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Home of Lupe Lopez

Class of 2003 says goodbye

Snyder High School seniors walked the stage Friday night to officially put an end to their high school careers.

Valedictorian Kellie Dodson told her fellow graduates that graduation was what they had been preparing for the past 12 years.

"Our generation faces many challenges," said Dodson. "But we have many talented people in this class. I can't wait until our 10-year reunion to see how successful everyone is."

Dodson urged her classmates to reach for the stars and not to be afraid to "fall flat on your faces."

"We learn from our mistakes," said Dodson.

Dodson, an all-state golfer and member of this year's Lady Tigers state championship team, concluded her remarks with a poem – "Life is like a round of Golf."

Salutatorian Lilli Valdez told her classmates that they all have been counting down to graduation.

"The countdown has ended, tomorrow we start down another path," said Valdez.

"As of tomorrow, you are an individual, not a graduating class," said Valdez.

"Let's think back over our memories...remember the first day of class and remember the last," added Valdez.

Four members of the SISD school board presented diplomas to their graduating children along with the rest of the senior class.

Richard Chambers presented Dara Chambers her diploma, while Mark McCormick presented Matt McCormick his diploma.

Jenna Neff was presented her diploma by Doug Neff, and Cathy Peoples awarded Zipporah Peoples her diploma.

SHS principal presented scholarships valued at over $257,000 to the graduates.

Honor graduates recognized Friday night were Katie Bryant, Erin Cooley, Amanda Hartzog, Jacinda Judah, Wendy Proffitt, Aaryn Stewart, Sara Cantu, Kellie Dodson and Cozy Jones.

Others are Tyler Kerr, Afton Schwertner, Lilli Valdez, Bonnie Cleveland, Jason Guynes, Whitney Jones, Kristina Mayer, Zach Starnes and Catherine Whitworth.

AN EXPERIENCED HAND — Snyder High graduate Afton Schwertner, right, gets a helping hand before commencment exercises Friday from her older sister, Amber, a 2000 SHS grad. Diplomas were presented to 164 seniors at the ceremony held in Scurry County Coliseum. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Only the unmarried can be a true dictator."

Each year, a group comes up with nominees for dummy of the year.

While Saddam Hussein missed his chances in 2002, the ousted Iraqi leader – dead or alive – can't help but head the 2003 list.

The former Iraqi dictator could have saved himself and his nation a lot of grief had he only accepted the non-negotiable terms for disarmament months ago or had gone into exile with all his accumulated wealth.

Instead, he chose to test the resolve of the impressive coalition forces. Pretty dumb!

But on the current list of people gone mad are some folks who managed only to outwit themselves. One might find consolation not to find themselves on this dubious list of nominees for Dumb-Dumb of the Year.

—One nominee is not a person, but rather a corporation. When AT&T fired its president after only nine months, saying he lacked intellectual leadership, the CEO received a $26 million severance package. Maybe they would pay us to switch.

—Police in Oakland spent two hours attempting to subdue a gunman who had barricaded himself inside his home. After firing 10 teargas canisters, officers discovered that the man was standing beside them in the police line shouting, "Please...come out and give yourself up."

—An Illinois man, pretending to have a gun, kidnapped a motorist and forced him to drive to two different ATM machines where the kidnapper proceeded to withdraw money from his own bank accounts.

—A man in Kansas walked into a convenience store and demanded all the money in the cash drawer. Apparently the take was too small, so the robber tied up the store clerk and worked the counter himself for three hours...until police arrived.

—Police in Los Angeles had good luck with a robbery suspect who just couldn't control himself during a lineup. When detective asked each man in the lineup to repeat the words, "Give me all your money or I'll shoot," the man shouted, "That's not what I said."

—A man spoke frantically into the phone telling the doctor his wife was pregnant and her contractions were only two minutes apart.

The doctor asked if this was her first child. "No!" shouted the man. "This is her husband."

But none of the 2002 nominees put an entire nation in jeopardy.

Western swing festival just around the corner

Bigger and better is the best way to describe the upcoming West Texas Western Swing Music Festival sponsored by the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

Set for four days in the Scurry County Coliseum beginning June 10, the event will draw western swing fans from all over the U.S., and even some foreign countries.

"Our theme this year is God Bless the U.S.A.," said Donna Fowler, executive director of the chamber.

Fowler said only 60 of the 198 RV spots at the coliseum remain to be rented, and most motel rooms in Snyder have been booked for the festival.

"Western Swing fans love to come to Snyder to hear the music and to visit with our local citizens they have made friends with over the years the festival has been held here."

Tickets are $20 per day and can be bought at the chamber, or at the day of the event.

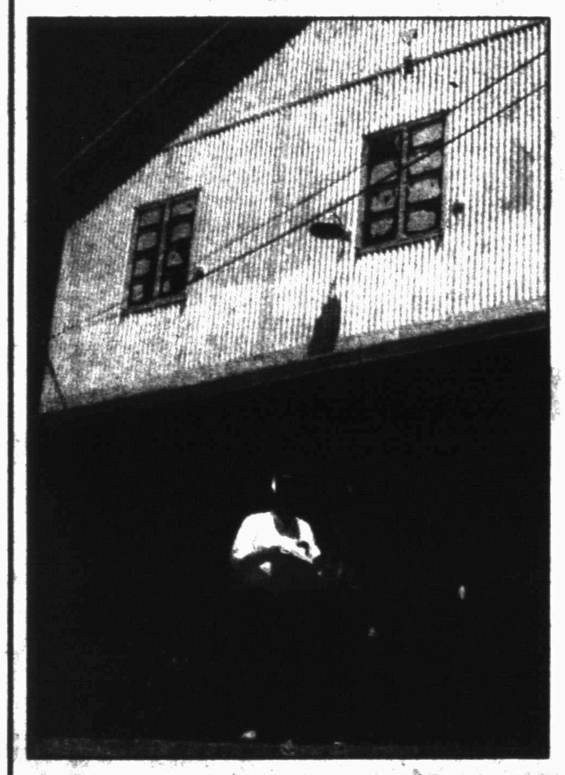
Also, a special evening rate of $12 per ticket can be purchased," said Fowler.

"Set up in the stands, or bring your lawn chair and set next to the dance floor, or near the bands," said Fowler. "You're sure to enjoy yourself and make some life-long friends, as well."

A special feature this year is a display from the Texas Commission on the Arts.

"There will be 12 life-size figures depicting different eras in Texas," said Fowler. "There will be wildcatters, cowboys, pioneer women, gamblers...and all will be able to tell their own stories."

Thirteen vendors have contracted to set up displays, and the Snyder FFA will run the concession stand to help with their new pig farm project.



GOING ON A TRIP — It won't be Garlan and Frances Williams taking a trip this time, it is their building that will be going to Austin. (SDN Staff Photo)

Snyder business community is taking on a different look

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

The look of the Snyder business community is changing — literally.

The former Movie Stop building in the 3600 block of College Avenue is being transformed into an O'Reilly's Auto Parts Store, while the former Rudy's Restaurant is due to open soon as the Dragon China Buffet.

And where the old DX oil field chemical building once stood in the 4300 block of College Avenue, Chicken Express is fast becoming a reality.

But perhaps the most drastic change will be coming in the 700 block of College Avenue where the present A-1 Air Conditioning building is moving to Austin.

Not the company, you understand, but the building.

Garlan and Frances Williams have sold their building to an Austin attorney who will move the structure piece by piece to a spot in southwest Austin.

And while that is taking place, A-1 will be moving to the former post office building on Avenue R.

"We've sold the building to William Osborn, an Austin oil and gas attorney," said Mrs. Williams. "And yes, he is going to move the building to Austin."

Williams said Osborn first contacted them in September, 1999 about buying the building, and he first saw the building in October.

A Post building contractor, Guinn Miller, will disassemble the building and move it to Austin.

Osborn will relocate it to a five-acre complex on Hwy. 290 West in Oak Hill.

Osborn said the building will be disassembled and moved away from Snyder much as it came in.

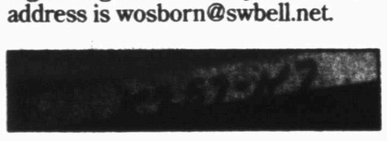
"The structure is a pre-engineered building and you can still see the assembly numbers on the building," he said.

Osborn's complex in Austin now houses the former Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Co. depot built in 1911 in San Saba.

Osborn bought the building in 1985 and moved it to Austin where it joins restored facilities moved from Coleman, Cleburne, Sanger, Barnhart and Spur.

And by the end of the year, the former oilfield supply house built by U.S. Steel Corp. for United Oilfield Supply will be moved from Snyder to the state capital and end its journey from its Tulsa, Okla. manufacturing site.

Osborn is seeking additional information on the building, such as former tenants, and perhaps someone who might have worked in the building during the boom days. His e-mail address is wosborn@swbell.net.



Commissioners to meet Monday

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board chairman Carl Williams will address the county commissioners when they meet at 10 a.m. Monday.

The court also will hear a report on the 2002 audit.

A slight increase — from .0003 percent to .0005 percent — for the collection of taxes by the county tax office for the Snyder school district, Western Texas College and the City of Snyder — will be considered, as will a resolution naming the county part of the South Plains Rural Transit District.

ASK US

Q—When was the last time the Texas Rangers made the playoffs?
A—1999. The Rangers were swept in the divisional round by the Yankees.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Diane Arnold...

...is the journalism instructor at Snyder High School. She and husband, Joey, will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary this week. The couple have three boys, Jamie and Casey, both 14, and Riley, 7. In her spare time, Diane enjoys following her boys to sports and musical events and she enjoys sewing and embroidery.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

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Whatever happened to...

Stephanie Fambro Harrison, a 1993 Snyder High School graduate, is now a program specialist for the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services in Austin.

Stephanie Fambro 1993

Stephanie Fambro Harrison 2003

In her spare time she referees youth sports and is a PartyLite consultant.

Stephanie is the daughter of Densell and Jeanie Fambro of Snyder. In high school she was active in the National Honor Society, choir, varsity volleyball, varsity basketball and track.

After graduation, she married Wayland Harrison, also a SHS graduate. She received her bachelor of science degree in 1997 in child development and family relations from the University of Texas at Austin.

Stephanie and Wayland now live in Pflugerville and are expecting their first child this fall.

(Readers are invited to submit information and pictures for this feature. Bring by Snyder Daily News or mail to Box 949 in Snyder, 79550.)

Snyder, Ira, Hermleigh and Fluvanna grads...

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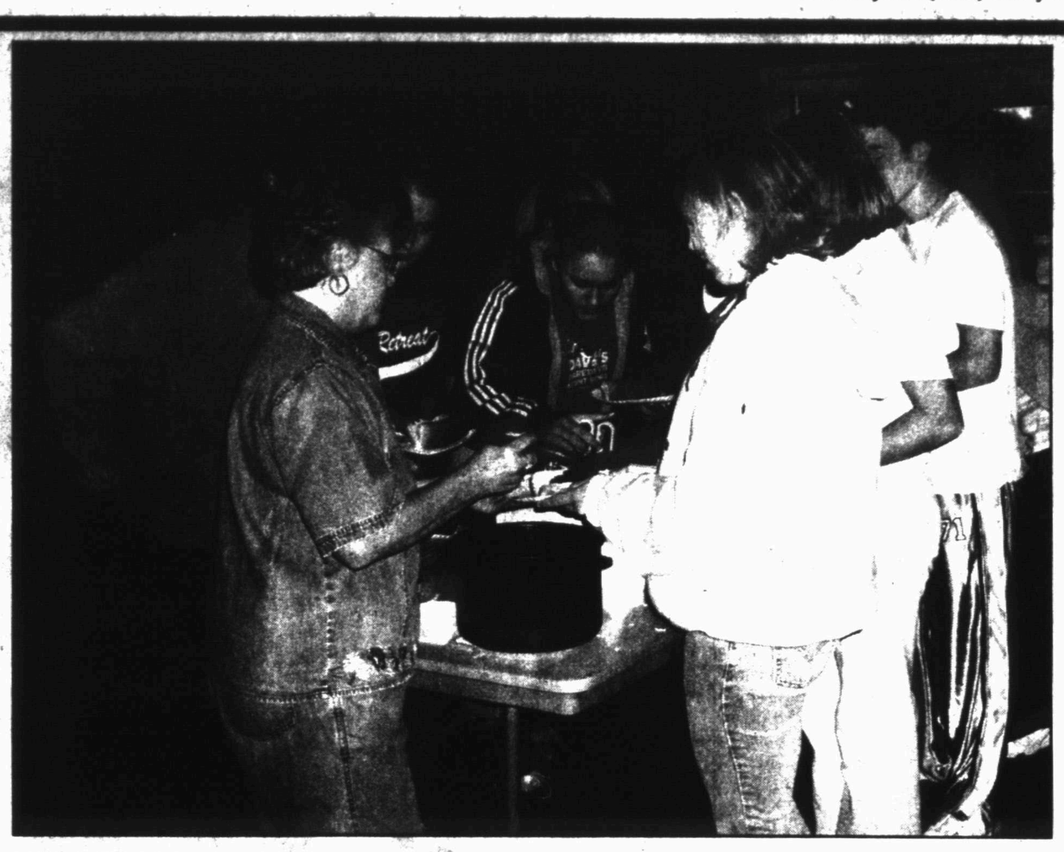

HOT DOG TREAT — Snyder Junior High School students were recently treated to a hot dog lunch, served in the Towle Park Barn, rather than the pavilion, due to the weather. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

GRILLED LUNCH — Snyder Junior High School students recently enjoyed the traditional end-of-year hamburger cookout at the school. (Staff Photo by Shirley Gorman)

Universities are offering video game education

DALLAS (AP) — David Najjab is an educator with an unusual problem — he's trying to lure students who are serious about making a career out of fun and games.

As director of the new school of video game making at Southern Methodist University, Najjab plans to attract students by using some of the area's game luminaries — including members of id Software Inc., maker of the famed "Doom" and "Quake" games — as teachers and speakers.

But he's got plenty of competition from schools around the country.

Formal game education remains a relatively untapped area, but the emergence of video game schools makes sense in the 30-year-old industry, said Jason Della Roca, director of the International Game Developers Association.

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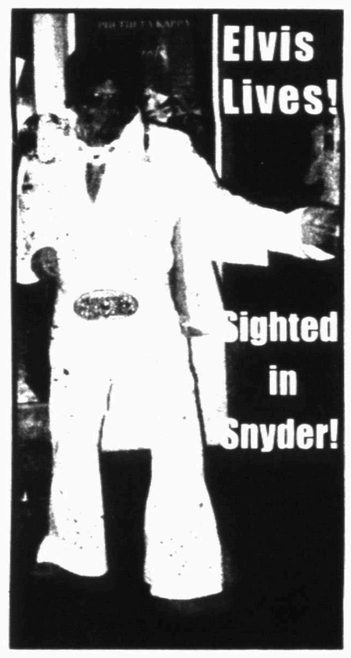

Nichols to be tried for bombing

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A judge decided Oklahoma City bombing conspirator Terry Nichols will be tried in March on 162 state murder charges, saying that gives both sides enough time to prepare their cases.

Nichols, 48, could face the death penalty if convicted for his role in the 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building that killed 168 people and injured hundreds of others.

He already is serving life in a federal prison for the bombing. Nichols was convicted on federal conspiracy and involuntary manslaughter charges for the deaths of eight federal law enforcement officers.

He now faces counts in state court for the remaining victims, including two counts for two fetuses whose mothers died in the blast.

Judge Steven Taylor ruled Friday that the trial will begin March 1, 2004, and denied requests by prosecutors and defense attorneys for other dates. Prosecutors wanted the trial to start in November or December; Defense attorneys requested a date in January 2005.

"There is no doubt that this case requires much time due to the volume of evidence," he said.

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Court upholds ruling against worker's confederate flag

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — A federal appeals court has upheld a South Carolina dairy's firing of a mechanic who displayed Confederate flag stickers on his toolbox.

Matthew Dixon claimed that Coburg Dairy Inc. in Charleston violated his First Amendment rights and state employment laws when it fired him in 2000 for refusing to remove the stickers after a black co-worker complained. The dairy said the stickers violated its policy against harassment.

A three-judge panel of the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals agreed Friday that Dixon has a constitutional right to display the flag, but said that right is not unlimited. For example, his employer could not fire him for attending a pro-flag rally at the state capitol on his own time.

"Dixon, however, chose to display the Confederate flag on the tool box he used at his workplace," Judge Roger Gregory wrote. The judge said that for Dixon to prevail, the court would have to find that he had the right to "move the flag rally ... to the Coburg Dairy garage. Such a finding would lead to the absurd result of making every private workplace a constitutionally protected forum for political discourse."

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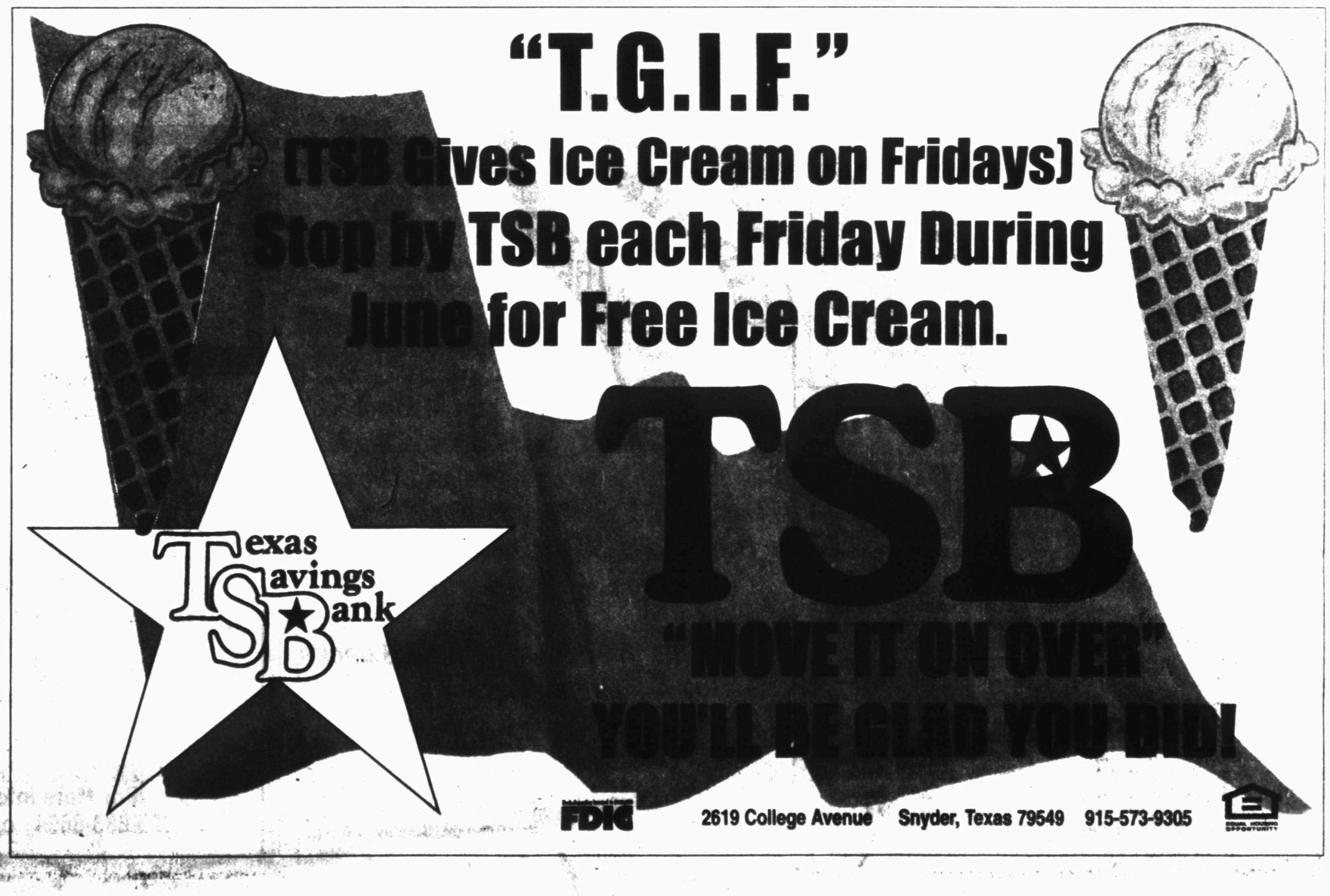

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Car wash

Hermleigh Junior High cheerleaders will have a car wash and bake sale until 4 p.m. Saturday in the Wal-Mart parking lot.

Spring recital

Stars R Us tumbling, trampoline and cheerleading will hold its spring recital at 7 p.m. Saturday in the SHS auditorium. The public is invited and admission is free.

Camp Springs homecoming

The annual Camp Springs homecoming will be from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Sunday at the Northeast Community Center. Meat will be provided, as will paper goods and ice. Bring side dishes and desserts. Donations will be accepted to offset expenses.

Grand jury

The Scurry County grand jury is expected to consider eight felony cases when it convenes at 9 a.m. Monday in 132nd District Court.

Ira Church of God Bible School

Ira Church of God will have Bible School from 6-8 p.m. Monday through Friday for K-6th grade. For information or rides, call 573-5965, or 573-5638.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Putting the 'I' in Sin," followed by "Friendly to Christ but Not His Church."

Senior swimnastics

Swimnastics for senior citizens will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Tuesday at the WTC pool.

FBC services televised

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

FBC support groups

Support groups dealing with divorce, death, cancer or caring for elderly parents meet at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church educational building. A special group for students facing these problems is held at the same time.

Avenue D Baptist VBS

Avenue D Baptist Church, 324 30th St., will have Vacation Bible School from 9 a.m. until noon June 9-13. Theme is "The Great Kingdom Caper – cracking the character code." All children first through sixth grade are invited.

GED pre-registration and testing dates

Mandatory pre-registration for the GED test will be Wednesday, June 11, at the GED testing center on the WTC campus, Building 7B from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. The math segment of the test will begin at 8 a.m. on Thursday, June 12. For more information about the test, call Molly Kattes, 573-2919, or Emily Hataway, 573-8511, ext. 297, or 574-2112.

Colonial Hill Baptist VBS

Come to the Great Kingdom Caper Vacation Bible School at Colonial Hill Baptist Church June 16-20 for grades K-6. Call 573-8596.

4-H Horse Club fundraiser

The Scurry County 4-H Horse Club is selling whole smoked briskets to be delivered the weekend before July 4th. Cost is $30. To order call 573-3797 or 573-5423.

Gateway Family Services raffle

Gateway Family Services is raffling a 2003 anniversary edition Harley Davidson Road King motorcycle. Only 2,500 tickets will be sold. The raffle will be held July 4th in Towle Park. Tickets may be purchased at D&D Auto, Purple Sage Motel, Ira Pump & Supply and by calling Gateway's administrative office at 573-4351.

Class of 1993 reunion

The SHS class of 1993 is planning a 10-year reunion on July 12. Classmate addresses are needed. Contact Catalina Jones at 573-5045, or e-mail class of 93shs@yahoo.com.

SHS 1967-68 reunion

Snyder High School classes of 1967 and 1968 will have a class reunion July 5 at Jack Greene's park starting at 7 p.m. Barbecue and music will be provided. Cost is $15 per person and those attending are asked to bring lawn chairs or blankets. RSVP by June 25. Contact Gina Rhodes at 573-2400, or Janet Lay at Janetlay@remax.net.

Cancer treatment transportation

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

OLD MCDONALD FARM — Central kindergarten students recently presented *Old McDonald Had a Farm*. Sheilla Sorrells is the music teacher. Debra Alexander's students (top photo) are from left back row, Elias Medrano, Tyeron Collins, Jessica Medrano, Brienna Chavez, Abrium Huddleston, Mathew Gilbert and Colton Jackson; front row, Lillian Leon, Brandon Cerda, Amos Garcia, Rodney Arriola, Alexander Lara, Sonya Mireles, Annie Nakamura and Eric Highfield. Celia Barrera's students (bottom photo) front row from left, Rubi Lopez, Margarita Ornelas, Myra Medina, Erica Gonzales, Gabrielle Gonzales and Gabrielle Torres; middle row, Liliana Juarez, Cinthia Garcia, Brianna Torres, Katia Islas, Anthony Jaimes, Ana Islas, Julissa Esparza, Swetal Bkakta; back row, Diana Murillo, Ivan Rivas, Lucero DePaz, Jose Medina, Ana Yanez and Daniela Miranda. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

Kerry vows to restore jobs in first 500 days in White House

LAKE PLACID, N.Y. (AP) — Pledging to "get Americans back to work," Sen. John Kerry says that "as president, it will be my goal to restore the 2.7 million jobs lost during the Bush administration within my first 500 days in the White House."

"This summer, I'll be traveling the country and holding a series of open meetings on the economy focused on how to restore our prosperity and create new jobs," the Massachusetts Democrat said in remarks prepared for delivery Saturday to a forum on rural issues.

Kerry promised that in the fall he would provide details of how he planned to accomplish his goal. But he said he already knew the nation needed more job training, new budget and tax policies and to re-energize small businesses "that are America's economic engine."

In addition to Kerry, former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, Ohio Rep. Dennis Kucinich and New York activist Al Sharpton were to make separate appearances at the forum for presidential candidates being hosted by the state Democratic Rural Conference.

Dean, who grew up on Long Island and went to medical school in New York City, planned to stress his work as governor of a rural state. He said he expected a warm welcome in Lake Placid, not far from the Vermont border.

"People know who I am," Dean said. "I have a little advantage in the North Country (of New York), comparable to what Senator Kerry has in New Hampshire" where residents often watch Massachusetts television stations.

