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Ask Us

Q—How long must you have lived in the Snyder Independent School District to run for office on the board of trustees?

A—You must have lived within the school district for six months and the State of Texas for at least one year.

Local

Diabetes

A local diabetes support group will meet at noon Thursday in the Senior Center.

The group is open to all ages.

Class of '67

The Class of 1967 will have a reunion planning meeting Thursday at 6 p.m. at the corner of Huffman and Clairemont Highway.

Anyone who wishes to take part should contact Christi Devers at 573-1650.

Trial

Jury selection was underway this morning in 132nd District Court in the trial of Luis Fuentes against Employers Casualty.

District Judge Gene Dulaney is presiding in the worker's compensation suit. Testimony was expected to begin Tuesday afternoon.

Scholarship

A scholarship fund in honor of long-time chief deputy Andy Anderson has been established at Western Texas College.

The scholarship will be used to assist a student in one of WTC's law enforcement programs. Donations may be sent to the financial aid office at WTC.

Reception

Snyder Chamber of Commerce will host a "come-and-go" reception for members and prespective members from 6:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Pastries, coffee, milk and orange juice will be served. Everyone is invited to meet the board of directors and chamber staff.

Ira ISD

Ira ISD board of trustees will call the May 2 board election, consider bids and requests for purchases and a career ladder policy during a 7:30 meeting tonight at the school.

Other items include consideration of the principal's contract and routine reports from the principal and superintendent.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Monday, 56 degrees; low, 32 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Tuesday, 32 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1992 to date, 3.89 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight...mostly clear. Low in the lower 30s. Light and variable wind. Wednesday...mostly sunny. High around 70. South wind 5 to 15 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 6:32 p.m. sunrise Wednesday, 7:22 a.m. Of 48 days in 1992, the sun has shone 41 days in Snyder.



BLOOD DONORS — Western Texas College students Pamela Pinkerton, standing, and Leanne Young were the first in line to donate at the blood drive today. Dora White begins the necessary paper work. Donors may give blood until 7 p.m. at Towle Park Barn. (SDN Staff Photo)

March primaries...

Early voting set to begin

Early voting in the March 10 Democratic and Republican primaries begins Wednesday at the county courthouse.

Scurry County will have three contested Democratic primaries: county sheriff, county commissioner for Precinct 1, and constable.

Early voting will be held at the courty clerk's office, located on the third floor of the courthouse. Eligible citizens may cast their ballots weekdays from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. through March 6.

Incumbent Keith Collier, seeking his eighth four-year term as county sheriff, is being challenged by retired United States Treasury Department agent John Leftwich in the Democratic primary. There is no Republican candidate for sheriff.

Four men are running on the Democratic ticket for Precinct 1 County Commissioner. They are Tommy Marricle, a semi-retired water well serviceman and rancher; Weldon Beck, area rancher; Frank Garcia, owner of Garcia Tire Service; and Ralph W. Trevey, cotton farmer.

The Democratic nominee will run against Republican Jerry Morgan in the November general election. Morgan was appointed as Precinct 1 commissioner last August. He is unopposed in the primary.

Running on the Democratic ticket for constable are former county judge Bobby Goodwin and self-employed welder Jimmy Wilson. Running unopposed on the Republican ticket is Scott Crenwelge, an area farmer and rancher.

No other county or district posi-

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Commissioners...

Engineer outlines two-fold plan for Hermleigh system

Scurry County commissioners heard a engineering report concerning the Hermleigh water works, approved requests from the library board and historical commission, and made appointments to the county child welfare board during their regular meeting this morning.

Gary McKay of Todd Engineering in Abilene presented the court with a proposal to bring the Hermleigh water works into compliance with Texas Department of Health standards. The plan presented by McKay was based on a 30-year planning system and would be completed in two phases.

Phase one would bring the system into compliance and would meet the needed water supply for about 10 years. Cost for phase one was projected at about $260,000. Phase two, which would not be necessary until around the year 2000, has an estimated cost of $230,000.

McKay discussed possible sources of funding for the work on th Hermleigh water system with the court.

Doolittle stated that the report was an update for the court's information. No action was taken on the matter.

A request from the Scurry County Library board for funds to replace carpet in the children's portion of the library was approved by the court at a cost of $713, bid by Classic Interiors of Snyder.

The court voted to allow a historical marker titled "The Press in Snyder" to be moved from the old Snyder Daily News building to the southwest corner of the courthouse square.

Commissioners approved line item transfers of $1,000 from capital outlay to cover the cost of part-time help for the county clerk's office and $170 to purchase a new office chair for the county welfare office.

County Judge Bob Doolittle presented the court with a resigna-

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Incumbents...

Greene, Price file for May elections

Two incumbents, city councilman Jack Greene Jr. and Hermleigh school board trustee Ronnie Price, have filed for re-election in the May 2 school, college district and city council elections.

Greene, a pipeline contractor and part-owner of Jack's Roadboring, is seeking his third two-year term as District 4 city council member. Greene, 44, has been a resident of Snyder for 35 years.

Other Snyder City Council seats up for election are District 1, held by Vernest Tippens; District 2, held by Jack Denman; and District 3, held by Mike Post. As of noon today, only Greene has filed for city council office.

In order to file for candidacy, a person must live in the district in which he or she seeks to represent. The filing location is City Hall.

Price, 51, is co-owner of Price Brothers Construction in Snyder. He is seeking one of two at-large positions up for election on the Hermleigh ISD board. The other position is held by Donald McHaney.

Monday morning, area farmer Joe Bob Flowers filed for Place 4 on the Western Texas College board of trustees. The seat is currently held by board president Robert Hargrove. Also up for election on the board is Place 3, held by Howard Sterling. Both are at-large positions.

To date, Flowers has been the only person to file for candidacy on the WTC board. Candidates filing for election on the WTC board must designate whether they are running for Place 3 or Place 4. Filing is held at the administration building on the college campus.

Two men, Rudy Gutierrez and Charles G. Anderson, filed for at-large positions on the Snyder Public Schools board of trustees Monday morning. Those seats are currently held by Luann Burleson and Sam Robertson.

Ira ISD has three at-large positions up for election this May. They are Place 1, held by Suzanna Wilson; Place 6, held by Keith Clements; and Place 7, held by Wylie Oliver. No one had filed as of noon today.

All three board positions are at-large; however, candidates must file for Place 1, 6 or 7. Filing will be held in the superintendent's office.

The filing period for the May 2 elections ends March 18. Early voting will begin April 13 and end April 28.

Blood drive is underway at park barn

Donors who give blood at the blood drive in Towle Park today can receive some valuable coupons and help their favorite restaurant win a trophy.

Participating restaurants are having a "friendly competition" during the drive, which lasts until 7 p.m. at Towle Park Barn.

Donors may indicate their support of a local restaurant. The restaurant with the most signatures will receive a trophy from United Blood Services of Lubbock.

In appreciation for voluntary blood donations, each participant will receive coupons for a DQ Sundae from Dairy Queen, a malt or milk shake from Sonic Drive In, a medium drink with the purchase of any dessert from Whataburger, a small soft drink and order of Potatoes Ole' from Taco John's, a dessert of choice from McDonald's, $1 off from Golden Corral, a medium drink with any food purchase from a discount store on South College Avenue, and a medium drink with any meal purchase from Long John Silver's.

A Sunday buffet for two at Willow Park Inn will be awarded by a number drawing from the list of all donors.

Seven $5 gift certificates from Jaramillo's will be distributed by random drawing. Also to be distributed will be seven $5 gift certificates from Spanish Inn.

Every fifth donor will receive a six pack from Dr. Pepper/Pepsi. Every other donor will receive a coupon for a regular order from Gill's Fried Chicken.

Cookies are being furnished by Lawrence IGA and orange juice is provided by Cogdell Hospital Auxiliary.

The drive is being sponsored by Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and Scurry County Advisory Council for United Blood Services.

Staff evaluations, reports mulled by Cogdell board

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers heard employee performance evaluations and medical staff reports at its regular meeting Monday.

Barbara Parker, director of personnel, updated the board on the results of recent employee performance evaluations, stating that there were 155 annual evaluations and 66 evaluations given upon 90 days of employment.

According to hospital administrator Tim Lancaster, employees are rated based on understanding and ability to perform tasks that relate to their position. Parker stated that average scores for the annual evaluations were around 90 percent, while 90-day evaluations ranged around 82 percent.

Board members questioned the low percentages in out-patient registration and special clinics, which averaged 73 percent on annual and 55 percent on 90-day evaluations. Parker explained that there is a high turnover rate in these positions due to the fact that they are staffed 24 hours a day and collections are part of the duties involved.

Parker reported to the board that the hospital had 98 license verifications in 1991, including 31 RN licenses, 48 LVNs, four in radiology, one for medical records, two in the anesthesiology department, four in respiratory therapy, one dental hygienist for the TDCJ wing, two in physical therapy, four in the laboratory and one in the pharmacy.

Dr. Paul Thompson, chief of staff, told the board that Ed Bloome, an OB-GYN specialist, and Wayne McNeil, an anesthesiologist from Lubbock, will be at Cogdell Wednesday night to present a program on epidural anesthesia to the medical staff.

Thompson explained that this is a regional type of anesthetic used

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BCD officers to reorganize, hear requests

Reorganization of officers and requests from Western Texas College and the AJRA rodeo committee will be considered by the Board of County Development at its regular meeting Wednesday.

The meeting is set for noon at Edward D. Jones and Company.

The WTC rodeo foundation will request the donation of prize belt buckles for this year's college rodeo, while the AJRA committee will make a request for saddle sponsorship for the national finals rodeo to be held in August.

Also on the agenda is the recognition of incoming and outgoing board members.

Eddie Johnson is the only board member with an expiring term this year. Johnson will be replaced by Mark McCormick.

The board will reorganize officers for 1992, as well as consider the minutes of the January meeting and bills payable.

The SDN Column — By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Some people's stocks split, but other's crumble."

If you happen to be one of those who cringe when you read those sickly sweet personal ads, then you'd like the ads run by a New York shopper's guide.

Instead of pieface, the ad might be directed to pigface. The paper's ad director calls them anti-personal ads which are perfect for ranting ex-lovers, ticked off co-workers, peeved relatives and annoyed neighbors.

An ad buyer can vent his wrath and do so anonymously. The ad director says its a safe and cheap (free) way for people to shed their hostility. A sample ad reads:

"M — You stink and I can't stand to see your huge mass of flesh moving around the office...You make us all sick. No one cares about your boring thoughts. By the way, who hired you? I'd love to talk to that idiot. Sugarpie."

The Manhattan weekly gets about 20 such ads each week, but many are not published because of crude content.

One female office worker who placed an ad insulting a co-worker found that their boss was unamused. Many frown on the ads and insist that civility and kindness should be encouraged, not hatred.

Perhaps it's the quality of life that motivates a person to care enough to send the worst. One departing New York City placed this ad:

"Goodbye, New York. I hope I never have to smell your disgusting garbage, listen to your idiotic political views and ride your decrepit subway system again. I'm going to a place where people still respect people..."

Most people have learned that money is not the most important thing — it's love. That's why most Americans have learned to love money.

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New mayor ousts Houston's chief of police

HOUSTON (AP) — Mayor Bob Lanier, who beat out 10-year incumbent Kathy Whitmire and a runoff challenger by promising a firm stand against crime, has ousted the city's first female police chief to "make a clean break" from past problems.

Lanier, just six weeks into his administration, on Monday nominated Sam Nuchia, a 21-year police veteran and a prosecutor with the U.S. attorney's office, to succeed Houston Police Chief Elizabeth Watson.

"After some 25 days deliberations, it's my point of view, my conviction, opinion, that the new administration would be best served with a new police chief," Lanier said during a Monday afternoon news conference.

Nuchia, 46, faces confirmation by the City Council in about two weeks.

Mrs. Watson, 41, became the nation's first female chief of a major metropolitan area in February 1990 when she succeeded mentor Lee P. Brown, who had been the city's first black chief. Brown now serves as police commissioner of New York City.

As early as late November, there was speculation that whoever would succeed Mrs. Whitmire, who finished last in a three-candidate race, would oust her choice as police chief.

Mrs. Watson inherited a disenchanted police force that withstood two civilian slayings by officers in as many months and claims of racial bias long before the nation saw videotape of Rodney King being beaten by Los Angeles officers. Four Houston officers were fired and one is appealing a seven-year sentence for a murder conviction.

It seemed Mrs. Watson's status with her peers — she was then a 17-year veteran who had worked her way through the system and was married to another officer — and her emphasis on neighborhood-oriented policing would help her heal wounds between the force and the community. She was given the first-ever unanimous endorsement for the job by the City Council.

Even Lanier could not complain about her performance.

"I think she performed well under difficult circumstances, plus I liked her," he said. Lanier said he thought Mrs. Watson faced several problems during her tenure, including the hostile relationship between the police unions and Mrs. Whitmire, personnel shortages, increases in crime and low wages.

"It was a fairly difficult choice to make," Lanier said. "But I just decided, after some reflection, that the new administration would be better off with a new police chief, and break rather clean with whatever may have been the problems of the past, whether they were of Chief Watson's making or not."

