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Home of Aaryn Stewart

Durable medical equipment, dietary department...

Hospital board to hear plans for one new program, plus changes to another

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers will hear reports on making medical equipment available for patients and changes in the dietary department when it meets at 7:30 a.m. Thursday.

Hospital CEO George Parsley will present a report on adding a new service for patients that includes making durable medical equipment — wheel chairs, walkers, canes, etc. — available for purchase at the hospital.

Parsley said the service would primarily be for those who qualify for Medicare, but would be available for all patients.

The board will be asked to approve the policies and procedures for the program.

The board also will be asked to approve a request for proposal for changes to the kitchen and dining area, and management services for the department.

An in-service will be held as related to the upcoming vote on the formation of a hospital district.

Austin attorney Fred Davis will lead the discussion.

Davis also will consult with the board in a closed session to discuss a lawsuit filed against Cogdell and four other hospitals, and Dr. Clinton Wolboldt.

The board also will hear from former employee Carl Burleson concerning retiree health benefits, and hear a report from David Boyd of Covenant Health Systems on operations.

The monthly financial statements will be reviewed for approval, as will the certification of bills payable.

Dr. Bid Cooper, chief of staff, will give the medical staff report, and Cheryl Chance, director of nursing, will give the monthly nursing report. Jo Beth Hardegree will give the second quarter quality improvement report.

The meeting will be in the hospital boardroom.

KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE BALL — Megan Crisp warms up before Snyder High School's tennis match Tuesday. It was perfect tennis weather for the match that Snyder won, but changes are in the forecast for the weekend as lows could drop into the 40s. See complete tennis results on Page 5. (SDN Staff Photo)

WTC will host annual College Day for students

Western Texas College Thursday will host College Day for area high school students and counselors.

The program also is for WTC students who are interested in continuing their education after graduation.

Representatives from more than 25 colleges and universities, several branches of the military and other state and public entities will be on hand to answer questions and give out literature.

The public is invited to attend. The program will be from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and will be a come-and-go session in the gymnasium located in the health and physical education building.

To be represented at the College Day are Angelo State University, Baylor University, Christian Institute of the West, Cisco Junior College, Clarendon College, Covenant School of Nursing, Federal Correctional Institute, Hardin-Simmons University, Howard Payne University and McMurry University.

Others are Midland College, Midwestern State University, Ranger College, South Plains College, Texas State University (formerly Southwest Texas State University), Sul Ross State University, Tarleton State University, Texas A&M University, Texas Army National Guard, Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas State Technical College–West Texas, Texas Tech University, Texas Tech Health Science Center, University of Dallas, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, University of Texas, University of Texas of the Permian Basin, Wayland Baptist University, West Texas A&M University and WTC.

Sniper suspect ends stint as own lawyer

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP) — Sniper suspect John Allen Muhammad changed his mind today and stopped acting as his own lawyer at his trial after only one day of cross-examining witnesses.

Circuit Judge LeRoy F. Millette Jr. informed the jury of Muhammad's decision after a half-hour conference at the judge's bench. Jonathan Shapiro and Peter Greenspun, who had been advising him on standby since his decision Monday, returned to their former roles as his defense lawyers.

Muhammad had stunned the judge and even his own attorneys when he demanded the right to represent himself, just as opening arguments were to begin in his death penalty trial.

He is being tried on murder charges related to the killing of Dean Harold Meyers, who was shot at a northern Virginia gasoline station during the series of attacks last October around the Washington metropolitan area in which 10 people were killed.

Prosecutors complained about Muhammad's self-representation Tuesday and asked the judge to rescind it. They said Muhammad was receiving too much help from Shapiro and Greenspun, whose role as standby counsel was supposed to be limited.

Millette ordered Muhammad to physically distance himself from the two lawyers to minimize communications between them.

Hildreth is sentenced

Terry Blaine Hildreth, 34, of 924 Quail Lane was sentenced to 15 months in a Texas Department of Criminal Justice state jail facility by an eight-woman, four-man jury Tuesday.

Hildreth had earlier pleaded guilty to fleeing from Snyder police officer Jason McMillan on July 19.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong also revoked Hildreth's probation on an earlier charge of assault, family violence. As a result, he must serve a five-year sentence in TDCJ's institutional division. The two sentences were stacked.

District Attorney Dana Cooley prosecuted the case and Hildreth's attorney was Peter Lopez of Sweetwater.

Red Ribbon Week gets underway on Thursday

Thursday starts the annual Red Ribbon Week in Scurry County sponsored by the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (CADA) and the Anti-Drug Connection.

"Break out the red ribbons and tie them on to something," said Lynn Chaney, interim director of CADA.

"If you see red ribbons around town, you know that this is in celebration of being drug-free," said Chaney.

Red Ribbon Week began in 1985 after federal agent Enrique Camerena was tortured and murdered by drug traffickers.

"The red ribbon represents the commitment to health, and a drug-free lifestyle for all Americans," said Chaney.

"We must convince others, especially our youth, that the goal of a drug-free Texas is attainable, and that it is possible to reverse the tide of chemical dependency in our society," said Chaney.

"We need to provide a safe, drug-free and healthy environment where teachers can teach, children can grow, parents can parent, and all of us can travel on our streets, and live in our neighborhoods with the feeling of security. No use of illegal drugs (including tobacco and alcohol for our youth) is the lawful, healthy existence that all Texans must come to love and appreciate," added the interim director.

In honor of the week ending Oct. 31, CADA will be providing red ribbons to all of the schools, tying ribbons around our community and giving presentations to our youth with the help of community leaders. Presentations will be given in all Snyder schools and will cover age appropriate topics that will show the youth of our community that being drug-free really is the way to be.

In past years, CADA Anti-Drug Connection has rounded out the Red Ribbon Week campaign by chairing the Trick or Treat the Square on Halloween. This year, due to the construction on College Avenue and concern for the safety of our youth, the Anti-Drug Connection has decided to assist Western Texas College with its Fall Festival.

"You can participate by donating candy to the Fall Festival by dropping it off at our office at 1904 37th Street or you can call 574-1931 and it will be picked up," said Angela Valesquez, community coalition coordinator for the Anti-Drug Connection.

The festival at WTC will be from 6-8:30 p.m. on Oct. 30.

"It will be a lot of fun for everyone and will also help to raise money for the Scurry County United Way. We look forward to seeing everyone there to celebrate a safe and drug-free Halloween," said Valesquez.

ASK US

Q—What is the last day that a person can register to be eligible to vote in the hospital district election?

A—Nov. 5 is voter registration deadline, according to County Clerk Joan Bunch.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Dora Berkley

... returned to Snyder four months ago from Arlington. Her mother is Mary Hermosillo of Snyder. Her children are Ricky and Bianca of Snyder, Toby, Gabriel and Crystal, all of Arlington. She has two grandchildren. Her favorite pastime is spending time with and watching cartoon movies with her grandchildren and working for the Lord.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Do the thing you fear, and the death of fear is certain.
—Ralph Waldo Emerson

THE SDN COLUMN

MY TURN
by Shirley A. Gorman

With Halloween a little more than a week away, it's time to think about the usual costumes and treats.

"SuperDog" and BatDog" are the hottest costumes this season with traditional witch and devil costumes not far behind.

Don't want your child to dress up like SuperDog or a witch. Not to worry, because the costumes mentioned above are for canines and felines.

Pets, it seems, are more popular than ever, according to the American Pet Products Manufacturers Association. So Halloween isn't just for kids anymore. Apparently there will be plenty of items available for dog and cat owners this season and next.

Forward thinkers at Hanover Accessories are already predicting that "Aspen Tourist" will be big for Halloween 2004. This costume will feature a stereotypical tourist hat and lei combination. Hanover manufactures Impawsters, fun and fashionable pet accessories.

The company says pet costumes are an emerging category in retail and that items that spoof humans and make pets more human-like are always popular.

What's next after getting your favorite pet a costume? Treats of course. Chomp Inc. makes breath mints for dogs and cats and beef and cheese "candy" for dogs.

According to the APPMA's 2003/2004 National Pet Owners Survey, pets are becoming more popular. In spite of the sluggish economy, Americans are spending almost twice as much on pets as in past years. Sixty-two percent of U.S. households now have a pet, compared to 56 percent in 1988 when APPMA began keeping track of ownership.

Pet products out sell both toys and candy. Americans spend $31 billion on pet products, $20.3 billion for toys and $24 billion for candy.

Companies are creating products especially for pets including toys, clothing, bedding, furniture and treats.

Bob Vetere, COO of APPMA, says, "Not only are pet owners treating their pets like a child or family member, in some cases they're treating them like royalty, indulging them in massages and gourmet dinners from pet menus at some of the country's finest hotels."

The APPMA survey shows that more than half of the pet owners in the U.S., buy presents for their pets. Some 60 percent of dog, cat, bird and small animal owners have purchased a gift for their pet, while three out of 10 fish and reptile owners have also bought their pet a gift.

Buying gifts for pets is not limited to Christmas as some owners buy pet gifts for no special occasion.

People who travel with their pets are finding that many hotels in the nation are adopting pet friendly policies. For road trips, they can also purchase anything from motion sickness aids and boxed meals for pets that include food, water and a toy to fluoride-enhanced bottled water for dogs that comes in a plastic bowl with a lid that doubles as a Frisbee.

Non-traditional companies are also creating pet products. Why not? The market is sure to keep growing. After all there are 77 million cats, 65 million dogs, 16 million small animals, 17 million birds, nine million reptiles, seven million saltwater fish and 185 million freshwater fish and counting in the U.S.

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

The Three Sisters at the Ritz

Snyder High School Drama Department will present Anton Chekhov's *The Three Sisters* at the Ritz Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Saturday and Monday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are $7 for adults. Matinee only prices are $5 for senior citizens and students. Call 573-8880 to make reservations. Michael McQuerry is the director.

Antique tractor, equipment club

Scurry County Antique Tractor and Equipment club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at Jack's Road Boring on the Colorado City Hwy. For more information, call 573-4414.

GED pre-registration and testing dates

Mandatory pre-registration for the GED test will be Thursday from 10:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the GED testing center at Western Texas College in Building 7B. Testing will begin at 8 a.m. Friday. For more information about the GED test, call Betty Thompson at 573-2310, or Emily Hataway at 573-8511, ext. 297, or 574-2112.

Marriage conference

The fall marriage conference, *Love, Romance and Sex: It's All God's Idea*, will be simulcast Friday and Saturday at East Side Church of Christ. Colonial Hill Baptist is co-sponsoring. Friday times are from 6:30-9:30 p.m. and Saturday times are 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tickets are $20 per couple. Reserve by calling 573-3583. Childcare will be available.

Lord's Supper Church

Lord's Supper Church, 119 36th St., Ave. B and 36th, will have a spaghetti supper from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday. Tickets are $5 for adults and $3 for children. Call Belinda Lara at 574-2158 or 573-0040 to purchase tickets. The church will also have a fall festival from 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, at the church. Chances for a DVD or TV are being taken for a donation.

Ira chili supper

The Ira senior class will sponsor a chili supper Saturday during the fall festival to be held in the old gym. Meal prices are $3 for adults, $2 for children and children under five are free. The festival begins at 6 p.m. and will conclude at 8:30 p.m.

Fall Festival of Fun

The Fall Festival of Fun for birth through 6th graders is set from 4-6 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center. Games, concession and door prizes are planned. Requested donation, one bag of candy.

