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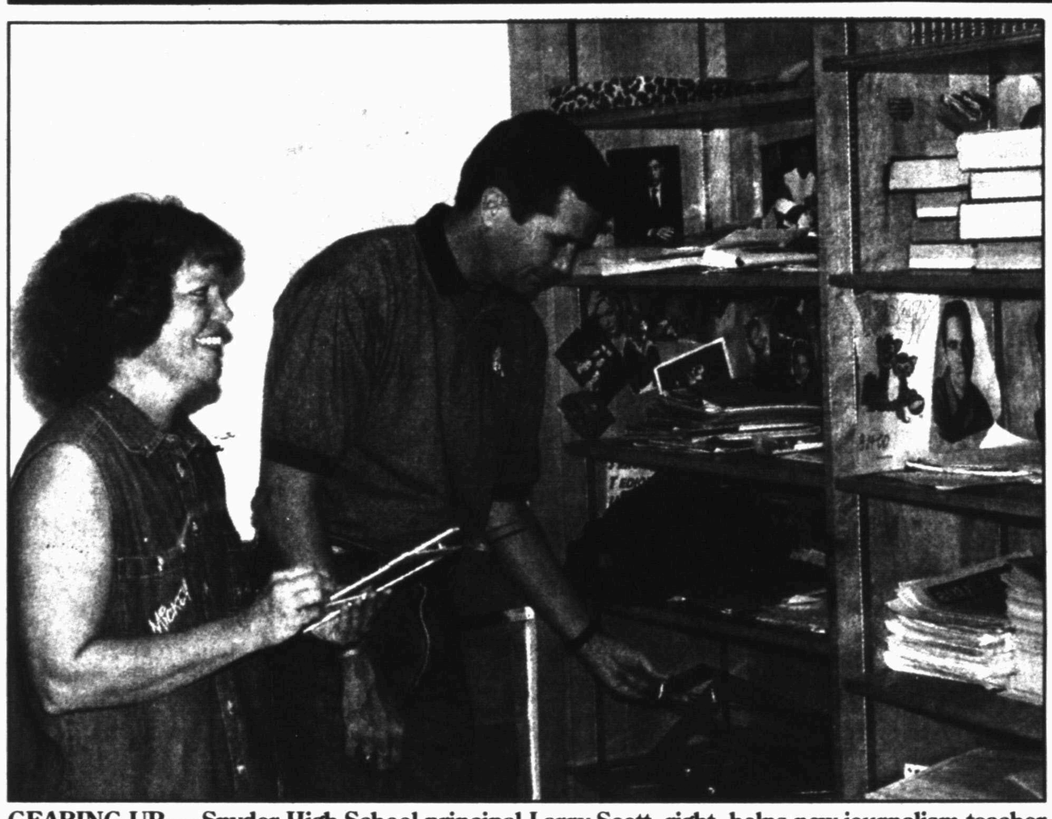


GEARING UP — Snyder High School principal Larry Scott, right, helps new journalism teacher Diane Arnold get situated in her classroom Thursday. SISD teachers report for duty Wednesday, with students beginning classes Aug. 15. (SDN Staff Photo)

Tropical storm floods Florida with 8 inches

MIAMI (AP) — Tropical Storm Barry weakened slightly in the Gulf of Mexico today as it headed toward Louisiana after drenching parts of Florida with as much as eight inches of rain that flooded streets and homes.

The second named storm of the 2001 Atlantic hurricane season could still gain momentum, said officials at the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

"During the night, the upper level winds came and disrupted the circulation," said Lixion Avila, a hurricane specialist. "It's weakening now, but if it survives the next 24 hours, it can regenerate."

A reconnaissance plane was flying into the storm's center to monitor its intensity, Avila said.

Tornadoes were possible along the southwest Florida coast. Coastal flooding was possible in southeast Louisiana, the center said.

Texas forecasters were also monitoring the storm.

"If it impacts our area, it would be Sunday or Monday," Bill Read, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service's Houston-Galveston office, told the Houston Chronicle in Friday's editions.

At 4 a.m. today, the storm was about 225 miles southeast New Orleans. It was moving northwest at 7 mph with maximum sustained winds at about 40 mph.

Martin County, north of Palm Beach on Florida's east coast, declared a state of emergency Thursday after eight inches of rain fell, flooding streets and homes and leaving many residents stranded.

About two dozen homes received flood damage, and the Red Cross opened a shelter at a Stuart church, emergency operations officer Martha Beaudoin said.

Water managers said the heavy rains won't be enough to immediately lift restrictions on lawn watering and car washing that have been imposed during one of the worst droughts in the state's history.

"We're going to be wet for a few days but this is south Florida — we're used to that," Miami-Dade County Mayor Alex Penelas said.

Emergency Management spokesman Jim Loftus said officials had increased staffing and were watching the storm closely. He urged residents to make necessary preparations.

Local AHA is honored

The Scurry County Division of the American Heart Association was recently honored for its fund-raising efforts.

The Texas Affiliate of the American Heart Association awarded the local unit the "Double Digit Increase Award. The award is given to divisions that achieve a fund-raising increase of 10 percent or more from the previous year.

"The Scurry Division is a leader in our fight against heart disease and stroke in Texas," said Martha Gallier, chairman of the Texas Affiliate. "The division is an outstanding example of local volunteers making a difference in the battle against our state's number one killer."

Dee Chasteen is the president of the local heart association.

Perry touts tax-free shopping in Texas

EL PASO (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry said this weekend's sales tax holiday is a "Texas common-sense tax policy" where shoppers will save an estimated $40 million.

"Hardworking Texans, in my opinion, deserve this tax break," Perry said Thursday in a stop in El Paso. He was in Midland earlier and will travel to Texarkana, Nacogdoches and Beaumont today to deliver the same message.

Perry said the amount of savings increased from $32.6 million in 1999, the first year of the holiday, to $37 million last year.

The holiday lasts from today through Sunday and allows shoppers to buy certain clothing and footwear items costing less than $100 each without paying any tax. Shoppers will save about $8 on every $100 they spend.

Two performances...

Shakespeare to debut on Snyder stage

Shakespeare is coming to Snyder.

No, not the usual play performances, but parodies portrayed by the Reduced Shakespeare Company.

Worsham Auditorium comes alive at 7:30 tonight and Saturday for *The Compleat Wks of Willm Shkspr* (abridged).

Brad Vincent, Snyder High School drama director, and two of his former students will cover all of Shakespeare's 37 plays in less than two hours.

Actors sharing the stage with Vincent will be Michael Simpson, a student at the Julliard School in New York City, and Trevor Vaughn who is currently enrolled at North Carolina School of the Arts.

Zachary Moore, also a former student of Vincent's, will direct. He presented *Godspell* at the Ritz Theatre in 1998.

The humorous look at Shakespeare's plays have been described as a classical *Greater Tuna*.

"It's been a lot of fun acting with former students," Vincent said. "I feel a little out of practice, so I hope I can keep up with them."

Just as in the Texas based *Greater Tuna*, the actors perform multiple characters — men as well as women.

Vaughn said, "Michael's portrayal of Juliet is my favorite. Although both Simpson and Vincent won state honors with Romeo, Moore thought I should have my chance to play him. I get to see Michael's Juliet up close. It isn't pretty."

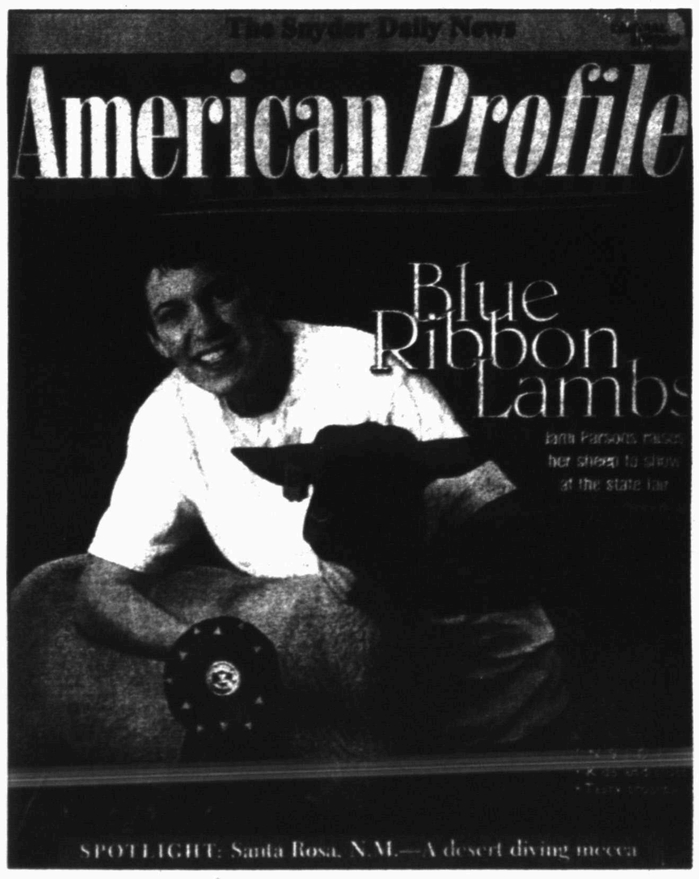
The stop in Snyder is the last leg of a three-city tour.

