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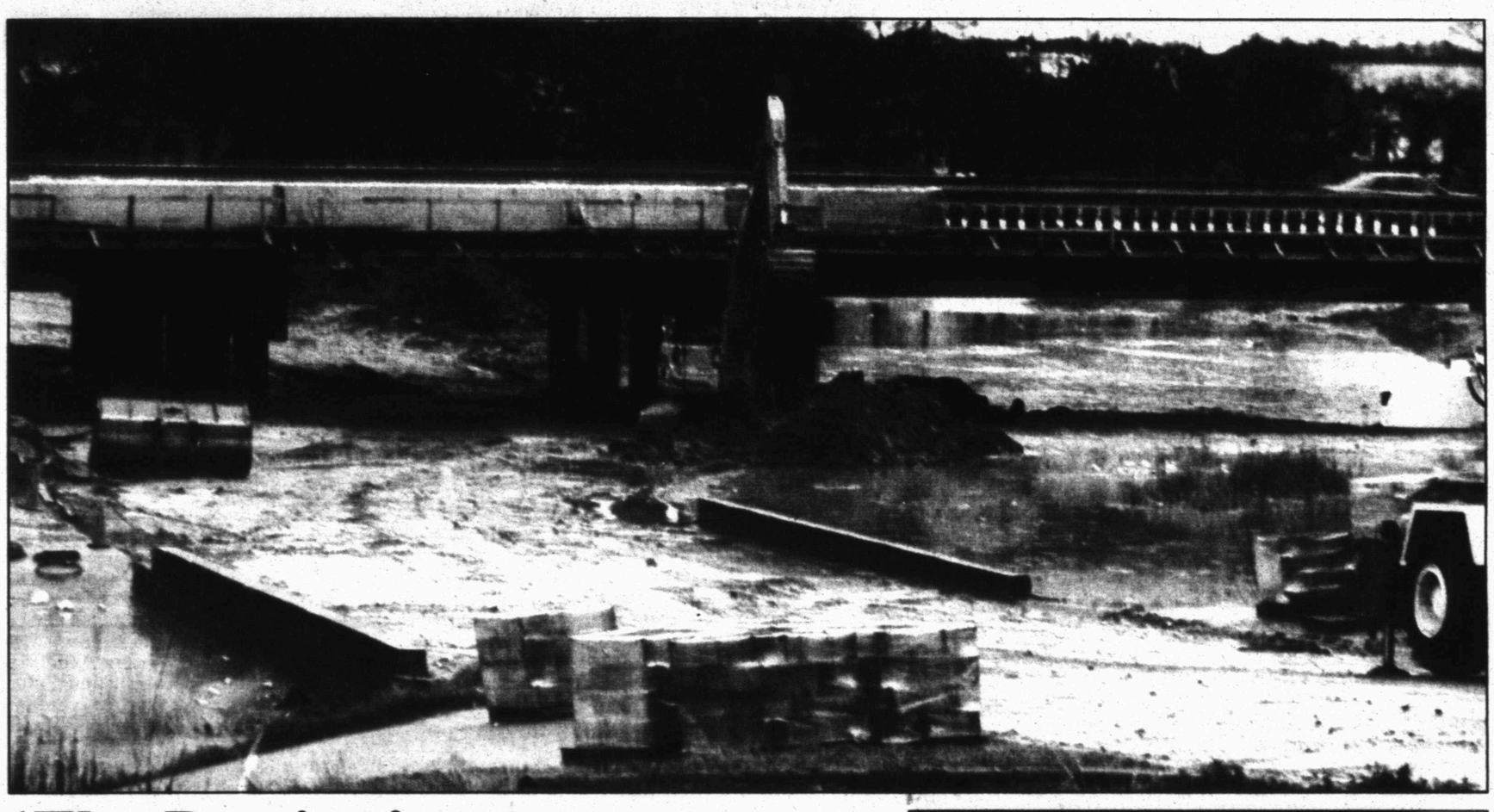
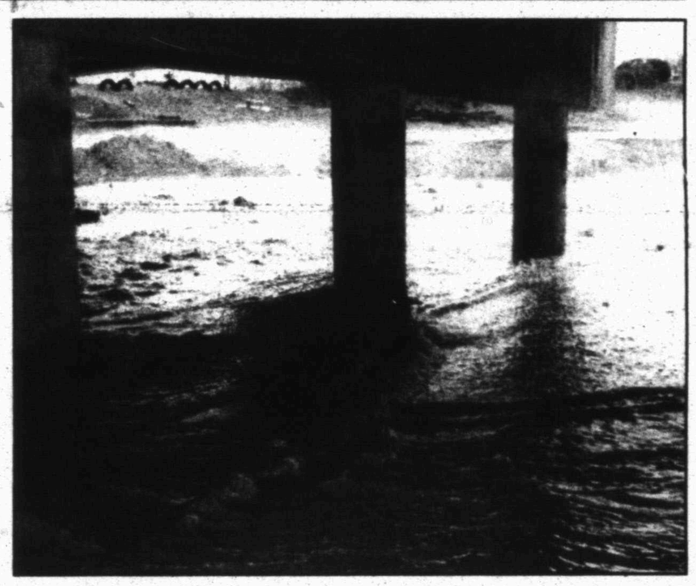


MUDDY WATERS — Workers on the Deep Creek project attempt to move some washed-in mud out of the creek with a track hoe in the top photo, while the creek is running under the bridge at right. Scurry County was in a severe thunderstorm warning for much of the morning with up to four inches of rain reported near Lake Thomas. (SDN Staff Photos by Annie Rowe)



## 'The Passion' set to open Friday evening

"The Passion of the Christ" opens in Snyder for an extended run at Cinema I and II beginning Friday night.

Advance ticket sales for the movie will start at 7:30 this evening at the theatre box office.

Show times Friday are at 7 and 9:30 p.m., and Saturday at 2, 7 and 9:30 p.m.

There will be a matinee at 2 o'clock Sunday as well as an evening performance at 7.

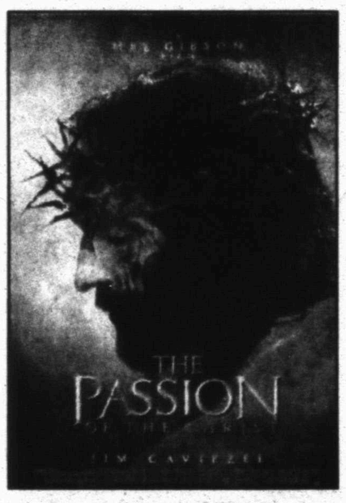
The theatre is closed Monday, but showings will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday.

Adult tickets are $4.50 and children tickets are $3. Saturday and Sunday matinee tickets are $3 for all ages.

For large group sales, contact the Cinema at 574-1559.

The Mel Gibson film is rated R for sequences of graphic violence.

More information about the film can be obtained on www.parentalguide.org, and www.the passions of the christ.com.




## Downpour hits community, light hail reported here, Dunn

Scurry County and parts of West Texas were placed under a tornado watch at mid-morning today as large thunderstorms, including super cells, continued to pass over the area.

The system prompted the National Weather Service to issue the tornado watch, as well as a severe thunderstorm warning for the county.

The thunderstorm warning was to expire at 1 p.m., but weather bureau officials said additional warnings should be expected.

Pea size hail was reported at Dunn around 10:45 a.m., and at the same time, parts of Snyder also was receiving similar size hail. The heavy cloud cover made 10 o'clock this morning seem more like 10 p.m.

The 7 a.m. official rainfall measurement at the city's water treatment plant was only .16 of an inch, but the total had swelled to 1.36 inches shortly before noon.

At 7 a.m., Texas Tech's remote weather station at the industrial park recorded .40 of an inch, a figure that had increased to 1.32 inches at 11:30 a.m. Remote weather stations at Fluvanna reported 1.93 inches of rain, while 1.15 was recorded at Gail.

City crews were called out early today to place barricades at several low-lying intersections, with the latest at 25th and Avenue V shortly after 11 a.m. Police officers also reported high water at the entrance of Towle Park at Denison Avenue around the same time and called for barricades.

Early rainfall reports included four inches at Lake Thomas, and two inches north of the Snyder Country Club.

There were no reported interruptions of electrical service due to the lightning.

Several reports of accidents were reported to DPS troopers that could be attributed to the weather conditions.

*Monday night...*

## Citizens invited to town hall meeting

Snyder citizens can hear input on two major projects within the community during a town hall meeting at 7 p.m. Monday at the Ritz Theatre.

The meeting is sponsored by the Citizens Corp of Scurry County and the Snyder clean-up committee.

"Come and see how you can participate in a neighborhood watch," said Vicki Shroyer, executive director of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

"This is a volunteer program that promotes people working together to help our police department protect our personal property," said Shroyer.

"Due to the large number of cars being vandalized, along with home burglaries and damaged mailboxes, both groups have joined forces to promote neighbors working together," said Shroyer.

Shroyer said the time frame of the program will allow plenty of questions from those in attendance.

"The meeting is for the public and everyone is invited," said Shroyer.

*Turnout is low...*

## Early voting ends Friday

Friday is the final day to vote early in the March 9 primary elections.

Low voter turnout has been blamed on cool and wet weather.

As of noon today press time, 293 had voted early with 248 voting Republican and 45 casting votes in the Democratic primary.

Early voting continues at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 5 p.m. Friday in the county courtroom.

There is only one contested local race and that is on the GOP ballot.

Magali Bernal, chief deputy in the county clerk's office, and Jana Young, a deputy in the tax assessor-collector's office, are running for the tax office post to be vacated by Democrat Diana Williamson.

## THE SDN COLUMN

### MY TURN

by Annie Rowe

Well, where was I?

Oh, yes. Last week I was telling you about the great, Muleshoe Mule Race. At last account, Jack Jr. was in the hooch in Farwell, Jack Sr.'s blood pressure was on a bit of an incline and I was about to set a new personal best for being an inane mule jockey.

And it was only 9 a.m.

Reba was foursquare against spending the day in town and Jack Sr. and I were informed that the race was to include a starting gate… for thoroughbreds.

Now for you non-horse enthusiasts, thoroughbreds are tall, lanky outfits and thoroughbred mules are no different.

Reba topped out at about 14 hands. Short.

Imagine a group of pro basketball players and Danny DeVito playing a game. You get the picture.

I could see that my prize was growing smaller as I watched the other mules being ponied to the starting gate.

"Break just as soon as you see the gate crack. It's your only chance. Well, that or maybe the rest of the mules will die and open up the field for you," said Jack Sr.

"Wow. Thanks Jack. There for a second I thought I had no chance at all. You've really brightened my spirits."

I finally talked Reba into stepping into the starting gate. I'm sure she had heard the equine horror stories about horses and mules that had walked into similar contraptions and had emerged sealed in Alpo cans.

Reba was tense as the back gate closed us inside. I leaned forward to limit my wind resistance when we took off. The bell sounded and the gates swung open. In what seemed like slow motion, I saw massive amounts of mule flesh leaving the gates in my peripheral vision.

Reba instead went backward, moving as far back into the box as her rear would allow. I smacked her behind with my quirt and she made a long jump out of the gate. In that short span of time, a wall of mule derrieres had already cut us off.

When she did leave, it was at breakneck speed. She followed the group down the track to the finish line. What the rest of the mules saw as a stopping point, Reba saw as an escape route.

We continued the run off the track, through the parking area and out the main gate catching a string of those triangular shaped flags on the toe of my boot and ripping them from the side of the gate.

I tried pulling Reba's head around to slow her. She never let up. She seemed to say "I'm going home, Annie. You can either let me see where I'm going or I can run blind. It's your call."

I decided to let her have her head and hope that she would run out of velocity.

We got to the highway and portions of my life passed before my eyes. I was thinking "So, this is how it's gonna end." I was hoping for a more scenic area, but when you're about to be roadkill, the location isn't that important.

A man was pulling his pickup out of a parking lot. I guess Reba lost her nerve about jumping it and began to slow down. She took notice of the flags and started to spin in a circle trying to get free. I managed to reach down and unhook the string, but not before Reba had stopped traffic in both directions.

When we rode back to the track, Reba and I got a bigger ovation than the winner did and the free barbecue didn't hurt a thing.

### ASK US

**Q—What would be the estimated financial impact to the county for the tax ceiling for senior and disabled citizens?**

**A—According to county auditor Charlie Bell, the ceiling will have a negative impact to the county of about $2,200 per year.**

### MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

**Ruby Valdez...**

... is a life-long resident of Snyder. She and her husband, Henry, are the owners of Henry's Auto Sales. They have two children, Kevin, age 17 and Savannah, age 10. Ruby enjoys attending her daughter's sporting events and hanging out with her friends.

### TODAY'S THOUGHT

**Not failure, but low aim is the crime.**
**—James Russell Lowell**

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# WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

### Game night

The adult singles class of First Baptist Church meets the first and third Thursdays at the old bus barn across the street from the church in the Desperados meeting room. Learn to play bridge. All singles welcome.

### Breakfast with candidate

The public is invited to meet 11th Congressional District candidate Mike Conaway of Midland at a breakfast from 8 to 10 a.m. Friday at the Edward Jones office, 4204 College Ave.

### Fish fry

New Hope Baptist Church, 3305 Ave. L, will host a fish fry from noon until 9 p.m. Friday. Dine-in or carry-out, and tickets are $6 for adults and $3 for children. Call 207-4664 or 573-7243.

### Kiwanis pancake feast

Snyder Noon Kiwanis Club will hold its annual pancake feast from 7 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday in the West Elementary cafeteria. Tickets are $5 each and children under 6 eat free. There will be a drawing for a 20-inch flat screen color TV.

### Service addresses requested

Becky Johnson's keyboarding class at Snyder High School will practice letter writing techniques by writing area service men and women. If you have the current addresses of anyone serving in the armed forces, call her at 573-6967 and leave message, or call her at school at 574-6142.