Lord's Acre

First United Methodist Church's Lord's Acre is planned for 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at the coliseum. Booths open at 11 a.m. and a barbecue lunch will be served from noon to 1:30 p.m. Activities and games for children are planned. The youth of the church are selling Christian Tee-shirts and candles from Home Interiors. They are also taking orders for casseroles and pies cooked under the direction of Rany Head. Everyone is welcome.

Hospice caregivers dinner

Odyssey Healthcare Hospice will host a caregivers appreciation dinner at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the First Presbyterian Church fellowship hall.

Title I, migrant parent meeting

A meeting for all Title I and migrant parents will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Snyder Junior High School. Region 14 Education Service Center consultants will discuss the Trio program that targets students in grades 6-12 in preparation for college. Childcare will be provided. For additional information, contact Karen Waller at 573-5401 or Dixie Haggard, 574-6078.

Gospel concert

The Toney Brothers will be featured in a gospel concert at 7 p.m. next Wednesday. Admission is a free-will offering. For more information, call 863-2484.

Used eyeglasses needed

The Snyder and WTC Lions Clubs, in partnership with the local post office, will pick up used eyeglasses from mailboxes on Friday, Oct. 31. Eyeglasses should be bagged and hung on mailbox.

Gateway needs costumes

Gateway Family Services is in need of used Halloween costumes in all sizes as well as basic arts and craft supplies for children's holiday projects. Donations may be dropped off at the shelter or call 573-1822.

THRiVE simulcast at FBC

THRiVE, a conference for women, will be simulcast from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at the First Baptist Church. Tickets are $35 until Nov. 1. After that they will be $40. Call 573-2631 to reserve tickets. Lunch, snacks and free daycare will be provided. The event will kick off Friday, Nov. 14.

Annual style show, dinner

The American Cancer Society has set its second annual style show and dinner, honoring cancer survivors, at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Cancer survivors are treated to pampering and a dinner. Cancer survivors who wish to participate should call Terrisu Mann at 573-1031.

Cooking classes rescheduled

The county 4-H cooking classes have been rescheduled for Nov. 15 and Dec. 13. The basic cooking workshops are open to girls and boys, 8-18. They will be offered from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the extension office. Call 573-5423 to make reservations.

Home for the holidays

Scurry County's annual home for the holidays, sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension, is set for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, at the First United Methodist Church. Tickets are $8 each and must be reserved by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12. Call 573-5423 to reserve tickets.

United Way packets

United Way packets are now being distributed to businesses and will be picked up by Nov. 21. Packets are bright orange. For more information, call 573-5311.

SJHS yearbooks

Snyder junior high Tiger Times yearbook is on sale through Nov. 25 in room 110. Cost is $16 or students may make an $8 deposit. No extra copies will be ordered.

PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY — As the top seller of Tiger Pride cards, Alex Escobedo, received a variety of prizes and he served as principal for a day Monday at Snyder Junior High School. Assistant principal Ralph Ramon helped Escobedo with his duties which included handing out duty times to teachers, filling out the D-Hall list, monitoring the hallways, returning a binder to a student and looking up a Web site explaining how teachers use music. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Lawsuit filed over video game

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A $246 million lawsuit was filed against the designer, marketer and a retailer of the video game series "Grand Theft Auto" by the families of two people shot by teenagers apparently inspired by the game.

The suit claims marketer Sony Computer Entertainment America Inc., designers Take-Two Interactive Software and Rockstar Games, and Wal-Mart, are liable for $46 million in compensatory damages and $200 million in punitive damages.

Aaron Hamel, 45, a registered nurse, was killed and Kimberly Bede, 19, of Moneta, Va., was seriously wounded when their cars were hit June 25 by .22-caliber bullets as they passed through the Great Smoky Mountains.

Stepbrothers William Buckner, 16, and Joshua Buckner, 14, of Newport, were sentenced in August to an indefinite term in state custody after pleading guilty in juvenile court to reckless homicide, endangerment and assault.

The boys told investigators they got the rifles from a locked room in their home and decided to randomly shoot at tractor-trailer rigs, just like in the video game "Grand Theft Auto III."

In a suit filed Monday in Cocke County Circuit Court on behalf of the victims, Miami lawyer Jack Thompson and local lawyer Richard Talley alleged the game "inspires and trains players to shoot at vehicles and persons."

"These kids simply decided to take the thrill of that game out to Interstate 40 and started pointing at cars," Thompson said in a telephone interview Tuesday.

Thompson, who said he sent letters to Sony and Wal-Mart to drop the game before the shootings, said, "It's not like this is coming out of the blue, they chose to ignore this danger."

San Mateo, Calif.-based Sony and Bentonville, Ark.-based Wal-Mart did not return calls for comment Tuesday. The lawsuit alleges the retail giant sold the game to the Buckners about a year before the shootings.

Douglas Lowenstein, president of the industry Entertainment Software Association, called the shootings "an unspeakable tragedy" but said blaming a game played by millions for the boys' actions was "misguided and counterproductive."

"There is no credible evidence that violent games lead to violent behavior," he said. "While video games may provide a simple excuse for the teenagers involved in this incident, responsibility for violent acts belongs to those who commit them."

Thompson has made similar claims in the past and lost, notably a $33 million lawsuit against video game makers stemming from the 1997 school shooting near Paducah, Ky., by a 14-year-old boy.

Today's chuckle

Ladybugs invade due to warm weather

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo. (AP) — Unseasonably warm weather is causing some unladylike behavior in southeast Missouri.

Millions of ladybugs have invaded the area.

By mid-afternoon Sunday, masses of the orange insects were landing on buildings, cars and skin.

"We've got too many," said Cape Girardeau County resident Schirley Huey, doing yard work with her husband when they first noticed the pesky insects flying about. A few even bit.

"Here in front of our barn, they were swarming all over the place," she said. "I do not recall them ever being this bad."

The Asian ladybird beetle was imported several times over the last century to control aphids, a tiny insect that damages crops. They come in a variety of orange colors and vary in spottage — some have no spots. The native variety of ladybug is nearly identical in appearance but does not have nearly so voracious an appetite.

"They'll only be swarming during the warm weather," said Wesley Mueller, agriculture department head at Southeast Missouri State University. "Since it cools down soon, I'd say it'll likely be a week before they're gone."

Wisconsin senator is removed

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Democratic State Sen. Gary George, who spent almost 23 years in office fashioning a reputation as a maverick politician, was swept from office in the state's second recall of a sitting senator in seven years.

Democratic State Rep. Spencer Coggs defeated George by a 30-point margin Tuesday, making him the only candidate in the Nov. 18 general election for George's seat, which represents inner-city Milwaukee.

With all precincts reporting, Coggs had 4,538 votes, or 65 percent, while George had 2,477 votes, or 35 percent, according to unofficial returns. An estimated 8 percent of voters went to the polls.

George, 49, fought the recall drive in court every step of the way, asking a trial court, appeals court and the state Supreme Court to stop or delay it. They all refused, although George's appeal is still pending before the Supreme Court.

A Coggs general election victory wouldn't change the balance of power in the Senate. Republicans control the chamber 18-15.

George's opponents began the drive to kick him out of office in April after he broke with his party and voted to override Democratic Gov. Jim Doyle's veto of Republican legislation that would have given lawmakers final say over tribal gambling compacts.

Date Book

Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2003

Today is the 295th day of 2003 and the 30th day of autumn.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1797, the first successful parachute descent was made by Andre Jacques Garnerin. He jumped from a hydrogen balloon nearly 3,000 feet above Paris.

On this day in 1962, the Cuban Missile Crisis formally began with a television speech by President John F. Kennedy announcing that U.S. spy planes had discovered Soviet missile bases in Cuba.

On this day in 1975, Air Force Tech. Sgt. Leonard Matlovich, a decorated veteran of the Vietnam War, was given a "general" discharge after publicly declaring his homosexuality.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Franz Liszt (1811-1886), composer; Timothy Leary (1920-1996), psychologist and counterculture figure; Annette Funicello (1942-), actress and singer, is 61; Catherine Deneuve (1943-), actress, is 60; Brian Boitano (1963-), figure skater, is 40.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1972, the Oakland A's won the World Series by defeating the Cincinnati Reds 3-2 in the seventh game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Women who seek to be equal with men lack ambition." — Timothy Leary

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Oct. 18) and new moon (Oct. 25)

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TEXAS LOTTERY

RESULTS

Tuesday's Lottery Numbers

Texas Two Step

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery: 6-12-21-27 Bonus ball 32. Estimated jackpot: $700,000.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery: 6-24-33-35-36

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Motorized wheelchair approved

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — If 14-year-old Bryce Wiley puts a safety light on his motorized wheelchair and stays on the side of the road, police in his hometown of Laurens promise they won't slap him with a fine.

The deal was struck Tuesday, about two weeks after Chief Rod Watkins threatened to sanction Bryce, who has muscular dystrophy, for choosing the street over the sidewalk to get around town.

Watkins had come across Bryce while on patrol the night of Oct. 5 and said he almost hit the wheelchair because he could barely see its reflectors.

Bryce was in the street because he couldn't get to the sidewalk without curb cuts, and Watkins stopped him because Iowa bans motorized wheelchairs from the street and prohibits anyone younger than 16 from using one on the sidewalk.

The state law conflicts with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, and the situation signals the need for the statute to change, said Gov. Tom Vilsack and Sen. Tom Harkin.

"We should not be pitting a local law enforcement officer who is simply trying to do his job against a young man who is simply trying to move about (in) his community," Vilsack said.

Harkin was a chief sponsor of the federal law, enacted in 1990.

"This is a wakeup call to small towns all over America," Harkin told The Associated Press in an interview Tuesday. "They've got to put into planning how they're going to make their sidewalks accessible to people with disabilities."

Similar conflicts have occurred nationwide. A Sweet Springs, Mo., man with cerebral palsy won the right to use a golf cart on city streets after his family hired a lawyer and filed a complaint with the federal government.

SCHOOL DAYS — Norma Laywell directed the Sunshine Choir for a special School Days party last Thursday at the Senior Citizens Center. Some seniors dressed like the 1950s and many brought high school annuals and other school memorabilia. (Contributed Photo)

Florida governor orders woman's feeding tube to be reinserted

CLEARWATER, Fla. (AP) — The fight over the life of a comatose woman took a dramatic twist when a hospital began rehydrating her on orders from Gov. Jeb Bush — a development experts say raises legal issues that could complicate the case even further.

Terri Schiavo, whose feeding tube was removed last week, began receiving liquids intravenously Tuesday after lawmakers rushed to pass a bill designed to save her life. A judge later rejected a request by her husband to overturn Bush's order.

Observers wondered whether the Legislature and the governor overstepped constitutional boundaries by ramming through legislation that overruled the courts.

"It presents a new legal issue that I've never heard of," said former Florida Supreme Court Justice Stephen Grimes.

Former Attorney General Bob Butterworth said the upcoming legal wrangling "could be fairly historic."

"It's going to be a very interesting case to say the least," he said.

Schiavo's parents, Bob and Mary Schindler, have fought to keep their daughter alive. Her husband, Michael Schiavo, says she would rather die than be kept alive artificially.

The feeding tube was removed last Wednesday after a court refused to intervene. Doctors said the 39-year-old woman would die within a week to 10 days without nutrition and water.

On Tuesday, an ambulance took Schiavo from a Pinellas Park hospice to Morton Plant Hospital after Bush issued his order to resume feeding her. A crowd cheered outside as she left.

"I'm ecstatic she's being fed again," said her brother, Bob Schindler Jr. "I don't think I can describe the way I feel right now. It's been unreal."

Hours earlier, the Senate voted 23-15 for legislation to save Schiavo. Within minutes, the House voted 73-24 to send the bill to Bush. The governor signed it into law and issued his order about an hour later.