"We rehearsed and opened the show in Alvarado, where I have everything where I need it," said Moore. "After that we performed in McKinney, so Trevor and Michael's fans could see them."

The Snyder performance will be the first time Vincent has performed in Worsham's Auditorium since graduating in 1987.

"I'm kind of nervous," he said. "Performing in front of my current students will be awkward. I'm most excited that Michael and Trevor get to perform on Worsham's stage. Although they only knew him briefly, they had a tremendous amount of reverence for him."

Admission is $5 at the door with a percentage of the proceeds going to the Worsham Foundation.



AMERICAN PROFILE — Read about Jami Parsons raising sheep to show at the Missouri State Fair, and a trip to Santa Rosa, N.M. in this weekend's *Snyder Daily News*.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Procrastination is the art of keeping up with yesterday."

The new U.S. Post Office in Snyder and former President Bill Clinton's new office in Harlem opened last Monday.

However, the same-day opening was about the only similarity.

While Bill Clinton's office opening was celebrated with attendance by celebrities, politicians and jazz bands, Snyder's postal facilities were unveiled with a business-as-usual philosophy.

In Snyder there was no fan-fare, no ribbon cutting, no cake, no punch, no politicians and no speeches – just stand in line and wait for the key to your P.O. box. And if you needed an extra key – pluck down a buck.

It's a nice facility. Snyder needed it and Snyder needed a reason for a little celebration. We clicked our heels, anyway – a check for a past-due account showed up in the postal box.

Sen. Phil Gramm should have been invited – he's given speeches locally for lessor reasons.

And speaking of politics, the special election to fill the seat of State Sen. Tom Haywood is set for Nov. 6.

It's an election where the winner likely may never attend a session of the Texas Legislature – unless the court battles over redistricting aren't settled.

And more politics...unfortunately.

The Snyder chamber of commerce board has agreed unanimously to submit a proposal to operate the coliseum for the next three years.

We hope that folks can swallow pride, forget politics and do what's in the best interest of the community.

There's no way that the coliseum can make money. It's like a library, golf course, park or airport. It's something that adds to the quality of life.

Local merchants, most who are struggling in these economic times, will attest that the visitors that the coliseum have brought to town has helped them keep their doors open.

Those in the restaurant trade are especially complimentary of the job the chamber has done to lure events that will attract folks to the community.

The past few years have proven that the chamber can and is the logical organization to manage and market the coliseum.

There was a time when Snyder was known for working together – and it's time to grow up to restore that spirit of cooperation.

You've heard of no-pass, no play. Now some schools are considering no-pay, no play.

Some school districts in Texas, facing budget shortfalls, are now requiring students to pay a fee to participate in extra-curricular activities.

When we learned that the Granbury school board is considering the possibility, we found that some schools in Texas have already required students to ante up.

Such an idea seems radical in sports-minded West Texas. Incidentally, the idea has never been discussed locally.

ASK US

Q—Has Snyder Healthcare Center started the testing of the facility for more black mold?

A—The testing is scheduled to begin Monday.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Thursday, 98 degrees; low, 73; 7 a.m. Friday, 73; no precipitation; total for 2001, 9.45 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly clear, low mid 70s, SE wind 5-15 mph. Saturday, mostly sunny, high upper 90s, SE wind 5-15 mph. Saturday night, mostly clear, low mid 70s.

Jacob VanWinkle
Hot

Sunset: 8:38 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.
Of 214 days in 2001, the sun has shone 202 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Until I accept my faults, I will most certainly doubt my virtues.

—Hugh Prather

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Senate OKs plan to end firearms buybacks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pro-gun forces have won their latest congressional skirmish as the Senate endorsed President Bush's plan to eliminate a 2-year-old program that has helped local police buy firearms from the public.

By a 65-33 vote, the Senate rejected on Thursday a proposal by Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., to provide $15 million for Buyback America. The program was created by President Clinton, but the Bush administration pledged last month to eliminate it because of a lack of evidence that it was effective.

"Crime goes up," Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, said Thursday. "We spend money. Great photo opportunity. But it doesn't work."

Schumer said that many public housing authorities, which administer the program, have had great success with it.

"No, it's not feel-good," Schumer said, mocking opponents' characterizations of the initiative. "It's life and death."

Schumer tried adding the provision to a $113.4 billion measure to finance housing, environment, veterans and science programs for next year, which the Senate approved, 94-5. The House version of the bill, passed last week, contained no money for the firearms purchasing program.

The vote on Schumer's plan was not a clear referendum on the Senate's sentiment on gun issues. To pay for his amendment, Schumer would have taken money from funds provided to public housing authorities for anti-drug efforts, a program some lawmakers were reluctant to raid.

Nonetheless, the buyback initiative has been opposed by the National Rifle Association and supported by gun-control advocates. In an alert e-mailed and faxed to Senate offices before the vote, the NRA called it a "gun surrender" program and said it was a waste of money.

The vote was the second victory for Bush and pro-gun forces in less than a month. In July, the House voted to back Attorney General John Ashcroft's plan to shorten to one day the period the government keeps background-check records of firearms purchasers.

Under the gun buyback program, local police departments have received up to $500,000 to buy guns in and around public housing projects for about $50 each. The weapons were destroyed.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development, which administered the program, credited it with removing 20,000 guns from the streets of 80 cities in its first year. The agency also said the buybacks were removing just 1 percent to 2 percent of guns from those communities.

On another issue Thursday, the Senate voted 69-30 to reject an effort by Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., to cut $5 million from some of the hundreds of home-state projects the bill contains and increase spending for the adjudication of veterans' claims.

McCain, a longtime campaigner against such earmarks, had proposed halving the money for 18 projects in the bill, including $100,000 to develop the Alabama quail; $1 million to improve a rodeo and fair facility in Dona Ana County, N.M.; and $1 million to help Louisiana celebrate the upcoming bicentennial of the Louisiana Purchase.

The overall bill would boost veterans spending by 9 percent to $51 billion; restore a $300 million drug-elimination program for low-income housing that Bush proposed killing; and provide $416 million for the Americorps national service program, $4 million more than Bush wants.

The Environmental Protection Agency would get $7.8 billion, $435 million over Bush's request, while ignoring Bush proposals to cut 270 enforcement officials. While NASA and the National Science Foundation would get more than last year, the space station would get $2 billion — about $100 million less than Bush sought, reflecting congressional impatience with cost overruns.

On the Net: U.S. Conference of Mayors announcement of Buyback America: http://www.usmayors.org/uscm/wash—update/crime/buyback.htm

Alabama Quail Hunters Inc.: http://www.newleafpub.com/alaquail/home.html

Southern New Mexico State Fair: http://snmstatefair.com/

Louisiana Purchase bicentennial celebration: HTTP://www.LouisianaPurchase2003.com/

JG Cherokees focus of probe

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A federal safety agency investigating possible problems with gear shifts in Jeep Grand Cherokees has received dozens more complaints and a report of one death, the Los Angeles Times reported today.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration launched the probe last month into the complaints the sport utility vehicle suddenly shifted out of gear while idling in park. At the time, the agency said it received at least 48 complaints but no deaths.

The Times reported today that the NHTSA has now received 144 complaints of what it calls "inadvertent rollaway in reverse." In addition to the one death reported to the NHTSA, the Times said it has confirmed two others involving the Jeep model from police records, court documents and interviews.

The agency's investigation covers 1.3 million 1995 through 1999 model Grand Cherokees.

Drivers have said the Cherokees rolled away on their own in parking lots or crossing roads and crashed into trees and buildings, according to the NHTSA files. The incidents have led to an estimated 100 accidents and about 40 injuries, the Times said.

DaimlerChrysler, the vehicle's manufacturer, said it is cooperating with the investigation. The company has settled at least four lawsuits.

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RESULTS

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

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

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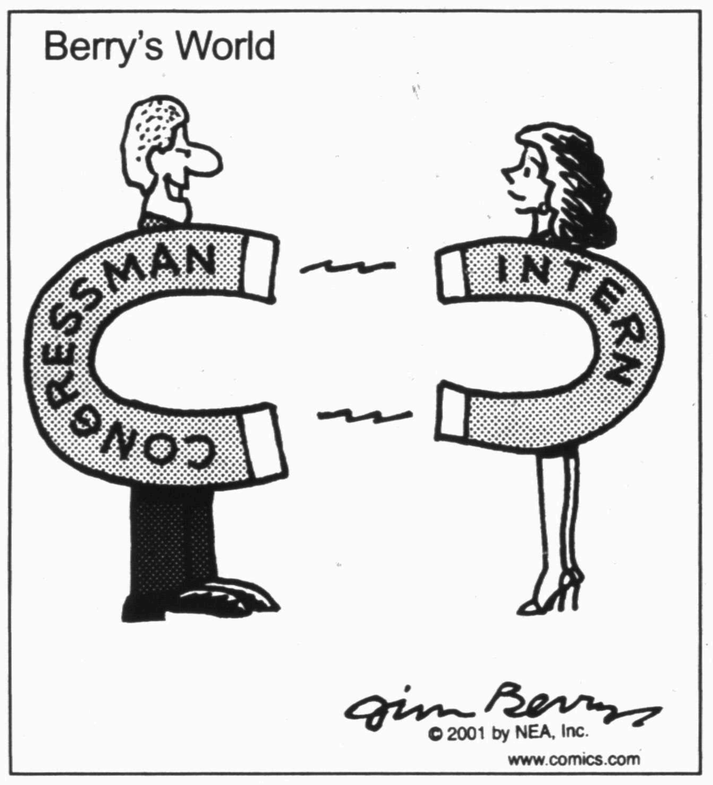

Date Book

Friday, Aug. 3, 2001

Today is the 215th day of 2001 and the 44th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1804, the USS Constitution and other American ships attacked Tripoli, a Mediterranean port that is the present-day capital of Libya.