Lanier, who spent more than $3 million campaigning for the mayoral job, promised Houstonians he would help gain control of the crime situation. He promised hundreds more police officers would be patrolling the streets — even if it took money from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, an organization he once led until he disagreed with Mrs. Whitmire about whether the city should have a light rail system.

Kurds plan historic elections

SALAHUDDIN, Iraq (AP) — In a tattered hotel ballroom high in the northern Iraqi hills, dozens of guerrillas in Kurdish jumpsuits and camouflage jackets are studying a new tactic in their decades-long struggle — elections.

"What does a simple majority mean?" demands a middle-aged guerrilla, jabbing at a blackboard.

"Any candidate who gets the most votes wins," chant the rebels, slumped in plastic chairs.

The class, at the headquarters of the Kurdistan Democratic Party, is in preparation for what is billed as a historic event — the Kurds' first free elections.

The balloting, scheduled for April 3, is to elect a Kurdish "mini-parliament" and an overall leader.

The vote is considered critical for the Kurds, who seized the world's attention last year when they fled to the Turkish and Iranian borders after Saddam Hussein crushed their uprising.

The 3.5 million Kurds now control a strip of northern Iraq they reoccupied with the help of a U.S.-led allied force.

But their heady experiment with self-rule has fared poorly. Their leaders are divided. Elation has turned to despair since Baghdad cut off salaries for Kurdish civil servants last fall and imposed a blockade on food and fuel.

"Now there is a vacuum of administration, constitution and laws," said Jalal Talabani, leader of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, a major party. "We must elect our national assembly to fill it."

Kurdish leaders say their 120-member assembly will oragnize public services and merge the guerrilla forces of the eight main Kurdish parties, ending a reign of militia rule.

But most importantly, the assembly is to set a strategy for dealing with Saddam.

In recent months, the ruling eight-party Kurdistan Front has frequently been paralyzed, since each party had veto power.

The election is expected to give a mandate to one of the two main Kurdish leaders — Talabani or Massoud Barzani, who heads the Kurdistan Democratic Party.

Barzani favors resuming negotiations with Baghdad on an autonomous Kurdish region that stalled last fall over the size of the proposed area. He says it is unrealistic to aim for a Kurdish state, since neighboring Turkey, Iran and Syria — all with Kurdish minorities of their own — oppose the idea.

Talabani is more optimistic about foreign support and says negotiations should only occur under U.N. auspices.

He also believes a combined opposition force of Iraqi Shiites, Islamic groups and Kurds might succeed in toppling Saddam. But other Kurdish leaders are wary of those groups.

"Some parts of the opposition are not prepared to offer Kurds as much as Saddam Hussein," Barzani said in an interview.

Aides say Barzani's caution stems in part from the experiences of his legendary father Mustafa, whose fight collapsed in 1975 after Iran and the United States withdrew their aid to the Kurds.

Despite their differences, Barzani and Talabani agree that only continued pressure from the United Nations and the U.S.-led coalition will ultimately keep Saddam at bay.

Kurdish leaders are quietly hoping their elections will have an impact well beyond their region.

"A democratic body in Kurdistan will inspire people in Iraq for democracy," said Talabani.

On the Issues

The issue: nuclear plant licensing

Editor's Note — The Associated Press asks the major presidential candidates a question each weekday about their views on a particular issue and assembles their responses.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Here are the views of the major presidential candidates on the question: "Should the licensing process for nuclear power plants be streamlined to allow quicker construction of new facilities?"

DEMOCRATS

—Jerry Brown: A spokesman said Brown opposes construction of any new nuclear facilities.

—Bill Clinton: A spokeswoman said Clinton opposes construction of new nuclear facilities. "We need a new energy policy to lower the trade deficit, increase productivity and improve the environment. We must rely less on imported oil and nuclear energy and more on cheap and abundant natural gas as a transition fuel to renewable energy resources," said Clinton.

—Tom Harkin: "No, we do not need to speed up licensing, because we do not need and cannot afford more nuclear power, either in terms of its financial cost or the environmental cost of radioactive waste disposal and plant decommissioning. Conservation, energy efficiency improvements, and increased use of renewable energy and natural gas can provide the energy needed for new economic growth ... at lower cost and with less environmental degradation."

—Bob Kerrey: "No. I do not believe constructing nuclear power plants is the path toward energy independence — especially in light of the nuclear industry's historic unaccountability and poor economic record. Instead, we need a comprehensive energy strategy that emphasizes energy efficiency, conservation, research and development in renewables, and reformed federal decision making."

—Paul Tsongas: (from Sunday night's Democratic debate) "My energy policy is very clear. Maximized conservation ... maximized renewables. So for me nuclear is part of the last tier, but it will be part of the process until we get into a position where renewables and long-term fusion fill the bill. ... When Seabrook (nuclear plant in New Hampshire) was being built, one of the five of us (Democratic candidates) said it was the wrong place... it was me."

REPUBLICANS

—George Bush: Bush supports expanded use of nuclear power. His national energy strategy calls nuclear power "a plus for 'energy security' because it does not rely on fuel whose supply is threatened by depletion or cutoff." Bush has sought to reform the Nuclear Regulatory Commission licensing process to "reduce the lead time and financial risk associated with building nuclear power plants." The key to the reforms is resolving safety questions before plant construction begins.

—Patrick Buchanan: Yes.

—David Duke: "Yes, but no shortcuts should be taken on safety."

2 Dallas men in primary

DALLAS (AP) — Former Dallas mayoral candidate Rufus Higginbotham may have been shooting for the stars when he filed to run in today's New Hampshire presidential primary.

He's running his campaign along the same lines, promising to start a worldwide space program to rejuvenate the nation's economy.

"It's so far above and beyond anything you hear coming out of the mouths of the other Democratic candidates," Higginbotham said. "I'm talking to people about that next star out there."

Higginbotham, a Democrat, and Dallas Republican George Zimmermann are among 60 other candidates who paid the $1,000 filing fee for Tuesday's New Hampshire presidential primary. The Federal Elections Commission says 211 presidential candidates have registered for the 1992 election in November.

The two long-shot candidates say their campaign trips to New Hampshire lacked the throngs of advisors and reporters that accompany major contenders.

"The lesser-known or minor candidates get almost no coverage," Zimmermann said. "They (the media) like to treat us as a pack."

Although his name identification is low in New Hampshire, Higginbotham is convinced his message of space exploration and colonization will eventually win massive support.

A devout Southern Baptist, Higginbotham is using the same platform he did in earlier unsuccessful political campaigns for Dallas mayor and U.S Congress.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

"Well, it's over now!" That was the comment made by some of the supporters of the Snyder Elementary School Reorganization Plan following the board meeting Thursday night. Well, let me tell you — it's not over for our elementary children. It's just beginning.

Let's list just a few of the things our children can look forward to in the upcoming years:

1) Riding buses every day.

2) Attending a different school every year.

3) Wondering if they'll know anyone in their class each year.

4) Having a different principal each year..

5) Having a teacher they've never seen.

6) Never again seeing teachers they've become close to in previous years.

7) Being separated from their brothers and sisters.

Well, you get the idea of a few things our children can now look forward to. These and many other concerns have been presented to our school board and superintendent, and we were told, "Thank you for your concerns; we will surely consider them before we make our decision." The very least that all of the concerned parents and other citizens asked was for the board to delay their vote until more research could be made into this very important decision. Were we heard? No!

Our school board members were elected by the people to be representative of the people.

On Tuesday night, February 4th, approximately 950 concerned parents and citizens came together with an overhwelming majority opposing this issue and wanting some answers. Several speakers asked if we were wasting our time or if we were being heard. Well, I believe that question was answered loud and clear Thursday night! It is a very sad day when the members of any board know that there are hundreds and hundreds of dissatisfied families, yet go ahead with a poorly researched proposal anyway.

The children who I feel for the most are those who have a hard time being accepted by their peers because they are a little different from the other children. After kindergarten and first grade, they have finally become accepted — if not by everyone, at least by a few hard-earned friends. Now we are going to take this emotionally unstable child and place him with a completely new group of children and teachers each year for the next five years, where every year he'll have to prove himself. This may be a small percentage of children, but this plan is said to be beneficial for all children. As of yet, that has not been proven.

I would like to sincerely thank the one board member who could not vote for this proposal because of all of the uncertainty, unexplored options, and unanswered questions. Thank you for your concern and boldness. I wish there were more like you.

Tim Dea
Snyder, Texas

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Feb. 18, 1992

You have the potential for solid achievements in the year ahead, but you might have to revise your tactics in order to get good results.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A transformation you've been hoping for, not only for yourself but for the benefit of those you love, looks like it is going to come about sooner than you anticipated. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Guard against the inclination today to think it is you and not the other guy who makes all the concessions and compromises. In truth, if you stood back a bit, you may get an entirely different picture.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) There is opportunity around you today, but you might not be adept at reading the signals. If developments begin to look propitious, don't let negative thinking convince you otherwise.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your influence over your immediate sphere of friends is quite strong at this time, but there is a fly in the ointment. It's an ineffective acquaintance who'll serve as a detractor.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Too much time might be devoted to trivial matters early in the day. But later on today, when you get in gear, there's a strong possibility you'll accomplish your big objective.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Even though your reasoning might be a little fuzzy today, you're still likely to be alert enough to appreciate the potential of something worthy of your participation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your financial trends look very encouraging at this time. Your probabilities for generating substantial returns are excellent, provided you do what needs doing rather than just talk about it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You're the one who is making the major contribution to a joint venture in which you're involved, not your counterpart. You might not see this, but others will.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Developments you seem to have the least control over could be the ones that are likely to shower you with the largest rewards at this time. Trust your luck.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Avail yourself today to groups where you'll have possibilities for making influential contacts. Big shots could become your buddies.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Where your career is concerned, do not hide your light under a bushel today. If you think you have constructive ideas that could produce better results, make your concepts known.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Even though you may think your social life is at a high point now, there are strong indicators it could become even better. Someone fascinating and dynamic is about to capture your attention.

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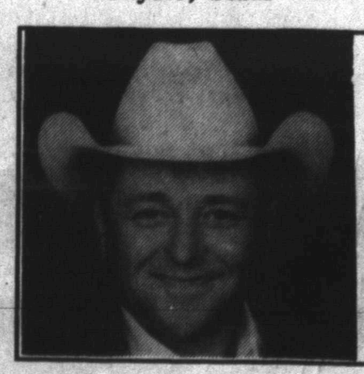


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MARCH BRIDE-TO-BE HONORED — Xalyn Harris, bride-elect of Landon Northcutt, was given a miscellaneous shower Saturday in the fellowship hall of Colonial Hill Baptist Church. The couple plans to be married in Hawaii on March 16. From left are Nellie Jo Miller, grandmother of the bride-elect; Veleri Dunn, another grandmother; Xan Harris, her mother; the bride-elect; Letha Northcutt of Proctor, mother of the prospective groom; Freda Dunn of Proctor, his grandmother; and another grandmother, Martha Nell Northcutt of Stephenville. (SDN Staff Photo)



WELCOME FOR BABY — A baby shower was held Jan. 12 at the First Presbyterian Church for Jessica Dawn Hibbitt, daughter of Billie and Brent Hibbitt of Snyder. She was born on Jan. 2. From left are Willa Hargrove, her great-grandmother; Glenda Valentine, her grandmother; Brent, Billie and Jessica; Kate Owens, her grandmother; and Brenda Kuss, her aunt. (Contributed Photo)

Kids can make...

Quick, easy dessert

By The Associated Press

Kids can make a quick and easy dessert, using a box of microwave brownies, pudding, whipped topping and slices of fresh fruit. Best of all, it's delicious and fun to eat!

To make the following recipe for Brownie Pudding Pizza, young chefs will need a medium mixing bowl, 9-inch microwave-safe pie plate, potholders, measuring cups, small mixing bowl, wire whisk, rubber scraper or large spoon, tablespoon and sharp knife.

An adult should lend a hand when preparing the recipe, especially when using the sharp knife to cut the fresh fruit.

BROWNIE PUDDING PIZZA

One 101/2-ounce package microwave brownie mix

11/4 cups cold milk

One 4-serving size package instant pudding, any flavor

1 cup frozen whipped topping, thawed

2 cups cut-up fruit, such as apples, grapes, oranges and bananas

Prepare brownie mix in a medium bowl according to package directions. Pour mixture into a 9-inch round microwave-safe pie plate. Cook in the microwave, according to package directions, for a 9-inch pan. Use potholders to remove pie plate from the microwave oven, or ask an adult to do it. Be careful, plate will be hot. Let cool.

Pour the cold milk into a small bowl. Add pudding mix. Beat with a wire whisk until well blended, about 2 minutes. Let pudding stand 5 minutes.

Stir whipped topping into pudding very gently with rubber scraper until mixture is all the same color. If you do not want to prepare and eat the pizza right away, put the pudding mixture into the refrigerator to chill until serving time. Just before serving, spoon pudding mixture over brownies, spreading with back of spoon to cover evenly.

Cut into wedges. Top each wedge with slices of fresh fruit, arranging fruit in whatever design you like. Makes 8 servings.