### Private Applicator Testing

Training and Testing for Applicator's License will be held Tuesday in Building 15A on the WTC campus. Training will begin at 9 a.m., followed by the test which will be administered by a TDA representative. RSVP by Friday to the Scurry County extension office at 573-5423 or call for more information.

### Tiger's Lair Yearbook

Tiger's Lair Yearbook will accept seven more senior dedications. They must be turned in by noon Friday. Cost is $45 for one color photo and a 35-word message. Call 574-6138. They will be accepted on a first come first served basis.

### Medical fund donation account

A medical fund donation account has been set up at West Texas State Bank for local plumbing business owner Mike Rodriquez. The fund will be used for medical expenses for the treatment of cancer.

### What's up guidelines

*Items for What's Up will be published twice at no charge, the day before and the day of the event. Events or activities requiring additional publicity will be referred to the advertising department where a special non-profit rate is available.*

# Rollover kills one

MOORE (AP) — A pickup truck loaded with an estimated 14 people rolled over after a chase, killing one of the occupants and injuring eight others, the Texas Department of Public Safety said today.

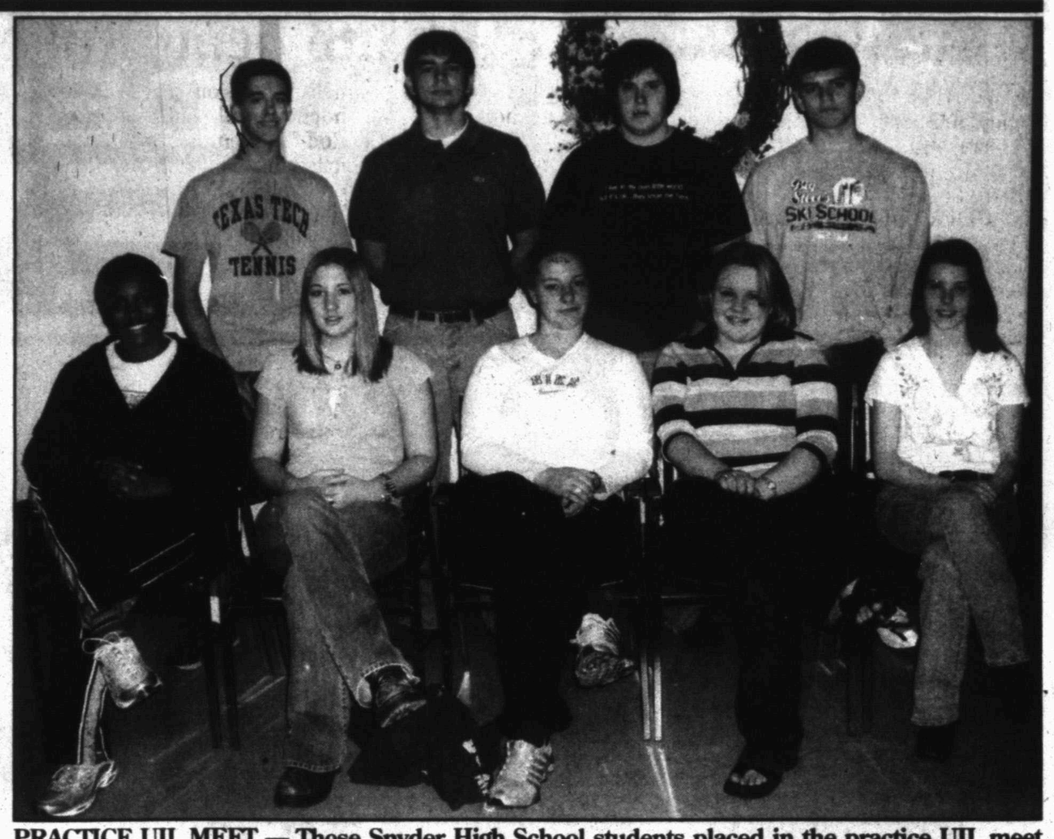
The rollover happened about 40 miles southwest of San Antonio where U.S. 57 merges with Interstate 35, said DPS spokeswoman Tela Mange.

The chase began when Zavala County sheriff's deputies reported seeing an extended-cab pickup speeding east on U.S. 57 northeast of Eagle Pass about 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Mange said. Deputies reported the truck was traveling at more than 90 mph and moving erratically, she said.

A DPS trooper joined the chase, which continued east through Zavala County and into Frio County.

After a previous unsuccessful try, troopers again deployed tire spikes on U.S. 57 near Interstate 35, deflating the truck's two front tires, Mange said.

Nevertheless, the truck accelerated and failed to negotiate a turn where the highway merges with the interstate about four miles southwest of Moore, the DPS spokeswoman said. The truck slammed into an embankment supporting an interstate overpass and flipped, hurling about nine people from the truck's bed and killing one of them, Mange said.



**PRACTICE UIL MEET — These Snyder High School students placed in the practice UIL meet held at Abilene Cooper High School. Standing from left are Matthew Kerr, Josh Kemp, Josh Payne and Austin Hatfield. Seated from left are are Aeryal Peoples, Emily Jones, Kim Cooper, Megan Fletcher and Ashley Pavlovsky. Not pictured are Seth Cooper, Kalli Wesson and Matthew Morris. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)**

# SHS students getting ready for 2004 UIL Literary competition

Each year, Snyder High School students who are involved in one of the 23 University Interscholastic League literary events prepare by studying and practicing under the guidance of sponsors for each of the activities.

In addition, students may attend various practice meets. Speech students have attended several practice meets this school year. Drama students have also been working to hone their skills in preparation for this year's one-act play competition.

SHS has a tradition of winning, especially in literary events. For more than 15 years, SHS students have captured the first place academic trophy which is awarded to the school in each district that earns the most points at the district academic contest.

In January, district CX debaters have already placed third, represented by Fran Layton and Paula Fritz.

Last Saturday, 19 SHS students traveled to Abilene Cooper to compete in the 2004 Cougar Classic Academic Invitational Meet. The annual literary academic meet included schools ranging from 1A to 5A. SHS students participated in 10 different academic areas.

Following are the results:

**Accounting:** 3. Matthew Kerr, 4. Josh Kemp, 5. Josh Payne, 8. Seth Cooper. Team 2nd.

**Computer Science:** 4. Austin Hatfield, 6. Matthew Morris, 7. Kim Cooper. Team 1st.

**Computer Applications:** 4. Megan Fletcher.

**Ready Writing:** 1. Josh Payne.

**Number Sense:** 2. Josh Kemp.

**Mathematics:** 1. Josh Kemp.

**Social Studies:** 6. Ashley Pavlovsky, 7. Emily Jones. Aeryal Peoples, Kalli Wesson. Team 1st.

**Current issues and events:** 1. Matthew Kerr.

Students also participating included Samantha Moyers, Whitney Waldon and Katie Haggard in computer applications.

Other are Tara Kubena, Adrienne Garcia, Emily Jones and Aeryal Peoples in literary criticism; Kim Cooper in calculator applications; Chris Ramsey and Jordan Payne in number sense; Matthew Kerr, Ashley Pavlovsky and Seth Cooper in current issues and events, and Josh Payne in mathematics.

SHS sponsors are Phyllis Smith, accounting; Wynola Early, computer science; Darlene Stokes, calculator applications, mathematics, number sense; Lynda Patterson, computer applications; Beth Bowen, current issues and events; JoAnn Cotton, ready writing; Becky Johnson, spelling and vocabulary; Thomas Strayhorn, science; Diane Arnold, news writing, feature writing, editorial writing, headline writing; Ron Hester, CX debate, Lincoln-Douglas debate, informative speaking, persuasive speaking, poetry and prose interpretation; and Michael McQuerry, one-act play.

The District UIL Literary Meet will be held March 27 at Snyder High School. Other schools participating will be Sweetwater, Merkel, Lamesa, Seminole and Denver City.

## World Almanac

**Thursday, March 4, 2004**

Today is the 64th day of 2004 and the 74th day of winter.

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** In 1789, the first U.S. Congress met in New York City and declared the new Constitution in effect.

In 1933, Frances Perkins began a record 12 years as labor secretary; she was the first woman ever appointed to a U.S. cabinet.

In 1954, the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital (known today as the Brigham and Women's Hospital) in Boston announced the first successful kidney transplant.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741), composer; Knute Rockne (1888-1931), football coach; John Garfield (1913-1952), actor; Ray "Boom Boom" Mancini (1961-), boxer, is 43; Evan Dando (1967-), musician, is 37.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** In 1941, Chicago Black Hawks goalie Samuel LoPresti set an NHL record by stopping 80 shots against the Boston Bruins.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "A constitution should be short and obscure." — Napoleon Bonaparte

**TODAY'S FACT:** Between 1945 and 1990, the United States produced more than 70,000 nuclear bombs and warheads; of these about 10,600 remained in the nuclear stockpile as of 2002.

**TODAY'S NUMBER:** 55,869 — number of patients waiting for a kidney transplant in 2003.

**TODAY'S MOON:** Between first quarter (Feb. 27) and full moon (March 6)

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# Family's autopsies released

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — The father of a family found slain in the Mississippi woods was shot to death, and his wife and their 4-year-old son were strangled, according to autopsy results released Wednesday.

The findings were made public only hours after relatives of the Hargon family arranged Friday funerals for the three who disappeared from their rural home on Valentine's Day.

The bodies of Michael Hargon, his wife, Rebecca, and their 4-year-old son, James Patrick, were found in a wooded area Tuesday night. The discovery occurred shortly after Michael's cousin, Earnest Lee Hargon, was charged with capital murder.

Michael Hargon, 27, suffered a fatal bullet wound to the head, said Warren Strain, a spokesman for the Mississippi Highway Patrol.

District Attorney James Powell has said Michael Hargon apparently was killed at the family home in Vaughan, about 35 miles north of Jackson, but he was not sure where Rebecca Hargon and her son died.

Spent bullet casings from a .22-caliber weapon were found at the home, but a weapon has not been recovered.

"This tragedy of monumental proportions has had an impact on everyone in Mississippi," Public Safety Commissioner Rusty Fortenberry said. "With the results of these tests — as horrific as they are and proving our worst fears — now we may begin the healing process."

Authorities believe Earnest Lee Hargon, a 43-year-old cattle truck driver, acted alone. While no single motive had been put forward, there was speculation that he was angry at being written out of his adoptive father's will that gave Michael Hargon several acres of land in nearby Madison County.

Hargon was charged with three counts of capital murder. Yazoo County District Attorney James Powell has said he would seek the death penalty.

Earnest Lee Hargon, being held without bond, should have an initial hearing on the charges in the next couple of weeks, his court-appointed attorney said.

# Senators weigh whether to block work moving overseas

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senators are weighing whether to block federal contractors from using tax dollars to move American jobs to a foreign shore, a response to increasing angst over job losses in manufacturing and service work.

Sen. Chris Dodd, D-Conn., wants to prohibit offshore work in cases where the government privatizes government jobs, the federal government contracts for goods and services, and state governments contract work using federal funds.

"Federal dollars ought to be used to pay American workers," he said.

Dodd moved Wednesday to attach the prohibition to a corporate tax break under consideration in the Senate. Republicans asked for more time to study the idea and propose changes.

The proposal is more fallout from the uproar that broke out when N. Gregory Mankiw, chairman of the president's Council of Economic Advisers, suggested that sending American jobs overseas was good for the U.S. economy in the long run. Mankiw later apologized but said he had been misunderstood.

The flap came just when President Bush was fending off attacks from Democrats over the 2.2 million payroll jobs lost on his watch. And the barrage of criticism over the practice known as "outsourcing" or "offshoring" hasn't let up.

Democratic presidential nominee and Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry revived Mankiw's comments on Wednesday as evidence of Bush's "unsteady leadership."

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# Today's chuckle

## One-handed swinger gets 3 holes in one

VENICE, Fla. (AP) — A Florida golfer has defied the odds, racking up three holes in one in six months while swinging one-handed.

Bill Hilsheimer's latest ace came last week, on the 157-yard, par 3 13th hole at the Bird Bay Executive Golf Course.

Robby Robertson, the owner-manager of Bird Bay, was fertilizing the 13th tee at the time.

"It's not easy to even hit the green on that hole," Robertson said. "I've never seen anything like what Bill has done."

Hilsheimer lost most of his right hand as a kid, when he was run over by a train in Columbus, Ohio. He took up golf at 16 and swings only with his left arm.

In January, Hilsheimer aced a 157-yard hole at the Gulf Gate course in Sarasota.

In September, he had another ace on a 105-yard hole on a course in Ohio.

According to the National Golf Foundation, the odds of an amateur golfer hitting a hole in one are 12,600 to 1.

Hilsheimer retired to Florida in 1996 after working 35 years as a photo engraver for the Akron Beacon-Journal newspaper in Ohio. He and his wife, Dorothy, raised six children.

"I never had much time to play golf," he said. "Now, I'm playing four or five times a week."

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**Wednesday's Lottery Numbers**
**Lotto Texas**

**AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:**

**Winning numbers drawn: 4-25-27-39-43. Bonus Ball: 28.**

**Number matching five of five, plus Bonus Ball: 0.**

**Number matching five of five: 0.**

**Number matching four of five, plus Bonus Ball: 9. Prize: $2,262.**

**Number matching four of five: 378. Prize: $117.**

**Number matching three of five, plus Bonus Ball: 372. Prize: $104.**

**Number matching three of five: 14,748. Prize: $5.**

**Number matching two of five, plus Bonus Ball: 4,547. Prize: $5.**

**Number matching one of five, plus Bonus Ball: 22,032. Prize: $3.**

**Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: $6 million.**

**Cash Five**

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

**Winning numbers drawn: 12-23-25-26-27.**

**Number matching five of five: 1.**

**Prize per winner: $43,350.**

**Winning tickets sold in: Fort Worth.**

**Matching four of five: 190. Prize: $103.**

**Matching three of five: 4,671. Prize: $10.**

**Matching two of five: 44,725. Prize: $2.**

**Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.**

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# Master gardeners cultivate beautiful communities

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By DEAN FOSDICK

NEW MARKET, Va. (AP) — In Pennsylvania and Georgia, they work behind coils of barbed wire, passing their considerable gardening skills along to prison inmates.