On this day in 1923, upon the death of President Warren Harding, Calvin Coolidge was sworn in as the 30th president of the United States.

On this day in 1981, about 13,000 air-traffic controllers went on strike, causing half of all scheduled flights in the U.S. to be canceled.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Rupert Brooke (1887-1915), poet; Delores Del Rio (1908-1983), actress; Leon Uris (1924-), writer, is 77; Tony Bennett (1926-), singer, is 75; Martin Sheen (1940-), actor, is 61; John Landis (1950-), director, is 51; Marcel Dionne (1951-), hockey star, is 50.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1914, New York catcher Les Nunamaker threw out three Detroit runners who tried to steal bases.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "It is neither wealth nor splendor, but tranquillity and occupation, which give happiness." — Thomas Jefferson

TODAY'S MOON: Day before full moon (Aug. 4).

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Mueller promises FBI accountability

WASHINGTON (AP) — From Ruby Ridge to Wen Ho Lee, a decade of blunders and missteps by the FBI have left the agency's image in tatters. The job of rebuilding it belongs to Robert Mueller, a former federal prosecutor who promises a new era of introspection and accountability.

"I believe the FBI can and must do a better job of dealing with mistakes," Mueller said prior to his confirmation Thursday by the Senate.

No one expects the job to be easy.

Those who have watched the FBI's struggles closely say Mueller's most critical task is wresting control of the agency's insular culture, which protects its agents even when they have made mistakes.

"Mueller will have to use his prosecutor instincts to go in and make certain that the people who have protected their mediocrity for years get shown the door," said Allen Lyons, a former FBI agent who lives in California. "It's not one person, or one policy. It's a system that has been growing more powerful for years."

Michael Bromwich, a former Justice Department inspector general, said the agency "is going through one of the worst periods in recent history."

"Repairing morale and restoring a general positive outlook for the agency is key," he said.

Support for Mueller in the Democratic-controlled Senate was sweeping. He was confirmed by a vote of 98-0. Only Sens. Pete Domenici, R-N.M. and Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, were not present for the vote.

"I felt whoever was the next director owed it to all the men and women in the bureau to make it better," said Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt. "I am convinced that Robert Mueller can."

Mueller, U.S. attorney in San Francisco and a former Justice Department official who has served under both Republican and Democratic administrations, was credited with reforming the San Francisco federal prosecutor's office.

"We're pleased the Senate acted quickly, so he can take the helm," said White House spokeswoman Claire Buchan said.

The FBI has been caught in endless criticism for mistakes in investigations involving Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh, spy Robert Hanssen, the bloody Branch Davidian and Ruby Ridge standoffs and Los Alamos National Laboratory nuclear scientist Wen Ho Lee.

While voting for Mueller's nomination, Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, one of the bureau's harshest critics, said the new director may be underestimating his task. "I have concerns that Mr. Mueller doesn't completely understand the culture problem at the FBI," Grassley said. Unlike his predecessor, Louis Freeh, Mueller, a former Marine, has no personal history with the FBI.

Senators also have said they will keep a close eye on the FBI through the Judiciary Committee's oversight powers. "We are not doing the job we should be doing," said Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa.

Leahy already has begun oversight hearings on the bureau and promised more after Mueller gets settled.

Mueller will undergo surgery later this month to have his cancerous prostate removed. He is expected to be in the hospital for two to three days after the two-hour surgery.

Grass-roots organization rewards tips about crimes

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Bill Brownell spent 10 years as a deputy sheriff, but he didn't strike his biggest blow as a crime fighter until he went into the beauty supply business.

Distressed by the crime near his San Bernardino County store in the early 1970s, Brownell conceived WeTip Inc., a nonprofit organization that promised rewards for anonymous phone tips about vandalism, theft and drug dealing.

The grass-roots concept touched a nerve, and WeTip developed into a national anti-crime crusade that has fielded more than 300,000 tips in nearly 30 years, including this week's tip that the remains of Chandra Levy are buried near a Virginia military base.

The FBI discounted the tip about Levy, a missing Modesto woman who has been romantically linked to Rep. Gary Condit, D-Calif., but the lead generated valuable attention for WeTip.

"We are like Hamburger Helper for the police," Brownell, 67, said. "One good tip from us saves a detective about 100 hours of work."

Since holding its first community meeting in 1971, Rancho Cucamonga-based WeTip has doled out rewards totaling $714,868 for more than 12,000 arrests and more than 6,200 convictions.

The reward money distributed would be even higher, but only 42 percent of the eligible informants accepted it, said Brownell's wife, Miriam, who is the company's chief operating officer.

"A lot of people just want to do the right thing," Miriam Brownell, 64, said.

With an annual budget of $1.3 million, WeTip's rewards are relatively modest, ranging up to $1,000 for help in solving murder cases. The reward money comes from donations from businesses and other sponsors.

In many crimes, other interested parties supplement WeTip's standard rewards. Washington Mutual Bank, for instance, is offering a $10,000 reward for tips leading to the arrest of a suspect in 10 Southern California bank robberies.

Since the industry began using WeTip's service in 1990, most bankers have been happy with the results, according to the California Bankers Association.

"It's been very valuable," said Annissa Yates, a vice president for the industry trade group. "One of the things that our members seem to like the best about WeTip is the way that it gets the whole community involved in helping to solve a (criminal) case."

Most of WeTip's information is supplied through its telephone hot lines, which are staffed by 14 operators at peak periods. On a typical day, about 50 to 100 calls come in about various cases, Miriam said. The company's 5-year-old Web site also generates tips.

Every caller on the hot line receives an identifying number and the tipsters that want reward money also are assigned a fictional name consisting of three words.

Bond motion for woman rejected

ODESSA (AP) — A West Texas judge has denied a reduced bond for a mother charged with murder after giving birth to a boy in a field and then abandoning him.

Leticia Gomez remained jailed Friday in lieu of $110,000 bond after a motion to reduce her bond was denied.

Judge Jay Gibson ruled Wednesday that Gomez, 27, remain jailed after Ector County District Attorney John Smith said a high bond was justified because the defendant is a flight risk.

"If I thought the family could make the bond, Id ask to have it raised," Smith told Gibson.

Smith said Gomez eluded police in the early stages of their investigation.

The woman first told police and hospital workers she was in the early stages of pregnancy and had miscarried. But a doctor at the hospital told law officers he believed the baby had been carried to full term.

When confronted with the conflicting statements, police said Gomez agreed to take a polygraph test. But Smith said before Gomez could take the test a day later, she disappeared.

Police found Gomez on July 19 at a friend's house through a Crimestoppers tip. She told officers where to locate the infant, who was later found in a field wrapped in carpet padding south of Interstate 20.

Gomez said in a police statement that she left her hours-old son in the field on July 13 and could hear the baby crying as she walked away.

The infant died the same day he was born. Police were then called to check on a suspicious package in a trash bin on July 13, where they found bloody clothes.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Saturday, Aug. 4, 2001

Owing to an unusual chain of events that'll occur in the year ahead, two old endeavors which have been going no place can be rejuvenated and turned into profit making enterprises.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Don't take a back seat today and leave the management of a venture entirely up to others. Be an active participator at all times. You can contribute a lot. Trying to patch up a broken romance?

The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — As of today, a situation that has had a restrictive effect upon you should start to diminish considerably. It will help to elevate something that's been lumbering in the dumps.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — It's important today that you remain duty conscious, because matters you deal with in a practical, responsible fashion have a more than average chance for great success at this time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — A significant, but difficult objective that pertains to your status and material well being can be achieved today if you make it a priority issue. Be decisive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — This is an excellent day to make some revisions concerning your blueprint for the future. You'll recognize the unworkable and replace them with new wisdom you've gained from experience.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Even though a matter about which you were once hopeful hasn't given you much to cheer about, it should not be relinquished today. Changes are in the offing that will make you smile.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — It shouldn't be necessary for you to alter a past decision about which you've felt dubious, because, upon review today, it looks like it's going to resolve itself the way you anticipated.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Provided you rely upon past endeavors for guidance and experience today, a new project about which you've been doubtful can be successfully launched. It'll fly better than you thought.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Due in part to finding a common ground from which you can both operate, a permanent and mutually beneficial friendship can be established today with someone you've previously ignored.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — As a result of a major turn around you've recently implemented, beginning today a change might be in the offing that could have a favorable effect, not only on you, but your entire family.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — The foundation for an alliance may result from a mutual need today, but the end results from entering into this partnership arrangement could have far-reaching, beneficial effects.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You're in a short cycle today and tomorrow of being especially lucky with your undertakings. It behooves you to secure positive measures that could provide you with more material security.