Polls have shown Kerry and Dean running close in New Hampshire, the state that traditionally hosts the first presidential primary, and the two have tangled repeatedly in recent weeks.

Even before their Lake Placid appearances, the two were at it again Friday when Kerry said federal funds should be used to cover about 75 percent of the estimated $80 billion in deficits facing state governments. Dean said before there was any such federal bailout, he wanted states, such as New York, that have cut taxes sharply to raise them somewhat.

Heavily-armed motorist seriously wounds officer

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, N.J. (AP) — A heavily armed motorist wearing a bulletproof vest opened fire during a traffic stop early Friday, seriously wounding a police officer.

Two state troopers were assisting the officer, and at least one returned fire, killing the motorist, authorities said. A second man in the vehicle was taken into custody.

Patrolman John Schramm, 41, was hospitalized in serious condition after surgery for three gunshot wounds.

Police pulled the car over along a rural highway about 10 miles northeast of Philipsburg after receiving reports that gunshots were being fired from a moving vehicle.

They ordered the driver from the car after spotting an assault rifle in the back, police said. He resisted, and, during a struggle pulled a handgun from under the bulletproof vest and fired several rounds.

The driver was not immediately identified. The passenger was in police custody but was not immediately charged. Police said a .45-caliber handgun, an assault rifle and ammunition were recovered.

Puerto Rico preparing for harsh summer of hurricanes

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — Reaching for a pungent potion of solvent, wood sealer and perfume, Olga Santiago Ocana advises how to ward off bad spirits during hurricane season — and forecasters warn this year's season could be busier than ever.

Sandwiched between bundles of herbs, candles, beads and other paraphernalia of Santeria, the Afro-Caribbean religion, Santiago tells a client to sprinkle the anti-hurricane elixir around the home.

"Every time there's a hurricane, people rush to buy this," she says in her shop selling charms and potions in a region where hurricanes have shaped the local culture and psyche.

If forecasters are right, she may have her work cut out.

With warmer sea-surface temperatures, forecasters from the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration predict between six and nine hurricanes this Atlantic hurricane season, which begins Sunday and runs through Nov. 30.

Last year, forecasters predicted at least six hurricanes. There were four, with one hitting the U.S. coastline and two lashing the Caribbean.

"This year, the increased activity foreseen in the Atlantic basin should increase the probability 30 percent of U.S. and Caribbean landfall," said Phil Klotzbach, a forecaster at Colorado State University.

The uncertainty hurricane season brings each year has manifested itself in the Caribbean's art and music.

Even the word "hurricane" has Caribbean roots. It comes from the Taino and Arawak Indian belief that the mighty storms were the manifestation of the god Jurakan. Hurakan also was the ancient Mayan god of wind and storm.

The belief that supernatural beings were responsible for the storms continued long after the Tainos were exterminated by wars and diseases brought by European conquerors.

During the 16th century, as Catholicism spread through the Caribbean, a special church prayer was said pleading for houses to be spared "from the evil spirits and the malignant storms and winds."

The Vatican removed the prayer from the Roman Catholic liturgy when it was modernized in 1965, said Edwin Miner Sola, author of "History of the Hurricanes in Puerto Rico."

Around the same time, U.S. meteorologists started using an alphabetic list of female names for storms, later amended to include men's names.

Centuries before, hurricanes were named for the saint of the day the storm struck, so a storm that ripped through several islands would have multiple names.

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Snyder High School grads receive scholarships

Snyder High School Scholarship List, 2003

Jacque Alvarez — Western Texas College Softball Scholarship, Lady Tigers Softball Booster Club Scholarship for $200, St. Elizabeth Catholic Church Scholarship for $300.

Lucy Amarillas — Early Graduation Tuition Grant from the state of Texas for $1,000.

Tanner Beard — Chemplex Scholarship $1,000.

Jackie Beccue — Wal-Mart Scholarship for $1,000, Rotary Club Scholarship for $1,000.

Shana Blackard — Early Graduation tuition grant from the state of Texas for $1,000.

Scotti Boone — Lufkin Industries Foundation Scholarship for $5,600.

Glenn Burns — Western Texas College Dora E. Cunningham Memorial Scholarship for $300, Hubert and Mary Cargile/Kiwanis Scholarship for $1,000, Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250, West Texas State Bank Scholarship for $1,000.

Stacy Bunch — Lions Club Scholarship for $350, Snyder Chamber of Commerce Gold Coaters Scholarship for $600.

Katie Bryant — Early Graduation tuition grant from the state of Texas $1,000.

Rachel Cave — Rotary Club Scholarship for $1,000.

Sara Cantu — Chemplex Scholarship for $1,000.

Dara Chambers — Western Texas College Softball Scholarship, Lady Tigers Softball Booster Club Scholarship for $200.

Bonnie Cleveland — University or North Texas Board of Regents Chancellor's Scholarship for $6,500, Wal-Mart Scholarship for $1,000.

Stephanie Crisp — Texas Rehabilitation Commission Scholarship for $750, Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250.

Kelli Dodson — Tarleton State University Presidential Honors Scholarship for $5,000.

Selene Dominguez — Early Graduation tuition grant from the state of Texas for $1,000.

Kamie Drain — Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250.

Shelley Fisk — Western Texas College Softball Scholarship, Western Texas College Joe and Nancy Caton Memorial Scholarship, Lady Tigers Softball Booster Club Scholarship for $200.

A.J. Frizzell — Senior Class of 2003 Scholarship in memory of Johnny Ervin for $250.

Stafford Gray — First Presbyterian Church Ramona Reed Memorial Scholarship for $100.

Chance Greenwood — Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250.

Nicholas Gutierrez — St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church Scholarship for $300.

Jayson Guynes — Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250.

Amanda Hartzog — Sports Medicine Scholarship for $1,000. Snyder Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute Scholarship for $2,000, West Texas State Bank Scholarship for $1,000.

Chrissy Hernandez — The Stacy Copeland Memorial Scholarship for $1,000, St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church Scholarship for $300.

Valerie Hernandez — Western Texas College Softball Scholarship, Lady Tigers Softball Booster Club Scholarship for $200.

Cozy Jones — Texas Tech University Presidential Scholarship for $20,000, Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250, First Presbyterian Church Ramona Reed Memorial Scholarship for $100.

Whitney Jones — Texas Tech University Honors Endowed Scholarship for $10,000.

Jacinda Judah — Lubbock Christian University Scholarship for $16,000, Big Country Electric Scholarship for $1,000, Wanda Eicke Memorial Scholarship for $800, Daughter's of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award Scholarship for $100. ExxonMobil Corporation Scholarship for $1,000.

Jessie Keller — Ogle School of Hair Design Scholarship for $1,000, Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250.

Tyler Kerr — Texas Tech University Presidential Scholarship for $20,000.

Josh Knox — Association of Texas Professional Educators Scholarship for $500, Snyder High School Parking Fine Scholarship for $300.

Melissa MaGuire — Snyder Classroom Teachers' Association Scholarship for $600.

J.J. Mandrell — Early Graduation tuition grant from the state of Texas for $1,000.

Tressie Martin — Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250.

Kristina Mayer — Hardin-Simmons University Music Scholarship for $8,200, Hardin-Simmons University Academic Scholarship for $12,000.

Matt McCormick — East Side Church of Christ Scholarship for $1,000, Abilene Christian University Grant for $330, Abilene Christian University Trustee Scholarship for $1,500.

Malorye Miller — Tarleton State University Theatre Performance Scholarship for $1,200.

Wes Murphy — Senior Class of 2003 Scholarship in memory of Taylor Cotton for $250.

Cindy Nachlinger — Scurry County Farm Bureau Scholarship for $500.

Jenna Neff — Western Texas College Student Services Agriculture Scholarship for $200, Scurry County Farm Bureau Scholarship for $500, Choctaw Nation Scholarship for $1,500.

Lina Olvera — Western Texas College Henry and Dollie Brice Scholarship for $400. West Texas State Bank Scholarship for $1,000.

Beth Parsley — Texas Tech University Agronomy High Individual Scholarship for $200, Texas Tech University College of Agriculture Sciences and Natural Resources Scholarship for $400, Kelly Tolbert Bloom Memorial Scholarship for $800, Lions Club Scholarship for $500, Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250, XI Alpha Theta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Pam Fowler Memorial Scholarship for $150.

Natalie Perez — Howard College Student Athlete Trainer Scholarship for $30,000, St, Elizabeth's Catholic Church Scholarship for $300.

Maranda Pierce — Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250.

Wendy Proffitt — Western Texas College Academic Scholarship for $900, Western Texas College Doris E. Cunningham Scholarship for $600.

Brady Reed — Western Texas College Joe and Nancy Caton Memorial Scholarship.

Clark Reed — Snyder Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute Scholarship for $2,000.

Randal Rich — McDonald Welding Scholarship for $2,000

Marcie Rodriguez — Abilene Christian University Vocal Scholarship for $2,000.

Chaelyn Robinson — Western Texas College Softball Scholarship for $500, Lady Tigers Softball Booster Club Scholarship for $200, Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250.

Afton Schwertner — St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church Scholarship for $300, Snyder High School Parking Fine Scholarship for $300, Zeta Lambda Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Recruitment Grant for $500.

Zach Starnes — Abilene Christian University Golf Scholarship for $28,000, Abilene Christian University Trustee Scholarship for $6,000, East Side Church of Christ Scholarship for $1,000, Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250, ExxonMobil Corporation Scholarship for $1,000, Lone Star Bank Scholarship for $1,000.

Justin Stoker — Early Graduation tuition grant from the state of Texas for $1,000, First Presbyterian Church Ramona Reed Memorial Scholarship for $100.

Matthew Stokes — Western Texas College Odell Moore Memorial Scholarship for $300, Texas Young American Bowling Alliance Scholarship for $125, Company G, 142nd Infantry 36th Infantry Division Scholarship for $1,000.

Lilli Valdez — Baylor University Presidential Scholarship for $28,000, ExxonMobil Corporation Scholarship for $500, Snyder Abstract and Title Company William Taylor Cotton Memorial Scholarship for $1,000.

Kim Walker — Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250.

Tammi Walker — Shattered Dreams Scholarship for $250.

Kasey Wemken — Western Texas College Student Service Agriculture Scholarship for $500, Snyder Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute Scholarship for $2,000.

Catherine Whitworth — Snyder Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute Scholarship for $2,000.

Jennifer Williamson — Western Texas College Student Services Agriculture Scholarship.

Scholarships presented to HHS grads

Five Hermleigh High School seniors who graduated Friday received college scholarships.

Terrel Culp: State of Texas honor graduate scholarship for tuition exemption; West Texas State Bank scholarship, $500; Tom Chorn Memorial scholarship, $1,000.

Misty McClure: Masonic Lodge scholarship, $100; G.E. Chorn Memorial scholarship, $500; Kiwanis Cargile scholarship, $250 per semester for four semesters; and American Petroleum Institute scholarship, $2,000.

Clarissa Sauceda: West Texas State Bank scholarship, $500; Clide Wilcox scholarship, $1,000.

Angie Glover: Booster Club scholarship, $500; and Clide Wilcox scholarship, $1,000.

Amber Yruegas: Anonymous community member scholarship, $100.

Ira grads get scholarships

Ira seniors who graduated May 23 were awarded the following scholarships.

Bea Aguinaga: Kiwanis Cargile Scholarship to WTC.

Michael Allen: Joe and Nancy Caton Memorial to WTC and Betty Burrow Scholarship to WTC.

Allison Canon: Heather Floyd Memorial to WTC.

Kali Clements: West Texas State Bank to the college of her choice.

Eric Dickerhoff: Full baseball scholarship to Garden City College, Garden City, Kan., and Dean's Scholarship to Garden City College.

Josh Gutierrez: West Texas State Bank to the college of his choice.

Michelle Nettles: Carr Scholarship to Angelo State University, LeGrand Scholarship to Angelo State University, American Petroleum Institute to college of her choice, and West Texas State Bank to the college of her choice.

Stephen Nickerson: Student Services Scholarship to WTC.

Geoffrey Pinkerton: Davidson Family Scholarship to WTC and West Texas State Bank Scholarship to college of choice.

Candace Sanchez: Pioneer Scholarship to Wayland Baptist University, Music Scholarship to Wayland Baptist University and Ministerial Tuition aid to Wayland Baptist University.

Celeigh Sterling: Valedictorian tuition waiver, MD Laundry Scholarship, Dora E. Cunningham Memorial to WTC, Agriculture scholarship to WTC, Best of Texas Stock Show and FFA Ford Scholarship.

Senior Center News

Senior Citizens Swimnastics begins this Tuesday. Offered by Western Texas College, it is scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10-11 a.m.. The class and parking are free. A volunteer instructs the class with a lifeguard on duty. Call 573-4035 for more information.

Citizens are encouraged to volunteer at the center. Periodically during the summer months we do not have enough volunteers for the meals-on-wheels program. This project is of utmost importance to our community. We deliver an average of 150 meals daily Monday-Friday to recipients in need of help. If you need assistance or know of someone who needs meals, call the center for more information. There are federal guidelines and not everyone qualifies for this service.

Meals are served in the dining room at the center Monday-Friday at noon. We suggest that all senior citizens pay $2.50 for their meal and guests under sixty must pay $4. Our meals offer one-third of the daily nutritious needs of an individual.

Drinks include tea, coffee, buttermilk, and/or whole milk. We do not prepare specialty menus such as low fat or low salt; however, we do offer fruit instead of dessert for diabetics. Our kitchen staff prepares the food here and volunteers help serve the meal. We invite senior citizens who are still in the work force to join us. Generally the serving line is still open at 12:20 p.m.

There are many ways to support the Senior Center and the Memorial Fund is a special way to show respect and love for friends and family. A card will be sent to the family of those remembered. Speak to Valerie for this service.

MONDAY

Seniors may play party bridge on Monday and Friday beginning at 9:30 a.m. and continuing throughout the morning. We have three tables in the bridge room and additional tables in the poolroom. The bridge room is available every morning of the month except for the first and third Thursday mornings.

TUESDAY

Eighty-eight is scheduled for Tuesday and Friday mornings at 10 a.m.; but the room is always available for an impromptu game. Aubrey Wilson and his country band will entertain in the dining room from 11 a.m. untilnoon. The Golden K Kiwanis meet each Tuesday at noon for the meal and meeting. Senior citizens are invited to visit and/or join.

WEDNESDAY

Join us for the day starting with pool for the ladies at 9 a.m. and dominoes and quilting available for everyone. Then, participate in bingo 10-11:45 a.m. Stay for the noon meal and afternoon activities at 1 p.m., including pinochle in the bridge room or line dance and clog in the dining room.

THURSDAY

Seniors are encouraged to participate in the fabric painting class 9-11:45 a.m. The Sunshine Choir will practice in the dining room from 10-11 a.m.

FRIDAY

Volunteers will check blood pressure from 9:30-11 a.m. Party bridge begins at 9:30 a.m. and eighty-eight at 10 a.m.

Senior Menu

MONDAY
Barbecue Chicken
Potato Salad
Pinto Beans
Sliced Onion/Pickles/Peppers
Oatmeal Raisin Cookie

TUESDAY
Sliced Ham
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Chocolate Cake w/White Frosting

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Chicken Fried Steak w/Cream Gravy
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Mashed Potatoes
Cucumber/Onion Salad
Bread Pudding

THURSDAY
Goulash
Fried Okra
Whole Kernel Corn
Pickled Beets & Onion
Jell-O w/Whipped Topping

FRIDAY
Fried Fish
Parslied Potatoes
Green Bean Casserole
Tossed Salad
Apple Crisp

Plastic bottles filling California landfills

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Californians toss nearly 3 million plastic water bottles into the trash each day, creating a crisis for landfills, state officials said Friday.

Just 16 percent of the bottles sold in California are being recycled. If that doesn't improve, the Department of Conservation projects the number of water bottles discarded over the next 10 years would be enough to stretch the 1,100 mile length of California's coast, 6 inches deep and as wide as a two-lane highway.

As summer approaches, the department is urging consumers to recycle their bottles and lobby service stations, convenience stores and workplaces to set up recycling bins.

Plastic in landfills lasts "forever," said department spokesman Mark Oldfield. "It does not go away unless it's incinerated, which creates different issues" by releasing toxic fumes that could hurt the ozone layer.

Jackson graduates from DeVry Univ.

Cole Andrew Jackson, a 2000 graduate of Snyder High School, graduated from DeVry University in Irving in March.

Jackson, the son of Joe and Cynthia Jackson, received his degree in Telecommunications Management.

While at DeVry, Jackson was on the Dean's List three semesters.

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SPORTS

All five sign with WTC...

SHS softball seniors stay in Snyder

By Bobby Allen
SDN Sports Editor

It turns out that all the hugs and tears at the last home softball game were a bit premature.

The five senior Lady Tiger softball players will be sticking around Snyder — and playing more softball together.

Jacque Alvarez, Dara Chambers, Shelley Fisk, Valerie Hernandez and Chaelyn Robinson all signed letters of intent with Western Texas College Thursday, amid a packed foyer full of smiling parents and bursts of flash bulbs.

One person especially enthused about the signings is the girls' most recent coach.

"I'm really excited about them staying," Lady Tiger softball coach Shelly Hayes said. "I can keep up with them, and it is a chance for more local people to get involved with WTC."

Lady Duster head coach Rodney McNeill said the move to sign the group was about bringing depth and talent to his team. The recruiting of the Snyder five was an effort to help improve a club that made it to the regional tournament in its inaugural season.

"They are talented kids," he said. "My recruiting philosophy is to bring in as much talent as I possibly can."

He said he did not promise any position or role to any of the five. He said positions and starters would be determined in the fall.

"It's the kids' jobs to sort out playing time," he said.

Each of the girls said one of the main reasons they signed together was the familiarity and friendship they have together after playing with each other for many years, from tee-ball all the way through to varsity.

"It makes it less scary," Fisk said. "You don't have to get to know everybody, and that makes it less stressful."

Hernandez said she had planned to attend WTC anyway, but had no intention of playing. But the sales pitch from the WTC coach convinced her.

"Coach McNeill talked to me and told me about the program," she said. "He changed my mind about playing."

Hernandez said that having her high school teammates along for the ride made the decision easier.

Alvarez said the idea that the five would continue to play together on the same team at the next level was "cool."

"When you graduate, you think you are never going to see them again," she said. "All of us are friends, and it's great to be with the people you grew up with."

Alvarez said she was a little anxious about making the move to college softball.

"It's a step up, but it's a new beginning," she said. "I'm ready for the challenge."

Robinson had entertained thoughts about going to Kansas. She mulled offers from two schools in that state, but said the temptation to stay with her friends was too much.

"I'm excited. We know how each other works," she said.

Hayes said she did her best to keep Robinson at home.

"I told Chaelyn that she a great opportunity to stay at home and play with her teammates."

Chambers said the toughest transition from high school to college softball will be the time the team puts in, both practicing and playing.

"It's going to be hard work," the third sacker said. "I've watched them. It's a lot more intense — they play so much harder," she said. "Everyday is a doubleheader, but I'm more relaxed already, knowing four others on the team who are already friends."

Fisk said the talent level is vastly superior to the prep level.

"It's going to be a lot tougher," she said. "They have better pitching and play better defense. It will be more competition, and a big step up."

Fisk said the notion that she will continue to play with her long-time teammates was still new.

"It hasn't hit me yet," she said.

Hernandez agreed with Chambers, saying the biggest difference would be the amount of time required to excel at the collegiate level.

"You have to be more dedicated," she said.

For Robinson, the most difficult challenge in the transition is getting to know new teammates.

"You have to get to know the girls before you can be a good team," she said, adding that every person has a different method for game preparations and different ways to get motivated.

She also pointed out that the five will be a part of the team that christens the new softball complex that is due to be completed before the start of next season.

"We will be the first five to play on our own field," she said.

Hayes said the girls should have no trouble adjusting to the increased demands of college softball, and hopes their journey will serve as a guide for the underclassmen and incoming seniors.

"I'm really very proud of them, and I think they will do well at the next level. It's good they are going to WTC — they can go to junior college and get their feet wet," she said. "And this will give the returning girls something to look forward to, knowing they can play this close to home."

McNeill also signed 12 other players — all from Texas — including swiping outfielders Stephanie Adams and Katy Chester from Midland from under the nose of conference champion Midland College.

Others signed by the Dusters are: Jacqueline Delbosque, Ft. Worth; Eryn Kearbey, Ovila; Tori Picazo, McKinney; Jessica Prewitt, Duncanville; Brooke Guidry, Granbury; Lindsey Davis, Red Oak; Ashley Sirman, Sugar Land; Kathy Calvert, Ft. Worth; Tiffany Quick, Bangs and Theresa Culver, Red Oak.

COLLECTIVE SIGNING — The five senior Lady Tiger softball players signed on to play for Western Texas College Thursday. They are, from left, Jacque Alvarez, Chaelyn Robinson, Valerie Hernandez, Dara Chambers and Shelley Fisk. In back are SHS principal Larry Scott, WTC softball-head coach Rodney McNeill and SHS softball coach Shelly Hayes. (SDN Staff Photo)

Lady Tigers to play in Hawaii, All-Star games

If signing a letter of intent to play college softball weren't exciting enough, four of the five Snyder seniors will be playing in all-star games this summer — one in a particularly exotic locale.

Chaelyn Robinson, Dara Chambers and Shelley Fisk will be playing in the Team USA All-Star softball tournament on the island of Hawaii July 17.

The nationwide tournament will last eight days.

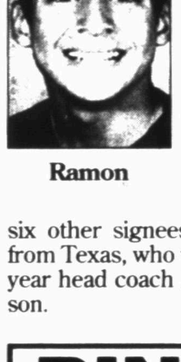
Before boarding the plane to paradise, though, the girls have some local all-star business.

Fisk and Valerie Hernandez will play June 15 on the Big Country All-Star team. The team is comprised of the best players in all classifications in the Big Country, and they will take on the Permian Basin All-Star squad at Muggs Sports Complex in Midland.

Hernandez and Fisk also have been nominated to play in the Texas Girls Softball Coaches Association All-Star game.

Ramon signs with Prairie View A&M

Ralph Ramon, 2001 graduate of Snyder High School, has signed a letter of intent with the Prairie View A&M baseball team.



Ramon

Ramon, an outfielder, is a junior transfer from Frank Phillips Junior College.

Ramon joins six other signees, including five from Texas, who will play for first-year head coach Michael Robertson.

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Sorenstam shares lead at Kellog-Keebler Classic

AURORA, Ill. (AP) — Annika Sorenstam played about as well as she did in the first round of the Colonial, hitting fairways, reaching greens and making few mistakes.

That was good enough for a 1-over 71 at Colonial. That same round in the Kellogg-Keebler Classic earned her a 10-under 62 and a share of the lead with Rosie Jones.

"It's the distance," Sorenstam said Friday. "I can hit driver here because I can carry the bunkers. Last week, I hit 4-wood off a lot of tees because the bunker was exactly where I would carry. Those guys, they carry over.

"When I hit driver, then I'm hitting a lot of pitching wedges and sand wedges. Last week, I was hitting 4-wood and either 8-iron or 7-iron or 9-iron. And it makes a difference."

Sorenstam made her historic venture to the PGA Tour to test her game, see how she matched up against the best players in the world. She didn't make the cut, but she played quite respectably, shooting 71-74.

But the woman who has won 43 LPGA Tour events — including last year's inaugural tournament at Stonebridge, where she matched the tour record for relation to par in a 54-hole event at 21-under 195 and won by 11 strokes — doesn't want to be respectable. She wants to dominate — like she did Friday.

Wizards fire Doug Collins

WASHINGTON (AP) — Doug Collins was fired as coach of the Washington Wizards on Friday, following Michael Jordan out the door in another shake-up by owner Abe Pollin.

Collins was Jordan's hand-picked choice for the Wizards, who failed to make the playoffs in Jordan's two seasons with the team. The coach had two years remaining on his four-year contract.

"With seven head coaching positions available in the league and with his future here in Washington in doubt, I felt that it was only fair that Doug be given a chance to pursue other interests," Pollin said in a statement on the Wizards' Web site.

Jordan was the Wizards' president of basketball operations when he hired Collins in April 2001. Jordan then decided to return as a player, putting Collins in the unusual position of coaching the person who hired him. The Wizards went 37-45 both seasons.

Earlier this month, Pollin decided that Jordan, who had retired as a player again, would not be allowed to return to the front office, putting Collins' future in doubt.

Collins was dismissed even as Pollin was promising refunds to fans who were unhappy with his offseason moves.

"My pledge to you: If you are not satisfied with the direction of our basketball franchise after this summer, I will refund your season ticket deposit in full," Pollin wrote in a letter to season ticketholders. A copy of the letter, dated June 2, was obtained by The Associated Press on Friday.

Last week, Pollin said Collins' fate would not be decided until he hired a new president of basketball operations, who in turn would select the team's coach.

But the fact that Collins was still technically an employee made it awkward for Pollin to pursue some candidates. The Washington Post, citing sources, reported Friday that former Philadelphia coach Larry Brown canceled an interview for a potential front office-coaching position out of respect for Collins.

Rockets interview Silas

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Rockets continued their coaching search Friday by interviewing former New Orleans Hornets coach Paul Silas, according to a broadcast report.

Silas met with team owner Les Alexander and general manager Carroll Dawson for more than three hours and also took a tour of the Rockets' new downtown arena, Houston television station KRIV reported.

"This is the best job out there right now," Silas said. "It just shows they want to get the best possible guy. There are a lot of good guys out there and a lot of interest."

Silas, who was fired earlier this month by the Hornets after five years, was the fourth coach interviewed by Dawson and Alexander in their search to replace Rudy Tomjanovich, who stepped down last week after 12 seasons as head coach.

