. Monday and next Tuesday at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Players will include Stephanie Parmer as the Jester; and standing from left, Anna Henson as Queen Twachile; Molly Haire as the queen who hosts the banquet; and Sarah Crawford as the Queen of Levelburok. Tickets are $15 each and the deadline is noon Friday. (Staff Photo by Shirley Gorman)

January target date...

Work to accelerate on WTC athletic complex

By Annie Rowe
SDN Staff Writer

The new athletic complex at Western Texas College will soon install a scoreboard, sidewalks and bleachers in an effort to hold to the January target opening date.

Action by the WTC trustees Monday night set in motion a response to release $70,000 in funds to assist in the rapid completion of the project.

Dr. Greg Williams, WTC president, said that the purchases would include not only the scoreboard, but also new sidewalks, completion of the centerfield fence in both the baseball and softball fields and other miscellaneous items.

The trustees voted unanimously to waive the bidding process for the purchase of the scoreboard since a number of companies had already provided proposals.

In other business, trustees discussed a visitors center that could become a reality in the near future. The concept for the center is under consideration as a possible donation of the current Christian Student Center from the 37th Street Church of Christ.

There has been discussion that the building would be used not only as a visitors center, but also could be made available as a meeting facility for business and community members.

Further information about the center should be provided to trustees at the January meeting.

A final audit presentation provided by independent auditor Todd Hrbacek of the accounting firm May and Hrbeck met with board approval.

Additionally, a report by Tommy Watts, manager for Johnson Controls, was submitted. Watts updated trustees as to progress made in the first four months of work on the campus, focusing on general cleaning of the buildings and preventative maintenance.

Trustees voted to accept the resignation of social science instructor Michael Pauchet, effective immediately. Pauchet submitted his resignation for personal reasons. Also the retirement of dorm clerk Barbara Preston was announced.

President Lee Presswood presided and trustees present were Carolyn Barbee, Dr. Jay Kidd, Drew Bullard, Scott Richburg and Jackie Greene. Eddie Peterson was absent.

Choir events include annual 'Madrigal'

The Snyder High School choir students will present the annual Madrigal dinners at 7:30 p.m. Monday and next Tuesday at Martha Ann Woman's Club.

The Madrigal performances will be presented by the A Cappella Choir and SHS choral department.

Tickets cost $15 each and may be purchased by calling the high school office at 573-6301. Seated is limited so reservations need to be made as soon as possible. Noon Friday is the deadline. Refunds will not be given for unused tickets.

The dinner will include:

- The procession of singers through the hall;
- The hoisting of a sparkling toast from the Wassail Bowl;
- The procession of litter bearers with the boar's head.
- The jousting of the knights;
- The quest of the jester and knights;
- The singing of the concert by the Royal Court.

The door of the Grand Hall will open at 7 p.m. Guests are requested to be seated before the opening processional at 7:30 p.m.

"The Madrigal Dinner will be a unique and exciting way to express to friends the memory of Christmas. We look forward to having you as our guest," said Rhonda Haire, choral director.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Being right half the time is better than being half right all the time."

Don't have a chance to fly much, but when we have we've observed efforts by airline employees to inject humor into the information being passed on to the passengers.

Here are some samples of airline humor:

—On a Continental flight with a very 'senior' flight attendant crew, the pilot announced, "Ladies and gentlemen, we've reached cruising altitude and will be turning down the cabin lights. This is for your comfort and to enhance the appearance of our flight attendants."

—On land, the stewardess said, "Please take all of your belongings. If you're going to leave anything, please make sure it's something we'd like to have."

—"There may be 50 ways to leave your lover, but there are only four ways out of this airplane."

—"Thank you for flying Delta Business Express. We hope you enjoyed giving us the business as much as we enjoyed taking you for a ride."

—As the plane landed at Ronald Reagan Airport, a lone voice came over the loudspeaker: "Whoa, big fella. Whoa!"

—After a particularly rough landing during a thunderstorm in Memphis, a flight attendant on a Northwest Airlines flight announced, "Please take care when opening the overhead compartments because, after a landing like that, sure as heck everything has shifted."

—From a Southwest Airlines employee: "Welcome aboard Southwest Flight 245 to Tampa. To operate your seat belt, insert the metal tab into the buckle, and pull tight. It works just like every other seat belt, and if you don't know how to operate one, you probably shouldn't be out in public unsupervised."

And we liked this sign with a dual meaning posted on an exchange shop:

"We exchange everything and anything — scooters, pressure-cookers, washing machines, televisions, etc. Bring your spouse along and get a wonderful bargain."

DCOS may participate in state retirement program

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

Development Corporation of Snyder employees may soon be able to participate in the Texas Municipal Retirement System following action this morning by the DCOS board of directors.

The board voted unanimously to allow the two present employees and future employees to participate in the program by contributing seven percent of their salary to be matched by 13 percent from the DCOS.

The annual net cost of the program is estimated to be around $5,500, payable from the DCOS.

The actual expense is higher, but some of the costs are offset by the DCOS vote this morning to participate in the city's worker's compensation program at a savings of some $800 per year.

Since 1999, executive director John DeLille's contribution to a retirement program was matched by DCOS contributions in the amount of $2,575 per year.

This will no longer be funded.

Roy McQueen presided at this morning's meeting as chairman Dayton Robertson was out of town.

Robertson did participate in a conference call as he said the matter was important enough for him to have input in the meeting.

"In order to have quality folks like John (DeLille) and Tati (Nail, secretary) in our organization, I feel we need to participate in the program," said Robertson.

McQueen said he felt the program would help the DCOS retain and recruit quality employees.

Chairman Emeritus Roy Baze said he endorsed the program 100 percent.

DeLille said the only negative part of the program was that Nail would see the seven percent decrease in her salary as, once adopted, employees have no choice but to participate in the retirement system.

Participation in the TMRS will not become official until the city council adopts the second reading of an ordinance relating to changes in the city's participation as related to time of vesting and years worked before retirement.

In his monthly report, DeLille said he had been negotiating with Cox Communications concerning installing coaxial cable at the industrial park.

DeLille said the cost is estimated to be under $16,000 and the UCO Spinning mill would be the immediate benefactor.

This matter also is expected to be discussed at a future meeting of the board.

The monthly financial statements also were approved.

Also present for the hour-long meeting were board members James Brown and Jeffrey Martin, plus Jeanne Johnson, city financial director, and Eric Davis, deputy executive director of the Texas Municipal Retirement System.

WINNING PREPARATIONS – Sam Ross readies himself for the Lighted Christmas Parade in Towle Park. Sam was part of the first place entry from First Baptist Church Creative Arts Ministry. (SDN Staff Photo)

Court to canvass votes

Scurry County commissioners' court will meet at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday to canvass votes from Saturday's failed hospital district election.

Voters overwhelmingly defeated the formation of a district by an almost two-to-one margin.

Total no votes were 1,172 while those voting for the proposal were 626.

Funding of Cogdell Memorial Hospital will remain under the authority of the commissioners' court.

ASK US

Q—Did the city's animal control committee decide on a site for a new shelter ?
A—No, Monday night's meting was cancelled.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Mary Burton...

...is a secretary and receptionist for the Snyder ISD, and has lived in Snyder all of her life. Mary is married to Tim Burton, owner of Snyder Electronics, and they are the parents of Michael Burton and Kimberly Burton. She enjoys artwork and her favorite artist is Harrison Fisher. She also likes to read and listen to music.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

If you can't imitate him, don't copy him.
—Casey Stengel

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Snyder Lions Club

Snyder Lions Club will host a Partner-In-Service meeting at 6:30 this evening at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. WTC drama students will present *Crappie, Texas Christmas.*

Food Cupboard donations

Snyder Ministerial Alliance seeks donations to the Food Cupboard, non-perishable items only. Contributions can be dropped off at the Food Cupboard on Tuesday between 8 to 11 a.m. Food may also be taken to your home church or to First United Methodist Church from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., where it will be picked up.

Early Head Start's new building

Scurry Community Services invite you to the grand opening of Scurry County Early Head Start's new building at 2802 Second St. from 4-6 p.m. today.

Doodle Bug writers club

Members of the Doodle Bug writers club invite all writers to meet at 1 p.m. every other Tuesday at the Golden Village Terrace community room. For more information call 574-1817, 573-7369, or 573-5819.

4-H horse club

The Scurry County 4-H Horse Club will meet at 7 this evening in the East Elementary cafeteria.

WTC Lions Club raffle

WTC Lions Club is selling chances for two spring season passes for either baseball or softball. Tickets are $1 each or six for $5. Tickets are available from any WTC Lions Club member. The drawing will be held Wednesday.

First Baptist support group

First Baptist Church sponsors a support group for persons facing difficulties — including cancer, divorce, grief, etc. It meets on the first floor Adult 6 Department at 6:30 p.m. Thursday.

THEE Place

Rodney Orsborn of Stand Firm World Ministries will be at THEE Place, 904 26th St., at 7 p.m. Friday and at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday. Music by Stand Firm Ministries. For more information, call 573-9799.

Central Elementary fundraiser

Pies purchased through the Central Elementary fundraiser will be available from 1-6 p.m. Friday.

WTC spring pre-registration

Pre-registration at WTC continues through Friday. Students should call or go by the counseling center to make an appointment. The number is 573-8511, ext. 313. Students who have not passed THEA (formerly TASP) and are in DRE, DMT and DEN classes must wait until grades are posted.

Calvary Christmas programs

Calvary Baptist Church, 2405 35th St., will present Christmas programs Sunday. During the 10:50 a.m. service, the adult choir will present *I'll Be Home For Christmas.* The children's ministry will present *The First Leon* during the 6 p.m. service. For more information, call 573-2191.

TSA booster club

The TSA booster club will meet at 7:15 p.m. Monday in the high school shop building.

Coat drive underway

SISD, local businesses and organizations are sponsoring a coat drive through Monday to assist children and families in need. New or slightly used clean coats, hats, gloves and scarves of all sizes are needed. Collection sites are Humble Smith, Snyder CADA, chamber, WTSB, ASB, FAB, Texas Savings and SNB. If necessary, call 574-6012 or 573-1141 to schedule a collection. Coats will be distributed Dec. 17-18 at 1904 37th St. Schools will get coats prior to Christmas holidays. School principals may call above numbers to request a coat, etc.

Madrigal Christmas dinners

The annual Madrigal Christmas dinners presented by the SHS choral department will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday and next Tuesday at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Tickets are $15 and can be obtained by calling 573-6301. Friday noon is the deadline. The choir also has a few poinsettias for sale.