"It's restored my belief in God," said Schiavo's father, Bob Schindler.

Michael Schiavo, meanwhile, was "deeply troubled, angry and saddened that his wife's wishes have become a political ping-pong," said his attorney, George Felos. "He, as many others, is absolutely stunned at the course of events."

Suzanne Carr, the woman's sister, called the lawmakers' action "a miracle, an absolute miracle."

Felos scrambled to try to stop Bush's order. He filed a request for an injunction, but Pinellas Circuit Court Judge George Greer denied it on technical grounds. Felos refiled the request and State Circuit Judge W. Douglas Baird also refused to grant it.

"We won. Terri won," her father said after the ruling.

Felos said he believes the legislation is unconstitutional. It is Terri Schiavo's right under the Florida Constitution to not be kept alive artificially, and the courts have affirmed that, he said.

Harvard law professor Laurence Tribe said the action by Bush and the Legislature "violates the core principles" of a 1990 U.S. Supreme Court decision.

The court ruled in a Mississippi case that Nancy Cruzan, who had been fed through a tube for seven years, could be permitted to die if "clear and convincing evidence" proved that was what she wanted. Her parents had fought for the right to remove the tube.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Oct. 23, 2003

This could be a red letter year for you where your chosen field of endeavor is concerned. Notable advancements or promotions are possible, and you may even be selected over people with more seniority.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — If you don't have anything necessary that must get done today, toss out your schedule and fly by the soles of your shoes. Spontaneous activities are the ones that'll bring you the most fun.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Unusual circumstances may prevail today, but they could bring about that break you've been looking for. Events might suddenly enable you to grab onto something that has eluded you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Upon impulse, an old friend might decide to drop in on you today. Even though it may be done without an invitation, it'll make your day and you will happily drop what you're doing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Keep thinking positive thoughts and don't let doubt enter the picture. A delicate career matter about which you've been quite apprehensive could work out remarkably well today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — You have a happy faculty today for saying all the right things to others that will buoy their spirits and give them hope. Ironically, you may not know how valuable this gift is until later.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Lucky you today, because you have two good friends who will pull off a much-needed miracle for you that you're unable to do for yourself. They'll do so without being asked.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — You're in a lucky cycle where meeting new people is concerned, so get out today and mingle. You particularly need as many contacts as possible in order to find outlets for your many ideas.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Instead of shrinking from confrontations, they'll actually awaken your ingenuity today. Use your imagination and resourcefulness whenever you're confronted with challenging developments.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Mingle with friends and associates today who have adventurous spirits and like to try new things or go to new places. Mental stimulation will enliven your mind and develop it further.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Something quite fortuitous may develop for you today from a least-suspected quarter. It could involve an old friend who is going places and wants to take you along on his or her ride.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — That mental agility you possess will be in good working order today. You'll not only be a fast thinker, but your judgmental faculties will be outstanding as well. Implement your ideas.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Even if the bright ideas you get today for growing your bank account sound a bit outlandish to others, don't discount them or toss them aside. Chances are they'll be right on the money.

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Boy left in burning vehicle by grandma

MOUNT HOLLY, N.J. (AP) — A woman accused of leaving her 22-month-old grandson to die inside a burning vehicle was charged with endangering the welfare of a child.

Police said 41-year-old Pamela Dreadin was driving in a rural area around 3 a.m. Sunday when her Ford Bronco ran off the road and a fire started in the engine compartment.

Dreadin went to a house nearby to call for help but did not mention that her grandson, Michael Malinowski, was in the car until 10 minutes later, when a police officer arrived, authorities said.

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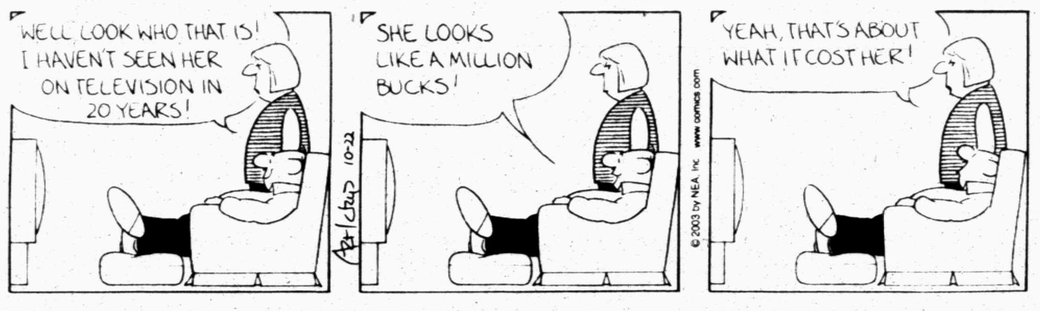

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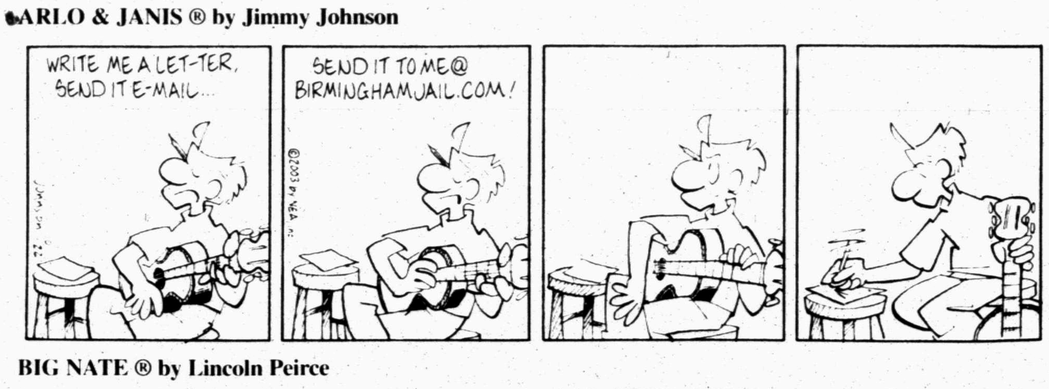

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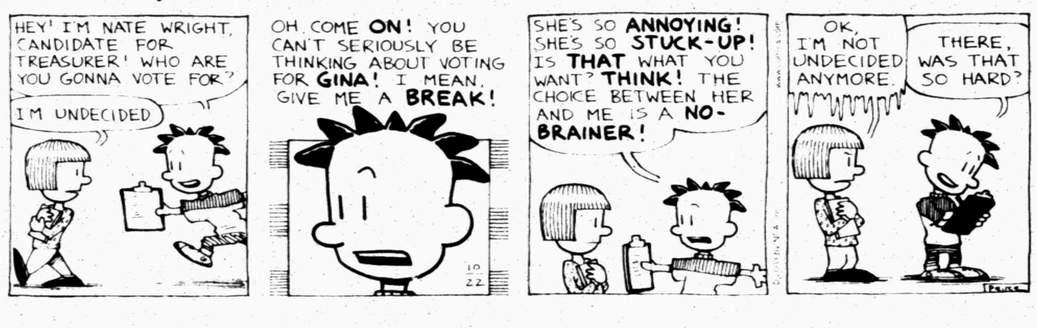

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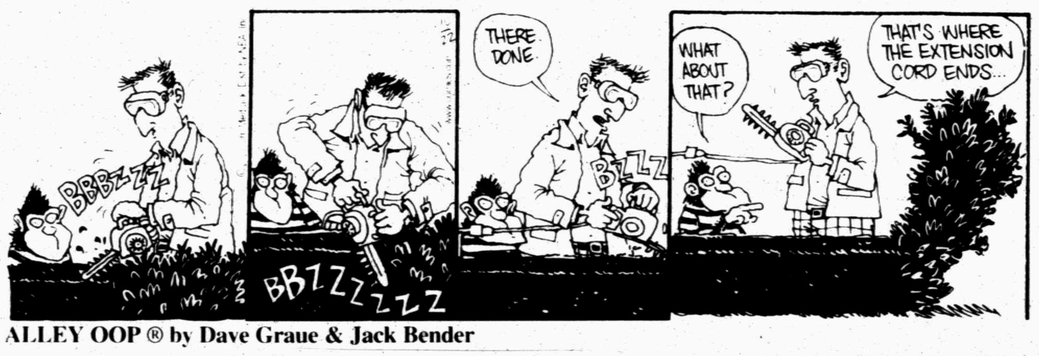

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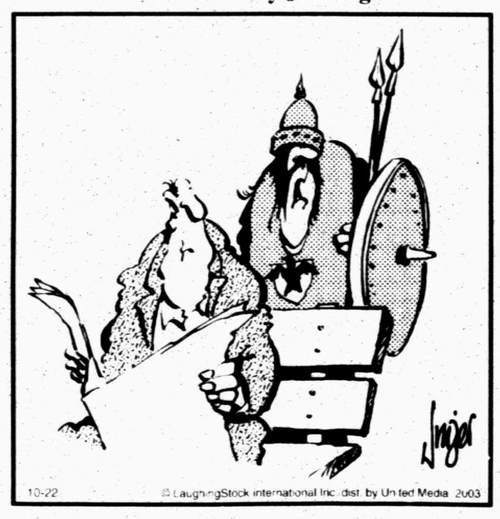

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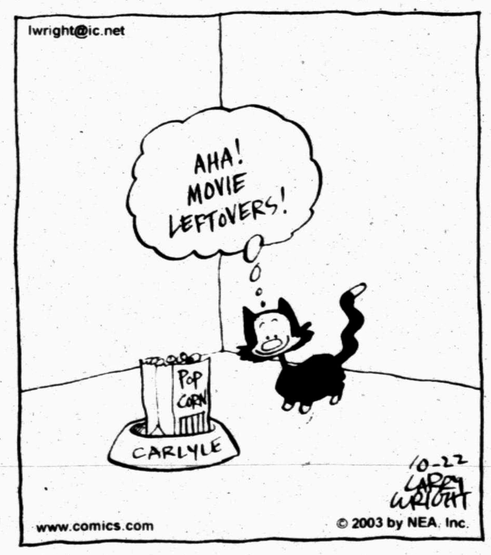

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6 Melted together
11 Marilyn — of "Bus Stop"
12 Less defined
13 Playwright — O'Neill
14 Grouchy
15 Mercator's tome
16 Nest builder
17 Sediment
18 Musical notes
19 Does Easter eggs
23 Pitcher in a basin
25 Car import
26 Swerve
29 "Star Wars" heavy
32 Youngster
33 Melodramatic cry
34 Matrix
35 Sault — Marie, Mich.
36 Microbe
38 Two-piece cookie
40 Weapon supplies
41 "Nova" network
42 Coal deposit
46 Irritate
48 — Haute, Ind.
49 Electrical unit
52 Eye part
53 Shaggy flower
54 Passionate
55 Type of cheese
56 Relaxed

DOWN

1 Highway
2 Viewpoint
3 Lubricate
4 Ages upon ages
5 Gaze at
6 Taxi passenger
7 Entebbe's land
8 Get a tan
9 Cartoon shriek
10 Arid
11 Feast
12 TV adjuncts
16 Movie studio department
18 Terror
20 Laughs
21 Touch up
22 Right — up
24 Md. neighbor
26 Guru's practice
27 Throat-clearing sound
28 Fish bait
30 Rabbit features
31 Reuben bread
37 Gourmet mushrooms
39 Work too hard
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44 Dunne or Castle
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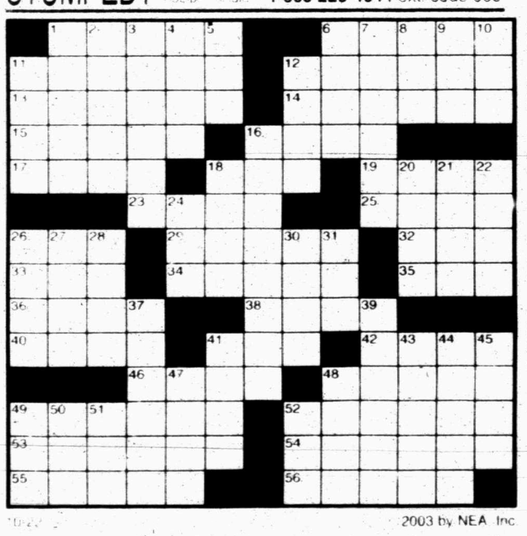

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SPORTS

Yankees pour it on late, take series edge

MIAMI (AP) — Mike Mussina outdueled brash Josh Beckett and the New York Yankees pulled away for a 6-1 victory over the Florida Marlins and a 2-1 lead.

