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Toys still needed...

'98 Toys for Tots drive will conclude Tuesday

The annual Toys for Tots drive for Scurry County will continue through Tuesday in an effort to make sure the less fortunate kids in the county will have a warm and happy holiday season.

Snyder Girl Scouts are heading the Toys for Tots toy drive.

The Scurry County Ministerial Alliance, along with St. Mary Healthcare Center and MD Laundry, are sponsoring "A Cure for the Cold" coat drive.

Applications for the toy drive may be picked up at the Snyder Daily News, or by contacting Judi Martin at 573-3525.

Boxes are set up around the community to drop off toys, and they are located at KSNY radio, Circle In Grocery and the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

Toys for Tots asks that the toys be new or slightly used, clean and unwrapped.

Monetary donations are also being accepted to purchase toys.

Peggy Vernon said volunteers are needed to paint and repair bicycles that have been donated.

She can be reached at 573-3122 to set up a time to pick up a bicycle for repair.

Several local businesses and organizations are also involved in the toy drive.

The Rodknockers 915 Chapter motorcycle club held its first annual Toys for Tots run earlier in the month to collect toys, as well as canned goods for the needy.

KSNY radio disc jockeys will be on the roof of Lawrence IGA on 25th Street through Monday to help in the toy drive effort.

There are other opportunites to help in the community this Christmas season, as well.

Drop-off locations for the "A Cure for the Cold" coat drive are MD Laundry and St. Mary Family Healthcare Center.

Those who can are asked to donate a wearable coat or any gloves, scarves, blankets or earmufffs.

MD Laundry has agreed to clean all donated coats and all donations will be distributed by Scurry County Ministerial Alliance.

Goodfellow donations may be taken to the TCA Cable office, or to any of the school campuses in Snyder.

Donations may also be made at all local financial institutions.

SIXTEEN DAYS 'TIL CHRISTMAS — Time is ticking away to get holiday shopping and card sending completed, as there are only 16 days left until Christmas. Una Orms was at The Pleasure's Mine this morning taking care of some of her holiday business. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "To stay young — eat sensibly, exercise frequently and lie about your age."

For those who want to make a statement and leave this world in a blaze of glory, you can now demand fireworks.

It's also possible that a spectular fireworks display can result in a big crowd.

Instead of a traditional funeral, a California company has made a booming business out of shooting cremated remains into the sky — your own personal Fourth of July.

Dick Hassenger, managing director of Celebrate Life, contends that people are seeking alternatives to standing in the cold, looking at a hole in the ground. With fireworks, your final memory of a loved one can be looking at lighted formations in the sky.

Prices start at $3,250, not including cremation.

The idea is to pack human ashes into firework rockets without messing up payloads, trajectories, color schemes and other stuff that make fireworks an extravaganza.

The company founder warns, "Don't try this at home," and claims patented methods that make it safe.

We have to wonder if a picnic on the ground will replace the traditional pot-luck family lunch.

Words of wisdom from a book entitled "Old Age is not for Sissies."

--The only two things we do with greater frequency after middle age is go to the bathroom and attend funerals.

--When you're young, you want to master of your fate and captain of your sole. When you're older, you'll settle for being master of your weight and captain of your bowling team.

--First you forget names, then you forget faces, then you forget to pull your zipper up. Then you forget to pull your zipper down.

--Age isn't important unless you're cheese.

--Maturity is when you have a choice of two temptations and pick the one that will get you home earlier.

--You know you're getting older when you wake up with that morning-after feeling and you haven't even had the after.

--A retired husband is a wife's fulltime job.

--Old age is like underwear, it creeps up on you.

$1.2 million awarded as trial concludes

Plaintiff in a lawsuit involving a disputed joint operating agreement were awarded $1,242,240 in damages Tuesday afternoon, following four hours of deliberation by the jury.

The award includes $303,710 in attorney's fees.

Hrubetz Operating Company filed the suit against C.K. Oil Properties of Post, Rocker A Operating Company of Post, Kerr-McGee Corporation and Curtis Phillips.

The suit was filed on Dec. 1, 1997, and involved petroleum production near the Scurry-Garza County line in the Corazon Field.

In finding for the plaintiff, the seven-woman, five-man jury ruled that Hrubetz did not fail to act as a prudent operator on the lease, did not trespass on leases owned by C.K. Oil Co., or Rocker A, and did not convert C.K.'s or Rocker A's oil.

Hrubetz Operating Company was represented by Thomas Taylor, Karen Gammon and other attorneys from Dallas.

The lead attorney for the defendants was Charles King of Houston.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong presided in the 132nd District Court trial.

GOP puts finishing touches on formal charges against Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans on the House Judiciary Committee put finishing touches on proposed formal charges against President Clinton today as former Massachusetts Gov. William Weld suggested penalties short of impeachment to preserve the "dignity of the country."

"The most appropriate result is something other than removing this person from his office," said Republican Weld, appearing before the committee as a witness for Clinton. But he said the situation "demands something more than merely censure."

Even as Weld outlined his alternative, committee Chairman Henry Hyde said Republicans hoped to complete proposed articles of impeachment today. The charges were expected to focus on perjury, obstruction of justice and abuse of power, but there were internal differences over how to present the latter allegation.

White House counsel Charles Ruff was prepared to wrap up the president's defense today by alleging shortcomings in Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's report on the Lewinsky affair.

Weld, for his part, outlined "a five-part deal" that might appeal to his fellow Republican moderates in the House, seen as swing votes on which any impeachment vote in the full House hinges.

He suggested a vote of censure combined with: a written report on Clinton's conduct; written acknowledgment by Clinton of wrongdoing; a presidential fine; and leaving open the possibility of criminal prosecution once Clinton leaves office.

"It's a political suggestion — but this is in part a political process," said Weld, whose nomination by Clinton as ambassador to Mexico failed.

White House spokesman James Kennedy said Weld's proposed deal was not something the White House knew about in advance or had suggested, and Weld agreed. He was among five former federal prosecutors who testified today that the case against the president was too weak to be pursued.

If Clinton were a private citizen, the charges "would simply not be given serious consideration for prosecution," said Thomas P. Sullivan, a former U.S. attorney from Illinois. "If the president is not above the law, as he should not be, is he to be treated as below the law?"

Clinton, who has kept his public focus this week trained elsewhere, paused amid a gathering of fellow Arkansans on Tuesday night to thank his pastor "for praying over us."

"God knows we need it," Clinton said, the closest he came to acknowledging the impeachment hearings.

White House press secretary Joe Lockhart said today that Clinton was pleased with the way his legal team has presented his case, even though the president hasn't been watching the hearings.

Lockhart ruled out cutting short Clinton's trip to the Middle East, scheduled to begin Saturday, to focus on impeachment as some outside advisers have urged. He also said he was not aware of any plans for the president to make another public apology.

Outside of Washington, much of the country paid little heed as the hearings filled another day of cable TV.

Restocking shelves at a Pill 'N Puff drug store in downtown Milwaukee on Tuesday, Skip Holda said, "I have better things to watch on TV. We have better things to talk about at work. And I think that's the feeling of the American public."

One of the moderate Republicans that the president's strategists are trying to reach, Rep. Amo Houghton of New York, said today he intended to vote against impeachment should the case reach the House floor, for the good of the country and because he was certain Clinton would not be convicted in a Senate trial.

Houghton said there was strong support for censure, adding, "An awful lot of people, in their heart of hearts, would like to have another option to just up or down impeachment."

Forecast of snow calls for extra driving care

For the first time this season, winter-like weather is forecast for Snyder and the immediate area with snow likely on Thursday.

And as the snow falls, driving conditions can deteriorate rapidly.

Texas Department of Transporation personnel and Department of Public Safety troopers remind that while driving in winter weather can be risky, a few precautions can make it safer.

Brenda Mitchell, area TxDot traffic safety coordinator, says winter conditions don't cause collisions, it just turns small driving mistakes into serious ones.

Mitchell offered a few simple rules for winter driving, to significantly reduce chances of an accident.

—Traction tips: Vehicles can take four to 10 times further to stop on ice than on dry pavement. In addition, ice reduces the ability to steer. DPS troopers suggest drivers cut their speed by two-thirds on icy roads.

—Braking: Good tire tread will help brake safely on snow and ice. So will cutting speed. Snow and ice can cause brakes to lock and a vehicle to skid. Pump brakes when stopping on snow and ice.

—Get the big picture: A driver is asking for disaster by trying to drive while peering through a peephole through an icy windshield. Scrape and wipe off all snow and ice from all the windows before hitting the road.

—Position is everything: Don't park on the shoulder except in an emergency. When pavement markings are covered by snow, other drivers can mistake the shoulder for a driving lane. If you must park on the shoulder, use emergency lights.

Take it easy: Keep a steady speed when approaching bridges — don't accelerate or decelerate. Bridges are often icy even when the rest of the road is clear.

Remember, driving on snow is a real challange for any driver. Stay in control of your vehicle, anticipate problems and drive defensively. These rules of driving will help in any kind of weather.

Mitchell reminds every driver to be prepared for the worst.

When bad weather threatens, the best thing to do is often just stay off the road. But if you must drive, check the forecast and make sure the vehicle is ready for bad weather.

Mitchell suggests keeping a "survival kit" in the trunk. Such a kit might include safety flares, a blanket, warm clothing, a window scraper, a set of jumper cables, a flashlight and fresh batteries, first aid kit and matches.

If bad weather driving is unavoidable, tell people when you expect to leave, when you expect to arrive and the route you plan to travel.

Mitchell concluded, "Following these tips can make for a safer and more pleasant winter driving experience."

ASK US

Q—How many traffic lights does the city of Snyder maintain?

A—One, at the intersection of 26th St. and Ave. R. The Texas Department of Transporation maintains the rest of the lights within the city limits.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 52 degrees; low, 29; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 32; no precipitation; total for 1998, 10.29 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, 40% rain chance, rain may mix with snow late, cloudy. Low, lower 30s. NE wind increasing to 10-20 mph, gusty.