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'Rush Hour 2' opens today in theatres

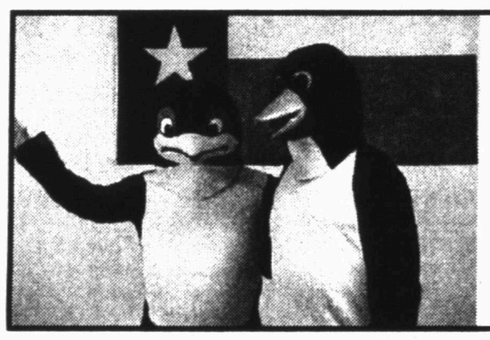
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Chris Tucker was in no rush to do another movie after 1998's "Rush Hour."

It took three years for Tucker to finally say "yes" to a sequel.

He's glad he waited. He says many actors rush into their next project because they're afraid their career will disappear.

Tucker says he believes his career is just now starting.

Once again directed by Brett Ratner, "Rush Hour 2," also starring Jackie Chan, opens today.



"Happy Birthday Skinny Penguin Jimmy Nix."

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Commuters keep their seats as pregnant woman stands

DEAR ABBY: What is this world coming to? I live in an affluent suburb of Boston, and commute by subway to my job in the city. This morning I boarded a full train and took the last empty seat. Just as the doors were closing, a blind woman and her guide dog got on. I waited about 10 seconds (count it, Abby — it's a long time). No one offered the woman a seat, so I gave her mine. She graciously accepted.

What the woman couldn't see — but everyone else on the train could — is that I am eight months pregnant. For the next half-hour, I stood with aching back and swollen ankles, jerking and swaying with every movement of the train, while college kids and well-dressed executive types in their 30s watched, sipped their coffee, read the sports section and offered zilch.

A pregnant woman gives up her seat on the train to a blind woman, while everyone else sits contentedly? If their mothers only knew! Sign me ... **ONE MONTH TO GO IN HINGHAM, MASS.**

DEAR ONE MONTH TO GO: If their mothers only knew? Dear lady, if their mothers had taken the time to teach them manners and empathy for others, someone in the passenger car would have given you a seat.

If any of your fellow passengers were young women — what goes around comes around. As to the men — it shows that living in wealthy suburbs doesn't guarantee that the residents have class.

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DEAR ABBY: I am currently in my fourth month of survival following a fight with cancer.

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A second oncologist was recommended. The difference was night and day. This doctor performed all the tests himself. He answered every question my wife and I had. When he was satisfied that all the questions were answered, he asked what I wanted from him. I said, "Save my life." He immediately put me on chemotherapy.

During the next five months, when I visited his office, his staff knew me by name, greeted me with a smile, and were emotionally supportive. The nurses administering the chemo were upbeat, encouraging and made me feel they cared about me.

Being surrounded by positive energy was extremely important to my recovery. Attitude is a vital element in the recovery process.

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DEAR SURVIVOR: I'm pleased that your cancer treatment was successful. You were wise to switch oncologists after that first consultation. Not all physicians have a good bedside manner, but if they don't, the smart ones hire support staff that can create an atmosphere that's warm, personal and reassuring to patients.

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Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips.

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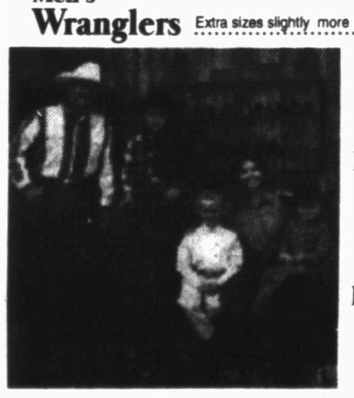

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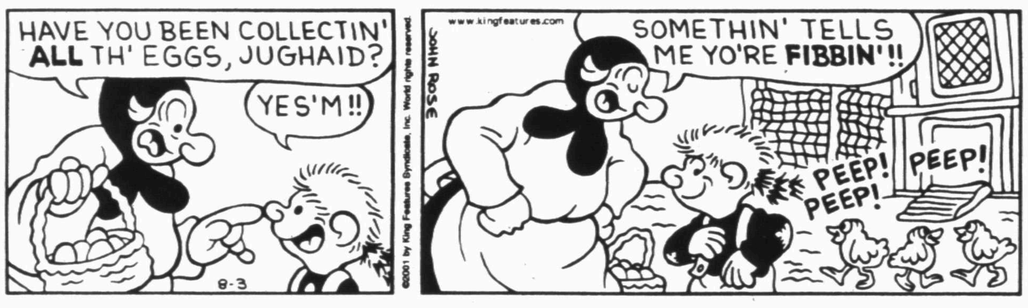

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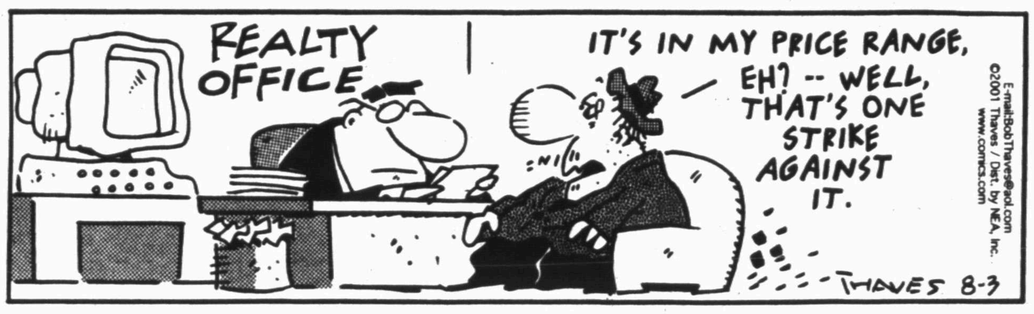

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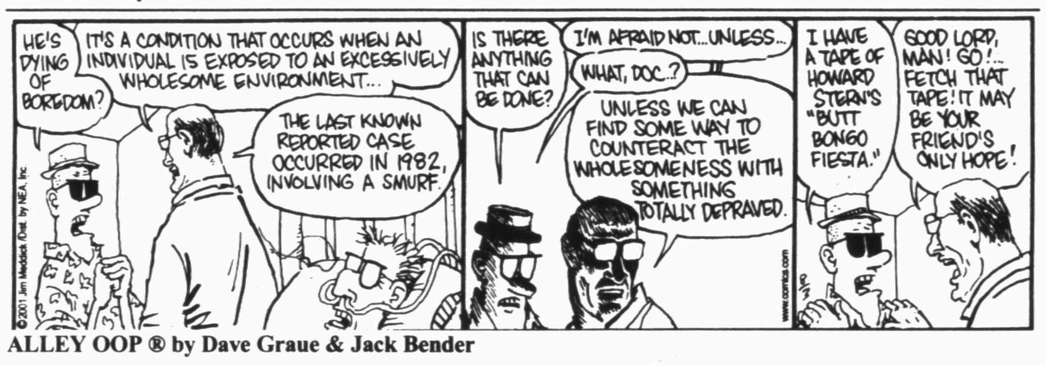

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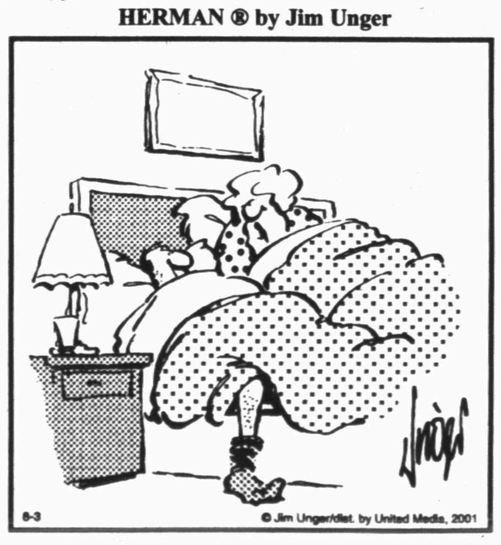

"Why do you always wear one sock in bed?"

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1 Frozen water column
7 Of sacred images
13 Predetermine
14 Actress Mercouri
15 Piercing tool
16 Cycles
17 Ms. Lupino
18 Electrical unit
20 Camp bed
21 Chicago, e.g.
23 "Certainly!"
24 Split asunder
25 Lime tree
27 Fruit ripener
29 Pea holder
31 Fuel
32 Certain captive (abbr.)
33 AAA info
34 Hospital
37 Haughty one
40 Debauchee
41 "Wayne's World" word
43 Foot tips
45 Ref's counterpart
46 Bambi's mother
47 Idaho hrs.
48 Like some staircases
51 Plaza Hotel girl
54 Term in office
55 Angora goat fabric
56 Dozes
57 Oral

DOWN

1 Classical architecture order
2 Type of card
3 Conceive
4 He's no gentleman
5 Mae West role
6 Foe
7 Deceiver
8 Fair grade
9 Along in years
10 One of the B vitamins
11 Romantically involved (2 wds.)
12 Social rank
19 TV's "— Haw"
22 '60s radical (sl.)
24 Become more forgiving
26 Symbol of craziness
28 Smacks
30 Decreases bit by bit
34 Force
35 Wolfish
36 Bill and —
38 Eskimo boat (var.)
39 Blues singer Smith
40 Becomes corroded
42 Abounds
44 Uncompromising
49 Feel regret
50 Art Deco painter
52 Prune (branches)
53 Cry of surprise

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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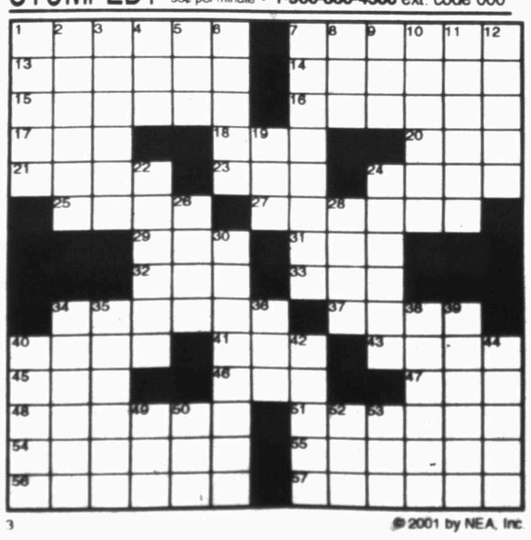

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SPORTS

Sports Whirl

By SDN Sports Editor Eric Drennan

Even the best publications sometimes make a mistake.

