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Early Sunday morning...

Vandals damage SHS science classrooms

Snyder ISD officials are still assessing extent of damage resulting from vandalism that occurred at the high school sometime early Sunday morning.

"The damage is going to be in the thousands of dollars," said Mike Carter, district maintenance director.

Carter said six of the eight classrooms in the science building sustained damage when vandals turned on at least seven faucets in a second floor science room.

"They used the nozzle from the fire hose to break out the window by the door to gain entrance to the room," Carter said.

While the science rooms sustained the most damage, some damage was also suffered in the journalism department.

"They broke out the window in the journalism room and ruined some film that was in a refrigerator," said Carter.

Carter also said in the building wing adjoining the science area, posters and signs were torn from the walls.

One door window in an English classroom near the journalism workroom also was broken.

Carter said computers, scanners, VCRs, printers and scanners were damaged by the water.

"We won't know until they dry out and we try to fire them up how much they were damaged," said Carter.

"Plus, we don't know the long-term damage to the floors."

Carter said a clock damaged by the vandals had stopped at 2:24 a.m.

"A lot of water had run out in the building before it was discovered," said Carter.

Carter said SHS English teacher Beth Bowen discovered the vandalism around 11 a.m. Sunday as she went to her second floor classroom to pick up some papers.

"If Beth had not noticed the vandalism, no telling how much more water would have run out before it was noticed since today is a school holiday," said Carter.

Some 13 maintenance department employees worked Sunday to begin cleaning up the damage.

Maintenance personnel were back on the job early today as was personnel from Carpet Express.

Fred Dillard, owner of the carpet cleaning and water damage company, said water was over six inches deep in the hallways when he got to the building Sunday.

"Water was running out the doors. There's no telling how much water ran out," said Dillard.

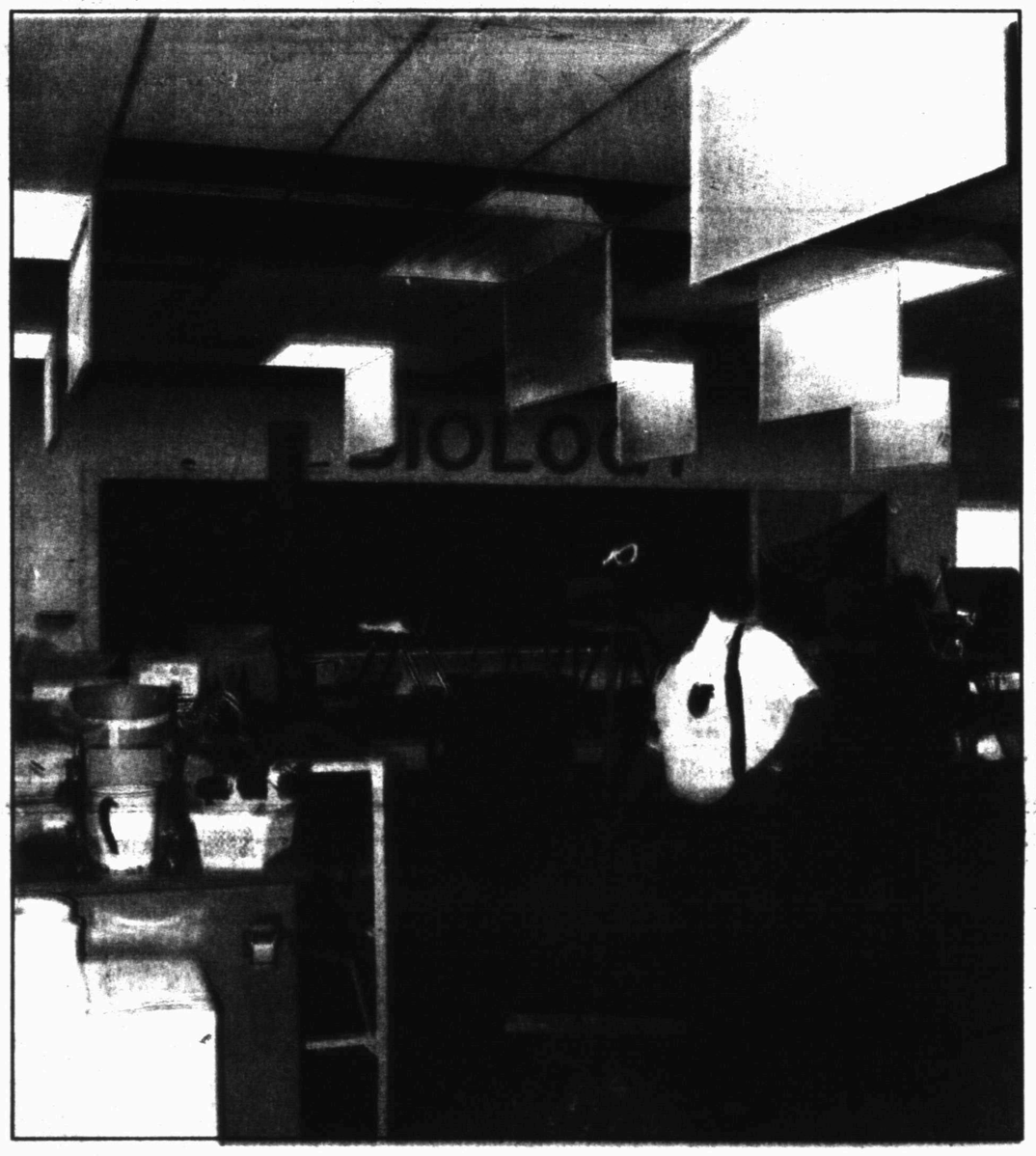
Classes are expected to be held in the upstairs science buildings Tuesday, but not in the classrooms downstairs that suffered ceiling damage.

The damage was limited to ceiling tiles and fixtures. No structural damage occurred.

Carter said the vandals apparently gained access through the boiler room area on the ground floor.

Snyder Police Chief Steve Warren said Sgt. Brian Haggard is heading up the vandalism investigation.

"St. Haggard was on the scene Sunday and is continuing the investigation," said Warren.



CLEANING UP — Snyder High School maintenance worker Albert Guzman worked this morning to clean up the large mess left over the weekend by vandals. Unknown subjects broke into the school building and left faucets running in the upstairs science lab. The water seeped through the floor, damaging ceiling tiles and electronic equipment below. (SDN Staff Photo)

Filings off to slow start today

Today is the first day for candidates to file for the May 3 election for the Snyder city council, and the Ira and Hermleigh school boards.

At 11 a.m., no candidate had signed up.

Tuesday is the first day for candidates for the Snyder ISD board of trustees to file the necessary papers as today is an official holiday for the school district.

Terms expiring on the Snyder city council are those of at-large members Terry Martin and John Reed, and Mayor Francene Noah.

At Ira, the board terms of Dennis Taylor and Shane Smith expire. The terms of at-large trustees Alan Culp, Tim Dacus and Joe Roemisch are expiring at Hermleigh.

The terms of Richard Chambers and Mike Levens will be up for election on the SISD board.

The deadline for filing for any of the offices is March 19, and the last day to register to vote is April 13. Early voting is April 3.

Western Texas College will not have a trustee election this year as board terms expire in even years.

Snowstorm buries Eastern states

By the Associated Press

The worst blizzard to hit the mid-Atlantic and central Appalachian states in seven years shut down much of the region on Presidents Day with windblown snow that piled up as much as 4 feet deep, halting air and some rail travel and causing at least 16 deaths.

The snow was part of a huge system that had charged in from the Plains and up the Ohio valley during the weekend. It also produced rain, mudslides and floods in the South and Appalachians, and ice that snapped trees and power lines, leaving more than 235,000 customers without electricity.

The heaviest snow was in the high country of the central Appalachians: 49 inches in western Maryland's Garrett County and 27 in West Virginia's Berkeley County, the National Weather Service and local officials said. The Seven Springs ski resort area near Champion in western Pennsylvania recorded 40 inches. To the west, parts of Ohio reported ice 8 inches thick.

Flakes piled up at a rate of up to 4 inches an hour in parts of Maryland. Gov. Robert Ehrlich declared a state of emergency, one of several governors who did so.

"This is looking like the largest storm this year, and it may be one of the top five in our recorded history," said Lora Rakowski of Maryland's Highway Administration. "You name a place, they've got snow — and a lot of it."

New York City reported blizzard conditions today, and some New Jersey and Delaware beach communities had flooding caused by a storm surge and a full-moon high tide.

The major airports at Philadelphia and Washington were closed today except for one runway at Dulles International.

Little League field improvements on commissioners' agenda Tuesday

Scurry County commissioners' court will hear a request for funds to replace the concession stand and scorer's box at Logan Field when it convenes at 10 a.m. Tuesday.

Other items on the brief agenda include a report from Sheriff Darren Jackson regarding Senate Bill 1074, requiring racial profiling education for all officers.

In old business, the court will consider another interagency agreement with Western Texas College. The college approved at its last meeting a contract to allow courthouse and sheriff's department employees half-price fares at the WTC Golf Course.

Reports from the extension office and the county welfare board also will be considered.

Any line-item transfers or budget amendments presented will be considered.

The meeting will be held in the county courtroom on the third floor of the courthouse.

Twenty-one dead in Chicago club melee

CHICAGO (AP) — Hundreds of screaming guests rushed the exit of a crowded nightclub today after security guards used a chemical spray to quell a fight, and at least 21 people were crushed to death or smothered in the panic, officials and witnesses said.

"Everybody smashed; people crying, couldn't breathe," said clubgoer Reggie Clark. "Two ladies next to me died. A guy under me passed out."

Twenty-one people were confirmed dead, Chicago Police spokesman Pat Camden said. Hospitals reported treating at least 50 for everything from critical injuries to asthma-like symptoms.

There were more than 1,500 people in the two-story Epitome Night Club when someone released a chemical spray into the air sometime after 2 a.m., Fire Commander Will Knight said.

"It appears a disturbance from within led to a mass chaos where people headed for the door. Most of the fatalities appear to have been crushed or had injuries due to suffocation," said police Officer Ozzie Rodriguez.

Witnesses reported that panic broke out after the guards used pepper spray or Mace to break up a fight, but authorities did not immediately confirm the details.

The club is located in the Near South Side, a commercial district near the McCormick Place convention center.

Cory Thomas, 33, went to the club to pick up two friends. As he waited outside, he saw people inside the club start to back up against the glass front door.

"You could see a mound of people. People were stacking on top of each other, screaming and gagging, I guess from the pepper spray. The door got blocked because there were too many people stacked up against it," he said.

"I saw them taking out a pregnant woman," Thomas said. "She was in bad shape. I saw at least 10 lifeless bodies."

Kristy Mitchell, 22, was one of the people trampled on the stairway.

"People were stomping my legs," she said. "When they pulled me up, I was dizzy and I couldn't breathe."

Amishoov Blackwell, 30, was checking his coat on the second floor when people started rushing past him. The flow of the crowd pushed him back down the stairs and he fell on top of several people, he said. He was trapped on top of the others until firefighters rescued him about 30 minutes later.

