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UW CAMPAIGN BEGINS — The Scurry County United Way campaign was launched Thursday at a kickoff luncheon at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Pat Patterson made the first $100 contribution that results in getting to give the keynote speaker, his son-in-law Dayton Robertson, a pie in the face. The United Way goal this year is $85,000. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

United Way underway with goal of $85,000

Dayton Robertson, plant manager for Y-Z Systems and former mayor of Snyder, lifted spirits and encouraged United Way volunteers Thursday at the campaign kickoff luncheon at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

The keynote speaker urged each volunteer and donor alike to be a "place maker."

"Let's remember someone was responsible for making a place in the world for each one of us," he said, "and we should in turn help make a place for others."

Help for some of those in need is provided through the services of the 10 local agencies with the money raised through United Way.

The agencies include the Scurry County Boy & Girls Club, Scurry County Youth Outreach, Scurry County Food Cupboard, Gateway Family Services, Snyder Child Daycare Center, Snyder Volunteer Fire Dept., Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and the Red Cross.

Robertson said that making a place for another person takes attributes that include attitude, generosity and giving encouragement and hope. He encouraged each person to have passion, and use their talents and their training in their efforts to raise this year's $85,000 goal.

In conclusion, Robertson added a jovial note to the seriousness of the fund-raising endeavor by saying he would take a pie, a chocolate pie, in the face from the first 10 people to lay a $100 bill donation in his hand. Immediate response came from his father-in-law, James B. "Pat" Patterson.

UW president Stephen Covey was master of ceremonies. He said after living in several other states before moving to Snyder he can see that West Texans are "have the most caring nature" of anywhere he has lived. Beginning his third year of presidency, he said he again foresees Scurry County taking care of its own as usual and hopes the goal will be reached and the campaign can come to a close at the end of November.

Peggy Vernon said that volunteers will begin packet distribution to businesses and employees the first week in October with hopes to have them picked up at the end of that month.

Other officers include Christy Brown, vice president; Brenda Clem, secretary; and Peggy Vernon, treasurer.

United Way directors are Joan Bunch, Marita Burton, Covey, Dr. Tommy Culwell, Rodney Dupree, Wilhelmenia Howard, Jo Ann Nunley, Dr. Ed Barkowsky, Brown, Carl Burleson, Carolyn Osborne, Dalinda Roberts, Ann Smartt, Kent Wright, Dee Blackwell, Stephanie Buchanan, Clem, Trent Driggers, Barbara McGee, Vernon and Kathy Watts.

Serving on the advisory board are Lyndia Allen, Rana Anderson, Valene Ford, Ricky Fritz, Chad Welsh and Zola Schlegel.

Those not contacted and would like to make a contribution may call 573-5311 or mail to Box 1411 in Snyder.

THE SDN COLUMN

MY TURN

by Wade Warren



There are tons of things to do in Austin that are free and one of our favorites will be occurring the first weekend in October.

This is the date of the annual Texas Wildlife Expo sponsored by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

The big event is held on the grounds of the TPWD's headquarters at 4200 Smith School Road.

If you even remotely like anything to do with the outdoors, this is the place to be that weekend.

Looking over the map of the expo, one sees the birds of prey and sporting dogs demonstration area, as well as areas for camping and outdoor skills, equestrian exhibits, hunting, fishing and aquatic, sporting clays, law enforcement, archery and crossbow and the wetlands and wildlife area.

One of our favorite exhibits is the birds of prey where expert handlers have these mighty birds almost within a beak of where you are standing.

This makes for easy photographs – up close and personal with birds that look like they could make spaghetti of any unprotected arm.

The falconer exhibit is a favorite of the crowds as the bird's handlers send the falcons soaring higher than tu's little orange tower, and then lure them back by swinging a fake fish tied to a rope.

Pretty neat to watch as the falcons cause spectators to duck as the birds swoop head-high over the audience as they dive bomb the fish.

The expo gives kiddos the chance to experience outdoor adventures that they probably never have before.

The wet zone of the expo provides people of every age the opportunity to use a kayak. And this is not as easy as it sounds.

Participants are given an instructional course on the use of life jackets and kayaks, and then are turned loose in an 8,100-sq. ft. tank that holds over 100,000 gallons of water.