Mike Holmes retirement reception

A retirement reception for Snyder Junior High teacher Mike Holmes will be from 4-5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17.

House decorating contest

The house decorating contest will be judged from 6:30-10:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 17. To enter your home, contact the chamber at 573-3558.

Smokey Bear posters

Smokey Bear posters for a contest sponsored by Snyder Garden Club must be turned in by Thursday, Dec. 18, to classroom teachers or by calling Sandra Browning at 573-7277. Local winners will be announced in January and top posters will advance to the state contest.

Goodfellows drive underway

Canned goods may be brought to any school campus and monetary contributions can be made at any financial institution for the Goodfellows Food Drive.

Extra cookbooks available

Extra Home for the Holidays cookbooks can be purchased at the Scurry County Extension Office for $5 each.

2004 Tiger's Lair yearbook

2004 Tiger's Lair yearbooks can still be ordered for $50 for the book only with additional options available for an extra costs. For more information, call 574-6138.

Windbreak trees

The Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conversation District is taking orders through Jan. 31 for windbreak trees. Large trees available are Oaks, Pines, Desert Willows, Golden Raintree, Texas Redbud and Chinese Pistache and more. To place orders, call 573-6317.

Blood matches DNA of missing student

GRAND FORKS, N.D. (AP) — Blood found in the car of the man charged with kidnapping Dru Sjodin matches the missing college student's DNA, a newspaper reported.

Preliminary analysis of the blood matches DNA taken from Sjodin's toothbrush, the Star Tribune of Minneapolis reported today, citing two sources close to the investigation.

A source also told The Associated Press on Monday that a knife was discovered in the car's trunk.

The AP source, a person close to the investigation, also confirmed earlier reports about the blood and a knife sheath found near Sjodin's car in the parking lot of the Grand Forks shopping mall where she disappeared.

That sheath could only belong to a particular knife sold exclusively as a set in a home improvement store in Grand Forks, one of the sources told the Star Tribune.

Sjodin, 22, of Pequot Lakes, Minn., was last heard talking to her boyfriend on a cell phone Nov. 22 after the University of North Dakota student left her job at a Victoria's Secret.

Alfonso Rodriguez Jr., 50, has been charged with kidnapping Sjodin. Evidence in the case, which was sealed by a judge after Rodriguez's arrest, should be released today, the source said.

Rodriguez's maroon, four-door 2002 Mercury Sable was impounded by authorities before his Dec. 1 arrest in Crookston, Minn.

David Dusek, Rodriguez's public defender, has said his client stated he had nothing to do with Sjodin's disappearance.

Rodriguez was interviewed by authorities last week, but has since declined to speak with investigators.

Bail has been set at $5 million, but Rodriguez has chosen to stay in jail because of fears for his safety. He faces a preliminary hearing Feb. 4 and arraignment Feb. 6.

Sjodin's father said Monday he was dismayed to find that police recovered a knife from Rodriguez's car. But given Rodriguez's criminal past, he said he was not surprised.

"You know what? It's probably true," Allan Sjodin said. "That's his modus operandi."

Rodriguez is a convicted rapist who has a history of attempted kidnapping with adult women, and has used a weapon in at least one assault. He was registered as a predatory offender, the classification for those believed to be at the highest risk of committing another sex crime.

Rodriguez was released from a Minnesota prison in May after serving 23 years for an attempted abduction in 1979. Wayne Swanson, who prosecuted Rodriguez, said Rodriguez tried to abduct a woman off the street, and stabbed her when she fought back.

Allan Sjodin said he is still determined to find his daughter alive.

"I have one mission here," he said. "It's the same mission I've been telling everyone about since day one, and that's to find Dru."

Investigators testify suspect received order to kill women

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A Hidalgo County Sheriff's investigator testified that Robert Gene Garza gave a statement after his arrest describing his participation in the killing of four women in Donna last year.

During Garza's capital murder trial on today, Juan Sifuentes gave details of the statement that Garza gave him on Jan. 26, five months after the murders. Garza reportedly told Sifuentes that he and two other men were ordered by gang members to kill the women.

Sifuentes also testified that Garza matched the description of one of the gunmen who ambushed the women.

Garza, 20, is accused of killing Celina Linares Sanchez, 21; Lourdes Yesenia Araujo Torres, 20; Danitzene Lizeth Vasquez Beltran, 21; and Maria De La Luz Bazaldua Cobarrubias, 31, on Sept. 5, 2002.

The women, all illegal Mexican immigrants, were returning home from their jobs as "ficheras," or drink sellers, in a rundown cantina known as Garcia's Place in Donna when a shower of gunfire ripped through their car. Two others were in the car but survived.

Garza pleaded innocent to a four-count capital murder indictment.

Mark Reyna, 24, and Ricardo Martinez, 24, also have been charged in the killings. Reyna is in custody and Martinez remains at large.

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Today's chuckle

Christmas lights too expensive for town

CLAYSBURG, Pa. (AP) — This tiny town's holiday lights are all packed up with no place to glow.

A local group, Communities That Care, collected $500 from business and residents to purchase the lights for Claysburg, an unincorporated community about 80 miles east of Pittsburgh.

But because Claysburg, population 1,500, has never had holiday lights before, community organizers didn't realize it would cost $4,000 to turn them on for the first time.

That's because Penelec, the power company, is charging a one-time fee to tap into secondary lighting receptacles that are already in place. The community group also has to pay a small rental fee to hang the lights from 23 utility poles along Bedford Street, the town's main road.

"I just thought people put them up and they looked nice," said Randy Potter, a community advocate who says the group underestimated the cost and complexity of the project.

The lights were purchased secondhand from nearby borough of Roaring Spring, but community organizers hate the thought of asking for more donations.

"We don't want to go back to them now and say, 'Can you give us another $4,000?'" said Frank McIntyre, a local businessman who spearheaded the fund-raising effort.

Penelec spokeswoman Beverly Green said the fee covers a variety of costs. Communities must purchase either unmetered service, which means the lights are turned on and off by sensors the monitor daylight, or a metered service, which means somebody manually turns the lights on and off each day. There's also liability insurance, to cover workers compensation or other claims should someone be injured.

"Penelec works as much as possible with communities at this time of year because many have Christmas lights and lighted Christmas trees," Green said. "But there are regulations, and they come with costs."

Texans win lesser prizes in state's first Mega Millions

AUSTIN — Texas players did "Very well, thank you" in their first *Mega Millions* drawing. While no one in any of the 11 *Mega Millions* states won Friday night's $44 million jackpot, seven players in five states won the second prize of $175,000.

A player who bought the ticket at the Carina Grocery in Fort Worth was one of those winners, along with three players in New York, and one each in Virginia, Georgia, and Michigan.

Friday's drawing was also the first one that included the Texas-only option of a Megaplier™ that, for an additional dollar, allows players a chance to double, triple or quadruple their non-grand/jackpot prize winnings. The Megaplier number selected for Friday's drawing was a "4".

"The third tier prize level is a great illustration of how the Megaplier works," said Reagan E. Greer, Executive Director of the Texas Lottery Commission. "There were 30 winners at this level in the 11 *Mega Millions'* states, and five of those winners are in Texas," explained Greer. "For all but one of those five Texas winners, the prize is $5,000. For that player in Texas who bought the Megaplier, the prize is four times that, for a cool $20,000."

The $175,000 Texas winner did not "megaply" that purchase. Total Texas sales for Friday's drawing were just under $3.5 million, with $646,456 of that for the Megaplier. There were a grand total of 67,142 winning tickets in Texas for Friday's drawing. Of those, 15,331 are also Megaplier winning tickets.

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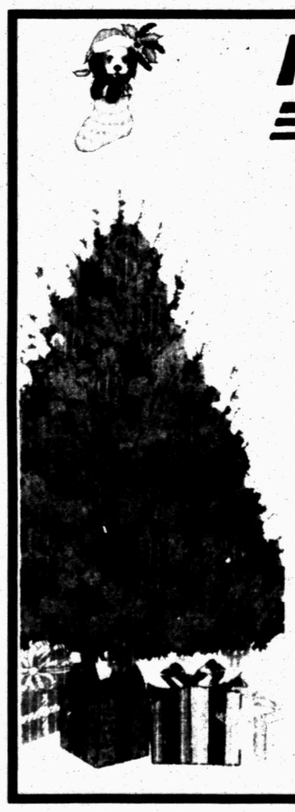

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LOTTO TEXAS TEXAS LOTTERY

RESULTS

Monday's Lottery Numbers
Cash Five

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

Winning numbers drawn: 30-32-31-33-27.

Number matching five of five: 2.

Prize per winner: $24,688.

Winning tickets sold in: Bedford, McKinney.

Matching four of five: 236. Prize: $94.

Matching three of five: 4,631. Prize: $11.

Matching two of five: 42,797. Prize: $2.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Tuesday night.

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COUPLE HONORED AT MAWC — Elizabeth Hillje and Dow Mathis were honorees at a casual hamburger supper on Nov. 29 at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. The couple will marry Saturday in the Center Point United Methodist Church in Center Point. From left are Fred and Mary Basch, the future bride's parents from San Antonio; the honored couple from Kerrville; and Marge and Royce Dent of Snyder, the prospective groom's parents. (Contributed Photo)

Americans make effort to take time off to spend dinner together

As the holidays approach, American families will make a more concerted effort to coordinate schedules and take time off to spend dinner together.

But how often does the average family eat dinner together outside the holidays? According to a recent survey by Eckrich, 55 percent of families eat dinner together less than four nights a week with 10 percent never eating dinner together at all.

More than half of survey respondents (52 percent) cited "work or working late" as the main culprit in interfering with family dinner, followed by conflicting family schedules (42 percent), extracurricular activities (30 percent), being too tired to prepare dinner (28 percent) and last-minute engagements (10 percent).

Below are some tips to help get your family to the dinner table during the holidays or any day of the week:

Mealtime Measures

•Give each family member a task before the meal, such as setting the table, cooking, preparing the side dishes, picking topics to discuss, and turning off the TV! Before the holidays, practice your holiday meal by preparing a scaled-down version and serving it to the family. This will get everyone in the holiday spirit and also give you a test run on your dishes.

•Move dinner off the table with a picnic on the living room floor. Eat on the patio furniture with candles and music. Or take your meal to the nearest park for an adventurous spread.