"It wasn't nothing but two girls fighting," Blackwell said. "Why'd they have to spray Mace?"

Hours after the disaster, Chiquita Rhodes was still searching for her 19-year-old sister, Charita.

"I've been to every emergency room," Rhodes said. She was told by officials to return to the medical examiner's office around noon, when the bodies would be available for relatives to identify.

She said Charita was holding onto a friend, but they were separated in the crush. A firefighter found Charita's cell phone, she added.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson arrived at the scene early today and urged community members to help each other.

"We are asking area ministers to go to hospitals," Jackson said. "My people are overwhelmed with the suddenness of this. At a time like this, you have to lean on your faith."

The president of a Chicago entertainment agency that has booked acts at the club said access to the building was unsafe for large crowds.

"The doorway was obviously inadequate for an emergency," said Ron Onesti of Onesti Entertainment Co. "When the place is filled to capacity, the doorway is very thin."

Jury call is issued for Tuesday

The Scurry County district's clerk office has issued a jury call for 140 prospective jurors to report to the 132nd District Court at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.

A felony driving while intoxicated case is the first on the court's docket.

Diana Rodriquez Castro, 35, of 2807 Ave. U is charged with a Sept. 7 offense of DWI.

District Attorney Dana Cooley will prosecute the case and Snyder attorney Pete Greene is the defense attorney.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong will preside.

ASK US

Q—Was the amount of $1.55 in restitution to Cash-N-Pay that was mentioned in a recent story correct?

A—No, the correct amount was $155.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Teresa Pinkerton...

...is a lifelong resident of Scurry County and has worked at Western Texas College the last six years. Her husband of 24 years, Bud, is employed by Farmer's Design. The Pinkertons have two kids. Geoff, 17, is a senior at Ira and Brandee, 9, is a third grader. Teresa said she spends most of her time following her busy kids, but enjoys mystery novels when she finds time.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

I don't mind people thinking I'm stupid, but I don't want to give them any proof.
—Bum Phillips

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

AARP meeting cancelled

Tonight's meeting of the American Association of Retired Persons has been cancelled.

Support groups

Adult family violence support group and children's family violence support group meets at 6:30 p.m. every Monday at Gateway Family Service. For information call 573-1822.

Hermleigh Masonic meeting

The Hermleigh Masonic Lodge will meet at 7:30 tonight for its monthly stated meeting with a meal to follow. All Master Masons are welcome.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 this evening is "Knowing What We Must Do," followed by "Proper Parent-Child Relationship."

Hospice memorial service

A memorial service for families who lost someone during 2002 will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the First Presbyterian Church.

Mesquite Country Emmaus

Mesquite Country Emmaus community meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday at The Word Is Life Deliverance Church, 312 Coliseum Drive. Babe chicks meet at 6 p.m.

Alzheimer's meeting

An Alzheimer's meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday in the Colonial Hill library. The topic will be financial management for caregivers. For more information, call Kinney Robinson at 573-9377.

Parenting seminar

All parents are invited to a parenting seminar at Central Elementary at 3 p.m. Thursday. Beth Dannheim, Scurry County extension agent, will discuss ways that nutrition can affect the learning of children.

FBC services televised

First Baptist Church services are televised on channel 2 at 3 p.m. each Thursday.

Annual enchilada dinner

The Knights of Columbus, Council 8875, will hold its fourth annual enchilada dinner from 11 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on Sunday at West Elementary. Adult tickets are $5.

Snyder Oaks family council

The family council of Snyder Oaks Care Center will meet from 6:30-7:30 Thursday, Feb. 27. The meeting is for resident's family members for a program presented by Brenda Elkins of the Area Agency of Aging.

Senior water aerobics

Senior water aerobics will be held from 10-11 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the WTC pool.

Withered flowers needed

The First Assembly of God youth group is needing withered flowers for a project. Call Camelia Soa at 574-2922 to have them picked up.

Trees still available

The Soil and Water Conservation office still has several varieties of trees available at $1 each. These include Lace Bark Elms, Shumard Oak, Sand Plums, Russian Olive, Honeylocust, Green Ash, American Honeysuckle, Desert Willow and Aromatic Sumac. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Relay for Life cookbooks

The cookbooks of the Cogdell Memorial Hospital Relay for Life team are now available for a $10 donation. All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society. Call Becky Craig at 573-2472, Jo Schooler at 573-7807 or 573-6374.

Relay for Life teams needed

Teams are now being recruited for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life in Scurry County to be held April 25-26 at Tiger Stadium. For more information, contact Margaret Presswood, recruitment chairperson, at 573-4873.

WTC adult basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at WTC will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. until noon, and from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Classes include E.S. L., GED and refresher courses. Certified teachers and Spanish speaking aides teach the classes. Call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Cancer treatment transportation

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

Church mourns five killed in bus accident

TEMPLE (AP) — Worshippers at Memorial Baptist Church went to services Sunday to hear Rev. Roy Parker's prayers of sorrow and hope after a bus accident killed five members of the congregation, all in their 70s.

"In times of tragedy, hope springs eternal," Parker said. "I know heaven is brighter now because they are there."

Two more were killed in a sports utility vehicle that was struck by the bus on Interstate 35 on Friday.

About 250 people sang hymns and said prayers for the dead and the injured in the hour-long service. Some in the pews had survived the accident and bore the signs — scratched faces and limbs — of a narrow escape. More than 30 people were on the bus when it crashed.

"We'll get through this," Norma Monell said after the tearful service. "We're a small congregation and everybody knows each other and their families."

The church chartered the bus for a gospel concert in Dallas. The bus crashed on rain-soaked Interstate 35 at Hewitt, about 10 miles south of Waco.

Sunday, state and federal authorities were still trying to determine what caused the northbound bus to veer across the median into oncoming traffic, where it crushed the SUV and rolled on its side.

Department of Public Safety officials have said it appeared the bus swerved to avoid backed up traffic that had slowed to avoid another accident.

Killed on the bus were: Dolores Hinton, 72; Melvin and Delois "Speedie" Akers, 76 and 72; Jo Freeman, 70; and Martha McKee, 77; all were members of Memorial Baptist. Two people in the SUV, Brenda Dobelbower, 48, and Janice Roberson, 61, also were killed.

Dozens of others were taken to hospitals, where some remained Sunday.

At Hillcrest Baptist Center in Waco, two people were in critical condition Sunday. Two patients were listed in serious condition and four in fair condition. Two people were transferred Saturday to Scott and White Memorial Hospital in Temple.

At Scott and White, a patient earlier listed in serious condition was downgraded to critical on Sunday. Five patients were in fair condition, and one of those was in the process of being released Sunday night.

Outside the church, there were only a few reminders of what had happened. A single flower wreath, blown askew by a stiff wind, stood by the front door. A white and blue pickup truck, the Texas Baptist Men's "Victim Crisis Unit" was parked nearby.

The church sign read "The best vitamin for a Christian: B-1."

In the church parking lot, television station satellite trucks sucked up parking spaces. Anxious worshippers quickly brushed past reporters, ducking their head to cut against the cold wind. In the church courtyard, the American flag few at half staff.

One man, who said his wife survived the accident, got out of his truck to berate the media.

"You got your human interest story," said the man, who didn't give his name. "You should be doing some investigative reporting on what caused the crash."

Inside, two pieces of white posterboard welcomed people to sign messages of faith.

One written in green marker, read: "God will heal your pain."

Expecting an emotional service, the church supplied every pew with packs of tissues, and few went unused. Seven single red roses, one for each of the dead, stood near the pulpit.

Date Book

Monday, Feb. 17, 2003

Today is the 48th day of 2003 and the 58th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1865, Fort Sumter returned to Union control after a 22-month siege by Southern forces. Fort Sumter was the site of the first shots fired in the American Civil War.

On this day in 1909, Geronimo, leader of a small band of fighters who raided Arizona, New Mexico and Mexico, died while he was confined in Fort Sill, Okla.

On this day in 1979, "A Prairie Home Companion" made its first national broadcast on National Public Radio.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Arcangelo Corelli (1653-1713), composer and violinist; Thomas Malthus (1766-1834), economist; Rene Theophile Hyacinthe Laennec (1781-1826), physician and inventor of stethoscope; Hal Holbrook (1925-), actor, is 78; Lou Diamond Phillips (1962-), actor, is 41; Michael Jordan (1963-), athlete, is 40.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1991, Ernie Irvan won the Daytona 500.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "You have to expect things of yourself before you can do them." — Michael Jordan

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Feb. 16) and last quarter (Feb. 23).

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Family history of alcoholism worries man trying to abstain

DEAR ABBY: My paternal grandmother and grandfather were alcoholics. My father and three of his brothers are alcoholics, and so is my maternal grandfather.

I love alcohol and the way it makes me feel. I got scared, so I stopped drinking. I no longer drink even socially. Is it possible that I could become an alcoholic? How would you define one? — **CONCERNED 24-YEAR-OLD**

DEAR CONCERNED: Yes, it is possible. There may be a genetic link to alcoholism — and for that reason you are wise to abstain. You say you "love the way it makes you feel." A specialist in addictions once told me that many alcoholics believe alcohol somehow makes them "complete."

How to define an alcoholic? It's a person who cannot control his or her drinking. An example:

DEAR ABBY: Every year for 15 years, I made the same resolution — to curtail my drinking. I knew the only way was to stop completely and I was determined to do it on my own. I had a strong will and didn't understand why I couldn't stop. (At times I thought I really didn't want to stop.) Finally, I checked into a hospital and now attend AA meetings.

At one meeting, I heard a definition of "insanity" as doing the same thing over and over, expecting a different result. It was then that I realized the difficulty I had with battling alcohol was actually my strong will. On one side it was telling me I had to stop (I knew I had to and wanted to), while at the same time it was telling me I couldn't do without it. See the dilemma?

Please, Abby, let readers know that feeling you have a "weak will" or asking for help is NOT a sign of weakness. No one will think less of you for asking. For me, it was well worth it. I haven't had a drink for 39 months and am finally able to enjoy life again. — **LIVING A BETTER LIFE IN DALLAS**

DEAR LIVING: Congratulations on your sobriety and your new life. And thank you for a terrific letter. Often the urge to drink isn't the only problem an alcoholic has to overcome. The following letter arrived the same day as yours. **Read on:**

DEAR ABBY: I drink too much. My husband is an enabler with a capital E. He thinks I won't be "fun" anymore if we give up our nightly cocktail hour.

The problem is, I miss my "old self." I feel wretched in the morning. I never wanted to turn out this way. It's a lonely and shameful way to live. Our kids will surely suffer. The guilt is eating me up. Thanks for listening. Can you give me a push? — **REACHING OUT IN ILLINOIS**

DEAR REACHING OUT: Here it is. You have no reason to be ashamed. Your husband is capitalizing on your illness (alcoholism IS an illness) and not helping you to be the strong person and better parent you aspire to be. It appears that he, too, has a drinking problem that shouldn't be ignored.