The Rockets have also interviewed Larry Brown, Jeff Van Gundy and Mike Dunleavy. Assuming he wants the job, Brown is the presumed favorite to become the Rockets' next coach.

In other Rockets coaching moves, assistant Jim Boylen has left the team to accept a similar position with the Golden State Warriors. Boylen has been a member of the Rockets' organization for the past 11 years, the last seven as one of Tomjanovich's top assistants.

Smith says no to 76ers

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Tubby Smith said Friday he'll be staying at Kentucky and he has "no interest" in coaching the Philadelphia 76ers.

Several unidentified NBA sources said 76ers general manager Billy King spent Thursday with Smith, The Philadelphia Inquirer reported Friday. The newspaper's sources said King had been trying to talk Smith into taking the job. The newspaper report said a deal appeared close and an announcement could come as early as Friday.

"I have no interest in coaching the 76ers. I am very happy as the coach at Kentucky and extremely pleased with my new contract I signed last month," Smith said in a statement. Smith signed an eight-year, $20.25 million contract extension April 18.

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5A Semifinals
Keller 3, Fort Bend Elkins 2
Bryan (32-2) vs. Spring Branch Smithson Valley (24-5), 8 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Windthorst (17-3) vs. Flatonia (17-11), 8 a.m.
Coahoma (20-12-3) vs. Weimar (30-2), 11 a.m.
Kennedale (21-1) vs. Kirbyville (28-2), 2 p.m.
Crowley (30-2) vs. Castroville Medina Valley (29-6), 5 p.m.
Keller (30-5) vs. Bryan-Spring Branch Smithson Valley winner, 8 p.m.

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SPORTS

Rodeo team has 'great' 2nd round at conference

The Western Texas College rodeo team got clutch performances from several members in the second round Friday, with saddle bronc rider Sam Spreadborough sitting in first place heading into the short round.

Rhodes

Spreadborogh scored a 76 in the second round for the top spot, while Cody Horwedel posted a 71 for fifth place and a trip to the short round. Horwedel sits in fourth overall in average score.

Trent Cormier also was in first, scoring an 85 on his second round bull ride, while Steven Turner was fourth in bull riding and second in steer wrestling.

"Trent had an outstanding bull ride, and Sam had a great saddle bronc ride," said head coach Greg Rhodes. "It was nice to see."

Turner pulled down his calf in 4.4 seconds, giving him second in the round and second in the average.

With their hearts with a fallen teammate, Rhodes said the hands kept their focus on the Southwest Conference finals.

"The guys did great," he said. "Especially with the fact that everybody had Tyson on their mind."

Tyson Thompson was kicked Thursday during the opening round, breaking both bones in his lower leg.

Hadley Hunting will join Cormier and Turner in the bull riding short round.

Randus London was in 11th in barrel racing, grabbing the final spot for the short round.

Clay Bunney fell one slot shy of the final round in bareback riding.

The conference rodeo was scheduled to conclude Saturday night.

Duncan-Martin key matchup in finals

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — The big matchup in the NBA Finals isn't Jason Kidd against Tim Duncan.

That's just the headline: Nets' MVP vs. two-time NBA MVP.

The real matchup is New Jersey power forward Kenyon Martin against Duncan. While Martin is not ranked among the NBA's defensive best, coach Byron Scott says 'K-Mart' can shut down anyone with the possible exception of Shaquille O'Neal.

That belief is one of the reasons the Nets are convinced they can beat San Antonio in the finals a year after being swept in the championship series by O'Neal and the Lakers.

"He enjoys guarding the best player offensively," Kidd said. "He always has his hands full every time he takes the court. K relies on that challenge."

Despite giving away 3 inches and 30 pounds, Martin has the strength to muscle Duncan, the athleticism to block his shots and a toughness of mind and body to come back play after play.

During the regular season, the 6-foot-9, 230-pounder drafted No. 1 overall in 2000 had the primary assignment on Duncan.

Duncan averaged 21 points and 14.5 rebounds as the teams split two games, with each winning at home. He averaged 23.3 points and 12.9 rebounds for the season.

"It's always a challenge not matter who you play, the MVP or a guy who plays 10 minutes a game," Martin said. "It's always a challenge to try to shut another guy down or try to make it as tough as possible."

In practice, Martin plans to pick a zone that he doesn't want to allow Duncan to penetrate. If he does, he will have a good chance of turning and banking in a shot.

"You can't let him get to those spots where he is most comfortable," Martin said. "I'll try to meet him early, do my work early, and see how it plays out and stay out of foul trouble so I can stay on the court."

The further Martin can push Duncan out of his comfort zone, the more he can rely on teammates for help. The guards can then come off their men quickly and return. It's not a double team but it feels that way.

The one problem the Nets will have in getting ready for Game 1 on Wednesday night is that they really can't help Martin get ready for Duncan. There is no one on the team who can simulate Duncan.

"We'll use a number of guys and even tell Kenyon to play the role himself so he really knows where he likes catching the ball," Scott said. "We're just going to put a few guys at that position and try to simulate him as best we can."

That said, the Nets are realistic.

"You are not going to be able to stop Tim," Kidd said. "You are going to give up something, but you just don't want to give up a night of having Tim score 40 points and get 20 rebounds, then everybody feeds off that."

This finals will be the first time that two former ABA teams have meet in the NBA Finals.

It will be the second finals for both teams. The Spurs beat the New York Knicks in 1999, and Nets were there last year.

"Last year we were just happy to be there," Martin said. "Now our mind-set is a lot different. We are going to win this thing. Anything less would be selling ourselves short."

The last time the teams played each other in the postseason was 1976, when Julius Erving's Nets beat George Gervin's Spurs in seven games in the ABA semifinals. Game 7 was played on April 24, 1976.

Sports Briefs

Volleyball refs needed

Anyone interested in officiating 7th-9th grade volleyball contact SHS head coach Laura Moses at 574-6137 or 573-8531.

Football booster club

The SHS football booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the film room. Summer activities will be discussed.

Ladies play day

The Scurry County Golf Association hosts a ladies play day each Tuesday at 9 a.m. at Scurry County golf course. Format is roughing it-front nine.

Girls basketball camp

SHS girls' basketball coach Mike Martin will host a basketball camp June 10-13 at the high school gym.

Incoming 3rd-5th graders will get instruction from 8 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., incoming 6th and 7th grade players at 10:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., and incoming 8th and 9th graders go from 1:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Forms can be picked up at each SISD campus and at the SHS athletic office.

WTC golf clinics

The WTC junior golf clinic will be held June 17-20 at the WTC golf course. Ages 7-10 will receive instruction from SHS and SJHS golf coaches Matt Glenn, Ricky Hunter and Cody Cox from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m., with ages 11-18 going from 3 to 5 p.m. Cost is $50 per person and $25 for each additional sibling.

The women's clinic will be held on the same days from 6 to 8 p.m. Cost is $50 per person. Contact the WTC pro shop at 573-9291 for more information and to register.

Orioles pound Texas

BALTIMORE (AP) — Omar Daal allowed one run in eight innings, and the Baltimore Orioles kept up their assault on the Texas Rangers' pitching staff in an 8-1 victory Friday night.

Jeff Conine homered, David Segui hit a three-run double and Luis Matos had two hits and an RBI for the Orioles, who have scored 35 runs against the Rangers in four games over seven days.

Daal (4-5) has been the beneficiary of two of those outbursts — he was the winning pitcher last Saturday in a 10-3 rout. This time, he allowed seven hits, struck out five and walked none.

The Rangers pondered nabbing Daal off the free-agent market during the offseason, in part because manager Buck Showalter remembered how well the left-hander pitched when both were with Arizona.

Daal ended up signing a two-year deal with the Orioles, and now half his victories have come at the expense of the Rangers.

"We talked about Daal in the offseason, but then we talked about a lot of people," Showalter said. "I like him as a kid and I want to see him do well — except when he pitches against us."

Daal's job was made that much easier when the Orioles broke to 5-0 lead in the third inning against John Thomson (3-6).

"Five runs in three innings, that gives you a better chance to win," Daal said. "With that kind of support, a pitcher gets to relax. You make one mistake, you just go to the next guy."

Daal's only glaring miscue was a fifth-inning pitch that Juan Gonzalez hit for his 16th home run.

"I had great control tonight, no walks. I only made one mistake, a changeup to Gonzalez," Daal said. "I know they have a great lineup and everybody can hit a home run, but I kept the ball down and had a great changeup."

Devils have Ducks in a 2-0 series hole

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Two games into a fast-slipping-away Stanley Cup finals for the Anaheim Mighty Ducks, no finalist since 1945 has done so little in so much time.

No wins. No goals. No momentum. No semblance of an offense. No reason to think the New Jersey Devils, two wins away from their third Stanley Cup in nine seasons, are about to let them back into a series in which they have yet to threaten to score a goal, much less win a game.

The dawdling Ducks weren't just beaten in nearly identical 3-0 games in which they managed just 16 shots in each, they barely were competitive.

Martin Brodeur, the first goalie to start the finals with two shutouts since Toronto's Frank McCool against Detroit in 1945, has been Martin McCool, turning aside everything he's seen with a confident calmness that must be unnerving to the Ducks.

Certainly, a 2-0 lead isn't a guarantee the Devils will hoist yet another Lou Lamoriello-produced Stanley Cup in a few days; the Devils, after all, led Ottawa 3-1 in the Eastern Conference finals not even two weeks ago and wound up having to score late in Game 7 to advance.

"Every single player knows nothing has been accomplished here," coach Pat Burns said Friday.

Scott Gomez, who scored one of the Devils' two pivotal goals in the second period in Game 2, said any suggestion the series is over is nonsensical.

"No one in here feels comfortable until it is over," Gomez said. "All we did was keep home-ice advantage. You can't start thinking that way. We haven't accomplished anything."

Still, as they prepared to play Game 3 Saturday at the Pond, the Mighty Ducks must be mighty concerned they've conceded too big of an edge and too much momentum to the Devils.

"We don't have emotion when we play, that's what's been lacking so far," goaltender Jean-Sebastien Giguere said. "I don't know what it is. Maybe we think we don't deserve to win. ... But I'll be disappointed if everybody doesn't show up with a lot of emotion."

Sideline Views

by Bobby Allen

The recent signings of Snyder baseball and softball players to Western Texas College are an unmitigated boost to the programs — on and off the field.

The Westerners, who struggled last year and whose pitching staff was decimated by injuries, picked up two quality southpaws in Chance Greenwood and Tyler Trout, while the Lady Dusters added depth and the best softball talent in the area.

But the moves will go even further in promoting the programs here in Snyder.

The signings were smart in terms of shoring up the ball clubs, but even wiser in terms of public relations.

To spur local interest in the teams, bringing in Snyder graduates will aid in increasing attendance and the profiles of the fledgling programs.

Coaches Rodney McNeill and James King may only be interested in improving their respective squads, but in the long-range forecast, the ultimate success of the programs will be gauged by how much community support they have.

Snyder is famous in the region for supporting its athletic teams. At the state golf tournament, Tiger supporters easily outnumbered spectators and parents from other schools.

And with talented local athletes now playing for the local college, expect the programs to become part of the fabric of Snyder sports.

"Spurs polish off Mavs" (or, hopefully, something more original) was going to be the headline Wednesday morning. I went to bed with the Mavericks down 19 in the third quarter.

I woke up needing to think of a different headline.

And I wasn't the only one who gave up late Tuesday.

Advertising director Wayne Burney walked over to my desk when I got in and said, "So much for those Mavericks going all the way."

At the time, I had just clicked on the wire story about the amazing, improbable comeback.

Both of us chuckled at the realization that we had missed one of the great games in recent NBA playoff history, and made a vow to not hit the hay Thursday until the game was over.

So much for that idea. The Spurs made a run of their own in overcoming a double-digit deficit, and Burney and I had another laugh at our dubious luck.

I was never a basketball player. The fact that I'm about as tall as a cricket may have had a little something to do with it, but the incredible amount of running and the fast pace assured me that there were other, less strenuous activities I could more easily engage in — like Parcheesi.

But after watching this year's playoffs, I'm more convinced than ever that — aside from boxers — basketball players are the best-conditioned athletes on the planet.

Too bad so many of them can't shoot.

I initially picked the Spurs to wear the crown, but an old buddy called me Friday night and convinced me that New Jersey can and will win the NBA championship.

While the Spurs have Tim Duncan — the best player still playing — the Nets counter with all-galaxy point guard Jason Kidd (the gold standard for the position), Richard Jefferson and emerging force Kenyon Martin.

The Nets like to run, and they are deeper and more athletic than San Antonio. But more importantly, the Spurs lack that killer instinct. They can't finish off a wounded opponent.

Nets in six.

Major League Baseball

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	37	17	.685	—
Montreal	33	22	.600	4½
Philadelphia	29	25	.537	8
Florida	25	31	.446	13
New York	24	30	.444	13

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	29	24	.547	—
Houston	29	26	.527	1
St. Louis	27	26	.509	2
Cincinnati	26	28	.481	3½
Pittsburgh	23	30	.434	6
Milwaukee	21	33	.389	8½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	33	20	.623	—
Los Angeles	30	24	.556	3½
Colorado	27	28	.491	7
Arizona	25	29	.463	8½
San Diego	15	40	.273	19

Friday's Games

Houston 9, Chicago Cubs 1
Philadelphia 12, Montreal 5
Atlanta 5, N.Y. Mets 2
Cincinnati 4, Florida 3, 11 innings
Pittsburgh 7, St. Louis 3
Arizona 8, San Diego 3
Milwaukee 5, Los Angeles 3
San Francisco 6, Colorado 2

Saturday's Games

Atlanta (Hampton 2-2) at N.Y. Mets (Seo 1-2), 12:20 p.m.
Houston (Oswalt 3-4) at Chicago Cubs (Zambrano 5-4), 3:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Wells 1-2) at St. Louis (W.Williams 7-0), 3:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Graves 3-3) at Florida (Willis 2-1), 5:05 p.m.
Montreal (Vargas 2-2) at Philadelphia (Myers 4-4), 6:05 p.m.
Arizona (Dessens 4-4) at San Diego (Eaton 1-4), 9:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Quevedo 0-1) at Los Angeles (K.Brown 6-1), 9:10 p.m.
Colorado (Jennings 3-4) at San Francisco (Foppert 2-4), 9:15 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Cincinnati (Riedling 0-2) at Florida (Pavano 4-5), 12:35 p.m.
Montreal (L.Hernandez 4-3) at Philadelphia (Wolf 5-3), 12:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Fogg 2-2) at St. Louis (Tomko 2-4), 1:10 p.m.
Houston (Robertson 3-3) at Chicago Cubs (Wood 4-3), 1:20 p.m.
Colorado (Cook 2-4) at San Francisco (Rueter 5-1), 3:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Franklin 3-4) at Los Angeles (Ishii 4-2), 3:10 p.m.
Arizona (Edgar Gonzalez 0-0) at San Diego (Peavy 4-4), 4 p.m.
Atlanta (Ramirez 4-2) at N.Y. Mets (Leiter 5-2), 7:05 p.m.

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	32	22	.593	—
Boston	31	22	.585	½
Toronto	30	26	.536	3
Baltimore	26	27	.491	5½
Tampa Bay	21	32	.396	10½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	31	22	.585	—
Kansas City	27	25	.519	3½
Chicago	25	29	.463	6½
Cleveland	21	32	.396	10
Detroit	13	39	.250	17½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	35	18	.660	—
Oakland	30	23	.566	5
Anaheim	25	27	.481	9½
Texas	25	28	.472	10

Friday's Games

Toronto 13, Boston 2
Baltimore 8, Texas 1
N.Y. Yankees 6, Detroit 0
Cleveland 7, Chicago White Sox 3
Tampa Bay 8, Anaheim 6
Seattle 6, Minnesota 0
Kansas City 11, Oakland 6

Saturday's Games

N.Y. Yankees (Weaver 3-3) at Detroit (Bernero 0-6), 12:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 2-8) at Cleveland (Ja.Davis 4-4), 12:05 p.m.
Oakland (Lilly 3-3) at Kansas City (May 0-1), 1:05 p.m.
Boston (Fossum 4-3) at Toronto (Hendrickson 4-4), 3:05 p.m.
Seattle (Franklin 3-3) at Minnesota (Reed 3-5), 3:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Appier 3-2) at Tampa Bay (Kennedy 3-4), 5:15 p.m.
Texas (Benoit 2-1) at Baltimore (Helling 2-4), 6:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Boston (Wakefield 5-2) at Toronto (Halladay 6-2), 12:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 6-3) at Detroit (Bonderman 2-7), 12:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Colon 5-4) at Cleveland (B.Anderson 2-5), 12:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Sele 1-3) at Tampa Bay (Reyes 0-1), 12:15 p.m.
Texas (Lewis 4-3) at Baltimore (Ponson 6-3), 12:35 p.m.
Seattle (Garcia 4-6) at Minnesota (Rogers 4-1), 1:05 p.m.
Oakland (Zito 5-4) at Kansas City (George 5-4), 1:05 p.m.

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Snyder, TX 79549
Fax: 325-573-8047

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EEO/AA Employer

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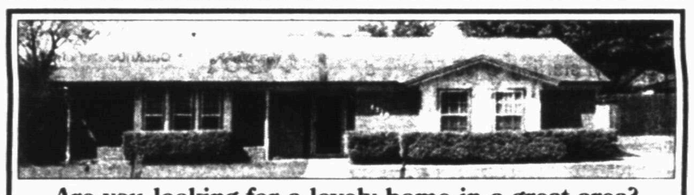

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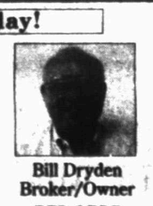
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2. **LVN's, CNA's, and R.N. at Mitchell County Hospital. Contact Sandra Sullivan, Human Resources at (915) 728-3431 ext. 290.**
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Grandfather Clock
Misc. home decor items

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Pots & Pans
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(2) 6 gal. Butane Bottles
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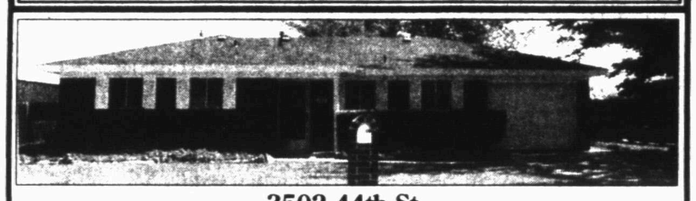

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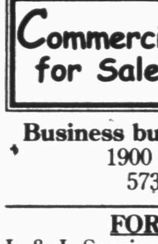

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Brick Home! Great Location! 3402 40th 3-1½, trees $45T
Cute! 2812 A UNDER CONTRACT 6T
513 34th 2-1, Clean, Nice! $17T
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4519 Fredonia 3-2 w/FP Reduced $89,500
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900 25th ..... Call
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Comm. Lot 2101 College Ave.. REDUCED
2309 25th ..... Call
1801 22nd Reduced Commercial office/yd
1706 25th St. ..... CALL
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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Dressler's syndrome may follow heart surgery

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 60-year-old father underwent seven-artery bypass cardiac surgery a year ago. Instead of feeling better on his discharge from hospital, he began having headaches, low-grade fever, weakness, chest pain and heaviness.

His surgeon eventually diagnosed Dressler's syndrome and prescribed prednisone for three months. Now he experiences occasional chest pain and memory disturbances. What is Dressler's syndrome and what are the long-term effects?

DEAR READER: Dressler's syndrome (post-myocardial-infarction or post-pericardiotomy syndrome) is an uncommon and poorly understood complication of heart attacks or cardiac surgery. The condition, which is believed due to an autoimmunity (self-allergy) to cardiac tissue, causes lassitude, fever, chest pain, fluid around the heart and lungs, difficulty breathing and joint aches. It usually appears several days or weeks following a heart attack or open-heart surgery.

Dressler's syndrome is sometimes difficult to differentiate from a repeat heart attack, heart failure or cardiac infection. However, blood tests, cardiograms and ultrasound examinations will usually indicate the presence of the syndrome, which, although harmless, can be very uncomfortable.

Most patients promptly respond to anti-inflammatory medication, such as aspirin or ibuprofen. In the more serious and rare cases, prednisone (a steroid drug) may be necessary to reduce inflammation and relieve pain. There are no long-term consequences from the affliction.

Medical textbooks describe the syndrome as lasting only a few weeks; then it disappears and will not return.

Early in my practice, however, I took care of a retired firefighter with Dressler's syndrome and, try as I might, I could not get him off prednisone. Every time I attempted to stop the medicine, his pain and fever would return.

Eventually, he recovered completely — but it took almost five years of therapy until he was free of symptoms, without medicine. This experience taught me that not all medical cases follow the standard textbook descriptions. Fortunately, my patient has remained healthy for more than 20 years and has had no further chest pain or heart damage.

Incidentally, memory loss is not customarily a part of Dressler's syndrome; such a mental change is more likely a consequence of your father's state of health and the prednisone, which can produce mental changes in some patients. Tell your father to be patient; his prognosis is favorable.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: After nursing four children, my breasts literally collapsed. I chose to have augmentation mammoplasty 10 years ago. Now I have fears regarding breast X-ray tests. Do the implants prevent the mammogram from being an effective diagnostic tool? Would my implants be obvious on the X-ray film?

DEAR READER: Breast implants usually produce a distinctive image on mammography film; a competent radiologist should have no difficulty differentiating the prostheses from normal breast tissue. However, as you are aware, mammoplasty is not a guarantee against breast cancer; small tumors can arise in the remaining breast tissue. Therefore, I think it would be prudent for you to mention your surgery to the technician or the doctor before the mammogram. This will enable the specialist to obtain special X-rays with slightly different views, if necessary, that better outline the breast tissue.

CARDS OF THANKS

THANK YOU

We would like to express our appreciation for the kindness and love which was extended to us during the loss of our dear Mother, Martha Davis. The flowers, food and cards meant so much. Your prayers, visits, and words of comfort will be remembered always. Your many acts of kindness were a beautiful expression of God's love.

Bobby Davis Ricky Davis & family
Donald Davis & family

THANK YOU

The family of Robert Bomar would like to thank our two wonderful Pastors, Mike Henson and Marty Akins, for the loving tribute to our Husband and Father. Thank you to all the many caring friends and family for meals provided, flowers, visits, and calls during Bob's illness, and to Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home. Each of you have helped to get us three through this difficult time. Most of all we thank you for the prayers that give us such comfort.

May God's Richest Blessing be with you.
Lanell Bomar
Dena Wilson & Family
Jim Bomar & Family
Rodney Bomar & Family

THANK YOU

We are so blessed to have such kind and wonderful friends, co-workers and neighbors to help us through the recent illness and sudden loss of our Mother, Yvonne Willingham. We thank each and every one of you for the beautiful flowers, abundance of food, and your comforting words.

Special thanks to Jason Gruben and Snyder EMS, Cogdell Home Health, Jeff Mason and Cogdell Rehab, Barbee Medical, AMCO Medical and the staff at Bell-Cypert-Seale for their thoughtful care of our very special Mom.

May God's richest blessings be upon each of you.

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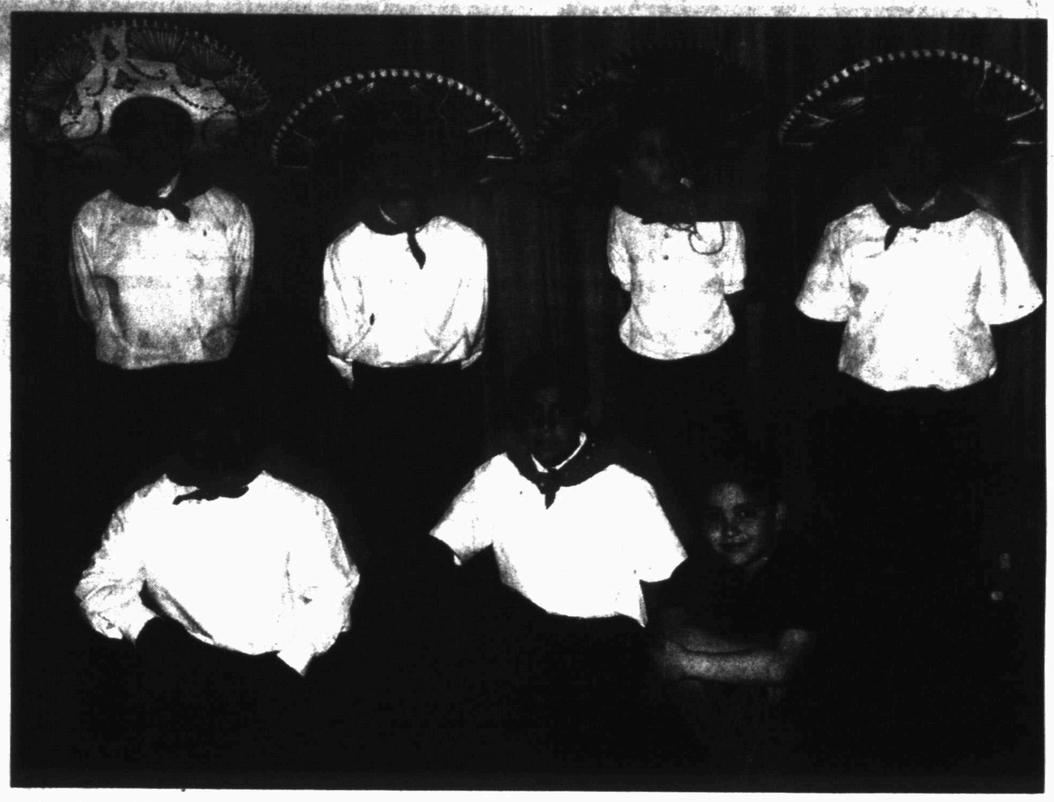

CINCO DE MAYO — Magdalena Jaimes' students at Central Elementary presented a Cinco De Mayo program last week. The girls are from left, Andrea Miranda, Virginia Torres, Ana Munoz, Claudia Islas, Miriam Arellano, Jessica Guardado, Berenice Soberon and Yesennia Cabrera. The boys are back row from left, Valentin Medina, Flavio Borrego, Alan Rivas, Victor Pena; front row, Edgar Molina, Benjamin Alvarado and Carlos Landa. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

LITTLE PEOPLE – After Ira first graders in Jodi Dunn's class read *Flat Stanley*, where a boys gets air mailed on an adventure, they decided to make replicas of themselves that they mailed to a special person. Replicas were mailed to several states including California, West Virginia, New Mexico, Florida, Mexico and throughout Texas. The boys in the top photo are back row from left, Grant Flowers, Kurt Shafer, Tyler Goodwin Brady Ledbetter and Dillan Cullifer; front row, Luke Crawford, Caleb Martin, Kaleb Derryberry, Jared Smith, Arturo Gonzales and Aaron Steelman. The girls in the bottom photo include back row from left, Blair McCowen, Rilee Dunn, Leslie Martini, Stefanie Juarez; front row Morgan Jones, Blake Bethel, Rebecca Gunset and Hope Fontenot. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

Iraqis becoming ill after looting nuclear facility

TUWAITHA, Iraq (AP) — Ibtisam Hadi was sure the yellow substance she found in her backyard was dangerous, so she asked her neighbors to cover it with cement and fence off the yard.