Supper Night Themes

•International Night - Celebrate a new cuisine one night a week, like sausage with red beans and rice for Cajun night or sweet and sour dish for a Chinese meal.

•ABC Night - Pick a letter and serve a main dish that starts with that letter or serve a main dish that starts with the first letter of the day of the week, like tacos on Tuesday.

•Pick a Color Night - Have your kids pick a color to celebrate one night. For yellow, try macaroni & cheese with sausage, fresh corn, and pineapple slices and pound cake. For the holidays, try a red and green color-scheme.

Turn off the TV and Turn Up YOUR Volume. Get conversation flowing with topics that all family members can take part in, such as:

•What is the most interesting thing that happened to you today?

•What famous person, living or dead, would you invite to dinner and why?

Have family members put their own questions and pick out of a bowl each mealtime.

Open up conversation by putting an unusual object on the table, such as a family heirloom, an item purchased on an exotic trip or old school photos of mom and dad. During the holidays, ask everyone to bring a holiday-theme item (i.e., ornament, photo or card) and discuss why it's special to him or her.

Scurry County United Way reaches 85 percent of goal

Scurry County United Way announced it is at 85 percent of its goal with some accounts still outstanding.

Campaign volunteers and staff continue to work to bring this year's campaign to a successful completion. This year's goal is $85,000 and an estimated $72,272 has been collected or pledged.

Due to businesses' various fiscal calendars, the exact dollar figure remains uncertain at this point, also several packets are yet to be turned in.

A committee of Barbara McGee, Ricky Fritz, Dalinda Roberts and Judi Martin will present nominees for the Jack Smartt Award to directors at the Jan. 12 meeting.

Another committee was named for promoting a raffle for the green pickup truck used in Barry Tubb's movie *Grand Champion* that will be released in January. Tubb has donated the truck to UW and asked that the proceeds be donated in the memory of Donna Fowler. Serving on this committee is Peggy Vernon, Dee Blackwell, Ann Smartt and Dalinda Roberts.

President Stephen Covey thanked volunteers and donors for "making a difference in people lives in this community."

The annual United Way closing ceremony will be held in February and the total campaign results will be announced.

Participating agencies include the Scurry County Boys & Girls Club, Scurry Youth Outreach, Scurry County Food Cupboard, Gateway Family Services, Snyder Child Daycare Center, Snyder Volunteer Fire Dept., Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Buffalo Trail Boy Scout of America, West Texas Girl Scouts of America and the American Red Cross.

Directors attending were Covey, Zola Schlegel, Roberts, Dr. Ed Barkowsky, Ann Smartt, Jo Ann Nunley, Martin, Vernon, Trent Driggers, Blackwell and Rana Anderson, secretary.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 12-09-03
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♥ 4
♦ A Q 9 7 5
♣ A K 3 2

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♥ K J 8 6 5
♦ K J 6 2
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♣ J 9 4

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Dealer: West
Vulnerable: Both

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	1 ♥	Dbl.	4 ♥
4 ♠	5 ♥	Pass	Pass
5 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ 6

Tuesday, Dec 9, 2003

Problems from bridge and brains

By Phillip Alder

Authors struggle for new slants in bridge books, but one person who has had no trouble is Erwin Brecher. Two years ago, he put out "Hocus-Pocus," and this year, co-authored with Julian Pottage, came "More Hocus-Pocus" (Panacea Press).

On each of 96 right-hand pages, you get a bridge problem and a brainteaser. The answers are given overleaf. Both sets of puzzles cover wide gamuts.

In today's bridge diagram, how should South play at five spades after West leads the club six? (The reader can see all 52 cards, but Girish Moorthy, from Philadelphia, found the right line at the table.) This is the logic question: The 22nd and 24th presidents of the United States had the same parents but were not brothers. How could this be?

The authors give no bidding. In my auction, North is right to double, not to overcall two diamonds; his hand is playable in three suits. West sacrifices in five hearts because he infers spade shortage opposite.

If declarer immediately plays a trump, West will win, put his partner on lead with the heart ace, and receive a club ruff to defeat the contract. Visualizing the position, the declarer won the first trick in the dummy, cashed the diamond ace, discarding one heart, and continued with the diamond queen, throwing his other heart. This Scissors Coup kept East off the lead, so South lost only one spade and one diamond.

The 22nd and 24th presidents were the same man: Grover Cleveland.

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1 tub (8 oz.) Cool Whip whipped topping, thawed STIR boiling water into gelatin in medium bowl at least 2 minutes until completely dissolved. Stir in cold water. Refrigerate about 1¼ hours or until slightly thickened (consistency of unbeaten egg whites). Gently stir in oranges.

BEAT cream cheese and sugar in separate medium bowl with wire whisk until well blended. Gently stir in whipped topping. Spoon into large serving bowl; cover with gelatin mixture.

REFRIGERATE: 2 hours or until firm. Makes 16 servings. Tip: How to soften cream cheese: Place measured amount of cream cheese in microwavable bowl. Microwave on HIGH 10 seconds or until slightly softened.

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

DAR; Lois Bartel's Home; Lois will give a program on Nativity Scenes; Christmas ornament exchange; 2:30 p.m.

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

Atheneum Study Club; MAWC; Jimmie and Andrea Mason will present a program on Africa; social committee hostesses; 7 p.m.

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

Altrurian Study Club; MAWC; program, Kim Groman "Interlude With the Harp;" hostesses, Jo Ann Peek, Jo Ann Littlepage and Margaret Weaver; 11:30 a.m.

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

THURSDAY

LLL Club; fellowship hall of First Baptist Church; 9:30 a.m.

Snyder Palette Club Christmas Luncheon.

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving Course; for information, call 573-2850; 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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

SUNDAY

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

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What does Jesus seek in our life? The Bible is clear that we need holiness and purity to stand in the presence of God. This comes from the blood of Christ. It cleanses our consciences from sin so that we can serve the living God, Hebrews 9:14. The blood of Christ makes perfect forever those who are being made holy, Hebrews 10:14. This is why faith in Christ, repentance and baptism into Christ are so important. The promise to those who believe, repent and are baptized into Christ in Acts 2:38 is cleansing, forgiveness and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Baptism is not a magical thing, nor is it a great act of righteousness on our part. It is an act of faith in the power of God to fulfill his promises in Christ, Colossians 2:12.

But what is it that Jesus wants from us after conversion? Matthew 25 gives us a clear answer. In Matthew 25:14-30 Jesus tells us a parable that makes what Jesus seeks from us crystal clear. Three servants are given differing amounts of money by their master as he prepares to go away. When the master leaves, two go immediately to work and double their money. When the master returns, he is pleased with their faithfulness. The third man was given the least amount of money. He was afraid he would lose his master's money and went off and hid it. When the master called him to give an account, he brought the one talent (a unit of money) and gave it back. The master was angry with the servant. He did not require him to double the money, or to make as much as the other servants. What he did expect was for him to do something with what he had been given. Jesus' point is clear. God does not compare us to others nor ask the impossible. What he does want is for us to use our lives and the opportunities he gives us to serve Him and to serve others.

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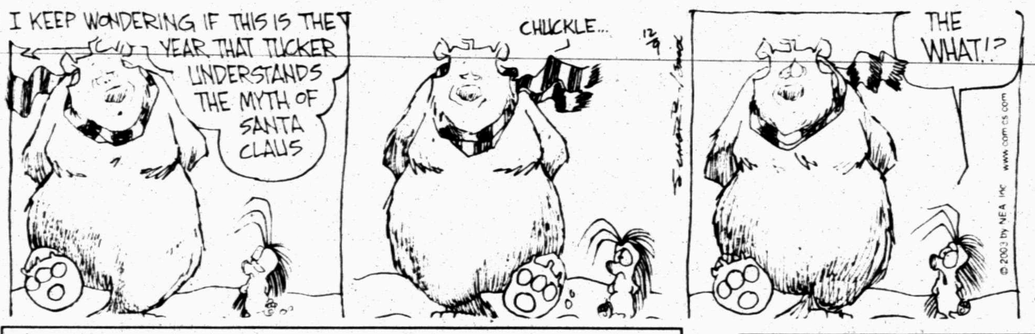

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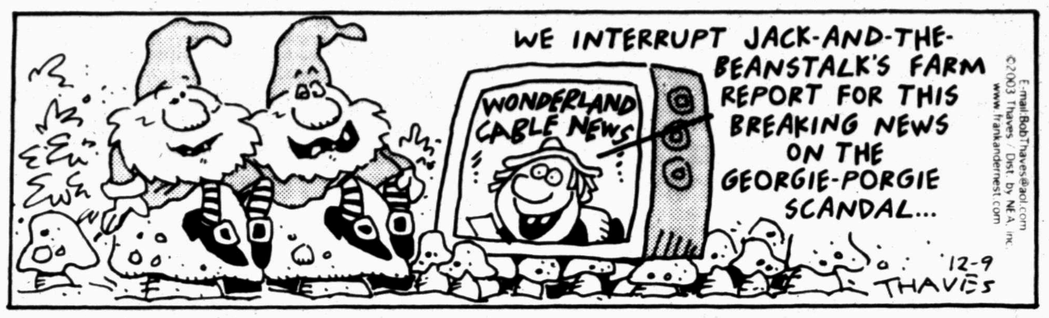

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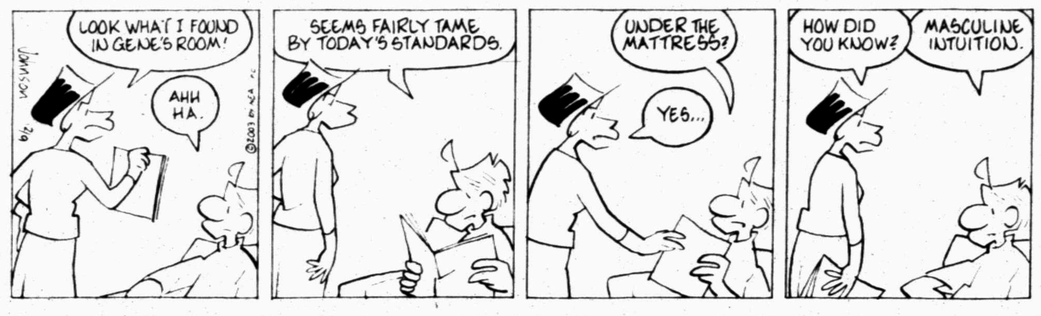