Readers of this year's *Texas Football* magazine might have noticed that Snyder High School graduate Chris Post wasn't listed on the SMU depth chart.

The magazine admits the omission was an error and lists a corrected depth chart on its website www.texasfootball.com.

Post is a 6-3, 265-pound senior defensive tackle and a key contributor to the Mustangs' defense.

Another member of former SHS coach David Baugh's staff landed a new job.

Steve Medley is the new defensive line coach at Class 5A San Angelo Central. He will serve under Bobcats' head coach Kyle Gandy.

Tiger fans picking up their football season tickets should take note of the starting time for this year's first home game.

The Aug. 31 season opener at Monahans, and the Sept. 7 home opener against Littlefield are both 8 o'clock starts to accommodate the Class 3A schools.

And now for some obscure sports facts…

—The average life span of a major league baseball is six pitches.

—Pittsburgh is the only U.S. city with three professional sports teams that wear the same colors.

—As of today, the most common last name on major league rosters is Hernandez. The second is Rodriguez.

—Former Philadelphia Philly Richie Ashburn once hit a foul ball that struck a woman in the first few rows of the stands. Later in the same at bat, he hit her again while she was being carted out on a stretcher.

Mavericks sign veteran Manning

DALLAS (AP) — When Danny Manning decided he couldn't beat the Dallas Mavericks, he joined them.

After Manning and the Utah Jazz were upset by the Mavericks in a first-round playoff series this season, he looked at Utah's aging roster and realized his best shot at an NBA championship was on the other sideline.

So, Manning signed with the Mavericks on Thursday, hoping to get closer to the title that has eluded him through five teams and 13 years in the NBA. Terms of the contract were not released.

"I'm very excited about the direction the Mavericks are going in," Manning said. "I felt this organization was on the rise. We can only get better."

Manning said he was intrigued with playing for owner Mark Cuban and with the potential of the Mavericks, who posted a 53-29 record last season, their best since 1988. After stunning the Jazz by recovering from an 0-2 deficit in the best-of-5 series, Dallas lost to San Antonio in the second round of the playoffs.

The 6-foot-10 center-forward, plagued by injuries throughout his career, averaged 7.4 points in 16 minutes a game with the Jazz. He will likely have a similar role in Dallas.

"It will be nice to have him on our side," Cuban said. "We like his versatility on the court. We also like his experience in the locker room. It's going to be invaluable for our guys."

Manning said he was eager to leave the Jazz's deliberate offensive system in favor of Nelson's wide-open offense.

"Nellie's offense is about quick decisions," said Manning, a two-time All-Star. "I really like the way he uses his big players and takes advantage of mismatches."

The addition of Manning should offset the loss of backup center Calvin Booth, who reportedly signed a six-year offer worth a little more than $34 million with the Seattle Supersonics.

"We are trying to strengthen our bench," said Mavericks general manager and head coach Don Nelson. "(Manning) brings a lot of experience and I am pleased he is joining our team. He is just the type of player we need."

Manning, who helped Kansas to the NCAA title in 1988 and was the first overall pick in the NBA draft that same year, was scheduled to make $1.32 million with Utah next season.

The Mavericks also announced the signings of free-agent point guards Khalid El-Amin and Darrick Martin.

The 5-10, 200-pound El-Amin played 50 games and made 14 starts with the Chicago Bulls as a rookie last season. He averaged 6.3 points, 2.9 assists and 18.7 minutes a game.

El-Amin, the starting point guard for Connecticut's 1999 NCAA title team, was waived March 20 after missing 10 games with tendinitis in his left knee.

Meanwhile, the Mavericks are still talking with free agent Tim Hardaway from Miami.

Cuban is still trying to re-sign center Shawn Bradley and said he's still trying to add a few players in the post.

"We're far from set," Cuban said. "But if ...we had to go to war with the team we had, we'd be fine."

Two days after teammate's death...

Vikings return to practice

MANKATO, Minn. (AP) — As the Minnesota Vikings' training camp resumed without Korey Stringer, grief prevailed over guilt.

His coaches said no one was to blame for the Pro Bowl tackle's death from complications from heatstroke. He collapsed after an intense Tuesday morning practice a day after he skipped a sweltering workout.

"I hope that our team doesn't feel any guilt," coach Dennis Green said.

The 335-pound Stringer had trouble with the heat on Monday, and the heat index in Mankato reached 110 degrees the next day on the team's first day in full pads.

Some could have been critical of the Vikings for allowing him to practice, but offensive line coach Mike Tice said Stringer showed no warning signs.

"He didn't look like he needed water," Tice said. "He looked good on film, too. He had a fantastic practice. He was sharp. He was crisp. He got all his blocks."

Longtime trainer Fred Zamberletti recalled Thursday how Stringer, 27, walked off the field on his own and entered an air-conditioned trailer set up as a makeshift training room on the practice field.

"He went in there, walked around in there," Zamberletti said. "The kid did everything perfect. The paramedics thanked us and said they appreciated what we've done here."

The state of Minnesota is investigating to determine whether the team was negligent, a standard practice for deaths that occur in the workplace.

James Honerman, a spokesman for the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, said the agency met with Vikings officials "and they were very cooperative with us in our investigation."

Rangers pound Yankees, 12-2

NEW YORK (AP) — This season is already a failure for Texas. So the Rangers are building for next year.

They are off to a good start in that effort, getting a three-run homer from Alex Rodriguez in a six-run third inning against Mike Mussina to complete their first series win at Yankee Stadium in eight years with a 12-2 win over New York.

"We didn't have the season that we wanted," said Ricky Ledee, who hit one of Texas' four homers. "We need to build that winning attitude and carry it over to next season. If we want to be good, we have to start now."

Since starting the season 22-42, the Rangers have won 27 of 44 games to regain some credibility. Winning a series in New York only adds to that.

Texas lost 34 of 44 games — including the postseason — in New York before taking two of three this week for their first series win in the Bronx since August 1993.

It was the Rangers' first series win of any kind against the Yankees since July 30-Aug. 1, 1996. New York had won 42 of 55 games against Texas since losing the opener of the 1996 playoffs.

"We have made some progress," manager Jerry Narron said. "It's been a while since we came up here and won a series. I know that. This shows some improvement."

Gabe Kapler also hit a three-run shot in the third, Frank Catalanotto hit a solo homer, and Aaron Myette earned his first career victory for Texas. The Rangers matched their season high with 18 hits.

The Yankees' big bats fueled their run of nine wins in 10 games. But Myette (1-1) held them to two hits, and Texas provided the only power.

Mussina (11-9) gave up eight runs, nine hits and a season-high three homers in four innings.

The Rangers scored in the first inning on Rafael Palmeiro's sacrifice fly before breaking open the game with six runs in the third. A leadoff walk to No. 9 hitter Michael Young started the barrage.

Randy Velarde, who played for the Yankees the last time Texas won a series in New York, hit his second of four singles with one out. Rodriguez followed with his 30th homer.

Ivan Rodriguez and Mike Lamb singled with two outs in front of Kapler's 11th homer. The three-run shots were the first homers the Yankees allowed with runners on base since July 21.

Catalanotto hit a solo shot in the fourth off Mussina, drawing boos from the crowd of 52,169.