It's time to separate your problem from his. A program that has been extremely helpful to women alcoholics is Women for Sobriety Inc. Established in 1976, it is the first national self-help program for women with drinking problems. The address is P.O. Box 618, Quakertown, PA 18951-0618. The phone number is (215) 536-8026. The Web site is www.womenforsobriety.org. It offers hundreds of self-help groups nationwide and abroad. Please don't wait.

Tomorrow I'll print the warning signs of alcoholism.

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Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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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 in the price.)

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Oil Patch News

Scurry County

Sharp Image Energy Inc. will drill the No. 1 North Lake Thomas, a 5,500-foot wildcat located 14 miles southwest of Snyder. Drill site is in Section 127, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Permian Resources Inc. will drill the No. 2. R.L. Green in the Diamond M field, nine miles west of Snyder. Planned for a depth of 3,400 feet, location is in Section 213, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Permian Resources will drill the No. 2GL M.A. Boyd in the Diamond M field, nine miles west of Snyder. The venture will be drilled to a depth of 3,400 feet, and location is in Section 213, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Garza County

Burk Royalty Co. will drill the No. 1-34 Beggs, an 8,950-foot wildcat located 18 miles east of Post. Location is in Section 34, Block 2, T&NO survey.

Howard County

Mulloy Operating Inc. will drill the No. 1 Murphy, an 11,000-foot wildcat located nine miles west of Big Spring. Location is in Section 12, Block 34, T1N, T&P survey.

Mulloy Operating will drill the No. 1 Guitar, a 6,000-foot wildcat located five miles northwest of Big Spring. Location is in Section 7, Block A, Bauer and Cockrell survey.

LCS Production Co. will drill the No. 8 Slater in the Varel field, five miles northwest of Big Spring. Planned for a depth of 5,999 feet, drill site is in Section 16, Block 33, T1N, T&P survey.

LCS Production will drill the No. 1013-B Guitar in the Varel field, five miles northwest of Big Spring. Planned depth is 5,999 feet, and location is in Section 13, Block A, Bauer and Cockrell survey.

Nolan County

Pioneer Exploration will drill the No. 12-A Billie Hanks in the Hylton northwest field, eight miles south of Nolan. Planned for a depth of 5,942 feet, location is in Section 28, Block Z, T&P survey.

Pioneer Exploration will drill the No. 19-A Billie Hanks in the Hylton northwest field, eight miles south of Nolan. Planned depth is 6,054 feet, and drill site is in Section 28, Block Z, T&P survey.

Pioneer Exploration will drill the No. 29-A Billie Hanks in the Hylton northwest field, eight miles south of Nolan. The venture will be drilled to a depth of 6,148 feet, and location is in Section 28, Block Z, T&P survey.

Pioneer Exploration will drill the No. 36-A Billie Hanks in the Hylton northwest field, eight miles south of Nolan. Contracted for a depth of 6,400 feet, location is in Section 28, Block Z, T&P survey.

Pioneer Exploration will drill the No. 37-A Billie Hanks in the same field, eight miles south of Nolan. Planned for a depth of 6,515 feet, drill site is in Section 28, Block Z, T&P survey.

Clear Fork Inc. will drill the No. 4 Patterson, a 4,300-foot wildcat located eight miles southeast of Maryneal. Drill site is in Section 21, Block 1-A, H&TC survey.

Clear Fork Inc. will drill the No. 6057 Boyd in the EVB field, three miles northwest of Nolan. Planned for a depth of 6,900 feet, location is in Section 57, Block X, T&P survey.

Clear Fork Inc. will drill the No. 1144 Boyd in the EVB field, four miles northwest of Nolan. Planned for a depth of 6,900 feet, location is in Section 44, Block X, T&P survey.

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Saturday's Lottery Numbers Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated $4 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 54 were: 05-11-31-39-40-46

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $5 million.

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Two dead in Gulf 'copter crash

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A helicopter crash in the Gulf of Mexico has killed two people and injured three others.

The U.S. Coast Guard did not release names of the two dead men or the survivors from Sunday's crash of a Bell 4507 copter pending notification of relatives.

The craft plunged into the water about 30 nautical miles east of Port Aransas at about 2:30 p.m. Sunday. The Coast Guard said the three surviving occupants were taken to Christus Spohn Hospital Memorial for treatment.

After a mayday call from one of its copters that it was "going down," Houston Helicopter notified the Coast Guard shortly after noon.

A 41-foot rescue boat from Port Aransas and an 87-foot cutter were dispatched. Also, a 170-foot minesweeper was diverted to also help search for the men, the Coast Guard said.

Two helicopters and a jet joined the search later.

A Coast Guard copter spotted three men at about 2:30 p.m., and a private helicopter in the area spotted two other men in the water.

The survivors were rescued by the Coast Guard, which flew them to Christus Spohn Hospital. Crew members of the rescue boat picked up the other two men from the downed helicopter at about 2:40 p.m.

A cause of the crash was not known.

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NASA fix-it teams often 'save the day'

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — The despair of frustration and helplessness showed on their faces as they watched the data signals flit across their Mission Control screens. With each moment it became clearer that Columbia was lost, and there was nothing anybody could do about it.

Despite decades of training to respond quickly and precisely to problems in orbit, NASA's top engineers could only watch while the space shuttle and its seven-member crew died over Texas.

"We are trained to solve problems, to save the day," says Milt Heflin, chief of the flight director's office at Johnson Space Center. "There have been many missions where we have."

Yet, in the three major life-threatening orbital emergencies of the American manned space program, only once — the 1970 Apollo 13 moon flight — did the Mission Control engineers save the day.

On Challenger, when seven astronauts died during a 1986 shuttle launch, and on Columbia, when death came during reentry, the years of learning to be spring-loaded for trouble couldn't save the missions.

"It hurts me and the flight controllers that in only one of those incidents were we able to do something to help," says Heflin. "That's what bothers you as a flight controller — you weren't able to save the day."

Many times, NASA engineers, with the help of astronauts, have come up with solutions for problems arising in space.

On a 1984 mission, astronauts used a space shuttle robot arm to knock off a large round icicle that formed on the ship's wastewater discharge spout — the ice being a potential bit of dangerous debris. That same year in another mission they used the robot arm to capture an ailing solar observatory after a spacewalker was unable to snare it.

And in 1992, in the only three-man spacewalk ever, shuttle astronauts successfully grabbed a stranded communication satellite with their gloved hands, following failed attempts to latch onto the craft with a specially designed bar.

The most dramatic improvisation ever was the lifesaving Apollo 13. In that famous example — subject of a Tom Hanks movie — an oxygen tank exploded on the way to the moon. Mission Control engineers found a way to use the rocket on the attached Lunar Lander to hurry the Apollo craft Earthward.

The engineers devised a way for the astronauts to rig an air cleaning system to keep the crew alive. The craft splashed down safely with its three-man crew. NASA still calls the mission a "successful failure."

But there was no chance for such miracles on Challenger or Columbia.

At the center of the drama is Mission Control, a room jammed with electronics. The flight director and flight controllers seen on television during space missions are just the public faces — Heflin calls them the "glory hogs" — of an intricate group of engineering minds primed to keep America's manned spacecraft flying smoothly and safely.

The flight director is a sort of ringmaster who keeps up with the big picture and directs the engineering specialists. Surrounding him are the flight controllers, experts in individual systems.

For each flight controller, there is a backroom with still more engineer specialists. For each eight-hour shift during a mission, there are up to 75 engineers in Mission Control and in the backrooms.

And backing them up are engineers with NASA's contractors who may have helped build specific systems on the shuttle and who know the equipment down to individual nuts, bolts and wires.

Beyond that is an informal network reaching into every center of NASA. Engineers not connected with the mission are often called on for advice.

Before each mission, the engineers stage dress rehearsals, simulations using all the computers of Mission Control. For Columbia's 16-day flight, there were more than 100 hours of these practices.

Always, said Heflin, the simulations are filled with make-believe failures and emergencies.

"The simulation team throws the book at them," he said. "We train them to save the day so that it is second nature to them."

When a problem develops, such as the foam insulation that peeled off Columbia's external fuel tank and collided with a wing during launch, a special team evaluates it and devises solutions.

Sometimes emergency procedures are run in simulation and a team of senior engineers decides what to do. Engineers from throughout NASA and its contractors are encouraged to offer opinions.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2003

Although you might have to shoulder a trifle more responsibilities than usual in the year ahead, the rewards you garner will also be larger. Your cheerful attitude will make your task lighter and easier.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Unfortunately, one of your least favorite persons may have to be dealt with today at a gathering of your peers. Remain cool and don't do anything that would put you in a bad light.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Don't allow others to butt in on a disagreement you may have with your mate or a family member at this time. It would fuel a fire that could be very difficult to put out.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — If you have something to say about another's work today, be careful what you say and how you say it. Being harshly critical and offering no solutions could cause the person to walk off the job.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You might find yourself in a tight spot financially today if you haven't been managing your funds prudently in the past. It could be a day of reckoning for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — The restrictions placed on you today will be those of your own making, so don't attempt to take things out on others. Make the necessary changes to reduce your limitations.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Too much self-emphasis could put you in a negative frame of mind today. Those doldrums will leave quickly enough when you start to switch your focus off yourself and onto others.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — It's quite possible that a little fence mending with a valued friend will be required today. Not to do so would make matters worse.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Lofty objectives aren't likely to be met today if you're not prepared to extend the necessary effort it will take to achieve them. Don't blame the vicissitudes of life; blame yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Should you get into a conversation with someone concerning a mutual friend, be very careful not to say anything derogatory about him or her, especially if you know something juicy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — You'll have to make do with what you have at your disposal today instead of counting on others to bail you out. They'll have their own problems to contend with and will not have time for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Avoid hanging out with pessimists today. They will have a stronger influence on you at this time and will cause you to start looking at the world through Gloomy Gus's glasses.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Neglected responsibilities may rear their ugly heads today and force you to take care of a few things you hadn't planned. Your desires will have to be put on hold.