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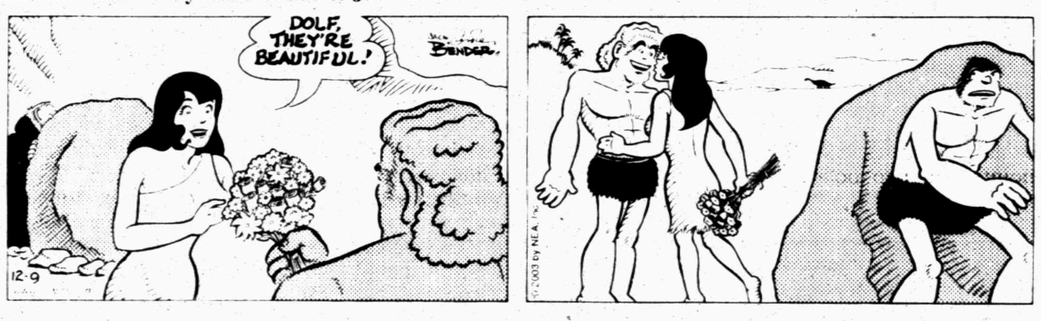

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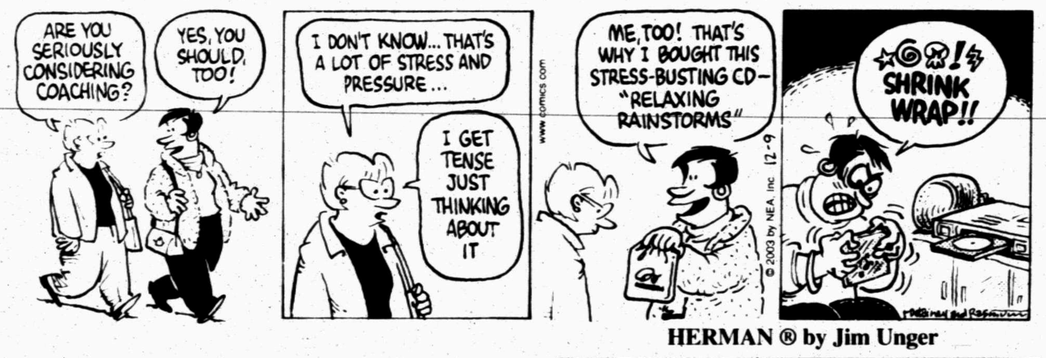

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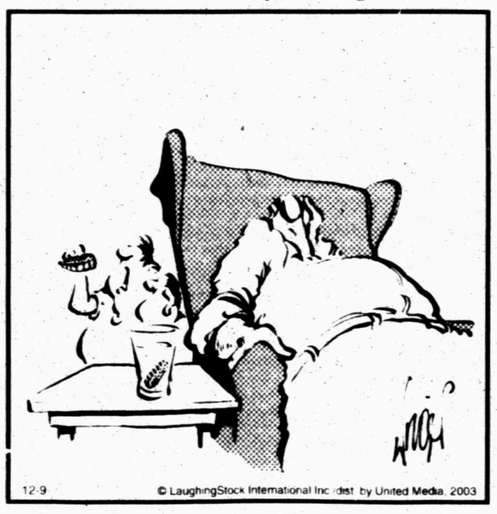

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21 Close off
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29 Cabinet dept.
31 Tiny fly
34 "Bien" opposite
35 Disrespectful
36 Congeals
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13 Curbside shout
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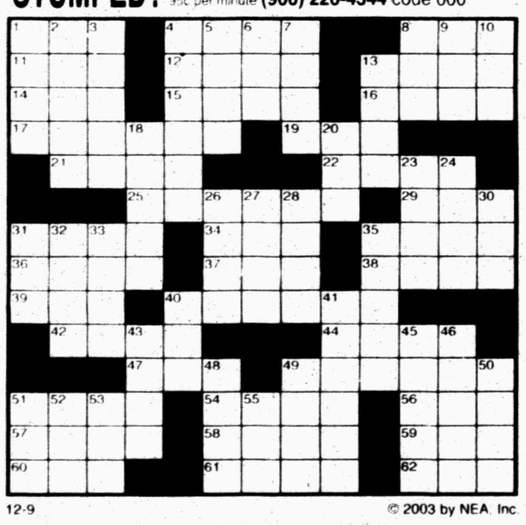

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SPORTS

St. Louis clinches playoff berth

CLEVELAND (AP) — Just what the St. Louis Rams were looking for to go with their high-scoring offense: Instant defense.

Aeneas Williams made two interceptions — the first for a 46-yard touchdown — in a 24-second span just before halftime as St. Louis clinched a spot in the NFC playoffs with a 26-20 win Monday night over the Cleveland Browns.

Williams' two lightning-quick picks enabled the Rams (10-3) to score 14 points in the final 1:04 of the second quarter, giving St. Louis a 23-7 lead.

"This was certainly amazing," Williams said. "Who ever sees stuff like that?"

Jeff Wilkins kicked four field goals — 26, 28, 29 and 37 yards — for the Rams, who won have five straight, nine of 10 and advanced to the playoffs for the fourth time in five years.

The win kept St. Louis on pace with Philadelphia in the race for home-field advantage in the playoffs. The Rams can win their third NFC West title next Sunday in St. Louis with a victory over second-place Seattle (8-5).

"This is just one step," Rams receiver Dane Looker said. "We're excited but not overly excited."

St. Louis had to withstand a valiant comeback by the Browns (4-9), who were making their first regular-season appearance on "Monday Night Football" since 1995.

Quarterback Tim Couch replaced Kelly Holcomb and rallied Cleveland, but was stripped of the ball by Rams defensive end Brian Young on fourth down with 1:51 left, and St. Louis ran out the clock.

Marshall Faulk rushed for 102 yards on 24 carries, the fourth straight game the Rams' do-it-all back has broken 100.

St. Louis went just 7-9 last season, missing the playoffs for the first time since 1998. They're glad to be going again.

"It's sweet to get back," Williams said. "We've kind of been under the radar most of the season, which is OK. But the coaches have always talked about what is possible."

Couch went 6-for-9 for 98 yards and threw a 28-yard TD pass to Quincy Morgan after replacing Holcomb, whose two interceptions in three pass attempts just before halftime doomed the Browns.

"To give up 14 points like that is unforgivable," said Holcomb, whose first season as a starting quarterback has not gone well. "It's all on me. You can't make mistakes like that. They got 14 points off me."

Following the game, Browns coach Butch Davis refused to say who his starting quarterback would be next week in Denver.

"We'll talk about it tomorrow. I'm sure we'll have a decision to make first thing in the morning," Davis said.

The Browns have been ravaged by injuries all season and they may have lost four more players to season-ending ones.

Kicker Phil Dawson broke his left arm making a tackle in the second half. Right guard Chad Beasley fractured his right ankle on the first drive after halftime.

Also, defensive end Courtney Brown (arm) and running back James Jackson (knee) were injured in the first half and did not return.

But Cleveland didn't quit, and twice had the ball down 26-20 in the final minutes. Couch, though, couldn't bring the Browns all the way back and they dropped their fourth straight.

Young's strip sealed it for St. Louis' overlooked defense, which recorded five sacks and forced four turnovers.

"Our defense was resilient," Williams said. "We made stops when we had to."

The Rams' offense failed to get into the end zone in the first half, relying on three field goals by Wilkins to take a 9-7 lead before Williams bailed St. Louis out.

The 35-year-old cornerback stepped in front of a pass intended for Quincy Morgan and took it back for his ninth career interception return for a TD and his 12th return for a score — one shy of the career record for defensive TDs held by Oakland's Rod Woodson.

Two plays later, Williams again picked off Holcomb, bringing it back to the Browns' 20.

St. Louis quarterback Marc Bulger capitalized on the turnover, hitting Isaac Bruce with a 16-yard scoring pass — the only TD scored by the Rams' offense.

Bulger finished 22-of-36 for 223 yards.

Prairie View coach struck two players

HOUSTON (AP) — Prairie View A&M's dismissal of coach C.L. Whittington came after an internal investigation concluded he had hit two players during summer workouts, according to a broadcast report Monday night.

Houston television station KRIV cited a letter it obtained under the Texas Public Information Act in which athletic director Charles McClelland told NCAA officials about the school's findings.

Whittington did not immediately return calls late Monday from The Associated Press. He declined comment to KRIV pending legal action. "I plan to clear my name," he said.

In the letter to David Price, NCAA vice president for enforcement, McClelland said the investigation found that two players began fighting during one-on-one drills and that Whittington yelled at them to stop.

"The players responded and as one player turned around to the coach, the coach hit him with a forearm," McClelland wrote. "The coach then hit the other player with a forearm hard enough to send him to the ground. Then the coach hit the first player again."

McClelland said the decision to fire the first-year coach was based on the findings.

The names of the players weren't released.

McClelland declined comment, telling the station the report spoke for itself.

Whittington, a former Houston Oilers defensive back, was 1-10. He was fired last month.

Girls golf concludes fall season

The Snyder varsity girls finished up the fall season with a sixth-place finish in San Antonio, carding a 379-369 748.

The tournament was played at Willow Springs for the first round and Brackenridge for the final round.

Brooke Jackson fired an 87 at Brackenridge after a 92 to open the tournament to pace the Lady Tigers with a 179.

Christi Williams shaved three strokes off her first-round 93 to card a 90 on Saturday for a 183.

Cami Trout improved by eight shots between rounds, recording a 97 at Willow Springs before following up with an 89.

Heather Derrington shot a 97-103 200, while Ashley Luecke tallied a 103-107 210.

Medalist Shannon Mangis fired a 106-105 211.

Eighth-graders top Merkel

The Snyder eighth-grade girls 'A' team handled Merkel Monday, getting contributions from seven players in a 34-21 win.

Audrey Jones connected for 10 points and pulled down eight boards, while Caylea Rhodes recorded nine points, two rebounds, two steals and two assists.

"The girls played tough defensively and were much improved in controlling the tempo of the game," coach Canita Rhodes said.

Devin Davidson had five points, Allison Sharrock added four and Alex Urias had three points and two boards for the winners.

Jordan Derryberry grabbed five rebounds and scored two points, and Kelly Holdren scored two, collected two boards and had two steals.

The eighth-graders next will play in the Lamesa tournament Thursday, with district foe Sweetwater the first-round opponent.

The eighth-grade 'B' team tied Merkel, 21-21.

Amanda Martinez hauled in eight rebounds and led all scorers with nine points, while Heather Garza recorded eight points and grabbed five steals.