Rebecca Goolsby
Snow forecast

Sunset: 5:41 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:32 a.m.
Of 342 days in 1998, the sun has shone 339 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"We have to learn to be our own best friends because we fall too easily into the trap of being our own worst enemies."

Roderick Thorpe

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Judge overturns NJ law

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — A New Jersey law that supporters said was created to ban a specific type of late-term abortion is unconstitutional and cannot be enforced, a federal judge has decided.

Judge Anne Thompson said she overturned the law because its wording was too ambiguous and it could be interpreted to ban all abortions. She said it also is unconstitutional because it does not include an exception if the mother's health is in jeopardy.

The law would have banned what opponents call partial-birth abortions. Women who receive the abortions could not have been punished, but their doctors could risk losing their license and face a $25,000 fine.

Gov. Christie Whitman, who supports banning late-term abortions, vetoed the bill because she didn't think it would hold up under constitutional tests. Lawmakers overrode the veto in December 1997, only to have it challenged in court.

Legislative leaders said an appeal of Tuesday's ruling is likely.

Twenty-eight states have passed similar laws, according to the Center for Reproductive Law and Policy in New York.

Abortion-rights advocates in 19 states have won court or state action to partially or totally block the bans because of vague wording or lack of health exceptions, the center said.

Congress has twice passed a similar ban, which President Clinton has vetoed twice.

Despite the controversy, late-term abortions are exceedingly rare.

Of the 1.6 million abortions performed in the United States each year, 91 percent are performed during the first trimester, according to the Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

A Very Drabble Christmas by Kevin Fagan

Reducing secondhand smoke beneficial

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Since California banned smoking in bars early this year, bartender Oscar Delcastillo has noticed a few things — he's less tired, his eyes don't bother him as much and he can breathe a lot easier.

Researchers say the Los Angeles bartender is not alone.

Scientists interviewed 53 San Francisco bartenders before the smoking ban took effect in January. At that time, about three-fourths of them reported symptoms of respiratory distress, things like wheezing, coughing and phlegm.

Two to three months after the ban was imposed, 59 percent of the bartenders said their symptoms were gone, according to a study in today's issue of The Journal of the American Medical Association. Bartenders' lung function also improved, according to a test that measures the rate at which a patient exhales air and the total volume exhaled.

While earlier studies have examined the effects of secondhand smoke, especially in children, this is the first to look at a particular group of workers before and after their workplace is cleared of smoke, said the report's lead author, Dr. Mark Eisner.

Tony Zeller, a 36-year-old nonsmoker who tends bar at Stepps in Los Angeles, said it didn't take long for him to notice the difference.

"I breathe a lot easier," said Zeller, who has been a bartender for about 14 years.

Delcastillo, 31, a bartender at the nearby restaurant Kachina, hasn't felt as fatigued as before.

"When you're around smoke, your body has to work harder to fight it," he said. "It is nice to be able to go home and be able to breathe and smell and not have irritated eyes."

It's been illegal to smoke in most of California's 35,000 bars, casinos and restaurants since Jan. 1. Bar owners who allow smoking and smokers face fines. Enforcement is left up to local agencies, and smoking has certainly not disappeared altogether.

Among the San Francisco bartenders in the study — which was supported with grants from the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute and the National Institutes of Health — even smokers felt healthier without the secondhand smoke, said Eisner, of the University of California, San Francisco.

"You don't have to wait a long time to see benefits in terms of health," Eisner said. "As little as a month after creating a smoke-free workplace ... you see an improvement."

Katherine Plourde, a spokeswoman for the American Cancer Society, said she wasn't surprised.

"We knew that this would improve the health of these workers," she said. "Since 1995, all other California workers have had similar workplace protections so it was certainly time it was extended."

Amy Fisher says sex play with her lawyer warrants a new trial

MINEOLA, N.Y. (AP) — Amy Fisher, in prison for shooting her ex-lover's wife, says she deserves a new trial because she had an affair with her former lawyer.

In papers filed in Nassau County Court on Tuesday, the "Long Island Lolita" claims that she engaged in kissing, fondling and fantasy role-playing games with attorney Eric Naiburg and they fogged his legal judgment.

Ms. Fisher says Naiburg persuaded her to plead guilty to the 1992 shooting because he didn't want details of their relationship revealed at trial and didn't want to be separated from her by a long prison term if she were convicted.

"Rather than consider all possible strategies available to the defense," said her new lawyer, Bruce Barket, "Mr. Naiburg became obsessed with personally exploring Ms. Fisher's sexual proclivities ... to satiate his own perverse needs."

Naiburg, 57, a married father of two daughters, fiercely denied the claims, which he called a desperate attempt to gain Ms. Fisher's freedom.

"I am angry, I am hurt, I am offended," he said.

Astro-graph By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Dec. 10, 1998

Dramatic changes could be in the offing for you in the year ahead, especially in areas of your philosophical beliefs and attitudes. New experiences and exposure to fresh horizons may bring advantageous things for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If you're desirous of prevailing over your competition today, you're going to have to pull out all the stops and do the best job possible. Half-hearted measures won't work. Sagittarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Although you may be anxious to introduce a new idea or procedure into a situation involving others, assess the mood of the group first. It might not be the best day to do so.

AQUARIUS (Jan 20-Feb. 19) You're likely to be disappointed today if you've been counting on someone else to cover for you or bail you out of an obligation you personally incurred. Be prepared to fend for yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Take the timing out of the hands of others by not allowing them to hurry or pressure you into making a decision you're unsure about. Keep yourself in control.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) This is not a good day to slack off on the job. The boss is not only looking over your shoulder, but is also evaluating your performance. Don't place your job in jeopardy.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) There's a good chance you've been running around in the wrong circle if your social life has been a bit dull lately. Start looking for people who share your interests and goals.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If things begin to go wrong and turmoil starts brewing within your household today, don't escalate the dissension by blaming everyone else but yourself.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Acting on something without first reviewing the consequences might be caused by an indifferent attitude on your part. This type of behavior is a sure formula for self-defeat.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you do not manage your resources prudently today, it might cause you to quickly move from black to red ink, with the potential of becoming a tricky day for you financially.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Should you have to deal with some rather unpleasant types today, it's best you try to neutralize their barbs and blows with tolerance instead of anger. Don't add to the fracas.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Even though conditions might exist today that you have little or no control over, don't allow yourself to get boxed into a corner. If you can't govern events, direct your reactions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Don't allow yourself to get dragged into the middle of a squabble among friends today. If a disagreement arises, let them sort out the dispute for themselves.

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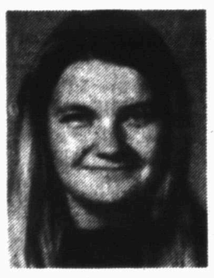
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In each advertisement you will find a face from the past. Identify the faces on the entry blank opposite the name of the sponsoring business. **Bring or mail the entry blank to the Snyder Daily News, 3600 College, PO Box 949.** The deadline for entering is 5 p.m. Monday before the next contest appears on Wednesday. The weekly prize winner will be drawn from all the correct entries. The winner will be notified. This week's faces will be identified in next week's contest. Only one entry per person, and please do not make copies of the entry blank. Employees of the SDN and their families are not eligible to enter.

Last Week's Photos: 1. Marsha Kubena 2. Sheila McCormick 3. Larry Wall 4. Tom Wadleigh 5. Jerry Cline 6. Debra McNair 7. Lothar Bartles 8. Marilyn Lockhart 9. Bill Lockhart 10. Roy Rosson

Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

Just for Today NA; open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238, 573-8018; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

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

Noah Project advisory committee; MAWC; noon.

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

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 7 p.m.

Just for Today NA; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

Three support groups — divorce recovery, cancer/grief and caring for aging parents; First Baptist Church, enter east side; for more information, call 573-2631, anyone is welcome and child care is provided; 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointments; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

Just for Today NA; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

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

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving course; Snyder Savings and Loan; no reservations necessary, cost $30 and for more information call 573-2850; 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

Beta Sigma Phi social "Christmas at the Farm;" home of Janeen and Glenn Patterson; 7 p.m.

Rolling Plains Ratite Association; The Shack; 7 p.m.

Just for Today NA open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 7 p.m.

Canyon Gun Club; 1910 25th; 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 10 a.m.

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

San Francisco goes low-tech after massive power failure

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — When a massive power outage ground the city to a halt, it took Benjamin Coe's high-tech world with it.

Coe's telephone didn't work, and his cellular phone batteries were dead. He blew an important online business meeting because he couldn't log on. And when he dashed out to get in his car for a trip to Chicago, his electric garage door opener just clicked softly in his hand.

"I had no idea how much I relied on electricity until today," said Coe, a software sales manager. "Ten years ago this wouldn't have been my problem at all."

He was not the only one frustrated Tuesday, when a construction crew's mistake led to a blackout that affected nearly 1 million people. Office workers were trapped in high-rise elevators, trains and the city's cable cars halted and the airport had to divert incoming planes.

The power went out across the 49-square-mile city as well as several suburbs to the south at 8:17 a.m. It took more than seven hours before electricity was restored to everyone.

A construction crew forgot to remove two grounding rods after completing maintenance on a substation switchboard, causing a blowout and triggering a chain reaction that knocked two generators offline, said Gordon Smith, president of Pacific Gas & Electric.

Since three of the five lines powering San Francisco converge there, substations throughout the city went down. Sabotage caused a similar blackout 14 months ago, leaving 250,000 people in the dark for 3½ hours.

Mayor Willie Brown declared a state of emergency, allowing Municipal Railway passengers to ride buses, trolleys and trains free of charge until midnight. And the deadline for city property taxes was extended a day, to Friday.

One death was related to the blackout, that of a 73-year-old woman struck by a truck in a downtown intersection without an operating traffic signal.

But there were no reports of major accidents or looting.

"I was here for the earthquake in '89," said Michael McDonnell of Galway, Ireland.

Students get violent Christmas lyrics

EVERETT, Mass. (AP) — An elementary school teacher gave children altered lyrics to "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" in which Santa asks a gunman to shoot his wife.

The lyrics were included in a packet of Christmas songs given out by an unidentified teacher at Devens Elementary School last week.