In Maine and Alabama, they serve as "garden angels," helping ailing homeowners reap rows of ripening vegetables.

In Los Angeles, they instruct other volunteers in the ways of establishing community gardens around low-income neighborhoods.

In Virginia and Ohio, they work with students to cultivate edible school yards. That sometimes means hosting end-of-project banquets featuring sandwiches and fresh salad greens.

They're Master Gardeners and they're active in all 50 states and at least four Canadian provinces. You're also likely to see them answering plant-related queries at farmer's markets and county fairs, handling the phones at "green lines" or talking to civic groups about safe pesticide use and composting as a means of reducing waste.

Their presence has grown like a bed of carefully tended perennials since the first chapter was formed in eastern Washington in 1972.

"They were originally set up to help extension agents address horticultural questions," says Rod Tinnemore, who coordinates the state's Master Gardener Volunteer Program from Washington State University's Puyallup Research Extension Center. "The population was expanding, they were flooded with questions and didn't have the ability to respond."

David Gibby, a former WSU extension agent, is credited with dreaming up the program.

Interest in home gardening was exploding and Gibby tried different ways of dealing with it, including extensive work with the media. But that prompted still more consumer calls. So with the advice of a planning team, he developed a plan for educating some already knowledgeable volunteers.

What emerged is a program that serves as a continuing model. Volunteers receive hours of intensive classroom training, often by college-level instructors specializing in selected horticultural subjects.

The students also tour orchards, arboretums and organic farms, become familiar with university extension-maintained Web sites and work alongside more experienced volunteers on a variety of area projects.

Only after they complete their post-classroom volunteer work are they certified as master gardeners and permitted to serve as local links in the university-run extension service.

"Interest in the program has really exploded since the mid-1990s," says Linda Wasem, with the State Master Gardener Office at the University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum in Chaska.

"More people are into vegetable gardening — organics. Others are interested in working with perennials. Ages vary, but the program is demanding.

"In Minnesota, you're required to take 48 hours of classroom instruction with another 50 hours spent doing community work before Oct. 1 of the first year," she says. "That load discourages some people."

The program is not designed to deal with agricultural questions or problems, nor do the volunteers endorse commercial products, Wasem says.

"We rely on University of Minnesota research-based information. We always have staff for entomology- or horticulture subjects available to the master gardeners to help with their (consumer) questions."

Waiting lists are several years long in many areas, particularly urban, for people wanting to become master gardeners.

"We have a pretty comprehensive application and interview process," Wasem says. "You have to calculate the number of available (volunteer) opportunities when setting student numbers."

Along with the continuing education and camaraderie, the reward is the satisfaction that comes from doing community service, Master Gardeners say.

"You may be a good gardener but if you don't like working with the public, you're probably not a match for us," Wasem says.

# *The mood is colorful and the fashionable are happy*

Here's news that may color your opinions: In a recent survey, 30 percent of respondents selected turquoise as their favorite color to wear in spring and summer 2004; white was the number two choice.

A beautiful color palette can be the basis for the season's incredibly wearable clothes and accessories, including mouth-watering sherbet tones of raspberry, lemon, lime and orange. Combine these flavorful colors with vivid brights such as turquoise, fuchsia, chartreuse and lavender for a fresh, fun look.

Among the best dresses this season: strapless with a high waist and full skirt. Consider geometric prints; bold florals and two-toned stripes. Don't ignore solids-they still look great.

Cropped pants can be an essential component to spring/summer fashion. There are a wide variety of lengths from which to choose, so select the most flattering and comfortable. Capris can go just about anywhere, especially with kitten heels, colorful cotton tees and fitted knit tops.

Off-the-shoulder, boat-neck tops are extremely popular, as are ruffled blouses with pouf sleeves, classic button-down striped blouses and polka dot knits. The tank is a versatile wardrobe piece; layer under, over or wear alone. Choose any bright color; white works equally well.

Shoes and bags are key to the best dressed looks-the brighter the better. Pastel colored bags-think peppermint pink or canary yellow-can make an outfit totally chic.

Bags in general are more structured. Gold and silver accents are particularly stylish.

For shoes, '50s style pumps are back but they're far from plain. What's new: lace-up ribboning, brilliant colors, cut-outs, appliqu□s, textured finishes. Slingbacks, platforms and strappy sandals look the best in metallics and brights.

The belt may be one of the best ways to update your wardrobe. Belting your cardigan over your dress or skirt looks new again. Look for belts of grosgrain ribbon and thin leather.

Color also prevails in jewelry, report the experts on high fashion at low cost at T.J. Maxx. Semi-precious stones can really perk up an outfit. Bracelets are big; earrings are long. Oversized sunglasses, flower pins and scarves provide a glamorous, retro touch.

To find a nearby store in the off-price retailer chain that sells brand name, designer merchandise and accessories for less, call 1-800-2TJ-MAXX, or visit tjmaxx.com.

# Martha Ann Woman's Club directors plan Sunday lunch

Martha Ann Woman's Club directors have planned a Sunday buffet on March 7.

The fundraiser will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and caterer Sandra Brace offers a choice of entré — sirloin tip or stuffed chicken breast. The cost is $10 for an adult and $5 for a child under 10 years of age, no gratuities accepted.

Reservations will be taken through Saturday by calling 573-3427.

Proceeds are used for the upkeep of the woman's club.

# Community Calendar

**THURSDAY**

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.

NA-Just For Today; Park Club; for information call 573-6179; 6-7 p.m.

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

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

**SATURDAY**

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

**SUNDAY**

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

NA-Just For Today; Park Club; for information call 573-6179; 6-7 p.m.

# Celebrity Flashbacks

By The Associated Press

Entertainment highlights during the week of March 7-13:

1946: "The Lost Weekend," directed by Billy Wilder and starring Ray Milland, was named best picture at the Academy Awards. Wilder won the Oscar for best director and Milland won the best actor Academy Award.

1947: "The Best Years of Our Lives," directed by William Wyler and starring Frederic March, was named best picture at the Academy Awards. March won the best actor award and Wyler was named best director.

1962: The Beatles made their radio debut on the BBC program "Teenager's Turn (Here We Go)."

1969: Paul McCartney and Linda Eastman were married in a civil ceremony in London.

1976: Who drummer Keith Moon collapsed on stage during a concert in Boston.

1977: A&M Records in Britain signed the Sex Pistols in a ceremony outside Buckingham Palace in London, two months after EMI nulled its contract with the band. A&M ended its association with the band about a week later.

1993: Elizabeth Taylor received a lifetime achievement award from the American Film Institute.

1996: Angry fans started a riot in Buenos Aires, Argentina, after waiting all night for Ramones tickets and finding out they were gone. Several people were reported injured.

# Best Sellers

By The Associated Press

Weekly charts for the nation's most popular videos as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission:

**Top VHS Sales**

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports)

1. "The Lion King 11/2," Walt Disney Home Entertainment.
2. "Under the Tuscan Sun," Walt Disney Home Entertainment.
3. "Secondhand Lions," New Line Home Entertainment.
4. "Dora the Explorer — Dora's Pirate Adventure," Paramount Home Entertainment.
5. "Finding Nemo," Walt Disney Home Entertainment.
6. "Intolerable Cruelty," Universal Studios Home Video.
7. "Open Range," Walt Disney Home Entertainment.
8. "Seabiscuit," Universal Studios Home Video.
9. "The Lion King (Platinum Edition)," Walt Disney Home Entertainment.
10. "Freaky Friday," Walt Disney Pictures.

**Top DVD Sales**

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports)

1. "The Lion King 11/2," Walt Disney Home Entertainment.
2. "Runaway Jury (Widescreen)," FoxVideo.
3. "Runaway Jury (Pan & Scan)," FoxVideo.

# Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 03-04-04
♠ K 6 5 2
♥ J 9
♦ K 7 6
♣ K 10 7 4

West
♠ J 3
♥ A K 7 4
♦ 9 8 4 2
♣ J 8 3

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

South
♠ A Q 10 9 4
♥ 10 5 3
♦ 10 5 3
♣ A Q

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: East-West

| South | West | North | East |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 ♠ | Pass | 3 ♠ | All pass |

Opening lead: ♥ A

**Thursday, March 4, 2004**

## When you can see an alternative path

By Phillip Alder

This week, we have been looking at defensive attitude signals. In particular, when the opening lead is an ace, promising the ace and king in the suit, the third hand usually plays his lowest card when he doesn't hold the queen (or a doubleton; but tune in again tomorrow), or he contributes an unnecessarily high card when he does have the queen (the honor equivalent to the ones shown by partner's lead). However, don't leap before looking; third hand must take his 13 cards and the dummy into account before selecting his trick-one signal.

On this deal, you are East, defending against three spades. Partner leads the heart ace and North tables his dummy. With which heart would you signal at trick one? Why?

When partner leads the ace from ace-king and you hold the queen, as we saw earlier this week, you usually signal with an encouraging high card, asking for a continuation. Here, though, if you play the heart eight at trick one, you will not defeat the contract. Partner will probably cash the heart king, then look around for a shift. Even a diamond lead at trick three is too late.

Since you should see the advantage in a trick-two diamond shift, signal discouragement with the heart two. Partner should work out to lead the diamond nine at trick two. (Diamonds have more potential than clubs for defensive tricks.) You win with the jack, put partner back in with the heart king, and get a second diamond lead. In this way — and this way only — the defense can collect the first five tricks: two hearts and three diamonds.

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# Curves Fitness Center supports local food drive

Curves, 30 Minute Fitness and Weight Loss Center, in Snyder, will be joining the Curves International Inc. with a "Food For Friends " food drive to benefit local food banks.

Last year, the Curves food drive collected over 4,250,000 pounds of food for local communities across the nation.

Anyone joining Curves the week of March 8-13 may bring a bag of groceries and have the normal service fee waived if they sign up on the check draft plan. Anyone may drop off non-perishable food items at Curves Monday through Friday during business hours.

"The Food For Friends promotion allows us, the franchisees, to help more women reach their fitness goals, while giving back to the community simultaneously, Barbara Owen, owner of the Snyder club," said.

With almost 7,000 locations, Curves helps over two million women realize their fitness and weight loss goals every day.

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## NEA Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

1 Thick of things
6 Golf strokes
11 Wooden post
12 One of twelve
13 Gauguin's island
15 Shrill insect
16 Bank, often
18 Golf tee
19 Promoted maj.
21 Spanish hero El —
22 Bridegroom
23 Befuddled
25 Condensation
28 Curly-tailed dog
30 Paid notices
31 "Norma —"
32 Prefix for classic
33 AMA members
35 VCR button
37 Snake shape
38 Freeway clogger
40 Strove
41 Princess disturber
42 Not even
43 Fury
46 Farm implement
48 Alcoves
50 Cloves and ginger
54 Pusan's country
55 Accustom
56 Lumberjack leaving
57 White-plumed wader

**DOWN**

1 Albuquerque hrs.
2 Give — — try
3 Telegraph syllable
4 Kitchen utensil
5 Pierre's head
6 Couple
7 Mdse. bars
8 Pitfall
9 Ocean motion
10 Foundry refuse
14 Cuzco founder
15 Yielded territory
17 Quake or hurricane
19 Iced desserts
20 Potpourris
22 Neck hair of a horse
24 Viper
25 Stonehenge priest
26 Alleviated
27 Garden intruder
29 Turkish official
34 Cocoon dwellers
36 Swearing
39 Dinghy need
43 Signs a contract
44 Mob scene
45 Neutral color
46 Mound
47 Sheriff Andy's son
49 Lower edge
51 Mongrel
52 Before, to Blake
53 Harden, as cement

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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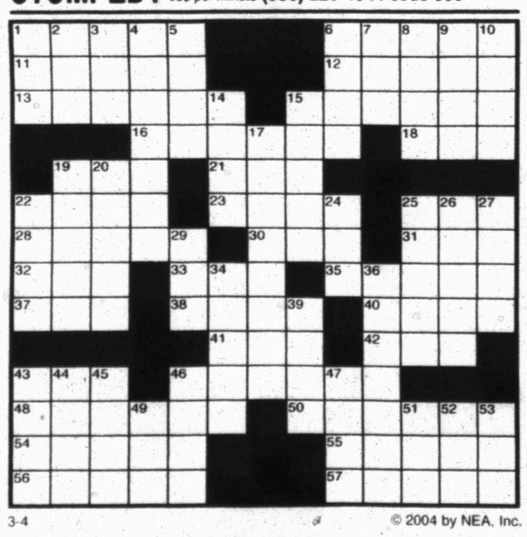

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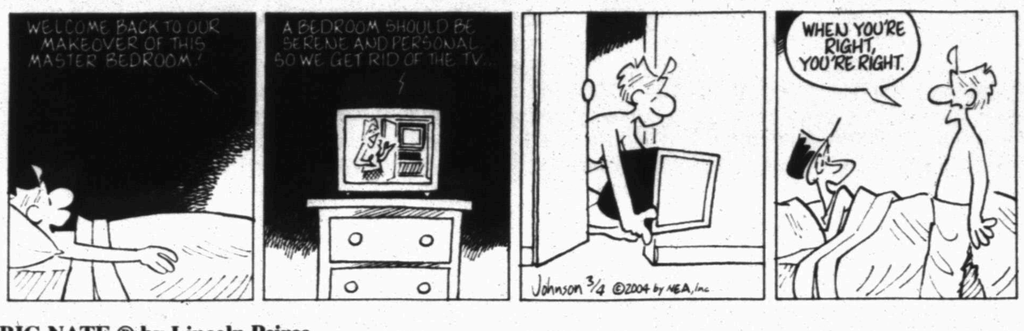