She hadn't seen anyone dump the material, but dozens of people living in her village had just looted barrels filled with radioactive substances from a nearby storage complex at Iraq's largest nuclear facility and some said they were getting sick.

Six weeks later, American and Iraqi nuclear experts wearing white protective suits, masks and gloves descended on the village of Wardiya, scanning every home, including Hadi's, for traces of radiation. They seemed unconcerned about the cement pile, but they promised to come back.

So far, they haven't. Now the Iraqi Health Ministry is investigating exactly what's going on, and an International Atomic Energy Agency team is planning a two-week visit starting June 6 to investigate Tuwaitha.

Tuwaitha, Iraq's largest nuclear site and long an object of U.S. and international scrutiny, sits on 23,000 acres south of Baghdad. For years, it was locked up tight — a cornerstone of Saddam Hussein's nuclear ambitions. Then the United States invaded and Saddam's government fell.

Within hours, residents of surrounding villages stormed the Tuwaitha compound, looting barrels and jugs filled with radioactive and hazardous material and using them to store drinking water.

"The Americans are responsible. They know this site contains nuclear material, and they should have protected it," said Dr. Mohammed al-Hamadani, a researcher at the Iraqi Nuclear Authority.

Villagers quickly began complaining of health problems.

Fears of SARS sends Chinese out of highly populated cities

HONG KONG (AP) — Wong's Restaurant is far off the beaten track in Hong Kong, sitting near a quiet cove in the rural New Territories. Customers were so scarce early this year that the owners thought they'd have to close.

Then along came SARS, and an unexpected boom in business.

"People are all coming out," said a manager who identified herself as U. Wong. The open-air dining patio is often full now, and revenues at the Chinese eatery have surged by up to 50 percent. The five regular staffers weren't enough so two more were hired.

Fears of SARS in congested Hong Kong have prompted many of the territory's 6.8 million inhabitants to head back to nature, or what passes for it here.

They're seeking fresh air and open spaces, where they can take off their surgical masks and enjoy life again.

Even though the World Health Organization lifted a travel advisory for Hong Kong on May 23, attitudes about SARS aren't likely to change overnight.

Not far from Wong's Restaurant, Dooming Wong at the Wong Kee bicycle shop said city dwellers have been turning out in such numbers that he's sometimes rents out his entire fleet of 1,000 bikes and pedal cars.

"They immediately take off their masks as they get off of the incoming buses," Wong said.

But some still remain wary of severe acute respiratory syndrome, which has sickened more than 1,700 people here and killed at least 273.

"We tell them that our sun-baked bikes are germ-free, but some of them bring along disinfecting solutions and spray them onto the handlebars," Wong said.

April ushers in humid summer, the low season for hiking and barbecues in the territory's 23 country parks.

But last month, with SARS at its peak, some 1.4 million people went to the parks, 75 percent more than last year, according to government figures.

"We've seen some congestion at the entrances to hiking paths," said Cheung Kwok-wai, a senior country park officer.

Congestion is not the only problem. Park visitors also left behind 460 tons of rubbish in barbecue pits, along mountain trails and elsewhere — representing an increase of 38 percent over the previous April.

"Most hikers are self-disciplined, although some leave water bottles behind," Cheung said. "There are bigger problems at popular barbecue sites."

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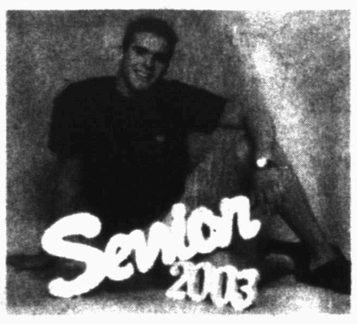

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Josh Bouher received the following awards at the Patton Springs Athletic Awards Banquet at Patton Springs High School: Letters in football, basketball, track and cross-country. Honorable mention all district defensive lineman, honorable mention all district basketball, top rebounder, regional qualifer in cross-country, fighting heart award, most improved track, regional qualifier in cross-country, area qualifier in 800 meter relay, regional qualifier 800 meter relay also regional in one-act play.

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Young students excel at TAKS

AUSTIN (AP) — About half of Texas' high school sophomores and juniors got an F, but three-fourths of the fourth- and sixth-graders in public schools passed the state's new and tougher achievement tests, according to results released Friday.

Only 52 percent of 10th-graders and 49 percent of 11th-graders passed the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills, administered for the first time in March since its 1999 adoption to replace the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills, or TAAS.

Current high school sophomores are the first class that must pass all parts of the TAKS test by their senior year to graduate, and they can keep taking it until they pass.

But this year's juniors are only required to pass the old TAAS test to get their diplomas — not the TAKS, which covers more subjects — so they may not have been motivated to do well on the more rigorous test, Texas Education Agency officials said.

"It was not really a personal mandate that they had to pass," said Ann Smisko, associate commissioner for curriculum assessment and technology. "The (current sophomore class) is clearly where the high school challenge is. Schools really need to look at the kids who didn't pass and target those kids."

Seventy-five percent of fourth-graders, 65 percent of fifth-graders and 74 percent of sixth-graders passed all parts of the TAKS test. Sixty-seven percent of seventh-graders, 69 percent of eigth-graders and 60 percent of ninth-graders passed.

About 94 percent of third-graders passed the reading exam, a requirement before they can move to the next grade. Field tests indicated that one in six third-graders could have failed.

A third-grader who fails the TAKS reading exam three times must remain in that grade unless a committee made up of the child's parents, teacher and a school administrator agrees to promote him. The percentage of third-graders passing all parts of TAKS had not been calculated as of Friday.

Within the next five years, fifth- and eighth-graders must pass reading and math sections before moving to the next grade. High school juniors must take and pass an exit-level exam.

State education officials say TAKS, which is given to more grades than the old test, does a better job of measuring whether students learned what they studied during the year.

But critics say the state Board of Education set the passing standards too high despite projections that more students, many of them poor and minority, would fail.

About 32 percent of fifth-graders and 51 percent of sixth-graders passed the Spanish version of TAKS, which is given to Spanish-speaking students in grades 3-6.

"One test is just not a strong determinant as to whether a child is going to succeed," said Rep. Dora Olivo, D-Rosenberg. "It could knock down students who worked hard all year."

Olivo has placed two amendments on a Senate bill, which is in conference committee, that would make school promotion not dependent on passing the TAKS test.

The Association of Texas Professional Educators, the largest teacher group in Texas with 100,000 members, said the TAKS results were a mixed bag but show a promising start.

Gov. Rick Perry said he was pleased that so many students exceeded expectations but that educators "must continue to strive for improvement ... and make certain that our students reach their potential in all subjects."

Public school students in grades 3-11 are required to take the test every year. TAKS measures reading in grades 3-9; writing in grades 4 and 7; English language arts in grades 10 and 11; math in grades 3-11; science in grades 5,10 and 11; and social studies in grades 8, 10 and 11.

Authorities arrest suspect in bombing of 1996 Olympics

By the Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Sheriff's deputies arrested a man in the western North Carolina mountains early Saturday believed to be Eric Rudolph, the fugitive charged with the 1996 Olympic Park bombing and in bomb attacks at a gay nightclub and an abortion clinic, the FBI said.

The man was digging in a trash bin in the small town of Murphy when he was stopped at about 4:30 a.m., said Special Agent John Iannarelli in Washington. He said the man appeared to be homeless, but the deputies believe he is Rudolph.

Authorities were doing fingerprint analysis on the man Saturday morning to determine if his prints matched Rudolph's, and they expected to have the results by afternoon, Iannarelli said.

A law enforcement source in North Carolina who has been tracking Rudolph for years said he had seen the who was suspect arrested Saturday morning and he believes he is Rudolph.

"There's a number of things that have to be done ... confirmation of fingerprints, other things. We have a lot of work to do," the source said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Rudolph, a 36-year-old Army veteran and experienced outdoorsman, hasn't been seen since July 1998 after he allegedly stole supplies from a health store owner in North Carolina. His truck had been spotted there early that year.

Authorities spent years searching the rural mountains and caves of North Carolina for any trace of Rudolph. They ran across some camping sites believed to be his and found cartons of oatmeal and raisins, jars of peanuts and vitamins, and cans of tuna they said were the same brands Rudolph ate.

Rudolph is believed to adhere to Christian Identity, a white supremacist religion that is anti-gay, anti-Semitic and anti-foreigner. Some of the four bombs Rudolph was charged with planting included messages from the shadowy "Army of God."

Authorities believe that on July 27, 1996, Rudolph placed a bomb hidden in a knapsack in Atlanta's crowded Centennial Olympic Park during the summer Olympic games. The explosion at the crowded park killed one woman and injured 111 other people.

Rudolph was charged in 1998 with that bombing and three others — at a gay nightclub in Atlanta, an office building north of Atlanta and an abortion clinic in Birmingham, Ala., where a police officer was killed.

Bush urges NATO to unite during tour of death camp

KRAKOW, Poland (AP) — President Bush, seeking to heal bitter wounds lingering from the Iraq war, called on NATO partners new and old on Saturday to unite against terrorism. "This is no time to stir up divisions in a great alliance," he said.

Bush likened the fight against terrorism to the battle against Nazi Germany during World War II.

To underscore the point, he toured the remains of Nazi death camps in Auschwitz and Birkenau, where more than 1.5 million Jews and tens of thousands of others were killed. "The sites are a sobering reminder of the power of evil and the need for people to resist evil," a clearly shaken Bush told reporters during his tour of the gloomy complex's gas chamber and crematorium.

Speaking later in the Wawel castle courtyard, Bush said this was a time for reconciliation.

"Today our alliance faces a new enemy: a lethal combination of terror groups, outlaw states seeking weapons of mass destruction and an ideology of power and domination that targets the innocent and justifies any crime," Bush said. "This is a time for all of us to unite in the defense of liberty, and to step up to the shared duties of free nations."

Officers arrest four subjects for public intoxication Saturday

• ***Arrests***

At 4 a.m. Saturday, officers received a report that three persons who were intoxicated were traveling in a vehicle southbound on College Avenue. The three males, ages 21, 25, and 44, were located in the alley in the 4400 block of College Avenue and all were arrested for public intoxication.

At 2:10 Saturday morning, a 34-year-old male was taken into custody in the 3900 block of Avenue O for public intoxication.

Officers arrested a 54-year-old male at 2:50 p.m. Friday on outstanding warrants from Mitchell County.

A 25-year-old male was arrested at the sheriff's office at 1:57 p.m. Friday on an outstanding warrant for theft by check.

Officers arrested a 20-year-old male at 12:25 p.m. Saturday on a misdemeanor warrant for theft.

• ***Criminal mischief***

Officers investigated reports of graffiti Friday morning at Grimmett Bros., and at Reef Chemicals.

• ***Criminal trespass***

Officers filed a report for criminal trespass at 2:10 p.m. Friday in reference to a person gong to Wal-Mart after being ordered to stay away from the store.

• ***Theft***

Officers filed a report for Class B theft after a woman reported Friday night that her lawnmower had been stolen from the 100 block of Hickory.

Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Sun 6/1	Mon 6/2	Tue 6/3
100/72	86/63	86/62
Scattered thunderstorms early.	A few thunderstorms possible. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the low 60s.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the low 60s.
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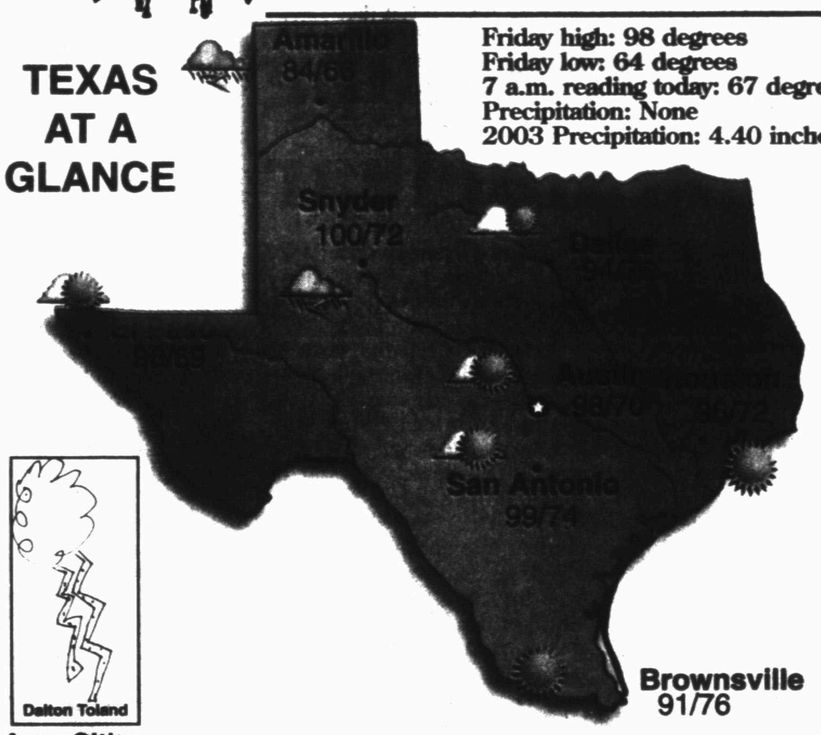

Friday high: 98 degrees
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7 a.m. reading today: 67 degrees
Precipitation: None
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Abilene	100	74	t-storm	El Paso	96	69	mst sunny	Midland	94	74	t-storm
Amarillo	84	66	t-storm	Fort Stockton	96	72	pt sunny	Raymondville	92	73	sunny
Austin	98	70	mst sunny	Gainesville	87	71	pt sunny	Rosenberg	93	72	sunny
Beaumont	90	71	sunny	Greenville	89	71	pt sunny	San Antonio	99	74	mst sunr
Brownsville	91	76	sunny	Houston	96	72	sunny	San Marcos	98	71	mst sunr
Brownwood	102	73	t-storm	Kingsville	97	72	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	87	71	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	91	74	pt sunny	Livingston	90	68	mst sunny	Sweetwater	102	72	t-storm
Corsicana	96	73	pt sunny	Longview	84	66	pt sunny	Tyler	86	69	pt sunny
Dallas	94	76	pt sunny	Lubbock	89	71	t-storm	Weatherford	93	71	pt sunny
Del Rio	100	76	mst sunny	Lufkin	89	70	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	91	72	pt sunny

National Cities

Atlanta	78	54	pt sunny	Houston	96	72	sunny	Phoenix	104	82	mst sunr
Boston	60	52	rain	Los Angeles	75	60	pt sunny	San Francisco	75	56	windy
Chicago	67	48	mst sunny	Miami	88	75	t-storm	Seattle	67	47	pt sunny
Dallas	94	76	pt sunny	Minneapolis	73	50	mst sunny	St. Louis	73	55	pt sunny
Denver	76	54	t-storm	New York	64	51	rain	Washington, DC	73	51	windy

Moon Phase

New	First	Full	Last
May 31	Jun 7	Jun 14	Jun 21

UV Index

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Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 — 1

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Obituaries

Dubb Tubb

1931-2003

Dubb Tubb, a former Snyder resident, died Thursday, May 29, in Mitchell County Hospital after a sudden illness.

Mr. Tubb, 71, will be cremated. Family and friends will gather from 5-6:30 Monday at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home and proceed to the memorial service set for 7 p.m. in the Polar Tabernacle. Officiating will be Virgil Fiske, Mr. Tubb's cousin and Church of Christ minister.

Born Nov. 29, 1931 in Nineveh, Tex., he married Lynn York on Dec. 27, 1954 in Sweetwater. She died May 8, 1980.

A resident of Loraine, Mr. Tubb was a gifted artist and sculptor. He was involved in the horse business and was a member of the AJRA. He enjoyed many years of rodeoing with his family. Mr. Tubb made a difference in a lot of peoples' lives and made a lot of people laugh.

Survivors include four daughters, Mandy Terry and husband Brent of Loraine, Shannon Tubb of Colorado City, Cheyenne Tubb of Arlington and Tiffany Tubb of Blackwell; a son, Barry Tubb of Snyder and a nephew, Ricky Trammel of Snyder; two sisters, Nellie Jo Smith of Snyder and Yvonne Gilbert and her husband Pete of Killeen; a brother, Jack Tubb and his wife Wanda of Farmington, N.M.; three grandchildren, Cyndi Terry and Casey Terry, both of Loraine, and Rainne Ruddick of Colorado City; and several other nieces and nephews and his Russell Terrier, Spot.

The family suggests memorials to the American Lung Association of Texas, Box 26460 in Austin, 78755; West Texas Boys Ranch, 501 Ben Richey Dr. in Abilene, 79602; or the VA Hospital in Big Spring, 300 Veterans Blvd., Big Spring, 79720.

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Eldon Reeves

1918-2003

SWEETWATER — Eldon Maurice Reeves died Thursday, May 29, at his residence in Sweetwater.

Service for Mr. Reeves, 85, is set for 10 a.m. Monday in the Avondale Baptist Church. The Revs. Orvel Brantley and Clifton Jones will officiate. Burial will follow in the Garden of Memories directed by McCoy Funeral Home.

Born on Feb. 26, 1918 in Crowell, he married Evelyn Terry on May 10, 1961 in Lovington, N.M. A member of the Avondale Baptist Church, Mr. Reeves lived in Roby until moving to Sweetwater in 1960. He worked for the U.S. Gypsum Co. and then the Flintkote Gypsum Co. until he retired. After retirement, he opened a small tractor shop.

He was preceded in death by six brothers and five sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn Reeves of Sweetwater; two daughters, Ann Case and husband Terry of Marble Falls, Betty Kamstra and husband Duane of Lancaster, Calif.; one son, Robert Reeves of Murchison; one sister, Alice Webster of Jal, N.M.; a brother-in-law, Bill Terry of Snyder; a nephew, Ron Terry of Hermleigh; and three grandchildren.

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Marcie Rodriguez earned a I for her solo.

This ladies trio received a I rating. From left are Afton Schwertner, Molly Haire and Sarah Crawford.

SHS band, choir students win at UIL state contests

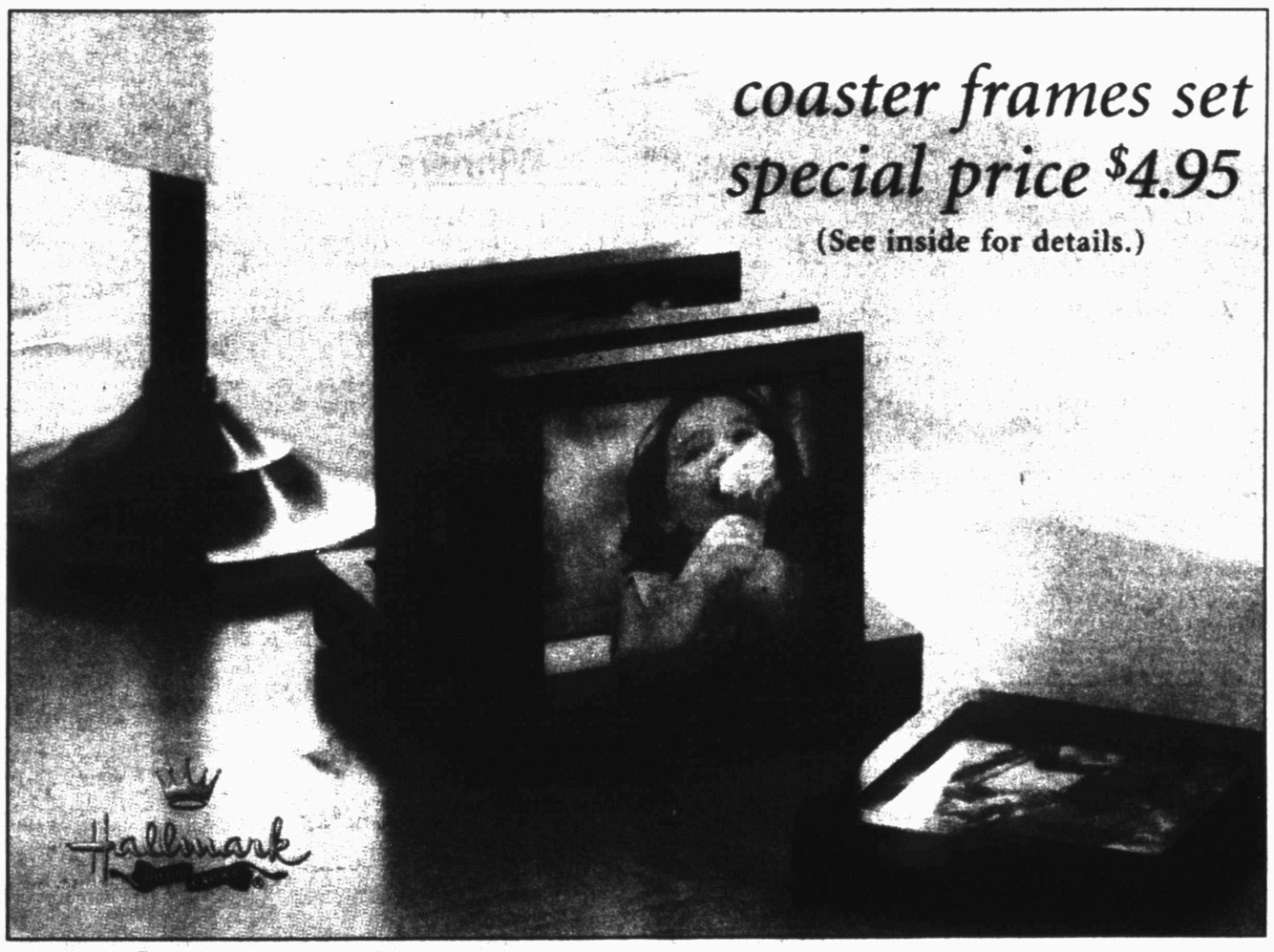
This Madrigal ensemble also received a I. Front row from left are Logan Martin, Cade Simpson and Michael Nelson; back row, Stephanie Crisp, Sarah Carpenter, Jessica Rylant, Anna Henson, Stephanie Parmer and Felicia Ibarra.

This brass sextet received a I rating. Front row from left, Candice Gordon, Brandi Russell and Kristina Mayer; back row from left, Brock Tyrell and Jason Hook.

Receiving a II rating for their solos are from left, Afton Schwertner, Molly Haire, Jessica Rylant, Rebecca Pavlovsky and Jacinda Judah.

SDN Photos By Shirley A. Gorman

Father's Day is June 15th!!!



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FUTURE BRIDE HONORED — Amanda Scott, bride-elect of Clint Chandler, was honoree at a wedding shower held May 10 in the home of Ladelle Nicholson. The couple will marry at 4 p.m. on June 14 in Rhineland. From left are Marsha Scott, the honoree's mother; the honoree; Ethel Birkenfeld, grandmother of the future bride from Goree; and Janice Chandler, mother of the prospective groom; (Contributed Photo)

Library News

By Sharon K. Sumruld

Registration for the Scurry County Library Summer Reading Program for kindergarten through sixth grade children will begin Monday.

A Read-to-Me program is also planned for preschoolers.

School age children's program will begin at 10 a.m. Wednesday.

Preschooler's Storytime will begin at 10 on Monday, preschoolers are invited to the library to be a dinosaur detective.

Children will need to keep track of the time they spend reading library books at the library and at home.

On Wednesday, the school age children are invited to hear a safety program given by the Snyder Police Department. Those attending will get a chance to get an ID.

BOOK FEATURE

Fly Safe, Fly Smart, by Suscha Segan.

Planes are filling up again, but air travel promises to be a major hassle from now on. This book explains your rights and shows you how to survive it all — the cramped cabins, scaled back service, long delays and more.

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More essential information is included to help you get the most for your dollar.

NEW NON-FICTION

Coaching Character at Home: Strategies for Raising Responsible Teens, by Michael Koehler.

How To Be Creative If You Never Thought You Could, by Tera Leigh.

Hatred's Kingdom: How Saudi Arabia Supports the New Global Terrorism, by Dore Gold.

NEW FICTION

Heart of a Lion, by Gilbert Morris.

Late For the Wedding, by Amanda Quick.

Mortal Allies, by Brian Haig.

Maltese Manuscript, by Joanne Dobson.