Major League Baseball

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	61	47	.565	—
Philadelphia	59	49	.546	2
Florida	54	53	.505	6½
New York	50	59	.459	11½
Montreal	47	62	.431	14½
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	62	45	.579	—
Houston	59	49	.546	3½
St. Louis	54	52	.509	7½
Milwaukee	46	60	.434	15½
Cincinnati	44	63	.411	18
Pittsburgh	41	66	.383	21
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	61	48	.560	—
Arizona	60	48	.556	½
San Francisco	60	49	.550	1
San Diego	53	55	.491	7½
Colorado	45	63	.417	15½

Thursday's Games

Milwaukee 4, Florida 3
Philadelphia 4, Colorado 2
San Francisco 3, Pittsburgh 0
Montreal 1, Arizona 0
San Diego 4, Chicago Cubs 3
Houston 4, N.Y. Mets 3, 10 innings
Atlanta 2, St. Louis 1
Cincinnati 7, Los Angeles 4

Friday's Games

Florida (Penny 7-5) at St. Louis (Morris 12-7), 5:40 p.m., 1st game
Atlanta (Burkett 8-8) at Milwaukee (Wright 8-7), 8:05 p.m.
Montreal (Armas Jr. 8-10) at Houston (Reynolds 9-10), 8:05 p.m.
Florida (Sanchez 2-0) at St. Louis (Benes 6-6), DH, 2nd game
Pittsburgh (J.Anderson 6-10) at Colorado (Hampton 10-8), 9:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Leiter 6-8) at Arizona (Johnson 13-5), 10:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Brower 5-7) at San Diego (Jarvis 8-8), 10:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Wood 9-6) at Los Angeles (Park 11-6), 10:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Daal 10-3) at San Francisco (Ortiz 12-6), 10:35 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Atlanta (Marquis 2-3) at Milwaukee (Quevedo 0-0), 1:15 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Appier 5-10) at Arizona (Batista 6-6), 4:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Tavarez 8-6) at Los Angeles (Baldwin 0-0), 4:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Figueroa 2-2) at San Francisco (Estes 8-5), 4:05 p.m.
Montreal (Ohka 0-0) at Houston (Oswalt 8-2), 8:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Ritchie 7-10) at Colorado (Chacon 6-5), 8:05 p.m.
Florida (Burnett 8-6) at St. Louis (Hermanson 9-8), 8:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Reitsma 5-10) at San Diego (Tollberg 4-3), 10:05 p.m.

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	65	43	.602	—
Boston	60	47	.561	4½
Toronto	50	59	.459	15½
Baltimore	45	64	.413	20½
Tampa Bay	36	72	.333	29
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	61	46	.570	—
Minnesota	61	47	.565	½
Chicago	52	54	.491	8½
Detroit	46	60	.434	14½
Kansas City	43	65	.398	18½
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	78	30	.722	—
Oakland	58	50	.537	20
Anaheim	56	52	.518	22
Texas	49	59	.454	29

Thursday's Games

Minnesota 9, Toronto 4
Texas 12, N.Y. Yankees 2
Tampa Bay 3, Baltimore 2
Anaheim 13, Boston 4
Seattle 2, Detroit 1
Oakland 17, Cleveland 4
Kansas City 6, Chicago White Sox 3

Friday's Games

Texas (Helling 8-8) at Boston (Wakefield 6-6), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Mercedes 5-12) at Toronto (Escobar 2-5), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Hudson 12-6) at Detroit (Weaver 10-9), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Moyer 11-5) at Cleveland (Colon 10-7), 7:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Washburn 9-4) at N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 11-6), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Durbin 7-9) at Minnesota (Radke 10-8), 8:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Bierbrodt 0-0) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 8-6), 8:05 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Anaheim (Valdes 7-6) at N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 15-1), 1:05 p.m.
Texas (Davis 5-7) at Boston (Cone 6-1), 1:15 p.m.
Seattle (Garcia 12-3) at Cleveland (Woodard 1-1), 1:25 p.m.
Baltimore (Ponson 5-6) at Toronto (Hamilton 5-8), 4:05 p.m.
Oakland (Zito 6-7) at Detroit (Sparks 8-5), 5:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Wilson 5-1) at Minnesota (Milton 9-4), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Kennedy 3-6) at Chicago White Sox (Lowe 6-2), 7:05 p.m.

NFL Preseason

All Times EDT

Friday's Game

Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Cincinnati at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Oakland, 9 p.m.

Monday's Game

Miami vs. St. Louis at Canton, Ohio, 8 p.m.

Sports Briefs

Volleyball workouts

SHS volleyball workouts will begin Monday. Varsity and JV will practice from 8 to 11:30 a.m. and from 2 to 6 p.m.

Freshman workouts will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Freshmen will need physicals.

Softball tournament

The USSSA Men's Class E State Softball Tournament will be held next Friday through Sunday. Entry fee is $150 per team, and registration deadline is Tuesday.

For more information, contact Chris Maxfield at 573-4332 (evening) or 721-7517.

SHS golf qualifying rounds

Qualifying for Snyder High School golf teams will be held after school Aug. 15-18. For more information, call Coach Ricky Hunter at 573-0239.

High school football

All Snyder High School football players will receive their equipment at 7 a.m. Monday at the SHS field house.

Kiwanis golf tournament

Snyder Kiwanis Club will host the annual Hubert and Mary Cargile Memorial Scholarship Tournament Saturday at Western Texas College.

Entry fee for the four-person scramble is $120 per team, with shotgun starts at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top four teams. Hole-in-one prize is $10,000.

Call the WTC pro shop at 573-9291, or Russell Fisk at 573-3438 to register.

WGA play day

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Sorkin not using drugs

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Aaron Sorkin, creator of "The West Wing" TV series, said he used cocaine and smoked marijuana before his April drug arrest despite assertions by friends that it represented a one-time lapse.

"It wasn't the first time, but it wasn't the fifth time, either," Sorkin says in Talk magazine's September issue.

He did not depend on drugs to relieve the pressure of writing the Emmy-winning NBC drama, Sorkin said.

"If you use drugs long enough you forget how to celebrate without them," he said. He has used rock cocaine "fewer than a handful of times" over the last few years and never when he's writing, he told Talk.

"I've tried to have one potato chip, if you will, and succeeded," he said. He smoked marijuana "from time to time," Sorkin said.

He said he's vowed there will be no more slip-ups and is adhering to his court-ordered diversion program that includes random tests for illegal substances.

Sorkin, 39, said he and his wife, Julia, already had made a decision to separate before his recent woes. He hopes they will reunite, he said, and he visits their 9-month-old daughter regularly.

Sorkin, who had been treated for a cocaine habit in 1995, was arrested April 15 at Burbank Airport after marijuana, hallucinogenic mushrooms and rock cocaine were found in his bag.

Markets

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	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	35.05	34.55	34.80	—.77
AOL TimeWrn	47.00	46.01	46.38	—.62
AT&T Corp s	20.72	20.31	20.49	—.23
Albertsons	33.74	33.09	33.37	—.03
Alltel	63.20	61.21	62.00	—1.15
AmEl Pw	46.38	45.20	45.97	+ .02
AndarkPtr	57.35	55.50	56.30	—.85
ATMOS Egy	20.30	20.03	20.05	+ .05
Aviall	10.68	10.50	10.68	+ .08
BP PLC	48.80	48.41	48.55	—1.23
BakerHughes	35.25	34.40	34.74	—.12
Bank of Amer	63.50	63.05	63.05	—.41
BellSouth	41.09	40.16	40.30	—.71
Beth Steel	1.99	1.92	1.94	+ .03
BurlNoSFe	27.35	26.51	26.60	—.62
Caterpillar	54.56	53.33	53.33	—1.27
Chevron	91.09	90.08	90.43	—.82
Citigroup s	51.30	50.51	51.03	—.02
CocaCola	44.40	44.10	44.34	+ .43
ColgatePal	53.48	52.75	53.27	+ .33
ComclMetals	31.39	31.01	31.01	—.48
Cooperin	54.40	53.50	53.98	—.54
DaimlrChry	48.00	47.71	47.91	—.71
DeltaAirl	44.80	43.81	43.81	—.94
Dillards Inc	15.15	14.71	14.72	—.34
DowChem	36.48	36.00	36.22	—.39
DuPont	42.60	42.01	42.17	—.50
EastmanChem	44.06	43.63	43.81	—.29
EstKodak	43.53	42.80	43.01	—.48
EDS Corp	63.10	61.50	61.60	—1.39
Entergy	39.51	38.60	39.35	+ .55
ExxonMobil s	41.92	41.10	41.20	—.53
FstBksAm	29.00	28.95	29.00	—.05
GenDynam	83.28	81.52	81.53	—1.88
GenElec	42.32	41.90	42.06	—.14
GenMills	44.25	43.72	43.75	—.29
GenMotors	63.46	62.46	62.91	—.55
GaPacGP	36.00	35.50	35.52	—.48
GlobalMar	17.10	16.63	16.78	—.28
Goodrich	35.00	34.20	34.40	—.62
Goodyear s	28.53	28.08	28.18	—.35
GtAtlPac	17.28	17.18	17.27	+ .02
Halliburtn	35.74	35.00	35.30	—.19
Hanson ADS	37.93	37.75	37.93	+ .31
HarteHanks	23.66	23.45	23.45	—.15
HomeDepot	49.95	49.20	49.21	—.57
Honeywellintl	37.04	36.55	36.97	+ .12
IBM	108.20	107.10	107.86	—.94
IntlPaper	40.84	40.16	40.24	—.55
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SprintFON	23.28	22.31	22.59	—.33
SprintPCS	26.15	25.35	25.40	—.65
Sunoco Inc	35.70	34.90	35.02	—.43
TXU Corp	48.94	48.13	48.59	—.05
TempleInland	60.26	59.41	59.68	—.70
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Democrats give in to veto threat, approve $5.5 billion farm aid bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Democratic-controlled Senate caved in to a White House veto threat and approved a House-passed package of special farm assistance today that provides $2 billion less than Democrats wanted.

The $5.5 billion measure now goes to President Bush for his expected signature.