The song, renamed "Deadeye the Two-Gun Slinger," included the lyric: "Then one foggy Christmas Eve, Santa came to say, "Deadeye with your gun so bright, won't you shoot my wife tonight?"

Theresa Schuesler complained to school officials after her husband heard their 8-year-old son singing the song last week, and was shocked to find out the boy got it in class.

"This song is wrong," she said. "This song is so bad it should never have gone out."

School Superintendent Frederick Foresteire said the teacher would be "written up" by the principal, but he did not think an apology or explanation to the children was necessary.

"It's going to compound it more," he said

Religious Briefs

Candlelight service of rememberance

The Support Group Ministry recognizes the difficulty that family members who have lost loved ones have during the holiday season. Therefore a candlelight service of rememberance will be held Sunday at 6 p.m. for First Baptist Church family and the community to remember and celebrate the lives of those who will not be present this holiday season. It will be a special time of music, lighting of candles, worship and prayer. For more information call the church office at 573-2631. The Support Group Ministry will not resume monthly meetings until January, 1999.

FUMC Christmas celebrations

First United Methodist Church invites the Snyder area community to its two Christmas celebrations. The first, the Chancel Choir's presentation of "A Time of Joy," is set for 10:50 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 20. The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service is set for 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 24. A nursery will be provided for each service.

Drive through nativity

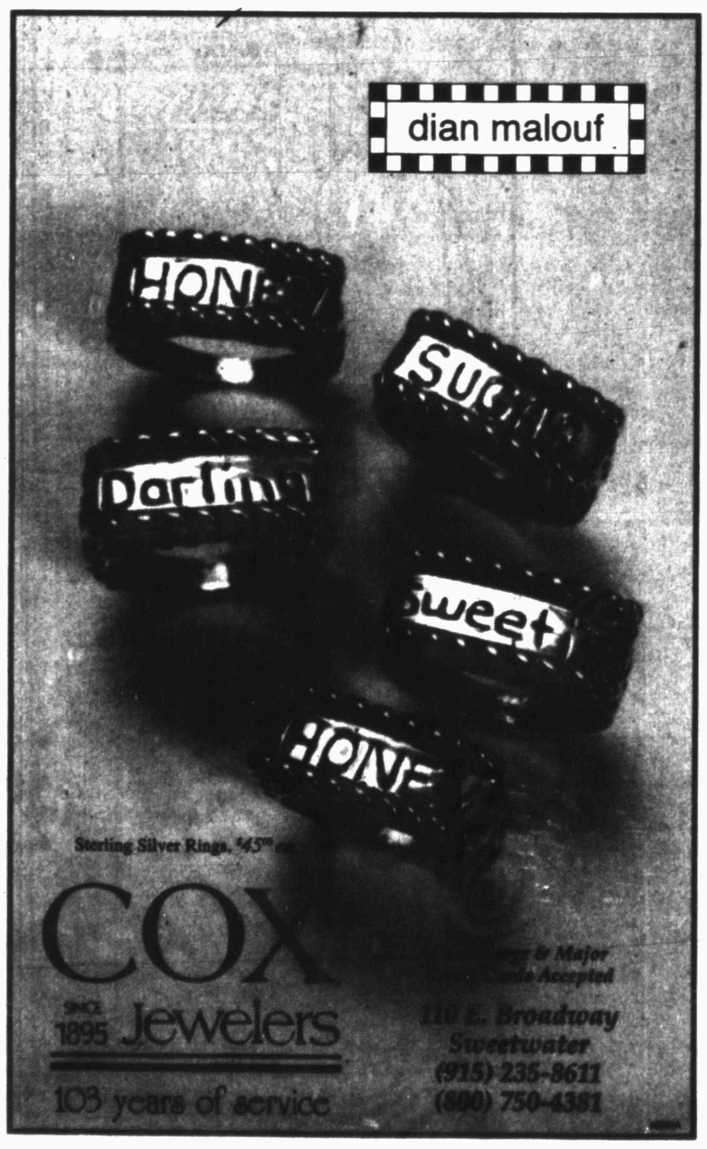
Colonial Hill Baptist Church will have its drive-through nativity, "The Gift," on tonight, Thursday and Friday at 6:30 each evening. The program is free to the public and will take approximately 20 minutes to view. Colonial Hill's Puppet Ministry will be greeting those attending with Christmas cards and good wishes. Hot chocolate will also be served from the puppet area. The best route to the performance will be turning south on Denison off of 35th St. The drive through begins on the east side of the church property on Denison.

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air weekly on cable TV Channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 p.m. Monday are "Crazy Like Jesus," followed by "Betrayal and Abandonment."

1998 First Methodist cookbook

The First United Methodist Church's 1998 cookbook, compiled by the Angel Seekers Sunday School Class and dedicated to the memory of Ruby Anderson, may be purchased at the church or Classis Interiors. The cost is $10 and all proceeds will benefit Lord's Acre Projects.



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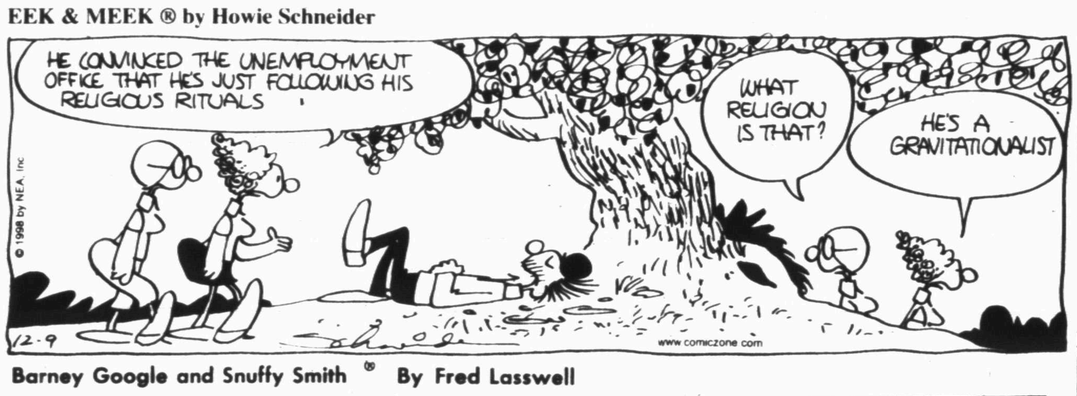

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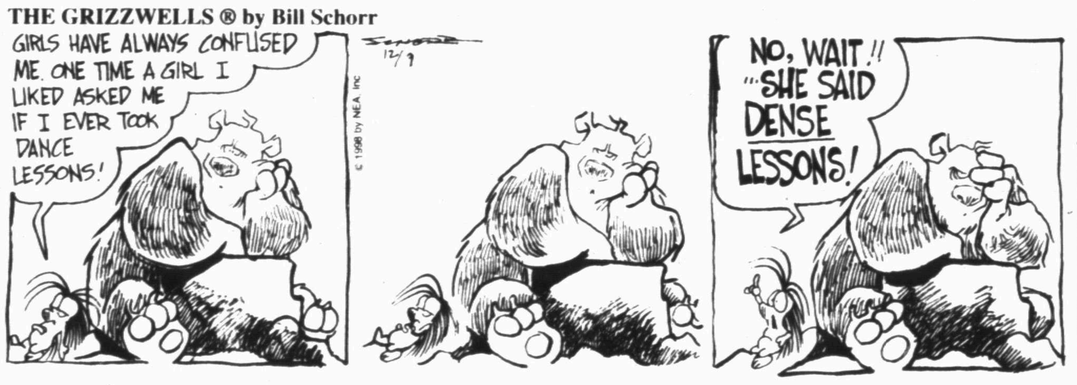

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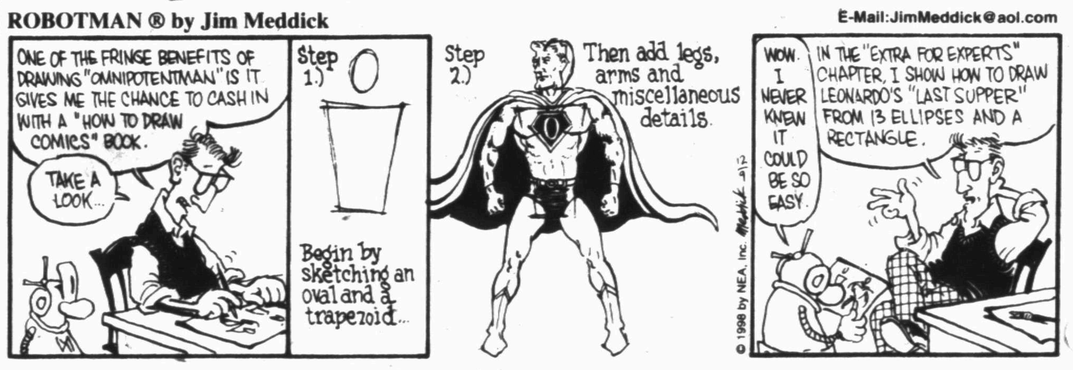

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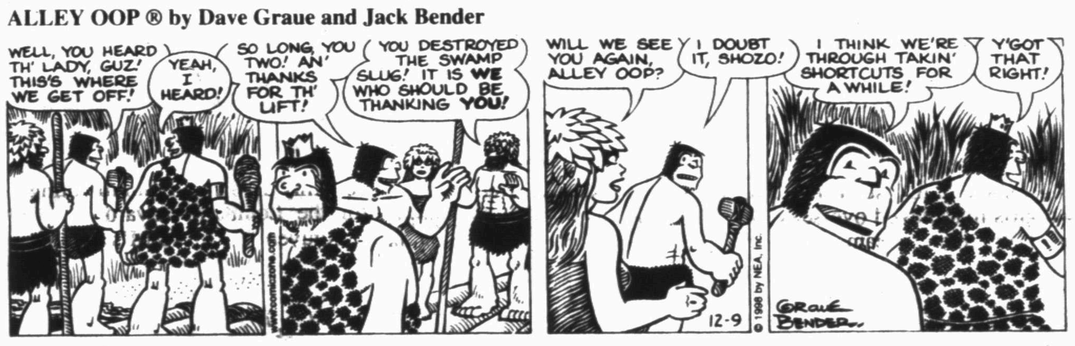