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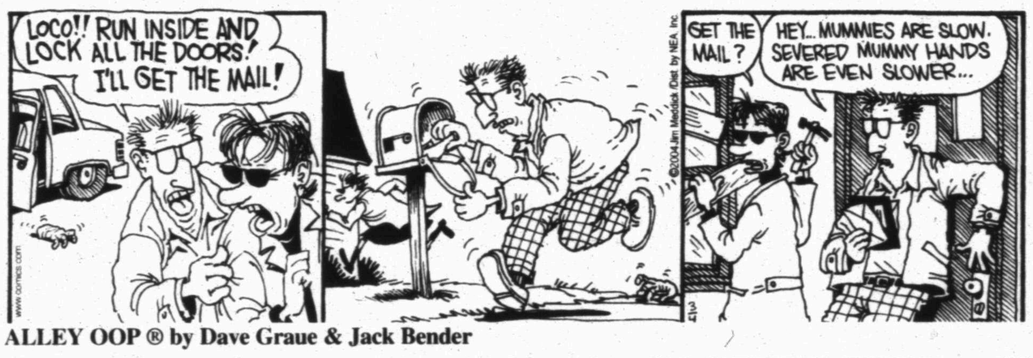


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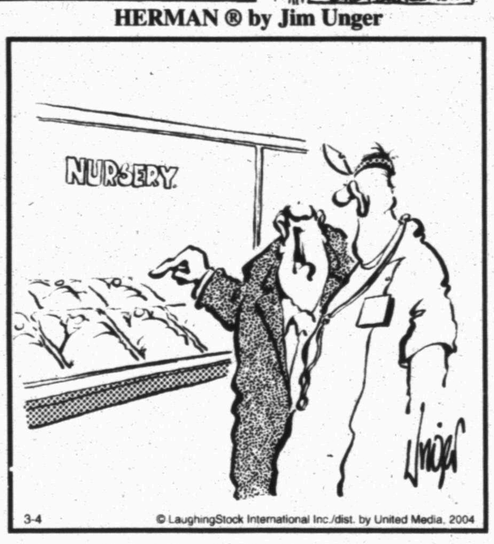


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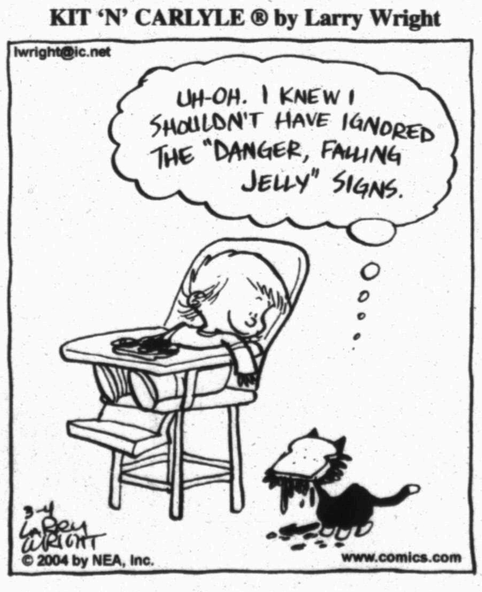


**DENNIS THE MENACE ® by Hank Ketcham**

"COME ON, MARGARET. I NEED TO DO A TEST RUN WITH YOUR DOLLY FIRST."

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# SPORTS

# Red Raiders hold off Mizzou

LUBBOCK (AP) — Texas Tech coach Bob Knight won't predict whether his team's win over Missouri, the 20th of the season, is crucial to the Red Raiders getting into the NCAA tournament. He says he always waits for the pairings.

Tech snapped a two-game losing streak Wednesday night, beating the Tigers 87-76 in a victory fueled by Andre Emmett's 28 points.

"I've never thought that we were ever in the NCAA tournament until I saw the pairings as long as I've coached," Knight said.

Tech has won at least 20 games a season for three straight years, all under Knight. For the 63-year-old coach, it is his eighth straight season of 20 or more wins, dating to the 1995-96 season when his Indiana team finished second in the Big 10. It's the first time Tech as had three straight 20-win seasons.

Trailing Missouri by three at the half, the Red Raiders came out and used a 19-6 run to take a 60-50 lead with 13:41 remaining. Ronald Ross scored eight of the 19 points, all layups.

Tech (20-9, 8-7 Big 12) built its largest lead at 72-56 when Emmett stole a Tigers inbounds pass and put in a layup and a free throw with 10:37 left.

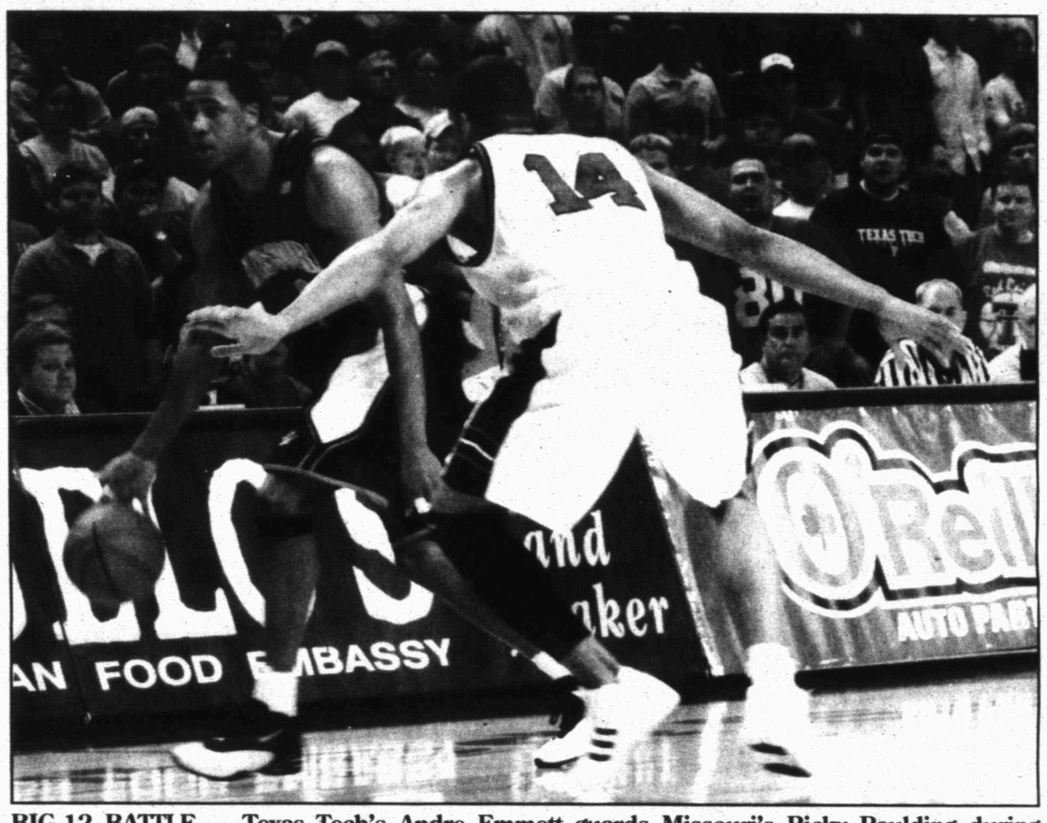
Tech scored 31 points in less than 10 minutes in the second half, missing on only one of 17 possessions. The Red Raiders failed to score on the next five possessions, however, and the Tigers used an 18-9 run to whittle the lead to 78-74 on layup by Jason Conley that was ruled good because of a goal-tending call with 3:07 remaining.

Missouri (15-11, 9-6) got no closer.

Knight credits his team with stemming the comeback.

"They came back and battled back and put it in a position when we weren't in danger of losing it in the last minute and a half," he said.

The first part of the second half was the best his team has played all season, Knight said.



BIG 12 BATTLE — Texas Tech's Andre Emmett guards Missouri's Ricky Paulding during Wednesday's game between two schools fighting for an NCAA Tournament berth. The Red Raiders kept their hopes alive with an 87-76 victory. (SDN Staff Photo by Bobby Allen)

# Netters poised for regional tourney

The Snyder netters take the first step towards the state team tournament Friday when they open the regional team tennis competion in Levelland.

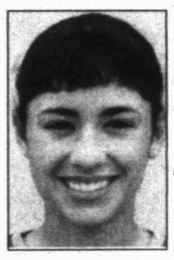
Reed

Despite the loss of several seniors from last, SHS head coach Ted Phillips feels like this year's group has a shot at earning a spot from this region.

"I think our chances are good —we'll be in the hunt," he said. "There are 12 schools and the top three go to state, and we have beaten every one of these schools except Canyon, which we didn't get to play."

Number one players Tanner Reed and Andra Dunham, both of whom have played exceptionally well this year, will bolster Snyder.

Reed has dropped just two matches, while Dunham has been on the losing end only four times all year, and both are considered two of the top players in the region.



Dunham

Should the Tigers qualify, they will head to College Station for the state team tournament March 12-13.

After state, Snyder will play Brownwood in a tournament, then begin the hunt for individual district qualifications.

Teams participating in the regional team tournament with Snyder are Fort Stockton, Monahans, Brownfield, Pecos, Lamesa, Seminole, Denver City, Slaton, Sweetwater, Canyon and Midland Greenwood.

## Dedication of softball field postponed

Saturday's scheduled opening ceremonies for the Western Texas College Lady Dusters softball team has been postponed until April 3 due to soggy field conditions.

"It's just holding too much water," WTC athletic director Dave Hanes said.

He said the team will still play the next scheduled home games, as all construction has been completed, but has cancelled this weekend's games with El Paso Community College.

Reconditioning of the steel beams, one of which collapsed at the baseball field, is done on the softball complex, and Hanes said it would be finished at the baseball field in time for Tuesday's 2 p.m. game with Wayland Baptist.

# Eagles land DE Kearse

**By The Associated Press**

The first day of NFL free agency brought lots of movement on the defensive line.

Jevon Kearse moved from Tennessee to Philadelphia, Ted Washington went from New England to Oakland, and Cornelius Griffin left New York for Washington.

The Eagles made the biggest splash Wednesday when they agreed to a $66 million, eight-year deal with Kearse, who could spark a mediocre pass rush. But Kearse, the 1999 Defensive Rookie of the Year, has played in just 18 of 32 games the last two seasons, which made the Titans balk at paying him top dollar.

Not so for the Eagles, who knew very well that Kearse's 9½ sacks in 2003 were more than all of Philadelphia's defensive ends combined.

Another NFC East team — the Redskins — was, as usual, very active. Even before free agency officially began, they signed DE Philips Daniels, who was cut by Chicago, making him available.

On Wednesday, they took on Griffin, who left the Giants after four seasons, the best of which was his rookie year of 2000, when the team won the NFC championship. The defensive tackle should solidify a run defense that ranked 25th in '03.

Then, Washington turned to the secondary, agreeing to terms with cornerback Shawn Springs, who should replace Champ Bailey. The Redskins also re-signed offensive lineman Lennie Friedman and welcomed quarterback Mark Brunell and running back Clinton Portis, who were acquired in previously arranged trades.

Portis comes from Denver in exchange for Bailey.

## Culp makes all-district

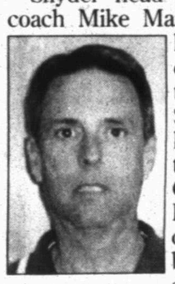
Hermleigh Lady Cardinals sophomore Alana Culp was named to the All-District 13A Division II Team.

Alana Culp

Chelsea Copeland of district runner-up Trent was named the MVP, while district champion Highland, which made it to the state semi-final placed three on the team.

## Martin to be honored at state tourney

Snyder head girls basketball coach Mike Martin, along with his 1994 state championship team from Sudan, will be honored at halftime of the girls Class A Division I state championship game between Muenster and Archer City.



Martin

The game is scheduled for 9 a.m. Saturday at the Erwin Center in Austin.

The 1994 team went 31-0 and was the first of consecutive state titles for Sudan. The back-to-back champions lost but one game in those two seasons.

## Midland Lee coach indicted

MIDLAND (AP) — A West Texas high school girls' basketball coach has been indicted on charges of indecency with a child.

The Midland County grand jury indicted Midland Lee coach Dan Simmons on Wednesday after more than two months of investigation by Midland police. The indictment charged him with three counts of indecency with a child and one count of improper relationship between an educator and a student.

Simmons' attorney, Brian Carney, told the Midland Reporter-Telegram for a story in today's editions that he had not seen the indictment and could not comment on it.

According to a police affidavit, the charges relate to four separate alleged incidents involving girls between the ages of 15 and 16 during the fall of 2002 and last December.

School district police notified Midland police on Dec. 19 after a district investigation of alleged indecency during a basketball tournament in Lubbock, the affidavit said. Three more alleged victims were revealed during subsequent investigations, the newspaper reported.

Simmons, 44, was suspended Dec. 8 and turned himself in to authorities on Jan. 8 after a warrant was issued for his arrest. He has been free on $10,000 bond.

## Tigers in Frenship

The Snyder Tigers left this morning for the Frenship Tournament, with a 3 o'clock game scheduled against Borger this afternoon, weather permitting.

The Tigers will play two games Friday, starting at 11:30 a.m. against Dumas. Snyder will battle Levelland at 4:30 p.m. in the second game.

Snyder is slated to play at 10 a.m. Saturday against Perryton.

# Tech women stumble at K-State

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — Twenty-one points.

Eight assists.

And a big purple "3" rising to the rafters in a packed Bramlage Coliseum.

Nicole Ohlde put up a string of memorable numbers in her final regular-season game, leading eighth-ranked Kansas State to an 85-73 victory over No. 9 Texas Tech on Wednesday night for a share of the Big 12 championship.

"I'll probably send her a graduation gift," Texas Tech coach Marsha Sharp said, drawing a laugh from reporters. "The things she does are not a surprise to me."

Nor was the Wildcats' focus — on an emotional night in which their center's number was retired after the game — a surprise to coach Deb Patterson.

"I think it speaks to the maturity of Nicole, and it also speaks to the single-minded purpose of this team on winning and on working together to achieve it."

The Wildcats (23-4, 14-2) had not won a conference title since earning a three-way share of the Big 8 championship in 1987. Kansas State will be seeded second in the Big 12 tournament because it lost to No. 3 Texas, the other co-champion.