If you tip over, and you probably will, the water is only 22 inches deep and all boaters are watched closely by TPWD officials.

Other exhibits in the wet zone include a saltwater tank where youngsters can touch a variety of fish, including stingrays.

There are trout and catfish ponds where youngsters can catch these fish, and areas where they can learn to cast a fishing rod to perhaps get them started on a lifetime activity.

We've heard, but haven't been able to verify it through high state officials just yet, that our local game warden Mel Reed will be at this year's expo manning the dunking booth.

There's a ton of demonstrations and seminars going on continuously including catching crappie and white bass, hunting deer and bow hunting.

There will be bow hunting demonstrations by experts, as well as shooting exhibitions and how to call ducks.

There might even be a seminar about hunting pheasants.

If so, we bet Warden Reed will lead the discussion.

GOP holding off enforcing sanctions

AUSTIN (AP) — Democrats who boycotted the Texas Senate to block congressional redistricting won't have to pay their $57,000 apiece in fines — if they behave themselves, their Republican counterparts say.

The Senate, in a vote almost entirely along party lines, approved a Republican proposal Thursday to hold off enforcing fines against 11 Democrats who fled to Albuquerque, N.M., to break a legislative quorum and prevent a vote on redistricting.

But the Republican senators placed the Democrats on "probation" until January 2005, when the next regular legislative session starts. If the Democrats leave again to break a quorum before then, they were told, they would have to pay the $57,000 apiece in fines that Republican senators already have imposed.

The Democrats fumed and accused the Republican of treating them as "second-class senators." They again called the fines illegal.

"We broke no law. In fact, it is our fiduciary duty to represent our constituents. Breaking quorum is a time-honored parliamentary maneuver," said Democratic Sen. Leticia Van de Putte of San Antonio. "We were illegally fined in the first place. And we declare that we have now been illegally placed on probation."

Republican Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, presiding officer in the Senate, said the Senate action Thursday was wise.

"I want this matter behind us, and I want the Senate moving forward," Dewhurst said.

On today, the Senate Jurisprudence Committee was expected to vote on a congressional redistricting map developed by Sen. Todd Staples, a Republican from Palestine. If it is approved, the proposal could go before the full Senate by early next week.

Differences between the Senate and House plans then would have to be worked out in a conference committee. Leading Senate and House Republicans still are trying to reach an agreement over how West Texas districts should be configured.

Any plan approved by the Legislature is expected to be challenged in court.

Democrats have been trying to block a redistricting plan that would give Republicans the majority in the state's 32-member congressional delegation. Democrats hold a 17-15 advantage and want to keep existing districts.

Meanwhile, under the probation proposal by Republican Sen. Kyle Janek of Houston, the Democrats who boycotted the Senate will be able to again have access to their office privileges, including postage and cellular phone use, and they will get to use their Capitol parking spaces.

Guilty plea nets 5 years

A 22-year-old Snyder man was sentenced to serve five years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice after entering a guilty plea Thursday in 132nd District Court.

Sid Erick Rodriguez of 3118 Ave. T pleaded guilty to a Dec. 6 charge of injury to a child.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong also revoked a five-year probated sentence Rodriguez was serving for burglary of a building last year.

Judge Armstrong sentenced Rodriguez to serve two years in a state jail facility. The two terms will be served concurrently.

Artist familiar with Snyder showing work

Paintings by Barbara Stewart Ainsworth are currently on display at the Scurry County Museum.

The exhibit will last through Oct. 17. Ainsworth will be at the museum for a reception from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, in conjunction with the White Buffalo Festival.

Her work includes oil paintings and water colors.

Ainsworth was born in rural Oklahoma to the late Charles and Jewell Stewart and was raised on a farm near Snyder. One of her sisters, Mrs. J.R. Meadows, lives in Snyder.

Ainsworth's late husband, Willard H. Ainsworth, was a retired army officer. Her family includes a daughter and son-in-law, two grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Ainsworth began painting in 1971, while she and her husband were stationed in Germany. She studied in a private school operated by Andre Schinkovich, and later with other instructors in Germany.

When her husband was transferred to Ft. Sill, Okla., she continued her studies there.