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16 Censures
17 Place for exercise
18 Comparative suffix
20 Actress Hagen
21 Singer Adams
23 Capuchin monkey
24 Quarry
25 Atlantic fish
27 Prickly herb
29 Pool-player's need
31 Singing syllable
32 Brit. Navy abbr.
33 Actor Brynner
34 Layers
37 Muslim prayer leader
40 French mother
41 Actor Silver
43 Hog food
45 Rage
46 Alias (abbr.)
47 Middle East org.
48 Sailor
51 Legislative body
54 Conclusion
55 Highest points
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2 — of London
3 Kind of power
4 Actress Basinger
5 Uncle (Scot.)
6 Actress Day
7 Lack of inebriation
8 Mae West role
9 Guido's high note
10 Affectedly shy
11 Hansel's sister
12 Writing assignment
19 Have a snack
22 Card game
24 Religious songs
26 Mountain lion
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36 Astronauts' all right
38 Llama's kin
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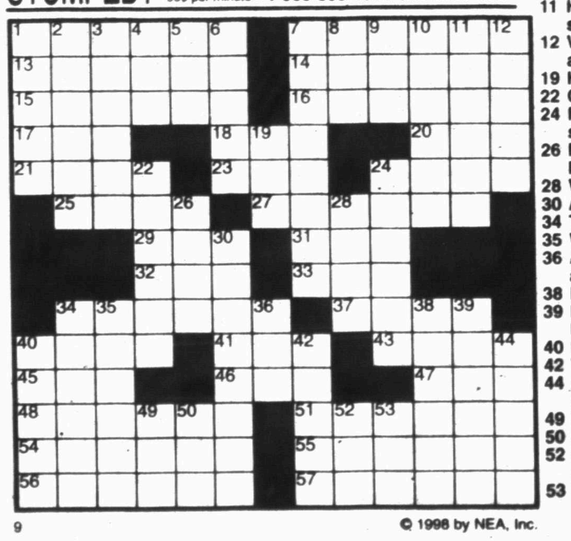

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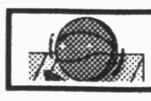

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SPORTS

Tigers miss opportunities; Westerners escape with win

For the Snyder Tigers, Tuesday night's contest will be remembered as a game of missed opportunites.

Snyder could muster only six points in the fourth quarter and missed an opportunity to knot the score as time expired, allowing Lubbock High to escape the SHS gym with a 45-43 victory.

The Tigers handed the Westerners the first-half lead with 10 turnovers in the opening two quarters, but still had a chance at the end of the game.

Trailing by two points with 11 seconds left on the clock, Snyder was unable to run a designed play. Senior Tyler Warren was forced to drive to the basket with time expiring.

Warren's shot wouldn't drop, but a Lubbock foul gave the Tiger guard a chance to tie the game with :00 showing on the clock.

Despite leading Snyder's effort with 11 points on the night, Warren's attempt bounced off the rim.

"We drew up a play during the timeout to get Justin (McNair) the ball," Snyder coach Bud Birks. "But Lubbock defended him well and he couldn't get a shot off.

"Tyler did the smart thing. He knew time was running out and he took the ball to the hole. He's played in enough varsity games and has enough experience to do that. The free throw just wouldn't fall, but those things happen."

Snyder, which committed 16 turnovers on the night, held a two-point lead in the final minute of the first half before back-to-back turnovers gave Lubbock a 24-22 lead.

The Tigers came back in the third, sparked by a pair of three-pointers from McNair and one long-range bucket apiece from Brady Cobb and Josh Ward.

"We did a lot of good things in the ballgame," said Birks. "We played pretty good defense. They are an excellent three-point shooting team and we held them to only one. We just missed too many layups and had a few too many turnovers."

A Jared Hester three-pointer at the 6:31 mark of the fourth quarter broke a 37-37 deadlock.

The two teams continued to trade the lead until a Westerner layup with 20 seconds left gave Lubbock the lead for good.

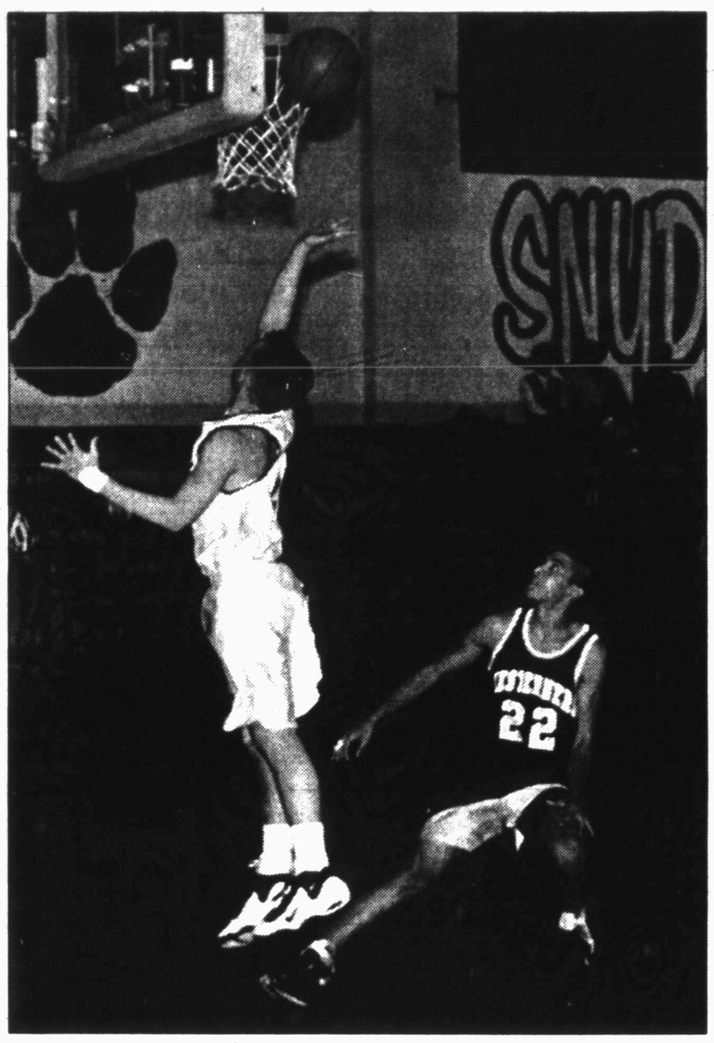
Snyder called a timeout with 11 seconds remaining before Warren drew the foul.

The Tigers held a 22-20 advantage in rebounds, led by Sonny Cumbie who pulled down seven.

Snyder, now 3-6 on the season, opens the Seminole tournament Thursday afternoon at 4:30 against Pampa.

Lubbock	14	10	11	10	— 45
Snyder	14	8	15	6	— 43

Lubbock
Martinez 7 0-2 15, Boyd 4 0-0 8, Hernandez 3 0-0 6, Leavell 3 0-0 6, Brisco 2 0-0 4, Baker 2 0-0 4, Humphrey 1 0-0 2. **Totals 22 0-2 45.**
Snyder
Warren 4 3-4 11, McNair 4 0-0 10, Hester 3 0-0 7, Mandrell 1 2-3 4, Cumbie 0 1-2 1, Cobb 1 2-2 5, Ward 1 0-0 3, Durham 1 0-0 2. **Totals 15 8-11 43.**
Three-point goals: Lubbock 1 (Martinez), Snyder 5 (McNair 2, Cobb, Hester, Ward). Rebounds: Lubbock 20 (Martinez 5), Snyder 22 (Cumbie 7). Total fouls: Lubbock 16, Snyder 15. Fouled out — Cumbie.



ANOTHER DEUCE — Snyder senior Tyler Warren lays in two of his team-high 11 points Tuesday night against Lubbock High. The Tigers fell to 3-6 on the season with a 45-43 setback to the Westerners. (SDN Staff Photo)

Lady Tigers turn the tide with victory

ABILENE — The Lady Tigers decided that turnabout is fair play.

After dropping its last three games by a total of nine points, Snyder returned the favor Tuesday night by edging Abilene Cooper, 61-58.

The Lady Cougars led by as many as 19 points in the second quarter, before Snyder put together a rally.

The Lady Tigers capitalized on Cooper turnovers and trimmed the deficit to six points by halftime.

Paced by Alicia Peoples' 16 points, Snyder used the third quarter to pull away from the Lady Cougars.

The Lady Tigers outscored Cooper, 20-11, in the third period, grabbing a 47-44 advantage heading into the final eight minutes of play.

Snyder controlled the boards in the fourth quarter, out rebounding the Lady Cougars down the stretch to preserve the victory.

With Peoples working in the paint, Shannon Hall poured in 13 points from the perimeter for the Lady Tigers.

Snyder, now 3-7 on the season, will try to defend its tourney title beginning Thursday at the Wylie Catclaw Tournament.

The Lady Tigers face Haskell in the opening round at 3 p.m.

Snyder	11	16	20	14	— 61
Cooper	20	13	11	14	— 58

Snyder
Peoples 6 4-8 16, Hall 6 0-3 13, Kallemeyn 4 1-1 9, Delce 3 0-1 6, Mackey 3 0-0 6, Hess 1 2-2 5, Murray 2 0-0 4, Geiger 1 0-0 2. **Totals 26 7-15 61.**
Cooper
Garcia 2 0-0 4, Medeiros 1 0-0 2, Partin 6 3-4 15, Louis 2 0-0 4, Varner 7 4-7 18, Truss 0 1-2 1, Stephenson 1 0-0 2, Coffield 6 0-0 12. **Totals 25 8-13 58.**
Three-point goals: Snyder 2 (Hall, Hess). Total fouls: Snyder 15, Cooper 19. Fouled out — Medeiros.

Lady Tigers finish second to San Antonio Churchill

SAN ANTONIO — Snyder finished 35 shots in front of the third place team.

But as well as the Lady Tigers played, San Antonio Churchill played even better.