"It was an incredible atmosphere tonight," said Ohlde, Kansas State's leading career scorer and rebounder. "The fans were incredible ... and everybody on the court was doing their job."

Having three Big 12 teams in the top 10 at the end of the regular season made Kansas State's co-championship even sweeter, forward Kendra Wecker said.

"We'll probably get five or six teams in the (NCAA) tournament," said Wecker, who had 17 points. "To be able to say we're the co-champions of such a great league, that's quite an honor."

Alesha Robertson led Texas Tech (24-6, 10-6) with 16 points.

Kansas State led 33-29 at halftime then outscored the Lady Raiders 18-5 in the first five minutes of the second half. The Wildcats were 6-for-6 from the field — 3-for-3 from 3-point range — and 3-for-3 from the line over that span.

Laurie Koehn hit two 3-pointers — converting one into a 4-point play when she was fouled by Casey Jackson. Koehn closed it out with another 3-pointer, giving Kansas State a 51-34 lead with 15 minutes left.

The Wildcats were hot from the field early in the first half as well, hitting seven of their first 10 shots and taking a 17-7 lead behind three 3s from Amy Dutmer. They were 13-for-25 from 3-point range for the game, more than offsetting Texas Tech's free-throw advantage.

# Softball tourney delayed

The Snyder varsity softball tournament has been delayed due to the thunderstorms that have swept across the area this morning.

Head coach Darren Pool said a decision at 1 p.m. on whether to cancel today's games, but an alternate schedule is being considered that would begin double elimination bracket play Friday and continue through Saturday.

The Lady Tigers are scheduled to play Colorado City in the first game of the tournament.

Other teams participating in the tournament include Grape Creek, Sweetwater, Midland Greenwood, Midland Christian, Lubbock Estacado, Monahans, Lamesa, Lake View, Plainview, Abilene Wylie, Midland High JV, Levalland, Coahoma and Mineral Wells.

## National Hockey League

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| **Atlantic Division** | | | | | | | |
| Philadelphia | 34 | 16 | 12 | 6 | 86 | 195 | 156 |
| New Jersey | 34 | 20 | 11 | 1 | 80 | 163 | 133 |
| N.Y. Islanders | 30 | 23 | 10 | 3 | 73 | 186 | 167 |
| N.Y. Rangers | 23 | 31 | 7 | 5 | 58 | 172 | 195 |
| Pittsburgh | 13 | 43 | 6 | 4 | 36 | 137 | 253 |
| **Northeast Division** | | | | | | | |
| Toronto | 36 | 19 | 9 | 3 | 84 | 191 | 168 |
| Ottawa | 35 | 17 | 9 | 5 | 84 | 219 | 144 |
| Boston | 31 | 16 | 13 | 7 | 82 | 170 | 154 |
| Montreal | 34 | 26 | 6 | 2 | 76 | 171 | 155 |
| Buffalo | 29 | 30 | 6 | 1 | 65 | 170 | 181 |
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| Tampa Bay | 37 | 17 | 7 | 5 | 86 | 196 | 151 |
| Florida | 24 | 27 | 14 | 3 | 65 | 149 | 172 |
| Atlanta | 27 | 32 | 6 | 2 | 62 | 182 | 207 |
| Carolina | 20 | 28 | 13 | 4 | 57 | 123 | 160 |
| Washington | 20 | 36 | 8 | 2 | 50 | 154 | 199 |
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| **Central Division** | | | | | | | |
| Detroit | 38 | 17 | 9 | 2 | 87 | 210 | 151 |
| Nashville | 32 | 24 | 8 | 2 | 74 | 169 | 173 |
| St. Louis | 29 | 26 | 8 | 2 | 68 | 148 | 165 |
| Columbus | 20 | 35 | 8 | 4 | 52 | 146 | 192 |
| Chicago | 18 | 34 | 9 | 5 | 50 | 153 | 197 |
| **Northwest Division** | | | | | | | |
| Colorado | 33 | 16 | 12 | 5 | 83 | 193 | 155 |
| Vancouver | 35 | 19 | 8 | 4 | 82 | 192 | 155 |
| Calgary | 33 | 25 | 5 | 3 | 74 | 159 | 146 |
| Edmonton | 27 | 27 | 10 | 2 | 66 | 177 | 172 |
| Minnesota | 21 | 26 | 17 | 2 | 61 | 143 | 151 |
| **Pacific Division** | | | | | | | |
| San Jose | 33 | 16 | 11 | 6 | 83 | 172 | 140 |
| Dallas | 33 | 22 | 11 | 0 | 77 | 151 | 144 |
| Los Angeles | 25 | 18 | 15 | 7 | 72 | 172 | 170 |
| Anaheim | 24 | 26 | 9 | 8 | 65 | 149 | 171 |
| Phoenix | 20 | 26 | 15 | 5 | 60 | 165 | 200 |

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New Jersey 5, Florida 2
Tampa Bay 5, Chicago 3
Dallas 4, Columbus 2
Vancouver 5, Colorado 5, tie
San Jose 4, Montreal 3
Anaheim 2, Minnesota 0

**Today's Games**

N.Y. Rangers at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
Nashville at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.
Edmonton at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

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| **Atlantic Division** | | | | |
| New Jersey | 37 | 23 | .617 | — |
| New York | 27 | 35 | .435 | 11 |
| Boston | 26 | 36 | .419 | 12 |
| Miami | 25 | 36 | .410 | 12½ |
| Philadelphia | 24 | 37 | .393 | 13½ |
| Washington | 20 | 39 | .339 | 16½ |
| Orlando | 17 | 46 | .270 | 21½ |
| **Central Division** | | | | |
| Indiana | 45 | 16 | .738 | — |
| Detroit | 38 | 25 | .603 | 8 |
| Milwaukee | 33 | 27 | .550 | 11½ |
| New Orleans | 33 | 28 | .541 | 12 |
| Toronto | 26 | 35 | .426 | 19 |
| Cleveland | 25 | 36 | .410 | 20 |
| Atlanta | 20 | 41 | .328 | 25 |
| Chicago | 18 | 43 | .295 | 27 |
| **WESTERN CONFERENCE** | | | | |
| **Midwest Division** | | | | |
| Minnesota | 44 | 17 | .721 | — |
| San Antonio | 40 | 21 | .656 | 4 |
| Dallas | 39 | 21 | .650 | 4½ |
| Memphis | 37 | 24 | .607 | 7 |
| Houston | 34 | 26 | .567 | 9½ |
| Denver | 33 | 29 | .532 | 11½ |
| Utah | 31 | 30 | .508 | 13 |
| **Pacific Division** | | | | |
| Sacramento | 44 | 15 | .746 | — |
| L.A. Lakers | 39 | 21 | .650 | 5½ |
| Portland | 29 | 31 | .483 | 15½ |
| Seattle | 27 | 34 | .443 | 18 |
| Golden State | 25 | 34 | .424 | 19 |
| L.A. Clippers | 25 | 35 | .417 | 19½ |
| Phoenix | 21 | 41 | .339 | 24½ |

**Wednesday's Games**

Cleveland 112, Atlanta 80
Washington 84, Toronto 70
Milwaukee 105, Orlando 97
New York 88, Philadelphia 77
Minnesota 121, Dallas 97
New Orleans 100, Chicago 97, OT
San Antonio 88, Seattle 84
Phoenix 87, New Jersey 74
L.A. Lakers 96, Houston 93
Memphis 97, Portland 88
Indiana 101, L.A. Clippers 94, OT

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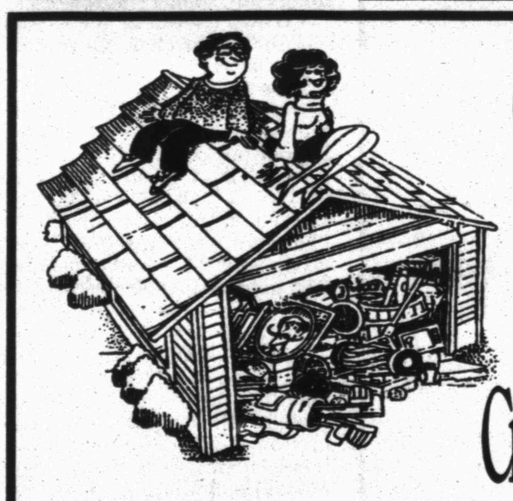

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## Dr. Gott

**By Peter Gott, M.D.**

# *Symptoms of a heart attack*

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** Thank you for your wonderful articles, especially the recent one explaining the symptoms of a heart attack in males. But women also suffer from this malady. Our symptoms may be different, more subtle and often unrecognized by the medical community. Your comment, please.

**DEAR READER:** To my knowledge, the symptoms of acute myocardial infarction (heart attack) are the same in men and women. They include: chest pressure, pain or discomfort that may radiate to the left arm, shoulder or jaw (commonly) or to the right arm or jaw (less commonly); shortness of breath; nausea; a feeling of impending doom; weakness; palpitations; and faintness. However, some men and women experience minor symptoms of chest awareness, the feeling that something's not right and lightheadedness. Finally, some people experience no identifiable symptoms during a heart attack; they are said to have suffered "silent" infarctions when subsequent cardiac testing is found to be abnormal, such as a routine cardiogram obtained as a matter of course in preparation for a surgical procedure.

You are correct that the incidence of heart attacks in women has, in the past, been underestimated. The reasons for this misperception are unclear, but male doctors have been much more focused on male myocardial infarction than on the female counterpart. Thankfully, this incorrect view has been largely corrected. If a woman has unexplained chest pain, most emergency room physicians would follow the same assessment protocol they would for males with chest pain.

This is the reason why I will immediately refer both men and women to the ER if they have unexplained chest pain or a combination of the other symptoms I listed, because it is only in a medically sophisticated environment that the necessary (blood and cardiac) studies can be carried out.

In conclusion, let me state the obvious: in a situation of unequivocal seriousness — for example, a person with crushing chest pain and collapse — any adult (or child) at the scene should immediately call 911 for an ambulance, and — if indicated — initiate cardiopulmonary resuscitation. If a person, male or female, can survive the initial consequences of a heart attack, modern therapy for blocked coronary arteries is so successful that he or she can literally look forward to a relatively normal life thereafter. This is yet one more argument for early detection and treatment of myocardial infarction in both men and women.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Coronary Artery Disease." 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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# IBM lawsuits on hold

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — More than 40 lawsuits against IBM Corp. are on hold after a judge ordered the parties to try settling the disputes.

Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge Robert Baines issued the written order just days after a jury ruled the computer giant was not responsible for the cancers that developed in two former employees at a disk drive plant in San Jose.

Baines on Monday suspended 44 cases in the area against IBM and told the parties to meet with an arbitrator.

"There was a clear response that these cases are meritless and it's a waste of time to pursue them any further," said IBM attorney Mary Ellen Powers.

Richard Alexander, the lead attorney for all San Jose plaintiffs, conceded that Baines' decision was in part influenced by last week's jury verdict in favor of IBM. He said it was a good time for everyone to reappraise the cases.

On Tuesday, IBM settled a lawsuit in New York that alleged a woman's severe birth defects were caused by her mother's working conditions.

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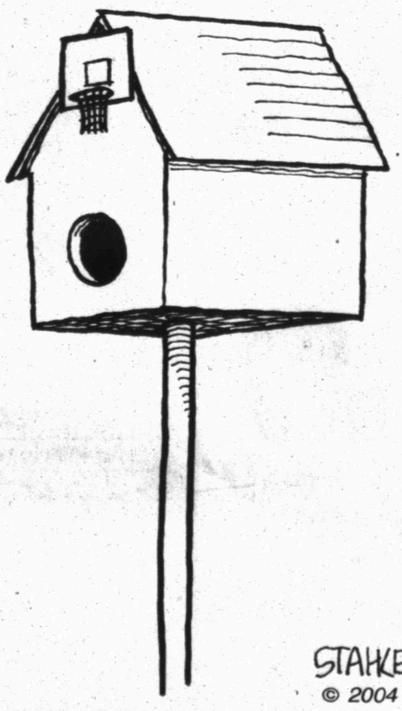

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# Two arrests are reported

***Arrests***

Two arrests were made in Scurry County on Wednesday and early today.

At 1:41 a.m. today, a caller reported hearing gunshots coming from a home on 16th St. The report led to the arrest of Adam Morales Jr., 32, of 701 16th St. for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, family violence and felon in possession of a firearm. There were no injuries.

At 7:33 p.m. Wednesday, a 33-year-old woman was arrested at the Law Enforcement Center charged with public intoxication.

***Burglary of a vehicle***

A vehicle was reported burglarized at 1609 Ave. E at 9:49 a.m. Wednesday. A firearm and some tools were missing.

***Theft***

At 7 p.m. Wednesday a caller reported the theft of a Sony Playstation game from 123 20th Place.

***Criminal mischief***

At 12:10 p.m. Wednesday a father reported that his daughter's vehicle had been scratched while parked at Chicken Express.

***Family disturbance***

At 5:49 p.m. Wednesday an officer was requested to a home on Texas Ave. where a father would not release a child to the mother, but the child had been released to the mother upon officer's arrival.

An officer was requested to a home on Irving Ave. at 6:10 p.m. Wednesday. The caller said that a woman at that location was being forced to stay by her husband. An offense report for interference with an emergency call and unlawful restraint was submitted.

***Criminal trespass***

A caller requested an officer at 6:54 p.m. Wednesday to report two individuals who were trespassing. The subjects were served with a criminal trespass warning.

***Attempted burglary***

At 5:46 p.m. Wednesday a caller reported an attempted break in at her home at 701 16th St. that had occurred around 2 a.m. The homeowner did not file a report, but requested a close patrol.

***Ambulance requested***

At 4:11 p.m. Wednesday an ambulance was requested to a home in the 1300 block of Ave. R where an 8-year-old child was reported to have been shot in the face with a BB gun. Transport by Snyder EMS was not required.

## Dad owes thousands

DALLAS (AP) — A North Texas man, listed as one of the state's 10 most wanted child support evaders, was held Thursday on accusations he owed more than $100,000 in payments.