Mrs. Ainsworth's work hangs in businesses and private homes throughout the country, especially in Texas and Oklahoma. Her love of nostalgia is evident in much of her work and her rural background has influenced her choice of subjects. She has won numerous trophies and ribbons, as well as serving as judge for many shows.



Barbara Stewart Ainsworth

ASK US

Q—Traffic was stopped early Thursday due to an accident on U.S. 84 in Garza County. Were there any fatalities?

A—Yes, a 14-year-old Lubbock girl died after being ejected from the vehicle in which she was a passenger. Three others in the vehicle suffered varying degrees of injuries.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Bill Davis...

...who is 88 years old, moved to Snyder 1½ months ago from Goliad to be near his son, John, who is a pilot for Patterson-UTI. His daughter-in-law is Brenda and his grandchildren are William, 10, and Elizabeth, 12. Bill, a ham radio operator with call numbers K5TJA, is a member of Scurry Lodge 704 and a Shriner. He also has three other children, Hillery Davis and Ann Patteson, both of Austin, and Garvis Davis of San Antonio.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

This time, like all times, is a very good one, if we only know what to do with it.
—Ralph Waldo Emerson

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Girl Scout fundraiser

Snyder Girl Scouts are taking orders for their fall sale of nuts and calendars. To order, call Judy Martin at 573-7556.

Fajita dinner

Snyder High Band Boosters will sponsor a fajita dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. today in the cafeteria prior to the Snyder-Midland Greenwood game. Tickets can be purchased from any band student or at the door for $5.

Word is Life fundraiser

The Word is Life Deliverance Church is having a fundraiser to benefit its Youth Group Mission. The group is selling 2004 God's Creation calendars for $6 each. Call Davina Douglass at 573-2949. Persons needing a ride to children's church at 7 p.m. or the regular services at that time can contact William Clayton at 573-5305.

Canyon community reunion

The Canyon community reunion will be held Saturday in the fellowship hall of the Ira Baptist Church. Doughnuts and coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m. Meat, paper goods and drinks will be furnished for lunch. Bring vegetable or salad and desert. For more information cal Louise Layne at 573-2012 or Lorita Keller at 573-3825.

Youth group car wash

The First United Methodist Church youth group will hold a car wash from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday in the Wal-Mart parking lot. Cost is by donation and proceeds will go to mission expenses and a youth ski trip.

Softball booster club

The Snyder High School softball booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the SHS gym. All players and parents are urged to attend to plan activities for the school year.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "The Incarnation of Jesus," followed by "They Have Not all Obeyed the Gospel."

Free country-gospel concert

The Central Baptist Church at 438 Wheat in Hermleigh will sponsor a free country-gospel concert at 7 p.m. Wednesday. There is no charge, but a love offering will be taken. A nursery will be provided.

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.

Annual Jamaica

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church has set its annual Jamaica for Sunday, Sept. 28, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Besides food, DJ and live music, the event will also feature volleyball, horseshoe and washers tournament and a talent show for all ages. Folkorico Dancers will perform and there will also be a celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

Thee Place Women's Ministry study

Thee Place Women's Ministry will begin Beth Moore's study, "A Woman's Heart, God's Dwelling Place" on Wednesday, Oct. 1, at 6 p.m. To order a workbook at $15, contact Melissa Petty at 573-0455 before Friday, Sept. 26. Thee Place is located at 904 26th St.

Important GED dates

Mandatory pre-registration for the GED test will be Thursday, Oct. 2, at the GED testing center, Western Texas College, Building 7B, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The math segment of the GED will begin promptly at 8 a.m. on the following day, Friday, Oct. 3. For more information about the GED test, call Betty Thompson, 573-2310, or Emily Hataway, 573-8511, ext. 297 or 574-2112. It is recommended that candidates receive some preparation before attempting the test.

First Christian fajita dinner

First Christian Church, 37th and Austin, has set its annual park and eat fajita dinner for Friday, Oct. 3, from 5-7 p.m. Call 573-6115 or 573 6687 for advance tickets. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

First Baptist support group

First Baptist Church is sponsoring a support group for people facing difficulties, including cancer, divorce, grief, etc. on the second Thursday of each month. The group meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first floor Adult 6 Department.

Quilt showing

Quilts are needed for the quilt display during White Buffalo Days Oct. 10-11 at the Scurry County Coliseum. Persons wishing to put a quilt on display should call Joan Bunch at 573-7404. After 5 p.m. call 573-0047.