"I'm leaving here with a better feeling than I've had in some past games," Mussina said.

This shaped up as an excellent chance for the Marlins to reclaim their edge. Back at home and with Beckett on the mound, they liked their chances.

Yet after giving up a first-inning run, Mussina overcame the rain and the Florida hitters.

"Moose just kept it together," Yankees manager Joe Torre said.

Mussina's first World Series win came thanks to that old October tandem of Derek Jeter and Bernie Williams.

Jeter doubled for his third hit and scored the go-ahead run on Hideki Matsui's single in the eighth inning. Aaron Boone homered in the ninth and then Williams hit his record 19th postseason homer to clinch it.

Mariano Rivera finished it off with two innings for a save as the Yankees won before a crowd of 65,731 that had mostly left Pro Player Stadium by the final out.

Now, after their second straight victory, the Yankees will try to take firm hold of the Series behind Roger Clemens.

Clemens pitches tonight in the final scheduled start of his Hall of Fame career. Carl Pavano, who grew up in Connecticut rooting for the Rocket and later watched him while a prospect in the Boston system, goes for the Marlins in Game 4.

"Every situation that you can have in a postseason, me and Bernie have been through it," Jeter said. "We've been in big games. We've won, we've lost. I think the experience helps in terms of keeping your emotions under control."

Florida finally managed to get an extra-base hit after 13 singles, but has scored only five runs in three games.

"It's not an easy task against those guys," Marlins manager Jack McKeon said.

Despite his 199 career wins and Cy Young potential, Mussina had never quite delivered the ultimate big game for the Yankees. Then again, New York never made it easy him, rarely scoring when he was on the mound.

Mussina had been 0-3 in this postseason, losing once to Minnesota and twice to Boston. But it wasn't all his fault, as the Yankees couldn't get a lead for him to hold.

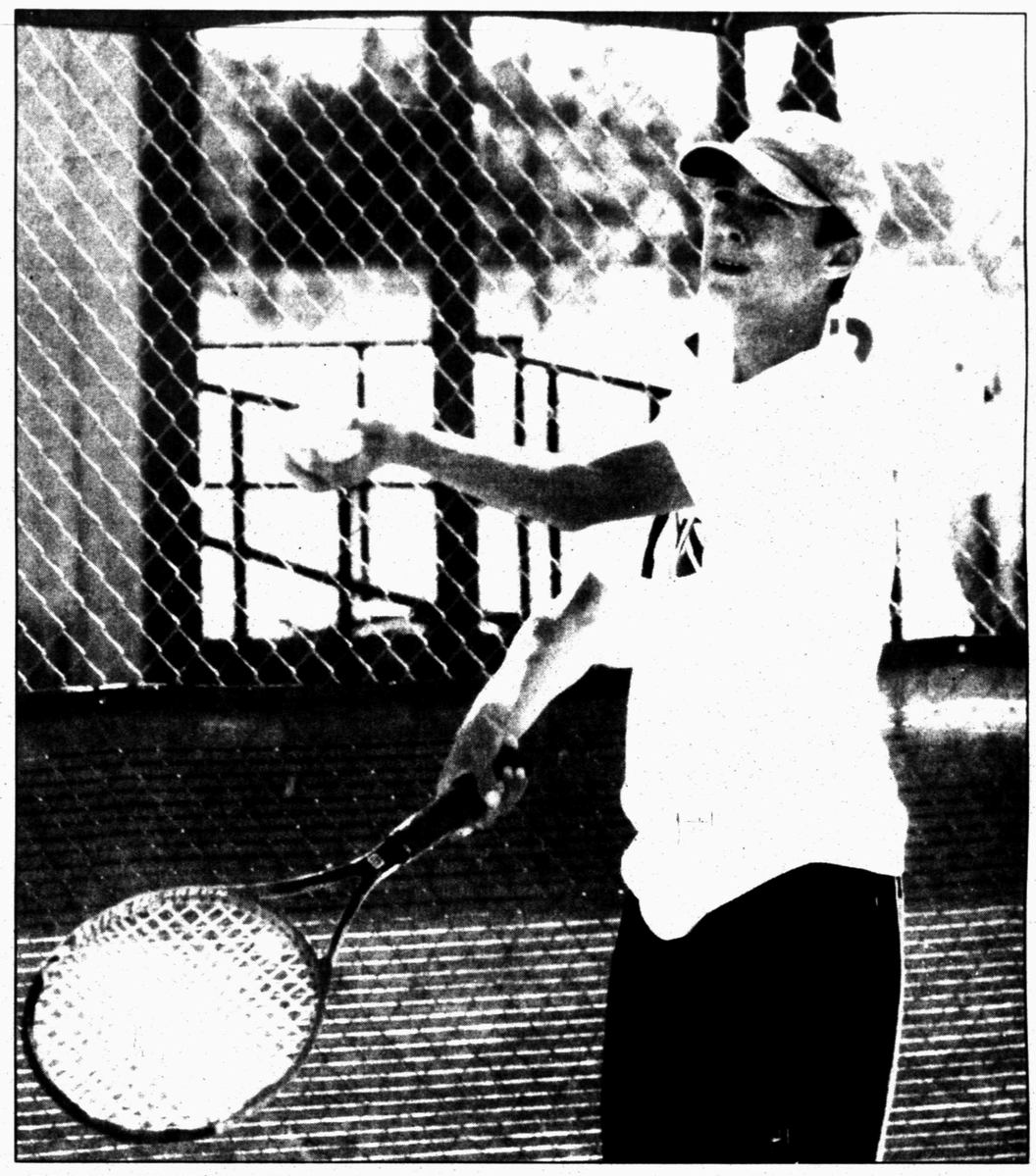
"This is the postseason. There aren't going to be a lot of runs scored in these games," Mussina said. "When you have the top guy on the other team, you have to find a way to hold them down."

Mussina did that in the first relief appearance of his career, pitching three scoreless innings against the Red Sox in Game 7 in an effort that Torre said saved the Yankees' season.

He didn't quite save it this time, but did a lot toward putting the Yankees halfway to their record 27th championship. He gave up one run and seven hits in seven innings, striking out nine and walking one.

Mussina began the game with a 4-5 career postseason record despite a sharp 3.19 ERA.

"He had about three pitches working, his curveball, knuckle-curve and splitter. He kept us off-balance," Marlins leadoff man Juan Pierre said. "We never could get a read on him."



AT YOUR SERVICE — Tanner Reed prepares to serve during a doubles match against Sweetwater Tuesday. Reed and partner Austin Lyle won their match, helping the Tigers defeat the Mustangs, 10-9. (SDN Staff Photo)

Netters down Sweetwater

The Tigers swept the boys doubles division Tuesday, as the Snyder netters got a much-needed victory over Sweetwater in team tennis, 10-9.

"This was a great win for us," head coach Ted Phillips said. "Sweetwater is one of the top 3A teams in the region and they had beaten us twice already this year."

Joseph Ynguanzo and Matt Hale paired up to stop Sweetwater's A.J. Artega and Kelsey Matchen, 7-6, 6-4, while the team of Tanner Reed and Austin Lyle used three sets to stop Mustangs Robbie Strzelec and Ivan Ramirez, 6-4, 5-7, 6-2.

Kenny Alcala and Wesley Price cruised past the team of Jeff Ludlum and Bryan Gerols, 6-1, 6-2.

Snyder and Sweetwater split in boys singles, with Reed blowing by Artega, 6-2, 6-0, and Hale using three sets to get past Matchen, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Price topped Ludlum, 7-5, 6-2 for the other boys victory.

Andra Dunham and Stephanie Williams picked up the only wins for the Tigers in the girls doubles division, cruising past Bonnie Jay and Leslie Cortez-Lomas, 6-2, 6-0.

Dunham coasted by Jessica Carson, 6-3, 6-3, while Williams upended Cortez-Lomas in straight sets, 7-5, 6-4.

Nikki Timora picked up the other win for the girls, beating Jay, 6-3, 6-2.

Snyder will conclude the team tennis season with a pair of matches with area powerhouses.

Tuesday the team will travel to Abilene to take on number one ranked Wylie, before closing out the season Nov. 8 against Class 3A defending state champion Vernon in Snyder.

Spikers fall at Lamesa

The Snyder varsity volleyball team was swept at Lamesa Tuesday, 25-20, 25-14 and 25-10, to fall to 3-7 in the district.

The Lady Tigers played a close first game with the Lady Golden Tors, before Lamesa (8-3) stormed back in the second and third games to keep its playoff hopes alive.

"In the first game we played very well, except at the end," head coach Laura Moses said. "We made Lamesa change their game, and we were playing great defense and moving our feet."

The defense made key digs on several hard spikes by Lamesa, with Kelsi Johnson recording 28, Missy Vasquez picking up 27 and Courtney Cox saving 24.

Beth Clements and Kelbi Drum each added 13 digs in the match. Drum added three service points, with an ace, as well as nine assists and five kills.

Johnson, Teddi Crenwelge and Clements all added four points.

Sarah Crawford and Emily Jones recorded the only blocks of the match for Snyder, with each notching five stops.

After battling hard through the first contest, Snyder was plagued by several infractions at the net in the final two games, and could not get into a rhythm offensively.

"These girls want to win really bad, and our captains want to finish out the season strong. They don't want to give up," Moses said.

The Lady Tigers host Brownfield Saturday before heading to Sweetwater Tuesday to conclude the season.

Moses said the team would have ceremonies to mark the final home date Saturday.

Snyder beat Sweetwater for one of its three district wins, but Moses said all the teams have improved. Sweetwater beat playoff contender Seminole.

"They are going to be tough games," she said. "We haven't had any easy games this year."

Women look to take over conference at Tech rodeo

The Western Texas College rodeo teams will get back into action Thursday after a week off, traveling to Lubbock for the Texas Tech rodeo. The women's team, led by barrel racer Sabrina Lay, is in second place in the Southwest region with 395 points. The women trail Tarleton State by 57.5 points heading into Lubbock.

Lay

Stratton

Lay helped the WTC women win the Vernon rodeo on Oct. 11, taking first in her event. She leads the conference in barrel racing with 310 points, easily besting the second place score of 100 points in the event.

Julie Jones is in fifth in the conference in goat tying. She finished second in that competition at Vernon.

The men's team sits in third place in the Southwest after an eighth-place showing at Vernon.

The men have accumulated 520 points, trailing second-place TSU by 110 points. West Texas A&M leads the men's division.

WTC has been aided by solid performances from Sam Spreadborough and Clay Bunney, which have put the pair atop the standings in their respective events.