Recipe from: "Jell-O Kids' Cooking Fun," Kraft General Foods, White Plains, N.Y., $5.98 spiral-bound.

Chewing and dipping

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — The number of teen-agers chewing tobacco or dipping snuff is growing at an alarming rate, according to some researchers who are predicting an epidemic of mouth cancer in a few years. The smokeless tobacco industry, insisting that there is no evidence their products cause cancer, reports sales have been on the increase in the past few years.

BC-APN--Chewing Tobacco, by Ray Formanek Jr., one take.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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♦A 8 4
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WEST
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♦K Q J
♣A J 9

SOUTH
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♥A K J 4 3
♦5
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Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
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1 ♥	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	4 NT	Pass
5 ♣	Pass	6 ♥	All pass

Opening lead: ♦ 10

A convention for all countries

By Phillip Alder

Your partner opens one heart or one spade, and the next player passes. How do you play a jump to two no-trump? In North America, the Jacoby Forcing Major-Suit Raise has been the most popular interpretation for over 20 years. Nowadays it is also in the ascendancy in the rest of the world.

When an excellent fit is found, the location of a side-suit shortage can be critical for a slam. The Jacoby convention concentrates on that feature, as highlighted in today's auction. Three diamonds showed a singleton or void in the suit: music to North's ears. He launched into Roman Key Card Blackwood. South showed zero or three key cards (three aces, or two aces and the trump king). North, knowing it had to be three key cards, bid the small slam.

However, it's no good being able to bid beautiful slam contracts if your card-play doesn't show the same expertise. South won the diamond lead with dummy's ace and drew trumps. Being a rubber-bridge player at heart, declarer led a spade to dummy's king and finessed the spade 10. West won with the queen and switched to a club: one down. South complained that the queen is usually over the jack, but North was unsympathetic. He had noticed a better line of play.

At trick two, declarer ruffs a diamond. He draws trumps and leads the club king. Suppose East wins with the ace and returns a club. South wins in dummy, ruffs dummy's third diamond and ruffs a club. At this point, South will have seen 11 points in East's hand. Because East passed as dealer, he couldn't have the spade queen as well.

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Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Free blood pressure clinic; Ira Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Weight Watchers; First Assembly of God; 5:30 p.m.

Parenting Support Group; 2513 College Ave.; for more information, call Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse at 573-1141.

Art Guild Study Club; MAWC; 6:30 p.m.

Beta Sigma Phi; Snyder Country Club; 7:30 p.m.

Hermleigh Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge; 7:30 p.m.

Sport Card Swap Club; Willow Park Inn, for information call 573-1961; 7 p.m.

ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bride; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m.

Art Guild Study Club; MAWC; dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m.

TOPS TX56; 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, and meeting from 6 to 7 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444.

Scurry Lodge 706; AF and AM degree classes; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-9924, 573-5867.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956 or 573-8626.

WEDNESDAY

Free blood pressure clinic; Hermleigh Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Scurry County Penwomen; 1:30 p.m.

Cosmorama Study Club; MAWC; 4:15 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3961 or 573-8885.

THURSDAY

Honey Do's Extension Homemakers Club; 2307 41st St.; 9:30 a.m.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary; board room; all members urged to attend; 10 a.m.

Diabetes Support Group; Senior Center; open for all ages; 12 noon.

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Country Club; 12 noon.

Free blood pressure clinic; Dunn Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.

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

Tumbleweed Toastmasters meeting; American State Bank conference room; 7 p.m.

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; VFW; 6:30-8 p.m.

Snyder Chapter No. 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308, 573-9924 or 573-5867.

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

Free blood pressure clinic; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 p.m.

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

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

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; For more information call 573-2101 or 77333677 rr 7733956; 8 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-5524 days, 573-2101 nights; 8 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; For information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9924. (Last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting); 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Martha Ann Woman's Club Mexican Dinner; $6 adults, $3 child; entertainment; 6 p.m.

Alateen Step Study Group; Park Club at Winston Park; For information, call 573-8929 or 573-5164.

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626 or 573-2349; 10 a.m.

10 a.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.

Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1-4 p.m.

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

Genealogy seminar set

Scurry County Genealogical Society will sponsor Ron Bremer of Salt Lake City, Utah, in a seminar, "The World of Genealogy."

Bremer has over 40 years experience as a genealogist and there will be information for both the beginner and the advanced researcher. His ability to answer questions from the audience not only makes his seminars more personal, notes local genealogist, but he is frequently able to help each individual.

Topics will include introduction and organization; speeding up your genealogy; little-known sources; laws and rules of genealogy; and questions and answers.

Those attending are encouraged to come prepared to discuss their genealogical research problems. Additionally, he welcomes audio and video recordings. There will be free handouts.

The seminar will be held Monday, March 9 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the meeting room at Snyder National Bank. There is no charge. For additional information, call Joanne Sterling at 573-7039, or Mary Strelecki at 573-8183.

Shredded wheat marks 100 years

NEW YORK (AP) — Shredded Wheat was invented 100 years ago by a lawyer working on a kitchen range. Its recipe remains the same.

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Nabisco is marking the cereal's anniversary with a series of ads starring television personality Dick Clark.

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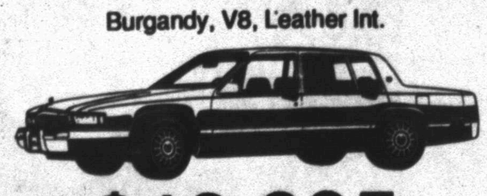
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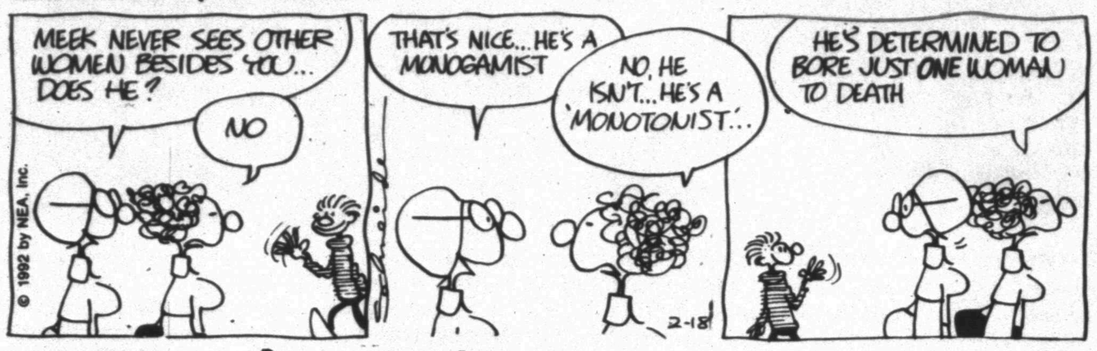
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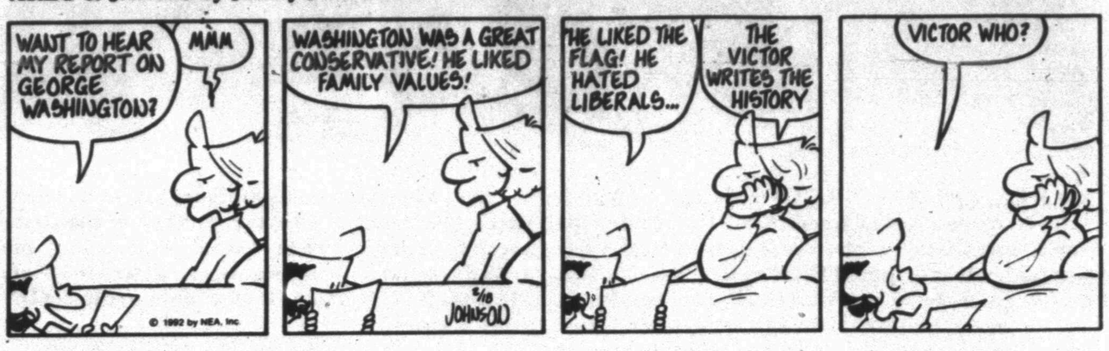
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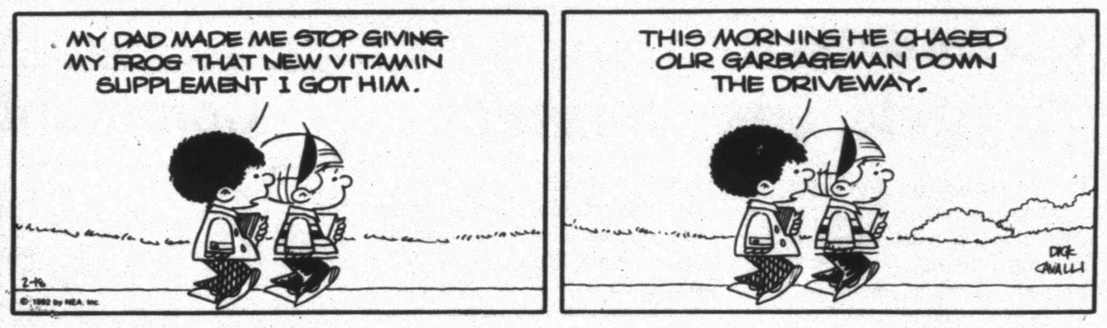
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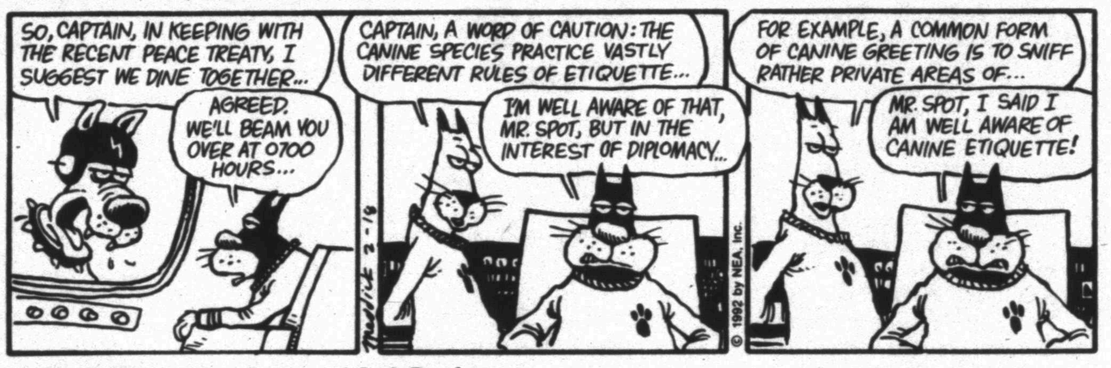
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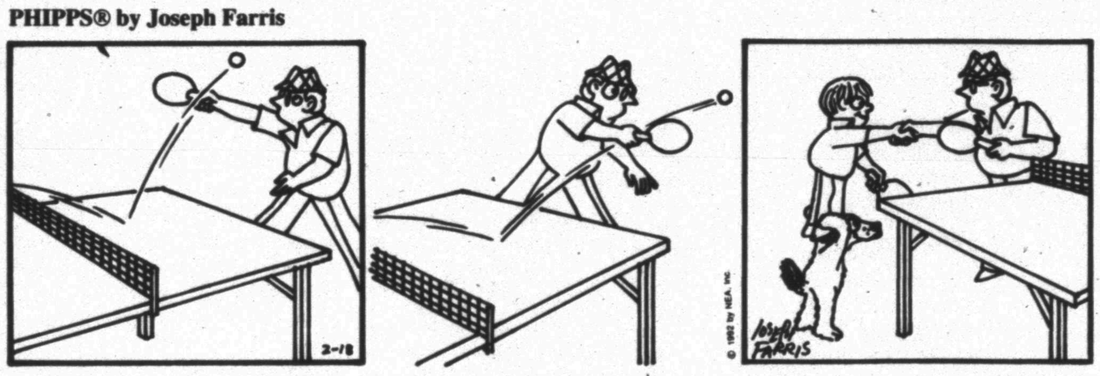
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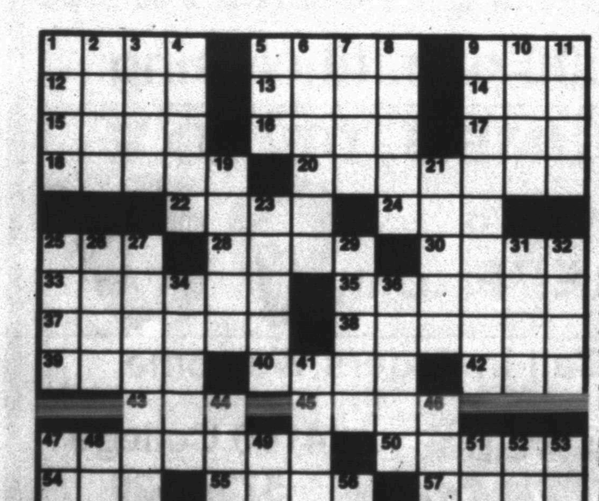
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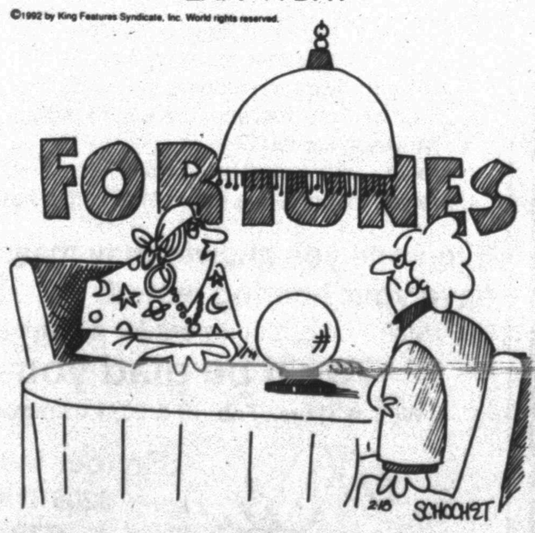
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LAFF-A-DAY



"He says, *'Leave me alone! Must you always get the last word?'*"

Hockey showdown ends in tie

ALBERTVILLE, France (AP) — It was supposed to be European finesse against American brawn, but the bloody Sweden-U.S. hockey matchup turned out to be more like Ali vs. Frazier.