Churchill fired unbelievable rounds of 294 and 312 over the weekend to finish with a 61-stroke victory at the San Antonio Invitational.

"We played well, especially the second day," Lady Tiger golf coach Matt Glenn said. "Churchill is just something else. They have two girls that played overseas for the USA junior team. They're good."

After carding a 341 in the opening round, Snyder responded with a 326 at Willow Springs in the final round.

"The girls and I were talking after the tournament about the difference between Churchill and us," said Glenn. "They don't hit the ball any better than we do. They just make more putts.

"We can hit it with anybody. We have some really good ball strikers on this team and that will come in handy when district and regionals rolls around."

Senior Keisha Gafford, a recent signee with Idaho State University, led the Lady Tigers with rounds of 83 and 80 for a 163 tourney total.

Randi Reed fired an 85-81—166, with Lacey Kidd carding an 88-80—168.

Sally Barham turned in indentical rounds of 85 for a 170, while Kara Harrison came in at 98-91—189.

The San Antonio event concludes the Lady Tigers' fall schedule.

Snyder will be back on the links this spring when it tries for its third consecutive trip to the state tournament .

Nguyen grabs Lombardi Award

HOUSTON (AP) — Size has never bothered linebacker Dat Nguyen on the football field and it certainly didn't hurt him in voting for the Lombardi Award.

Nguyen, Texas A&M's all-time leading tackler despite his 5-foot-11, 221-pound frame, beat out three hulking finalists Tuesday night for the award, presented annually to the nation's top college lineman.

The hefty runnersup were Ohio State linebacker Andy Katzenmoyer, 6-4, 265, Wisconsin tackle Aaron Gibson, 6-7, 370 and Georgia tackle Matt Stinchcomb 6-6, 295 for the honor.

"It seems like every time I do something it's overcoming an obstacle," Nguyen said. "I never thought I'd play a down for Texas A&M. Now I win this and it opens doors for kids. It doesn't make any difference how big you are. Anybody can win."

Nguyen has been beating big odds all his life.

Dat's parents fled Vietnam in 1975 with his five brothers and sisters and a sixth child (Dat) on the way. Nguyen was born in a refugee camp in Arkansas before the family moved to Texas and Nguyen gave up soccer to play football.

"I do a lot of work with kids now, trying to give back because everyone was so helpful to my parents when they came to this country," Nguyen said. "I think that is what you are supposed to do."

Nguyen graduated last August and enrolled in graduate school to play one more season for the Aggies.

Lady 'Dogs bite Blackwell

IRA — Morgan Clements is still in the groove.

Fresh off an all-tourney performance over the weekend, Clements poured in 24 points Tuesday night to lead the Lady Bulldogs past Blackwell, 62-46.

The third quarter was the turning point for Ira.

Holding a slim two-point lead at halftime, the Lady Bulldogs opened a 10-point advantage heading into the final period.

Clements and Terri Robinson accounted for all of Ira's scoring in the third quarter. Clements dropped in 10 points for the Lady Bulldogs, with Robinson chipping in the other nine.

Robinson finished the night with 19 points, while Kristen Harless posted six. Audra Oliver and E'Lissa Goolsby registered four apiece. Korby Calley added three points, with Tara Allen notching two.

The victory ups Ira's season mark to 6-2. The Lady Bulldogs return to action Thursday when they open the Ozona tournament.

Lady Cards top Westbrook

WESTBROOK — Kendra Dacus was Hermleigh's version of a sharp-shooter Tuesday night.

Dacus nailed four three-pointers in the second half to lead the Lady Cardinals past Westbrook, 45-41.

Dacus finished with 16 points on the night, as did Jennifer Roemisch who went 6 for 6 from the free-throw line.

Randi Herrington dropped in six points for Hermleigh, with Sheena Callaway posting five. Brandy Wood notched two points.

Roemisch dominated the glass, pulling down 13 rebounds.

Herrington dished out five assists in the contest, while also accounting for five steals.

The Lady Cardinals now turn their attention to the Borden County tournament beginning Thursday.

TCU pounds Tech, 105-86

FORT WORTH (AP) — Lee Nailon scored 26 points and Marquise Gainous had 24 Tuesday night as Texas Christian struck from both inside and outside in a 105-86 victory over Texas Tech.

Nailon, who also had 10 rebounds, and Gainous teamed with Shannon Long, who had 19 points, to dominate inside for the Horned Frogs (8-2).

Guards Prince Fowler and Vladimir Jaksic, meanwhile, kept the Red Raiders (4-3) honest from the outside. Fowler had 15 assists and scored 11 points and Jaksic added 14 points, including four of seven 3-point attempts.

The Frogs hit 60 percent of their shots (17 of 28) in the first half and led 50-37 at halftime. TCU shot 66 percent overall.

'Cats drop Cardinals

WESTBROOK — Hermleigh battled for the final three quarters, but a slow start was too much to overcome.

The Cardinals managed just five points in the opening period Tuesday night, eventually falling to Westbrook, 64-33.

Andy Luna, who buried a three-pointer in the first quarter, led the Cardinals on the offensive end with 13 points.

Joey Garza dropped in eight more for Hermleigh, with Billy Lambaren posting six points.

Lambaren also paced the Cardinals' rebounding effort with 10.

Rocky Gill, David Digby and Tony Molina chipped in two points apiece.

The Cardinals will look to get back on the winning track Thursday when they begin play in the Borden County tournament.

Bulldogs drop nailbiter to Hornets

IRA — After narrowly missing out on a tournament title over the weekend, the Bulldogs suffered another heartbreaking setback Tuesday night.

Ira rallied with 23 fourth-quarter points, only to fall one point short of Blackwell, 62-61, at Bulldog gym.

After trailing, 50-38, as the third quarter ended, Nathan Smith nailed a pair of long-range buckets and Jerek Brown dropped in eight points in the fourth period to spark the 'Dogs.

The Hornets managed to notch 12 points over the final eight minutes to preserve the victory.

Brown led all scorers with 20 points on the night, while Drew Wall poured in 17 points for Ira. Smith finished with 10.

Richard Wilkins and Seth Sterling accounted for six points apiece, with Bryce Wilkins chipping in two.

The Bulldogs fall to 5-3 on the year and will look to get back on track Thursday in the Ozona tournament.

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Sports Briefs

Little dribblers sign-ups

Sign-ups for boys' 9, 10, 11 and 12-year-old little dribblers will run through Thursday at the Boys & Girls Club.

Boys who will be 9-years-old before Sept. 1, 1999 are eligible to register. Players must be accompanied by a parent and bring a copy of their birth certificate.

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The West Central Texas Service Delivery Area is comprised of the following nineteen counties, Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Kent, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Runnels, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Taylor and Throckmorton. The West Central Texas Workforce Development Board serves as the administrative and planning entity for the Job Taining Partnership Act programs and the Region XIV Education Service Center serves as the grant recipient for the funds available.

This Summer Youth Program is designed to serve economically disadvantaged youth, ages 14-21, residing in the service delivery area. Activities to be conducted include: classroom and work-based learning in both residential and non-residential settings, pre-employment skills training, career counseling and interest assessment. Youth will receive minimum wage for all hours of participation. Activities will be conducted at public secondary or post secondary school campuses, city or county sites or private businesses in limited areas in the region. Appoximately 400 youth will participate in one or more of the above activities.

A copy of the Request for Proposal packet and/or a diskette containing application forms only may be obtained by contacting Karen Spaar at (915) 672-8544 between 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Proposals must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. CST on January 12, 1999. Any proposals received after that time and date will be considered non-responsive and will be returned unopened. A Bidder's Conference will be held on December 17, 1998 at Region XIV Education Service Center 1850 Hwy 351 in Abilene, Texas in the ABC Room from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Any questions pertaining to the proposal must be written and will be accepting until and during the bidder's conference. After the bidder's conference, all questions and answers pertaining to the proposal will be distributed to those who were issued a proposal packet. Attendance at the bidder's conference will be recorded; attendance is optional but is strongly recommended.

Questions concerning the solicitation may be directed to Larry Hall, Mary Ross or Walter Bryan by calling (915) 672-8544. Proposal packets may be obtained by writing or calling the following: West Central Workforce Development Board, 1025 E. N. 10th P.O. 3195, Abilene, Texas 79604, Attn.: Karen Spaar (915) 672-8544.

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DISMISSALS: Dec. 7: None; Dec. 8: Abigail Escobedo, Escobedo Girl, Naomi Slack, Helen Wortham, Sue Griffin, Luis Lara, Parnell Robertson, Dorothy Simpson, Laverne Thompson, Clifonia Wright.

CENSUS: 40 (Med., Surg.-11, Long-term Care-25, CCU-2, OB-1, Nursery-1).

Births

Mireya Espinoza of Snyder announces the birth of her eight-pound, six-ounce son at 7:14 a.m. on Dec. 7 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

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Too much rain now pesters farmers

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Although South Texas producers prayed for rain this summer, muddy fields now hinder harvesting efforts, according to the state's Agricultural Extension Service.

Cabbage and winter green harvests are behind schedule in South Texas. But Extension horticulturist Lynn Brandenberger of Weslaco said it will not cause a significant problem.

"We are actually behind in most crops because of the rain slowing fall planting," he said. "The rain also causes a disease problem in most instances."

Downey mildew is a fungal disease that is affecting most vegetable crops because of high humidity. Brandenberger said crop loss from the mildew is inevitable.

In the Panhandle, the cotton harvest is 80 percent complete. District Extension director Bob Robinson said wet conditions have also slowed harvesting and reduced quality.

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: soil moisture short to adequate. Mild with light showers. Cotton harvest 80 percent complete; wet conditions have reduced quality. Sorghum and peanut harvests complete. Wheat poor to good and making excellent growth. Cattle fair to good.

SOUTH PLAINS: soil moisture adequate. Pastures and ranges in fair condition; recent rain will help. Cotton, peanut and grain sorghum harvests continue. Cotton fields need freeze to improve harvest. Pecan harvest underway.

ROLLING PLAINS: soil moisture short. Little moisture with recent cold front; cotton harvest stalled until first freeze. Wheat crop showing signs of dry weather. Pecan harvest 70 percent complete. Stock tanks extremely low; ranchers concerned.