Spreadborough holds the lead in saddle bronc riding with total of 205 points, while Bunney has used a total of 165 to jump to the front of the bareback riding competition.

Tate Stratton also has helped the men keep pace, as he currently sits in second in bull riding.

The Texas Tech rodeo is scheduled to run from Thursday through Saturday.

Aggies' Taylor out for season

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Texas A&M wide receiver Jamaar Taylor is out for the season with a right knee injury.

Taylor, the Aggies' leading receiver with 25 catches for 456 yards, was hurt early in A&M's 48-12 loss in Lincoln, Neb.

Taylor's career ends with 1,705 yards and 10 touchdowns on 108 catches. The senior was only 36 yards shy of passing Bethel Johnson as the school's all-time leading receiving leader.

Tim Van Zant and Jason Carter will be called on to fill Taylor's void.

Lindros out two to four weeks

NEW YORK (AP) — Eric Lindros will be out two to four weeks after injuring his left shoulder during the New York Rangers' victory over the Florida Panthers.

Lindros has a sprain in the area where the shoulder and collarbone meet the chest, the Rangers said Tuesday. An X-ray Monday night was negative.

Lindros left Madison Square Garden on Monday night without speaking to reporters and was unavailable for comment Tuesday.

New York coach and general manager Glen Sather wasn't precisely sure when Lindros was hurt, except he knew the center played after the injury.

He may have been hurt midway through the second period after becoming entangled with a Florida player in the right corner.

"Losing Eric was disappointing, but he'll be back," Rangers captain Mark Messier said after New York's 3-1 victory.

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The annual city golf tournament will take place Saturday and Sunday, with the first round at the WTC golf course and the second round scheduled for Scurry County golf course. Cost is $20 per person with three divisions: open, senior and super senior. Tee-off is 1 p.m. both days. Contact Rick Mammolite at 573-7101 at the pro shop to register.

UT back charged with criminal trespassing

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas running back Cedric Benson was charged with forcing his way into an apartment to look for a television he says was stolen from him.

Benson was charged with criminal trespassing, a misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in jail and a $4,000 fine if convicted. Bond was set at $10,000.

Beuerlein placed on IR

DENVER (AP) — The Denver Broncos placed quarterback Steve Beuerlein on injured reserve, a move that could mark the end of his 17-year career. Beuerlein, who became the starter after Jake Plummer broke his foot, fractured the pinkie finger on his throwing hand on Sunday.

Bugel rejoins Washington staff

ASHBURN, Va. (AP) — Former Washington Redskins assistant Joe Bugel rejoined the team as an offensive consultant. Bugel, who coached the Redskins offensive line in the 1980s when the team won two Super Bowls, will review tapes and offer feedback for the struggling Washington offense.

National Hockey League

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Islanders	3	1	1	0	7	16	11
Philadelphia	2	1	2	0	6	10	11
New Jersey	1	1	2	0	4	9	9
N.Y. Rangers	1	2	2	0	4	8	13
Pittsburgh	1	2	1	0	3	8	13

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	4	1	2	0	10	19	16
Montreal	4	2	0	0	8	17	9
Ottawa	3	1	0	1	7	17	10
Toronto	1	2	2	0	4	7	13
Buffalo	2	4	0	0	4	8	21

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Atlanta	3	0	2	1	9	17	11
Tampa Bay	4	0	0	0	8	16	6
Florida	1	3	2	0	4	9	11
Washington	1	4	1	0	3	15	20
Carolina	0	2	2	0	2	6	9

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Central Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	3	1	0	1	7	14	12
Columbus	3	2	0	0	6	13	8
Detroit	3	2	0	0	6	13	12
Nashville	3	2	0	0	6	12	10
Chicago	2	4	0	0	4	9	19

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	3	2	1	0	7	19	10
Calgary	3	2	0	0	6	8	10
Edmonton	3	3	0	0	6	19	16
Colorado	2	3	0	0	4	15	14
Minnesota	1	5	1	0	3	14	20

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	4	2	0	0	8	17	11
Los Angeles	4	2	0	0	8	20	12
Phoenix	3	2	0	0	6	11	12
San Jose	1	4	1	0	3	8	16
Anaheim	1	4	0	1	3	7	16

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Anaheim 2, San Jose 0
Los Angeles 4, Philadelphia 0

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Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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REQUEST FOR SEALED PROPOSALS

Sealed proposals, addressed to Marvin Beaty, Superintendent, Hermleigh Independent School District, 1026 School Ave., Hermleigh, Texas 79526, are being received for separate trade proposals for (1) the new Agriculture Barn and (2) the new concrete foundation for the Agriculture Barn for the Hermleigh I.S.D. Proposals will be received until 2:00 P.M. on October 29, 2003, at the office of the Superintendent at which time the proposals will be opened and read publicly in the Hermleigh I.S.D. cafeteria. All proposals mailed prior to this date and all inquires should be to the Superintendent.

Marvin Beaty, Supt.
1026 School Ave.
Hermleigh, TX 79526
(325) 863-2772
FAX: (325) 863-2713

Proposals received after 2:00 P.M., October 29, 2003, closing time will be returned unopened. Separate contracts and purchase orders will be awarded for the various disciplines of work required. Time on this project is of the utmost importance. Each proposal will be considered based on price, time schedule, and contractor's reputation, ability to man the project, experience, and quality of contractor's goods or services on each portion of work to be completed. The awarding of proposals will not be made at this time.

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The Owner reserves the right to waive any formalities or to reject any or all proposals. No proposals may be withdrawn until the expiration of 30 days from the date proposals are opened.

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Dr. Gott
By Peter Gott, M.D.

The relationship between reflux and alcohol

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 62-year-old son has suffered with acid reflux for many years. Now, since he has taken Nexium for two years, he has been fine. However, his doctor has not arranged for any follow-up visits. My son takes his pills with beer and drinks all evening when he gets home from work. Is this dangerous? Should he recheck with his doctor?

DEAR READER: First, an editorial comment.

While I well-understand your concern about your son's health, he is at an age where he has endorsed and followed a lifestyle over which you have no control. Maybe it's time to back off and stop making "mother noises." Let him finally make his own choices.

I am glad that the Nexium cured his symptoms of acid reflux. I agree with you that he should have, at his age, a complete examination every year or two. And I believe that he could appropriately make a suitable appointment with his physician. If he chooses not to do so, it's his business (hence my comment about "mother noises"). It is not necessarily the role of his doctor to follow up, in the absence of continuing symptoms, if the patient fails to take responsibility for his own health issues. (Having said this, I am prepared for the certain criticism that it's the physician's obligation to "get patients in" for follow up. However, I maintain that intelligent adults need to take responsibility for their own health.)

Most pharmacies will not permit automatic refills of medicine if the prescription is more than a year old. Because your son is continuing the Nexium, the doctor will have to refill the prescription annually. This is an ideal opportunity for the physician (and your son) to be reminded that some doctor/patient interaction is needed.

The problem of the beer is more troublesome. Your son may be drinking excessively. (Perhaps this is the reason he avoids his physician). Alcohol can worsen acid reflux and, as you know, damage many organs in the body. If he is consuming more than three or four cans of beer a day, he needs to cut back. This can be a daunting task for which he may require help and support. (Again, his physician is the logical resource to provide such assistance.)

Having pondered your situation, I believe that I have finally arrived at a solution that — although unusual — may solve your problem in a simple and direct fashion, without placing you in the role of the interfering mom. Call your son's doctor and tell him that **1)** Your son hasn't been examined in two years; **2)** He is continuing the Nexium without the physician's direct input; **3)** He is consuming an unacceptably large quantity of alcohol, and **4)** "Don't tell him I called."

Yes, I know that this is funny business, but, under the present circumstances, it may be required. Then you can cut down on the "mother noises." Meanwhile, you've placed the problem directly where it belongs: between your son and his doctor. Let me know what happens.

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

If readers would like to contact Dr. Gott, they may write him through your newspaper or send their mail directly to Dr. Gott c/o United Media, 200 Madison Ave., 4th fl., New York, NY 10016.

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Two Dallas police officers shot

DALLAS (AP) — Two police officers on a drug investigation were wounded by gunfire as they stood outside an apartment, authorities say.

Both officers were taken Tuesday night to Parkland Memorial Hospital, where they were being treated for upper body wounds. The two are in serious but stable condition, said Senior Cpl. Chris Gilliam, a police spokesman.

The victims, both senior corporals, were shot about 10 p.m. Tuesday at the London Manor Apartments in northwest Dallas.

Gilliam said the officers were at the apartments because they had noticed drug-related activity. They were shot at the front door of an apartment. Investigators are trying to determine where the shots were fired from, said Gilliam.

Two people were in custody early today. Police were searching for an assailant who fled the complex.

Other police officers went to the complex Tuesday night in response to officers' call for assistance. Police interviewed numerous witnesses at the complex Tuesday night.

It was not immediately known whether the injured officers were wearing their uniforms or protective gear during the investigation.

Bridge
By Phillip Alder

	North		10-22-03
	♠ K J 6 5		
	♥ 6		
	♦ 9 8 4 3		
	♣ 10 8 7 2		
West		**East**	
♠ Q 10 9 4 3		♠ 7	
♥ 2		♥ Q 8 7 5 4	
♦ A K Q 7 6		♦ J 10	
♣ 4 3		♣ K Q J 9 6	
	South		
	♠ A 8 2		
	♥ A K J 10 9 3		
	♦ 5 2		
	♣ A 5		

Dealer: West
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
	1 ♠	Pass	1 NT
Dbl.	2 ♦	Pass	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ 10

Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2003

Did he include any of his own?

By Phillip Alder

All bridge writers make errors — although since the appearance of Bill Bailey's Deep Finesse double-dummy-analyzing program, the number of mistakes has dropped dramatically. And many writers — myself included — have got columns from these inaccuracies. Now comes a book full of them: "Spot the Bridge Writer's Blunder!" by Danny Roth (Finesse, 2003).

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South should overcall two hearts, not double. However, if he had, West would not have known that East preferred diamonds to spades.

South won the first trick with the spade ace and played three rounds of hearts. However, East won with his queen and led the diamond jack. West overtook with the queen, gave East a spade ruff, got back in with another diamond, and served up a second ruff. A later club loser meant one down.

The author praises West for his opening lead, but Roth adds that the analysis should also point out that the declarer erred. South, playing East for the heart queen, should win the first trick in the dummy (preferably with the king, in case East has a singleton queen) and take the heart finesse. Then East gets only one spade ruff, and the contract makes.