Stephen Bolton was arrested Tuesday and taken to Lew Sterrett Justice Center, where he remained jailed in lieu of $61,181 bail.

Bolton, 42, of Dallas was arrested by Dallas County constables for owing $120,336 in child support.

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| AT&T Corp | 20.21 | 20.01 | 20.03 | —.05 |
| Albertsons | 24.60 | 24.17 | 24.25 | —.43 |
| Alltel | 52.15 | 51.86 | 52.01 | +.23 |
| AmEl Pw | 34.14 | 33.75 | 33.84 | —.16 |
| AndarkPtr | 51.96 | 51.06 | 51.23 | —.71 |
| ATMOS Egy | 26.65 | 26.55 | 26.63 | +.02 |
| Aviall | 15.48 | 15.31 | 15.46 | +.24 |
| BP PLC | 49.70 | 49.40 | 49.66 | |
| BakerHughes | 38.00 | 37.28 | 37.33 | —.72 |
| Bank of Amer | 82.54 | 82.23 | 82.29 | —.33 |
| BellSouth | 30.30 | 28.91 | 29.06 | +.46 |
| BurlNoSFe | 31.20 | 30.85 | 30.97 | |
| Caterpillar | 77.26 | 76.58 | 76.60 | —.72 |
| CenterPoint | 11.25 | 10.88 | 11.25 | +.31 |
| ChevronTex | 89.83 | 89.20 | 89.35 | —.48 |
| Citigroup | 50.12 | 49.86 | 49.87 | +.05 |
| CocaCola | 49.95 | 48.81 | 48.84 | —.30 |
| ColgatePal | 56.39 | 56.07 | 56.15 | —.16 |
| CmclMetals | 30.39 | 30.19 | 30.19 | —.25 |
| ConocoPhill | 69.81 | 69.15 | 69.18 | —.55 |
| Cooper Inds | 55.00 | 54.55 | 54.65 | +.23 |
| DaimlrChry | 44.35 | 44.04 | 44.25 | —.50 |
| DeltaAirLines | 9.12 | 8.97 | 9.08 | +.13 |
| Dillards Inc | 18.17 | 17.73 | 18.17 | +.14 |
| DowChem | 43.19 | 42.80 | 43.01 | +.01 |
| DuPont | 45.00 | 44.69 | 44.93 | —.14 |
| EastmanChem | 42.12 | 41.00 | 41.00 | —.99 |
| EstKodak | 28.19 | 27.87 | 27.92 | +.08 |
| EDS Corp | 19.58 | 19.25 | 19.55 | +.38 |
| Entergy | 58.80 | 58.50 | 58.61 | +.10 |
| ExxonMobil | 42.00 | 41.68 | 41.72 | —.18 |
| FootLocker | 26.72 | 26.43 | 26.46 | +.08 |
| GenDynam | 91.92 | 91.01 | 91.27 | —.38 |
| GenElec | 32.89 | 32.70 | 32.75 | —.10 |
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# B-Country contest lists 4 winners

Big Country Electric Cooperative has announced the winners of the annual Youth Tour Speech Contest. The contest was held Feb. 23 at the Roby High School Auditorium. Three winners, Cassidy Pritchard of Stamford, M'Lynn Lehrmann of Rule and Wes Terry of Roby will join approximately 1,500 other teens across the country for a nine-day all expense paid trip to Washington, DC in June.

Along with the trip to D.C., the students will each receive a $1,000 scholarship. John Wilson of Borden County receives a $1,000 scholarship and will serve as alternate in the event one of the students is unable to go on the trip.

The purpose of this tour is to provide an opportunity for youth to visit monuments, governmental buildings and cooperative related organizations in order to become familiar with the historical and political environment of our nation's capitol.

They will enjoy the best off Washington, D.C., tour the Smithsonian Institute, Ford's Theatre, the FBI building, Jefferson and Lincoln memorials and countless other points of interest. They also will visit Arlington National Cemetery, the Vietnam Memorial and the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Other contestants were Abby Dudensing, Bonnie Emert, Carolyn Marshall, Courtney Buerger, Deborah Long, Erica Peters, Fran Leighton, Jimmy Rincker, Joshua Kemp, Priyanka Patel, Stephanie McLemore and Eli Oldham.

DC BOUND — Big Country Electric Cooperative scholarship winners from left are M'Lynn Lehrmann of Rule, Wes Terry of Roby, Cassidy Pritchard of Stamford and John Wilson of Gail. In addition to the scholarship, the group received a trip to Washington, D.C. (Contributed photo)

## Musical to be staged

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP) — Copenhagen will stage a musical based on Hans Christian Andersen's "The Little Mermaid" next year, with 650 amateurs dancing and singing in a huge floating theater, organizers said Wednesday.

# Drinking deaths of two boys leaves Montana town shaken

RONAN, Mont. (AP) — When two 11-year-old boys did not show up for afternoon classes at their middle school last Friday, no one was alarmed — they were probably just playing hooky.

But when their frozen bodies were found in a snowy field Monday — dead from drinking massive amounts of liquor — it set off an anguished search for whoever or whatever was responsible.

"If two kids are intoxicated to the point that they lay down on the prairie and die, there's some negligence there," Lake County Sheriff Bill Barron said Wednesday. "Somebody has got to be responsible for these two kids just laying down and dying. If it's the system, we're going to have to work on the system."

Frankie Sonneah Nicolai III and Justin Benoist apparently skipped school Friday afternoon, got their hands on a large quantity of liquor and ran off to drink it.

A friend who went searching for them Monday found their bodies about 100 yards apart in a field outside Ronan, on the Flathead Indian Reservation of northwestern Montana. Barron said they apparently died late Friday night or very early Saturday.

In the reservation town of 1,800 people just south of Flathead Lake, residents were still reeling from the news and questioning how it could have come to this.

"Two young boys like that — it's a shock with them being so young," said Mike Freeman, a pharmacist in town. "People, when they talk about it, aren't pointing fingers, but they want to know what happened. The prevailing feeling is, 'How can that happen to two young boys in our community?'"

Alcohol poisoning killed Frankie, the sheriff said. Frankie had a blood-alcohol level of 0.50 percent — more than six times Montana's 0.08 percent legal threshold for drunken driving, and well more than enough to kill an adult. Justin's reading was 0.20. He died of alcohol poisoning and hypothermia. Temperatures Friday night dropped to the mid-20s.

Barron said authorities were investigating whether an adult or adults gave liquor to the youths. But initial indications were that the boys probably had taken it from homes where they knew it would be left out and easy to snatch.

"What we're finding is that they pilfered it from different places," the sheriff said.

Barron said he also was alarmed that his office had not been notified all weekend that the boys were missing.

Parents of both boys, however, did notify tribal police on Friday that the two had run away, and tribal police listed them as runaways on the national law enforcement computer system, said Lt. Les Clairmont.

# Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

## *Alcohol fuels fire of conflict between parent and teenager*

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a normal 13-year-old kid. I play soccer and the saxophone and am serious about both.

Lately, I'm noticing my mom's drinking. She threatens all kinds of things at night: no soccer, no sax, no social life. She gets argumentative and repeats herself. We've been getting into fights because she forgets things and says things she doesn't mean.

The other night, she grabbed and pushed me. When I told her to stop, she said she has nothing to lose, but I do.

Plus my dad is kind of timid, so he goes along with whatever she says. HELP! — **CRAZY IN COLORADO**

**DEAR CRAZY:** Your mother's drinking is out of control, and her behavior is destructive. Your father probably hopes that if he ignores it, it will go away. Please clip this letter and give it to him. He needs to contact Al-Anon, and you should attend some Alateen meetings.

Alateen is a fellowship of young people whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking. An active adult member of Al-Anon serves as a sponsor for each group. The number for both Al-Anon and Alateen is (888) 425-2666, and the Web site for both is www.al-anon.alateen.org.

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**DEAR ABBY:** Last summer, my high school sweetheart and I linked up again at our class reunion. We live in different states. A few months later, I visited her. Two months after that, she came to visit me for a week. We got along great.

We talk constantly and are in love with each other all over again. Neither of us has children or other obligations. She has agreed to move here, get her own place for a while, and let nature take its course. I can't see myself without her.

Her friends think she might be acting too hastily. Do you think we need more time? We are both 38 and are ready to spend our lives together. What do you think? — **CONFUSED IN KENTUCKY**

**DEAR CONFUSED:** You are both adults. Since there is nothing keeping her in the town where she lives, I see no reason why she shouldn't relocate to yours. Her friends mean well, I'm sure, but they are not the ones who should be deciding whether her decision is too hasty, and I think they should butt out.

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**DEAR ABBY:** I have been dating "Andre" since I was 12 and he was 13. We are now 26 and 27. Like any couple, we've had arguments. He's also cheated on me. We have three children. He also has four children with other women.

I am confused, Abby. We have a lot of trust issues. I have my guard up all the time. I love him. He was my first sexual partner. I want to get married, but I can't help thinking he's going to cheat again.

How can I learn to trust him totally? — **C.D. IN CHICAGO**

**DEAR C.D.:** Being of sound mind and body, that would be impossible. Your boyfriend has proven at least four times that he is not trustworthy in the fidelity department. Thirteen years of this distrust and torture are enough already. If I were you, I'd talk to a lawyer, establish child support and let him go. He may be 27, but he still hasn't grown up.

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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.)

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# Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

**Your Birthday**

**Friday, March 5, 2004**

Some of last year's situations may have proven to be slightly humbling, but things will work out to your advantage in the months ahead. Being a bit laid-back makes you more enchanting and appealing to others.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** — To your credit, you'll go out of your way to make sure everyone is treated fairly when you see things getting a bit unfair and lopsided today, even if you have to lecture a selfish **individual.**

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** — Today will not likely be the stressful workday you may have anticipated. Someone in the office will be responsible for turning conditions around into being more pleasant.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** — If you accidentally hurt someone's feelings today, find a way to make amends immediately. When you explain your intentions, this person will understand and forgive and forget.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** — Don't let any interfering outsider stop you from doing something today that you've been working on. If you believe you have been on the right track, hold firm and let the results prove it.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** — Off and on frustrations might ruin the day for the average person, but not for you. You'll believe in yourself, keep your composure and get everything running smoothly again.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** — An important piece of equipment may malfunction on you today, but thankfully someone will come to your rescue and either repair it or help you replace it at an affordable price.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Someone who is tossing banana peels in everyone else's path today may be hot on your trail. But once you realize what's happening, you'll find a way to dodge any slippery obstacles.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** — An unexpected, unpleasant task may be dumped into your lap today, but in reality it could work out to your benefit. The bonuses it generates will end up in your pocket.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** — It's possible today that you could run into an unruly character, but much to your credit your take-charge qualities will quickly display themselves and you'll handle this person with ease.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** — Others will be silently thanking you under their breath for your use of discretion in not calling any attention to their errors, while simultaneously finding a way to bolster their spirits.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — It takes a disciplined Capricorn like you to walk in on a bickering scene today and know exactly what needs to be said to bring order and peace to the situation. Go to it.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** — As long as you believe you can control your destiny, you'll be able to do so when something goes awry. Set your sights high and climb over those obstacles that are blocking your path.

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# MAJOR BREAKTHROUGH

# New pill targets fat and water in the abdomen that cause the pot belly

## Developed from studies at the Universities of Yale, Pittsburgh, UCLA, and California

By John Whitehead, Media Services

A major new breakthrough pill with ingredients that target abdominal fat and water that cause the pot belly has been announced by Biotech Research.

The brand name of this pill is AbGONE™. It is now available to the public.

AbGONE™ was developed from concepts in research conducted at the Universities of Yale, Pittsburgh, UCLA, and California. It was found in this research that fat in the abdomen is different than the rest of your body. And, there are 2 types of abdominal fat, outer fat and intestinal fat.

Certain factors cause fat to collect in the abdominal area in excess.

But what makes abdominal fat different from the rest of the fat in the body also provided researchers with a way to reduce it with a number of natural substances which reduce both types of abdominal fat. They also found a way to reduce excess abdominal water.

The lead developer of this remarkable new pill, AbGONE™, with these ingredients that reduce abdominal fat and water, was Rehan Jalali, nationally recognized nutritionist and author for Biotech Research.

Here is my eye-opening interview with Mr. Jalali. Research studies are noted and referenced in this interview.*

**Q. Mr. Jalali, how did you develop this remarkable AbGONE™ pill with ingredients that target fat and water in the abdomen?**

A. It took five years to develop the AbGONE™ pill.

We started out by reviewing large volumes of research that had been done on why so much fat is disproportionately stored in the abdomen. This research was conducted at Yale University.[2]

This research found that abdominal fat was different than in the rest of the body.[1]

From this initial research, we knew we could develop a pill to reduce abdominal fat.

We also found that there were harmful effects of abdominal excess fat and excess retained water. These included the fact that people with a pot belly had a greater tendency to certain health problems.[2] We also found that they had social difficulties and had greater rates of unemployment and divorce.[3]

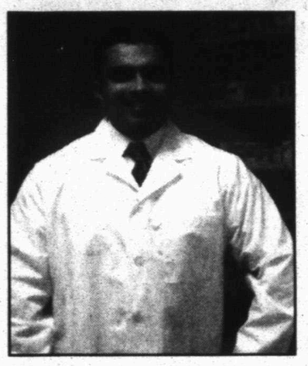
**Q. It has always been thought in the scientific community that you could not spot reduce fat. Is that not true?**

A. The ingredients in AbGONE™ do not spot reduce ordinary fat. They help reduce ordinary fat uniformly over the entire body. The ingredients in AbGONE™ enable the body to reduce excess water and fat in the abdomen that the body could not reduce before. And they help inhibit the excess collection of abdominal fat in the future. Therefore, the abdomen is reduced in size much better than before.

**Q. How is abdominal fat different from other fat in the body?**

A. Abdominal fat is much more sensitive to a certain hormone which enlarges the fat. I will elaborate shortly.

There are basically two different types of fat in the body. The first is outer fat found under the skin surface. The second is intestinal fat which is deep in the abdomen.