A game with no knockouts but plenty of knockdowns, it ended in a draw that helped both teams' Olympic medal chances. If there's a rematch, it will come Saturday with the gold medal at stake and fresh memories of bad blood spilled Monday night.

"This isn't war, guys, this isn't war," Swedish assistant coach Curt Lundmark told reporters after the 3-3 tie at the Meribel arena. "But almost."

Love conquered all on another rink 25 miles away — or was it a million? — in Albertville, where a Russian couple skating sensuously to Bach beat French stars Isabelle and Paul Duchesnay for the Olympic ice dancing title.

Marina Klimova and Sergei Ponomarenko, competing for the Unified Team, won the free skate with a steamy program cleverly designed to score artistic points where a brother-sister duo, even the world champions, cannot.

"It's very difficult for Isabelle and Paul to skate love, so we find the program and we know that we'll do it well because we love each other and we're married to each other," Ponomarenko said.



After watching the men's downhill and super-G on TV, Alberto Tomba made his 1992 Olympic debut today and it was worthy of a two-time gold medalist.

The Italian superstar, looking to become the first Alpine skier to successfully defend an Olympic title, burst out of the starting gates and attacked the giant slalom course to lead by .13 seconds after the first of two runs. Luxembourg's Marc Girardelli, the four-time World Cup circuit champion seeking his first gold medal, was second and super-G gold medalist Kjetil Andre Aamodt of Norway was third.

The Norwegians today picked up a seventh gold, tying their all-time best, by easily winning the 40-kilometer men's cross-country ski relay. Vegard "the Viking" Ulvang became the leading male medal-winner at the Albertville Games with three golds and one silver, and teammate Bjorn Dahlie won a second gold and third medal. Italy was second and Finland third in a near-photo finish with snakebitten Sweden.

The Swedes have been one of the Winter Games' biggest disappointments, with just two bronze medals so far. They had four golds in each of the last two Winter Olympics.

Germany remained atop the medals table with 21, including eight golds. Next were the Unified Team with 17, Austria 16 and Norway 14. Italy tied the French with eight, and the Americans fell into eighth place behind Finland with six.

The U.S. hockey team (4-0-1) blew a 3-0 lead in the final 14 minutes, but still earned a top seed and the right to play France (2-3) in a quarterfinal game tonight instead of the Unified Team. Goalie Ray LeBlanc was super again despite the late letdown.

By tying the game on Mikael Johannson's goal with 21 seconds left, the Swedes (3-0-2) also avoided the mighty Russians and will play Finland on Wednesday. But their own version of North American-style hockey rubbed the North Americans the wrong way.

One crunching hit less than three minutes into the game demonstrated graphically that there was no love lost between the two foes.

The Swedes had pointed to the game after a 3-2 pre-Games loss in Chamonix in which they complained of U.S. bullying tactics. When a flying check by former NHL player Mats Naslund against the glass KO'd American defenseman Greg Brown for several minutes, it literally smacked of revenge.

U.S. coach Dave Peterson called it a dirty shot and refused to shake hands with Swedish coach Conny Evensson afterward. He called for Naslund, who was ejected from the game, to be thrown out of the Olympics.

"I'm sorry about the guy who was bloody, but it's part of the game," Evensson shrugged.

Naslund, who four years ago won the NHL's Lady Byng Trophy for sportsmanship, said he didn't intend to hurt Brown. But Brown suffered a gashed nose and a concussion and the Americans were in no mood to make concessions.

Also Monday, Gunda Niemann climaxed Germany's domination of women's speedskating — Bonnie Blair excepted — by leading a 1-2-3 sweep of the 5,000 meters. It was her second gold medal in 1992, third overall, and gave Germans nine of the 15 medals awarded in the five events.

Tigers host Panthers in season's last game

The Snyder Tigers head into Tuesday's basketball season finale against Lubbock Dunbar playing for pride after being eliminated from the District 2-4A playoff chase Friday in a 61-45 loss to Levelland.

Coach Bud Birks blamed a cold night shooting for the loss.

"We had some good players, Hayward (Clay), Barron (Wesley) and Jeffrey (Wortham) all miss shots from two or three feet away.

"Every team has to go through games like this," he added. "The ball just wouldn't go in."

Seniors Clay, Wesley, Wortham and Eric West will be playing their final game for the Tigers tonight.

Clay was the team's leading scorer against Levelland Friday, hitting 16 points. Wesley was the only other Tiger in double figures with 10.

Snyder carries a 17-13 overall record into the battle. They are 3-6 in district tilts.

Dunbar's Panthers were victimized by their cross-town rivals, the Estacado Matadors Friday, 88-53.

Dunbar is now 6-20 and 1-8 and in the 2-4A cellar.

In other games today, Lamesa, who has wrapped up the loop crown with an 8-1 slate in league games, hosts Levelland; and Estacado is at Frenship.

Levelland and Frenship are currently tied for the district's second post-seaon berth with tonight's games deciding the loop runner-up.

The SHS-Dunbar tilts begin with the 6:30 p.m. JV battle followed at 8 p.m. by the varsity game. Both games will be played at Scurry County Coliseum.

WJCAC basketball

MEN

Team	Season		Conference	
Midland	21	6	11	2
South Plains	21	7	11	3
NMJC	23	4	10	3
Odessa	20	6	8	4
Howard	20	8	7	7
WTC	13	14	5	8
NMMI	10	17	4	9
Clarendon	7	16	2	12
Frank Phillips	3	20	1	11

Monday, Feb. 17
Howard 74, Midland 73
Odessa at Frank Phillips
NMJC 91, Clarendon 86
South Plains 88, NMMI 69
WTC — open

Thursday, Feb. 20
Frank Phillips at Clarendon
South Plains at Odessa
Midland at WTC
NMMI at NMJC

WOMEN

Team	Season		Conference	
Howard	24	3	11	0
NMJC	24	3	9	2
South Plains	16	11	4	6
Odessa	13	14	4	6
Frank Phillips	10	11	3	6
WTC	9	16	3	7
Clarendon	10	11	1	9

Monday, Feb. 17
Odessa at Frank Phillips
NMJC 83, Clarendon 72
WTC — open

Thursday, Feb. 20
Frank Phillips at Clarendon
South Plains at Odessa

NBA roundup...

Brown guides L.A. to win over Spurs

by The Associated Press

Larry Brown took little pleasure in coaching the Los Angeles Clippers to victory over San Antonio three weeks after the Spurs fired him.

"I didn't want to play the game, to be honest," Brown said after Monday's night's 124-110 victory, giving him a 4-0 record as coach of the Clippers. "I didn't enjoy watching a team that I got to coach. They won a lot of games for me, and it was hard watching them play."

Brown, the only coach in the 22-year history of the franchise to win his first four games with the Clippers, saw them rally from a double-digit deficit.

James Edwards scored a season-high 26 points and Ron Harper added 24 for the Clippers.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was Atlanta 117, Washington 110; New York 104, Miami 102; Indiana 128, Charlotte 117; Cleveland 113, Chicago 112; Minnesota 124, Houston 122 in overtime; Utah 88, Boston 83; Seattle 98, Phoenix 96; and Golden State 116, the Los Angeles Lakers 100.

The Spurs, 8-5 with interim coach Bob Bass, got 74 points from their front line as Terry Cummings matched a season-high with 30 points and grabbed a season-high 17 rebounds. David Robinson and Sean Eliott added 22 points apiece.

The Clippers trailed 30-15 in the first period, but they scored 13 consecutive points to tie the score 34-34 on Edwards' three-point play early in the second period.

Timberwolves 124, Rockets 122 OT

Minnesota won its second straight road game, but only its fourth of the season, coming from 24 points behind at Houston.

Tony Campbell had 35 points and Sam Mitchell scored all 13 of his points in the final 10 minutes for the Timberwolves.

Hakeem Olajuwon scored 35 points, Kenny Smith had 24 points and 11 assists and Otis Thorpe 21 points and 20 rebounds for the Rockets.

Minnesota trailed 105-96 with 4:53 left in regulation before a 10-0 run — six by Mitchell — put the Timberwolves ahead 106-105.

Another basket by Mitchell with 28 seconds left made it, but a 3-pointer by Smith with 20 seconds remaining forced the overtime.

Cavaliers 113, Bulls 112

Cleveland snapped the Bulls' 14-game home winning streak despite Michael Jordan's 46 points.

Brad Daugherty had 25 points and 14 rebounds and Mark Price 23 points for the Cavaliers, who trailed 99-92 midway through the fourth quarter.

District 2-4A

Boys

Team	Season		District	
Lamesa	21	10	8	1
Levelland	20	7	6	3
Estacado	16	15	6	3
Snyder	17	13	3	6
Frenship	16	15	3	6
Dunbar	6	20	1	8

Friday's games
Levelland 61, Snyder 45
Estacado 88, Dunbar 53
Lamesa 74, Frenship 69

Tuesday's games
Dunbar at Snyder
Levelland at Lamesa
Frenship at Estacado

AP Top 25

by The Associated Press

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press 1991-92 college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Feb. 16, total points based on 25 points for a first place vote through one point for a 25th place vote and last week's rankings:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Duke (63)	20-1	1623	1
2. UCLA (2)	19-1	1554	3
3. Kansas	19-2	1474	4
4. North Carolina	18-3	1358	6
5. Arizona	19-3	1330	7
6. Ohio St.	17-3	1280	8
7. Indiana	18-4	1217	4
8. Oklahoma St.	21-3	1193	2
9. Missouri	17-3	1137	9
10. Arkansas	19-5	1000	11
11. Michigan St.	17-4	999	12
12. UNLV	22-2	923	15
13. Kentucky	18-5	717	19
14. Alabama	19-5	613	16
15. Southern Cal	17-4	594	13
16. Florida St.	18-6	565	23
17. Syracuse	16-5	562	10
18. Tulane	19-3	504	14
19. Cincinnati	19-3	488	24
20. Michigan	15-6	417	17
21. Connecticut	16-5	382	18
22. Seton Hall	15-6	351	25
23. Iowa St.	18-6	120	-
24. St. John's	14-7	81	-
25. Georgetown	15-6	69	-

Other receiving votes: Massachusetts 63, Texas-El Paso 58, LSU 51, Oklahoma 45, N.C. Charlotte 37, Nebraska 36, Wis.-Green Bay 28, Montana 23, Princeton 21, Stanford 21, Arizona St. 20, DePaul 17, New Mexico St. 17, Ball St. 16, Brigham Young 14, Pepperdine 13, Rhode Island 13, Houston 10, West Virginia 9, Wake Forest 8, Texas Christian 6, Louisiana Tech 5, Boston College 4, Louisville 4, Texas 4, Georgia Tech 3, Iowa 3, Delaware 2, Minnesota 2, Memphis St. 1, Richmond 1.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	32	18	.640	—
Boston	29	22	.569	3½
Philadelphia	24	27	.471	8½
Miami	24	28	.462	9
New Jersey	21	30	.412	11½
Washington	17	34	.333	15½
Orlando	13	38	.255	19½

Central Division

Chicago	42	10	.808	—
Cleveland	33	16	.673	7½
Detroit	29	22	.569	12½
Atlanta	26	25	.510	15½
Milwaukee	24	26	.480	17
Indiana	23	30	.434	19½
Charlotte	16	35	.314	25½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Utah	35	18	.660	—
San Antonio	29	22	.569	5
Houston	26	26	.500	8½
Denver	19	31	.380	14½
Dallas	15	35	.300	18½
Minnesota	10	40	.200	23½

Pacific Division

Portland	35	15	.700	—
Golden State	33	15	.688	1
Phoenix	33	19	.635	3
LA Lakers	29	22	.569	6½
Seattle	27	25	.519	9
LA Clippers	26	25	.510	9½
Sacramento	17	33	.340	18

Monday's Games
Atlanta 117, Washington 110
New York 104, Miami 102
Indiana 128, Charlotte 117
Cleveland 113, Chicago 112
Minnesota 124, Houston 122, OT
Utah 88, Boston 83
Seattle 98, Phoenix 96
LA Clippers 124, San Antonio 110
Golden State 116, LA Lakers 100

Tuesday's Games
Sacramento at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Portland, 10 p.m.