The seventh-grade 'B' team crushed Merkel, 38-19, behind double digit scoring from Ryanna Alexander and Jordan Wright.

Alexander had 14 points and pulled down five boards, and Wright collected two boards and put in 10 points.

"The girls played hard and are improving everyday," coach Halea Huestis said.

Frosh split with Merkel

Candace Chandler hit for 19 points and Kaitlyn Greenlee contributed nine as the frosh Lady Tigers thumped Merkel, 41-23, Monday.

Briana Bernal added six, while Amber Acosta knocked in four.

Desiree Cortez had two points, and Courtney Tyrrell hit a free throw for the victors.

The freshmen boys battled hard against a bigger Merkel team, falling 51-39.

Ryan Mitchell hit for 12 points, and Stetson Kincheloe, Donald Jeffery and Tagaba Kyei added six each.

"We ran into an athletic team with a distinct height advantage, but the guys didn't back down and stepped up to the challenge," coach Joe Anaya said.

Ricky Sanchez contributed four points, while Tyler Driggers and Jeremy Rodriguez each recorded two.

Brandon Robbins hit a free throw for the freshmen, who will participate in the Sweetwater tournament, scheduled to run from Thursday through Saturday.

Dawson upends IJHS girls, 33-19

The Ira Junior High Lady Bulldogs were upended by Dawson Monday, 33-19.

Rebecca Juarez paced Ira with six points, and Kaci Waller connected for five.

A'Lex Koonce scored four, and Shandy McMullen and Laura Juarez added two apiece.

The junior high Lady Bulldogs will host Grady Monday.

Sports Briefs

Baseball/softball booster clubs

The SHS baseball and softball booster clubs will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the film room.

Woods voted PGA player of the year

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — A wild season in golf came to a familiar conclusion when Tiger Woods was voted PGA Tour player of the year for the fifth straight time, narrowly beating Vijay Singh.

Woods failed to win the PGA Tour money title or a major championship for the first time since 1998. Still, his peers decided his season was the best on tour.

Woods won five times, including two World Golf Championships, had the lowest scoring average and was second on the money list, despite playing only 18 times.

Hull moves into 3rd place on scoring list

DETROIT (AP) — Brett Hull moved into third place on the NHL career goal list by scoring 1:51 into overtime of the Detroit Red Wings' 3-2 victory over the Los Angeles Kings.

His 732nd goal snapped a tie with Marcel Dionne and moved the Red Wings forward behind only Wayne Gretzky (894) and Gordie Howe (801).

Central Florida hires O'Leary

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — George O'Leary was hired to coach Central Florida, giving him another chance in college football two years after Notre Dame forced him to resign because he lied on his resume.

O'Leary, the Minnesota Vikings' defensive coordinator for the past two seasons, had lied about earning a master's degree and receiving three letters playing football at New Hampshire.

Area Sports Calendar

TODAY

Basketball: Snyder JV and varsity boys vs. Pecos, 6 p.m.
Snyder JV and varsity girls at Frenship, 6 p.m.
Hermleigh varsity boys and girls at Southland, 6:30 p.m.

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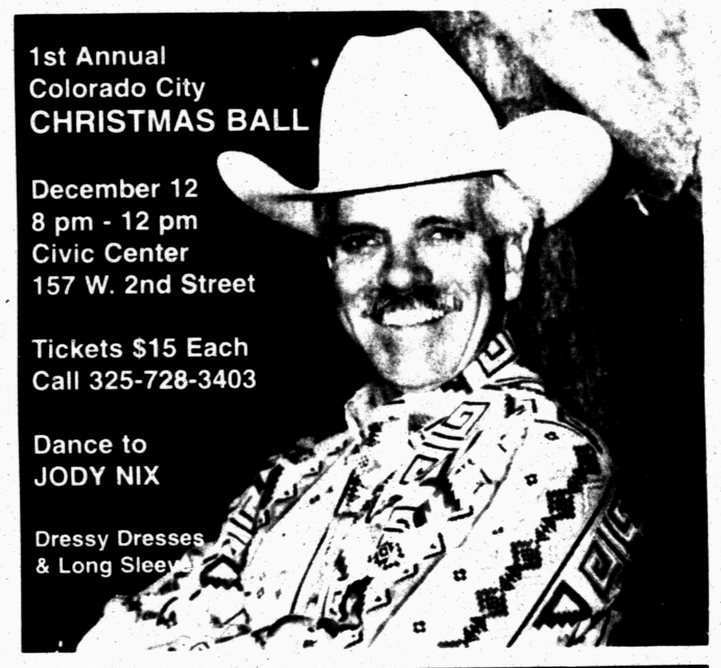

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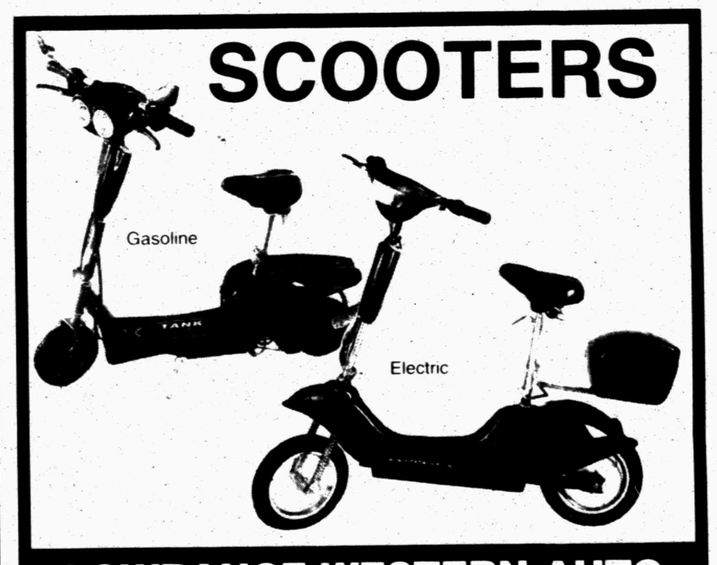

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DEAR READER: Absolutely.

I just received a letter from an elderly woman who just terminated an affair with an unattractive younger man with terrible halitosis. Could this be...? (I'm just kidding and wanted to pull your chain.)

Most cases of bad breath are caused by bacterial action on food particles wedged between teeth. It is entirely possible that your former partner transmitted large numbers of bacteria to your mouth during your periods of intimacy.

I suggest that you see a dentist to discover if you have **1)** A dental abscess unrelated to your past fling, **2)** Signs of pyorrhea ("trench mouth"), a serious disorder or **3)** A problem with food particles between your own teeth.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: Yesterday my doctor prescribed Vioxx for what he diagnosed as "the start of osteoarthritis." Should I see a specialist or is my physician on the right track?

DEAR READER: No, on both counts.

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Your doctor has prescribed what I predict will be successful therapy; however, Vioxx is expensive.

For chronic control of arthritis pain, you might consider acetaminophen (which does not, like Vioxx, carry the risk of intestinal bleeding), or ibuprofen (which is nonprescription and may give you years of pain relief).

My philosophy is to use the least dangerous and most inexpensive medications that will do the trick. While I understand your doctor's choice, I don't agree with it. If, on the other hand, you have already tried over-the-counter drugs for your pain, Vioxx and similar prescription medications are appropriate.

Providing your diagnosis is correct, I do not believe you need to see an arthritis specialist — yet. Hold that option for later, after you have tried various over-the-counter and prescription remedies.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Osteoarthritis." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

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

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3 found dead in Plano home

PLANO (AP) — A couple and their teenage daughter were found dead with gunshot wounds after police went to their Plano home to check on the family's welfare.

The bodies of James Woolverton, 56, Deborah Woolverton, 47, and their 19-year-old daughter, Jennifer Woolverton, were discovered Monday morning in different bedrooms, said police spokesman Carl Duke.

"When officers arrived, they found cars in the driveway, but no one answered the door," Duke said. "They went inside and found three bodies, all dead from gunshot wounds."

Police believe Deborah Woolverton, a science teacher in the Plano Independent School District, shot and killed her husband and daughter before shooting herself.

A handgun was found near her body and she appeared to have a self-inflicted gunshot wound, Duke said.

Police are investigating the deaths of James Woolverton and Jennifer Woolverton as homicides, he said.

Police went to the home after receiving a call from a co-worker who said that one of the victims had not shown up for work, Duke said.

No suicide note was found in the home and there were no signs of forced entry. Also, no gunshots were reported by Sunday or Monday, he said.

Neighbors said they knew little about the family, who moved into the home in 1998.

A member of the Reformed Church in Plano, where the family attended church, described the Woolvertons as "outstanding folks" in The Dallas Morning News. The church member told the newspaper he did not want his name published.

Plano Independent School District officials said Deborah Woolverton worked in the district as a science teacher at the Special Programs Center since July 1998. School officials released a written statement Monday saying they were unable to comment further.