LIBRARY HOURS

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10 a.m. to 9 p.m.: Tues. & Thurs.

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Sat.

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Class of '93 sets reunion date; needs addresses

The Snyder High School class of 1993 is planning a 10-year reunion on July 12. If you have any information about these classmates contact Catalina Jones at 573-5045 or email classof93shs@yahoo.com.

Addresses are still needed for Luis Aguilar, Janell Johnson Allen, Raquel Renee Alvarado, Steven Anthony Amato, Tiffany Lou Anderson, Myra Avila, Jennifer Barnes, Phillip Becerra, Israel Borrego, Mark Bruns, Sheilia Buchanan, Bryan Burton, Charlie Busby, Jennifer Cervantez, Vadrian Clay, Barretta Collins, Timothy Collins, Heath Cowan, Tammy Cox, Rachel Crawford, Angie Davidson, Dennis Dolliver, Brian Fields, Randy Fisk and Josh Floyd.

Others are Mandy Fuqua, Andy Garza, Minerva Gonzalez, Peyton Greene, Sam Grimes, Stephanie Guerrero, Veronica Guerrero, Ross Hataway, Jose Hernandez, Michelle Hernandez, Nora Hernandez, Chris Huddleston, Misty Jenkins, Jennifer Kime, James Lamb, Benjamin Martinez, Isaac Martinez, Jasper McCartney, Mecca McCowen, Joe Bob McCravey, Kristi McGuire, Jason Messenger, Misty Myers, Charles Northcutt, J. Parker, Jesus Parra, Steven Pena, Johnny Joe Perez, Miguel Quiros, Melissa Rawls, Dexter Robbins, Joey Rodriguez, Jeronimo Ruiz, Sherri Russell, Connie Salazar, Leslie Sanders, Leslie Sandoval, Brandon Sawtell, Deana Schwarz and Debbie Schwarz.

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Birth

Jerry, Angela, Ryley and Russell Overman of Vega announce a new member of the family. Sydney SueAnne was born at 1:01 p.m. Saturday, May 24. She weighed eight pounds, 7½ ounces and was 20½ inches long.

Grandparents are James and Jane Dalby of Ozona, Tom and Paula Jones of Cleburne, and Dwayne and Sandra Overman of Eastland. Great-grandparents are Margaret Dalby Hamilton of Aspermont, Rene Huffman of Ozona and Fred and Mavis Overman of Snyder.

Bridge

You need luck to win a big event

North 05-31-03
♠ A J 8 6 5
♥ 5 2
♦ A K 8 6
♣ A Q

West
♠ K 7 2
♥ —
♦ Q 10 4 3
♣ K 10 9 8 3 2

East
♠ 4 3
♥ A J 10 7 6
♦ J 5 2
♣ J 7 4

South
♠ Q 10 9
♥ K Q 9 8 4 3
♦ 9 7
♣ 6 5

Dealer: East
Vulnerable: Neither

South	West	North	East
			Pass
2 ♥	3 ♣	4 ♥	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 2

By Phillip Alder

It is usually the case that the better you play, the luckier you will be. Winners of a major event must have played well, but afterwards, you will often hear the modest "we were lucky" story. Roger Lord (North) and Alan Popkin (South), from St. Louis, had their slice of fortune on this deal from the final round of the Silver Ribbon Pairs in Philadelphia last March.

South's two-heart opening showed a decent six-card suit and 5-9 high-card points. West's overcall wouldn't meet with universal approval, but it did make life harder for North. If West had passed, perhaps North would have responded two spades and reached four spades, which would have made with an overtrick on most lines of play. But when West did bid, North opted for a jump to four hearts. (North might have doubled, which would have netted 500 points.)

West led the spade two. Wanting to be in the dummy for a trump play, declarer put in dummy's jack and dropped his own 10. Then came a heart to the king, West discarding a club. Now Popkin led his spade queen, which West strangely covered with the king. Another trump went to East's jack and South's queen. A club to the queen and the club ace were followed by a low spade. Thinking his partner had the nine for his cover with the king, East discarded. After winning with his spade nine, Popkin led a diamond to dummy's king and called for the spade eight. Whatever East did now, he could win only two trump tricks.

Plus 450 gave Lord and Popkin 39 matchpoints. Ending with plus 420 would have been worth only 20, and they won by 16.

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Bridge Winners

Friday, May 23

Jane Hinton directed bridge at the Snyder Country Club.

1. Margaret Presswood, Billisue Stuard tied with Pat Floyd, Peggy Hardin.

2. Durelle Gorman, Barbara Yorgesen tied with Jane Hinton, Maribeth Vestal.

3. Tizzy Hall, Dorothy Rosson.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. Dana A. Longino of Littlefield and Brian and Elizabeth Blair of Snyder announce the upcoming marriage of their children, Cameron Brooke and Brendan Cade, a graduate of Hermleigh High School. The wedding is set for 7:30 p.m. on June 28 in the Cedars on the Brazos in Glenrose. (Contributed Photo)

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Storytime at the Scurry County Library for 4- and 5-year-olds; 10 a.m.

Rock and Roll Quilting Club; Hermleigh Community Center; everyone is invited for free quilting lessons, and special projects are to help someone in need; call 863-2426 for more information; 8 a.m. to noon.

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

NA-Just for Today; Park Club at Winston Park; 573-1438.

Manic Depression (Bipolar) support group; Family Life Community Church, 904 26th Street; 7 p.m.

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

TUESDAY

Gateway Family Services parenting discussion group, focuses on a variety of parenting issues and special challenges; no charge; call 573-1822 for more information; 10:30 a.m.

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

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

Warthog on drugs hijacks van, crashes into fence

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — It was anything but "Hakuna Matata" — Swahili for "no worries" — when an anesthetized African warthog at the Potawatomi Zoo took off in a van.

Zoo visitors had to seek shelter inside zoo buildings briefly Wednesday when Mando the warthog woke up unexpectedly and knocked the otherwise unoccupied van into gear, sending it rolling down a small hill.

The ride came to an abrupt end when the van hit a fence. The warthog jumped through the driver's side window before falling back asleep.

No one was injured, although Mando needed stitches for cuts, zoo veterinarian Jeremy Goodman said.

The entire event occurred in a restricted area of the zoo, but visitors were moved inside buildings as a precaution because the warthog, with its sharp tusks, is potentially dangerous.

Mando was taken to the zoo hospital Wednesday afternoon when his keeper noticed he wasn't putting any weight on a back leg. X-rays showed there was no break, so he was placed back in the van, Goodman said.

The movement of being put in the van, though, woke Mando up. Workers quickly shut the van's door to trap the warthog inside.

When Mando moved into the front seat, the zoo workers cracked open the door and gave the warthog another shot of anesthesia. Before it took effect, however, Mando hit the gear shift, sending the van rolling.

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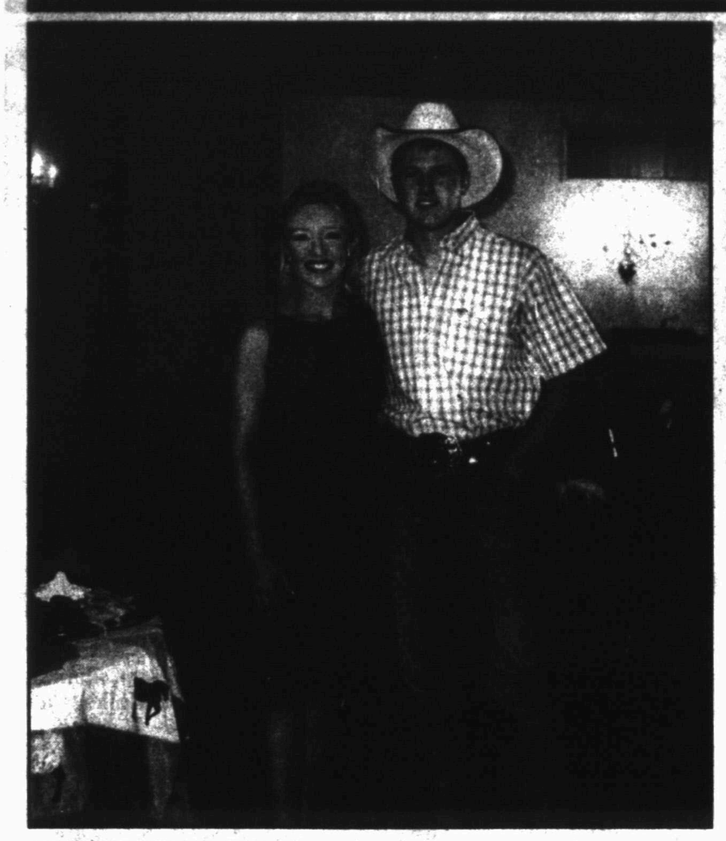
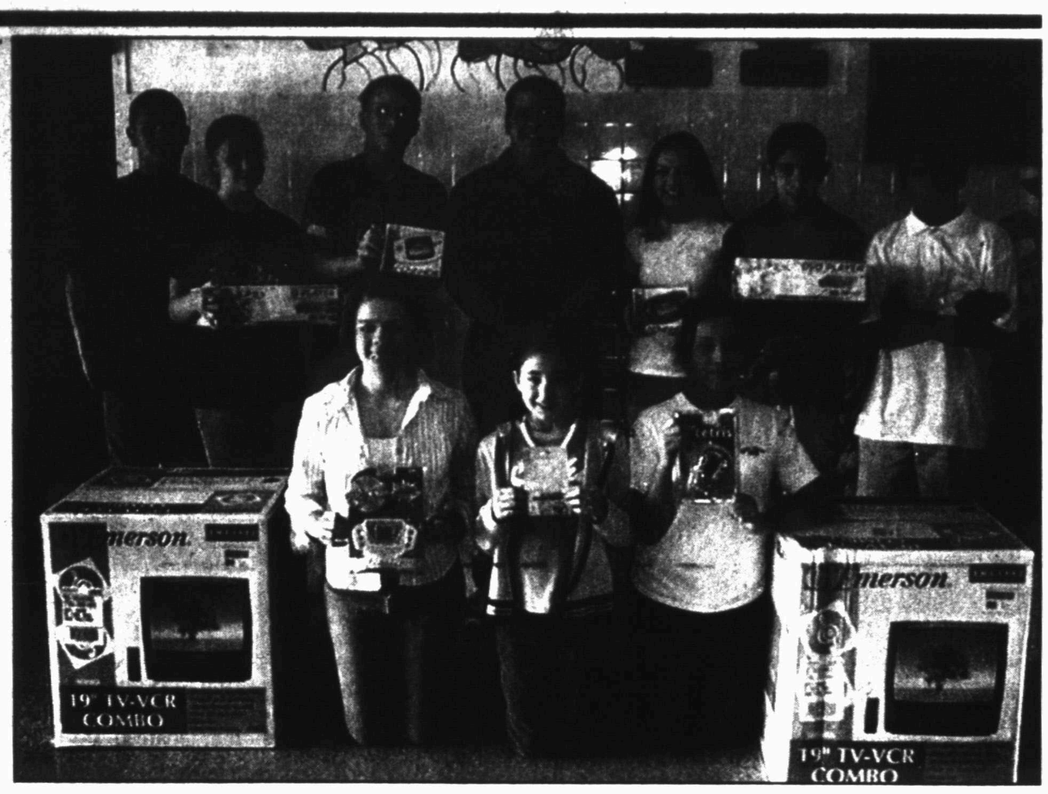


SHOWER HONORS TATUM-WALL — Riley Ann Tatum, bride-elect of Russell Wall, was given a wedding shower May 17 at the Snyder Country Club. The couple will marry on June 14. (Contributed Photo)

LOCKS OF LOVE — Kirstie Leuck recently desired a shorter hairstyle and donated her hair to the Locks of Love program in Florida. Brandie Herrley from Hair Razors cut Kirstie's hair. Locks of Love provides quality hair prosthetics for children under the age of 18 who have developed long-term medical hair loss, free of charge or on a sliding scale to deserving children whose parents or guardian can prove financial hardship. The donated hair must be at least 10 inches long. For more information contact *www.locksoflove.org*.
(Contributed Photo)



INCENTIVE AWARDS — Names of those completing homework as assigned by their teachers at Snyder Junior High were put in a drawing and winners included from left on the first row, Hollie Berryhill, Alyssa Davis, Cristina Resendez; second row, Blake Clifton, Kendra Tidwell, Allen Jones, coach/teacher Derick Price, Megan Deloera, Robert Martinez and Antonio Medina. Not pictured are Brittany Leatherwood and Leslie Murphy, co-chairman of the BASS (being a safe and secure school) project. (SDN Staff Photo)

Moss gardens can be velvety soft yet tough as nails

Just what is this thing about moss? How is it that a primordial plant so soft and soothing generates so much angst among grass growers?

"There are people out there who worship lawns," says Christine Cook, an artist and landscape designer from Easton, Conn. "They don't want a single blade of anything except grass to appear.

"But a lot of lawns may not be suited to grass," she says. "Grass is very high maintenance and doesn't serve the animal kingdom. Grass really doesn't offer much."

That's one gardener's opinion, of course. But it is difficult for grass to grow where moss thrives. And that would include soils rich in acid or in ground compacted, shaded or poorly drained.

Controlling moss often calls for introducing the same conditions that are good for growing grass. Put another way: Produce a healthy lawn and you'll gather no moss.

"I've had golf course people call me, asking how to get rid of it," Cook says. "After talking with them about 20 minutes, some want to begin using moss on their golf courses."

That isn't as far-fetched as it sounds. While you wouldn't want to keep punching holes in it with your golf shoes, moss can withstand foot traffic surprisingly well.

The artist in Cook likes the gentle, round look of moss — its varied textures, velvety aesthetics and cool colors.

Moss provides a lush green backdrop even in winter, when most plants have lost their leaves. It also doesn't need to be mowed, fertilized or pruned.

"Once established, you don't have to water it," she says. "There are mosses that grow well in full, blazing sun. Some like dappled light. Some like deep shade."

Cook, who calls her landscape business Mossaics, says she appreciates those small moss-covered pockets you occasionally discover while walking in the woods.

"I think of mossy areas as hidden gems," she says. "Moss is quietly pleasing when draped over a log or a large rock."

Moss long has played a distinctive role in English and Japanese gardens. Now you're seeing moss used more frequently in butterfly gardens, dragonfly gardens, rock gardens and water gardens.

Moss gardens can take a few years to get going. Rush the job, and you chance attracting slugs, which attract larger predators, Cook says.

"If you put (moss) plugs in two- to three feet apart, you can get a complete and utterly glorious garden in two or three years," she says. "When you think about it, English gardens don't look so great for at least two or three years."

Moss placed checkerboard fashion is one way to get things growing. Using moss milkshakes is another. That's an organic solution of half moss, half buttermilk that can be stirred up in your kitchen blender. Apply the mixture with a paintbrush to most any porous surface you would like to see supporting a living layer of moss.

Given the proper amount of shade, moisture and temperature, that method should take about a month to produce.

Moss is easy to transport and transplant year-round, says Al Benner, owner of Moss Acres, a mail-order company in Honesdale, Pa.

"We offer it like sod and we send it to people from the Carolinas to California," he says. "Moss does best in acidic soils with a pH of around 5.5. But it isn't all that particular about soil type provided it has moisture and shade. It gets its nutrients from air and water, not roots." Benner's company specializes in marketing four different kinds of moss: fern moss, cushion moss, rock cap moss and haircap moss. All do well in that Pocono mountain region.

Fern moss is by far the most popular variety. Also called "sheet moss," it's the lowest growing, fastest spreading, most economical and versatile, Benner says.

"Prices range from $4 to $10 a square foot, which isn't so much when you think about it," he says. "Moss gardens usually aren't that large."

Moss is an easy to maintain, easy to keep substance. Its survivability is extraordinary, Benner says.

"We store it dry. It can go dormant for years. Once it's watered, it comes back."

There's something special about being around a moss garden, Benner says.

"The texture and color of moss suggests a green oasis near a burbling brook or a waterfall. It's wonderfully serene and tranquil — a visual thing.

People also like walking on it in their bare feet."

"Moss is magical. It speaks to the child in all of us from kids to octogenarians," Cook says. "It's a wonderful, humble little plant."

Recommended reading:
"Moss Gardening" by George Schenk, Timber Press, Portland, Ore.

On the Net:
About moss gardening: http://www.mossacres.com

Homework incentive prizes awarded at SJHS

Homework incentive prizes were given at Snyder Junior High School by a drawing of successful students' names. The project called BASS, "being a safe secure school," headed by Derick Price and Leslie Murphy, targets the lack of homework turned in.

A Game Boy Advance went to Allen Jones and Megan Deloera, DVD players went to Robert Martinez and Kendra Tidwell, 19-inch TV/VCR combos went to Antonio Medina and Blake Clifton. These students did all assigned homework for the second semester.

Th sixth six weeks homework incentive prizes were hand-held games that went to Cristina Resendiz and Hollie Berryhill and Wal-Mart gift cards went ot Brittany Leatherwood and Alyssa Davis.

THANKS SNYDER

We are truly blessed! Thank you so much for your care, concern and support. Thanks for the FOOD, the flowers, the FOOD, the cards, the FOOD, the gifts, the FOOD, the phone calls and the FOOD!! J.P. did not have to cook for two weeks!! A special thanks goes to my family, my guardian angel and my "Ya-Ya's"!! Mere words cannot express our extreme gratitude for all you have done.

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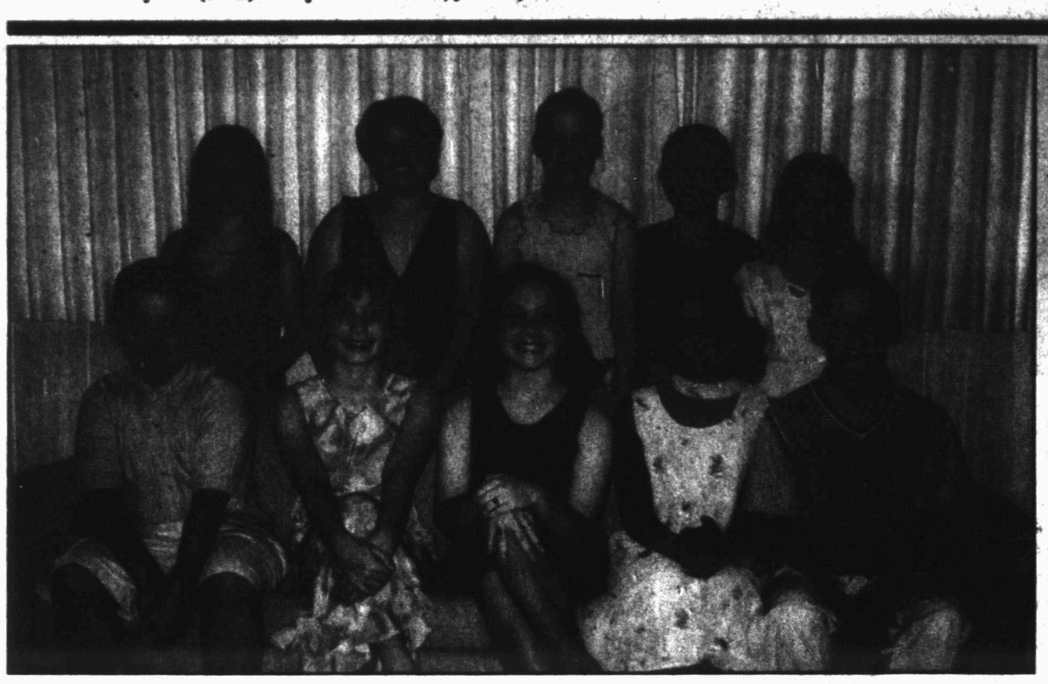

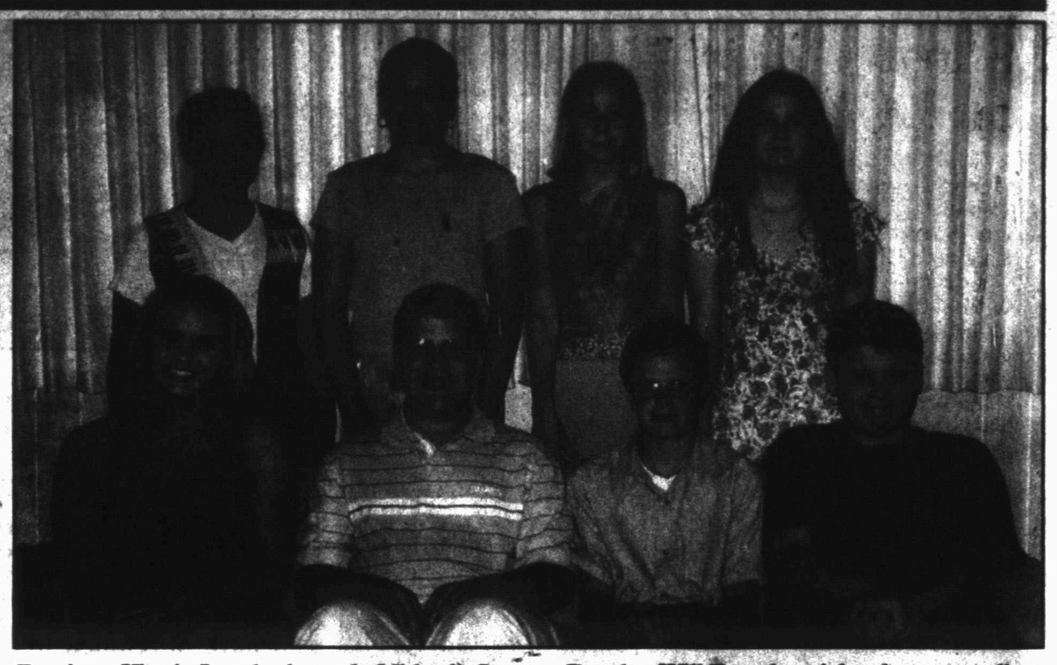

RECITAL HELD AT MAWC — Students of Barbara Tune presented a recital at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Those participating are pictured from left in the left photo, standing, Jentri Driggers, Catherine Witte, Blaire Toombs, Audrey Miller, Ashley Kincheloe; seated, Fernando Ramirez, Kirstie Leuck, Amanda Midwell, Jacoree Brooks, Will Toombs; right photo, standing, Kristen Miller, Brittany Scott, Rachael Dupree, Kristina Mayer; seated, Gretchen Hollis, Casey Arnold, Brandon Hagins and Christopher Witte. (Contributed Photo)

Piano students 'Put on the Ritz' for recital, recieve awards

Piano students of Barbara Tune were featured in a "Puttin' On the Ritz" recital May 10 at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Patriotic, jazz and classical selections were performed by students that also included a number of duets.

Following the recital, Mrs. Tune recognized students who participated in the Lubbock Music Contest at Texas Tech University in February. Awards included Audrey Miller, participant; Kristen Miller, second; Rachael Dupree, participant; Brittany Scott, third; and Gretchen Hollis, third.

In addition, Mrs. Tune recognized students that performed in the Abilene Festival at Hardin-Simmons March 1 — Brandon Hagins, Kristina Mayer, Audrey Miller, Kristen Miller, Rachael Dupree and Gretchen Hollis, all earning superior ratings.

Guild certificates and pins were issued to students participating in the National Piano Playing Auditions May 5-6 at First Baptist Church to include Hobbyist — Jacoree Brooks, Brandon Hagins, Kirstie Leuck and Blaire Toombs; Jazz Hobbyist — Casey Arnold; Local (two pieces) — Fernando Ramirez, Catherine Witte and Christopher Witte; District (five pieces) — Will Toombs; State (seven pieces)— Rachael Dupree and Kristina Mayer; National (10 pieces) — Ashley Kincheloe, Audrey Miller, Kristen Miller, Brittany Scott and Gretchen Hollis.

Composer pins were received by three students who had taken a National program — Brittany Scott and Kristen Miller for six years, and to Gretchen Hollis for seven years.

Special awards were given to Ashley Kincheloe, Most Promising Beginner; Kristina Mayer, Highest Guild Grade; Casey Arnold and Kristen Miller, Public Performances at school, church and other events; Brittany Scott and Rachael Dupree, Progressive Award; Gretchen Hollis, Advanced Award and Best Performance in Recital;

Following the recital and awards presentation, a reception was held in honor of these students and their parents.

Thief gives himself away after buying sports car

CINNAMINSON, N.J. (AP) — An armored car company guard admitted he stole some $400,000 from his employer when suspicious officials questioned him after he drove to work in an expensive new sports car.

Perry Vedder, 32, of Philadelphia, was charged with theft in the May 10 robbery at Dunbar Armored's office in Cinnaminson, where he had worked for seven years. He was arrested shortly after and released after posting $20,000 bail.

Authorities said Vedder was seen on video entering and leaving the vault around the time of the theft, but the robbery itself was not captured on tape because office security cameras were briefly disabled.

Dunbar officials confronted Vedder when he drove to work a few days after the theft in a 2000 Chevrolet Corvette valued at $53,000.

Police confirmed that $340,000 had been recovered from the home of Vedder's girlfriend. He had used $25,000 for a down payment on the car and $36,000 was still missing.