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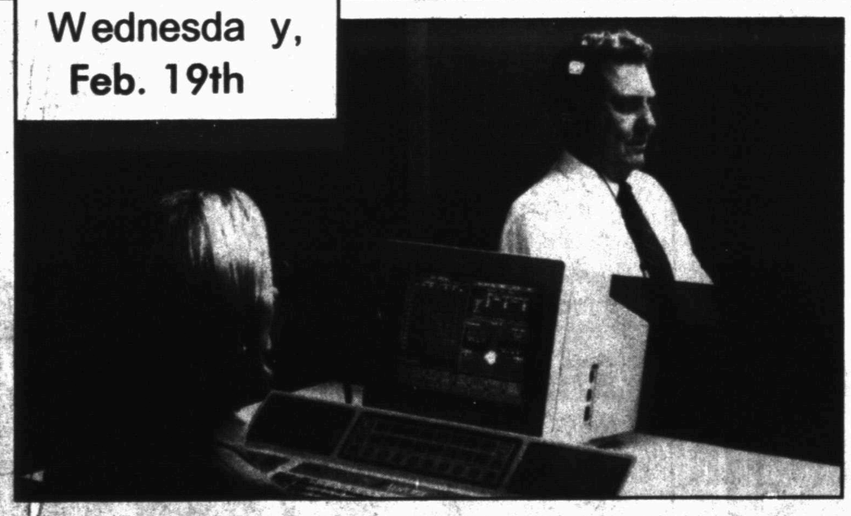

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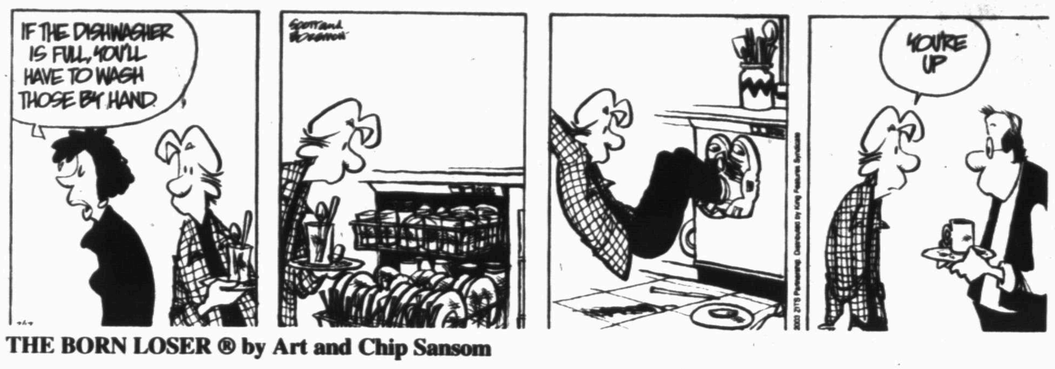

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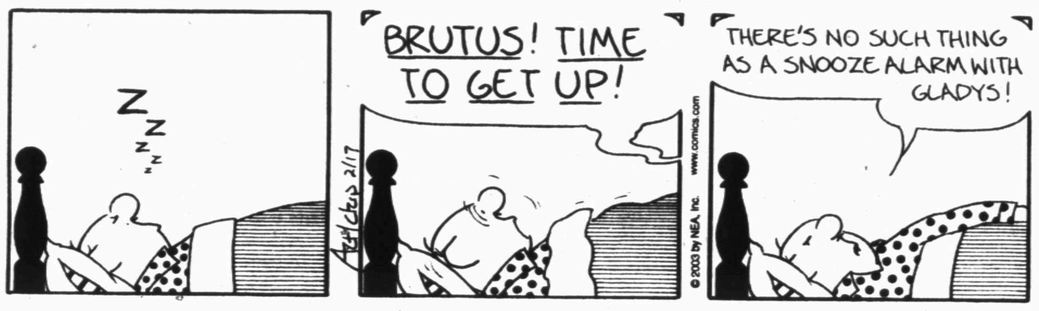

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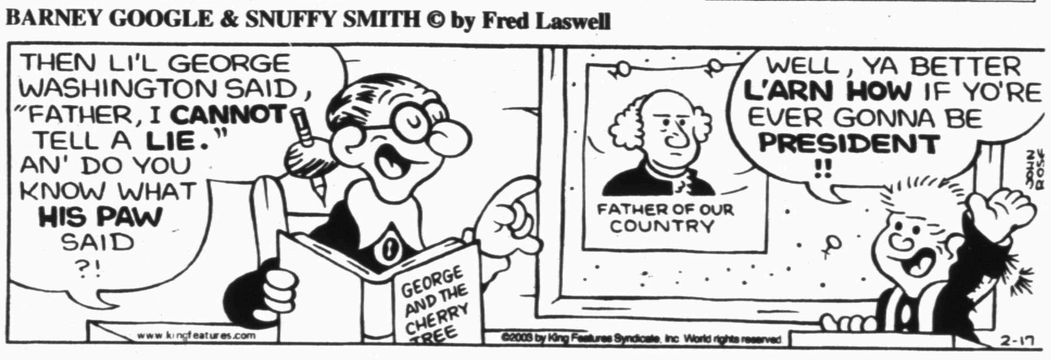

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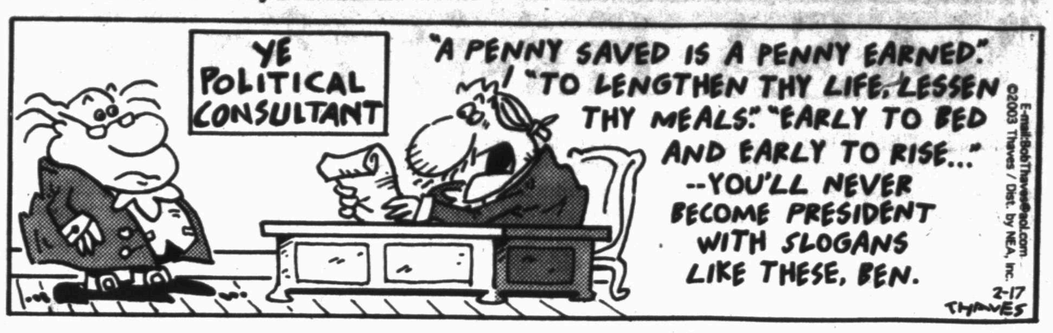

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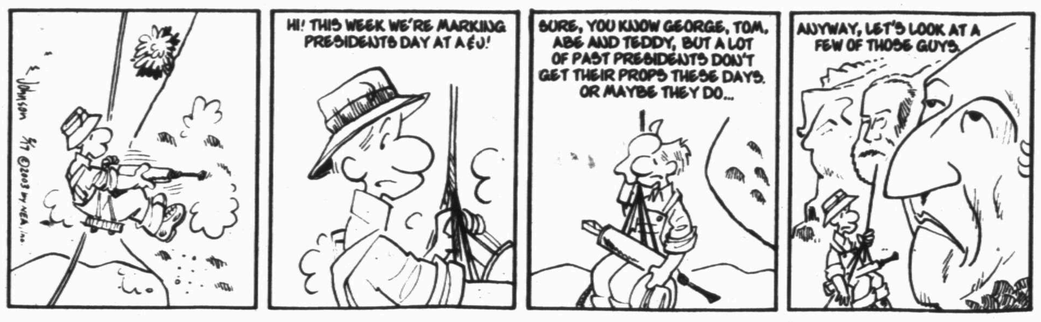

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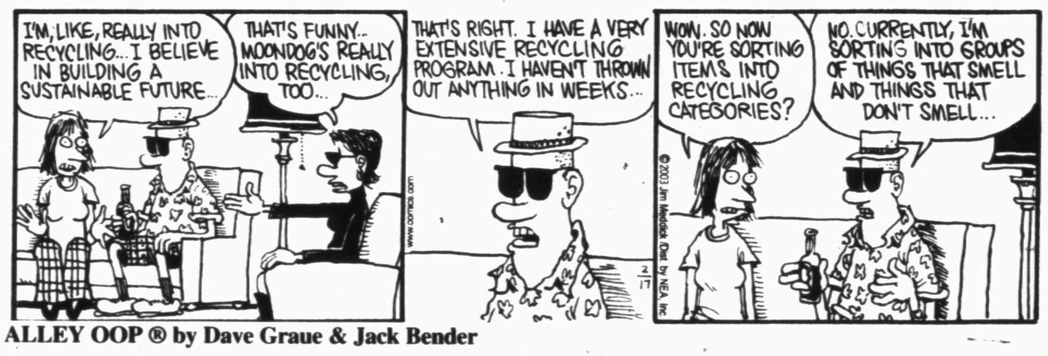

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1 Paws
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8 Sorts
12 Distinctive air
13 A Gershwin
14 Barcelona boy
15 Streetcar, in London
16 RN specialty
17 Boxer — Spinks
18 Fish hawk
20 Pessimist's word
21 Teacup handle
22 Quaker pronoun
23 Abrasive
26 Fermenting agents
29 Charged particle
30 Draw water
31 Tease
33 Become drowsy
34 Org. for over-50's
35 Showroom model
36 Jeans partner (hyph.)
38 Actress Dianne —
39 Large deer
40 Comstock Lode st.
41 Contends
43 Hair color
46 Combo
47 Bottle cap
48 Set down
50 Formerly
51 Pilot's dir.
52 Jeer at
53 Droplet
54 "— about time!"
55 Otherwise

DOWN

1 Diet no-no
2 Kind of dollar
3 Geologic divisions
4 Meddles
5 Pope's headdress
6 Concorde airport
7 Big burger
8 Dental fillings
9 Encum-brance
10 Nautical mile
11 Daughter's brother
19 Light beam
20 Bloke
22 Weather info
23 One, to Helmut
24 Debatable
25 Finales
26 Tentlike dwelling
27 Shade provider
28 Donaldson and Spade
30 Place for picnics
32 Obtained
34 Has a fever
35 Tell all
37 Obeyed
38 Fly catcher
40 Rubens' models
41 Barn topper
42 Andes empire
43 "— No Way To Treat a Lady"
44 Train track
45 Pen points
46 Hope or Newhart
47 Flower garland
49 Actress Sandra —

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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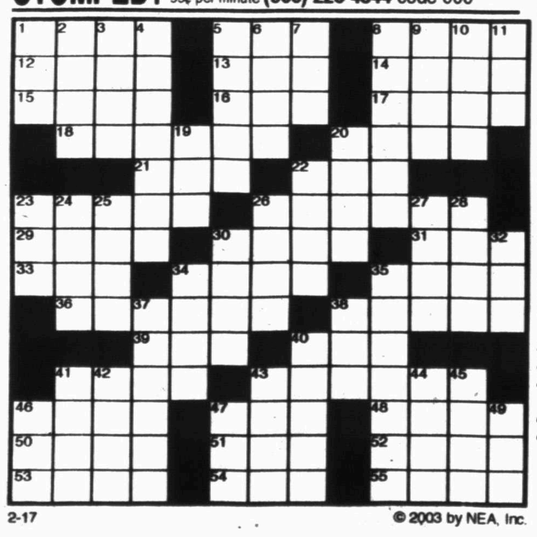

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Snyder Daily News Comics

DENNIS THE MENACE ® by Hank Ketcham

SPORTS

With 20 strokes over nearest competitor...

Lady Tigers take tournament

Forget running neck and neck.

With temperatures hanging around freezing and winds gusting, the Lady Tiger golfers pulled away from Andrews and blew away the rest of the field in the second round of the Snyder Invitational, taking the tournament trophy with 20 strokes to spare.

Snyder followed up Friday's sizzling 320 with a 331 Saturday, to race past the only team able to give them competition in the tourney.

Only Snyder and Andrews (671) finished the tournament under 700. Third place Wylie fired a 734 — 83 strokes behind the Lady Tigers.