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Albertsons	19.55	19.28	19.38	— .19
Alltel	49.41	49.16	49.28	— .47
AmEl Pw	29.65	29.40	29.40	— .12
AndarkPtr	41.99	41.46	41.69	+ .11
ATMOS Egy	24.80	24.60	24.68	— .01
Aviall	14.33	14.29	14.33	+ .02
BP PLC	43.14	41.98	42.78	— .36
BakerHughes	30.25	29.16	29.17	— 1.08
Bank of Amer	81.91	80.50	80.94	— .08
BellSouth	25.10	22.19	24.90	+ 1.12
BurlNoSFe	28.92	28.54	28.75	
Caterpillar	73.10	71.78	72.37	— .39
CenterPoint	9.91	9.78	9.84	— .11
ChevronTex	74.27	72.26	73.53	— .74
Citigroup	47.49	46.96	47.15	— .42
CocaCola	45.82	45.34	45.37	— .42
ColgatePal	57.61	56.86	57.22	— .15
CmclMetals	24.08	23.83	24.07	— .03
ConocoPhill	57.44	55.89	56.92	— .52
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Lubys	2.69	2.61	2.61	— .09
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MarathonOil	29.92	29.67	29.67	— .21
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Navistar	40.46	39.49	39.53	— 1.18
PNM Rescs	29.19	28.91	29.00	— .19
Penney JC	24.57	24.22	24.26	— .47
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PilgrmPrd B	12.94	12.75	12.75	— .15
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ProctGamb	95.73	94.73	95.39	+ .13
RadioShack	29.64	29.20	29.57	+ .09
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SaraLee	18.89	18.67	18.71	— .19
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TXU Corp	23.31	23.00	23.23	— .01
TempleInland	49.74	49.22	49.55	— .44
TexInd	26.17	25.80	26.17	+ .03
TexasInst	27.29	26.63	27.02	— .26
Textron	47.14	46.70	46.81	— .35
TimeWarner	15.95	15.20	15.22	— .33
TrinityInds	25.08	24.89	25.03	— .01
TylerTech	7.65	7.50	7.51	— .19
UnionPacif	58.64	58.30	58.52	— .03
USSteel	20.70	20.42	20.42	— .43
UnitedTech	83.65	83.25	83.42	— .46
Unocal	31.15	30.91	30.94	— .16
VerizonComm	32.72	32.01	32.53	+ .37
WalMart	58.97	58.17	58.30	— .67
WellsFargo	55.16	54.66	54.74	— .76
WstnGasRs	41.47	41.24	41.33	— .19
WinnDixie	8.00	7.81	7.87	— .13
Xerox Cp	11.49	11.30	11.39	— .11
YumBrands	32.94	32.61	32.71	— .17

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Scurry County Country

Diversified

By Greg Gruben, County Extension Agent

Prepare for Bulbs in the Landscape Now

Planting spring bulbs in the fall is as natural as falling leaves and football games. It is an opportunity neglected by the home gardener if he does not include some of the hardy, easy-to-grow spring beauties in the garden this fall. Bulbs are truly some of the simplest of flowers to grow, easy to care for, and inexpensive. All they ask is a fall planting, and they will reward you with weeks of early spring color, fragrance, and beauty.

Success with spring bulbs will depend to a large extent on selection of good, healthy, quality bulbs. Second-rate bulbs or bargain bulbs produce second-rate flowers, and often first-rate disappointment. To be assured of top quality bulbs and desirable varieties, order or purchase bulbs as early possible.

In general, good bulbs produce flowers the first season after planting, as the flower buds are already formed when the bulbs are purchased and planted. This emphasizes the importance of purchasing quality bulbs, as the quality of flowers is determined by the bulbs and not affected to a great extent by cultural conditions or growth practices.

One can be assured that the larger the bulb, the larger the bloom. Many disease problems can also be eliminated by obtaining healthy, disease-free bulbs.

If you purchase bulbs early, before planting time in October and November, store them in a cool, dry, well ventilated area until planting. Excessively high temperatures will cause the bulbs to dry out and result in injury to the flower bud inside the bulb.

When thumbing through a colorful bulb catalog, one quickly sees the wide variety and selection of spring bulb choices. The grower, however, should be aware that not all varieties produce well in the south, out of their native colder areas. Yet there remain enough successful types to make the decision about which to choos very difficult.

Texas growers may choose from daffodils or narcissus, tulips, Dutch hyacinths, French-Roman hyacinths, grape hyacinths, Ipheion and Dutch iris, and leucojum, to name a few.

Some spring bulbs, such as tulips and Dutch hyacinths, require a cold treatment prior to planting to have them perform better in the South, where the winters are comparatively mild. Tulips and Dutch hyacinths should be placed in the vegetable bin of the grower's refrigerator for 45 to 60 days prior to planting. They should never be frozen, and should be planted immediately upon removal from cold treatment.

An early selection and proper treatment of bulbs now will insure a beautiful and colorful spring, come March.

Forcing Bulbs for Indoor Enjoyment

As you select spring-flowering bulbs, set a few choice ones aside for indoor forcing. They will add a bit of cheer and color to the indoor landscape during the winter months. Bulbs that are good for indoor forcing include crocuses, grape hyacinths, daffodils, and tulips.

Pot the bulbs as soon as they are available. Prepare the soil by mixing equal parts of soil, peat, and sand. Place a one-inch layer of gravel in the bottom of the pot. Firm the soil around the bulbs, leaving the tips of large bulbs showing above the surface. Barely cover small bulbs, and space them about one-half-inch apart in the pot.

Newly potted bulbs should be stored at temperatures from 40 degrees to 50 degrees F. for 10 to 12 weeks. Success with forcing bulbs depends upon the development of roots during the cold-storage period. Keep the soil moist but not saturated. The vegetable drawer in the refrigerator provides excellent cold storage conditions.

After cold storage treatment, place the bulbs in a cool, semi-lighted location. Gradually move them to a sunny location for good growth and color. Do not allow the bulbs to dry out any time during the forcing period.

Most bulbs will be in flower by January. However, if you purchase pre-treated bulbs, it is possible to have blooms by Christmas.

Scurrying Around Snyder

Beth Dannheim, CEA – Family and Consumer Sciences; 2605 Avenue M, Snyder, Texas 79549

Continued From Last Week

Honeycrisp

This honey of an apple has a honeyed, mild flavor and a crispness deemed explosive. Crispy, juicy and sweet, this popular newcomer is a cross between a Macoun and a Honeygold.

Honeycrisp's skin is a distinctive mottled red over a yellow background, with coarse flesh. This apple is good for snacking, salads and sauce-making, and stores well. Honeycrisp is college educated, developed by the University of Minnesota. Harvested beginning in September, supplies are limited but growing.

Idared

Introduced in 1942, this Idaho Agricultural Experiment Station product is a cross between the Jonathan and Wagener apples. It has a tangy flavor like the Jonathan, but is much larger. It has a bright red skin, and firm texture. This apple is good for snacking and holds its shape ideally for baking. Available from September through July.

Jonathan

This variety of apples was discovered in Woodstock, N.Y., in the 1920s and is known for its use in pies and applesauce. This crimson apple with occasional touches of green has a spicy tang that blends well with other varieties in sauces and cider. Jonathan is typically available from September through April.

McIntosh

This old, well-known variety, was discovered as a chance seedling by John McIntosh in 1811. Its deep red finish sometimes carries a green blush. Juicy, tangy tart McIntosh has a tender, white flesh. It is best used for snacking and applesauce, but some people enjoy its tart flavor in pies as well. (Cook's hint: McIntosh's flesh cooks down easily; if pie making, cut your slices thick or add a thickener). This apple is typically available from September through May.

Newtown Pippin

Also known as Albemarie Pippin, a favorite variety of Thomas Jefferson. Discovered on Long Island in 1759, this apple is one of the oldest original U.S. varieties, helping to launch the U.S. fruit export industry. Newtown Pippin is a distinctive green, often with yellow highlights. Its aromatic, tangy flesh makes the Newtown great for use in pies and applesauce. Primarily a processing variety, most U.S. supplies are used commercially. Newtown Pippin is typically available from September through December.

Pink Lady®

Notable for its hot pink skin color and lily white flesh, this Southern Hemisphere native is now growing *la vita loca* stateside. A cross between Golden Delicious and Lady Williams, crunchy Pink Lady has a unique sweet-tart flavor described as "Gala with a zing!" Pink Lady is great for snacking, slicing or dicing on a salad, and for baking. This lady makes her debut in mid-October, one of the last varieties to be harvested. Supplies available through late spring or early summer. Pink Lady is a registered trademark of Brandt's Fruit Trees, Inc., and is managed by Pink Lady USA.

Red Delicious

This most widely recognized of all U.S. apple varieties originated in Iowa in the 1870s. This sweet, crispy, juicy apple varies in color from striped red to solid midnight red. Western Red Delicious are elongated in shape, with pronounced "feet"; Eastern-grown Delicious are more round. This apple is best eaten fresh or in salads. Red Delicious apples are available year round, starting in September.

Rome Beauty

Referred to as the "baker's buddy", this apple was discovered as a chance seedling in the early 1800s on a farm near Rome Township, Ohio. Famed for its storage qualities, this mildly tart apple is primarily used for cooking and is especially good baked or sauteed. The Rome apple is typically available beginning in September.

?Weather Whys?

Topic: Indian Summer

Q: You often hear the term "Indian summer." What is it?

A: "It refers to this time of year — fall days that are very pleasant," says Andrew Odins of Texas A&M University.

Temperatures can range from the mid-60s to low 70s in the day and night temperatures are moderate.

"Indian summer usually occurs at the start of autumn in some areas of the country, or sometimes in the middle of autumn in other places," Odins says.

"It can last for several weeks and the result is mild, often hazy days. But sooner or later, a cold front containing polar air arrives and the Indian summer weather disappears."

Q: Where does the name "Indian summer" come from?

A: There are at least two explanations, Odins says. "The term has been around at least since the 18th century. Some people believe it refers to short spans of good weather that allowed the Indians time to harvest their crops.

"Another explanation is that 'Indian' refers to a 'false' summer, as in the term 'Indian giver.' Many early-day settlers did not trust the Indians, and the late autumn warm spell to them was a 'false' taste of the good summer weather that just left. There are probably many other explanations for the term 'Indian summer.'"

ABOUT WEATHER WHYS

"Weather Whys" is a service of Texas A&M University's Department of Atmospheric Sciences. Past and current topics can be viewed via the web at http://rev.tamu.edu/weatherwhys/.

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Cotton Futures

NEW YORK (AP) — Cotton No. 2 Futures on the New York Board of TradeMonday:

COTTON	Open	High	Low	Settle	Chg.
50,000 lbs.; cents per lb.					
Dec	74.65	75.75	74.50	75.44	—.08
Mar	78.03	78.25	77.55	78.16	—.17
May	78.68	78.90	78.20	78.63	—.37
Jul	78.40	78.40	77.75	78.25	—.55
Oct	68.00	—.75			
Dec	68.50	68.50	68.10	68.25	—.98
Mar	69.75	—1.35			

Markets

Lubbock

The Lubbock Stockyards, Inc had a run of 996 head of livestock for the Thursday, Oct. 16, sale. Cows were $5 better. Calves and yearlings were steady. Trading and demand were good

Slaughter cows:
(High dressing, cutters, utility) 50-58
Canners and low cutters: 41-50
Slaughter bulls: 55-70
Feeder steers:
300-400: 110-130
400-500: 100-120
500-600: 95-105
600-700: 90-105
700-800: 90-100
Feeder heifers:
300-400: 100-115
400-500: 95-105
500-600: 87-100
600-700: 82-92
700-800: 80-87
Feeder bulls – Good and choice
500-600: 90-105
700-800: 77-90
Cow and Calf Pairs
Good: 700-850
Grade: 600-700
Springers: 490-700
Baby Calves: 106-175
Doodlers: 150-250

Colorado City

The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 514 head of cattle for the Wednesday, Oct. 15, sale.

Market was active and demand good. Stocker and feeder steers and heifers 500 lbs. and up were steady. Lightweights were $2 to $3 higher. Paris and bred cows were steady. Packer cows and bulls were $3 to $4 higher.

Feeder Steers:
300-400: 119-139
400-500: 107-118
500-600: 97-110
600-750: 87-95.50
Feeder Heifers:
300-400: 105-118
400-500: 95-105
500-600: 88-94
600-750: 86-89
Replacement cows:
Bred cows: 600-673
Pairs: 743-810
Packer cows: 42-54.25
Packer bulls: 55-63.75

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WEEKLY LAKE AND WATER DELIVERY REPORT

LAKE J. B. THOMAS (200,604 ACRE FEET AT ELEVATION 2258.00 FT.)