AbGONE™ lead developer Rehan Jalali is a nationally recognized nutritionist and author who has appeared in NEWSWEEK, Muscle & Fitness, Oxygen, Men's Fitness, Muscle Media and many other magazines and scientific journals. He has developed over 100 cutting edge products for the nutritional supplement industry.

Now, this is important.

It is possible to reduce the surface fat in the body but still have significant abdominal intestinal fat.

That is why, even when people become super thin and have no visible fat on their body, they often still have a pot belly. That is because the intestinal fat is still collected deep in the abdomen.

**Q. How do the ingredients in AbGONE™ help reduce abdominal surface and intestinal fat?**

A. We found in a number of research studies on laboratory animals, later confirmed in human studies, a substance called Conjugated Linoleic Acid (CLA). Studies of CLA suggest that CLA decreases body fat in three ways: 1.) CLA decreases body fat mass by decreasing the amount of fat that is stored after eating; 2.) CLA increases the rate of fat breakdown in fat cells; and 3.) CLA increases the rate of fat metabolism which decreases the total number of fat cells. You can think of CLA as a match that lights the fuse in fat. This fuse increases the metabolic rate of fat that can result in subsequent fat loss.

Studies have shown that you can reduce abdominal fat within 4 weeks.[4] AbGONE™ contains a good dose of CLA.

There are also a number of other beneficial effects to CLA that help decrease the future storage of fat.

**Q. How can CLA help decrease the future storage of fat?**

A. CLA interferes with an enzyme called lipoprotein lipase (LPL). LPL is an enzyme that helps store fat in the body[11]. So, by inhibiting this fat-storing enzyme LPL, CLA can help reduce the reaccumulation of fat.

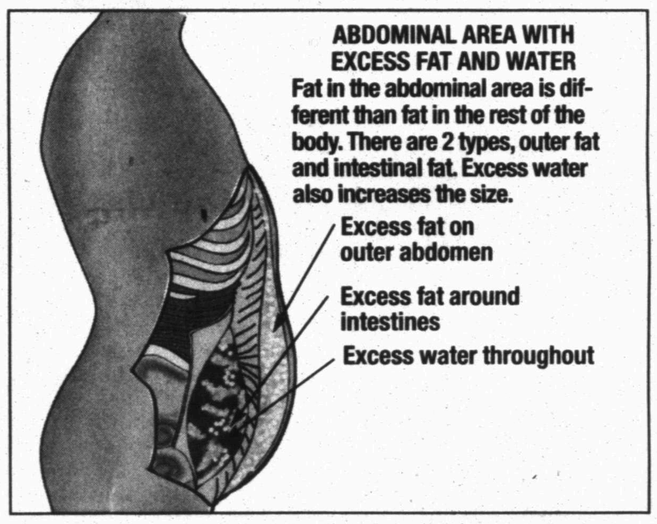
CLA also helps the body use its existing fat for energy, thereby increasing fat oxidation and energy expenditure.

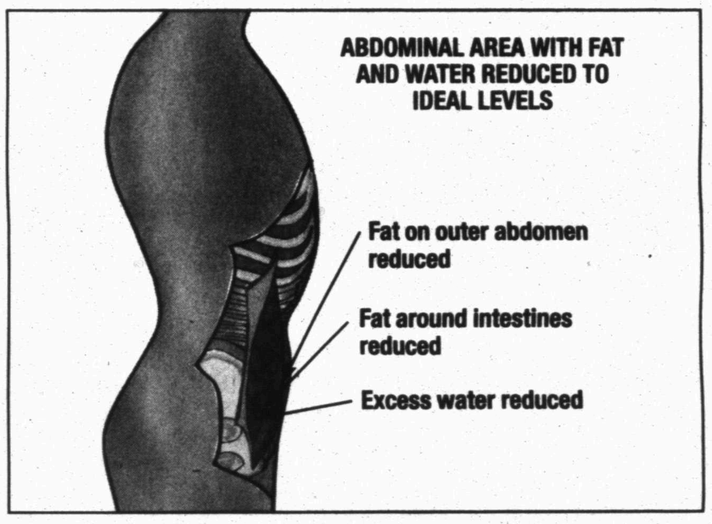
**Q. What is the hormone that causes fat to accumulate disproportionately in the body?**

A. The hormone Cortisol has been found in studies at UCLA, Yale and many other universities to directly contribute to the collection of fat in the abdomen.[5] Cortisol is a catabolic hormone that breaks down dead or damaged tissues so they can be eliminated by the body. Lower levels of Cortisol have some functional effects. Higher levels of Cortisol are harmful.

These university studies found that stress directly increases Cortisol levels to the point of being harmful.[2]

## You can say good-bye to your pot belly




These stress-induced Cortisol level increases have been linked to increasing abdominal fat.[2] The reason for this is that there are 4 times more Cortisol receptors in abdominal fat than there are in fat in the rest of the body.[3] This is why abdominal fat is much more sensitive to the fat accumulating effects of Cortisol.

Abdominal fat responds to circulating Cortisol levels by further increasing in size.[3] And, these large central fat deposits in the abdomen can contribute to problems and promote other risk factors like high cholesterol levels.[3]

According to research at the University of California in San Francisco, higher levels of Cortisol and stress can actually increase appetite, especially cravings for sweet foods.[6] So it's a cascading effect causing people to get fatter and fatter.

Therefore it is imperative to stop high levels of Cortisol in its tracks if you want to reduce abdominal fat.

**Q. So how do you control Cortisol levels?**

A. The simplest way is to eliminate stress in your life. However, with modern life, eliminating stress is virtually impossible. The alternative is to use nutriceuticals that studies indicate reduce Cortisol levels. We also put these all natural nutriceuticals in AbGONE™.

**Q. Can you tell me more about these nutriceuticals in AbGONE™ shown to reduce Cortisol?**

A. Yes I can. There are certain vitamins and minerals that have been shown to reduce Cortisol levels in high stress situations.[7] But you can't just take a multiple vitamin to reduce Cortisol because there's a lot of other things that you need to have in order for them to work.

One of these critical nutrients that you need is Phosphatidylserine (PS). Several studies at the University of Naples in Italy and at Cal State University in the U.S. indicate that PS can lower cortisol levels. PS has another good side effect in that it is also a brain power booster. The stopping of excessive Cortisol is also important for your psychological condition. It may help improve mood and reduce anxiety.[8+9]

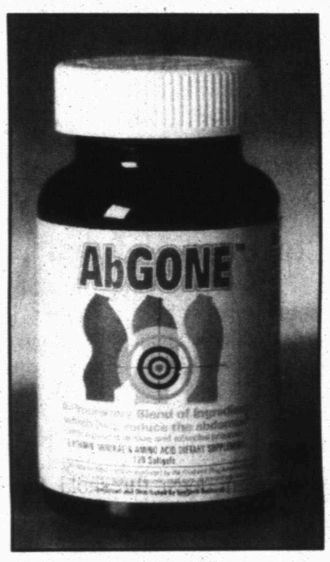
These synergistic nutrients in AbGONE™ helps reduce abdominal fat as aforementioned. Fat in the abdomen also has more Cortisol receptors than does fat in the rest of the body as aforementioned. So lowering Cortisol levels can help reduce fat in the abdomen.

Eating too much sugars also affect abdominal fat which is also addressed in the AbGONE™ ingredients.

**Q. How are blood sugars addressed in the AbGONE™ ingredients?**

A. AbGONE™ contains a highly absorbable form of chromium, a trace mineral shown to have powerful benefits in regulating blood sugar levels[12]. Chromium works by helping the body store less sugars as fat.

**Q. Are there any other benefits to the AbGONE™ ingredients?**




A. The answer to the question is a yes. Not only do the ingredients gradually help reduce abdominal fat, but they also have a multitude of health and other benefits. These include anti-oxidant effects, supporting healthy blood sugar levels, neurological boosting effects, preserving lean body mass, and supporting optimal water balance.

A lot of the excess pounds that people carry is excess water which is not needed by the body and can be harmful.

AbGONE™ also contains an exotic herb, Dandelion Root, that studies have shown can help decrease excess water in the body.[10] This can really help reduce and show a firm abdomen because large amounts of the excess water is in the abdomen. Men can show the "six pack" and women can get that smooth, firm, flat abdomen.

Therefore, AbGONE™ has triple action ingredients that helps support abdominal fat loss and a healthy body.

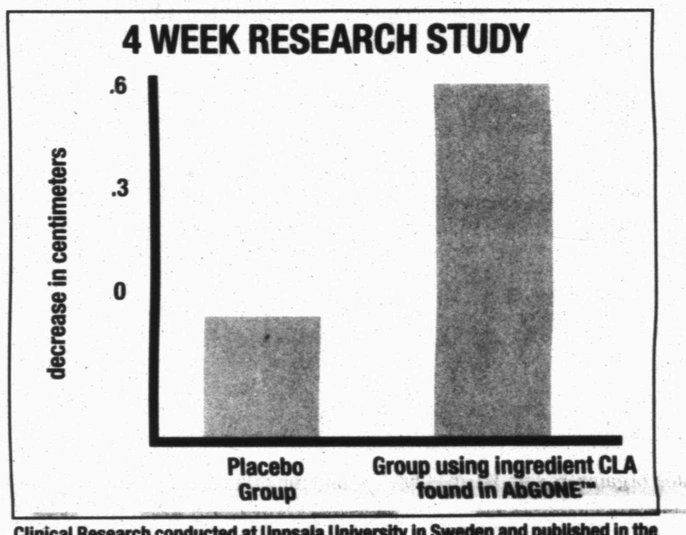
**Q. Can you summarize these 3 components of the AbGONE™ ingredients?**

A. Yes, I would like to preface that by the fact that you need all 3 of these components working to properly reduce abdominal fat, reduce the overall size of the abdomen and maximize the appearance of the abdomen. These 3 mechanisms of action are:

1. The AbGONE™ ingredients increase the rate of fat metabolism, which reduces both surface and intestinal abdominal fat and helps inhibit future formation of these abdominal fats.

2. AbGONE™ ingredients help lower harmful high Cortisol levels which have been linked to increasing both surface and intestinal abdominal fat and causing binge eating. Therefore, they help reduce both surface and intestinal abdominal fat.

3. AbGONE™ ingredients help support optimal body water balance. Therefore, you are not carrying all of those excess pounds caused by excess body water. Excess body water can increase the size of the abdomen and hide your abdominal muscles as well as other muscles and make you look puffy and flabby.




Clinical Research conducted at Uppsala University in Sweden and published in the prestigious International Journal of Obesity clearly shows that using the ingredient CLA in AbGONE™ reduced sagittal diameter (lower abdominals) resulting from a significant lowering of abdominal adipose tissue (abdominal outer and intestinal fat) as compared to a placebo.

**Q. Does AbGONE™ contain Ephedra or other harmful stimulants?**

A. Absolutely not. The ingredients in AbGONE™ are non-stimulant. The only side effects of the ingredients you should see in AbGONE™ are a better appearance, better mental function, and better health. Proper eating and exercise can further potentiate the effects of AbGONE™.

AbGONE™ pills come in a 30-day supply bottle. University studies show people can reduce their abdominal fat in 30 days. AbGONE™ will not be in stores for an extended period until we can get enough AbGONE™ ingredients, which are costly and time consuming to produce, in high quantity for store inventories. In the meantime, readers can order direct from Biotech Research.

**End of interview.**

Today readers of the publication can get AbGONE™ at a major discount if they order in 10 days from the date of this publication. The price of a 30-day supply of AbGONE™ is $39 plus $3.95 shipping and handling for a total of $42.95. But, for this 10 day sale, readers can get a $10 discount and pay only $29. For readers who want to obtain a 30-day supply of AbGONE™ at this 10 day sale price please see the Readers Discount Coupon on this page. There is a strict limit of 3 bottles at this discount price - no exceptions please. Those readers ordering after 10 days from the date of this publication must pay regular price.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

# Obituaries

## Nona Bunch

**1925-2004**

Nona Pearl Bunch, longtime Snyder resident, died this morning in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Bunch, 79, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Mike Henson, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Nona Bunch

Born Jan. 7, 1925 in O'Brien, she married Olin Bunch on Nov. 14, 1947 in Vernon.

Mrs. Bunch was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church. At one time, Mrs. Bunch operated the Newcomers Welcome Wagon in Snyder and worked part-time for Feather Printing. She later worked in customer relations for Furr's Supermarkets and for Lawrence IGA.

Survivors include her husband, Olin Bunch of Snyder; two sons and daughters-in-law, Travis and Joan Bunch of Snyder and Win and Pam Bunch of Houston; a daughter and son-in-law, Deborah and Mike Phelan of Allen; three brothers and sisters-in-law, Morris and Lorene Southall of Brownwood, Berle and Wanda Southall of Euless and Don and Iona Southall of Potosi; grandchildren, Carly and Melissa Clark of Austin, Lindsey Bunch of San Marcos, Stacey Bunch of Lubbock and Dylan Bunch of Snyder; and a great-granddaughter, Caitlyn Clark of Austin.

## Mary Greenfield

**1916-2004**

Mary Mayo Greenfield, a lifelong resident of Hermleigh, died Wednesday, March 3, in Snyder Oaks Care Center after a lengthy illness.

Graveside service for Mrs. Greenfield, 87, is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Pyron Cemetery with the Rev. Joe Torres, Home Hospice chaplain, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born May 9, 1916 in Hermleigh, she married Gaither Mayo on Oct. 4, 1933 in Snyder. He died Dec. 18, 1977. She married Alton Greenfield who also preceded her in death.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Sue Ann and Jimmy Cooper of Santa Fe, N.M.; a son and daughter-in-law, Rodney and Linda Mayo of Hermleigh; a sister, Maurine Wall of Amarillo; and three grandchildren, Alicia Knight of Bolder, Colo., Darrell Mayo of Hermleigh and LeAnn Freytag of Halletsville.