"When you can beat a quality team like Andrews, you've played well," head golf coach Matt Glenn said. "They will probably be ranked in the top two or three in the state in 4A."

Glenn said conditions were treacherous throughout the round, but the experience and focus of the golfers helped them overcome the cold and the wind.

While Andrews' Halli Richards topped the individual scores with a two-round 156, the Lady Tigers grabbed second through fifth with solid consistent rounds from every player.

Katie Kerley followed up Friday's 77 with a second-day best score of 80. She ended at 157.

Lauren Day followed up a 79 with an 84 Saturday to take the third in individual scoring with a 163.

Kellie Dodson ended Saturday's round one shot better than Friday's, carding an 82 on the final day to complete the tournament with a 165.

Hailey Putnam carded rounds of 81 and 85 to end in a fifth-place tie with Wylie's Jessica Harbin.

Catherine Whitworth finished on a solid note, dropping from a 90 to an 87 for a 177, good enough for 11th place individually.

The Lady Tigers also claimed the tournament in Division II, securing the victory by 56 strokes.

Cami Trout, who landed in third in the individual standings, paced the team with a two-round 192. She fired a 94 Friday and recorded a 98 Saturday.

Brooke Jackson, Kendra Martinez and Meggan Minor all improved between rounds, and Christi Williams carded 100 on both days to record 200 for the tourney.

Jackson shot 100 and 96, giving her a final tally of 196. Martinez improved from 101 to 97 for a 198, and Minor bested Friday's 111 by three shots to finish at 219.

Snyder medalist Wendy Reed knocked 21 strokes from Friday's score in carding a 117 Saturday for a tournament total of 255.

The varsity Lady Tigers get a much-deserved break this weekend, before traveling to Midland the following week. The JV boys are also idle.

The varsity boys head to Midland Friday, and the JV girls travel to Sweetwater on the same day.

WTC Dusters suffer first loss at tourney

The Lady Dusters were handed their first loss of the season Sunday, falling to Hill College 1-0 in the last game of the Temple College tournament Sunday.

Chilly temperatures and rain put a damper on the tournament, and the Lady Dusters played just two games in four days.

"It was less than perfect conditions," said head coach Rodney McNeill. "The outfield was soggy."

Friday's contests were pushed back to Saturday, and Western Texas College pounded Cisco, 9-3, to take their seventh straight win.

Tabitha Rodriguez belted a home run, and McNeill said the team hit well up and down the line up in the lopsided victory.

Sarah Thornton pitched the Dusters to the win over a Cisco squad the team has now beaten three times this season.

The Lady Dusters started an early game Sunday against McClennan, but the teams decided to cancel the tilt after the wind chill stayed at 16 degrees.

The first loss of the season for WTC came Sunday night, as Patricia Gonzales saw the first blemish on her record (3-1).

The teams played to a scoreless stalemate through the seventh inning, until Hill College manufactured the game's only run in the bottom of the frame, getting a single around a bunt and a walk.

Gonzales did not allow a hit until the last inning.

McNeill said the Dusters did not do a very good job executing bunts, and will work on producing runs through sacrifices throughout this week.

He said the girls hit well, but many line drives were caught up in a gusting wind, and the team needed the small game to help pick up the slack.

McNeill said he was frustrated by the team's defensive miscues at the start of the game, and said he the team may have let the weather and the delays affect its performance.

"They are all freshmen, and they have really grown a lot," he said. "But we can't let outside factors affect our game. That's another hurdle for us. If we can clear it, it will put us over the top."

WTC will open conference play tomorrow at home, when it takes on Odessa College in a doubleheader at Cates Field, with the first contest starting at 3 p.m. and the second to begin at 5.

Gonzales will start the opener, and Brandy Johnson will hurl for the Dusters in the second tilt.

SHS netters take third in Big Spring tournament

The Snyder netters took third place at the Big Spring tournament last weekend, missing the second place spot by one point in the team standings.

The Tigers finished with 73 points, one shy of Abilene Wylie.

Lubbock Coronado, with 124 points, easily outdistanced the field to claim the top spot.

"We played pretty well," said head tennis coach Ted Phillips. "We had a good tournament."

The format for the eight-team tournament required players to either play singles or doubles.

Pat Vargas and Andra Dunham grabbed second place in the girls doubles competition.

Afton Sutter and Jackie Beccue finished in fourth place in the bracket.

In singles play, Stephanie Williams and Kara Brumley both cracked the top 10, placing ninth and 10th respectively.

Horacio DePaz earned the fourth spot in boys singles, and Tanner Reed garnered the seventh slot.

Adam Rogers and Curt Phillips claimed fourth place in the boys doubles.

Joe Ynguanzo and Kenny Alcala took 16th in the bracket.

The netters will play another either/or tournament this weekend in Odessa.

Lady Tigers tally six shutouts

Defense was supposed to be the strength of the Snyder softball club this year, but the pitching has been nothing to laugh at either.

The Lady Tigers won seven games — including six shutouts — at the Mineral Wells tournament last weekend, dropping the championship game to Breckenridge Saturday, 8-6.

Shelley Fisk, Missy Vasquez, and Chaelyn Robinson were named to the all-tournament team, and head coach Shelly Hayes said tournament officials wanted to pick a pitcher from Snyder, but couldn't decide on which one.

They couldn't have gone wrong with any choice, as Kelsi Johnson, Jacque Alvarez and Ashley Martinez each pitched dominating games in both the pool play and the bracket round.

Games in the pool play were timed, so Hayes said some games only went two to three innings.

Alvarez struck out seven of the nine batters she faced, as the Lady Tigers began the tournament by stomping Glen Rose, 7-0.

Johnson fanned four in the second game Thursday, blanking host Mineral Wells, 7-0.

Friday saw the team fire three more shutouts, with Martinez shutting out two squads.

The team opened the day with Martinez stopping Ft. Worth Northside, 3-0, then followed that up with a 2-0 triumph over Eastland.

Alvarez struck out six in that tilt.

Martinez finished the evening for the Lady Tigers, downing Early, 2-0, in a game that was postponed from Thursday due to cold.

Defense was the key in the squad's 9-0 pummeling of Wichita Falls Hershey, as Johnson struck out three.

The host team finally got on the board against the Lady Tigers in the semifinal game, as Mineral Wells dropped the rematch to Snyder 6-1. Alvarez got the win with four strikeouts.

The team was dealt its first loss of the season in the title contest, as Martinez suffered her first blemish on the year, going 6 2/3 in defeat.

Hayes, obviously pleased with the team's effort, also praised their character at the tournament.

"The girls showed composure and class," she said. "They took care of things on the field. I was really proud of them."

The team will travel to Midland High Tuesday for one game at 4 p.m.

Westerners drop two to New Mexico JC

Western Texas College dropped both games of Saturday's twinbill with New Mexico Junior College, falling 7-1 and 10-8 at Hobbs.

Sophomore Shaun Hanson (0-3) was saddled with the first loss. He gave up just two earned runs, as the Westerner defense booted four chances to let five unearned runs scored.

"He has thrown the best of our pitchers," said assistant coach Billy Hefflinger. "But we gave him no run support and couldn't make a play."

Trey Roberson got two of the four Westerner hits on the day.

The offense stepped up in the second game, smacking 11 hits and roughing up NMJC starter Drew Jackson for eight runs on eight hits and five walks.

Sophomore Scott Peden keyed the offensive resurgence in the second contest, collecting three hits and knocking in four runs to help ignite the Westerner bats.

Shay Franks (2-1) was battered early, as five NMJC runners crossed the plate in the third to make it a seven-run game.

WTC responded with four runs in the fifth, but gave up two runs in the bottom half of the inning to make it 10-5.

Sophomore Tanyon Reeves drove in a run in the sixth, as WTC plated three runs to pull within two.

The team threatened in the seventh, getting the first two men on base, but NMJC closer Grant Alexander fanned the next three batters to close out the game.

The Westerners will host VBA-Canada Wednesday in a nine-inning game at Moffett Field at 2 p.m.

Woods answers questions at Buick

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Tiger Woods spent two months out of golf recovering from knee surgery, the longest layoff of his career. He needed only four days at the Buick Invitational to show that nothing has changed.

No pain in his left knee.

No rust in his game.

No problem with Phil Mickelson.

No reason to believe he's any less capable of hitting great shots on demand, and hoisting a trophy on the 18th green.

Woods was in control to the end Sunday, even conducting his own Q&A.

Yes, he played well. Yes, that was a big birdie putt on No. 5. Oh, it's great to be back and even better to have won against a strong field.

"Any questions?" Woods asked to end his monologue.

No, he answered them all in the final round at Torrey Pines.

Baltimore pitcher dies

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Baltimore Orioles pitcher Steve Bechler died today, less than 24 hours after complaining of dizziness during a spring training workout.

Team officials said Bechler, 23, was pronounced dead at Northridge Medical Center, where he had been in intensive care overnight.

He was pale and feeling lightheaded Sunday while completing his final conditioning run at Fort Lauderdale Stadium. The initial diagnosis was heat exhaustion and dehydration, but his condition worsened after he arrived at the hospital by ambulance.

Bechler, a third-round draft pick in 1998, made his major league debut last September, going 0-0 with a 13.50 ERA in three relief appearances.

National Basketball Association

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Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	35	18	.660	—
Boston	30	23	.566	5
Philadelphia	28	24	.538	6½
Washington	25	27	.481	9½
Orlando	25	29	.463	10½
New York	23	28	.451	11
Miami	18	34	.346	16½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	37	16	.698	—
Detroit	35	16	.686	1
Milwaukee	27	24	.529	9
New Orleans	28	26	.519	9½
Atlanta	20	33	.377	17
Chicago	18	35	.340	19
Toronto	16	35	.314	20
Cleveland	10	43	.189	27

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

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Dallas	40	12	.769	—
San Antonio	36	16	.692	4
Minnesota	33	20	.623	7½
Utah	31	21	.596	9
Houston	27	24	.529	12½
Memphis	15	36	.294	24½
Denver	12	41	.226	28½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Sacramento	36	18	.667	—
Portland	33	18	.647	1½
Phoenix	30	23	.566	5½
L.A. Lakers	26	25	.510	8½
Golden State	24	28	.462	11
Seattle	21	30	.412	13½
L.A. Clippers	18	34	.346	17

Sunday's Games

Philadelphia 90, New Jersey 83
Toronto 99, Orlando 97
Memphis 101, Milwaukee 95
San Antonio 104, Sacramento 101
Minnesota 109, Golden State 102
Atlanta 99, Indiana 86
Detroit 90, Cleveland 75
New Orleans 100, Denver 92
Phoenix 102, Boston 92
New York 117, L.A. Lakers 110

Area Sports Calendar

TODAY

Baseball: Snyder JV #1 vs. Greenwood, 5 p.m.
Snyder JV #2 at Levelland, 4 p.m.
Basketball: Grady vs. Guthrie, Scurry County Coliseum, 6 p.m.
Borden County boys vs. Aspermont, coliseum, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

Baseball: Snyder varsity vs. Wylie, season opener, 7 p.m.
Softball: Snyder varsity at Midland High, 4 p.m.
Snyder JV at Midland High, 4 p.m.
WTC vs. Odessa College, DH, 3 p.m.
Basketball: Borden County vs. Happy, Lubbock Monterey, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Baseball: Snyder JV in Snyder tournament.