	ONE YEAR AGO 10-20-02	LAST WEEK 10-13-03	THIS WEEK 10-20-03
ELEVATION (FEET)	16.27	18.33	18.13
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	16,361	20,404	19.986
PERCENT FULL	8.16	10.17	9.96
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		0.20	0.00
IVIE TO LAKE THOMAS (Gal.)		0	0
SPENCE TO THOMAS (Gal.)		0	0

*RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT BIG SPRING/ODESSA INTAKE.

E.V. SPENCE RESERVOIR (517,262 ACRE-FEET AT ELEVATION 1898.00 FT.)

	ONE YEAR AGO 10-20-02	LAST WEEK 10-13-03	THIS WEEK 10-20-03
ELEVATION (FEET)	38.81	41.25	41.09
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	38,301	45,518	45,022
PERCENT FULL	7.40	8.80	8.70
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		2.60	0.00

* RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT SPENCE PUMP STATION

O.H. IVIE RESERVOIR (554,340 ACRE-FEET AT ELEVATION 1551.50 FT.)

	ONE YEAR AGO 10-20-02	LAST WEEK 10-13-03	THIS WEEK 10-20-03
ELEVATION (FEET)	28.17	27.10	27.13
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	217,819	207,243	207,538
PERCENT FULL	39.29	37.39	37.44
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		4.14	0.00

* RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT DAM.

INFORMATION BASED ON NEW AREA CAPACITY CURVE DATA

MUNICIPAL WATER DELIVERIES IN GALLONS

	LAST WEEKS DAILY AVERAGE 10-20-02 10-7-03	THIS WEEKS DAILY AVERAGE 10-13-03 10-14-03	THIS WEEKS PEAK DAY 10-20-03 10-14-03
BIG SPRING	3,820,000	4,107,143	4,290,000
ODESSA	15,242,429	17,064,143	20,610,000
SNYDER	1,666,857	1,848,857	2,292,000
MIDLAND	17,543,271	20,640,129	23,051,400
SAN ANGELO	11,885,857	12,148,143	13,666,000
STANTON	285,000	294,286	354,000

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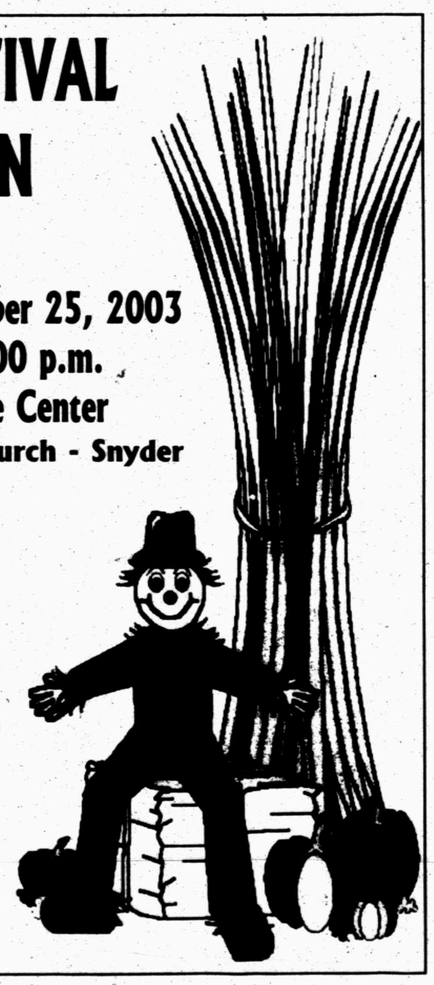

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Therapist frustrated by parents who make excuses for kids

DEAR ABBY: From time to time you ask readers to share their pet peeves. I hope you will allow me to air mine. I am a family therapist.

What makes me want to hit my head against the wall when I go home some nights is parents who would rather bail their child out of trouble than put in the time in advance to assure that the child gets the help he or she needs. I see it happen repeatedly.

You seem to have an answer for everything. What do these parents think will happen when the "child" reaches middle age and there are no more excuses left? I challenge you to answer that one. — **BURNED OUT IN BEVERLY HILLS**

DEAR BURNED OUT: There's no one-size-fits-all answer to your question. Some parents tolerate their children's repeated misbehavior because they refuse to admit that their child could be flawed. Others are so involved in their own lives that they would rather throw money at a problem than make tougher, more demanding choices. The outcome is predictable, but they're not thinking ahead.

Which brings me back to you: If you are truly ready to "hit your head against a wall" at the end of your workday, please consider this: Sometimes it TAKES a therapist to HELP a therapist. Find one before you truly burn out. To paraphrase a pearl of wisdom attributed to Henry Kissinger: "A problem ignored is a crisis invited."

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DEAR ABBY: I have been dating "Charlie" for a year. We are going to move in together at the end of the month. Charlie is thoughtful and sweet, and for the first time in my life, I feel I can be totally myself around a man.

Last night, I had my feet propped up on his book bag and the bag fell open. I looked down and saw a pair of black women's panties in the style that he has been badgering me to wear. Next to them were two DVDs with pornographic pictures on the front. I was horrified.

I have trusted Charlie because he really doesn't have time to cheat on me. But why would he carry around another girl's underwear?

Abby, I can't think straight right now. I don't want to make a mistake, and I have no idea what to do. Please help. — **SCARED TO MOVE IN NEW YORK**

DEAR SCARED: Ask Charlie to whom the underwear belongs. They could be for you, they could be a souvenir — or they could be his. The only way to find out is to ask.

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DEAR ABBY: Since I was 10, I've had a crush on my neighbor, "Chad." He's three years older than me. Sometimes we say "Hi" to each other, and other times he doesn't notice me. When I walk real slow past his house, I can feel him looking at me.

My dream is to ask Chad to my senior prom next spring. Can you give me some advice? — **LOVE-STRUCK IN SANTA MONICA, CALIF.**

DEAR LOVE-STRUCK: The next time you stroll past Chad's house and catch him outside, stop and chat with him. You have changed a great deal since you were 10. By Christmas you may have established a relationship, and if you have, make a New Year's resolution to ask him to the prom by March. If he's available, that's plenty of notice. If he's not, there's still time to ask someone else.

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Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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GM's 15-passenger vans will now be sold with stabilizers

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp. will begin selling 15-passenger vans next month with standard stabilizing equipment, which the automaker says will increase the safety of a vehicle that the federal government contends has a significant roll-over risk.

Meanwhile, Ford Motor Co., which also makes 15-passenger vans, said it will begin affixing rollover-warning labels on new models of the van, similar to warnings on the company's sport utility vehicles.

Ford said it also has strengthened the safety language in the vans' owners manuals, alerting drivers to the higher center of gravity and warning against abrupt maneuvers.

GM, the world's largest automaker, said in May it would install the stability enhancement systems as standard equipment in GMC Savana and Chevrolet Express vans beginning with 2004 models. The vans are made in Wentzville, Mo.

The base price for a 2003 version of either GM van is $29,645. The base price for 2004s is $30,220, an increase the automaker said is typical for a new model.

"Equipping our 15-passenger vans with ... stability enhancement systems makes what we believe is already a very safe vehicle even better," said Robert C. Lange, GM's executive director for structure and safety integration.

Last year, the government renewed a safety warning for 15-passenger vans, which often are used by churches, sports teams and other groups.

HERMLEIGH CHEERLEADERS — Hermleigh High School's cheerleaders for 2003-2004 are from left, standing, Brittainy Jones, 12th grade; Alana Culp, 10th grade; Alicia Culp, 9th; Brittany Kelley, 9th grade; and kneeling from left are Cassie Harbin, 11th grade; Valerie West (mascot), 12th grade; and Megan Kariainen, 9th grade. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Perry seeks disaster help for five counties

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry requested a federal disaster declaration today for five Texas counties because of heavy rain and flooding in the Rio Grande Valley.

Perry wrote President Bush seeking federal assistance for Brooks, Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr and Willacy counties, which had heavy rains from Sept. 18 through Oct 20.

If the presidential disaster declaration is granted, the counties could receive federal grants, housing assistance, unemployment assistance and crisis counseling.

Perry said he also has asked the Small Business Administration to declare Hidalgo County a disaster area for flooding that occurred earlier this month.

If granted, businesses in Hidalgo County and neighboring Brooks and Starr counties would be eligible for to apply for low-interest SBA loans.

Earlier this month, the SBA granted a request from Perry for assistance to Cameron, Hidalgo and Willacy counties for flooding that occurred in September.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Use of Turkish troops in Iraq doubtful

WASHINGTON (AP) — The prospect of thousands of Turkish troops entering Iraq to relieve strain on American forces appears to have dimmed, although Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld says he remains hopeful that Turkey will find a way to follow through on its offer to help.

When the Turkish Parliament approved the troop deployment on Oct. 7, American officials welcomed it. They saw Turkey's participation not only as a way to broaden the U.S.-led coalition in Iraq but also to repair diplomatic damage from Ankara's earlier refusal to let American troops invade Iraq from Turkish soil.

Turkish officials have indicated in recent days that the proposed deployment of perhaps 10,000 troops could unravel if Iraqis continue to oppose it.

Asked whether the Bush administration's interest was waning, Rumsfeld suggested Tuesday that the Turks had set conditions that might not be met.

"What the Turkish government did — at least my understanding of it — was they said that under certain circumstances they would be willing to offer forces, subject to finding a method" that would satisfy all parties, including their own government and the Iraqi Governing Council, Rumsfeld said.

"That process is under way," Rumsfeld said. "Whether it will ultimately find a method of satisfying everybody, I don't know. I hope so because obviously we would like additional forces to be available."

Another senior administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the United States still wants Turkish troops in Iraq but is running into resistance from the Iraqis.

Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez, the commander of U.S. forces in Iraq, said in Baghdad today, "Discussions are still ongoing between the U.S., Turkey and Iraq to determine what if any forces are deployed and when."

Iraqi objections are based in part on the views of Iraq's Kurds, who make up about a third of the country's 25 million people. They are sensitive to the legacy of nearly 400 years of Ottoman rule in Iraq.

A 15-year insurgency by Kurdish rebels in Turkey ended in 1999, but the rebels now have bases in northern Iraq and the potential to resume fighting. Turkey fears that Kurds living in an autonomous area of northern Iraq could declare independence and rekindle the insurgency in Turkey.

Troops raid farming community in Iraq

TIKRIT, Iraq (AP) — U.S. soldiers of the 4th Infantry Division detained several suspects, including one former major general in Saddam Hussein's army, during raids across the division's sector, U.S. officials said.

In raids around Tikrit, Saddam's hometown, troops arrested several people believed involved in guerrilla attacks against U.S. troops, U.S. officials said.

U.S. officers in Baqouba said a major general, who was not identified, was picked up in a raid around that city 30 miles northeast of Baghdad in the 4th Infantry Division sector. The division is based at Fort Hood in Central Texas.

The area around Tikrit has been the scene of increased attacks on U.S. troops, which coalition forces blame on diehard Saddam supporters and members of his Fedayeen militia.

Ten suspects were detained in the raid in the Tikrit area, including six "targeted individuals," according to Lt. Col. Steve Russell, commander of the 1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment of the 4th Infantry Division.

Russell said, while the remaining four were taken into custody for questioning or because of weapons were found on their property.

"We believe we have some individuals involved in attacks on coalition forces and also involved in the wounding and death of some of our soldiers earlier this summer," Russell said.