Sierra headed for arbitration

NEW YORK (AP) — An agent for Texas Rangers outfielder Ruben Sierra says the team may be better off trading the All-Star as the two sides head into salary arbitration today.

Sierra and the Rangers were scheduled to go to salary arbitration after talks on a multiyear contract broke down last weekend. Chuck Berry, who represents Sierra along with Tom Reich, withdrew his $27.5 million, five-year proposal Friday.

"The Rangers have indicated they're not interested in negotiating on a one-year contract," Berry said Monday. "They have the right to go to arbitration. We have the right to go the free agent route at the end of the season or to request a trade, and I think that's the direction we're going to take."

Rangers president Tom Schieffer was in New York Monday night and could not be reached for comment.

Sierra is asking for what would be a record $5 million in arbitration and the Rangers are offering $3.8 million. He made $2.65 million in 1991, when he hit .307 with 25 homers and 116 RBIs.

Loboettes pop Pampa, 47-40

Girls' state basketball playoffs got underway Monday night with defending Class 4A champion Levelland knocking off Pampa, 47-40, in a bi-district tilt at West Texas State University.

Levelland, District 2-4A champ, was led by Amy Arp's 20 points.

The Loboettes (27-6) outscored the Lady Harvesters, 16-8, in the game's decisive third period.

Nikki Ryan scored 16 points to pace the 18-9 PHS girls.

Pampa earned a spot in post-season play as the District 1 runner-up.

Class 4A girls' playoff action continues today as Lamesa (29-2), District 2 runner-up, takes on District 1 champion Canyon Randall (27-2) at 7 p.m. in Plainview.

District 3-4A champion Big Spring (21-7) and runner-up Sweetwater (17-8) both received bi-district byes.



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Coliseum to host playoff games

Scurry County Coliseum will be the site for a pair of Class A girls' basketball playoff games Friday night.

At 6:30 p.m. District 28 winner Blackwell will face Jayton, runner-up in District 27.

Blackwell brings a 22-4 season record into Friday's contest while Jayton currently stands at 25-5.

The 8 p.m. contest features Guthrie, District 27 title holder, against District 28's second-place team, Loraine.

The GHS Lady Jags come in at 23-5 while the Lady Bulldogs of Loraine High boast a 22-4 mark.

Ground Hog event starts Saturday

Snyder Country Club will open its 1992 golf tournament schedule Saturday and Sunday with the Annual Ground Hog Tournament.

Competition begins both days with 1 p.m. shotgun starts in the two-man select-shot scramble.

Entry fee is $60 per team and prizes will be Golf Shop gift certificates.

Early registration is encouraged by club pro Rick Mammolite. For more information or to sign up call Mammolite at 573-7101.

Exes take on Tigers Thursday

Snyder's 1992 Tigers will battle SHS baseball standouts from the past in an exes game set for Thursday at Moffett Field.

The game is a fund-raiser for Snyder High School's baseball program. Admission is free but donations will be accepted during the game.

Included on the roster for the exes are Ronnie Lewis, Ralph Lewis, Wesley Bishop, Ricky Beard, Jimmy Velasquez, Toby Goodwin, Shawn Ragland, Kelly Ragland and others.

The game, expected to become an annual event, is slated to begin at 5 p.m.

Rotary Club slates spike tourney

Snyder Rotary Club is sponsoring a co-ed volleyball tournament Saturday at Snyder Junior High School.

Entering teams will be divided into power and intermediate divisions.

The deadline to enter the charity tournament is Wednesday. For more information or to sign up, call 573-3916.

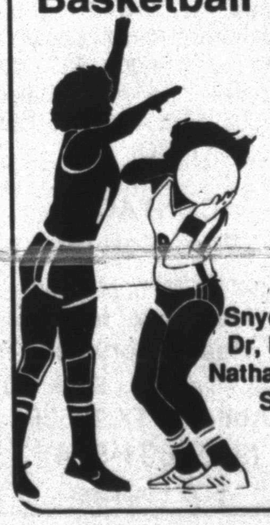


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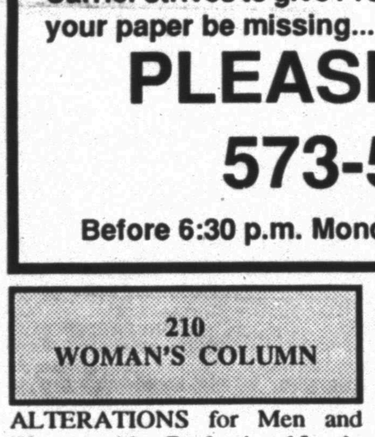
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Roseanne makes $50,000 donation

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Roseanne and Tom Arnold are donating $50,000 to the San Diego Center for Children, a residential treatment center for emotionally disturbed and abused youngsters.

The couple visited the facility and met the children, ages 5 to 15, last summer. A short time later, the star of TV's "Roseanne" disclosed that she was abused as a child. Her parents deny it.

"We sensed that there was a real and immediate bonding between the Arnolds and the children here," Mark Hopper, the center's director, said Monday.

Concert sells out in 30 minutes

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Promoters added a second concert after 4,300 tickets for an Elton John benefit concert sold in 10 minutes.

The second show took 30 minutes to sell out Monday.

The March 15 concerts at the Grand Ole Opry House will benefit the family of Dee Murray, the band's former bass player.



QUEEN AND KING — On Valentine's Day at Snyder Oaks Care Center Ernest Ferguson and Vivian Kyle were named king and queen. Crowning them were administrator Nelda Kruger, right, and Director of Nursing Freda Rayvon. (SDN Staff Photo)

AP analysis...

Candidates hope for primary help

By Walter R. Mears
AP Special Correspondent

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — To make sense of the numbers in New Hampshire's crowded Democratic presidential primary, keep in mind the story of two men and a bear.

Nebraska Sen. Bob Kerrey smiled as he told it, but the moral of the yarn is serious political business: a candidate who runs too far behind can be devoured.

Kerrey's story is about two hunters menaced by a grizzly, one telling the other that there's no point in running because the bear is too fast.

"I don't have to outrun the grizzly bear, I just have to outrun you," he tells the other guy.

"That's precisely what we find ourselves doing, trying to outrun each other," Kerrey said.

In this case, former Massachusetts Sen. Paul Tsongas is trying to outrun Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton. While Kerrey and Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin would like to rank higher, defeating the other would be an acceptable consolation prize.

According to the pollsters, former California Gov. Jerry Brown trails them all, but he's playing by different rules anyhow. Brown's is a cut-rate campaign, so running last won't necessarily force him out. Not while he's got his 800-number fund-raising operation going. "It may not be elegant, but it's very honest," Brown said.

Kerrey and Harkin, on the other hand, are rivals for the same constituency and the same financial support. The leader between those two could be in a promising position heading into the more crowded primary calendar ahead. And for the loser, the bear may not be far behind.

At the same time, being out front carries its own risks. New Hampshire has a long record of dethroning front-runners, even presidents.

That's the problem for President Bush against the conservative challenge of Patrick Buchanan.

Bush has claimed that running first is enough to count as a victory, but a narrow margin would be a setback, and his people know it. The president and his campaigning wife both likened the primary to the Super Bowl, where the winner is champion no matter what the score.

But to win a Super Bowl bet, a gambler has to beat the point spread. And to win a presidential primary, especially one he's won before, Bush needs a hefty margin.

There's no easy way to define a winning margin for the president or the challenger, and neither has risked setting a standard. But both have come close.

Bush said Monday he wouldn't talk numbers, but would be pleased with an outcome matching a weekend poll that gave him 60 percent to Buchanan's 33.

Buchanan's chief strategist claimed the challenger would be delighted to get more than 30 percent, ecstatic at 40. The latter would put him in the range of the 42 percent Sen. Eugene McCarthy got in 1968, starting President Lyndon Johnson's slide from the White House.

But a 30 percent showing could hardly be counted a breakthrough for a campaign as intensive as Buchanan's, with television advertising and nearly 10 weeks of full-time vote hunting. After all, 32 percent of the Republican vote was cast against President Richard Nixon in the 1972 primary as he sought a second term, and he didn't face an undertow of economic troubles.

Buchanan probably achieved his aims in New Hampshire before the votes were cast anyhow; he started as an unlikely candidate, a columnist-commentator trying his hand at elective politics. New Hampshire gave him the arena and the exposure to get started, and his campaign here probably assures him enough campaign money to keep going at least into Georgia on March 3 and Texas on March 10.

For all his talk about driving Bush from the campaign and remodeling the Republican Party, Buchanan is still a protest candidate, not a real alternative for the Republican nomination.

In most elections, including primaries that choose nominees, somebody wins, somebody loses and that's that. Presidential primaries aren't scored so simply. There are only 18 Democratic nominating votes at stake in New Hampshire's balloting, not enough to make much difference in the ultimate choice of the ticket. But it's the send-off election of 1992, it ranks the field, and the psychological stakes are high.

At his final campaign rally Monday night, Tsongas said he's an improbable front-runner. Nonetheless, victory would validate that position. To hold it, though, he's going to have to prove his claim to be more than a regional candidate from the state next door, and that will require strong and eventually winning showings in the primaries to come.

Clinton was the front-runner himself, before the twin controversies over an alleged affair and claims he'd dodged the draft. He denied both, said he proved his strength by battling back. Now he needs to win or come close to reassert his claim that he is still the most electable of the Democratic candidates.

And there's still the possibility that all the candidates aren't yet running. Democratic congressional leaders are talking up the possibility of late entries.

There could be more bears out there.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Walter R. Mears, vice president and columnist for The Associated Press, has reported on Washington and national politics for more than 25 years.

Talk show host returns

NEW YORK (AP) — To a few sniffles and a standing ovation, Sally Jessy Raphael returned to her talk show two weeks after her daughter died.

"I could not possibly be standing here without the love and comfort you have expressed to me through the cards and the letters," Raphael told viewers Monday.

Allison Vladimir, 33, was found unconscious in bed on Feb. 2 at a bed-and-breakfast mansion owned by her parents in Erwinna, Pa.

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Big Spring Correctional Center...

Police kill escaping prisoner

BIG SPRING, Texas (AP) — West Texas authorities have fatally wounded an escaping prisoner and captured his cohort after the duo took a woman hostage and drove away from Big Spring Correctional Center.

A 37-year-old Mexican national, who was serving a 41-month sentence for possession with intent to distribute marijuana, was killed about 10 p.m. Monday by police as authorities moved in for an arrest after a chase on Interstate 20.

Law officers shot out two of the vehicle's tires about five miles from downtown Midland and the car rammed a guard rail.

Upon their arrest, one of the inmates continued to threaten the hostage and was shot by one of the pursuing officers, officials said.

A 34-year-old Mexican national, who was serving a marijuana possession sentence along with a 24-month term for failing to appear in court, was arrested.

Police withheld the indentity of the two men.

Officials at the Big Spring Correctional Center say the inmates, both Mexican nationals, took a female contract bilingual instructor hostage about 9 p.m.

They say the inmates hid behind a door, surprising the 39-year-old woman and prison officials, then held a utility knife to her throat.

After police met their demands for a car and a shotgun, the two led officers from the Big Spring Police and Howard County Sheriff's Department, the Texas Department of Public Safety and Stanton Police Department on a high speed chase.

Chuck Haugh, chief executive officer of the prison said the woman was treated for minor injuries and kept overnight at Midland Memorial Hospital for observation.

No injuries reported during nuclear submarines collision

MOSCOW (AP) — Nuclear submarines of the United States and former Soviet navy collided in the Arctic last week, officials said today. The commonwealth sub was damaged, but no injuries were reported aboard it or the U.S. vessel.

Both subs reportedly are nuclear powered and capable of carrying nuclear weapons, but there was no report of nuclear contamination in the area of the crash in the Barents Sea on Feb. 11.

No damage was reported to the U.S. submarine, the USS Baton Rouge, according to the Pentagon.

The two countries disputed who was to blame, and Washington said it withheld information on the crash from the public until Secretary of State James A. Baker III could discuss it with Russian President Boris Yeltsin in Moscow this week.

The U.S. Navy said the Commonwealth of Independent States sub hit the American vessel in international waters.

"The U.S. submarine, USS Baton Rouge, was at periscope depth when it was hit by a surfacing CIS submarine on Feb. 11," the Navy said in Washington. But the chief Russian investigator characterized the incident as an intrusion.

"The fact that a foreign submarine secretly operated in our territorial waters arouses legitimate concern in the Russian leadership," the Interfax news agency quoted Adm. Ivan Kapitants as saying in a report to the commonwealth military commander, Yevgeny Shaposhnikov.

Interfax said a commonwealth submarine was hit from the right near the wheelhouse, then its stern collided with the foreign sub at a depth of 70 feet in Russia's territorial waters.

Navy spokesman Mark Van Dyke said in Washington that Baker, who is visiting Russia and other former Soviet republics, had briefed Yeltsin about the crash.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Dorothy Hessler, 4502 Garwood; Loyd Dempsey, 3726 Avondale; Julie Hernandez, 2305 Ave. I; Ginger Alexander, 106 Peach; Eloy Briseno, Loraine; Frances Thompson, 2601 42nd; Lorene Henderson, Sweetwater.