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NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	11.90	11.50	11.50	—.17
AT&T Corp	20.02	19.77	19.78	—.25
Albertsons	20.00	19.73	19.74	—.44
Alltel	45.75	45.40	45.58	+.20
AmElPw	28.30	28.05	28.14	—.07
AndarkPtr	48.87	48.36	48.57	+.32
ATMOS Egy	24.89	24.72	24.74	—.07
Aviall	16.03	15.74	15.78	—.27
BP PLC	45.42	45.22	45.29	+.89
BakerHughes	30.64	30.23	30.24	—.14
Bank of Amer	76.19	75.60	75.74	—.26
BellSouth	27.34	27.10	27.21	—.32
BurlNoSFe	30.77	30.40	30.62	+.23
Caterpillar	77.34	76.92	77.01	+.23
CenterPoint	9.51	9.45	9.46	—.04
ChevronTex	79.83	79.23	79.45	+.84
Citigroup	47.51	47.25	47.26	—.11
CocaCola	47.80	47.46	47.65	—.10
ColgatePal	53.78	53.15	53.32	—.27
CmclMetals	27.68	27.43	27.49	—.01
ConocoPhill	60.53	58.93	60.31	+.36
Cooper Inds	55.55	55.19	55.46	+.31
DaimlrChry	42.18	41.67	41.69	—.02
DeltaAirl	11.49	11.13	11.18	—.33
Dillards Inc	15.68	15.35	15.45	—.21
DowChem	39.97	39.54	39.95	+.81
DuPont	44.20	43.85	44.12	+.16
EastmanChem	38.80	38.05	38.63	+.82
EstKodak	24.14	23.77	23.81	—.20
EDS Corp	23.06	22.82	22.85	—.15
Entergy	55.00	54.28	54.31	—.44
ExxonMobil	37.79	37.64	37.69	+.29
FootLocker	21.95	21.40	21.84	+.50
GenDynam	85.98	85.05	85.34	+.14
GenElec	29.55	29.44	29.48	+.11
GenMills	46.23	45.95	45.96	—.10
GenMotors	49.05	48.00	48.65	+1.51
GaPacific	29.62	29.15	29.49	+.44
Goodrich	28.39	27.95	28.12	—.23
Goodyear	7.51	7.38	7.40	+.05
GtAtlPac	7.38	7.23	7.25	—.13
Halliburtn	24.67	24.37	24.37	—.27
Hanson PLC	36.73	36.40	36.40	+.41
HarteHanks	21.86	21.70	21.70	—.14
HomeDepot	34.88	34.06	34.11	—.59
Honeywellintl	30.45	30.19	30.40	+.21
IBM	91.97	91.11	91.73	+.53
IntlPaper	41.14	40.61	40.93	+.70
JohnsonJn	50.19	49.85	50.00	+.15
KinderMorg	56.54	56.15	56.36	—.02
Kroger Co	17.54	16.80	17.08	—.81
LockheedM	48.48	48.16	48.22	—.21
Lowes Cos	57.00	56.19	56.29	—.50
Lubys	3.33	3.26	3.30	—.07
LucentTech	3.05	2.97	2.97	—.05
MarathonOil	30.44	30.24	30.37	+.15
MayDeptStr	28.70	28.38	28.47	+.02
Medtronic	47.23	47.02	47.07	—.03
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ProctGamb	96.93	96.37	96.46	—.39
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SouthernCo.	29.93	29.73	29.74	+.08
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SprintFON	15.48	15.30	15.35	+.03
SprintPCS	5.02	4.55	4.56	+.03
Sunoco Inc	49.53	49.16	49.30	+.07
TXU Corp	23.01	22.73	22.75	—.01
TempleInland	61.40	60.90	61.05	+.22
TexInd	29.64	29.40	29.47	+.05
TexasInst	28.94	28.10	28.15	—.09
Textron	53.92	53.15	53.48	—.47
TimeWarner	16.72	16.58	16.59	+.10
TrinityInds	27.71	27.17	27.69	+.52
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A mall and the right visitor by Jef Mallett

Minority legislators 'chagrined' over A&M admissions policy

AUSTIN (AP) — Irritated minority legislators on Monday implored the president of Texas A&M University to increase minority enrollment at the school, even after the school's board of regents last week approved an admissions plan that will not consider race as a factor in deciding which students are accepted.

"What we are asking — no, what we are demanding — is that A&M show significant improvement in their diversity this fall as relates to admission of African-Americans and Hispanics, not only at the undergraduate level, but also at the graduate level," Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, said shortly after a Capitol meeting with A&M President Robert Gates.

The Texas A&M System Board of Regents on Friday unanimously approved a new admissions plan that will not consider race as a factor in deciding which students are accepted for enrollment at its main campus, to go into effect for the 2006 incoming class.

Gates said lawmakers can hold him personally accountable for increasing the historically low number of minorities at A&M.

"We basically need to get out there, get into communities and convey the message that A&M is serious about wanting minority students to join our student body," Gates said.

Hispanic students at Texas A&M made up 8 percent of this year's incoming freshman, while blacks constituted 2 percent of the incoming students.

West said Gates' promise isn't enough and threatened legislative retribution.

Citing appropriations and confirmations of appointments, West said that without improvement "there will in fact be issues that A&M will have to face during the legislative process."

Investigation continues into prosecutor's killing

BALTIMORE (AP) — Investigators tracking the last movements of a federal prosecutor found dead near his car about 100 miles from home have released a photo of his Honda Accord in hopes it might jog someone's memory.

Investigators in three states have been trying to piece together the route Assistant U.S. Attorney Jonathan Luna took the night he was killed.

Electronic toll records show the 38-year-old took a roundabout route from Maryland to the spot in Lancaster County, Pa., where his body was found early Thursday stabbed 36 times face down in a creek, investigators said. The bloodstained car — a 2003 model — was idling nearby.

Investigators said they have found nothing to indicate the crime was connected to any cases he handled, and they have been looking into his private life.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Wednesday, Dec. 10, 2003

An enterprise into which you enter in the year ahead may start out as a trickle, but could gradually increase into a gusher if you've got the heart to see it through. Some lessons may have to be learned to get it going.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Someone who is indebted to you (and who you never thought you would hear from again) may be forced into repaying you today in order to get something else she or he wants. Time takes care of things.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Although you may have a tendency to want to go it alone today, and not feel like being part of a group, circumstances may push you into being a joiner. It'll prove to be to your benefit.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — That tough job you didn't want to do today, but went ahead and did your best on anyway, may end up winning you the respect of your peers and enhance your reputation in the process.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Although you may be in a sociable mood today, chances are you're not apt to feel at ease being part of a large group, so avoid them if possible and seek quality companionship, not quantity.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Do not be resistant to those in high places today, nor to their ideas. Once you get into their way of doing things, conditions may prove to be to your benefit in the long run.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Although it might not be easy and may take a bit of guts, be firm today and insist that the person with whom you have an arrangement honors the terms that were originally agreed upon.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — If you are a poor collector today regarding something that is borrowed or owed to you, considerable time could elapse before you'll be able to gather what is yours and the debt is finally settled.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Situations that have proven to be too difficult for others to manage could be dumped in your lap today. Fortunately, the jobs won't be tough for you and your reputation will soar.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Even if it costs you a degree of inconvenience that doesn't fit in with today's plans, it is best that you do not leave any important matter dangling. It'll pay to see things through to the end.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Don't make the mistake of lumping all people or situations into one outcome today. It will cause confusion that you'll have a hard time sorting out. Face hard facts so you know where you stand.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Depend upon the past for lessons learned, but don't live there. Once you retrieve what you want from your memories, apply it to today's situation and make it count for the good.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Just because there are problems around you doesn't mean they can't be solved. Your greatest asset today is your mental faculties, so use them to figure out ways to circumvent bad situations.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

High school reunions require degree of humor

DEAR ABBY: I saw the letter you printed from the 79-year-old woman who was concerned about going to her class reunion because she had been very promiscuous back in high school and had bedded about a third of the boys in her class.

When I read the letter to my husband, he looked at me and said, "Did you write that letter?"

Should I hit my husband on the head with my marble rolling pin or trash his golf clubs — or both? — **HELEN IN TACOMA**

DEAR HELEN: None of the above. But if it WERE true, I'd hide the yearbook.

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to "Former Belle of the Ball," the 79-year-old lady who's reluctant to attend her 60th high school reunion.

My siblings and I were all born, reared and educated on the West Coast. One of my baby sisters was popular in high school and wouldn't think of missing a reunion. Sis was, and still is, the girl with the perfect skin, perfect body, perfect career, etc., even after two husbands and four children.

Sis related this story to me after attending her 25th high school reunion. When she made her entrance, not only was there no drum roll or trumpets to announce her arrival, no one recognized her. She later admitted that she didn't recognize any of them, either, name tags and all.

Then something interesting happened: People began approaching Sis's husband, saying, "I remember you!" He's usually socially retiring, but after people persistently ignored his protests, he settled into enjoying being identified by various people as everyone from the quarterback of the football team to the class president. One woman even pointed to a picture in the class almanac and announced, "There you are. I could never forget you!"

None of those people could possibly have known him from high school. My brother-in-law was born, raised and educated on the East Coast.

Frankly, I think that someone showing up at a 60th class reunion would be tickled to see ANYONE from the graduating class, even if he or she didn't recognize the person. I hope she followed your advice and went. — **COLLEEN IN FAIR OAKS, CALIF.**

DEAR COLLEEN: So do I. As your sister's experience demonstrates, the one thing that a person attending any class reunion should never be without is a sense of humor.

DEAR ABBY: I hope you are going to give us the follow-up story of the 79-year-old woman who slept with two-thirds of the boys in her high school class and everyone knew it. Did she go to the reunion? What happened? You owe it to your readers. — **RICHARD P., WASHINGTON, D.C.**

DEAR RICHARD: One of the frustrating aspects of my job is not always knowing how things turn out. If I had to make a guess, I'd say she probably went and was voted most popular girl at the reunion.

"Former Belle of the Ball" — if you see this column, Please let us know. Your fan club is waiting.

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Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $5 (U.S. funds only) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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Janklow quits after manslaughter verdict

FLANDREAU, S.D. (AP) — Rep. Bill Janklow planned the official close of his political career to coincide with his sentencing in the traffic death of a motorcyclist, a decision that also means the special election to fill his seat will be held during South Dakota's June 1 primary.

Janklow, a dominating force in South Dakota politics for 30 years, appeared stunned as the verdict was read Monday: guilty of second-degree manslaughter, reckless driving, running a stop sign and speeding for an Aug. 16 crash that killed Hardwick, Minn., motorcyclist Randy Scott, 55.

Within two hours, the Republican announced his resignation.

"I wish to inform you that because of present circumstances, I will be unable to perform the duties incumbent on me in representing the people of South Dakota as their U.S. representative," Janklow, 64, wrote in a letter to be delivered today to House Speaker Dennis Hastert.

"Therefore I wish to inform you that I will resign from the House of Representatives, effective Jan. 20, 2004."

That's the same day he's scheduled to be sentenced.

Second-degree manslaughter carries a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison and a $10,000 fine. The conviction would have prompted an investigation from the U.S. House ethics committee without the resignation.

Monday's events put pressure on former U.S. Rep. John Thune, considered the GOP's most formidable potential candidate, to decide whether to run for the Senate or House, analysts said.

The timing of Janklow's resignation means the special election to fill the House vacancy will be held in conjunction with South Dakota's June 1 primary. Both parties must nominate candidates by April 6.

Democrat Stephanie Herseth, who lost to Janklow in 2002, said in October she intends to run for the House again but won't make a formal announcement until after the first of the year.

Some Republicans want Thune to run for Janklow's seat instead of the U.S. Senate because they believe he stands a better chance against Herseth than against Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle, whose seat is up for election in 2004.

After Monday's verdict, Janklow hurried out of the courthouse to a waiting vehicle and refused to answer questions. None of the lawyers would comment, nor would Janklow's son, Russ, who has served as the family's spokesman.

The defense has about a month to appeal.

Outside the courtroom, Marcella Scott, the victim's mother, said she was satisfied with the verdict.