Addresses sought

E-mail addresses or phone numbers are still needed for members of Snyder High School class of 1963 to plan a reunion. Information may be sent to t.dolan@mail.utexas or call 325-207-1718 and leave a message.

1950s dance contest

A '50s dance contest will be held Saturday, Oct. 11, in conjunction with the White Buffalo Festival. Judging for the $100 prize will be 50% costume and 50% dance skills. The White Buffalo Committee also solicits 1950s yearbooks for the display. For more information call Jackie at the coliseum at 573-9811.

Organize riding club

Anyone interested in forming a riding club for families is asked to contact Debbie Elder at 325 574-1622.

Band fundraiser

SHS band boosters and students are spray painting Tiger Paws on sidewalks and driveways for donations. For information, call 573-5061.

Pick up Tiger's Lair

The 2003 Tiger's Lair yearbook can still be picked up in room 229 at Snyder High before and after school. Only students who paid for a yearbook or their parents may get the book. There are a few extra yearbooks for sale. They are $50 while supply lasts



SEE YOU AT THE POLE — Teachers, students and parents turned out for Ira School's See You At The Pole Wednesday. More people participated than in previous years. (Contributed Photo)

Study blames 80 percent of junk on seashore to industry

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A study by seven government agencies and trade groups blames shrimpers' boats in the Gulf of Mexico from Florida to Mexico for more than 80 percent of the trash that washes onto the Padre Island National Seashore.

The report on shoreline trash will be officially released during a beach cleanup Saturday.

For 10 years, trash was collected along the seashore. The research was then reviewed for five years — from 1998 to this year — before the report was published.

The bulk of the trash found on the seashore was identical to trash found on shrimp boats and, to a lesser degree, offshore petroleum platforms, rigs and ships, according to the seashore's research.

But the executive director of the Texas Shrimp Association of Aransas Pass, which represents 900 shrimp boats, said that shrimpers were under a mandate to bring their trash back to shore.

"The boats are checked by the Coast Guard when they come back in and they look at the number of days we've been out, and the number of bags we have to make sure," Wilma Anderson told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times.

Anderson said that items could be washed overboard in high seas, and many of the items found along the seashore, like shrimp scoops and baskets, are generally on the back deck where they could be vulnerable to waves.

The seashore's trash report was published in a 58-page book filled with pictures of sharks mangled by nets and dunes marred by jugs and rusted barrels.

There is also an explanation of how the winds in the Gulf of Mexico and the currents collide to push most of the trash onto Padre Island.

Trash washed ashore in surges during the shrimping seasons from 1994 to 1998, according to the study.

The study was carried out by groups that include the U.S. Department of Interior, the National Park Service and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Seashore Superintendent Jock Whitworth said the study has helped pinpoint where the trash is coming from, so seashore officials can begin working with the responsible parties to reduce the trash.

He has met with several shrimping groups along the coast and will meet again Friday with a local shrimpers association to talk about how the trash can be reduced, seashore spokesman Juan Rodriguez said.

Mike Evans, who owns four bay shrimping boats, said he thought that the tremendous influx of out-of-state shrimpers for the opening two weeks of the shrimping season probably contributed to the problem.

The bay boats are smaller, up to around 40 feet in length, and tend to go out for just hours as opposed to the weeks a Gulf shrimping boat will be at sea.

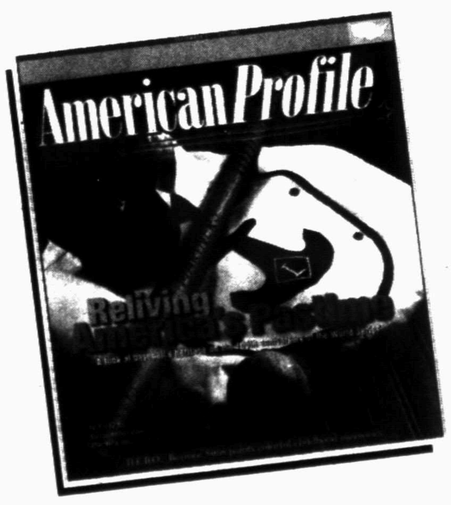
Evans said many of the bay boats have a trash can on board that can easily hold the amount of trash they generate in a trip.