WEDDING SHOWER HELD — Alisha Billips, bride-elect of Robby Huestis, was honoree at a bridal shower May 18 in the fellowship hall of the First Christian Church. From left are Bertha Huestis of Snyder, the prospective groom's paternal grandmother; Halea Huestis, his sister from Seagraves; the honoree from Tulsa, Okla.; Bobby Jean Josey of Post, the future groom's maternal grandmother; and Linda Huestis, his mother. The couple will marry at 6 p.m. on June 21 in the First Christian Church in Snyder. (Contributed Photo)

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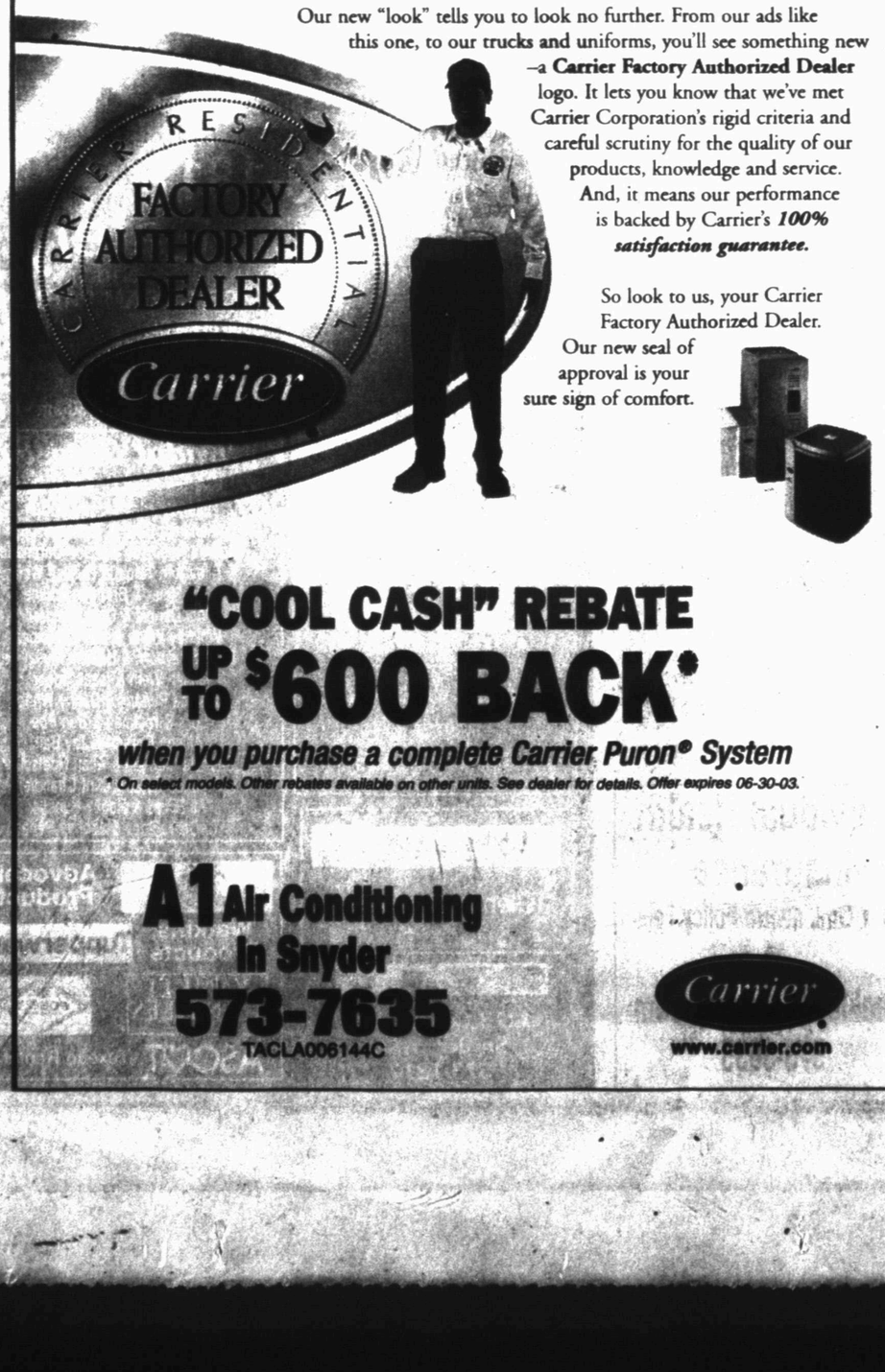

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Starnes listed on LCU roll

LUBBOCK — Leslye Starnes of Snyder has been named to the President's List at Lubbock Christian University for the spring semester of 2003.

In order to be considered a part of this list, a student must take a minimum of 12 semester hours and achieve a 4.0 grade point average.

Starnes is the daughter of Rick and Kellye Starnes.

Two graduate from LCU

LUBBOCK — Allison Nicole Bowden and Greg Allen Kitchens, both of Snyder, were among the 267 students who graduated from Lubbock Christian University on May 10.

Bowden earned a bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies in early childhood and is the daughter of Terry and Paula Bowden.

Kitchens graduated with a bachelor of science in organizational management and is the son of George and Patsy Kitchens of Snyder and the husband of Jill Kitchens.

Snyder area students on Dean's List

SAN ANGELO — The Dean's List for the 2003 Spring Semester has been announced at Angelo State University.

Snyder area students on the list include Amber Denice Alexander, English; Michael W. Ashby, computer science; Carolynn E. Botts, interdisciplinary studies; Michelle Kathryn Flynn, interdisciplinary child development and learning; Lynn Michelle Fogleman, interdisciplinary child development and learning; Adrian Q. Gonzales, accounting.

Others are Ashley Lynne Grimmett, marketing; Austin Grant Haire, history; Haley Cristen Holmes, music; Joshua C. Hudgins, criminal justice; Larry Joe Lambaren, kinesiology; Kyle Ross McClendon, kinesiology; Emily M. Rice, English and psychology; Layne Adam Scott, kinesiology/secondary certification; and Anna Lou Williams, business-management information systems option.

Hall graduates with Texas Tech degree

Scott Allen Hall graduated from Texas Tech May 17, earning a master of business administration degree in management information systems.

In April, Hall received his Texas Tech ring in the special ring ceremony held in the Merket Alumni Center on the Tech campus.

Hall also is a 1996 graduate of Snyder High School and a 2000 graduate of Angelo State University. He is married to the former Kathryn Robbins, and is the son of Kim and Kathy Hall of Snyder. His grandparents are Jimmie and Dorothy Merket of Roscoe and Paul Barron of Loraine. Hall is employed at Texas Tech as the IT Help Desk manager.

Scurry Co. Anti-Drug Connection
The best things in life are drug free

The Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with the Scurry County Anti-Drug Connection and Al-Anon support groups, devote this column to current information on substance abuse, and how we as a community can work together to create a safe and drug-free environment for our children.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE

The abuse of illegal drugs usually gets more consideration as far as prevention and awareness is concerned, but there is another form of substance abuse that demands our attention as well: prescription drug abuse.

Communities have battled prescription drug abuse for decades, but the issue is not as commonly addressed as is other forms of drug use. The practice of abusing medications, which are often relatively inexpensive and accessible, is a dangerous one as their concentration is pure and strong.

Three broad categories of prescription drugs are frequently abused. These include opioids, central nervous system (CNS) depressants and stimulants.

Opioids are generally prescribed for their effective pain-relieving properties. Medications within this class (sometimes called analgesics or narcotics) include oxycodone, propoxphene, hydrocodone, morphine, codeine and related drugs. Some of the more familiar brand names include OxyContin, Percocet, Darvocet, Vicodin, Lorcet and Lortab.

CNS depressants are substances that slow normal brain functions, and therefore, they are usually used to treat anxiety and sleep disorders. Some of the more commonly prescribed medications are barbiturates such as Mebaral and Nembutal and benzodiazepines such as Valium and Xanax.

Stimulants are a class of drugs that stimulate brain activity. Using them increases alertness, attention and energy that is accompanied by elevated blood pressure, increased heart rate and breathing. Stimulants are now generally prescribed for the treatment of narcolepsy, attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder and depression that has not responded to other treatments. They are also occasionally used in the treatment of obesity and asthma.

Those people who appear to be the most impacted by prescription drug abuse are older adults, adolescents, young people, women and health care providers. According to information put out by Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America, a number of factors are attributed to the continued problem of prescription drug abuse including "lack of stringent enforcement, ineffective laws, ability to obtain medications over the Internet, and our actions of 'sweeping the problem under the rug.'"

Just like any prevention or intervention plan, education is the key. Know the dangers of prescription drug abuse and seek help if you or someone you know has a problem. Feel free to call us at the numbers below for more information or to help connect you with professional help. We all can play a role in detecting and preventing the abuse of prescription medications, and it is our responsibility to do so.

For more information on how you and/or your business or organization can be involved in promoting a drug-free community, contact the Scurry County Anti-Drug Connection at the Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 574-1931 or 573-1411.

Bill limiting use of cell phones gains ground

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — California lawmakers advanced a bill to limit use of cell phones by drivers, requiring headsets or other hands-free devices.

The bill was approved 41-26 by the state Assembly on Thursday and now goes to the Senate.

If it becomes law, California will follow New York, which in 2001 became the first state to bar drivers from using hand-held cell phones.

Gov. Gray Davis' office couldn't immediately say Friday whether he had taken a position on the legislation, which would fine violators $50.

·Gabby Pace

City Of Snyder
Employee of the Month
May 2003

Gabby Pace was born and raised in Snyder. After graduating high school she enlisted in the U.S. Army and after serving 6 years, she returned to Snyder.

Gabby and her husband, Eric, have three children: MaKenna, age 9, Arron, age 11 and Makayla, age 8. Her hobby is reading.

She began working for the city for the Finance Department. Gabby was nominated by her fellow employees because she is a hard worker, easy to get along with, always helpful and has a GREAT attitude.

Martha Scott who played Emily in 'Our Town' dies

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Martha Scott, who originated the role as the doomed Emily in the play "Our Town" and was nominated for a best actress Oscar for repeating it in the 1940 film, has died. She was 90.

She died Wednesday of natural causes in a hospital in the San Fernando Valley, said her son, Scott Alsop.

Scott landed the bittersweet role of Emily, who dies in childbirth but returns to describe finding peace in death, in the original Broadway production of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town" in 1938. Her work in film version brought her an Oscar nomination, but she lost to Ginger Rogers for "Kitty Foyle."

Scott appeared in more than 20 films, including "The Howards of Virginia" with Cary Grant, "The Desperate Hours" with Humphrey Bogart, and "The Ten Commandments" and "Ben-Hur," both with Charlton Heston.

"I played his mother twice and his wife twice," Scott said of Heston in a 1986 interview with The Associated Press. "I was his mother in 'Ben Hur' and 'The Ten Commandments.' I was his wife on the stage in New York in 'Design For a Stained Glass Window' and 'The Tumbler' in London."

In 1991 she appeared in "The Crucible," the first production of Tony Randall's National Actors' Theatre in New York. The Associated Press reported that in the Arthur Miller play, Scott "plays the doomed Rebecca Nurse with grace and dignity."

Scott appeared in a number of television shows, including playing Sue Ellen Ewing's mother on "Dallas" and a mysterious grandmother in the soap opera "General Hospital."

"There are very few parts for, shall we say, older women," Scott said in 1986. "People don't write roles for women my age."

She also had a hand in producing plays over the years. In 1968, she joined Henry Fonda and Robert Ryan in forming a theatrical production company called the Plumstead Playhouse in New York, which produced numerous classic revivals with all-star casts. It later became the Plumstead Theatre Company in Los Angeles.

She co-produced the Broadway version of "First Monday in October" and the movie. Her last effort as a producer was a production of "Twelve Angry Men" in Los Angeles in 1985.

Born in Jamesport, Mo., in 1912 — some sources say 1914 — Scott earned a degree in drama from the University of Michigan in 1934.

Redman returns from sea duty

FHTNC — Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Jeffrey G. Redman, son of Toni Redman of Plainview and John Redman of Snyder, returned from a 10-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Arabian gulf while assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln, homeport in Everett, Wash.

Redman was one of more than 10,000 Pacific Fleet sailors and Marines aboard the ships of the USS Abraham Lincoln Carrier Battle Group and USS Belleau Wood Amphibious Ready Group who participated in Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

Redman's scheduled six-month deployment began in support of Operations Enduring Freedom and Southern Watch in July 2002. As the battle group neared completion of its deployment in December 2002, the USS Abraham Lincoln Battle Group was recalled to duty in the Arabian Gulf in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF).

Redman is a 1999 graduate of Plainview High School and joined the Navy in August 2001.

Central Awards

Central students received the following awards for the sixth six weeks period.

Positive Action Super Kids

Kindergarten: Abrium Huddleston, Myra Medina.

First grade: Andrew Chavarria and Estefany Olivarez.

Third grade: Monica Torres, Samantha Aviles, Justin Torres, Miriam Arellano, Kaitlin Stewart, M.J. Diaz, Timothy Iglehart, Taylor Boland, Macy Bilano and Jasmine Jackson.

Most Improved Award

Kindergarten: Matthew Gilbert and Denver Page.

First grade: Christopher Esquibel and Damian Medina.

Third grade: Dakota DeLaCruz, Corbin Holmesly, Riley Brown, Jessica Guardado, Jentri Driggers, Kendall Alarcon, Teenwolf Gomez, Ashton Messenger, Kyler Billingsley and Tessa Aguilar.

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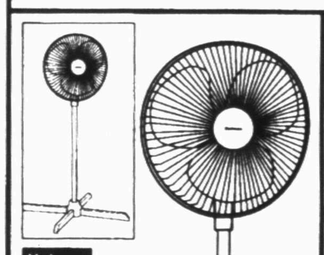

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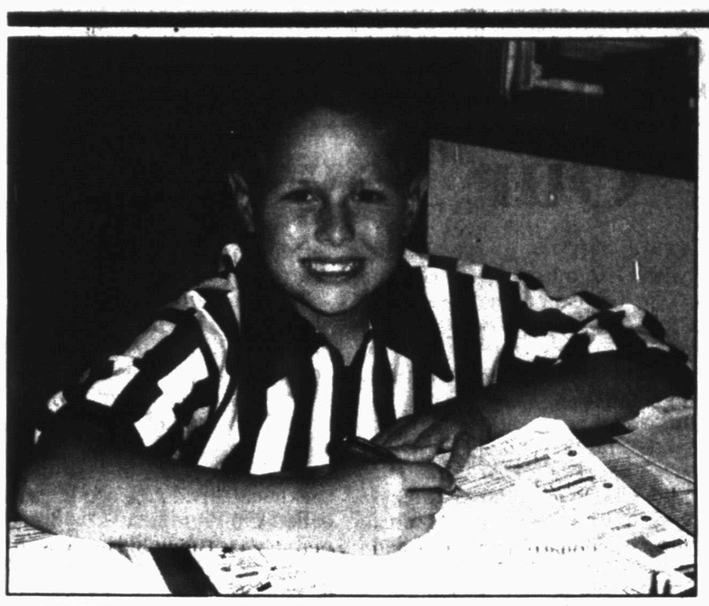


STANFIELD PRINCIPAL — Kaleb Presley recently served as Principal for a Day at Stanfield Elementary. To be eligible for the honor he earned 190 Accelerated Reader points and read 256 books. Presley helped deliver things to classrooms and he picked the students who made the announcements. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

More DNA testing of evidence required

HOUSTON (AP) — More tests need to be conducted on evidence in Josiah Sutton's case before Harris County's district attorney will consider signing a pardon request for the 21-year-old who spent more than four years in prison for a rape from which DNA testing later excluded him.

Harris County District Attorney Chuck Rosenthal told the Houston Chronicle in Friday's editions that he would "probably" sign a pardon request if further testing also excludes Sutton's DNA.

Halliburton settles with its shareholders

HOUSTON (AP) — Halliburton Co. said Friday it has agreed to pay $6 million to settle 20 shareholder lawsuits that accused it of using deceptive accounting practices while Vice President Dick Cheney led the company.

The lawsuits challenged the way that the oilfield-services company counted revenue from cost overruns and change orders on long term fixed-price construction projects.

Halliburton began booking some of the unapproved amounts as revenue in 1998 and later disclosed the change in filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The cases had been combined into one class-action lawsuit filed in a Dallas federal court. The plaintiffs had bought Halliburton stock between 1998 and 2002.

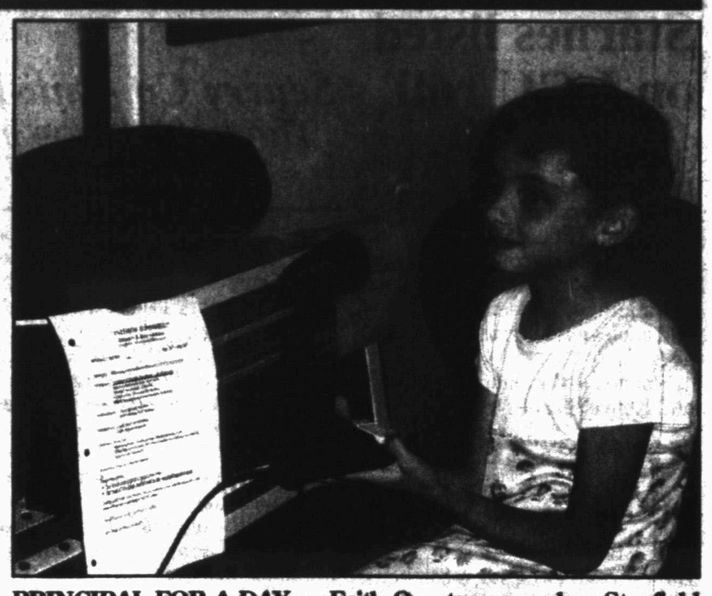
Halliburton said three of the four lead plaintiffs have agreed to the settlement and a fourth is evaluating the offer. The company said costs of the settlement would not affect second-quarter results.

In afternoon trading Friday on the New York Stock Exchange, Halliburton shares rose 43 cents to $23.58.

The settlement follows a December deal under which Halliburton would pay about $4 billion in cash and stock to resolve 300,000 asbestos claims and head off future cases. Fears about liability from asbestos claims, most of which Halliburton inherited in the 1998 acquisition of Dresser Industries Inc., had helped drive the stock from than $50 to a low of about $9.

Friday's announcement did not resolve all of Halliburton's legal challenges. Judicial Watch, a self-described government-watchdog group, said its lawsuit against Cheney and the company was not affected.

The group's general counsel, Larry Klayman, said the settlement of other cases "would be an affirmation that our case is valid and should proceed." Halliburton has filed a motion to dismiss the Judicial Watch lawsuit.



PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY — Faith Overton served as Stanfield Elementary's Principal for a Day Wednesday, her reward for earning more than 190 Accelerated Reader points during the 2002-2003 school year. Overton, who likes fiction, helped make announcements, hand out diplomas to kindergarten students and draw for the bike winner. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Judge schedules Nichols' trial next year

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The state murder trial for Oklahoma City bombing conspirator Terry Nichols will begin March 1, 2004, a judge decided Friday.

East Awards

East Elementary students received awards for the final six weeks.

Academic achievement

Kindergarten: Zachary Buchanan, Ruben Vera and Makenzie Cook.

First grade: Joe Mireles and Brian Graham.

Citizenship Award

Kindergarten: Dustin Essery, Anthony Sandoval and Brieanna Gutierrez.

First grade: Cassandra Romero and Nikki DeLaCruz.

Most-Improved

Kindergarten: Rudy Luera, Omar Salinas and Blake DeLaCruz.

First grade: Leann Hall and Rachel Berniard.

Academic Achievement

Fourth grade: Geovanny Facio, Kaitlin Bass, Kristie Leuck, Caedra Robbins, Ashton Burton, Xalee Northcutt, Kaden McCarter, Sydney Glass, Vanessa Martinez and Chad Pechacek.

Citizenship Award

Fourth grade: Tania Rodriquez, Angela Hernandez, Sarah Cearly, Christian Jordan, Alex Jaramillo, Jansi Hernandez, Kirsti Platts, Abby Infante, Alexia Hernandez and Nick Morin.

2003 SUMMER SCHOOL BUS SCHEDULE

BUS SCHEDULE FOR SNYDER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

6:30am	Depart	Snyder High School at Tiger Drive
6:35am	Depart	Stanfield Elementary
6:40am	Depart	East Elementary
6:45am	Depart	Northeast Elementary
6:50am	Depart	Central Elementary
6:55am	Depart	26th Street & Avenue V
7:00am	Depart	West Elementary
7:05am	ARRIVE	Snyder Junior High School

BUS SCHEDULE FOR SNYDER JUNIOR HIGH & ELEMENTARY

First Session	Second Session		
7:15am	9:10am	Depart	Snyder High School at Tiger Drive
7:20am	9:15am	Depart	Stanfield Elementary
7:25am	9:20am	Depart	East Elementary
7:30am	9:25am	Depart	Northeast Elementary
7:35am	9:30am	Depart	Central Elementary
7:40am	9:35am	Depart	26th Street & Avenue V
7:50am	9:40am	ARRIVE	Snyder Junior High School

Students will dismiss and be delivered back to their home campus as follows:

Elem/Jr High First Session	Elem/Jr High Second Session	High School		
10:00am	12:00pm	12:45pm		Depart Snyder Junior High
10:05am	12:05pm	12:50pm	Arrive	West Elementary
10:10am	12:10pm	12:55pm	Arrive	26th Street & Avenue V
10:15am	12:15pm	1:00pm	Arrive	Central Elementary
10:20am	12:20pm	1:05pm	Arrive	Northeast Elementary
10:25am	12:25pm	1:10pm	Arrive	East Elementary
10:30am	12:30pm	1:15pm	Arrive	Stanfield Elementary
10:35am	12:35pm	1:20pm	Arrive	Snyder Hi / Tiger Drive

	FIRST SESSION	HIGH SCHOOL SECOND SESSION
Snyder High School	June 3 – June 25 7:15am to 12:45pm	June 26 – July 17 7:15am to 12:45pm
Snyder Jr High/Elementary K-6	June 3 – July 10 8:00am to 12:00pm	
Bilingual, K-1st	June 3 – July 10 7:45am – 12:45pm – Monday,Tuesday,&Thursday 7:45am – 1:45pm – Wednesday	

If you have any questions concerning the busing or pick up times, please call Mike Carter at 573-2993 or 574-6011.

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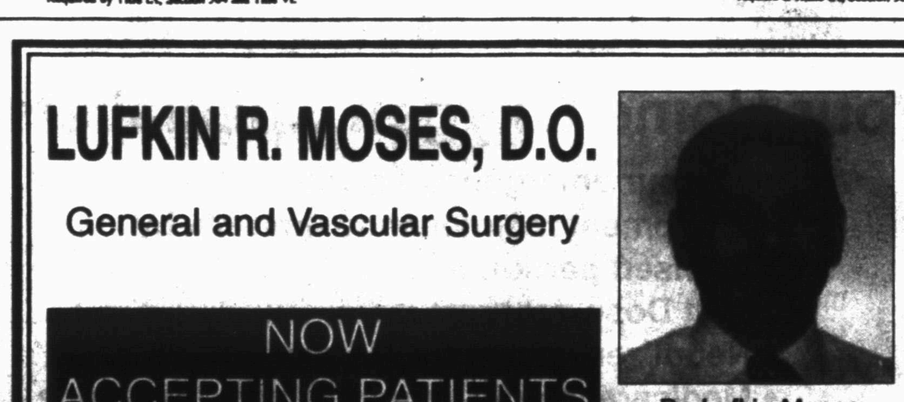

SOUNDS A LITTLE FISHY TO ME — Deborah Judah's students at Central Elementary recently presented *Sounds A Little Fishy to Me*. Front row from left are Jessica Nobles, Samuel Ashley, Cole Etheredge, Damian Donaldson, Jentri Driggers, Savannah Glasscock, Brady Black, Anthony Sosa and Kaitlin Stewart; back row from left, Alex Pesina, Jazmyn Moore, Randi Sanchez, Jason Mendoza, Mercedes Navarette, Beto Resendiz, Kelsey Davis and Lance Morris. Fernando Ramirez and Amber Steelman are not pictured. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Datebooks

Saturday, May 31, 2003

Today is the 151st day of 2003 and the 73rd day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1790, George Washington signed the first U.S. copyright law, granting 14 years of protection to books written by U.S. citizens.

On this day in 1990, "Seinfeld" made its television debut.

On this day in 2000, "Survivor" made its television debut.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Walt Whitman (1819-1892), poet; Don Ameche (1908-1993), actor; Clint Eastwood (1930-), actor, is 73; Peter Yarrow (1938-), composer and musician, is 65; Sharon Gless (1943-), actress, is 60.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1967, A.J. Foyt won his third Indy 500 race.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I believe a leaf of grass is no less than the journey-work of the stars." — Walt Whitman, "Song of Myself"

TODAY'S MOON: New moon (May 31).

Sunday, June 1, 2003

Today is the 152nd day of 2003 and the 74th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1792, Kentucky became the 15th state of the Union.

On this day in 1796, Tennessee became the 16th state of the Union.

On this day in 1980, CNN made its debut as an all-news cable network.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Brigham Young (1801-1877), religious leader; Marilyn Monroe (1926-1962), actress; Andy Griffith (1926-), actor, is 77; Pat Boone (1934-), singer, is 69; Jonathan Pryce (1947-), actor, is 56; Alanis Morissette (1974-), singer, is 29.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1979, the Seattle SuperSonics won the NBA championship, giving the city its first professional sports title.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Being a sex symbol is a heavy load to carry, especially when one is tired, hurt and bewildered." — Marilyn Monroe

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (May 31) and first quarter (June 7).

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Mentally disabled woman's pregnancy is terminated

MIAMI (AP) — The fetus of a retarded rape victim was aborted despite the efforts of activists who took their fight to the Florida Supreme Court, an attorney said Friday.

Doctors said a full-term pregnancy would have threatened the life of the 28-year-old mother, who is seizure prone, said Lance Block, who represents the disabled woman's mother. The abortion was performed Thursday along with a tubal ligation to prevent future pregnancies, Block said.