Sports Briefs

Baseball booster club

The baseball booster club will meet Wednesday night at 7:30 in the film room.

Babe Ruth League

There will be a meeting for Babe Ruth League summer baseball league Thursday night at 7 in the SHS film room.

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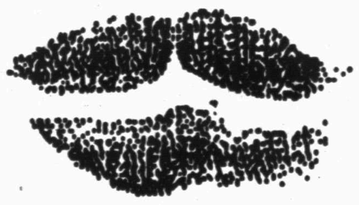

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Potential Demo candidates test prospects

WASHINGTON (AP) — With a half-dozen Democratic presidential aspirants already in the race, potential candidates in the next wave are about to test their prospects with party people and voters.

Rep. Dennis Kucinich of Ohio and former Illinois Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun say they're filing papers this week to run for president and will see what kind of response they get in the coming months. Retired Gen. Wesley Clark said he's thinking about a presidential candidacy and getting encouragement from others to run, but he has "no timetable."

The Democratic National Committee's schedule for speaking appearances by the candidates appeared to be a catalyst for decisions announced by Moseley-Braun and Kucinich. Only candidates who have said publicly that they're forming exploratory committees are going to be speaking, party officials say.

On Sunday, the 58-year-old Clark said, "Well, I have thought about it and a lot of people have asked me to think about it."

The former NATO commander said on NBC's "Meet the Press" that he has no timetable for deciding.

Both Kucinich and Moseley-Braun acknowledge they will give their candidacies a few months to see what kind of public response they get.

"It would be a cold day and probably a snowy day in hell before a liberal Democrat could get back to the White House, but it looks like my time has arrived," Kucinich said Sunday while driving on a snow-covered highway to meet with Democratic Party activists in Iowa.

Moseley-Braun said in Iowa: "If the American people respond to my message and respond to my candidacy, then it will be a viable one."

And Clark said he's thinking about running for president because he has worries about the Bush administration's direction in international affairs.

While Clark says he's not a member of a political party, "it would be hard to conceive of running as a Republican only because the administration's policy is what's causing me to have these concerns."

"We're at a turning point in American history here. We are about to embark on an operation that's going to put us in a colonial position in the Middle East following Britain, following the Ottomans," he said. "It's a huge change for the American people and for what this country stands for."

Already in the race are former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, North Carolina Sen. John Edwards, Missouri Rep. Dick Gephardt, Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry, Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman and the Rev. Al Sharpton.

Others are maneuvering to keep their options alive.

Dispatchers receive many 9-1-1 calls

Arrests

Snyder officers arrested a 17-year-old male in the 2000 block of Ave. N at 10:25 a.m. Saturday for Class A assault.

At 8 p.m. Saturday a 17-year-old male was taken into custody in the 4400 block of Ave. U on warrants for consumption of alcohol by a minor and failure to appear before a judge.

Suspicious plane

9-1-1 dispatchers received numerous calls around 5:30 p.m. Sunday reporting a low-flying airplane over U.S. 84. DPS trooper Rick Campos tracked the northbound plane from Hermleigh to Dermott, but no other information was available.

Witnesses said the plane appeared to be looking for a place to land, but was never seen setting down. Calls to Lubbock Air Traffic Control were unanswered because of the holiday and Trooper Campos also was unavailable.

Accident

Snyder officers responded to a two-vehicle accident at Coliseum Dr. and 37th Street at 1:20 p.m. Sunday.

Involved were a 1991 Buick driven by JoAnn Salazar, 30, of 3803 Noble Dr. and a 2000 Ford pickup driven by Brandon Boehme, 39, of Fort Worth.

Salazar was transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Hospital where she was treated and released.

Disturbances

A woman in the Park Village Apartments reported being assaulted by a man who had left her residence. She advised she wanted to file charges. The man was located and arrested.

Theft

Linda Garza reported her bicycle stolen at 3:30 p.m. Saturday and a report for Class B theft was submitted.

Criminal mischief

A woman reported the tires on her daughter's vehicle were slashed Saturday night while parked at Snyder Lanes. A report for criminal mischief was filed.

At 1 a.m. today, a man reported witnessing a woman vandalize his car while parked at Town and Country East. A report for criminal mischief was submitted.

Close patrols

Vandalism was reported on equipment at Grimmett Bros. Saturday morning. The cab of a Caterpillar was damaged by a fire extinguisher, but no report was requested.

At 1 p.m. Saturday, a man reported damage to a screen at his house in the 2500 block of 27th Street and requested a close patrol.

A woman in the 2100 block of Ave. M reported a neighbor threatening her dogs Saturday afternoon and requested a close patrol.

Criminal trespass

Ruth Kerry reported six people leaving Kerry's Pit and Grill Saturday afternoon without paying for their food. An officer spoke with both parties and a criminal trespass warning was issued.

Gas drive off

A clerk at Town and Country North reported a gas drive off worth $13.01 at 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Mental changes may be ominous

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband had hernia surgery in 1997. In the past two years, he has begun seeing things that aren't there and speaking to imaginary people. Also, his behavior has changed. From being a loving sweetheart, he has changed into a suspicious, withdrawn man. He is 79. What can I do?

DEAR READER: Get your husband to a doctor immediately. His hallucinations and behavioral changes suggest that he may have a serious mental problem, such as paranoid schizophrenia. In my view, he needs a medical work-up, referral to a psychiatrist and intensive therapy. I do not think that his hernia surgery plays any role whatsoever in his mental illness.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have chronic pyelonephritis, and my doctor has stated that if I have another attack, I'll be a candidate for dialysis. What can I do to prevent this from happening? Is there any way I can keep this disease in check to avoid what appears to be the inevitable?

DEAR READER: Pyelonephritis is a serious, bacterial kidney infection that, if untreated, may lead to renal failure. The two most important aspects of pyelonephritis are the infection itself and the potential for mechanical obstruction, which prevents urine from draining out of the diseased kidney. Before antibiotics can eradicate the infection, any blockages must be removed. Such blockages include kidney stones and scar tissue.

I don't see how you can modify your kidney disease, providing you follow your doctor's orders. Rather, it's up to him to assume this responsibility by 1) making sure, by X-raying your kidneys, that they are not obstructed and 2) prescribing appropriate antibiotics to rid your urinary tract of bacteria.

I believe that you should be examined by a urologist and, if you haven't already, a nephrologist. Working together, these two specialists (one surgical, the other medical) should be able to pinpoint your problem and offer treatment. In my opinion, your doctor frightened you unnecessarily.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: Ten years ago, my wife was discovered to have a 90 percent blockage of her aorta. This was followed by surgery during which the doctor performed a bypass procedure and a sympathectomy. Since then, she has had no sexual desire of any kind. Just what was done to her?

DEAR READER: During the operation your wife required (to bypass the blocked portions of her aorta and to sever certain nerves causing arterial constriction), the surgeon probably damaged some of the nerves necessary for sexual arousal. If I'm correct in this assessment, the situation is permanent. In my opinion, she should have been informed of this potential consequence before surgery.

I suggest that you ask your family physician to find out (from the operative report and hospital record) what, exactly, the surgery entailed. He can then discuss this with you and explain the specifics about which you are concerned.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 02-17-03
♠ Q 10 9
♥ 7 5 4
♦ 6 4 3
♣ A K Q 2

West
♠ A J
♥ K 10 9 8 6 2
♦ A 9 2
♣ 6 5

East
♠ 8 6 5 4 2
♥ J
♦ 10 8 7 5
♣ 10 9 4

South
♠ K 7 3
♥ A Q 3
♦ K Q J
♣ J 8 7 3

Dealer: West
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
	1 ♥	Pass	Pass
Dbl.	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ 10

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Calculating the lie of the cards

By Phillip Alder

Everyone expects experts to excel — but sometimes coups are produced by "unknown" players. This deal gives both sides a chance to do something surprising. Look at the North-South hands. You are in three no-trump after West opened one heart. West leads the heart 10 and East puts up the jack. How would you plan the play?

If the dealer opens one of a suit and it is followed by two passes, the fourth player is in the balancing seat. If he overcalls one no-trump, it is weak, showing a good 11 to 14 points. And if he jumps to two no-trump, it is also natural (not Unusual), promising 19 to 20 points. With 15-18 points, the balancer must start with a takeout double, planning to rebid in no-trump on the second round.

South has six top tricks: two hearts (given trick one) and four clubs. So, he must drive out both pointed-suit aces to establish the other three tricks that he needs. However, there is a snag.

Suppose South wins the first trick and leads a diamond. West wins immediately with the ace and expels declarer's heart ace. Then, when South plays a spade, West grabs the trick and cashes the rest of his hearts to defeat the contract.

Karen Condie, from Vero Beach, Fla., realized that there was only one chance. She let East win the first trick! And when East had to shift, Karen still had her two heart stoppers and could dislodge West's aces in safety.

Finally, note that if West had been psychic, he would have led the heart king at trick one. Then, he would have been a step ahead and defeated the contract.

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Anti-Iraq war protesters gather in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — More than 100,000 people hit the streets of San Francisco on Sunday to join the voices around the world this weekend protesting a possible U.S. invasion of Iraq.

Demonstrators had postponed their event one day to make way for the city's popular Chinese New Year parade and celebration. But the delay didn't hamper turnout, which appeared to swell throughout the day.

"Finally it seems there is a worldwide movement saying this is obviously a catastrophic path we're on," said Deborah Hoffmann, 55, part of a group of Arab and Israeli women. "And now everybody is out in the streets."

A steady stream of chanting, sign-waving protesters filled 12 large city blocks stretching from the waterfront to City Hall. Police estimated the crowd at 150,000 people. Other estimates claimed 250,000.

Protesters, including actor Danny Glover, writer Alice Walker and singers Bonnie Raitt and Joan Baez, tied the San Francisco event to a worldwide series of demonstrations held Saturday around the world.

"We know that we have not been shown enough evidence for a preemptive strike," said Raitt. "There are a million people around the globe who have shown they feel the same way."

In Denver, about 300 people waving American Flags and holding signs proclaiming "war is bad, evil is worse" also gathered Sunday in support of using force against Iraq.

"I support our president and I support my sons. This is the only option," said Pam Pearson, 49, who has two sons in the Navy. "I'd rather force Sadaam out than have to play by his rules."

Some came dressed in colonial costumes or as World War II fighters. Others held signs that said "Remember 9-11?" as state legislators and religious leaders expressed support for President Bush.

At an anti-war rally in Colorado Springs on Saturday, police fired tear gas at demonstrators and hit at least one with a rubber bullet after a demonstrators spilled out of a park and blocked a major thoroughfare.