In Next Week's American Profile...

Some kind of something good

Almost three years after a life-threatening liver transplant, country music's Chris LeDoux has learned to appreciate each day's small moments of joy.



In Addition...
- Terrific tree salad
- Detecting a learning disability

American Profile
Celebrating Hometown Life

Baylor regent resigns

DALLAS (AP) — Citing conflict-of-interest guidelines, a Baylor University regent whose brother is the school's chief financial officer has resigned.

Duane Brooks, a Houston pastor, resigned from the Baylor board Thursday. He had served on the board since 2000, a month after his brother David became Baylor's chief financial officer.

The Baptist General Convention of Texas, which picks a fourth of the Baylor board, nominated the pastor as a regent in 1999 and re-appointed him last November.

The Baptist General Convention's guidelines state that a close relative of one of the top officers of a university cannot serve on the board. In a Sept. 7 article, The Dallas Morning News quoted the convention's executive director, Charles Wade, as saying Brooks does not qualify for the board under those guidelines.

In his resignation letter to the convention and Baylor, Brooks wrote that he was unaware of the convention's policy until he read a description of it in The News. He said he decided to resign after discussing the matter with Wade.

"When I saw the policy, I realized, 'Wow, I don't conform to the policy,'" Brooks said Thursday. "When they had in mind having regents, they didn't have in mind a person who was brother of the CFO."

Ken Camp, the convention's director of news and information services, said the candidate and the convention's nominating committee share responsibility for making sure a potential regent meets the qualifications.

"Where the communication broke down, I really can't say," Camp told The Dallas Morning News.

While the Baptist convention names one-fourth of the board, the board appoints the remainder. Those appointments must adhere to a different policy, set by the university. Brooks' appointment would qualify under those rules, said Drayton McLane, the chairman of Baylor's board.

Baylor has been shaken this summer by the slaying of basketball player Patrick Dennehy, the arrest of former player Carlton Dotson on murder charges in the death, and the ensuing disclosure of major NCAA violations in the basketball program.

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Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 14-27-28-35-37.

Number matching five of five: 3.

Prize per winner: $15,871.

Winning tickets sold in: Tyler, Food Fast 70, 1222 WSW Loop 323; Houston, Handi Plus 27, 9103 Jenson; Houston, Wallisville Market, 9711 Wallisville Road.

Matching four of five: 162. Prize: $132.

Matching three of five: 4,985. Prize: $10.

Matching two of five: 48,556. Prize: $2.

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Bush asks Congress for new anti-terrorism powers

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House won't say it, the Justice Department denies it and opponents salivate at every opportunity to use it.

"The USA Patriot Act" is a phrase that Bush administration officials shun when questioned about the new anti-terrorism powers the president is asking lawmakers to give police and prosecutors.

Among the measures President Bush is seeking are expanded use of the federal death penalty, tougher bail restrictions and FBI power to subpoena records and witnesses without having to go to a judge or grand jury.

The new authority would be in addition to the broad powers for searches, wiretaps, electronic and computer eavesdropping, and access to personal and business information Bush got from Congress six weeks after the terror attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

In the fervor of the time, the bills were dubbed by sponsors as the Uniting and Strengthening America — or USA — Act in the Senate and the Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism — or PATRIOT — Act in the House. They were combined to become the USA Patriot Act.

"This is the work of a couple of smart staffers in Congress," said Mark Corallo, a spokesman for the Justice Department.

Since then, however, the Patriot Act has become a very sore point for powerful liberals and conservatives alike. Both sides object to the law's intrusiveness into Americans' lives in the name of anti-terrorism.

The House already has voted to negate part of it — the use of federal funds on "sneak and peek" searches without the property owners' or residents' knowledge and with warrants delivered afterward.

This week Attorney General John Ashcroft was forced to reveal that the FBI hadn't yet used its Patriot Act power to investigate library records after critics expressed outrage the government would compel the disclosure of what people read.

When Bush unveiled the new measures he wants the day before the two-year anniversary of Sept. 11, critics immediately slapped the name "Patriot Act II" on them.