The Senate abruptly approved the legislation on a voice vote after Republicans blocked action on a $7.5 billion measure that had been approved by the Senate Agriculture Committee.

"The gun was held to our heads and the White House refused to compromise," said the committee chairman, Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa. He said the House measure was "totally inadequate to meet the needs of our farmers across the country."

Republicans "wanted to defeat the $7.5 billion, and they did," said Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D.

The impasse had threatened to delay final approval of the bill.

Births

Brandi Flores of Snyder announces the birth of her son at 6:38 p.m. on Aug. 2 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He weighed seven pounds, 12 ounces.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Aug. 2-Linda Pence, Angela Castillon, Petra Delao, Lorenzo Larralde, Mary Moon, Rosangela Villesana, Jeremy Wilks and Brandi Flores.

DISMISSALS: Amanda Arizmendi and baby, Eva Moore, Charles Taylor and Rosangela Villasana.

CENSUS: 57 (Med./Surg.-23, Long-term Care-25, ICU-3, OB-3 and Nursery-3)

Police answer domestic disturbances calls

• ***Family disturbances***

Officers were called to the Windridge Apartments shortly after 6 p.m. in reference to a possible disturbance. Officers found no assault had occurred, and the man left the residence.

At 7:48 p.m., officers were notified of a family disturbance in the 2000 block of Avenue N. No assault had occurred and the parties involved were advised of the proper steps to take to resolve the problem.

• ***Fight report***

Shortly before 1 a.m. today, officers were called to the Kingswood Apartments in reference to a possible fight. The subjects had all left prior to the officer's arrival and an attempt to locate was placed on a vehicle.

• ***Harassment***

A woman told officers early Thursday morning that a person had been harassing her over the telephone.

A male subject told officers at the police station shortly before 9 p.m. that two subjects had been harassing him.

Another person told officers that she had been receiving threatening telephone calls from a family member.

• ***Gas drive-offs***

A gas drive-off was reported at 10 a.m. Friday at Town & Country North. Contact was made with the party and arrangements were made to pay for the fuel.

A gas drive-off was reported at 10:30 p.m. from Town & Country on East Highway in the amount of $13.50.

• ***Arrest***

Officers arrested a 41-year-old male at 3:26 a.m. today in the 1800 block of 30th Street for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

Obituaries

Mike Wallace

1954-2001

Roland Michael "Mike" Wallace, a native of Scurry County, died this morning at University Medical Center in Lubbock following a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mr. Wallace, 47, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Ira Church of God with the Rev. Rocky Alexander, minister, officiating. Burial will follow in the Ira Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born April 16, 1954 in Scurry County, he was a 1972 graduate of Snyder High School where he was a member of the SHS Band.

A resident of Scurry County most of his life, he was a former employee of Walls Industries and had worked for Cloth World while living in California.

Survivors include two daughters, Heather Adams of Whitesboro and April Petit of Sherman; a son, Chase Wallace of Whitesboro; his mother, Anice Wallace of Snyder; a half-sister, Linda Libby of Baytown; and two granddaughters, McKenzie and Sierrah Adams, both of Whitesboro.

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Clayton Finch

1951-2001

COLORADO CITY – Clayton Finch, a member of the Windham School District Region 5 staff, died Wednesday, Aug. 1, in Lubbock's Covenant Medical Center following a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mr. Finch, 50, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the First Baptist Church with Dr. Ted Spear, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in the Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Born Jan. 2, 1951 in Loraine, he married Sharlyn Kuhn on Aug. 12, 1972 in Crane. A resident of Colorado City since 1983, he was a member of the First Baptist Church.

A career public school educator, Mr. Finch began employment with Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Daniel Unit in Snyder in July, 1991. He worked in classification and Project RIO at the Daniel Unit and at the Wallace Unit in Colorado City. He was named to Windham School District Region 5 staff as continuing education coordinator in December, 1999.

His mother, Ina Finch, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Sharlyn Finch of Colorado City; a son and daughter-in-law, Drew and Bridgette Finch of Abilene; his father, Loyd Ray Finch of Colorado City; a grandson, Caleb Finch of Abilene; a niece, Sara Hurst, and a nephew, C.J. Hurst, both of Colorado City.

The family requests memorials to the American Cancer Society or to the First Baptist Church.

Lowell Freeman

1928-2001

ASPERMONT – Masonic graveside service for Lowell Steve Freeman, the father of Trisha Cockrell of Snyder, was set for 10 a.m. today in the Aspermont Cemetery.

Mr. Freeman, 73, died Wednesday, Aug. 1.

Born Jan. 4, 1928 in Stonewall County, he married Billie Treadwell on Dec. 6, 1962 in Aspermont. She died Aug. 26, 1997.

A U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, Mr. Freeman had worked for Brown and Root, was a farmer and rancher and a member of the Aspermont Masonic Lodge.

Survivors also include a brother, Ted Freeman of Aspermont; a companion, Betty Sue Lacy of Aspermont; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

The family suggests memorials to the Hospice of the Big Country, 4601 Hartford in Abilene, 79605.

Zadie Stone

1914-2001

SWEETWATER – Zadie Bell Stone, the mother of Billy Joe Stone of Snyder, died Wednesday, Aug. 1, in Winters Nursing Home.

Graveside service for Mrs. Stone, 86, is set for 10 a.m. Saturday in the Pyron Cemetery with the Rev. Orvel Brantley officiating.

Born Oct. 1, 1914 in Nolan, she married Curtis Stone on Oct. 4, 1933 in Claytonville. He died Sept. 13, 1997.

A member of the Lamar Street Baptist Church, Mrs. Stone was a retired cafeteria manager for the Sweetwater ISD.

Survivors include a daughter, Neva Herring of Bradshaw; two other sons, Curtis Stone of Winters and Raymond Stone of Sweetwater; a brother, G.W. Wilkerson of Odessa; 10 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Pyron Cemetery Association, Box 2 in Hermleigh, 79526.

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Leyla Collins

Infant

SAN ANGELO — Leyla Ey Collins, infant daughter of Scot and Stephanie Ynostrosa Collins, died Wednesday, Aug. 1, in Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital. She was born the same day.

Graveside service was held at 11 a.m. today in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were under the direction of Johnson's Funeral Home.

Survivors also include a brother, Brandell Collins of San Angelo; her grandparents, Alex and Ninfa Tavarez of Snyder and Enitchell and Ella Collins of Andrews; and her great-grandparents, Virginia Ynostrosa of San Angelo, Enitical Collins of Midland and Raymond and Luiza Tavarez of Snyder.

Lindsey Runnels

2000-2001

MIDLAND — Lindsey Ann Runnels, 17 months old, died Wednesday, Aug. 1, at her father's home in Bridgeport.

She was the daughter of Brad Mark Runnels of Bridgeport and Kerri Gwen Runnels of Midland.

Service is set for 10 a.m. Monday in Calvary Assembly of God Church in Midland. Burial will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Born on Feb. 29, 2000 in Midland, she was preceded in death by grandparents, Celia and William Barry Runnels.

Other survivors include two brothers, James Bradley Runnels and Cody James Runnels, both of Midland; grandparents, Ron and Linda Stanley of Midland; and great-grandparents, John and Nell Harper, Burt and Kay Runnels, all of Snyder, Alvin Niedecken and Rosemary Stanley.

Family visitation will be held 4-6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. The family suggests memorials to the Shriners Hospital.

WHAT'S UP? events

ONGOINGS

SHS band practice

Summer practice for Snyder High School marching band is underway from 8:30 a.m. until noon and from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. daily. All band members are required to attend. Report to the band hall or call Donnie Reston, director, for more information at 574-2323.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School at Snyder First Church of the Nazarene, 2462 So. Hwy 208 (across from Big Country Autoland) continues from 6-8 p.m. through Saturday. Puppets, games, refreshments, Bible stories will be featured. Awards will be presented Sunday. For a ride or more information, call 573-5601.

Lloyd family reunion

The Lloyd family reunion will be held Saturday and Sunday at Willow Park Inn.

Potter's House event

The Potter's House will present Live at the House and the rap group Urban Soldierz at 11 a.m. Saturday, at 2524 Ave. R. There is no charge. For more information, call 573-6510.

Certified nurse's aide program

Snyder Oaks Care Center will conduct a certified nurse's aide program starting Sunday. Classes will be held each weekend, for a total of 75 hours. Call 573-9377 or 863-2426 for more information.

Heart walk meeting

The American Heart Association directors will meet at 1 p.m. Monday at The Shack to plan the heart walk.

Bible study tapes

Bible study videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "The New Heavens and Earth," followed by "Character Counts."

New teacher luncheon

The local chapter of the Texas State Teachers Association will hold a Snyder ISD new teacher luncheon at noon Tuesday at Snyder Country Club.

Historical commission

The Scurry County Historical Commission will meet at noon Tuesday at The Shack. Information on the Distinguished Service Award will be presented.

GED testing

GED testing will be offered at Western Texas College Wednesday. For more information, call Molly Kattes at 573-2919 or Emily Hataway at 574-2112.

Gateway Family support group

Gateway Family Services will offer family support groups for family violence victims from 6-7 p.m. Wednesdays. There will be groups for adults, for children under four and for children four and older. To attend, call 573-1822.

Joy School registration

Joy School registration will be from 4-6 p.m. Thursday at the East Side Church of Christ. Call 573-3554 or 573-5927 for more information.