## Jesse Evans

**1920-2004**

LUBBOCK — Jesse Carl Evans Jr., a former Snyder resident, died Tuesday, March 2 at his Lubbock residence.

Graveside service for Mr. Evans, 83, is set for 10 a.m. Friday in Resthaven Memorial Park. A memorial service will follow at 11 a.m. in the First Christian Church. Arrangements are under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home.

Born in Schleicher County, he was a graduate of Mertzon High School and earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from Texas Tech. He was a U.S. Army Air Corp veteran of World War II and served in the Air Force Reserves for 28 years.

He married Frances Meharg on Aug. 1, 1947 in San Angelo. Mr. Evans was a school teacher in San Angelo and Snyder before moving to Waco where he was in the insurance business for 10 years.

Mr. Evans moved to Lubbock in 1965 and taught special education in Petersburg and Ralls, retiring in 1984.

He was a member of the Lions Club and First Christian Church.

Survivors include his wife, Frances Evans of Lubbock; a daughter, Linda Taylor of Lubbock; a son, Robert Evans of Fort Worth; a brother, Don Evans of Houston; five grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

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## Bill Farmer

**1938-2004**

MESA, Ariz. — Billy Don Farmer, a former Ira resident, died Wednesday, Feb. 25, at his home in Mesa.

Memorial service for Mr. Farmer, 65, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the First Methodist Church in Casper, Wyo. Burial will follow in the Highland Cemetery.

Bill Farmer

Born Dec. 11, 1938 in Scurry County, he married Sue Ann Mason on May 19, 1958.

A 1957 graduate of Ira High School, he moved to New Mexico where he started a 35-year career with Dowell. He spent most of his career in the Rocky Mountain area.

Mr. Farmer was a member of the Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge, Elks Lodge and the Paradise Valley Golf Club.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Farmer of Casper, Wyo.; two daughters and son-in-law, Leslie and John Pfiefer of Casper and Shauna and Tim Ligget of Gilbert, Ariz.; a son and daughter-in-law, Jason and Carmon Farmer of Queen Creek, Ariz.; a sister and brother-in-law, Lena and Kelton Clark of Ira; six grandchildren; and four nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Whit and Mattie Farmer; and a brother J.H. (Moose) Farmer.

Memorials can be made in his name to Bustard's Funeral Home, 600 CY Avenue in Casper, 82601.

## Byrle Rigsby

**1912-2004**

ANDREWS — Byrle Rigsby, the uncle of Lois Marie Eicke of Snyder, died Tuesday, March 2, in Lubbock.

Byrle Rigsby

Funeral service for Mr. Rigsby, 91, was set for 4 p.m. today in the McNett Funeral Home Chapel with Moody Conner officiating. Burial was to follow in the Andrews North Cemetery.

Born Aug. 5, 1912 in Port Lavaca, he married Valerie Kruse on May 3, 1936 in Snyder. They lived in Carlsbad, N.M. and Lubbock before moving to Andrews in 1949 where he was the owner of City Body Shop until his retirement in 1980.

Survivors include his wife, Valerie Rigsby of Andrews; a daughter, Betty Knight of Lubbock; three granddaughters; and seven great-grandchildren.

## Posie Blackwell

**1917-2004**

ABILENE — Rosa Pearl "Posie" Blackwell, a native of Scurry County, died Tuesday, March 2.

Graveside service for Mrs. Blackwell, 86, is set for 10 a.m. Friday in Elmwood Memorial Park. A celebration service will follow at 11 a.m. in the St. Paul United Methodist Church where she was a member for more than 60 years. Arrangements are under the direction of Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home.

Born March 4, 1917 in Fluvanna to Jesse and Agnes Wilson, she moved to Abilene in 1926 and was a graduate of Abilene High School.

She married Howard O. Blackwell on April 20, 1940 in San Angelo. He preceded her in death.

Survivors include a daughter, Betty Hoffman of Denver; a son, John Blackwell of Abilene; a sister, Marie Hammett of Lafayette, La.; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

## Clarence Neinast

**1913-2004**

LITTLEFIELD — Funeral service for Clarence Neinast, the father of Sandra Henderson of Hermleigh, is set for 10:30 a.m. Friday in the St. Martin Lutheran Church with the Rev. Michael Holmes officiating. Burial will follow in Littlefield Memorial Park under the direction of Hammons Funeral Home.

Mr. Neinast, 90, died Tuesday, March 2, in University Medical Center in Lubbock following an automobile accident in Littlefield.

Born Oct. 27, 1913 in Marlin, he married Ella Pauline Fichte on April 11, 1938 in Olney.

Mr. Neinast was a farmer in Stamford from 1940 until 1957 when he moved to Littlefield where he farmed until his retirement in 1973. He then worked at a service station for about five years.

The family suggests memorials to the St. Martin Lutheran Church where he was a member.

Survivors include his wife, Ella Neinast of Littlefield; another daughter, Dixie Jaquess of Littlefield; a brother, Wesley Neinast of Littlefield; a sister, Nell Smith of Lubbock; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

## Samuel Terral

**1934-2004**

LUBBOCK — Samuel L. "Poppy" Terral, a former resident of Snyder, died Tuesday, March 2.

Funeral service for Mr. Terral, 69, is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Resthaven Funeral Home Chapel with interment to follow in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Born Nov. 20, 1934 in Malta, he married Myrna Walker on Dec. 20, 1953 in Snyder.

A U.S. Navy veteran, he went to work for the U.S. Post Office in Snyder in 1957 and moved to Lubbock in 1966. He retired as a career mail carrier in 1990.

Survivors include his wife, Myrna Terral of Lubbock; a daughter, Jann Goodpasture of Sugar Land; two sons, Mark and Mitch Terral, both of Lubbock; two brothers, Clarence and Leonard Terral, both of California; two sisters, Jo Powell and Lucille Watson, both of Texarkana; four nieces from Snyder, Janell Bearden, Ladell Gannaway, Shirley Miller and Pat Guynes; two nephews, Terry McCright of Snyder and Tim McCright of McKinney; seven grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters.

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## Execution slated

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A condemned inmate described by a prosecutor as an "equal opportunity carjacker" was headed to the Texas death chamber tonight for the slaying of a Dallas-area man who was abducted then shot in the head 10 times.

Yokamon Hearn, 25, was sentenced to lethal injection for the 1998 death of Frank Meziere, a 23-year-old Plano stockbroker. Hearn was taken at gunpoint from a self-service car wash in Dallas where he cleaning his black Ford Mustang convertible.

# Some Mexicans entering U.S. will be exempt from being fingerprinted

WASHINGTON (AP) — Millions of visa-carrying Mexicans who make short visits to America and stay close to the border won't have to be fingerprinted and photographed to get into the country.

Asa Hutchinson, the Homeland Security department's undersecretary for border and transportation, was to publicly announce the policy change at a congressional hearing today, a congressional official who was briefed on the plan told The Associated Press.

The move, a concession to Mexican President Vicente Fox, comes on the eve of his visit to President Bush's ranch in Crawford.

As part of the US-VISIT program started in January, foreigners from certain countries traveling on visas and entering at 115 major airports and 14 seaports are fingerprinted and photographed. The system was developed in response to the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks to ensure that people on terrorist watch lists and other criminals don't get into the country.

The program will be added to the 50 busiest land ports later this year. Fox was upset that under the expanded plan, Mexicans would have been photographed and fingerprinted before entering the United States, while Canadians would not.

Mexican border officials and officials in U.S. border communities feared the program could lead to long delays or prompt fewer people to enter the country. Either scenario would hurt local economies that rely on a steady flow of visitors.

Under the plan outlined by the congressional official, Mexicans who have so-called laser visas won't be fingreprinted and photographed provided they stay in the United States no more than three days and remain close to the border.

## C-City couple's daughter is run over

Savanna Shiller, 2½-year-old daughter of Cliff and Nikki Shiller of Colorado City, was accidently run over by her grandfather, Micca Finley, as he was backing out of his driveway at his residence on N. Highway 208 Wednesday night.

Savanna's injuries include a crushed pelvis. It was reported Wednesday that she had internal bleeding, but at 7:30 a.m. today, the bleeding was decreasing.

She was alert and awake this morning and recognized her mother and grandmother, according to reports from Colorado City.

Her father, Cliff, is a former physical therapist at Cogdell Rehab Center until July 29, 1903. He also was president of Snyder Lions Club.

## Today's Weather

### Local 3-Day Forecast

| Fri 3/5 | Sat 3/6 | Sun 3/7 |
|---|---|---|
| 59/38 | 64/41 | 63/36 |
| Windy. Mostly sunny skies early followed by a few showers in the afternoon. | Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the low 40s. | Sunshine. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 30s. |
| Sunrise 7:06 AM, Sunset 6:45 PM | Sunrise 7:05 AM, Sunset 6:45 PM | Sunrise 7:04 AM, Sunset 6:46 PM |

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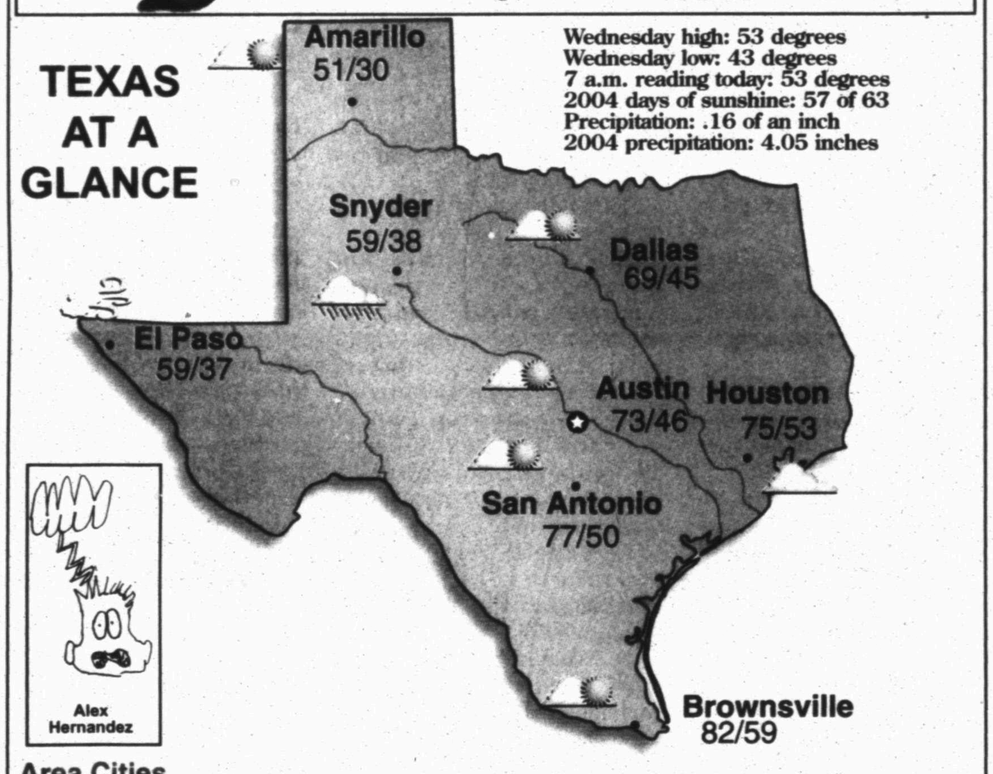


Wednesday high: 53 degrees
Wednesday low: 43 degrees
7 a.m. reading today: 53 degrees
2004 days of sunshine: 57 of 63
Precipitation: .16 of an inch
2004 precipitation: 4.05 inches

### Area Cities

| City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Abilene | 64 | 41 | mst sunny | El Paso | 59 | 37 | windy | Midland | 60 | 39 | windy |
| Amarillo | 51 | 30 | pt sunny | Fort Stockton | 65 | 40 | windy | Raymondville | 83 | 56 | pt sunny |
| Austin | 73 | 46 | pt sunny | Gainesville | 64 | 40 | pt sunny | Rosenberg | 75 | 52 | cloudy |
| Beaumont | 75 | 53 | t-storm | Greenville | 68 | 43 | mst sunny | San Antonio | 77 | 50 | pt sunny |
| Brownsville | 82 | 59 | pt sunny | Houston | 75 | 53 | cloudy | San Marcos | 74 | 47 | mst sunny |
| Brownwood | 71 | 43 | sunny | Kingsville | 81 | 55 | cloudy | Sulphur Springs | 69 | 43 | mst sunny |
| Corpus Christi | 77 | 55 | cloudy | Livingston | 73 | 48 | cloudy | Sweetwater | 62 | 40 | mst sunny |
| Corsicana | 71 | 46 | mst sunny | Longview | 71 | 46 | pt sunny | Tyler | 71 | 46 | mst sunny |
| Dallas | 69 | 45 | pt sunny | Lubbock | 56 | 34 | rain | Weatherford | 68 | 41 | pt sunny |
| Del Rio | 78 | 50 | sunny | Lufkin | 73 | 49 | cloudy | Wichita Falls | 60 | 37 | rain |

### National Cities

| City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Atlanta | 74 | 61 | cloudy | Houston | 75 | 53 | cloudy | Phoenix | 68 | 48 | sunny |
| Boston | 44 | 41 | rain | Los Angeles | 68 | 51 | sunny | San Francisco | 63 | 50 | pt sunny |
| Chicago | 63 | 33 | t-storm | Miami | 83 | 71 | pt sunny | Seattle | 49 | 39 | rain |
| Dallas | 69 | 45 | pt sunny | Minneapolis | 31 | 25 | snow | St. Louis | 62 | 39 | windy |
| Denver | 43 | 27 | sn shower | New York | 56 | 51 | rain | Washington, DC | 70 | 63 | cloudy |

### Moon Phases

| First | Full | Last | New |
|---|---|---|---|
| Feb 28 | Mar 6 | Mar 13 | Mar 20 |

### UV Index

| Fri 3/5 | Sat 3/6 | Sun 3/7 |
|---|---|---|
| 7 High | 7 High | 7 High |

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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