"The administration now has decided to push a sequel, without calling it a sequel," said Sen. Patrick Leahy of Vermont, senior Democrat on the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Asked if there was a connection between Bush's latest initiative and the 2001 law, White House spokesman Scott McClellan said, "I don't know if I'd view it that way."

The Justice Department says there is no omnibus Patriot Act II in the works.

"I don't think that anybody is thinking about what to name any legislation," said Corallo. "What we're concentrating on here, as we go about our business every day, is to find ways that we can better debilitate the terrorists."

Lawmakers often name bills after themselves, or come up with catchy names or acronyms to give legislation a boost. A popular name can help a bill, but a controversial or unpopular name can hurt it.

"Some lawmakers will vote against legislation just because of the name," Senate Historian Don Ritchie said.

Opponents of Bush's new proposals say the administration is unwilling to describe them in terms of the Patriot Act because the name itself generates hostility from civil libertarians.

"There is a large national movement that questions elements of the USA Patriot Act," said Sen. Russ Feingold, D-Wis., the only senator to vote against it. "I think all of that has led to the name USA Patriot Act not being what the administration hoped it would be. They shouldn't have used that name in the first place."

About half the people questioned in a recent poll said the Bush administration has been about right in using new laws to fight terrorism, while 24 percent said the government has gone too far and 18 percent said it hasn't gone far enough. The poll was conducted for The Associated Press by ICR/International Communications Research of Media, Pa.

"The American people overwhelmingly support not just the Patriot Act but this administration's effort to defeat the terrorists and keep America safe," Corallo said. "They expect us to promote these changes."

A name — even if it's Patriot Act II — won't really matter, said Sen. George Allen, R-Va., who questions a provision being used now to hold suspects while denying them access to a lawyer.

"I try to get past the name," said Allen. "What will probably happen is that most of us, Republican and Democrat, will want to examine how those laws have been used and ask for changes we think are needed."

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Mom, daughter are miles apart on their attitudes toward sex

DEAR ABBY: I just found out my 18-year-old daughter, "Lorraine," and I have drastically different views regarding sex.

Since her 18th birthday, Lorraine has had sex with three different men. She will meet them, spend a day with them, and have sex as part of the date. Lorraine feels that sex is "no big deal," but I am heartsick. She is putting her health in danger — and I don't think what she's doing is emotionally healthy, either. Lorraine says I wouldn't feel this way if she were my son, but she's wrong.

Don't young people today care about their physical and emotional health? How can I make her understand that it is important to have an emotional attachment with someone before having sex? — **WORRIED MOM IN WASHINGTON**

DEAR WORRIED MOM: Since your daughter appears to be tuning out your important message, I recommend that you both attend some sex education sessions so she can hear with a fresh ear what the concerns really are. Planned Parenthood, which is in your phone book, would be an excellent reference.

While you're at it, contact the American Social Health Association (ASHA) and ask for some of their comprehensive materials on sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), which are rampant in our population. That way, even if your daughter is not willing to take your concerns to heart, she will at least know how to protect herself.

Call: National Herpes Hotline: (919) 361-8488; National HPV Hotline: (919) 361-4848; and the CDC's National STD and AIDS Hotline: (800) 227-8922. The Web address is www.ashastd.org. They also host a special Web site for teens: www.iwannaknow.org.

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DEAR ABBY: I have a friend I'll call "Don." He's in his mid-20s and comes from a good family. When we go out to eat, Don displays proper etiquette and table manners, with one exception: He holds his fork in his fist like a young child and shovels food into his mouth.

Friends have noticed this and commented to me about it. When I mentioned it to Don, it hurt his feelings. Is there a gentle way I can help my friend? — **DON'S DINNER PAL IN ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.**

DEAR DINNER PAL: You have already helped your friend by telling him what people are saying. Now it's time for HIM to change his eating habit — or not.

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DEAR ABBY: Last Sunday in church, while my husband, "Johnny," and I were on our knees praying, the preacher's wife, "Selma," who was sitting behind us, leaned forward and began giving Johnny a back rub. It really upset me. We've been going to this church for only a few weeks, and I felt it didn't look right.

Johnny says Selma was just being nice. I feel that out of respect for me, he should have told her to go rub her husband's back instead of his. It made me mad that Johnny was standing up for her. I think this is how adultery starts. Am I wrong? — **LOSING MY FAITH IN CENTRAL INDIANA**

DEAR LOSING MY FAITH: Not necessarily. However, it's clear that Selma rubbed someone — you — the wrong way.