Brisket dinner

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church will have a brisket dinner beginning at 10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 12. The meal includes brisket, potato salad, beans, dessert and tea. The church is located at 13th St. and Ave. K.

WTC president reception

A reception for Dr. Greg Williams, new president of Western Texas College, will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 13, in the Scurry County Museum.

Married For Life

Married For Life outreach, information and sign-up night is set for 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 13, at the Word Is Life Church, 312 Coliseum Drive. The Home Cell Bible study for married couples starts in August and September. For more information call, 573-7471.

Weigh down workshop

Registration for a weigh down workshop will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, at the Word is Life Deliverance Church, 312 Coliseum Drive. For more information, call Linda Tippens at 574-8104 or Claudia Sanchez at 573-9615. Classes begin Aug. 30.

Mexico consulate visit

Representatives from the Consulate of Mexico office in Midland will visit Snyder from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, at the Scurry County Senior Center in order to issue passports and matriculas.

Heart Association memorial address

Memorials and donations to the American Heart Association are now processed through American Heart Association, P.O. Box 15185 in Austin, 78761-5186, according to Dee Chasteen, president of the Scurry County chapter.

Mesquite Country Writers Guild

Mesquite Country Writers Guild invites citizens to send in original poetry to be considered for publication in the newsletter, "Bards of a Feather." The limit is 20 lines and the theme is fall and the holidays. Deadline is Sept. 15 to mail entries to MCWG, Box 237 in Ira, 79527, or e-Mail to dade@bigcountry.net.

Some voting proposals approved

CHICAGO (AP) — Weighing in on a slew of reports recommending election overhaul in the aftermath of the Bush-Gore experience, the American Bar Association says the burden should be on voters to exercise their franchise with full knowledge of their rights.

The ABA introduced a wallet-size card on today that spells out these rights and responsibilities. The card, to be distributed nationwide in polling places and through civic groups, has a generic voting rights primer on one side and voter responsibilities on the other.

The nation's largest lawyers' group may also endorse an overhaul of election mechanics similar to proposals that won cautious White House approval this week. The ABA's policy-making House of Delegates is expected to vote Monday on recommendations for centralized voter lists, provisional voting and more uniform ballots and voting methods.

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Border Patrol strategy subject of report

WASHINGTON (AP) — Border Patrol strategy focused on keeping immigrants away from cities has forced more people to risk death by sneaking into the country over mountains, through deserts and across rivers, according to a congressional report.

The strategy assumed that rugged terrain would deter immigrants from trying to enter the country illegally and would make it easier to catch those who did take the risk.

"While migrants have always faced danger crossing the border and many died before INS began its strategy, the strategy has resulted in an increase in deaths from exposure to either heat or cold," a report from the General Accounting Office said Thursday.

From October 1997 through June 1, 2001, 1,013 migrants died crossing the border. Nearly 60 percent died from heat or cold. In May, 14 Mexican border-crossers, one of them believed to be a smuggler-guide, died after being abandoned by smugglers in the Arizona desert.

"There's a certain local logic to shutting down the urban areas and creating a little order on the border," said the Rev. Robin Hoover of Humane Border, an Arizona group that maintains water stations in the desert. "The problem is that it pushes people into the desert and it's just too ... deadly and it also increases the (smuggling) industry."

Nicole Chulick, spokeswoman for the Immigration and Naturalization Service, said a study by the University of Houston found that the numbers of immigrant deaths haven't changed, only how they die. For example, more immigrants used to be struck crossing freeways.

The INS is working with the Mexican government to educate potential immigrants on the dangers of crossing the border and trying to crack down on smugglers.

The report reiterated common beliefs about the INS clampdown that began in 1994.

The GAO report also said that efforts to stem the flow of immigrants in California and parts of Texas has driven more immigrants through Arizona.

"It confirms everything we've been saying about the INS. Their strategy is basically flawed," said Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz., whose district includes most of the Arizona-Mexico border. "The result has been to shift the movement of illegal immigrants from one part of the border to another."

For example, the San Diego Border Patrol sector apprehended 531,689 immigrants in the 1993 fiscal year and just 151,681 in 2000. Two Texas sectors also saw decreases, and two others saw small increases.

Apprehensions in the Yuma sector jumped from 23,548 in 1993 to 108,747 in 2000, and the Tucson sector saw its numbers increase from 92,639 in 1993 to 616,346 in 2000.

Kolbe said the policies cause "all kinds of grief," both for the immigrants being forced through the desert and for rural Arizona residents who are have their property damaged and pay hospital bills for immigrants who get injured.

However, Chulick said the INS has seen a 24 percent decrease in the overall number of immigrant apprehensions since the end of the last fiscal year. That decline has been reflected in each Border Patrol sector, she said.

Overall, the number of apprehensions was just under 1.1 million from the start of the current fiscal year through July 31, compared to 1.43 million for the same period last year.

Chulick attributed the decline in part to Border Patrol efforts, but said there's also increased optimism in Mexico over the election of President Vicente Fox and a perception that there are fewer jobs available in the United States.

On the Net:
GAO report:
http://www.gao.gov/new.items/d01842.pdf
Rep Jim Kolbe:
http://www.house.gov/kolbe/
Immigration and Naturalization Service: http://www.ins.gov

Woody Allen plays jazz at Carlyle Hotel

SEATTLE (AP) — Woody Allen's upcoming film, "The Curse of the Jade Scorpion," opens with a Duke Ellington recording of "Sophisticated Lady."

It's the kind of traditional jazz Allen has lionized in other movies, including "Radio Days" and "Sweet and Lowdown" — and the kind he blows on his own horn, a clarinet.

Though Allen practices his traditional jazz with the obsessive-compulsive persona he projects in his films, he readily admits he's merely adequate as a musician.

"If I had to make my living playing jazz, I would be dead as a doornail," he concedes.

Nevertheless, his Thursday night gig at Seattle's Jazz Alley was a sellout.

"Believe me, the people who did not get tickets are not missing anything," Allen told The Seattle Times. "It's not like a night at the Olympia with Sidney Bechet."

Allen, 65, has been playing for decades. For 25 years, he had a Monday night gig at Michael's Pub in New York City. He now plays at the Carlyle Hotel.

"I'm so riddled with guilt that if I miss a day's practice it consumes me," he says. "I've practiced in freezing cold fields, in campers and in a church in Budapest. ... I'm a fanatic practicer."

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Doctor's unacceptably short fuse

DEAR DR. GOTT: A doctor recently diagnosed my husband with cancer of the larynx. I remarked to the doctor: "Why doesn't he have a sore throat?" The doctor got mad and shouted: "Oh, don't be so foolish!" Well, after that, how could I ask questions? Should the doctor be checking my husband's lymph nodes and sinuses, too? What can we expect?

DEAR READER: Cancer of the larynx (voice box) is always tricky and difficult to treat because therapy usually requires extensive neck surgery to remove the larynx and surrounding lymph glands to which the tumor may have spread. This type of malignancy does not usually extend up into the head and involve the sinuses. It may not, in its early stages, cause pain.

However, it is a serious affliction commonly seen in cigarette smokers. Appropriate investigation and suitable therapy are subjects best addressed by specialists skilled in the management of neck cancer. Your husband's normal life pattern will undoubtedly be altered irrespective of the treatment he receives: surgery, radiation, chemotherapy or a combination of all three. However, laryngeal cancer is often controllable and sometimes curable, providing the patient is under the care of specialists.

I am concerned that the doctor dismissed your question in such an insensitive way. It's hard enough to deal with a serious illness without having to put up with a practitioner who has a rotten attitude. You and your husband are entitled to competent, caring and supportive medical attention, not the kind of infantile tantrum exhibited by that doctor. I think he owes you an apology. Send him this column and see if he responds in a positive manner.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: We have some kind of mite on our bodies we can't get rid of. We've had the house fumigated, used anti-mite lotion, put our clothes in the freezer and boiled everything. We finally went to a skin doctor who told my husband to repeat five times before going to bed: "I do not have bugs." Please help.

DEAR READER: Mites are tiny parasites that cause rashes and intense itching when they feed on humans and reproduce in the skin. The most common mite diseases are chiggers and scabies, which are easily diagnosed by scraping the involved skin and examining the residue under a microscope; the adult mites or their legs are usually visible.

The skin specialist who advised your husband to think the mites away evidently believed that your family is suffering a mental delusion about the parasites. That is a topic for another day.

On the other hand, if you are truly suffering from mites, you will need professional assistance. But first, a diagnosis: See a second dermatologist for another opinion, a skin scraping and — I hope — more practical information than what you have been supplied.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Are colitis and Crohn's disease separate conditions or two stages of the same disease?

DEAR READER: Colitis is a general term referring to inflammation in the large intestine. This includes several different diseases such as ulcerative colitis, acute infectious colitis, pseudomembranous (clostridial) colitis, contraceptive-pill-induced colitis, ischemic colitis - and Crohn's disease.

Crohn's disease is a specific form of colitis, marked by severe inflammation of the bowel wall, often involving portions of the small intestine as well. The cause is unknown and no specific therapy will cure the affliction. (Patients can be greatly helped by medication, however.) Crohn's disease must be differentiated from other, more easily treated types of colitis.

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