Scores of demonstrations brought out millions of people across the nation and around the world Saturday. Rome claimed the biggest turnout — 1 million according to police, and London reported more than 750,000 in what police called the city's largest protest ever.

In New York, police said Sunday that more than 250 people were arrested the day before during a massive anti-war demonstration as tens of thousands of protesters packed a 20-block area north of United Nations headquarters.

Police said the crowd that withstood bitter cold was about 100,000-strong, while organizers estimated it at three to five times that size.

Most of the 257 arrests were for disorderly conduct and other minor violations, police said. Five people were arrested on felony charges and 53 on misdemeanors.

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California judges clamp down on publicity

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Judges who preside over some of California's highest-profile trials have been clamping down on press coverage despite legal rules and admonitions from higher courts telling them to keep doors and documents open.

In cases such as the Winona Ryder shoplifting prosecution in Beverly Hills and the David Westerfield child kidnap-murder trial in San Diego, judges have closed doors and sealed documents, releasing information only when ordered to do so by appellate courts.

"This happens not only in high-profile trials. It happens in all kinds of cases," said attorney Kelli Sager. "But unless the media challenges it, the public doesn't know about it."

Sager has represented numerous media organizations in cases ranging from Ryder to O.J. Simpson. She and other First Amendment lawyers suggest that judges are either unaware of the rules governing access or ignore them to stifle publicity.

Federal case law supports openness in all court proceedings unless there is proof that "irreparable harm" would result to a defendant's case. Judges are required to consider less restrictive alternatives than closure as a means of preventing that harm.

Memories of the Simpson murder trial still haunt the Los Angeles judiciary. Six years after the saga ended, judges remain concerned about avoiding the kind of wall-to-wall coverage that made it a national obsession.

"The courts still have an O.J. hangover," said Loyola Law School professor Laurie Levenson, who was a TV commentator during that trial.

"No judge wants to be the next Lance Ito," she said of the much-maligned jurist who presided in the Simpson trial. "It's even become a verb — to be 'O.J.ed.' It means your case is in the spotlight and everyone is watching."

In the Ryder case, Superior Court Judge Elden Fox refused to admit the press and public to his courtroom during arguments on a sealed motion involving allegations of "prior bad acts" by Ryder. The judge also excluded the press and public while prospective jurors were being sworn in and refused to release their answers to a written questionnaire.

Fox lost in news media appeals on all counts. The 2nd District Court of Appeal found that he erred when he held closed hearings and did not make any findings on the record to justify his sealing of pretrial legal documents.

Fox responded that there were "unique aspects of this trial" involving pervasive publicity, a claim made by many judges in newsworthy trials.

The appeals court, however, declared that the presumption of openness is essential to "the very nature of a criminal trial under our system of justice."

Sager said publicity alone is not a reason to shut the doors and cameras on big trials.

"I think the whole notion that you can't have publicity without it being prejudicial is just wrong," she said. "It used to be that everyone knew everything and juries were people that knew the defendant. It's still like that in some small towns."

Cadets say they were reprimanded for reporting rapes

DENVER (AP) — When five female Air Force Academy cadets reported that they had been raped by classmates, they sought some support from the military. Instead, they were treated as if they were either crazy or promiscuous, says a former Air Force captain and founder of a group that tracks sexual assaults in the military.

The women say they were reprimanded for reporting the attack, and four have left the academy. Now, the military has ordered a review of how the academy handles sexual assault allegations.

"They have attempted to talk about it or find some assistance within the system. Instead they have systematically been told to shut up by other cadets or the system itself," said Dorothy Mackey, a former Air Force captain who says she resigned her commission in 1992 after two other officers harassed her. Her lawsuit against the men was ultimately rejected by the U.S. Supreme Court.

The Air Force Academy allegations have led Sens. Wayne Allard, R-Colo., and John Warner, R-Va., to ask the Pentagon for an investigation.

On Friday, the office of Air Force Secretary James Roche announced that a special review panel had been formed to review sexual assault policies in the military branch, "with a particular emphasis on the Air Force Academy."

The academy commandant, Brig. Gen. Taco Gilbert, defended the school's conduct in a written response to questions about one alleged assault in October 2001, in which a cadet said she was raped after a night of drinking and a strip poker game.

After a hearing the academy decided not to press charges against her attacker, and the cadet said Gilbert criticized her conduct.

"I take all reports seriously. I investigate every allegation and take action on every assault," Gilbert said.

He said there was "no justification" for the alleged assault, but added, "when you put yourself in situations with increased risk, you have to take increased precautions to mitigate those risks.

"For example, if I walk down a dark alley with hundred-dollar bills hanging out of my pockets, it doesn't justify my being attacked or robbed, but I certainly increased the risk by doing what I did."

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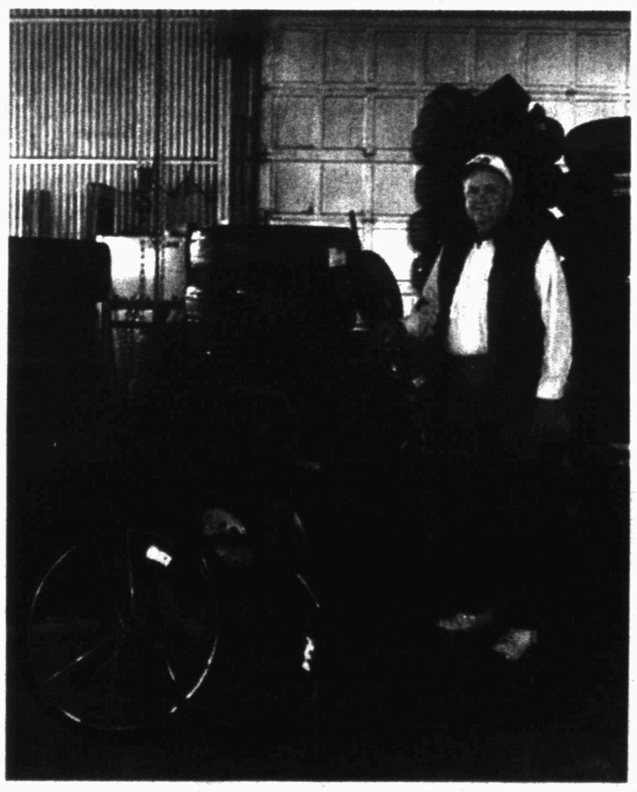

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Sound waves help Columbia investigators

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Recordings made by instruments sensitive to sound below the threshold of human hearing may help investigators build a timeline of any uncharacteristic movements made by the space shuttle Columbia minutes before it broke apart, scientists say.

The instruments also captured an explosion high over Texas that one scientist said could have been Columbia's cabin rupturing.

As parts of Columbia began to break off as the shuttle streaked across the West, the flight behavior of the normally streamlined spacecraft would have changed. Those changes would have generated distinctly different patterns of sound waves compared to previous shuttle flights.

The patterns, recorded on the ground by instruments in Texas, Nevada and elsewhere in the West, are now being examined as part of the Columbia disaster investigation.

Any abnormal patterns can help investigators establish the timing of events as the shuttle entered the Earth's atmosphere Feb. 1, said Keith Koper, a geophysicist at Saint Louis University in Missouri.

Investigators already know from sensor data sent from the shuttle in its final minutes — supported by eyewitness reports, photographs and video footage — that Columbia's cascade of problems began while the spacecraft was still over the Pacific Ocean.

The sensors indicated increasing heat as well as increased drag on shuttle's left wing, suggesting it was somehow damaged, perhaps from the impact of a chunk of hard foam that broke off the external fuel tank and hit the wing shortly after liftoff Jan. 16.

Investigators have said they suspect that data means Columbia was already dropping debris over the West, several minutes and hundreds of miles before it broke apart high over Texas. All seven crew members were killed.

One array of the sound-sensitive instruments, located near Big Bend National Park in southwest Texas, recorded sound waves from Columbia as it was over West Texas indicating an explosion equivalent to a few pounds of TNT, said Eugene Herrin, a geophysicist at Southern Methodist University.

"Our guess is that it could have been caused by a rapid decompression, which is what would have happened if you ruptured the crew compartment," Herrin said.

He said an initial analysis of data collected in Columbia's wake by another array of microbarometers, outside Mina, Nev., showed "unusual" patterns when compared to data from other shuttle flights passing overhead. The instruments record minute pressure changes caused by infrasound, or sound waves below about four cycles per second that are inaudible to humans.

"There was something about this one. I am not going to speculate. What we see are oscillations in the shock wave that we don't normally see. Whether that's diagnostic or not, that's a NASA call," Herrin said.

Space agency spokesman William Jeffs said Sunday that NASA would consider the information in the shuttle investigation.

Search crews have yet to find any confirmed shuttle debris more than 20 miles west of Fort Worth. A concentrated search in a canyon east of Albuquerque, N.M., on Saturday turned up nothing from the shuttle, officials there said.

Earthquake instruments throughout the West also picked up vibrations induced by Columbia's supersonic flight overhead, said Andrew Michael, a U.S. Geological Survey geophysicist in Menlo Park, Calif.

Ridge: Terror alert likely to be lowered

WASHINGTON (AP) — The current terrorism threat level will probably be lowered from its current high-risk, or orange, status sometime in the near future, says Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge.

Ridge said Sunday he was confident the terror risk status would be lowered, but did not say exactly when. And he acknowledged that gauging when a terror threat is imminent is very difficult.

The secretary said on ABC's "This Week" that U.S. intelligence officials were evaluating a new tape, purportedly of Osama bin Laden saying American war plans against Iraq are part of a broader plot against Muslim nations.

While the release of statements from bin Laden have foreshadowed past terrorist attacks, Ridge said he saw no "trigger" in the latest tape.

"But there is no rhyme or reason to when they attack," he said. "Ultimately they attack when they are ready."

The speaker on the tape said the goal of any U.S. war against Iraq would be to alter the map of the Middle East to benefit Israel. The recording appeared to be the same 53-minute tape from which a few excerpts were released Thursday by the British-based Islamic Al-Ansaar news agency.

It began appearing in full Sunday on Islamic-oriented Web sites. Al-Ansaar had said it acquired the tape from a seller who advertised it over the Internet.

Ridge also said intelligence operatives were keeping tabs on 20 to 40 people in the United States who have trained in al-Qaida camps in Afghanistan, but said not enough evidence had been gathered to take them into custody.

"We know that they've got a rather substantial network. But this is a country that operates under the rule of law. There are restrictions to what we can do and when can do it," he said. "When the rule of law and the burden of proof gets us to where we can take action, then I assure you we will."

Ridge defended the Bush administration's decision last week to increase the level to the second from the top on a color-coded scale of five, even though the government later determined that some of the information which led to the upgrading was likely fabricated.

Births

Katlyn Dayton Burton, weighing 7 pounds, was born Saturday, Feb. 15, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Parents are Cristi and James Burton of Snyder and sister is ZaZanna Karie Burton, also of Snyder.

Paternal grandparents are Danny and Marita Burton of Snyder. Maternal grandparents are Tommy and Elaine Buchanan of Snyder.