NORTH TEXAS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Wet, mild weather encouraging high insect populations. Wheat growing well; greenbugs a problem for some. Producers selling calves and feeding cows; supplemental feeding continues. Muddy fields hinder farmers.

EAST TEXAS: soil moisture adequate. Unseasonably warm temperatures, light rains. Cotton harvest nearly complete. Peanut yields poor. Ryegrass and oats good. Wheat fair. Pecan yields low. Hay feeding light due to extended grazing.

FAR WEST TEXAS: soil moisture very short to surplus. Pasture, ranges in fair condition. Cotton harvest under way. Wheat needs additional moisture to continue to progress. Winter weeds need more moisture. Cattle requiring supplemental feeding. Pecan harvest continues.

WEST CENTRAL: soil moisture very short to adequate. Cotton harvest continues; yields lower than normal. Peanut crop has low yields. Livestock in fair condition; producers continue supplemental feeding. Pastures still poor in most areas. Pecan quality down.

CENTRAL TEXAS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Limited pasture growth because of unusually warm temperatures. Cattle remain in good condition. Dryland peanut harvest yields and quality poor. No disease reported.

SOUTHEAST TEXAS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Little to no rainfall this week; unseasonably warm temperatures. Soil being prepared for spring planting. Winter pastures showing growth; cattle prices remain steady at market. Peanut harvest nearing completion.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS: soil moisture surplus. Forage availability above average for this time of year. Some small grain fields starting to head due to warm weather. Harvesting of cabbage, spinach and turnip greens continues; good yields. Livestock doing well.

COASTAL BEND: soil moisture surplus. Warm temperatures with foggy mornings. Drying conditions allow for field work.

Lubbock cattle auction

LUBBOCK — The market at Lubbock had a run of 981 head of cattle for the Thursday, Dec. 3 sale. Cows were steady. Yearlings and calves were $1 to $2 better. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows: (high dressing - cutters utility) 30 to 35.50.
Canners and low cutters: 26 to 30.
Slaughter bulls: 37 to 42.50.
Feeder steers choice:
300-400: 85-103
400-500: 72.50-85.50
500-600: 68-77.50
600-700: 65-68.50
700-800: 64-68
Feeder Heifers choice:
300-400: 72.50-77.50
400-500: 65-75
500-600: 62-68.50
600-700: 58-64.50
700-800: 57-61
Feeder bulls good and choice: 500-600, 65 to 75; 700-800, 55 to 63.
Cow and calf pairs: Good 475 to 575; Grade 425 to 500.
Springers: 300 to 510.
Baby calves: 25 to 110.
Doodlers 100 to 195.

Colorado City cattle auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 1,015 head of cattle for the Saturday, Dec. 5 sale. Feeder steers and heifers were $3 to $5 higher. Trade active and demand good.

Feeder Steers:
200 to 300: 95 to 106
300 to 400: 88 to 98
400 to 500: 83 to 94
500 to 600: 73 to 80
600 to 700: 64 to 69
Feeder Heifers:
200 to 300: 75 to 85
300 to 400: 71.50 to 80
400 to 500: 69.50 to 79.50
500 to 600: 63 to 69
600 to 700: 60.50 to 64.50.
Young bred cows: 405 to 500
Medium age to older cows and calves: 300 to 390
Slaughter cows: high yielding 31 to 34.50.
Slaughter bulls: High dressing 42 to 45.50; Low dressing: 35 to 38.75.
Cow and calf pairs: 520 to 650.

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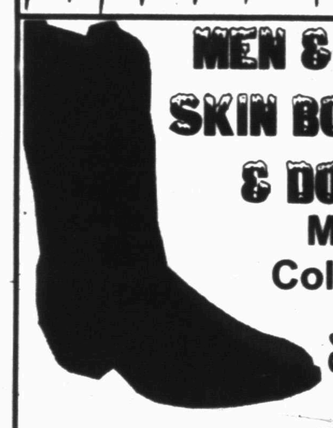

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Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, fa la la la la, la la la la.

It's the time for holiday decorating so make sure plugging in those Christmas lights makes the tree twinkle — instead of burning the house down.

Each year about 1,300 people are treated in hospital emergency rooms for injuries related to holiday lights and trimmings.

And according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, Christmas trees are involved in about 500 fires annually, resulting in an average of $20 million in property loss each year.

Consumers can take steps to help avoid decorating disasters.

When purchasing an artificial tree, look for one labeled fire resistant. Although the label does not mean the tree won't catch fire, it does indicate the tree will resist burning and should extinguish quickly.

When purchasing a live tree, check for freshness. A fresh tree is green, needles are hard to pull from branches and when bent between your fingers, needles do not break. The end of the trunk should be sticky with resin, and when bounced on the ground, the tree should not lose many needles. Once the tree is home, keep it outside or in a cool spot until it can be decorated. Cut it off at the base, one to two inches, and place it in a stable holder.

When setting up the tree at home, place it at least three feet away from fireplaces, radiators, space heaters, and heating vents or other sources of heat. Because heated rooms dry living trees out rapidly, be sure to keep the stand filled with water. Place the tree out of the way of traffic and do not block doorways.

Whether they're indoors or out, use only lights that have been tested for safety by a recognized testing laboratory. Use weather proof outd6or lights and cords for outdoors.

Remember that even those labeled for outdoor use are not designed for prolonged exposure, so take them down as soon as the season is over.

Check each set of lights, new or old, for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wire or lose connections. Discard damaged sets.

Almost every one uses an extension cord or two when decorating. Just remember to use no more than three.

Another thing to remember — never use electric lights on a metallic tree. The tree can become charged with electricity from faulty lights, and a person touching a branch could be electrocuted.

Outdoor lights should be fastened securely to trees, house walls or other firm supports to protect lights from wind damage. Use only insulated staples to hold strings in place, no nails or tacks, turn strings of lights through hooks that are available at your local hardware store.

Turn off all lights when you go to bed or leave the house. The lights could short out and start a fire. Never leave lights strings and other electrical decorations operating unattended.

Tree trimmers should even be careful when it comes to choosing decorations.

Use only non-combustible or flame-resistant materials to trim a tree. Choose tinsel or artificial icicles of plastic or non-leaded metals. Leaded materials are hazardous if ingested and could harm children.

Never use lighted candles on a tree or near other evergreens. Always use non-flammable holders and place candles where they will not be knocked down.

In homes with small children, take special care to avoid decorations that are sharp or breakable, keep trimmings with small removable parts out of the reach of children to avoid the child swallowing or inhaling small pieces, and avoid trimmings that resemble candy or food that may tempt a child to eat them.

Wear gloves to avoid eye and skin irritation while decorating with spun glass "angel hair." Follow container directions carefully to avoid lung irritation while decorating with artficial sprays.

Fireplaces also require caution during the holiday.

Use care with "fire salts," which produce colored flames when thrown on wood fires. They contain heavy metals that can cause intense gastrointestinal irritation and may cause vomiting if eaten. Keep them away from children.

Never burn wrapping paper in the fireplace. A flash fire may result as wrappings ignite and could set the roof on fire or cause a flue fire.

In adding decorations, general safety rules should be followed. Make sure your home is equipped with working smoke detectors and fire extinguishers.

Don't forget to install, test and maintain these devices in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Have a fire escape plan for your household. Every member should know at least two ways out of each room. Designate a well-lit place that is a safe distance from your home where everyone can meet in the event of a fire. Remember, never return to a burning building for any reason.

By following these safety tips you are on your way toward a happier and safer holiday season.

Armadillos are setting up camp in Tennessee

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Tennessee in recent years has had its share of fauna from other regions: fire ants, zebra mussels and coyotes.

Now it's armadillos.

"It's all quite bizarre," said David Withers, a zoologist with the state's Natural Heritage Program.

"We really do not know why they are coming here, or what their effect on the state's ecology is going to be."

The armadillo — nicknamed possums on a half-shell because of its likeness to an opossum, but with a shell — was first seen in West Tennessee a few years ago, even though it's most commonly spotted in areas like Texas.

But armadillos have continued to move east since then. Sightings have been confirmed as far as Chattanooga and as nearby as downtown Nashville.

The nine-banded armadillo is the most common in this area. It's named for its nine movable bands on its shell top.

Mike Kennedy, a professor of biology at the University of Memphis, has studied the armadillo's progression and says mild winters may have contributed to its expansion.

He said the animals feast on termites, beetles and other small insects, with some plant food thrown in as well.

Jim Schmidt, president of the Texas Armadillo Association, said he recommends that armadillos not be kept as pets because "a horse could break a leg if it steps into a burrow and they might tear up your lawn in foraging."

"But we tell people not to kill them," Schmidt said. "They're naturally migrating, and they'll leave on their own."

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Diversity in medical workforce necessary

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's health system must recruit a more diverse workforce to face the complex health problems of an increasingly multiracial America, a commission concludes in a sweeping report released today.

Blacks, Hispanics and other racial minorities are becoming a larger portion of the population, yet with the exception of Asian Americans, few become doctors and the number entering medical school has dropped over the last couple of years.

Minorities are much more likely to work in inner cities and other underserved minority communities, making recruitment a crucial issue, argues the fourth and final report from the Pew Health Professions Commission, which has been working for a decade. Those who work in these underserved areas are more likely to speak the languages and understand the lives of their patients.

At the same time, minorities suffer from a variety of ailments at higher rates than whites.

The commission, chaired by former Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, concludes that it is essential for the health profession workforce to diversity itself.

"This is not a quota born out of a sense of equity or distribution of justice, but a principle that the best health care may need to be delivered by those that fully understand a cultural tradition," the report says.

While more than 12 percent of Americans are black, just 3 percent of doctors are; more than one in 10 Americans are Hispanic, but just one in 20 are doctors.

Last year, 12 percent fewer minority students entered medical school than the year before.

Dr. Miguel Stubbs can testify to the difference a black doctor makes in a black community. An internist at West End Medical Center in Atlanta's inner city, he returned to the black community for a simple reason: "I wanted to help my people."