A statement released by the Scott family said, in part, "We are satisfied that the correct verdict was reached. The cause of Randy's death is no longer in dispute. ... We will continue the difficult process of coming to terms with Randy's death."

Janklow won statewide office six times and lost just one election, a 1986 U.S. Senate primary. He served as South Dakota's governor for 16 years before being elected to the House in 2002.

Janklow's lawyer wanted jurors to convict his client of two minor traffic charges and acquit him of second-degree manslaughter and reckless driving. The defense said at the time of the crash, Janklow was having a diabetic episode.

But prosecutors Roger Ellyson said Janklow's driving was like "a deadly game of Russian roulette. On August 16, Randy Scott took the bullet."

Jim and Dorothy Anderson of Miller said Janklow did the right thing in resigning. They, like many others who reacted to Janklow's convictions, doubt he will spend any time in prison.

Dorothy Anderson said she thinks Gov. Mike Rounds should pardon Janklow because he has been publicly disgraced and that is punishment enough.

"I think Governor Rounds should pardon him because he didn't go out and deliberately do this," she said. "Things can happen. That's why they're called accidents."

Date Book

Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2003

Today is the 343rd day of 2003 and the 78th day of autumn.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1867, the capital of the Colorado Territory was moved from Golden to Denver.

In 1987, the intifada began in the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip.

In 1990, Lech Walesa was elected president of Poland.

In 1992, British Prime Minister John Major announced the separation of Prince Charles and Princess Diana.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: John Milton (1608-1674), poet; Emmett Kelly (1898-1979), clown; Jean de Brunhoff (1899-1937), "Babar" books author; Kirk Douglas (1916-), actor, is 87; Redd Foxx (1922-1991), comedian; Judi Dench (1934-), actress, is 69; Dick Butkus (1942-), football player and sportscaster, is 61; Thomas Daschle (1947-), Senate minority leader, is 56; **John Malkovich (1953-), actor, is 50.**

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1955, Sugar Ray Robinson knocked out Carl "Bobo" Olsen to regain the middleweight boxing crown.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The childhood shows the man, as morning shows the day." — John Milton

TODAY'S FACT: The last total solar eclipse visible in the continental United States was in 1979; the next one visible there will not come until Aug. 21, 2017.

TODAY'S NUMBER: 22,834 — height in feet of Mount Aconcagua, tallest peak in the Western Hemisphere.

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Dec. 8) and last quarter (Dec. 16).

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Pink worked at several fast food places

NEW YORK (AP) — Like a lot of teens, Pink worked at her share of fast-food restaurants. She wasn't exactly a candidate for employee of the month at any of them, though.

In a recent interview with The Associated Press, the singer recalled her days at a McDonald's outside Philadelphia.

"I was horrible," said Pink, when asked what kind of worker she was.

"I would open (the restaurant), because I'd be tripping on acid ... and I would say, 'Could I have bathroom duty?' And I would sit in the bathroom and watch the tiles."

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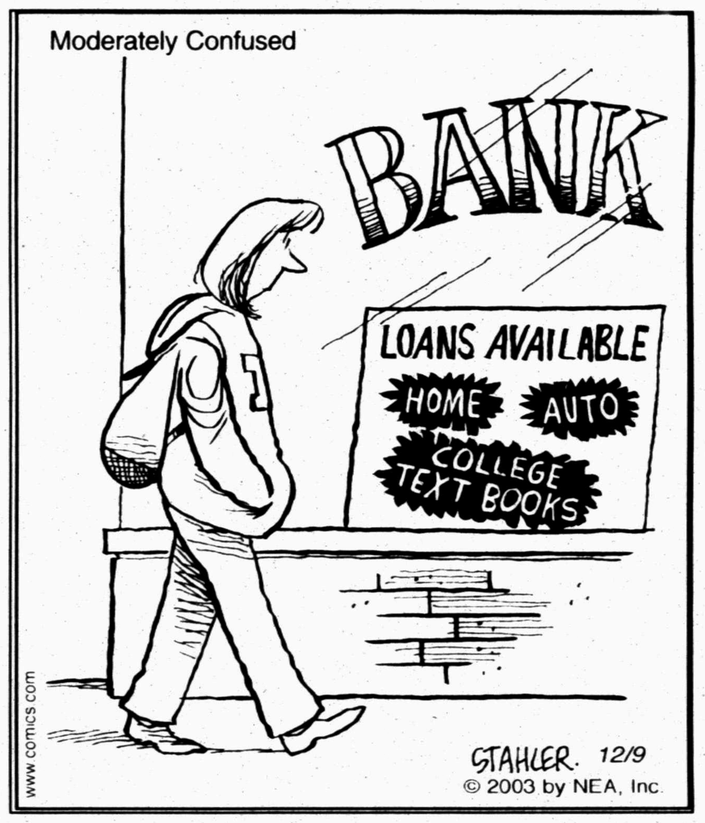

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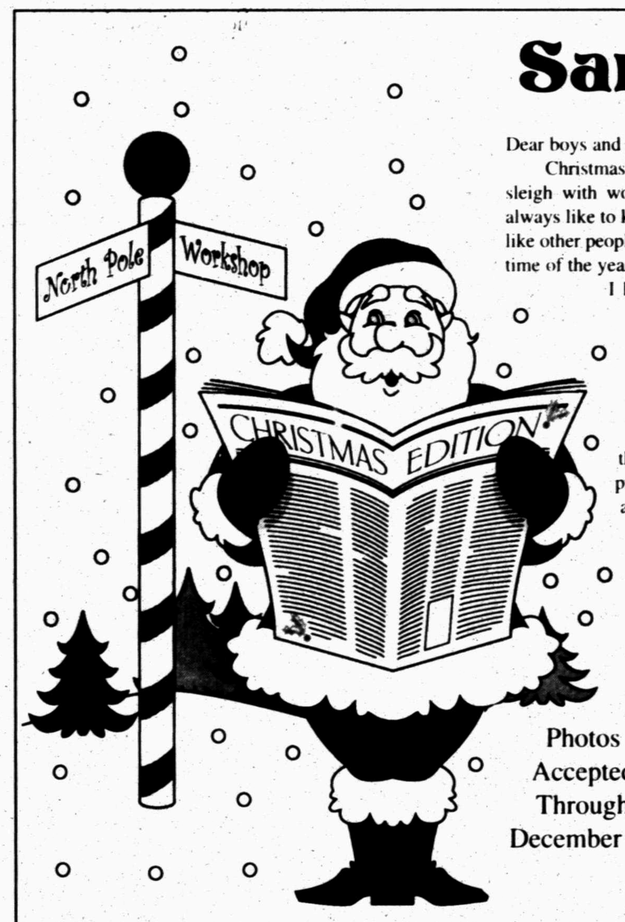

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Gore endorses Dem front-runner Dean

NEW YORK (AP) — Former Vice President Al Gore endorsed Howard Dean for the Democratic presidential nomination today, adding momentum and political prestige to Dean's front-running campaign.

Gore said Dean "really is the only candidate who has been able to inspire at the grass-roots level all over the country." He said the former Vermont governor also was the only Democratic candidate who made the correct judgment about the Iraq war.

"Our country has been weakened in its ability to fight the war against terror because of the catastrophic mistake the Bush administration made in taking us into war in Iraq," Gore said.

Dean said it was an honor and a privilege to receive Gore's endorsement.

Gore's political impact was immediately evident at the event when Roy Neel, a longtime operative, pledged to join Dean's campaign, bringing his network of Gore supporters with him.

While praising the party's other presidential candidates, Gore said Democrats should unite behind Dean or at least stop attacking him.

"We don't have the luxury of fighting among ourselves to the point where we seriously damage our ability to win on behalf of the American people," Gore said just hours before the candidates debated in New Hampshire.

Five weeks before Iowa's kick-off caucuses, Gore and Dean were flying to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where Dean is locked in a tight race with Rep. Dick Gephardt in the Jan. 19 Democratic caucuses.

Gore won the popular vote by half-a-million votes in 2000 but conceded to Republican George W. Bush after a tumultuous 36-day recount in Florida and a 5-4 Supreme Court vote against him. The election still rankles Democratic activists, many of whom are still loyal to Gore.

The approval of Bill Clinton's No. 2 bolsters Dean's case that he can carry the party's mantle in November and represents more than an Internet-driven outsider relying on the support of largely white, upscale voters.

Dean hopes the coveted endorsement also eases concerns among party leaders about his lack of foreign policy experience, testy temperament, policy flip-flops, campaign miscues and edgy anti-war, anti-establishment message.

"What this says is that all these Washington insiders who have been gnashing their teeth, wringing their hands and clinging to their cocktail cups can relax now. Dean's been knighted by the ultimate insider," said Democratic consultant Dean Strother of Washington. "It's game, set and match. It's over."

Other Democrats offered more cautious appraisals, but the overwhelming consensus was that Dean's coup makes him the overwhelming favorite to claim the nomination. Even advisers to Dean's rivals conceded they were stunned and disheartened by the news.

Bomb near Russia's Red Square kills at least five people

MOSCOW (AP) — A bomb exploded outside an exclusive hotel across from Moscow's Red Square today, killing five people, injuring at least nine others and sparking fears of a new wave of terrorism in the heart of the Russian capital.

The ITAR-Tass news agency reported that the explosion was caused by a female suicide bomber, and that an undetonated explosive was found on the bomber's body.

Moscow Mayor Yuri Luzhkov told the Interfax news agency that there was at least one and possibly two female bombers and that they asked a passer-by the way to the lower house of parliament. The blast was not far from the Kremlin.

Russian held parliamentary elections on Sunday, and authorities had warned that terrorists might try to disrupt voting. Forty-four people were killed when a suicide bomber attacked a train in southern Russia last week.

"Evidently, the bomb went off by accident," Luzhkov told Interfax, speaking of today's bombing. "The National Hotel was not the place where the suicide bombers had planned to stage the explosion."

Moscow police were cautious about calling the blast a terrorist act, saying initially that it could have been caused by a commercial dispute. However, as investigators probed the site, they, too, thought that the explosion was a politically motivated, said Yevgeny Gildeyev, a police spokesman. The Federal Security Service was also treating the bombing as terrorism.

A preliminary investigation indicated that the blast occurred outside the car, Gildeyev said. Interfax reported that a headless female body was lying near the site of the blast, near a black briefcase that authorities thought might contain more explosives.

The force of the blast was equal to 11 pounds of TNT, ITAR-Tass reported.