DISMISSALS: Iva Stinson, Sharon Shipp, Mendia Hunter, Loyd Dempsey.

Census: 36 (Med.-5, Long-Term Care-27, OB-2, Nursery-2).

Births

Julie Hernandez of Snyder announces the birth of her baby boy born at 8:27 p.m. on Feb. 16 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He weighed eight pounds and 3½ ounces.

Ginger Alexander of Snyder announces the birth of her baby boy born at 11:08 a.m. on Feb. 17 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He weighed seven pounds and 5¼ ounces.

Breast implant problems may occur more often than thought

BETHESDA, Md. (AP) — Silicone gel breast implants may break open and spill into the body more often than previously thought, the Food and Drug Administration said today.

The FDA also said it had new information that may indicate a link between silicone gel in the body and autoimmune diseases.

Opening hearings today on the safety of the implants, the FDA raised the possibility that perhaps women with the devices should get routine mammograms to determine whether the implants are leaking.

The FDA imposed a moratorium on silicone gel implants following allegations they are unsafe. A panel of expert advisers is hearing testimony for three days from the FDA, manufacturers, surgeons and consumer groups. On Thursday, it will present the FDA with its recommendations.

Although there is new information of a possible link between leaking implants and autoimmune disease, FDA officials said, it is inconclusive.

"I should stress that these reports do not prove a link between the implants and autoimmune problems," F. Alan Andersen, director of the FDA's office of science and technology, told the panel. "But increasing reports of such cases may well be a bellwether of an important clinical problem."

Andersen asked the panel to consider whether women with implants should receive routine mammograms to determine whether the devices have broken open. In some women with this problem, there are no symptoms, and the question is whether the risks of increased exposure to radiation from mammograms are outweighed by the risks of spilled silicone gel in the body.

Even in implants that don't break open, silicone gel can "bleed" out of the plastic coating that encloses the implant.

"One of the things that concerns me most is that these implants may rupture, leak, or bleed more frequently that we had originally thought," FDA Commissioner David Kessler told the panel.

Cogdell board meets

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for childbirth procedures, and added that the addition of this service may reduce the number of patients that go to other hospitals for childbirth.

Thompson said that Cogdell's anesthesist, Bill Harris, is trained in this procedure, and will use this type of anesthesia upon request when he is available.

Lancaster requested that blood pressure clinics in area communities be discontinued due to the expansion of Cogdell's home health department and lack of persons attending the clinics.

Cogdell will continue to hold blood pressure checks at the emergency room on Fridays, but will no longer do area checks, effective the end of February.

According to the administrator, there were nine patient transfers from Cogdell to other hospitals during the month of January, including four to St. Mary, four to Methodist and one to Hendricks Medical Center.

Lancaster requested the purchase of an oscillating saw to replace an eight-year-old saw that is currently not working. The saw is needed by Dr. Allen, a bone specialist, and is not included on the capital equipment list.

The estimated cost of a new saw would be $2,500. The old saw could be repaired for $1,000, but Lancaster added that it would be an expenditure on equipment that is already eight years old, and may not last another eight years.

The board approved the purchase of a new saw at $2,500.

Other business for the board included approval of minutes and accounts payable.

The board convened into a Cogdell Foundation meeting to discuss the transfer of leased equipment to the hospital. Equipment for the hospital was purchased using funds from the foundation's account, with money being transferred back into the account each month by the hospital.

Lancaster pointed out that the payments have exceeded the purchase amount of the equipment, and requested that the payments be discontinued at this time. He added that the hospital may request other equipment purchases in the same manner at a later date.

Lancaster updated the board on the new fitness and cardiac rehabilitation center, reporting that the program currently has about 60 visitors per day.

The board agreed to purchase a stair stepper machine for the center at a cost of $2,100. Lancaster told board members that the machine was on the original list of equipment, but was not purchased because the hospital wanted to see if the program gained popularity.

A short tour of the Heart Gym concluded the meeting.

Board members present were Brenda Hedges, Jim Palmer, G.A. Parks Jr., Ted Crenweldge and County Judge Bob Doolittle. Absent were Bill Wilson III and Doug Foster.

Voting

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tions have contested primaries. Some will be contested in the general election, however.

Incumbent District Judge Gene L. Dulaney, a Republican, will be challenged by attorney Marvin Sentell, a Democrat, in the general election.

Incumbent commissioner of Precinct 2, Democrat C.D. Gray Jr., will oppose Republican Eddie Don Floyd, owner of Snyder Farm Equipment, in November.

Rona Sikes, incumbent county tax assessor, is running unopposed on the Democratic ticket. She will face local bank teller Modean Riley Konvicka — the only Republican candidate for tax assessor — in November.

Running unopposed for the March 10 primary and the general election in November will be Ernie Armstrong, Democratic incumbent for district attorney; and Pete Greene, Democratic incumbent for county attorney.

Actor hospitalized

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — George Peppard, veteran film actor and star of the old TV series "Banacek" and "The A-Team," was hospitalized with an undisclosed ailment.

Peppard, 63, was in stable condition, said Cindy Hoffman, spokeswoman for Thomas Jefferson University Hospital.

She declined to say what was wrong with the actor, but said he was hospitalized Monday for observation and would be released today or Wednesday.

Obituaries

Bula V. Taylor

1905-1992

DALLAS — Services were to be held at 3 p.m. today for Bula V. Taylor, 86, of Dallas who died Monday. Graveside services are set for 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Fluvanna Cemetery in Fluvanna directed by Troy Suggs Funeral Home of Dallas.

She is survived by three daughters, Mary Jo Fralick, Billie Jean Grogan and Margaret Ann Brown; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Edna Watson

1909-1992

GORMAN — Graveside services are set for 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Oaklawn Cemetery for Edna Ellen Watson, 82, who died Monday in a De Leon hospital.

She was the grandmother of Phil Riddle of Snyder.

Born in Comanche County, she had lived in Gorman most of her life. She graduated from Southwestern State Teachers College in San Marcos.

Mrs. Watson was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church. Her husband, James Arland Watson, preceded her in death.

Other survivors include three daughters, Mary E. Tecson of Abilene, GaLa Moen Watson of Fort Worth and Edna Joyce Brinegar of Gorman; 11 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Officers note theft, mischief

Snyder police took reports for theft and criminal mischief Monday.

James D. Smith of 2805 Denison informed officers at 4:12 p.m. that someone had stolen his golf clubs. A report for Class A theft was filed.

At 5:54 p.m., Jerry Hatfield of Sweet's Shop reported damage to one of the speaker boxes at the business. A report was filed for Class B criminal mischief.

At 2:31 p.m. Monday a male came to the police department to file charges against another male for disorderly conduct-language.

At 2:46 a.m. today, a man contacted police from the Plaza Truck Stop to say that some subjects had tried to rob him after his vehicle ran out of gas on U.S. 84. Officers checked the area from the truck stop to Dermott but were unable to locate the subjects. The would-be victim had no more details to give officers and requested that no report be filed.

Colorado City Livestock Auction

COLORADO CITY — All classes of cattle were $1-$2 higher on 1,161 head at the Colorado City Livestock Auction on Saturday, Feb. 15.

Heifers: 2-400, 100-120; 4-600, 80-100; 6-800, 76-80.

Steers: 2-400, 110-130; 4-600, 95-110; 6-800, 78-95.

Good springer cows: 750-850; older springer cows: 450-650; good cows and calves: 800-1050; older cows and calves: 500-700; good packer cows: 53-56; fat cows: 48-50; old shelly cows: 20-35; packer bulls: 55-67.

Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	77	76 1/4	76 3/4	+2 3/4
AlliedSignal	50 7/8	50 1/4	50 3/4	-1/8
ALLTEL Cp	39 1/2	38 7/8	38 7/8	-3/8
AmStor s	36 3/4	36 1/2	36 5/8	
Amer T&T	38 3/4	38 1/4	38 1/2	-1/8
Ameritech	62 1/8	61 7/8	62	-1/4
Amoco	47 1/4	46 5/8	47 1/4	-1/4
AndarkPtr	19 7/8	19 3/8	19 3/8	-1/2
Arkla	10 1/4	9 1/2	9 1/2	-1/4
Armcolnc	5 7/8	5 5/8	5 7/8	
AtlRichfld	105	103 1/4	104 1/2	-7/8
BakerHugh	19 1/4	19	19 1/8	-3/8
BancTexas	1 3/8	1 1/4	1 1/4	
BellAtl	44 7/8	44 1/2	44 5/8	
BellSouth	48 1/4	48	48 1/8	-1/4
Beth Steel	14 7/8	14 3/4	14 7/8	+3/8
Borden	33	32 5/8	32 5/8	-1/8
Caterplr	51 1/8	50 1/8	51 1/8	+1/2
Centel	46 5/8	45 7/8	46 1/8	+15/8
CentSo West	51 1/8	50 7/8	51 1/8	+1/4
Chevron	63	62 3/4	63	-3/4
Chrysler	16 5/8	16 1/8	16 1/4	-1/8
Coastal	24 1/2	23 7/8	24	+1/4
CocaCola	76 3/4	76 1/4	76 5/8	-3/8
ColgateP s	47	46 5/8	47	+1/4
ComlMetl	23	22 1/2	22 7/8	+1/4
CyprusMn	19 1/4	19	19 1/4	+1/4
DallSemicn	9 1/8	8 3/4	8 3/4	-1/8
DeltaAirl	70 1/2	69 1/2	70 1/4	+2
DigitalEq	60 3/4	59 5/8	60 3/4	+1 1/8
Dillard	129 1/4	128 3/4	129	-1/8
DowChem	59 1/2	58 3/4	59 1/4	+1/2
DresserInd	21 1/4	20 3/4	21 1/8	-1/8
duPont	47 5/8	46 7/8	47 3/8	-3/8
EstKodak	46 7/8	46 1/2	46 7/8	+1/8
EljerInd	10 7/8	10 5/8	10 5/8	-1/4
Enserch	12	11 7/8	11 7/8	
Exxon	57 7/8	57 1/2	57 5/8	-5/8
FtCtyBcp	13 3/8	13 3/8	13 3/8	-1/8
FlowerInd	16 7/8	16 5/8	16 7/8	+1/8
FordMotor	37 1/8	36 3/4	37	-1/8
GTE Cp	31	30 1/2	30 3/4	-1/8
GnDynam	58 3/8	58	58 3/8	+1/4
GenElct	77 7/8	77 3/8	77 7/8	+3/4
GnMill	68 1/4	67 1/4	67 1/4	—1 1/2
GenMotors	38 1/4	37 5/8	37 7/8	-1/4
GnMotrE s	56 1/8	56	56	
GnMotrE s	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2	
GaPacif	69 1/8	68 3/4	69 1/8	-1/8
GlobMar	2	17/8	2	
Goodrich	44 3/4	44 1/2	44 3/4	+3/8
Goodyear	62 7/8	62 1/4	62 3/4	+1/4
GtAtlPac	32 3/8	31 3/4	32 3/8	+1/4
Gulf StaUt	12 3/4	12 1/2	12 5/8	
Haliburtn	27 7/8	27 5/8	27 7/8	
Hanson	19	18 5/8	18 3/4	+5/8
HoustInd	41 3/4	41 3/8	41 3/8	-1/4
IBM	90 1/2	90	90 1/4	+1/2
IntlPaper	74 7/8	74	74 7/8	+7/8
JohnsJhn	99 3/4	98 3/4	99 1/4	—1 3/4
K mart	51 7/8	51 1/2	51 5/8	-
Kroger	18 1/8	17 7/8	17 7/8	-1/8
vjLTV Cp	1	1/2	1/2	-5/8
Litton Ind	96 1/4	95	95 1/8	—1 3/8
vjLoneStar	5 3/8	4 3/4	5 3/8	+3/4
Lowes	43 1/2	42 1/2	43 1/8	+5/8
Lubys	16 1/8	16	16	
Maxus	8	7 1/2	8	-1/8
MayDSt	57 3/8	57 1/4	57 3/8	
Medtrn s	80 1/4	79 3/8	80	+3/8
Mobil	63 7/8	63 1/4	63 1/4	-5/8
Monsan	65 1/2	65	65 1/2	+1/2
Motorola	81 3/8	80 7/8	81 3/8	+3/8
Nationbk	45 1/4	45	45 1/8	-1/4
Navistar	3 7/8	3 5/8	3 3/4	
Nynex	75 1/2	74 3/4	74 3/4	-1/4
OryxEngy	23	22 3/4	22 7/8	-3/4
PacTelesis	41 1/8	40 7/8	40 7/8	-1/8
PanhECp	14 1/4	14 1/8	14 1/4	-1/8
PenneyJC	59 1/2	58 7/8	59 1/2	+1
PepBoys	19 7/8	19 3/8	19 3/4	+1/2
Phelps Dod	81 1/8	80 3/8	80 7/8	+1/4
PhilipPet	23 1/8	22 7/8	23	-1/4
Polaroid s	30 3/8	30 1/8	30 1/4	+1/8
Primerica	40 1/8	39 3/4	39 3/4	-1/4
ProctGamb	100 1/4	99 3/8	99 5/8	-3/8
PubS NwMx	11 3/8	11 1/4	11 1/4	-1/8
SFePacCp	12 1/4	11 7/8	12 1/8	+1/4
SaraLee	51 3/4	51 1/4	51 1/2	-1/8
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tion letter from Leon "Tiny" Vargas, which stated that he no longer wished to serve on the child welfare board due to his job and activities with his church and Knights of Columbus. Commissioners appointed James Aaron of Fluvanna to replace Vargas.