The same day, a woman asked a court in Orlando to appoint her the guardian of another mentally disabled rape victim's fetus. In that case, Gov. Jeb Bush has said he wants such a guardian appointed, overruling child welfare officials who had said such an appointment would be illegal.

In the Miami-Dade case, police took DNA samples from the aborted fetus in an effort to identify the father, Block said. Police believe the woman, who has the cognitive skills of a 4-year-old, was likely raped more than once.

She managed to tell a judge her wishes at a hearing last week: "My baby no more," she said.

A group that says it defends religious civil liberties had claimed Wednesday that it had persuaded the pregnant woman to have surgery to deliver her 24-week-old fetus instead.

The judge said Thursday that the woman's mother had objected strongly.

She "did not want her daughter to be subjected to any more of an invasive procedure than was absolutely necessary to terminate the pregnancy and for a tubal ligation," Judge Arthur Rothenberg said in a statement.

The Orlando-based Liberty Counsel also tried to stop the abortion in the courts, but Rothenberg denied its motion, and appeals to the Third District Court of Appeal and the Florida Supreme Court also were rejected.

A phone at the group's office repeatedly was busy Friday, and the group did not respond to an e-mail sent by The Associated Press.

Block called the legal efforts "frivolous, nonsensical and without any legal basis."

"This is not a person who is trying to make some pro-abortion statement," Block said of his client.

Doctors who specialize in high-risk pregnancies had told the judge that the fetus appeared to be developing normally and there was no medical reason to terminate the pregnancy.

The woman's mother said she had been told by doctors early on that pregnancy could be life-threatening to her daughter, who became disabled from bacterial meningitis when she was 3 weeks old and now lives in a group home.

The 22-year-old Orlando mother has no family, has the mental capacity of an infant and cannot help police find who raped her. She has lived in a nursing home since she was 3.

The intercession by Bush, an abortion opponent, angered abortion rights activists who say a guardian for the fetus could set off a new round in the war on abortion rights.

Activists cited a 1989 Florida Supreme Court ruling that said fetuses can't have guardians because they aren't legally people.

A hearing to determine whether the women is legally incapacitated is scheduled for Monday. Bush's request will also be heard then.

On the Net:
Liberty Counsel:
http://www.lc.org

Public Records

Marriage License

Cory Mack Mandrell and Jodi Pat Dennis, both of Snyder.

Randell Lee Lambert and Emily Whitely Guynes, both of Snyder.

Josue Gonzales Coronado and Andrea Karen Robinson, both of Snyder.

Oneal McClain and Connie Lou Ostrander, both of Snyder.

Joshua Cole Molano and Brandy Jo Wood, both of Grand Prairie.

Filed in District Court

Arthur Brown Jr. vs. The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, individually and as successor-in-trust of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, suit for damages.

Elivario "LeRoy" Ochoa vs. David Lloyd Harlin Jr., suit for damages.

Wendy Varela, individually and as survivor of Christopher Varela and as next of friend of Michael Varela, William Varela and Elizabeth Varela, minors, vs. Azteca Enterprises Inc., suit for injuries.

Wenona Evans vs. Wyeth, James Michael Jones, Conner Thomas Wade and Robert Billie Pierce, M.D., suit for damages.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Carla Jones and Dennis Jones, divorce granted.

Deed Records

Calvin Goebel and Michael Goebel, individually and as co-independent executors of the estate of Rosemary Goebel, and Victor Goebel, to Shirley Keen, all of Lot 1 of the Smith Replat of Block 66 of the Grayum and Nelson 2nd Addition.

John Sherman and Pamela Sallee Fenton to Ross Blanchard, Lot 14 in Block 4 of the 1st Replat of the Noble Heights Addition.

John Sherman and Pamela Sallee Fenton to Ross Blanchard, Lot 15 in Block 4 of the 1st Replat of the Noble Heights Addition.

Jimmie Ken Spence, independent executor of the estate of Ona Mae Spence, to Marshall Lyn Spence, tract one being all the southwest one-quarter of Section 160, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being the southwest one-quarter of Section 160, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Helen B. Wadleigh and Polly A. Echols, individually and as co-trustees of the James L. and Helen B. Wadleigh Living Trust, and as co-trustees of the James L. Wadleigh Estate Trust, to National Fuel and Lubricants Inc., Lot 1 and the northwest 60 feet of Lot 5 of the Wadleigh Addition.

William C. Null Company Inc. to A-1 Air Conditioning Inc., the south 50 feet of Lot 2 and all of Lot 3 in Block 2 of the Original Town of Snyder.

Barbara Ann Patterson to Viola Clement, the east one-half of the southwest one-quarter of Section 51, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Ruth Lunell Blacksher and Kenney James Trousdale to Viola Clement, the east one-half of the southwest one-quarter of Section 51, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Viola Mae Clement to The Jearld Smith Family Living Partnership, the east one-half of the southwest one-quarter of Section 51, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Landes Storage Inc. to Martin and Angela Villareal, Lot 1 in Block 8 of The Highland Addition.

Raymond E. Pollard, independent executor of the estate of Billy Ray Pollard, to Swartz and Brough Inc., Lot 2 in Block 4 of the Parkway Addition, Section 1.

Ernie and Pam Naegle to Carl and Celia Morales, all of Lots 6 and 7 in Block 1 of the Park Place Addition.

Janelle Hammack, independent executrix of the estate of Robert Wallace Hammack, to Janelle Hammack, Lot 5 in Block 5 of the Correction of the Bassridge Addition.

Charlene Merritt to Donny and Jewel Gray, Lot 1 in Block 28 of the Original Town of Hermleigh.

Gary A. and Janel L. Bryant to Jerold Douglas and Margarita H. Baxter, the east 25 feet of Lot 1 and the west 50 feet of Lot 4 in Block 21 of the Cody Heights Addition.

Shirley McIntire to Phillis Leatherwood, Lots 8-9 and 11-12 in Block 21 of the Green Hills Addition.

Denise Davis Berry and Terry Davis to Alton Davis, Lot 18 in Block B of the Highland Park Addition.

John Elon Irvine to Donnie Day Irvine, the southwest one-quarter of Section 27, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Amy Bollinger, executrix of the estate of Lola Jane Bollinger, to Amy Carol Bollinger, 18.232 acres in the north one-half of Section 245, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Amy Bollinger, executrix of the estate of Lola Jane Bollinger, to Linda Killian, 18.232 acres in the north one-half of Section 245, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Amy Bollinger, executrix of the estate of Lola Jane Bollinger, to Kevin Lee Bollinger, 18.232 acres in the north one-half of Section 245, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Billy D. Jones to J.L. West, Lot 34 in Block A of the Replat of the Towle Place Addition.

Texas Savings Bank to Rodolfo Rodriguez, a 0.224-acre tract in the northeast one-quarter of Section 182, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Amy Bollinger, executrix of the estate of Lola Jane Bollinger, to Todd Bollinger, 17.304 acres in the north one-half of Section 245, Block 3, H&TC survey.

S.W. Trevey, Margaret Drum Dillaha, Ralph Wesley Trevey, Joe Mac Cargile and Michael Jay Cargile to John Kyle Layne, tract one being all the southeast one-quarter of section 511, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract two being the south 40 acres of the northeast one-quarter of Section 511, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Richard Glenn Thompson to Larry Joe Thompson, tract one being the south 96 feet of the east 75 feet of Lot 4 in Block 33 of the Blankenship Addition; tract two being the north 54 feet of the west 45.6 feet of the east one-half of Lot 4, Block 33, Blankenship Addition.

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June 1, 2003 6:30 pm
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Letters to the Editor

Pro American

Dear Editor:

The letter is not written to be anti-Semitic or anti-Christian or anti-racial, but pro American. This letter will contain the facts, as I know them. The following is a declaration of the Supreme Court, 1892.

Our laws and our institutions must necessarily be based upon and embody the teachings of the Redeemer of mankind. It is impossible that it should be otherwise; and in this sense and to this extent our civilization and institutions are emphatically Christian.

Christianity established a nation where all men were created equal. Where everyone could worship the creator as he saw the truth. There was not room left that other religions could stop each from worshipping the way they desired. And they could not stop the freedom to speak.

Are we like the Christians who established this great republic? Do we insist our leaders abide by our constitution? Any statute or treaty that violates our constitution is not binding.

I want to share with you an article reprinted by The Witness, Box 292663 Lewisville. "In early April the Maryland Senate barred a pastor from offering prayer when he refused to drop the reference to Jesus Christ. Two Jewish senators threatened to boycott the assembly if the prayer was allowed, as the senate head barred Pastor David Hughes of Trinity Evangelical Church in Adamstown, Maryland from praying.

Maryland was one of the first states in the U.S. to grant religious liberty, but now it is descending back into the dark ages of religious censorship. (Christian News, 5-21-03. 3277B, Lutheran Road, New Haven, Mo.

Is it any more wrong to be anti-Christian that anti-Semitic? Has any of our representatives investigated this affair or made statements regarding right and wrong according to our constitution?

If they have not I ask them to make all facts public and their stand on this issue.

Yours truly,
Surry Gillum

P.S. When will the Republicans and the Democrats quit putting party above serving America.

President Kennedy, according to my memory, made much bigger tax cuts during his presidency to make the economy go forward. The rich were given bigger tax cuts to promote business and jobs. Why to they now stand in the way of Mr. Bush's tax cuts? Why does the congress not let judges be appointed?

Thanks for help

Dear Editor:

The Bavousett family would like to thank the Snyder Fire Department for sending personnel and equipment to Camp Springs on May 19 to fight the brush fire on our land. We appreciate the great job done and the long hours spent helping us.

We also want to thank Precinct 1 Commissioner Ralph Trevey and the maintainer operators for helping fight the brush fire. The fire break they created helped keep the fire from spreading toward houses three-fourths of a mile downwind.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Alta Bavousett
Dan Bavousett
Carlee Bavousett

Ira graduation

Dear Editor:

On Friday, May 23, Ira ISD sponsored a Drug and Alcohol Free Project Graduation Celebration. Approximately 100 students, guests and parents were in attendance for the festivities which began after the evening commencement exercises and continued until 4 a.m. Activities included swimming, a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, casino games and more. Students were awarded points for participating in these events and these points were used to bid on and purchase gifts at the close of the celebration.

The students, faculty and administration at Ira would like to thank all area merchants and individuals who contributed gifts, money and food to help make Project Graduation a success.

We would also like to especially thank Western Texas College for making their facilities available for our students.

Melisa Nickerson, Sherry Autry and other 8th and 9th grade parents were organizers for the event and their efforts are deeply appreciated.

The Snyder Council of Alcohol and Drug Abuse provided alcohol-free mixed drinks for the students. Project Graduation is sponsored and supported with grant money provided by the Texas Department of Transportation.

Thank you,
Mike Duke,
Principal Ira ISD

Open Government Barometer

Number of Executive Sessions held by public entities in 2003.

Hermleigh ISD	7
Snyder ISD	6
Ira ISD	4
City of Snyder	2
DCOS	1
Cogdell Hospital	1
Scurry County	0
WTC	0

EDITORIAL COMMENT

From the Denton Record-Chronicle

Latest attempt to lock you out

It may seem to the casual observer that the Texas Legislature has nothing better to do than provide our school students with a minute of silence and meditation and listen for the latest marching orders from Tom DeLay, but that would be unfair.

It is also hard at work keeping the public's business a secret.

We have already related in this space the Legislature's quaint custom of failing to record its own votes, so constituents in the legislators' home districts will have no way of knowing how they voted on controversial issues.

Today we shine a little light on House Bill 2004, which would allow county commissioners courts to discuss and deliberate contracts behind closed doors.

Let us try to make this even clearer: HB 2004, by state Rep. Ken Marchant, R-Coppell, could bar you from meetings where your money is being spent.

The bill provides that closed meetings to deliberate contracts would be allowed upon a unanimous vote of the commissioners court, and upon receipt of a written statement by the commissioners court's attorney that an open discussion might have a "detrimental effect" on the county's position.

State law now allows governing bodies to meet in executive session when discussing land purchases and litigation, and we grudgingly admit that there are reasonable arguments for these exceptions to the state open meetings law. Land prices can fluctuate wildly if word of negotiations leaks out, and speaking publicly about pending lawsuits could conceivably affect the outcome.

But we can think of no circumstance in which the public interest would be compromised by the open deliberation and discussion of a contract. We can, on the other hand, think of countless ways that an unscrupulous majority could work mischief in the guise of "contract deliberations."

Denton County's Commissioners Court is currently blessed with an honorable majority, and even when it wasn't, not so long ago, it had a county attorney who wouldn't stand for playing fast and loose with the law.

In the last month or so, a single county commissioner has (1) proposed that the county give $35,000 to a law firm the court had previously decided not to contract with, and (2) tried to punish a contracted consultant who argued against a deal that would have enriched one of her political allies at the expense of the county.

It is tempting to assume that there is only one Sandy Jacobs, but it would be naive. Get enough of them together — and let them lock the doors — and there is no telling the damage they could do.

We don't think our present commissioners would want this power; they have seemed to us to be committed to open government in the past.

HB 2004 would let them do it. It has already passed the House and is pending in the Senate now. Sens. Craig Estes, R-Wichita Falls, and Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, are Denton County's senators. Sen. Estes' telephone number in Austin is 512-463-0160; Sen. Nelson's is 512-463-0112.

Call them and let them know that you want your money to be spent in the sunshine of open government, not in the dark of a locked room.

Austin American-Statesman

Budget passage

With a $118 billion, 2004-05 budget agreement completed Monday between the Texas House and Senate budget writers, it appears the state is about to fulfill a long-held Republican dream, or at least one of a significant segment of the GOP: Absolutely no tax increases, combined with deep cuts in many state programs.

Still to be heard from is state Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn. The budget cannot be enacted unless she certifies that there will be enough revenue over the next two years to pay for it. But it appears the Legislature can now turn in its last week to completing work on insurance and tort reform, tuition deregulation and a host of other issues.

That budget cuts were necessary is indisputable; the national and state economies for three years now have stumbled, and state government doesn't have the money it once did. Lawmakers had to close a $9.9 billion budget gap for the rest of this budget year and the next two.

Complicating the state's revenue problem was the promise made by so many GOP candidates that they would vote against any tax increase, no matter what. It appears they will keep that promise, but it will cause damage for years to come — to the poor, particularly children and the elderly; to higher education, where the state continues to retreat from any commitment to excellence; to public education, where more of the burden will fall on local property taxpayers; and, perhaps, in reduced service from state government itself as 10,000 employees are eliminated through attrition, early retirement or layoffs.

El Paso Times

Budget's health care cuts

Texas' new $118 billion biennial budget isn't an ideal spending plan. But considering the enormous deficit facing the state, budget writers deserve credit for brokering an eleventh-hour deal that will spare some key health services for those who most need them.

The final budget plan — hammered out Saturday — eased cuts to the Children's Health Insurance Program, which had been a big sticking point between Senate and House officials. This is an important concession between the House and Senate plans; it could preserve CHIP benefits for hundreds of El Paso children.

The agreement also should increase some public-school funding, maintain services for disabled Texans who depend on in-home care and it could spare a state school for mentally retarded children and a state hospital for the mentally ill.

Additionally, if President Bush approves a proposal to allocate $1.3 billion in federal funds to Texas for Medicaid and other government costs — as was indicated on Friday — Texas could use these funds to help cover mental health, nursing home and Medicaid and CHIP reimbursement costs.

Poor Rix's Almanac

by Rix Quinn

Poor Rix offers stupid answers to smart questions. Got a question? E-mail rixquinn@charter.net, or write him in care of this newspaper.

Dear Poor Rix: My son graduates from high school next week. What advice should I give him? — Proud Mom.

Poor Rix can relate to your situation. But I have checked your last name, and I am not related to you.

Seriously, I share your pride, and your mixed emotions of joy and sadness. My own daughter graduates next week, too. At life-altering ceremonies like this, we parents want to give our child something memorable in addition to a car and a dorm room deposit.

Yes, in the next few weeks nearly two million students in graduation gowns will complete high school. They will quickly put away that cap and gown, because it's generally not appropriate work wear.

Just think. Two million scholars will frame those sheepskins. Sadly, the sheep will feel naked.

Poor Rix has asked several folks — many of them high school graduates — what advice they can offer the Class of 2003. Here are some responses:

1. "Don't wait for Opportunity to knock on your door. Go out and find him, then hand him your resume'."

2. "Sometimes the jobs that sound the best pay the least."

3. "Be nice to everybody. The person you yelled at last week could someday be your next-door neighbor."

4. "If you go to college, occasionally take a course just for fun. It may be the best decision you ever make."

5. "When you begin to date seriously, don't look for the bank account. Instead, look for accountability."

Finally, we tell our daughter that no matter how far she goes, her home will always be right here. Congratulations, graduates!

Speaker for all seasons

by Don Newbury

A noted tunemeister, Stephen Foster, did right well with his ditty, "The Merry Merry Month of May." Many people may recall most of the words of this 1860s piece.

Were Foster composing today, he'd have a better shot at stardom with "The *Marry, Marry* Month of June." Florists, photographers, videographers, bakers, jewelers, department stores, wedding gown/formal wear shops, musicians, printers and assorted caterers would applaud.

Mothers of Brides (hereafter referred to as MOBs) would scream approvals heard across county lines. Little will be made of FOBs. In fact, their June roles are not unlike the acronym. (Aside to youngsters who may have read this far: Watch fobs were decorative "thingies" hanging from men's pocket watch chains back in the days when time pieces were wound. These fobs made it easier for them to yank watches from their vest pockets.)

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Make whatever comparisons you'd like, but fathers of the bride are a lot like the watch fobs of old. When FOBs are needed, MOBs and brides-to-be will yank their chains, usually to sign another book of checks.

Most of the time, FOBs are like watch fobs–just for decoration. They are akin to being furniture – like a third end table in a one-sofa home.

During the month of June, couples whose daughters are getting married usually save their marriages by a series of checks and balances. Typically, MOBs write checks, and FOBs maintain balances – often with a heap of juggling....

Silence is never more critical than for the FOB. He must never mention that he hears "elopements are in this year," or that if they waited until July, a lot of wedding stuff would be on sale.

He must remain "hush hush" about the merits of home weddings, and also if a change in church membership is remotely anticipated, thoughts will be tabled until after the wedding. Churches charge more for weddings of non-members, if they allow such at all....

One FOB thought he had hit upon a cost saving tactic. He proposed mailing the wedding invitations without costs! "We'll just mail all of them to ourselves, and we'll write the names of the people we really want to get them in the return address portion of the envelope. Then, we'll mail them...." His voice trailed off. This, his one and only idea, was shot down....

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Neither can he mention to anyone that his prospective son-in-law — the one who steered clear of those "hard business courses" in college — hinted about trying to get a small business loan to put in a bait stand, since there were none within 50 miles. (Never mind the closest body of water is 100 miles....)

Finally, FOBs, during the entire planning ordeal (that may extend over two terms — like Clinton's and Bush's – as well as during the ceremony and reception following must never laugh at anything, unless MOBs laugh first. Even then, they must make sure that it is not mere nervous laughter.

FOBs may or may not be allowed to laugh later at plans gone awry during video viewings. (Relax. There is usually a six-month delay in video delivery, and pity videographers who thought they knew how. For them, life is over.)

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MOBs rearrange all priorities when daughters mention the time may be at hand for the rings on their fingers. They book churches, never mind the date may be two years away, and there may even be a different prospective groom by that time. They search almanacs, hoping to get a clue about the weather 700-800 days up the road. Sometimes, the almanac gets it right.

"Hang the cost. This is my daughter, and she's just getting married one time, so it is going to be the best," MOBs by the millions have said. Statistics show they're half right, and even the half who are wrong about the one marriage thing usually will spring for another, albeit perhaps toned down.... (Note to Editors: If your community is particularly chauvinistic, run this paragraph at your own risk....)

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Work sheets, time tables, showers and rehearsals — the list grows long — are expanded and massaged. Who gets invited to what? And what about bridal selections? (Note: There is one mention of a groom's selections in Ripley's "Believe It or Not.")

One Texas MOB had just one daughter. So, the wedding was going to be in June, and was going to be done right. An obsession was to have the best wedding cake ever. (Usually, the cake taste is far less important than size and artistry.)

In January, she marched into the finest bakery to place

the order. It was decreed that a favorite scripture — First John 4:18—the one about "no fear in love" — would adorn the cake in big letters.

The busy baker, a churchman himself, told her to just leave the reference; he'd fill in the words. He meant well, but got busy. He found the torn reference with the *First* missing. It became John 4:18. Puzzled, he followed his instructions, writing "You've already had five husbands, and the

man you are living with now...."

The error wasn't spotted until the MOB instructed, "Remember, dear, use the sharp edge." The server, with the speed of a Japanese chef, sliced the cake into small pieces, none topped by more than one letter of the alphabet. Later, the video seemed as if on fast forward as the scripture disassembled and the cake disappeared....

There was yet time to make amends with the finale. The country club reception, decked out with flowers ordered, re-ordered and re-ordered to adorn all spots where plants weren't already growing, was a paradise. The harpists (plural) had to push bouquets aside to set up their instruments. One harp was so tall, the FAA required a pulsating red light on top....

All went according to script, until the new "man and wife" raced toward the limousine. At that instant, the wedding planner raised the tiny wire door of a bird cage. Two white doves were trained to fly skyward, into the sunset. Alas, one followed the script, but the other spotted a bug crawling slowly beside the bride. The bird swooped down to get it and a cat pounced on the bird; the cat and bug survived....

The MOB had a smothering spell before fainting, the FOB stifled a grin and the florist, leaning against his brand new delivery truck, laughed out loud....

But wait! The FOB does perform the final chore. It is his assignment to tuck a crumpled envelope into the preacher's hand. In it is a $20 bill and a card of thanks, in his handwriting, so the parson will think FOB to be the cheapskate.

Note to all parties planning weddings this month — or later: This, too, shall pass....

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(Afterthought: Who do you figure was the first guy to ask his wife, "Why is it I like your mother-in-law so much better than I like my mother-in-law?" Or who was the first to observe, "When we married, my wife promised to love, honor and obey. Now, I'd settle for any one of the three.")

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Dr. Don Newbury, was the second president of Western Texas College. He and his wife live in Burleson, Texas. The Newburys have three daughters – all married. His column appears weekly in several dozen Texas newspapers. Information about his book, "When the Porch Light's On," and details of speaking arrangements are available on his website, www.speakerdoc.com or by e-mail: newbury@speakerdoc.com

WTC News
WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE
Sunday, June 1, 2003
Western Texas College, 6200 College Ave. Snyder, TX 79549

SUMMER SESSION CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JUNE 6	LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW FOR 6 WEEK SESSION
THURSDAY, JULY 3	FINALS FOR 6 WEEK SESSION
FRIDAY, JULY 4	INDEPENDENCE DAY, CAMPUS CLOSED
THURSDAY, JULY 17	LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW FOR 9 WEEK SESSION
THURSDAY, AUGUST 14	FINALS FOR 9 WEEK SUMMER SESSION

Work continues on WTC Baseball/Softball Complex

Aerial view of Softball field

Dirt work has been completed on the baseball and softball fields and the water lines to the fields and concession/restroom facilities have been completed. The main sewer line still needs to be completed. The irrigation system for the baseball field should be finished next week, and work will begin on the softball side. Grass should be sodded late next week on the baseball field. Concrete work began Thursday on the baseball

Aerial view of baseball field

side for the areas of the dugouts, pressboxes and stands. This should take around a month to complete. Jason Bond has started today on the outside finishing of the concession/restroom building. He will also complete the dugouts once the concrete is finished and will do the welding on the fencing, for which plans are currently being finalized.

Athletic Program News

By Dave Hanes
Athletic Director

As our area schools prepare to wind down for the summer, activity here at WTC continues to heat up. The Health and Physical Education building will open to the public this Monday, June 2nd (see schedule), providing a climate-controlled venue for swimming, weight-lifting, cardiovascular workouts, basketball and a host of other physical activities. Swim classes will be taught by Lisa Christensen and Tiffany Kubena for students from 3-14 years of age and our Senior Citizens will once again be able to enjoy some quality time in the pool with their swimnastics workouts. In order to ensure that everyone has a sufficient supply of energy to make it through the day, our concession stand will also be open. Several pool parties are also scheduled throughout the summer months.

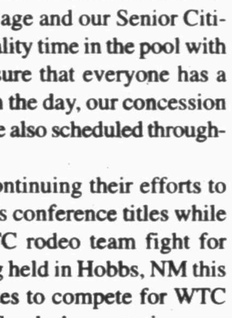
Our baseball and softball coaches are continuing their efforts to recruit student/athletes for a run at next year's conference titles while Coach Rhodes and 11 members of the WTC rodeo team fight for national berths at the Conference Finals being held in Hobbs, NM this weekend. The signing of several area athletes to compete for WTC this upcoming year is especially exciting. Snyder's reputation as a strong athletic community will be further enhanced as WTC continues to make bids for conference, regional and national championships with rosters including our "home grown" talent.

Work on the fields continues to progress with the help of corporate, business and community support, both financial and in-kind. Every day we get one step closer to realizing our goal of building two fields the college and community can be proud to call their own. Looking ahead, WTC is planning to add additional sports teams to enhance our ability to draw student/athletes from near and far, establishing your local community college as a force to be reckoned with, both on and off the field (and arena!). As our numbers continue to grow, course offerings are expanded, and opportunities for all students are increased, WTC will no longer be the best kept secret among community colleges in Texas. It's about time.