Officers arrest two

- ***Arrests***

Officers arrested Robert Martinez, 32, of 1003 Ave. U just before midnight Tuesday on a Scurry County warrant for felony DWI and a Taylor County warrant for parole violation. He was apprehended in the 3100 block of 41st Street.

DPS troopers arrested a 66-year-old male at U.S. 84 and Huffman Ave. at 6:46 p.m. Tuesday for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

- ***Criminal mischief***

Central Elementary principal Pam Hart reported a rock thrown through a window at the school. Officers filed a report for Class B criminal mischief.

- ***Assault***

A report for Class C assault, family violence was filed around noon Tuesday.

- ***Possible theft***

A woman notified officers Tuesday afternoon that there was a possible theft on her bank account. The woman was advised of the proper steps to take and the officer will follow up on the matter.

- ***Vandalism***

Deputies are investigating a report of vandalism at a house on FM 1606 near Ira.

- ***Close patrol***

A man requested a close patrol on his daughter's house due to two men driving by her residence and making obscene gestures.

- ***Reckless drivers***

Reports of reckless drivers were made Tuesday in the area of Rip Griffin's Truck Stop, South College Avenue near Wal-Mart, the old Lubbock Highway and the 500-800 block of 32nd Street.

- ***Illegal dumping***

A man reported someone had been dumping trash on private property north of Ira on CR 253.

- ***Smoke reported***

The fire department responded to a report of smoke coming out of a residence in the 100 block of 34th Street around 4 p.m. Tuesday. Contact was made with the residents who were using a barbecue pit.

Debra Cooper released from area hospital

Debra Cooper, who was injured in a motorcycle accident Friday, has been released from University Medical Center.

The accident occurred on CR 226 when the late model Harley Davidson motorcycle she was riding overturned.

She was then transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Memorial Hospital's emergency room and then airlifted to Lubbock's University Medical Center.

DPS trooper Bryan Kolb investigated the accident.

Man drowns

A 48-year-old Lubbock man drowned in Lake Alan Henry around 8 p.m. Tuesday.

Officials with the Lubbock Police Department said Miguel A. Ramos drowned near the boat ramp and his body recovered a short time later.

The drowning is believed to be accidential.

Loan provision not likely in bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House predicted today that a final $87 billion measure for Iraq and Afghanistan won't make the Iraqi rebuilding aid a loan, despite signs of continued support for the idea in Congress.

"I don't think that that provision will be in the final language," White House spokesman Scott McClellan told reporters as Bush flew from Singapore to Bali on one of the last legs of his Asian trip. "It's very clear that it sends the wrong message."

McClellan said lending money to Iraq would make it harder for the United States to attract foreign contributions at an international donors' conference in Spain this week, and add billions to Iraq's already huge pile of foreign debt.

McClellan's remarks came a day after the House voted 277-139 to show support for the IOUs in a symbolic though ambiguous vote.

Obituaries

Stephen Cook

1965-2003

SWEETWATER — Stephen Douglas Cook, father of Darrell Keith Cook of Snyder, died Sunday, Oct. 18, from injuries in an auto accident in Katy.

Service for Mr. Cook, 38, is set for 10 a.m. Thursday in the Littlefield Primitive Baptist Church. Elders Clem Cook, Cleveland Bass and Hulan Bass will officiate. Burial will follow in the Amherst Cemetery in Amherst under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home in Sweetwater.

Born on March 17, 1965 in Houston, he was a 1983 graduate of Westbrook High School. Mr. Cook had lived in Katy for six months and was employed by Universal Forest Products. He had previously lived in Kyle, and was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Samantha Lee Cook in 1997; a brother, Danny Cook; and infant twin brothers, Andy and Randy Cook.

Survivors include another son, Paden Douglas Cook of Red Rock; his parents, Allen and Lona Mae Cook of Amherst; two brothers, David Allen Cook of Fort Worth and Timothy Russell of Abilene; one sister, Gayla May Gale of Littlefield; his grandmother, May Belle Cook of Mt. Park, Okla.

Visitation was held Wednesday at the Littlefield Primitive Baptist Church.

Bill Sullenger

1927-2003

Billie Mack "Bill" Sullenger, a native of Scurry County, died Tuesday, Oct. 21, while working southeast of Hermleigh near CR 4151.

Funeral service for Mr. Sullenger, 76, is set for 11 a.m. Friday in the Ave. D Baptist Church with the Rev. Charles Day, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens and arrangements are under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Born Sept. 3, 1927 in Fluvanna, he married Avanel Haney on July 23, 1947 in Colorado City.

A U.S. Navy veteran, Mr. Sullenger retired from Oryx Energy as a master craftsman and was a member of the Ave. D Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Oma Sullenger; and a brother, Jim Sullenger.

Survivors include his wife, Avanel Sullenger of Snyder; a daughter, Susan Rios of San Saba; two sons, William Sullenger of Grand Prairie and Sid Sullenger of Crane; and six grandchildren.

Family visitation will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Fred Murphy

1927-2003

Fred Relton Murphy died Tuesday, Oct. 21, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

Service for Mr. Murphy, 76, is set for 2 p.m. Thursday at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home with his brother, Jack Murphy of Houston, officiating. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Murphy was born on Sept. 29, 1927 in Dodson, La., and married Modez Turner on Oct. 28, 1950 in St. Joseph, La. He was a retired plant operator for R.E. Smith and was a Baptist.

Survivors also include his wife, Modez Murphy of Snyder; four daughters and sons-in-law, Debra and David O'Brien of Midland, Brenda and J.R. Crawford of Abilene, Jerri and Clayton Riley of Snyder and Terri and Kurt Sherick of Junction; a son, Fred Murphy of Fairfax, Va.; a sister, Valerie Brown of St. Joseph, La.; 12 grandchildren, Shawn and Kayla Moreland of Snyder, Courtney and Jim Harminson of Ardmore, Okla., James and Joseph O'Brien of Greenwood, Magan and Jake Riley of Snyder, Riley, Austen and Lexie of Junction, and Katera, Travis and Kristen Murphy of Sugargrove, Penn.; and four great-grandchildren.

Wanda Wall

1929-2003

Wanda Louise Wall, 73, died this morning in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

Services for Mrs. Wall are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born Oct. 30, 1929 in Scurry County, she married James Eddie Wall in 1969 in Colorado City.

A Baptist, Mrs. Wall was a retired secretary for Walls Industries.

Survivors include her husband, James Eddie Wall of Snyder; a daughter, Connie Powell of Midland; a son, Jimmy Lynn Koonce of San Antonio; two stepsons, Sid Wall of Snyder and J.N. Wall of Houston; a brother, Doss Ray Smyrl of Tyler; and eight grandchildren, Will Powell of Hawaii, David Wall of Fort Worth, Jennifer Morris of Dallas, Drew Wall of Fort Campbell, Ky., Taylor Wall of Houston, Todd Wall, Jess Wall and Kate Wall, all of Snyder.

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Today's Weather

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85/56	86/53	58/41
Mainly sunny. Warm. High around 85F. Winds S at 5 to 10 mph.	Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the low 50s.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the low 40s.
Sunrise 7:54 AM, Sunset 7:02 PM	Sunrise 7:54 AM, Sunset 7:01 PM	Sunrise 7:55 AM, Sunset 7:00 PM

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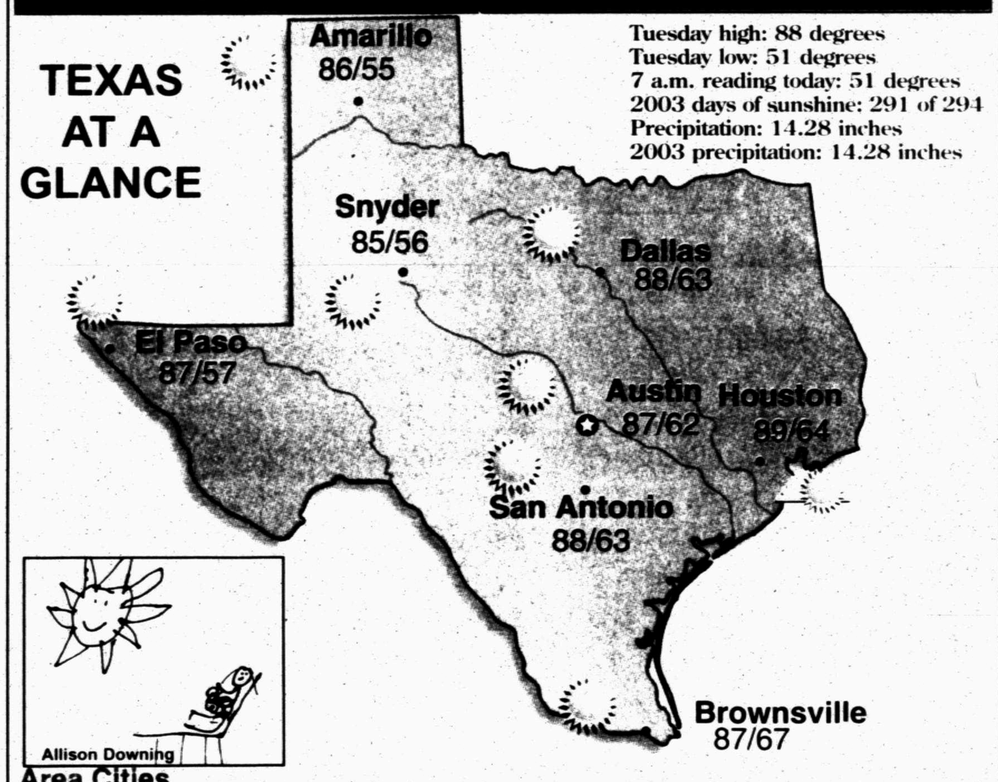

Tuesday high: 88 degrees
Tuesday low: 51 degrees
7 a.m. reading today: 51 degrees
2003 days of sunshine: 291 of 294
Precipitation: 14.28 inches
2003 precipitation: 14.28 inches

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	86	61	sunny	El Paso	87	57	sunny	Midland	86	58	sunny
Amarillo	86	55	sunny	Fort Stockton	86	58	sunny	Raymondville	88	64	mst sunny
Austin	87	62	sunny	Gainesville	87	59	sunny	Rosenberg	89	64	sunny
Beaumont	88	63	sunny	Greenville	87	60	sunny	San Antonio	88	63	sunny
Brownsville	87	67	sunny	Houston	89	64	mst sunny	San Marcos	87	61	sunny
Brownwood	88	60	sunny	Kingsville	88	65	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	87	59	sunny
Corpus Christi	87	67	mst sunny	Livingston	88	60	sunny	Sweetwater	86	59	sunny
Corsicana	88	61	sunny	Longview	87	60	sunny	Tyler	87	60	sunny
Dallas	88	63	sunny	Lubbock	87	55	sunny	Weatherford	87	59	sunny
Del Rio	87	64	sunny	Lufkin	88	61	sunny	Wichita Falls	88	58	sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond
Atlanta	70	43	mst sunny	Houston	89	64	mst sunny	Phoenix	99	69	sunny
Boston	44	35	mixed	Los Angeles	84	64	pt sunny	San Francisco	72	55	windy
Chicago	56	38	pt sunny	Miami	86	69	mst sunny	Seattle	57	45	rain
Dallas	88	63	sunny	Minneapolis	65	42	mst sunny	St. Louis	66	43	sunny
Denver	79	46	mst sunny	New York	50	38	pt sunny	Washington, DC	55	38	pt sunny

Moon Phases

Last Oct 30 · New Nov 1 · First Nov 9 · Full Nov 16

UV Index

Thu 10/23	Fri 10/24	Sat 10/25
6	6	5
Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

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

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