Doolittle also stated that he had received two verbal resignations from otherchild welfare board members, who he did not name. Donna Zalman was appointed to the board as a replacement for one, pending official resignation letters.

Doolittle presented an order of the 132nd District Court issued by District Judge Gene Dulaney, setting the salaries for the official court reporter, county auditor, deputy county auditor, and assistant county auditor. Dulaney set salaries for the four positions in a recent public hearing.

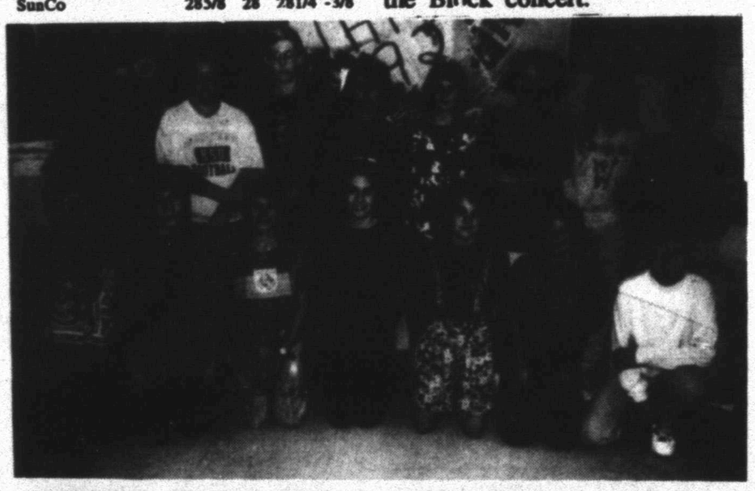
County board reports from the airport board, board of county development, coliseum advisory board, child welfare board, county welfare board, and the library and hospital boards were accepted by commissioners.

Approval of minutes from the Feb. 3 meeting and paying of bills were the only other items on the agenda.

Doolittle presided at the meeting. Present were C.D. Gray, Jr., Roy Idom, Jerry Morgan and Jerry Gannaway.

Teens injured

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — More than 50 teen-agers were injured, one critically, when hundreds of screaming fans surged toward the stage at a New Kids on the Block concert.



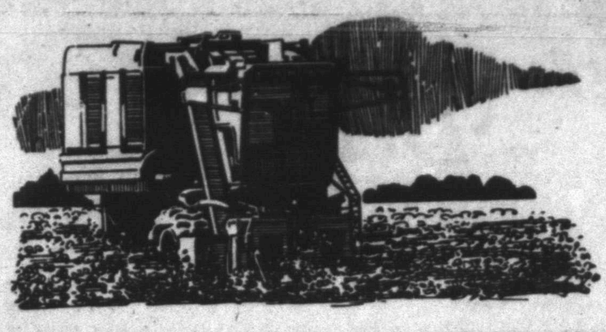
SEMESTER HONOR ROLLS — These sixth through eighth graders have all made either the A or A-B honor roll at Hermleigh for the fall semester. Sixth A: Larry Lambaren. Seventh grade A: Brandi Bates and Michelle Roemisch. Eighth A: Donnis McHaney, not pictured. Sixth A-B: Libby Herl, Ricky Luna, Ester Martinez, John McHaney, not pictured, Brandy Smith, Miranda Terry, and Sandra Velasco. Seventh A-B: Nelson Beeks, not pictured, Kassie Elder, Waylon Jackson, Luke Kuss and T.J. Wood. Eighth A-B: Michael Breitweiser, Jack Hudgins, Tammie Holder, Bridget Moore and Connie Payne, both not pictured. (SDN Staff Photo)



FALL HONOR ROLLS — These Hermleigh ninth through 12th graders were named to either the "A" or "A-B" honor roll for the fall semester. Ninth A: Chris Roemisch, Brandy Atkinson and Charles Sweatt, not pictured. Tenth A: Eric Romero and Melinda Estrada and Chris Lambaren, not pictured. 11th A: Billy Smith. 12th A: Renee Matthews and Katrina Reynolds. Not pictured are Rebecca Ramey and Alison Beeks. Ninth A-B: Brendan Blair. Lori Anderson is not pictured. Tenth A-B: Monica Verdine and Sheri Sandefur who is not pictured. 11th A-B: Amy Anderson, Bill Breitweiser, Stephane Gannaway, Jennifer Herl, Daniel Hermosillo, Paul Landin, not pictured, Anthony Mireles, Amanda Olsen, Lance Price, not pictured, and Chris Velasco. 12th A-B: Cris Jones, Simon Mireles, and Michelle Payne who is not pictured. (SDN Staff Photo)



Scurry County Country





ASCS Report

By Joe Hefner
County Executive Director

Eligible upland cotton producers will receive approximately $320 million in final deficiency payments for the 1991 crop of upland cotton, according to Keight Bjerke, executive vice president of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Cooperation.

Bjerke said final payments will be made in cash through county offices of USDA's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservative Service.

Deficiency payments are required when the national average market price received by producers during the calendar year, which includes the first five months of the marketing year, is below the established target price.

The payment rate is based on the difference between the target price and the higher of the calendar year national average market price or the base quality loan rate. Since the 1991 calendar year national average market price was above the loan rate, the deficiency payment rate for the 1991 crop is 10.1 cents per pound — the difference between the target price of 72.9 cents per pound and the calendar year national average market price of 62.8 cents per pound.

An advance payment of 4 cents per pound was made earlier to eligible producers requesting an advance. The final payments for producers who received an advance payment will be 6.1 cents per pound.

Final deficiency payments are scheduled to be mailed Feb. 21.

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Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
Extension Agent

The principles of the Dietary Guidelines for Americans apply to children as well as adults with some variations for children under two. What children eat or don't eat can make the difference between good health and growth or being sick and not growing properly. Food can also make a difference in how he or she will do in school later on.

Be sure that the food your child eats is the food that counts. Choose your child's food from the five food groups in portion sizes appropriate for his or her age. Choose foods from the five food groups to serve to the whole family.

Make meal time a happy family time. Getting children to eat right is easier if you set an example. If you eat and enjoy a variety of foods, so will they. Don't skip meals but allow for children that will eat more on some days than others. Remember that children like plain food or foods that are not greasy, fried or hot with spices and peppers. Children take to new or different foods slowly; in the beginning give these foods in small amounts.

Setting up a positive environment for your child can assure that he or she will eat right now and can set positive patterns for tomorrow as well.

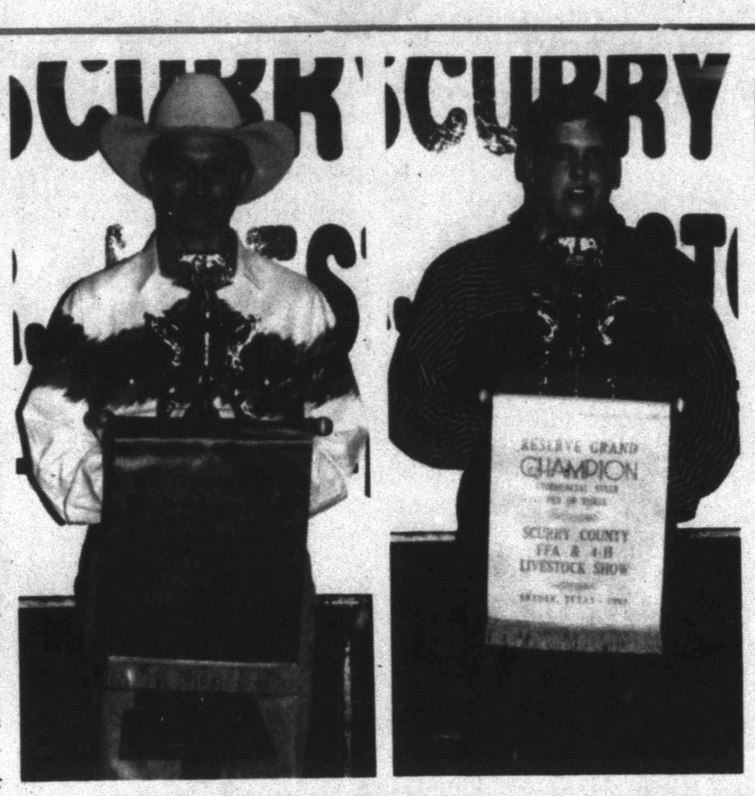
This guide can help you choose foods to get the nutrients your body needs. For variety, choose different foods from each of the five major groups each day.

Most people should have at least the lower number of servings from each group. Some people may need more because of their body size and activity level. Young children should have a variety of foods, but they need small servings.

Each group contributes different nutrients, so people who do not eat foods from one or more groups may need help from professionals to meet nutritional needs.

Food Group	Daily Servings	Function
Vegetables	3-5 servings (include dark green & deep yellow often)	Important for fiber, vitamins & minerals, starch
Fruits	2-4 servings	Important for vitamins & minerals, some fiber.
Breads, Cereals, other Grain Products	6-11 servings (include whole-grain products each day)	Provide starch, B vitamins & iron. Whole grains also provide fiber, folic acid and zinc.
Milk, Yogurt & Cheese	2-3 servings for adults & children 3 for teens, pregnant or breast-feeding women 4 for pregnant or breast-feeding teens	Important for calcium, riboflavin, protein, vitamins B12 and A, and D if fortified.
Meats, Poultry, Fish, Dry Beans & Peas, Eggs, Nuts	2-3 servings (about 6 ounces)	Provide protein, niacin, thiamine B_6, B_{12} (animal foods only), iron, phosphorus, zinc.

Other foods such as fats, sweets and alcohol provide calories, but few nutrients. Use these foods in moderation; no recommended servings daily.



COMMERCIAL STEER CONTEST — Robert Kimmell, left, and Duffy Galloway, took home these Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion trophies after competition in the Commercial Steer Contest at the Scurry County FFA & 4-H Livestock Show. Dell Blackwell took third place. Shawna Stipe and A'lise Lloyd were fourth place winners. The contest, not officially a part of the annual livestock show this year, consists of a test, an interview, and judging results from a pen of three. (Midwest Electric Photo)

Area calendar

February

20 Upper Colorado SWCD board, noon, country club
21 Dry Hydrant Test, 2:30 p.m., W.C. Hart Ranch

March

19 Upper Colorado SWCD board, noon, country club
24 WTC & Upper Colorado SWCD Land and Livestock Judging Contest
30 West Texas Association of Conservation Districts meeting, WTC campus
31 Pesticide certification course, WTC campus



SCS Notes

By Michael Squires,
Range Conservationist

The following is the first of a three-part series designed to familiarize you with "Wildlife Mangement Co-opertives."

Wildlife Management Cooperatives are becoming an increasingly attractive way to implement wildlife management plans as the size of operating units decrease. Several deer management "co-ops" have been organized in Texas. Efforts are underway to organize cooperatives in other areas of the state. The concept has been around for some time, but only in recent years have cooperatives begun to catch on.

Deer management is a big industry in Texas, and like any other industry, changes and new ideas are often needed to meet the demands of the consumer and the goals of the producer. The need to exert a high degree of control over a deer herd is obvious if one is to get the most from deer management and deer hunting. The difficulty of managing a deer herd on many ranches is why so many deer-proof fences have been erected. The costs of high fencing are, however, prohibitive to most landowners and can only be recovered after many years of very intense management. The only other way to implement sound deer management on many ranches is to have cooperation between neighbors.

What is a Wildlife Cooperative?

A wildlife cooperative is a group of neighboring landowners with a common interest in wildlife management, but who recognize that they can better manage the resource together than they can separately. This is particularly true with small ownerships or operating units.

Some wildlife specialists say that a minimum size of 5,000 acres is needed to adequately manage for whitetailed deer, unless a smaller acreage is surrounded by deer-proof fence. Most associations are presently managing primarily for whitetails, but future associations could choose to manage for species that require less acreage.

Why Cooperate?

For the ranch with less than 5,000 acres, it is difficult if not impossible for either the landowner or the hunter to realize the full potential of the deer herd without the cooperation of the neighboring landowners and hunters. Even on larger properties greater than 10,000 acres, uncooperative neighbors will greatly impede the progress of sound deer management.

The simple fact that deer normally rage over an area of from 500 to 2,000 acres means that the great majority of deer on a small to medium sized ranch routinely move between two or three or even more ranches. Most landowners and hunters may actually have as much influence on the makeup of a herd as do the owner and his hunters. The cooperative can greatly enhance deer herd management and speed up the returns both for the ranchers and hunters.

Next week I will cover a little more on the principle of a Deer Management Co-op and explain some of the basic requirements needed in order to have a successful wildlife cooperative.



Diversified

By Mike Morrow, County Extension Agent

Farmers and ranchers on the South Plains will have a solution March 5 to their quandary of how to dispose of unusable and unwanted agricultural pesticides, and do so safely, legally and without penalty.