But it wasn't easy to become a doctor, he said, explaining that his grades in college were only fair.

"The hardest thing about medical school is getting in," he said. "You've got to convince someone to give you a chance."

The Pew panel recommends that professional schools use nonacademic criteria in admissions decisions, including ethnicity, cross-cultural experience and commitment to community service. It also suggests that universities and academic health centers work with minority students beginning in kindergarten to foster an interest in science and health.

The diversity discussion is part of a larger report that takes a broad look at health curricula, professional competence and funding of professional education.

It makes dozens of recommendations, including a call that students be required to perform "a significant amount of work in community service" in order to graduate.

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Supreme Court eyes anti-loitering law

WASHINGTON (AP) — A majority of Supreme Court justices voiced doubts today about a Chicago anti-loitering law aimed at cracking down on street gangs.

"There is a concern here," Justice Sandra Day O'Connor told the city's lawyer, "for arbitrariness of the police."

At issue is a Chicago anti-loitering ordinance aimed at gang members and their friends. In the three years it was in effect before being struck down, the ordinance resulted in 45,000 arrests.

"Street gangs rely on their ability to terrorize the community," city lawyer Lawrence Rosenthal told the court. He said police officers too often arrive on the scene only to see gang members "pretending to innocently loiter."

"Gang crime has been rising," Rosenthal argued. "More people are getting shot."

Lawyer Harvey Grossman, representing 66 people arrested under the ordinance, called the disputed law "inherently vague and overbroad" and therefore unconstitutional.

The 1992 ordinance had required police to order any group of people standing around "with no apparent purpose" to move along if an officer believed at least one of them belonged to a street gang. Those who refused to obey could be arrested.

"The question that is bothering some of us," said Justice David H. Souter, "is on what basis (people told to move on) can come to the conclusion that the police officer has the predicate (legal authority) to issue the order."

When Rosenthal argued that people do not need to be told why before they should obey a police officer's order, Souter shot back, "May they should and maybe not."

Rosenthal's most persistent questioner, Souter also said he had "difficulty" with what he called the ordinance's "silent assumption" that "some purposes are worthy and some are not."

"There usually is an apparent purpose for that which we call loitering," Souter said. One legitimate purpose could be to sit down and watch the cars go by, he said.

Justice Anthony M. Kennedy noted that the ordinance does not require police to tell people who are not gang members why, and asked how such people should know they are doing something unlawful.

Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Stephen G. Breyer also voiced concerns over the law's broad sweep.

Only Justice Antonin Scalia and Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist seemed sympathetic to the city's argument that the ordinance is a valid attempt to deal with "the enormous evils associated with gang loitering."

No clemency for Canadian on 'row'

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas parole officials today refused to grant clemency for a Canadian whose scheduled execution this week has drawn international protests.

The Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles voted 17-0, with one abstention, to deny Joseph Stanley Faulder's petition for a 90-day reprieve and for commutation of his death sentence to a lesser penalty.

Faulder is set to die Thursday.

The board also rejected similar petitions for convicted killer Danny Lee Barber, who was scheduled to be given a lethal injection tonight.

Faulder, 61, who faces execution for the July 1975 murder of a woman in Gladewater, has attracted the attention of international human rights groups, the U.N. human rights commission and the Canadian government.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and others have asked Gov. George W. Bush to block the execution.

Albright said Texas may have violated the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations by not notifying Faulder, a former mechanic from Jasper, Alberta, that he could have contacted Canadian consular officials after his arrest.

Texas officials said they did not know Faulder was a Canadian because he was carrying a U.S. driver's license when arrested. He was imprisoned for 15 years before his whereabouts were discovered by the Canadian government and his family, who said they had believed he was dead.

Bush has given no indication that he would intervene.

Faulder also has an appeal pending before the U.S. Supreme Court.

Barber, 43, was condemned for the October 1979 beating-stabbing death of a woman in Balch Springs, a suburb southeast of Dallas. He described it as a burglary that went wrong.

Barber also confessed to three other murders and received three life sentences. He would be the third Texas inmate executed in as many days.

Obituaries

Dorothy Smith

1928-1998

Dorothy Lockhart Smith, a lifelong resident of Snyder, died Tuesday, Dec. 8, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital following an extended illness.

Graveside service for Mrs. Smith, 70, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Coahoma Cemetery. The Rev. Miller Robinson, retired Baptist minister, will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born on July 16, 1928 in Snyder, she married H.A. Smith Jr. on Nov. 8, 1949 in Snyder. Mrs. Smith was a housewife and a member of Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, five sisters, and a granddaughter, Julie Ezell in 1986.

Survivors include her husband, H.A. Smith Jr. of Snyder; one daughter and son-in-law, JoAnne and Johnnie Ezell of Coahoma; two sons and daughters-in-law, Alfred and Nelda Smith of China Spring, and David Alan and Sherri Smith of Colorado City; three sisters, Jessie Lockhart of Midland and Beryl Shuler and Beatrice May, both of Sweetwater; two brothers, Dee Lockhart and Bee Lockhart, both of Snyder; and seven grandchildren.

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Barbara Chamness

1938-1998

Barbara Celeste Chamness, 60, of Snyder died Monday, Dec. 7, at her home after a lengthy illness.

Graveside service is set for 11:30 a.m. Friday in the Loraine Cemetery. The Rev. Larry McAden, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

She was born on Oct. 5, 1938 in Loraine.

Survivors include her parents, John W. "Wes" and Opal Chamness of Snyder; two brothers, Mickey Dale Chamness of Brighton, Tenn., and Johnny Chamness of Garland; and a sister, Bonnie Gail Tigrett of Las Cruces, N.M.

Doyle Roberts

1931-1998

ABILENE — Doyle G. Roberts, the stepfather of Daniel Austin of Snyder, died Monday, Dec. 7, in an Abilene hospital.

Funeral service for Mr. Roberts, 67, is set for 3 p.m. Friday in the Elmwood Funeral Home Chapel. Travis Brown and Mark Burrus will officiate. Burial will follow in Elmwood Memorial Park.

Born in Star, he graduated from Midland High School and served in the U.S. Air Force for 29 years. He served in Korea, Vietnam and Thailand and retired as a master sergeant.

He worked for Unichem for 10 years and moved to Abilene from Farmington, N.M., in 1990. He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans, Texas Veterans Land Board and Abilene's Primitive Baptist Church.

He married Callie Marie Austin in 1968 in Dell City, Okla., and she preceded him in death.

Survivors include another stepson, John Auston of Fort Lewis, Wash.; a stepdaughter, Debbie Austin of Fayetteville, N.C.; a sister, Eileen Rodriguez of Big Spring; and five grandchildren.

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Hamrick named oil company head

Altura Energy Ltd. announced today the appointment of J. David Hamrick as president of the Permian Basin oil company.

Hamrick replaces Jim Posey, who on Tuesday, announced his plans to resign, effective Jan. 1.

Hamrick formerly served as vice president and managing director of Amoco Energy Group, North America.

Hamrick has been with Amoco since 1974.

Altura, established in March, 1997, is a joint venture between Amoco Corporation and Shell Oil Company.

It has operated leases in Scurry County since last January, and 10 people are currently employed here by the company.

Officers arrest one subject today

Officers made one arrest early this morning.

A 34-year-old male was taken into custody at 12:08 a.m. in the 1700 block of Avenue T for public intoxication.

In activity Tuesday, deputies filed an offense report at 9:30 a.m. at Jack's Used Cars for hindering served creditors.

Officers advised at 11:38 a.m. that the 15-year-old female who was reported as a runaway at 9:43 p.m. Monday had been located in the 3000 block of Avenue U.

At 8:08 a.m., officers worked a two-vehicle mishap in the 100 block of East 35th Street. Involved were a 1996 Ford Contour driven by Branda Dunnam and a 1996 Chevrolet Lumina driven by Courtney Chandler.

Officers also worked a two-vehicle accident at 8:30 a.m. in the 4600 block of College Avenue. Involved were a 1980 Oldsmobile Delta 88 driven by I.E. Martin and a 1987 Nissan Pulsar driven by Julie Burr.

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Snyder ISD band Christmas concert

The SHS band Christmas concert will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Worsham Auditorium. Admission is free. The beginner band (sixth grade), junior high anbd high school bands will perform.

Tour of homes

The annual lighted Christmas tour of homes, sponsored by Historic Scurry County and the Historical Commission, will be held from 5-7 p.m. Saturday. Tickets are $10 and can be purchased at Countryplace, American State Bank and Eddie Peterson's Pharmacy.

WTC Planetarium hours

The refurbished planetarium at Western Texas College is now available for star shows. Three different programs are available — one for pre-kindergarten children, one for children in grades K through 4, and one for general audiences (grade 5 through adult). Any of these programs can be shown Friday mornings and afternoons, by appointment. Evening and weekend shows can also be arranged. Appointments can be made by calling Sharon Gill at WTC, 573-8511, ext. 312. There is no admission charge.

Parkinson's Disease Support Group

The Parkinson's disease community support group meeting is set from 10 until 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Cogdell Memorial Hospital board room.

Beanie Babies chances

Snyder High varsity cheerleaders are selling $1 chances to win Beanie Babies. Drawing for a set of the 10 newest beanies or a set of seven different bear beanies will be held Tuesday. To purchase tickets see a varsity cheerleader, Kaye Carter at the high school or Neika Porter at Star-R-Us. Proceeds are for National Competition expenses.

Ira junior class selling spice

Ira's junior class is selling "Watkins 130th Anniversary" spice packages containing black pepper, cinnamon and double strength vanilla in a glass collector's bottle. These gift packages cost $22.99. To purchase contact any junior class member or call the school at 573-2628.

SHS choir sells poinsettias

SHS Choir members still have about 20 Jingle Bell Poinsettias available for sale. Poinsettias are $10 and can be purchased by calling the high school. If you prefer, you may come by the choir room and select your own or delivery is available. The choir is raising money to help support the choir trip to Disney World next spring.

Spanish Club fundraiser

SHS Spanish Club members are selling $2 chances to win a $100 gift certificate from Bealls or a Brighton watch from Bar-H-Bar Family Outfitters. Proceeds will be used to send club members to the state convention in April.