A robot inspected the blast site and shortly afterward an explosion could be heard from across the street. It was unclear where exactly that explosion occurred, but it appeared to have been set off by a water cannon.

The robot then was seen maneuvering between two bodies. Gildeyev said that all undetonated explosives at the site had been destroyed by early afternoon.

Five people were killed, three were injured, and seven were given first aid on the spot and released, said Natalia Alisiyenko of the Moscow police. Gildeyev, another police spokesman, said nine people had been hospitalized.

Man arrested for PI, disturbance

• Assaults

Officers were called to the 700 block of 16th Street at 2:42 p.m. Monday in reference to a man being intoxicated and causing a disturbance.

Officers took the 80-year-old man to the Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency room for treatment when he again started a disturbance.

Several officers responded to the ER and the man was eventually calmed down and given a citation for assault by threat.

At 9:01 a.m. Monday, a woman requested officers at the Park Village Apartments. The caller reported that a man, who was still in the complex, had assaulted her. She provided a description of the man and officers were able to locate him a short time later. Both parties were transported to the police department for statements and an offense report for Class C assault was submitted.

• Recovered stolen vehicles

Two vehicles that were reported stolen over the weekend were recovered Monday.

A 1998 Chevrolet pickup belonging to Randy Holder that was reported stolen from 385 Wheat in Hermleigh around noon Sunday was recovered at 9:30 a.m. in the alley behind the 2400 block of 26th Street.

At 11:44 a.m., a 1991 Ford Taurus belonging to Aurelio Medina, reported stolen Sunday. from 2400 25th Street, was recovered on CR 4133 near Hermleigh.

Both cases remain under investigation.

• Arrests

Four subjects were arrested Monday on various charges.

Miguel Olivarez, 24, of 1462 Heritage in Odessa was arrested at 7:45 a.m. eight miles south of Snyder on Hwy 350 for felony driving while intoxicated and driving while license suspended.

A second arrest was made at 700 Old Lubbock Hwy at 12:21 p.m. as a 25-year-old man was charged with misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

A 25-year-old female was taken into custody at U.S. 84 and Business 84 at 2:36 p.m. She was charged with theft by check and Abilene DPS warrants for displaying expired license plate, no proof of liability insurance, speeding and failure to appear.

At 3:58 p.m., a 20-year-old female was taken into custody in the 2900 block of Ave. T on outstanding warrants for no proof of liability insurance, expired registration, unrestrained child under two years old and no valid driver's license.

• Burglary

A burglary was reported at 10:13 p.m. Monday in the 500 block of 29th. A woman reported that someone had broken into her residence. A list of items taken from that location would be compiled and furnished to authorities at a later time.

• Dumpster fire

A dumpster fire was reported at 8:24 p.m. Monday in the 2300 block of 41st. The caller reported that the blaze was burning behind the residence. The Snyder Fire Department extinguished the blaze.

Obituaries

Eleanor Burns

1911-2003

Eleanor Burns, 92, died Saturday, Dec. 6, at her home in Snyder.

At Mrs. Burns' request, her body has been donated to Texas Tech University Health Science Center and there will be no service.

Arrangements were under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

She was born Oct. 19, 1911 in Linden in Cass County, Texas.

Survivors include a daughter, Phyllis Smith of Hermleigh; two sons, Dan Burns of Ballinger and Carl Burns of Lawrenceburg, Ind.; five grandsons, two granddaughters; four great-granddaughters, eight great-grandsons; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Gretchen Molman

1942-2003

HOUSTON — Gretchen Annette Molman, a former Snyder resident, died Friday, Dec. 5, at her home in Houston following a sudden illness.

Graveside service for Mrs. Molman, 61, is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Luling City Cemetery. John Angelo Pisiona, her brother-in-law, will officiate.

Born Jan. 22, 1942, she was a 1960 graduate of Snyder High School and also a graduate of Texas Christian University.

Her parents, Rupert and Virginia Short; and a sister, Deborah Louise Hall, preceded her in death.

Survivors include a daughter, Deidre Lavonne Rails of Conroe; a son, Kyle Wayne Richardson of Tomball; a sister, Daphene Marie Pisiona of Secaucus, N.J.; and four grandchildren.

Lois Kay

1910-2003

DE LEON — Lois Lucille Henry Kay, a former Union resident, died Sunday, Dec. 7.

Graveside service for Mrs. Kay, 83, was held today in the De Leon City Cemetery under the direction of Franklin-Bartley Funeral Home in Lubbock.

Born Sept. 18, 1910 in Gatesville, she graduated from Desdemona High School. She and her late husband, the Rev. Murray Kay, pastored Baptist churches around De Leon, the Union Baptist Church in Scurry County, the Klondike Baptist Church in Dawson County and the Fairview Baptist Church in Levelland. Mrs. Kay was a member of the First Baptist Church in Levelland.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Murray Kay; her parents, Walter and Amanda Henry; five brothers; and one sister.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Regina and Cliff Browning of DeSoto; a son and daughter-in-law, Randall and Glynda Kay of Lubbock; five grandchildren, Wayne Browning, Kay Browning and Monica Howell, all of Dallas, and Sheryl Brunson and Sharlotte Clemments, both of Lubbock; 11 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

Carolyn Lawless

1924-2003

HURST — Service was held Monday for Carolyn (Tooter Henderson) Lawless, a 1941 Snyder High School graduate. Interment followed in Bluebonnet Hills Memorial Park under the direction of Bluebonnet Hills Funeral Home in Colleyville.

Mrs. Lawless, 79, died Friday, Dec. 5, in Bedford.

Born May 19, 1924, she was reared in Snyder where she lived until she married Bill Lawless in 1945. Mrs. Lawless was a retired beautician.

She was preceded in death by a son, Larry Lawless; and her parents, Dick and Mae Henderson, longtime Scurry County residents.

Survivors include her husband, Bill Lawless; two daughters, Terri Martichuski and Cheryl Hartfield, both of Hurst; a sister, Billie Jean Faver of Keller; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Wed 12/10	Thu 12/11	Fri 12/12
51/28	**59/33**	**62/38**
A mainly sunny sky. High 51F. Winds WNW at 10 to 15 mph.	Abundant sunshine. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the low 30s.	Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the upper 30s.
Sunrise 7:35 AM, Sunset 5:38 PM	Sunrise 7:36 AM, Sunset 5:38 PM	Sunrise 7:36 AM, Sunset 5:38 PM

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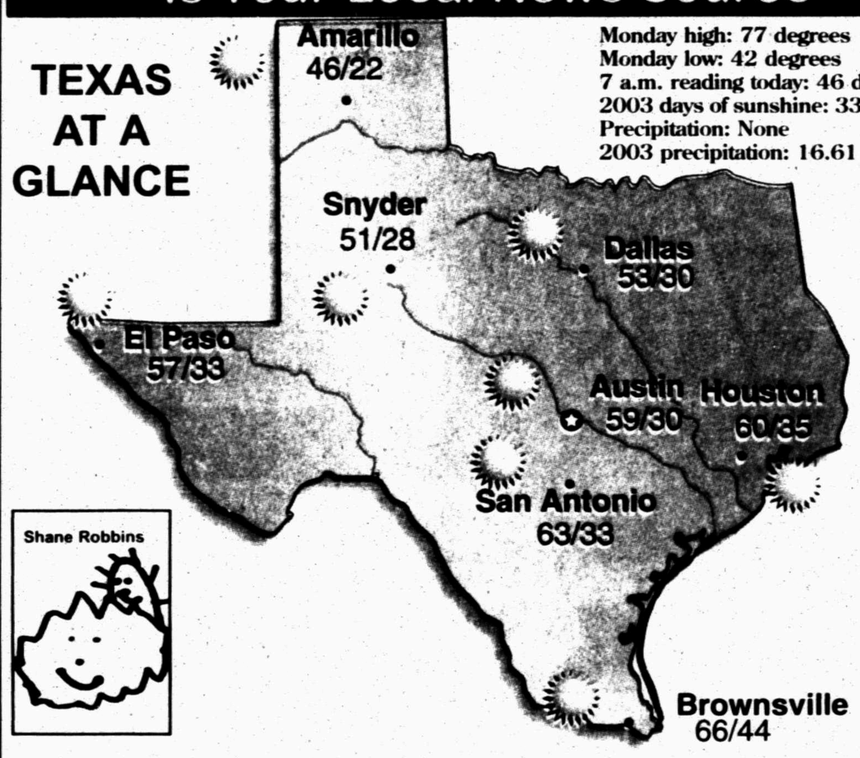

Monday high: 77 degrees
Monday low: 42 degrees
7 a.m. reading today: 46 degrees
2003 days of sunshine: 336 of 342
Precipitation: None
2003 precipitation: 16.61 inches

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	53	30	sunny	El Paso	57	33	sunny	Midland	53	30	sunny
Amarillo	46	22	sunny	Fort Stockton	57	34	sunny	Raymondville	66	41	sunny
Austin	59	30	sunny	Gainesville	51	25	windy	Rosenberg	60	35	sunny
Beaumont	58	34	sunny	Greenville	51	26	sunny	San Antonio	63	33	sunny
Brownsville	66	44	sunny	Houston	60	35	sunny	San Marcos	60	30	sunny
Brownwood	56	29	sunny	Kingsville	65	41	sunny	Sulphur Springs	52	29	sunny
Corpus Christi	63	41	sunny	Livingston	56	30	sunny	Sweetwater	53	31	sunny
Corsicana	54	28	windy	Longview	53	30	sunny	Tyler	53	29	sunny
Dallas	53	30	sunny	Lubbock	51	27	sunny	Weatherford	52	25	windy
Del Rio	60	35	sunny	Lufkin	56	31	sunny	Wichita Falls	53	24	windy

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond
Atlanta	56	35	rain	Houston	60	35	sunny	Phoenix	68	42	sunny
Boston	40	38	cloudy	Los Angeles	62	51	rain	San Francisco	55	50	rain
Chicago	46	26	mixed	Miami	78	64	pt sunny	Seattle	47	36	rain
Dallas	53	30	sunny	Minneapolis	25	9	windy	St. Louis	46	28	mixed
Denver	38	21	pt sunny	New York	44	43	cloudy	Washington, DC	51	46	rain

Moon Phases

Full	Last	New	First
Dec 8	Dec 16	Dec 23	Dec 30

UV Index

Wed 12/10	Thu 12/11	Fri 12/12
3 Low	3 Low	3 Low

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

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