March 5 is the date for this area's Waste Pesticide Collection Program, the last of four being conducted across the state in Feb. and March. The collection is being conducted by the Texas Water Commission, Texas Department of Agriculture and Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

There will be no charge and no questions asked for pesticides and certain other chemicals turned in at the Farmers Cooperative Gin in O'Donnell. The gin is on South Loop 76 half a mile east of U.S. Hwy. 87. Chemicals will be accepted from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Clean, properly rinsed metal and plastic pesticide containers also will be accepted.

This collection is targted for the counties of Crosby, Dawson, Gaines, Garza, Hockley, Lubbock, Lynn, Scurry and Terry.

Pesticides that will be accepted are insecticides, fungicides, rodenticides, nematicides, bactericides, growth regulators, harvest-aid chemicals, livestock pesticides and other miscellaneous pesticides and herbicides.

Not acceptable are waste oils, solvents, paints, explosive materials, pesticides (herbicides) containing 2,4,5-T and Silvex, fertilizers or nutrient materials that are neither hazardous nor contain pesticide mixtures.

The goal of this program is to help private producers remove from the environment chemicals that they can't use and which may pose a threat to residents and their water supplies in farming and ranching communities.

All private applicators in these counties should take advantage of this opportunity to dispose of these unwanted chemicals at absolutely no expense.

New laws and regulations sharlply limit the options many producers have for disposing of unwanted chemicals and used containers, Dr. Zerle Carpenter, director of the Extension Service, said.

Clarification

An article on the Tuesday, Feb. 11, Scurry County Country page referred to Andrew Dewoody as a new soil conservationist with the ASCS office. Dewoody actually works with the Soil Conservation Office (SCS).

Disaster program

Producers who have paperwork for the 1990/1991 Disaster Program should call the Scurry County ASCS Office for an appointment to make application. Time is running out for the March 13, 1992, deadline. There will be no extensions.

At this time, the ASCS office is not overloaded with appointments. If you are delaying an appointment because you want to wait until the "rush" is over, you need to call now.

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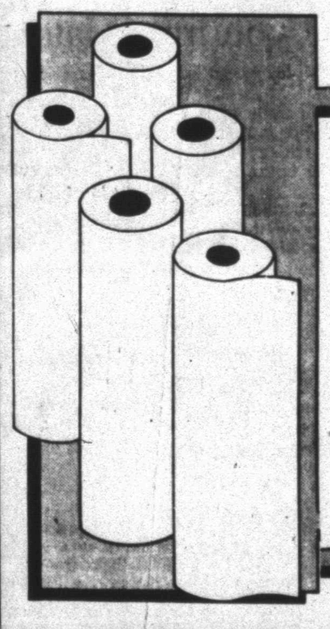
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Dear Abby



By Abigail Van Buren

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Calls for Piano Practice Are Sweet Music to These Ears

DEAR ABBY: Your advice to force children to practice was right on the mark. Most children hate to practice, and our son and daughter were no exceptions. My husband got tired of all the fighting and crying, and said, "Let them quit — it's too much of a hassle." I said, "Over my dead body!" After that, there were very few arguments.

Today, our daughter, Marylou Churchill, sits principal second violin in the Boston Symphony, and our son, Paul, studied cello at Juilliard and toured with the Mantovani Orchestra.

MARIAN SPEAKER,
SAN MATEO, CALIF.

DEAR MARIAN: Congratulations. Read on for more letters from parents who refused to cave in when their children wanted to quit:

DEAR ABBY: I'm a mother who forced her children to practice. Why not? It was for their own good. We force our children to take baths, brush their teeth, eat their vegetables, turn off the TV and do their homework, don't we?

My son wanted to quit piano when he was 10. I said, "No way — you are not quitting!" I knew that my judgment was better than a child's. Today he is a conductor and professor at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music.

EILEEN GIOVANAZZI,
LA MESA, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: I grew up in a musical family. Our parents had a very effective way to get my brother and me to practice. We were told, "Either you do the dishes — or practice," so my brother and I practiced a lot. I've been playing the piano for 35 years, and today my brother is an accomplished guitarist.

MARK-ALLEN DONITCH,
SAN RAFAEL, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: When our children first began taking piano lessons, I was told, "The measure of a child's success is directly related to the determination of the mother." It's true.

I was the one who drove our three children to their music lessons for eight years, and insisted that they practice. When they wanted to quit, I not only paid them to practice, I gave them a cash bonus for every outstanding lesson. (Very few children are self-motivated.) It got them over the hump, and eventually they learned to appreciate music. In retrospect, it was well worth the struggle.

PROUD MOM
IN TUCSON, ARIZ.

DEAR ABBY: I am a girl in the seventh grade. I've been taking piano since first grade. I've never liked practicing, and never will. There were lots of fights about practicing and I always ended up crying. My mother threatened to stop the lessons, but I'm glad she never did. I still hate to practice, but I love to play.

A GIRL IN SPRINGFIELD, VA.

DEAR ABBY: Years ago, we lived across the street from a music-loving Italian family in London, Ontario. There were four sons and one daughter. I can still see the mother chasing her kids with a hickory stick trying to get them to go take their music lessons. Their last name was Lombardo, which may ring a bell with your older readers.

R.J. CALHOUN,
CLEARWATER, FLA.

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Families say it's time to start healing

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Some relatives of Jeffrey Dahmer's victims say they can "let the healing start" now that the serial killer has been sent to prison with no chance for parole.

"I feel sorry for him," said Shirley Hughes, mother of victim Tony Hughes. "He has feelings, too. I don't hate him."

Dahmer told the judge Monday before being sentenced to 15 consecutive life prison terms that he expected neither forgiveness nor freedom.

"I feel so bad for what I did to those poor families, and I understand their rightful hate," Dahmer said in a low monotone. "I have seen their tears and if I could give my life right now to bring their loved ones back, I would do it."

It was Dahmer's first public statement since he was arrested July 22 and admitted killing and mutilating 17 boys and men since 1978. He pleaded guilty but insane to 15 killings in Milwaukee County, but a jury ruled Saturday that he was sane.

The former chocolate factory worker still faces trial in an Ohio killing, and wasn't charged in one Milwaukee death because of lack of evidence.

Nine relatives of victims told the judge of their suffering before Dahmer was sentenced. By sentencing him to consecutive — rather than concurrent — terms, Milwaukee County Circuit Judge Laurence C. Gram Jr. made parole out of the question.

"It's not going to bring David back," said Inez Thomas, mother of victim David Thomas. "But I hope my family and I can get on with our lives and let the healing start."

Dahmer sat stone-faced through the hearing, even as Rita Isbell, the sister of victim Errol Lindsey, lunged at him during her statement, called him "Satan" and screamed obscenities.

"Jeffrey, I hate you!" she yelled as sheriff's deputies led her away.

In a rare show of emotion later, Dahmer hugged his father, Lionel, and stepmother, Shari, before he was taken to Columbia Correctional Institution, a maximum-security prison about 80 miles from Milwaukee.

THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

Feb. 18, 1992

Today is the 49th day of 1992 and the 59th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1930, the planet Pluto was discovered by Clyde Tombaugh at Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Ariz.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Wendell Willkie (1892-1944), politician; Jack Palance (1920-), actor, is 72; Helen Gurley Brown (1922-), author-editor, is 70; George Kennedy (1925-), actor, is 67; Cybill Shepherd (1950-), actress-model, is 42; John Travolta (1954-), actor, is 38; Matt Dillon (1964-), actor, is 28.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1951, the biggest scandal in college basketball history began to unravel when three players from defending national champion City College of New York confessed to accepting bribes to fix games.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I strive to be an artist, but it's a continual adjustment." — Cybill Shepherd

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1979, Old Forge, N.Y., tied the all-time New York state coldest temperature record of minus-52 degrees F.

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TODAY'S MOON: Full moon.

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET
Could it be that the little rabbit with the drum in those ads is a wind-up toy that needs no batteries?

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Houston researchers discover acne drug combination useful

HOUSTON (AP) — A combination of two fairly non-toxic drugs has been found effective in treating some skin cancers and advanced cervical cancer, a Houston researcher said Monday.

Research leader Dr. Scott M. Lippman said a vitamin A derivative, called Accutane, has been somewhat unsuccessful in treating advanced cancer in earlier studies.

But combining it with laboratory-made interferon appears to improve Accutane's fighting abilities, said Lippman, assistant professor of medicine at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center.

The results will be published this week in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute. Lippman said they could prove especially promising to developing countries, where cervical tumors are one of the most deadly cancers among women.

"We feel it's a very important lead, but it needs further work before we can really make statements about impacts on mortality," Lippman said. "But the potential is there."

Cervical cancer is rare among American women, who tend to screen themselves regularly for the disease.

Lippman said he does not know how the combination of Accutane, called 13-cis retinoic acid, and interferon actually works, except that one drug apparently makes the other more effective.

Researchers may begin combining their finding with radiation or other treatment to extend the lives of cancer patients, Lippman said.

Part of lawsuit settled

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — A state district judge has set aside a multimillion dollar jury award to investors in a now-defunct computer software company as some of the litigants agreed to an undisclosed settlement.

State District Judge Roy Engelke on Monday granted a joint motion from Coopers & Lybrand, a New York auditing firm, and plaintiffs Kempner Management Co. and U.S. National Bank to set aside the Feb. 5 verdict and allow the settlement.

Engelke officially ruled the verdict was "contrary to the great weight and preponderance of the evidence."

"The partners and management of Coopers & Lybrand are of course pleased to have this behind us," said Eugene M. Freedman, chairman of the firm. "The entire matter has proved the strength of our firm and underscored our ability to function decisively and intelligently under the most adverse conditions."

But attorney Joe Jamail, who represents Kempner, said he began negotiating a settlement after the jury awarded $568 million to plaintiffs from Coopers & Lybrand and San Francisco-based investment banker and underwriter Hambrecht and Quist.

"It became a business decision rather than a legal one," he said. Jamail said while he thought the verdict would stand "it becomes a question of how much money they could pay."

While neither Coopers & Lybrand nor Jamail would disclose the settlement figure, the Houston attorney said it was "substantial. My clients are well pleased, as am I."

The jury found Coopers & Lybrand and Hambrecht and Quist engaged in fraud, negligence, gross negligence and conspiracy to commit fraud in its dealings with MiniScribe, a Longmont, Colo.-based manufacturer of computer disk drives.

Dr., Gott

by Peter Gott, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have congestive heart failure and frequently experience shortness of breath. I've observed my breathing difficulties are worse when the barometric pressure is low. Is there a connection?

DEAR READER: When the heart muscle contracts with less vigor than normal, excess fluid may accumulate in tissues such as the ankles, liver and lungs. Called "congestive heart failure," this serious condition results from any disease affecting cardiac muscle, including arteriosclerosis, untreated hypertension and cardiomyopathy, an all-inclusive term denoting heart damage from infection, alcohol or other toxic factors.

In its classic form, congestive heart failure is hard to miss: The ankles are edematous (swollen), the liver is enlarged and tender, and the lungs are filled with fluid that can be heard through a stethoscope. A chest X-ray will confirm the presence of an enlarged, flabby heart, associated with fluid shadows in the lungs.

Treatment consists of medicine (such as digitalis) to strengthen the heartbeat, diuretics (such as Lasix) to stimulate the release of fluid through the kidneys and drugs (such as Vasotec) to reduce the work of the heart.

I am not aware of any scientific studies showing that low barometric pressure affects heart failure. Yet, time and time again, patients with this condition tell me they experience more severe symptoms on damp, overcast days. I believe this, but I don't have an explanation for the phenomenon.

Because you have heart disease and might like more information about ways you can help yourself, I'm sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Eating Right For A Healthy Heart." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Must average persons avoid salt in their diets?

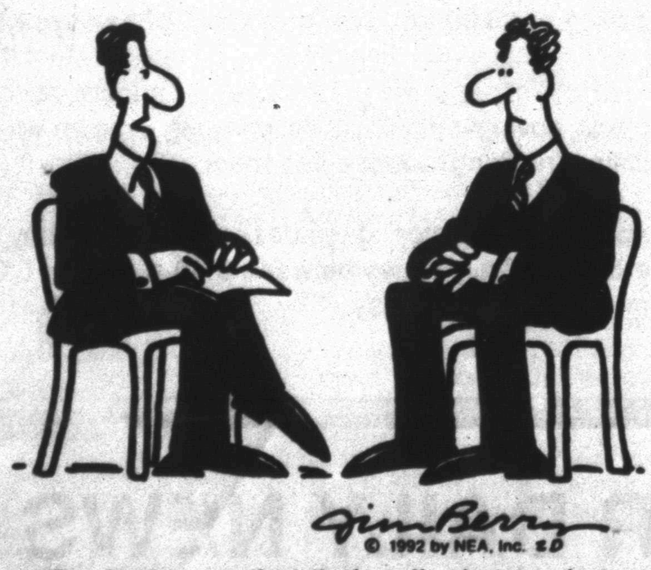
DEAR READER: No. A healthy person will excrete whatever excess salt is not needed by the body. Salt restriction is indicated when the kidneys are unable to discharge the excess, such as in chronic renal disease, hypertension and congestive heart failure.

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