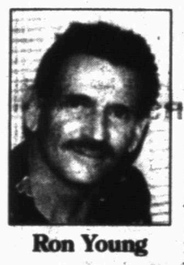
Obituaries

Ron Young

1943-2003

James Ronald "Ron" Young, 59, died Saturday, Feb. 15, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Funeral service for Mr. Young is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Wright Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. Walter McCall, Odyssey Healthcare chaplain, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Hermleigh Cemetery.



Ron Young

Born April 18, 1943 in Dublin, he married Vicki Allen on June 12, 1970 in Snyder. Mr. Young served in the National Guard for six years and was a retired salesman and truck drive.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Marie Bean Walton; his adoptive parents, Raymond Carson and Bella Tate Young; and a half-sister, Judy Walton.

Survivors include his wife, Nicki Young of Hermleigh; a daughter and son-in-law, Melissa and Jason Burney of Snyder; a son, Ron Young of Snyder; his father, John Vernon Walton of San Angelo; two sisters, Brenda Sharpe and husband Dwight of Granbury and Jeanette Barnett of Amarillo; a half-sister, Sue Manning of San Angelo; five half-brothers, Johnny Walton, Charles Walton, Jimmy Walton and Joe Walton, all of San Angelo, and Gary Walton of Bangs; two grandchildren, Lauren Sullivan and Nathan Burney, both of Snyder.

J.D. Patterson

1921-2003

J.D. Patterson, a former resident of Fluvanna, died Sunday, Feb. 16, in San Angelo Community Hospital.

Graveside service for Mr. Patterson, 81, is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Fluvanna Cemetery with Eddie Howard and Jim Duggin officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Born July 20, 1921 in Fluvanna, he married Lanette Crowder on Jan. 27, 1946 in Snyder.

A U.S. Army veteran, Mr. Patterson was a stock farmer and had lived in the Fluvanna community for 76 years before moving to San Angelo.

Survivors include his wife, Lanette Patterson of San Angelo; a son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Gayle Patterson of San Angelo; two grandchildren, Whitney Patterson of Galveston and Dustin Patterson of Nashville, Tenn.; a nephew, Darvin Baze of Ira; and two nieces, Eleanor Jean Vermillian of Murfreesboro, Tenn., and Carol Lewis of Gail.

Allen Hall

1932-2003

LUBBOCK — Funeral service for Allen Hall, 70, is set for 11 a.m. Tuesday in the W.W. Rix Chapel with Dan Rouse officiating. Burial will follow in the Hermleigh Cemetery.

Mr. Hall died Saturday, Feb. 15, at his home in Lubbock.

Born Aug. 25, 1932 in Grant, Neb., he had lived in Lubbock since 1933 and was a graduate of Lubbock High School.

A U.S. Army veteran, he was employed by Hall Foundries Manufacturing and later at Hall Pattern Works. He was a member of the Sunset Church of Christ.

He married Judy Nachlinger on Oct. 22, 1971 in Lubbock.

He was preceded in death by his father, Walker M. Hall, in 1980; and his brother, James Hall, in 1975.

Survivors include his wife, Judy Nachlinger of Lubbock; a daughter, Marianna Taylor of Lubbock; five sons, David Hall, Dr. Mark Hall and Joe Hall, all of Lubbock, Stephen Hall of Kamuela, Hawaii, and Pete Hall of Norman, Okla.; his mother, Vivian Hall of Lubbock; a sister, Laura Purcell of Lubbock; two brothers, Charles and Jerry Hall, both of Lubbock; and two grandchildren, David and Erica Prismantas.

Family visitation will be held from 7 to 9 this evening at Rix Funeral Home.

The family suggests memorials to the Hospice of Lubbock, Box 53276 in Lubbock, 79453.

Bud Humphries

1924-2003

ODESSA — Elton "Bud" Humphries, a former resident of Snyder, died Friday, Feb. 14.

Graveside service for Mr. Humphries, 78, was set for 1 p.m. today in Sunset Memorial Gardens. A memorial service was to follow in the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Steve Deines officiating.

Born in Clifton, he married Dorothy Blanche White on April 6, 1946 in Texarkana, Ark. He was a U.S. Army Air Force veteran of World War II.

Mr. Humphries moved from Snyder to Odessa in 1952.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Humphries of Odessa; a son, Dan Humphries of Spicewood; four daughters, Diane Myers of Odessa, Peggy Neeley of Lake Jackson, Susan Hamlet of Clute and Janet Eklund of Odessa; two brothers, Hurshel Humphries of Jacksonville, Fla., and David Humphries of Odessa; 16 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Nolverta Elizondo

1935-2003

SPADE — Nolverta Elizondo, the mother of Paz Elizondo Jr. of Snyder, died Saturday, Feb. 15.

Rosary for Mrs. Elizondo, 67, is set for 7 this evening in the Hammons Funeral Home Chapel in Littlefield .

Mass is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Anton with the Rev. Felip Pa Fupil officiating. Burial will follow in Littlefield Memorial Park.

Born June 6, 1935 in Courtney, she married Paz Elizondo Sr. on March 9, 1963 in Lamb County.

She worked as a teacher's aide for 25 years in the Spade schools and tutored Hispanics in reading and writing. A member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church, she was a volunteer with the March of Dimes and Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Survivors include her husband, Paz Elizondo Sr. of Spade; five other sons, Ricardo Garza and Cirilo Garza, both of Anton, Johnny Elizondo of Roswell, N.M., Eliseo Elizondo of Taylor and Edward Elizondo of Matador; three daughters, Mary Sierra of Antioch, Calif., Janie Garcia of Spade and Estella Elizondo of Dallas; her mother, Inez Baldovino of Vallejo, Calif.; three brothers, George Baldovino of Tucson, Carlos Baldovino of Houston and Rosendo Baldovino of Fremont, Calif.; three sisters, Nancy Alaniz of Vallejo, Corine Call of Loomis, Calif., and P.J. Mitchell of Lubbock; 24 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Walter Nix

1950-2003

FORT STOCKTON — Walter Nix of Brownwood, the brother of Linda Englert of Snyder, died Sunday, Feb. 16, in Brownwood.

Services for Mr. Nix, 53, are pending at Fort Stockton Funeral Home.

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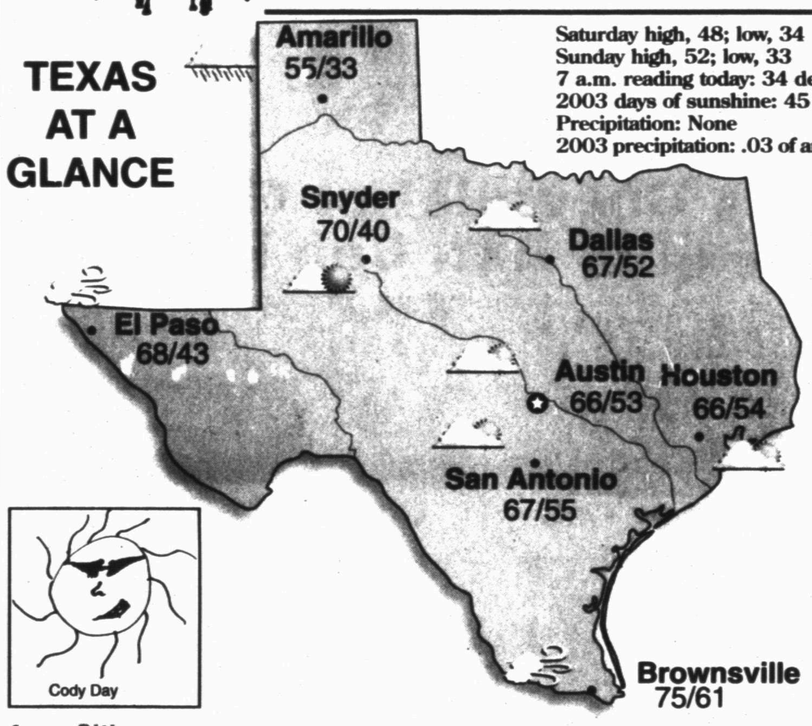

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Austin	66	53	pt sunny	Gainesville	63	46	rain	Rosenberg	66	54	pt sunny
Beaumont	65	52	pt sunny	Greenville	63	48	pt sunny	San Antonio	67	55	pt sunny
Brownsville	75	61	windy	Houston	66	54	pt sunny	San Marcos	67	54	pt sunny
Brownwood	70	49	pt sunny	Kingsville	73	56	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	64	50	pt sunny
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Dallas	67	52	pt sunny	Lubbock	69	37	cloudy	Weatherford	65	47	pt sunny
Del Rio	75	56	pt sunny	Lufkin	67	54	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	67	44	rain

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Chicago	40	28	cloudy	Miami	75	64	pt sunny	Seattle	49	44	rain
Dallas	67	52	pt sunny	Minneapolis	31	13	pt sunny	St. Louis	48	36	cloudy
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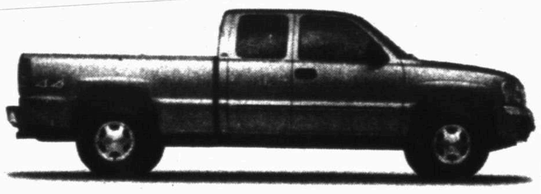

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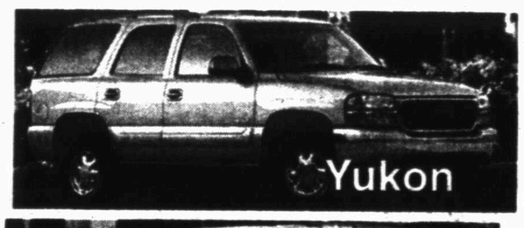

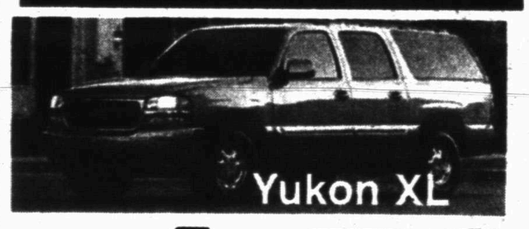

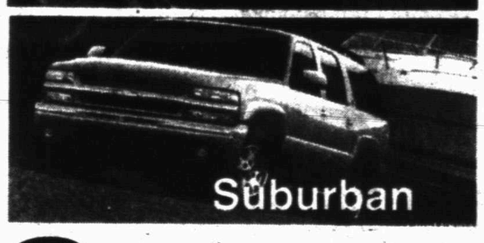

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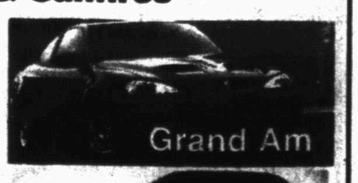

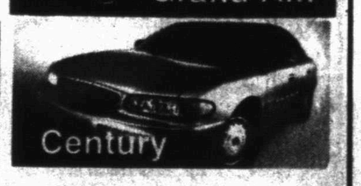

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