SUMMER GYM AND POOL SCHEDULE

Pool Hours
June 2 - August 1
Open Swim Monday - Friday 12pm - 6pm
Lap Swim Monday - Friday 6pm - 7pm

Swim Classes
June 12-20 (June 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20)
July 7-17 (July 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17)
8 - 8:30 am 3-5 year olds
8:30 - 9 am 6-8 years olds
9 - 9:30 am 9-11 year olds
9:30-10 am 12-14 year olds

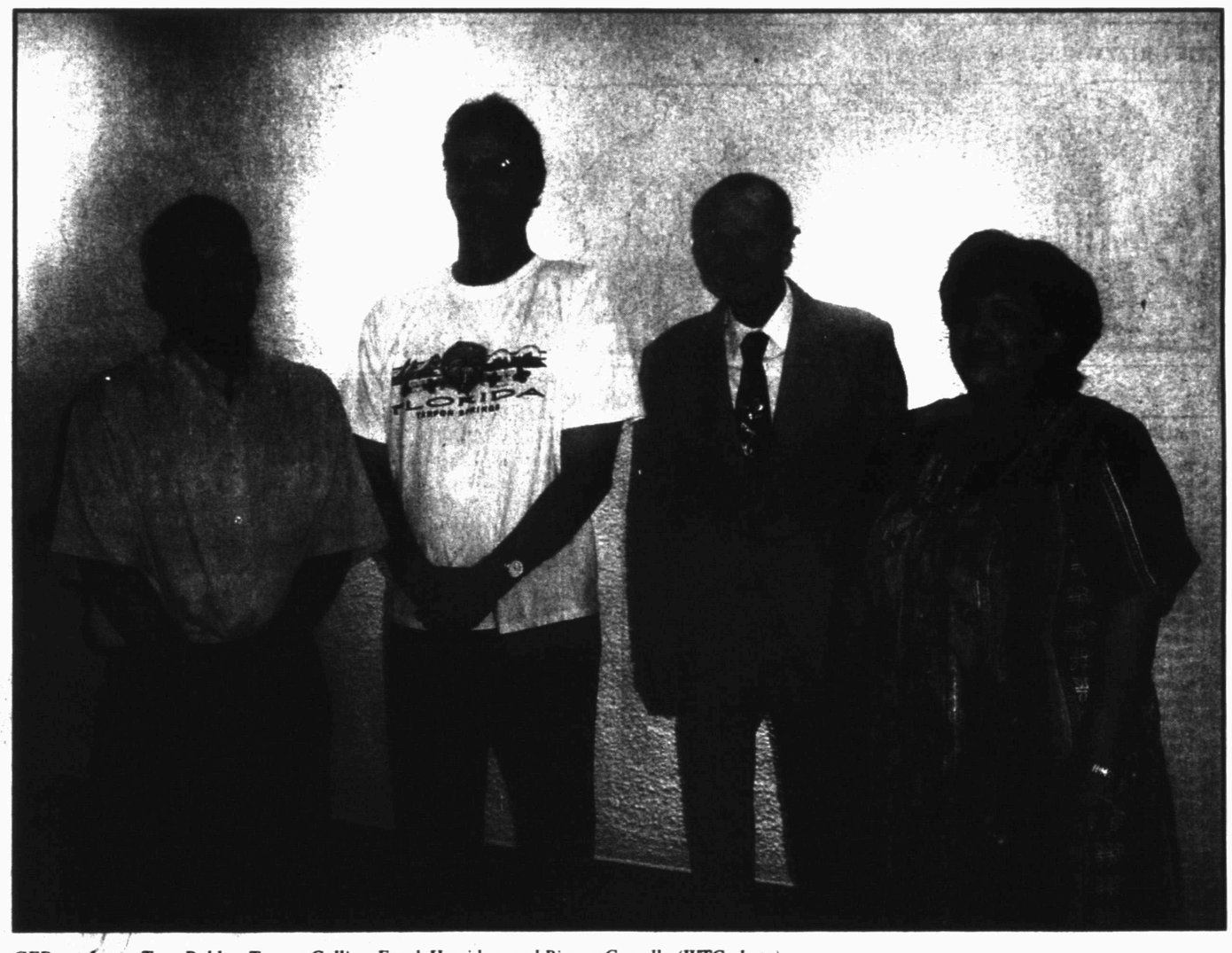


$25 per student
$20 per additional child (2 or more from same family)
*10 students maximum per session

HPE Building
8 am - 7 pm
Memberships $75/Family $30/indiv $3/day pass
8 - 10 am Swim classes, weight room, gym
10 - 11 am Swimnastics
12 - 6 pm Open swim, weight room, gym
6 - 7 pm Lap Swim
Concession Stand Open 12 - 6 pm

Students Awarded Certificates for Completion of General Education Development Program

Ceremony for graduates held May 27 in WTC Fine Arts Theatre



GED graduates Tony Robles, Tommy Collins, Frank Herridge, and Bianca Carrell. (WTC photo)

Nine students received General Education Development (GED) certificates during a ceremony held last Tuesday night in the WTC Fine Arts Theatre.

Adult Basic Education Director Margaret Corkran welcomed the honorees and guests and introduced the evening's speaker, Dr. Greg Williams, WTC President.

"Those like you, who succeed certainly deserve our respect," said Mrs. Corkran, "This certificate is more than an acknowledgment of what you've learned; it is a symbol of what you have earned: determination, values, and self respect."

Students receiving GED certificates included Tommy Baldwin, of Snyder; Bianca Carrell, of Post; Tommy Collins, of Snyder; Kale Grimes, of Snyder; Michelle Havner, of Snyder; Shell Hembree, of Dunn; Pam Herrera, of Colorado City; Frank Herridge, of Gail; and Tony Robles, of Snyder.

The Adult Basic Education Program is under the direction of Mike Thornton, Dean of Continuing Education. In addition to Margaret Corkran, other assistants include Billie Adams, Sam Barrera, and Patsy Williams. The testing center is under the direction of Emily Hataway and Molly Cates.

Dr. Williams congratulated the graduates and encouraged them in their future endeavors. "You have proven that you can set a goal and stick to it," he told them. "You know now that you have the skills to learn just about anything you choose and have opened that special door called college. The only question you have to ask yourself now is 'What's next?' Because there is always something more to achieve."

According to the Texas Education Agency (TEA), since 1949, an estimated 15.4 million adults have taken and passed the GED test. The agency also notes that G.E.D. graduates outperform 40 percent of today's graduating high school seniors.

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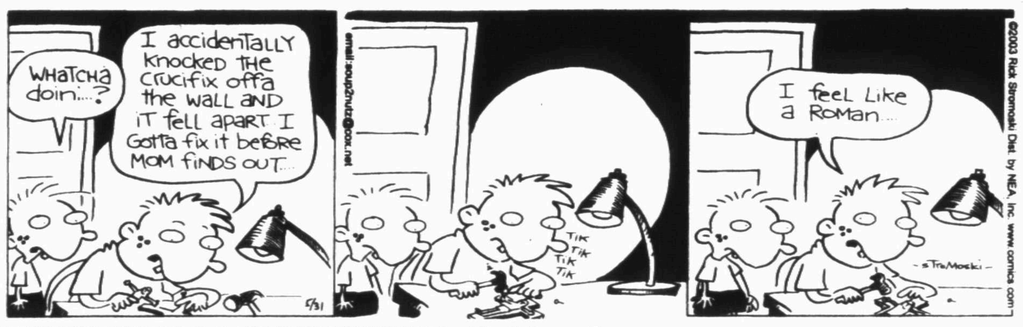
THE BORN LOSER ® by Art and Chip Sansom

SOUP TO NUTZ ® by Rick Stromoski



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THE GRIZZWELLS ® by Bill Schorr

NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Rx givers
4 Layer
7 Fall softly
11 Painting
12 Hi or bye
13 Distinctive air
14 Luau fare
15 Worked up
16 Oil exporter
17 Daffodil time
19 Selling point
21 Islet
22 Besides
23 Not cool
26 Warmhearted
28 Sapphire
29 Topics for Freud
31 Veers
35 Barrel part
37 Grandeur
39 Circuit
40 Biscuit
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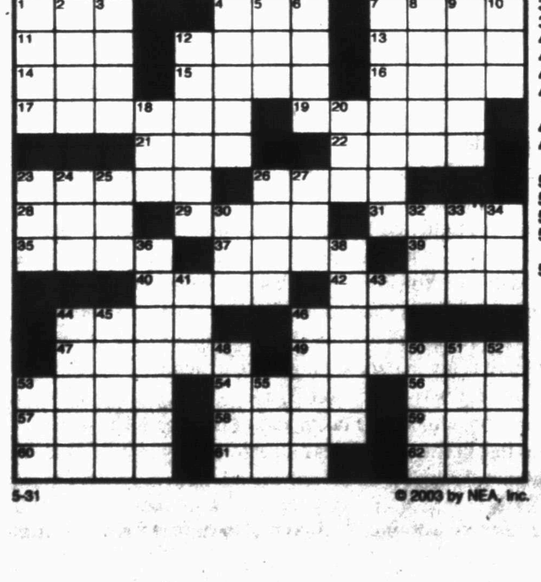

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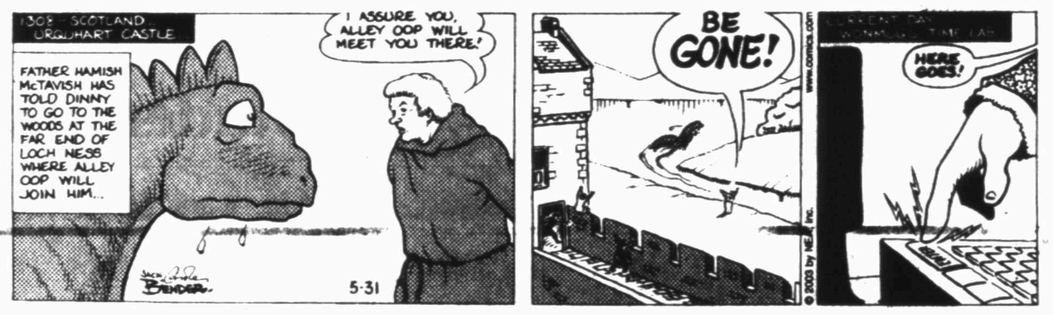

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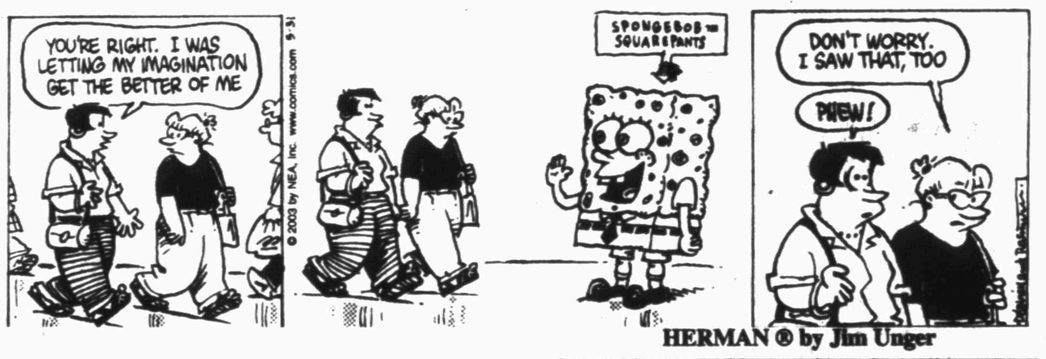

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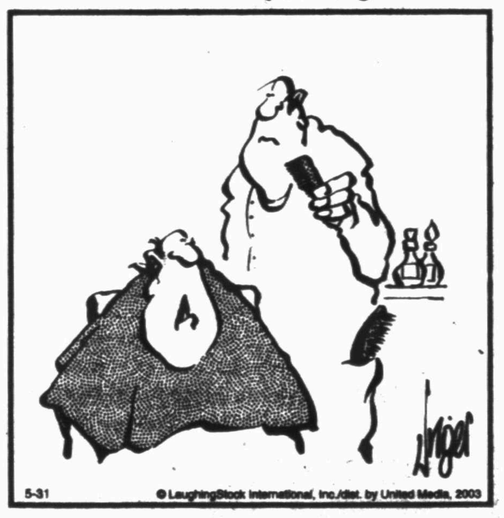

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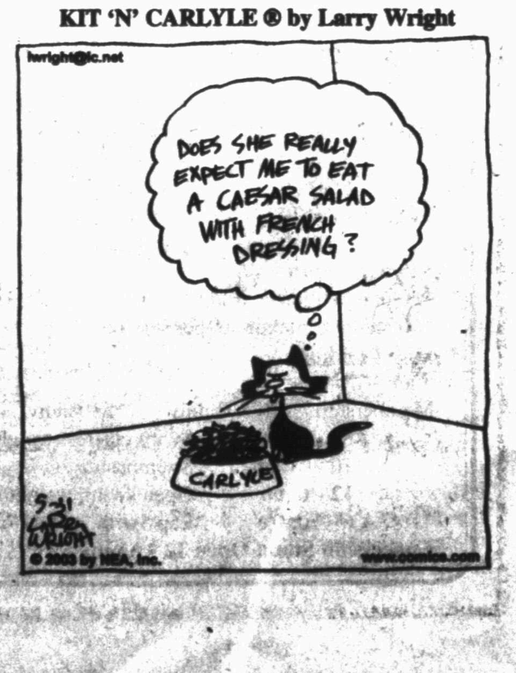

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Suffering insults in silence sets bad example for girls

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing about the letter from "Angry Mama," whose 9-year-old daughter, "Kristy," kept being addressed as "Weirdo" by her friend's father. You advised "limiting exposure" to this man, but I would like to raise a deeper issue:

What is Kristy learning from her mom's response to the insult? To bear it silently and passively? (Many women fear a confrontation.) Please tell Kristy that it is OK — even essential — for a person of any age to be able to say, "You may not speak to me that way. It's rude and I don't like it."

Her mother's apparent silence to this dad sends a message even more debilitating than his "weirdo" insults that the child will internalize as she grows.

I don't mean to be critical. I dread confrontation, too. But I did learn early on, from a wonderful therapist, that my son will learn how to respond to the world and to stand up for himself when necessary by watching ME. — AWARE MAMA, SANTA MONICA, CALIF.

DEAR AWARE MAMA: The time and money you spent on the couch were not wasted. That's an important lesson, and all parents should heed it. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: "Kristy's" mother is correct in not allowing her daughter to be subjected to that kind of treatment. It is not only inappropriate, but it could possibly be the father's way of "grooming" the girl for possible sexual abuse.

Provoking Kristy with offensive name-calling could be his way of manipulating her so she will do "anything" to win his approval. Not only should that girl stay away from him, but someone should be concerned about what's going on with HIS daughter.

If there is a mother in that home, she needs to be cautioned. If there is no mother, someone needs to reach out to the man's daughter and make sure she has someone in whom to confide.

As the mother of three daughters who were abused by a family member using the same tactic, I urge "Angry Mama" to act on the red flags she has recognized. — **PROTECTIVE MOTHER AND GRANDMOTHER**

DEAR PROTECTIVE: I advised the mother that it was her job to protect her daughter from abuse. I said that the friend's father appears to be insensitive, immature and a bit weird himself — and that it's three strikes in my book.

It did not occur to me that he might also be a pedophile. Thank you for sharing your personal experience with me and my readers, and for the warning.

DEAR ABBY: I am finishing my first year in college. This last semester I've run up a lot of debt, not only on my credit card, but to my mom as well. I need to find a summer job.

My fear is that when I'm interviewing and reveal that I am available only in the summer because I'll be returning to school in the fall, I'll be told, "Thanks, but no thanks."

How should I approach employment applications and interviews? Should I lie? I don't like the idea, but the truth might not get me the money I need. Please help, Abby. — **ANXIOUS TO CLIMB OUT OF DEBT IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

DEAR ANXIOUS: Rather than mislead anyone, apply to temporary personnel agencies. Since they provide short-term help to businesses, your time line should not be a problem.

P.S. A temp job can also morph into a permanent position after graduation.

DEAR ABBY: I have been with my boyfriend for 18 months. He has cheated on me more times than I can count. I love him and want to make things work, but lately he hasn't wanted to spend any time with me. We'll meet somewhere and he'll ask me for money. When I give it to him, he leaves right away, and I won't see him again until he needs more. I feel obligated to give him the money because we have a child together.

I am only 20 and have my whole life ahead of me. I don't know whether to throw in the towel or hope for the best and maybe things will change. I hate being alone. Deep down, I don't trust him and feel like he's using me. — **HURTING IN THE NORTHWEST**

DEAR HURTING: That lack of trust is your survival instinct. Your young man is nobody's boyfriend. He is a serial cheater and a user.

I urge you to see a lawyer, and establish paternity, custody and financial support for your child.

There is nothing lonelier than being in love all by yourself. Consider this: If you end this relationship, you'll have the possibility of meeting a man who is worthy of your love. So get going — and don't look back.

DEAR ABBY: Our granddaughter, "Beth," has been anorexic since she was 13. She is now 18 and doing much better. However, she's not completely over it.

Beth had to quit school in her junior year because of her eating disorder. Since then, she's put on weight and has made every effort to get back to the way she was before she developed anorexia.

Her granddad and I are proud of the fact that she just completed her G.E.D. (general equivalency diploma), and we'd like to host a graduation party for her, but don't know if it's the right thing to do. Is it? We would appreciate a speedy reply. — **CARING GRANDPARENTS**

DEAR CARING GRANDPARENTS: I see no reason not to have a party to celebrate your granddaughter's G.E.D. Ask her if she would like you to invite some of her old school friends. It is a symbol of your love and encouragement, and I'm sure she will appreciate it.

DEAR ABBY: I want to share with you and your readers something I did for my parents a few years ago for Mother's Day and Father's Day. I made them both a "thank-you" book.

I purchased a small photo album for each of them, and on every page I pasted an index card. On each card I wrote down one special thing that my folks had done for me.

"Thank you for building our beloved cabin with your own hands on Sebago Lake."

"Thank you for making us homemade ice cream so often."

"Thank you for helping me understand how important family is."

Abby, both parents told me it was the best gift they had ever received. — **PATTY BUCK, FALMOUTH, MAINE**

DEAR PATTY: I'm not surprised. A meaningful gift does not have to be expensive. The thought behind it is what makes it a priceless treasure.

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Ira Independent School District Summer School Program

Dear Parents:

This summer, Ira Independent School District will offer a summer school program for limited English speaking students who will enter kindergarten or 1st grade for the 2003-2004 school year.

Classes will be held for 4 weeks at Ira's campus and will begin on Thursday, June 5th and will end on Wednesday, July 2nd, 2003. Students will attend school during this time Monday through Friday from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm for a total of 80 classroom hours. Transportation can be provided for students living within our school district boundaries if it is needed. If less than 10 eligible children desire to participate in the summer program, it may not be offered.

If there is interest in enrolling your child in this program please contact Principal, Mike Duke, or Counselor, Bobbie Baker, at (915)573-2628 between the hours of 7:30 am and 4:30 pm, by Tuesday, June 3rd. This summer program is not the same as our Migrant Smart School Program which will be held July 14th - July 31st. Parents will be notified about Smart School by letter and through the Snyder Daily News in the upcoming weeks.

Estimados Padres,

Este verano. El Distrito de la Escuela Independiente de Ira ofrenca un verano programa por Estudiantes de Linitados de Hablar ingles que entrarjardo de ninos o primer curso por el 2003-2004 an escolar.

Las clases estaran por 4 semanas al campus de Ira y empezaran el jueves, Junio 5th y acabaranel miercoles, julio 2nd, 2003. Se puede proveer transportacion por estudiantes que viven dentro de muestras limites distritos si se require. Si menos que 10 antes ninos elegibles desean participar en el verano programa, es posble que no se ofrece.

Horario del estudiante: lunes-viernes
9:00 am-12:00 pm

Si hay cualquier interes en enrollar su nino en este programa, favor de contactar Principal, Mike Duke , o consejero, Bobbie Baker, a (915) 573-2628 durante cualquier dia escolar. Favor de enrollar sus estudiantes antes de junio 3rd en la oficina de la Principal.

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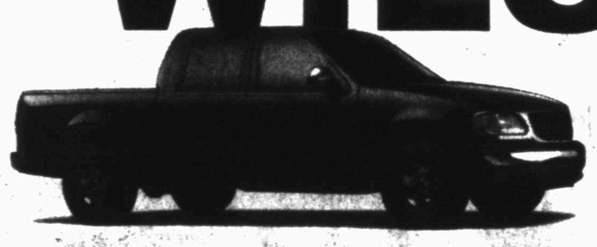

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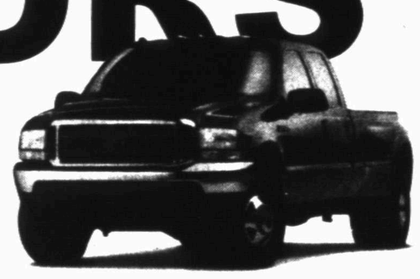

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Hurricane forecaster raises predicted number of storms

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (AP) — The 2003 hurricane season may have more storms than an earlier prediction, with an above-average chance a hurricane will reach the United States, forecaster William Gray said Friday.

The weakening of El Nino, an unusual warming of parts of the equatorial Pacific Ocean, and the likely formation of its opposite, an unusual cooling called La Nina, prompted Gray's team at Colorado State University to warn that storm activity this year may be well above average.

In a forecast released before the official start of the Atlantic hurricane season Sunday, Gray's team predicted 14 named storms, two more than predicted in April.

The forecast for eight hurricanes, twice as many as last year, remained the same. Three were predicted to become "intense" hurricanes, defined as those with winds of at least 111 mph.

There were 12 named storms last year, and two of the four hurricanes were intense. The long-term average is 9.6 named storms, 5.9 hurricanes and 2.3 intense hurricanes per year.

The team said there is a 69 percent chance of a major hurricane hitting the U.S. coastline, above the long-term average of 52 percent. That is troublesome since coastal populations have increased, Gray said.

"If a major storm hit a populated area such as southeast Florida or Long Island, the results would be devastating," Gray said.

Tropical depressions become named storms if their sustained circulating winds reach 39 mph; they become hurricanes if the winds hit 74 mph.

The storm names for the year are Ana, Bill, Claudette, Danny, Erika, Fabian, Grace, Henri, Isabel, Juan, Kate, Larry, Mindy, Nicholas, Odette, Peter, Rose, Sam, Teresa, Victor and Wanda.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Sunday, June 1, 2003

Relying on your experience, education, skills and talents will enhance your chances for success in the year ahead. The more you know and the better you're prepared for what you get into will allow you to reap rewards in proportion.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — You know that all challenges aren't a game, but you'll not be intimidated by them, either. In fact, you know with each dragon you slay, you increase your self-esteem.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Friends know that there is no one more dependable than you are and consequently turn to you when in need. You'll hang tough for them today and do whatever it takes to secure their aims.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — See if you can get in touch with two old friends today who you haven't seen in a long time. Something important is stirring that will have an influence on your affairs as well.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — In areas where you are strongly motivated, there isn't much that will deter you. You'll be both resourceful and persistent in getting what you go after, regardless of the obstacles involved.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — What makes you so remarkably well equipped to handle major issues is your ability today to couple logical thinking with long-time experiences. Together they can't lose.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Your chances for being successful will be considerably enhanced, because today you'll view developments realistically and won't expect rewards for that which you don't deserve.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Mature and serious individuals will be your most comfortable companions today. They give you the stability and security you need to hold on to your thinking against those who think differently.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Completing whatever it is you set out to do today will enhance your feelings of self-worth. You will be looking at challenges at this time as stepping-stones, not roadblocks.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — In order to find enjoyment in a social group's outing today you are going to have to be totally committed to it. If you can't get on board early, you'd be better off getting out of the way.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Making a commitment to your family today can strengthen the security of the entire clan. Set the example by keeping your mind on your obligation to the group.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Associates will respect you for your views today, because in the past you've let them know that you can be expected to tell the truth, even if it's painful.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You'll receive fair treatment in all of your arrangements with others today. The reason things will work out so well is that you'll not demand more than you deserve nor expect them to accept less.

Gemini, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph year-ahead predictions by mailing $2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

Monday, June 2, 2003

Chances are you'll have more than your share of interesting opportunities in the year ahead. The trick will be separating the long shots from those that really hold promise.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Make certain no one but you manages your affairs today, especially those of a financial nature. Conditions are a bit precarious at this time and only you possess the entire picture by which to steer your ship.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — If you're not careful today you will allow an advisor to lull you into thinking you have the edge, when in reality this person has something up his or her sleeve. Be ready for anything.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Check on anything important that was supposedly being taken care of for you. If things are not done and you don't know about it, it could cause major problems for you today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Be on guard today in any social involvements you may have for business purposes with someone you know little about. This person may not be all she or he pretends to be.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — It will be important for you to keep your target clearly in your sights today until you've hit your mark. If things are not clearly defined, you could easily drift off course.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Your credibility could suffer if you get caught embellishing a recent achievement. Tell things like they are and make no apologies for doing things differently.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — If it's not yet in the record books, don't count your chickens before they're hatched. Banking too heavily on something that doesn't materialize will lead to severe disappointment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — An associate who is aware that you can be manipulated by flattery might lay it on a bit thick today in order to achieve what she or he wants. Don't let your ego do you in.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — It's asking for disappointment today if you expect others to do more for you than you would have done for them if the roles were reversed. They'll give only what they expect you to give.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Information passed on to you today by a friend may be more gossipy than factual, and you'll know it. Unfortunately, if it is juicy enough you won't be able to resist spreading the word.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Prematurely taking bows for something you've yet to accomplish could invite an embarrassing moment. Someone who would like to see you take a tumble may ask to view the finished product.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Seeing and hearing only what you desire to believe is courting failure. Nothing can be advanced today if you keep reality totally out of the picture.

Major changes are ahead for Gemini in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167.

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