Christmas lighting contest

Noon Friday, Dec. 18, is the deadline to enter the residential outdoor Christmas Lighting Contest, sponsored by the Snyder Chamber of Commerce. Call 573-3558 to enter. Judging will begin at 6 p.m. Dec. 18.

Medical fund

A medical fund for heart patient Sherylyn Timora has been established at West Texas State Bank. Make contributions to the Sheryln Timora Medical Fund.

Windbreak trees

The Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District is selling windbreak trees. Both evergreens and hardwoods are available. Call 573-6317, or come by the office at 5309 Big Spring Highway.

Adult education classes

Adult basic education classes that can lead to a GED are underway at Western Texas College. Students may enroll at any time in Room 209 of the WTC library. Both day and evening sessions are held Tuesday and Thursday. Call 573-8511, Ext. 322, for more information.

Road to Recovery program

Volunteers are needed to take patients to Abilene or Lubbock one day a week for cancer treatment. Following approval by the American Cancer Society, drivers will be provided liability insurance and can be reimbursed for fuel expenses incurred for the trip. For more information, contact ACS Road to Recovery volunteer coordinator Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 and leave a message, or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
0-1-2
(zero, one, two)

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:
10-13-22-31-39
(ten, thirteen, twenty-two, thirty-one, thirty-nine)

Actor with Lou Gehrig's disease dies

NEW YORK (AP) — Michael Zaslow was a star on "Guiding Light" when he became afflicted with Lou Gehrig's disease, a degenerative ailment which would eventually leave him wheelchair-bound and unable to speak.

Faced with his condition last year, the CBS soap opera fired the Emmy-winning actor and cast someone else in the role Zaslow had played off and on for 25 years.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Mother's Constant Carping Drains Daughter of Her Love

DEAR ABBY: I love my mother and she says she loves me, but she can be quite difficult. A visit seldom goes by without her getting in at least a few hurtful zingers. There's always something about me that doesn't suit her. She says tactless things she would never dream of saying to anyone else. Telephone conversations don't include comments about my weight and appearance, because, thank goodness, she can't see me. However, she fills the space with advice and lectures.

Visits with Mother drain me. It often takes several days for me to get over being depressed and cranky. My solution is to avoid her.

Mother wants me to visit more often. I would like to accommodate her, and I go as frequently as my bruised psyche can tolerate, and that's it. I prefer the company of friends who accept and appreciate me just as I am. It breaks my heart to have to protect myself from my own mother.

Abby, please tell parents that if they yearn for the company of their adult children to do their part to make the visits mutually pleasant. Set aside parental instincts and treat your offspring with the respect and courtesy due the adult that your child has become.

EMOTIONALLY BRUISED

DEAR BRUISED: Your problem won't be resolved until you're strong enough to confront your mother and tell her how her criticism has made you feel. Do not approach her in anger. Before you visit, make a list of the comments that hurt you, and tell her how they make you feel. Rehearse what you're going to say until you feel comfortable with it. Then tell her plainly how you expect to be treated in the future.

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DEAR ABBY: I must disagree with some of the advice you gave to "Sleepless in Missouri," the woman whose fiance's sister stole an expensive painting and her grandmother's china. You stated that the sister may be suffering from kleptomania, a persistent neurotic impulse to steal, especially without economic motive.

Abby, kleptomania is a rare disorder. People who suffer from it usually steal small, inexpensive items that they have no use for. They usually feel extremely remorseful for what they have done, and frequently either return the items or give them away.

More than likely, the sister of "Sleepless'" fiance is suffering from a sense of entitlement. Since she brazenly displays the stolen items, she seems to feel no qualms about what she has done. She may rationalize it was acceptable to steal the items because "Sleepless" was not using them. Also, she may have thought she wouldn't get caught, or the items would not be missed since they were left in storage.

"Sleepless" should confront her fiance and his sister about the stolen items and be prepared to press charges.

I am as troubled as you, Abby, that her fiance condones his sister's stealing, especially from someone he supposedly loves. I endorse your advice to "Sleepless" to think twice before entering into that marriage.

SUSAN J. ULLMAN,
DIRECTOR OF THEFT TREATMENT PROGRAM,
CLERMONT COUNSELING CENTER, BATAVIA, OHIO

DEAR SUSAN: I bow to your expertise. Your advice supports what many readers wrote. They said I was too easy on both the thief and her brother, who brushed off his sister's wrongdoing.

To "Sleepless," I amend my advice to include giving serious consideration to filing charges.

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Abby shares her favorite recipes in two booklets: "Abby's Favorite Recipes" and "Abby's More Favorite Recipes." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 per booklet ($4.50 each in Canada) to: Dear Abby Cookbooklets I and II, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included in price.)

Date Book

Dec. 9, 1998

Today is the 343rd day of 1998 and the 78th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1967, Linda Johnson, the daughter of President Lyndon Johnson, wed Charles Robb in a White House ceremony. There hadn't been a White House wedding since 1914.

On this day in 1978, John Belushi and Dan Aykroyd recorded "Soul Man" as the Blues Brothers.

On this day in 1990, Labor-union leader Lech Walesa was elected Poland's president.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: John Milton (1608-1674), poet; Douglas Fairbanks Jr. (1909-), actor-producer, is 89; Thomas "Tip" O'Neill (1912-1994), speaker of the House; Kirk Douglas (1918-), actor, is 80; Redd Foxx (1922-1991), comedian; Beau Bridges (1941-), actor, is 57; Dick Butkus (1942-), football great, is 56; Tom Kite (1949-), golfer, is 49; John Malkovich (1953-), actor, is 45; Donny Osmond (1957-), singer, is 41.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1951, Bob Waterfield, playing for the Los Angeles Rams, became the first professional football player to kick five field goals in the same game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "An expert is one who knows more and more about less and less." — Nicholas Murray Butler

TODAY'S MOON: Day before last quarter (Dec. 10).

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Sheriff arrested

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Frio County Sheriff Carl Henry Burris was arrested Tuesday on charges that he stole nearly $12,000 in drug money and tried to replace it by se. ing marijuana.

If convicted of the charges, Burrus could be fined or imprisoned up to 15 years, or both.

Accountant dies after shooting rampage

GREELEY, Colo. (AP) — Robert Helfer was a meticulous accountant for the state Department of Transportation, described by a neighbor as "helpful to the point of annoying."

Now his co-workers and friends are trying to understand why someone they thought was mild mannered shot two female supervisors during a disciplinary meeting Tuesday.

One of the supervisors died, and Helfer was killed in a shoot-out with a state trooper.

"It's hard to understand the demons that go through a person's mind that causes this kind of thing," said Bill Vidal, director of the agency.

Helfer, 50, shot the two women and then made his way through the building.

"There was evidence in his motions he was not done with whatever rage and anger he had," said Gov. Roy Romer, who met with employees after the attack.

Helfer eventually leaped out a second-floor window, landed on a roof and jumped to the ground. He emerged in a parking lot, where he was confronted by state patrol Capt. Gary Myers and died in an exchange of gunfire. Myers was not hurt.

Helfer, a six-year employee of the Transportation Department, had been summoned to a hearing to discuss complaints lodged against him by co-workers. The nature of the complaints was unclear.

"He was just making a person's life miserable," Vidal said.

About an hour into the hearing, Helfer shot and killed Sharlene Nail, 47, and wounded Karla Harding, 41. Harding was shot in the hand, shoulder and leg and was expected to be hospitalized for at least two days.

An employee who filed a complaint against Helfer was hospitalized with a heart condition after she collapsed during the attack.

Helfer's neighbor, Tom Bellendir, said Helfer, who was married with two daughters, was "helpful to the point of annoying" and always talked about his job in positive terms. Police said they had no record of any violent behavior.

Greeley, an agricultural center of 66,000 people, is about 50 miles northeast of Denver.

Berry's World

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"During the holiday break Chairman Hyde plans to go on a fishing expedition — for FISH."

Mexican Congress scrambles to replace lost oil revenue

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Congress has less than a week to approve Mexico's 1999 budget and, with no agreement on how to compensate for billions of dollars in lost oil revenues, lawmakers are scrambling to avoid an unprecedented constitutional crisis that could paralyze the country.

Some legislators are hoping to extend the ordinary session, which ends Dec. 15, to vote on the budget before the end of the year.

But no one is sure what would happen if the budget isn't passed by Dec. 31. Mexico's constitution doesn't consider the possibility — no such provision was needed in the 68 years that the ruling party had a majority in Congress and rubber-stamped presidential initiatives.

Now, opposition parties that won control of Congress last year are struggling to figure out how to compensate for a multibillion-dollar shortfall caused by shrinking oil prices.

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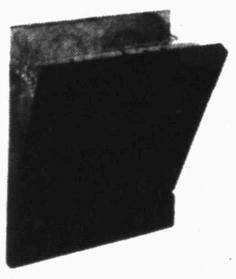

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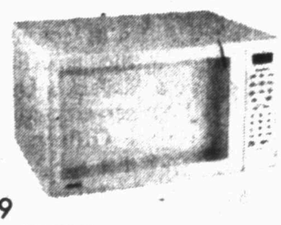

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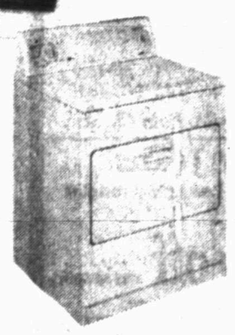

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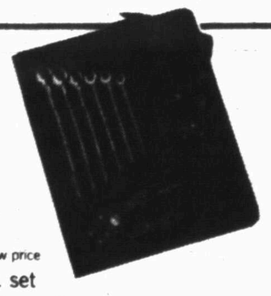

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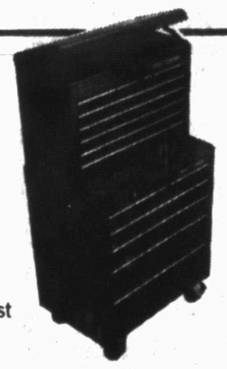

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