Next Sunday, make a point of sitting behind Selma. If she reaches for Johnny again, hit her with chapter and verse. "Thou shalt not covet ..."

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Date Book

Saturday, Sept. 20, 2003

Today is the 263rd day of 2003 and the 92nd day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1519, Ferdinand Magellan set sail from Spain to find a western sea route to Indonesia. He was the first European explorer to reach the Pacific Ocean from the Atlantic.

On this day in 1946, the first Cannes Film Festival opened. The festival was supposed to have debuted in 1939, but was delayed because of World War II.

On this day in 1985, Walt Disney World welcomed its 200-millionth guest.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Upton Sinclair (1878-1968), author; Dr. Joyce Brothers (1928-), psychologist, is 75; Sofia Loren (1934-), actress, is 69; Gary Cole (1956-), actor, is 47.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1933, the Pittsburgh Steelers (then the Pirates) played and lost their first NFL game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "It is difficult to get a man to understand something when his salary depends upon his not understanding it." — Upton Sinclair

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Sept. 18) and new moon (Sept. 26).

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Today's chuckle

Wayward chipmunk stowed away in car

SAN RAFAEL, Calif. (AP) — A wayward chipmunk stowed away in a car in Utah and hitched a long ride west to California.



The chipmunk hadn't a clue it was bound for the Golden State when it hopped into Dixie Goldsby's Honda while she was camping in southeastern Utah. And Goldsby didn't realize she had a passenger.

On the drive home, Goldsby began to suspect that a chipmunk might have come along for the ride. She noticed a chocolate bar she had left in the car had been nibbled.

Goldsby discovered the furry passenger when she returned home.

On the advice of a pet store operator, Goldsby made a trap out of a shoe box with peanut butter as bait.

Goldsby captured the chipmunk and took it to Wildcare wildlife rehabilitation center. The animal was "dehydrated, very scared and ... pissed out" after the two-day road trip, said Melanie Piazza, WildCare's director of animal care.

But that wasn't the end of the chipmunk's journey. Bay Area pilot Ray Romano offered a ride home. Goldsby came along for the journey Wednesday.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 09-19-03
♠ K J 4
♥ K 7 6 3 2
♦ 8 5 4
♣ 9 4

West
♠ 8 7 5
♥ J 8
♦ A J 10 7 6
♣ 10 3 2

East
♠ 2
♥ Q 10 9 5
♦ 9 2
♣ A K Q J 7 6

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

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	3 ♣
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Opening lead: ♣ 2

Friday, Sept. 19, 2003

Fit is good, but play must be too

By Phillip Alder

Look first at the South hand. You open one spade, partner raises to two spades, and East on your right butts in with three clubs. What would you do now?

When you raise partner's suit, the best evaluation method is the Losing Trick Count. You look at the first three cards in each suit; any beyond three are assumed to become winners. For each of the top three honors missing, count one loser.

A minimum opening bid normally contains seven losers. So, if partner makes a single raise, you should pass with seven losers, bid game with only five losers, and make a game-try with six losers.

In this deal, the South hand has only five losers: one spade, one heart, one diamond and two clubs. So, opposite the two-spade raise, South should jump to four spades. True, it is thin, but if you smell a game, bid that game.

West leads the club two. East takes two club tricks, then shifts to the diamond nine: king, ace, four. West returns the diamond jack: five, two, queen. As South, how would you continue from there?

You must establish a long heart for a diamond discard. But if two heart ruffs are needed, you require three dummy entries: two for the ruffs and one to get back to the dummy to cash the winning heart.

Take the spade ace, then switch to hearts, cashing the ace, crossing to dummy's heart king (entry one), and ruffing a heart high in hand. Play a trump to dummy's jack (entry two), ruff another heart high, lead a spade to dummy's king (entry three), and cash the heart seven, throwing away the diamond three.

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Grand jury won't indict key witness

HOUSTON (AP) — A Harris County grand jury has declined to indict a key prosecution witness who gave false statements about a television show during the trial of a Houston woman who drowned her five children .

The grand jurors reached their decision involving Dr. Park Dietz after hearing testimony from the forensic psychiatrist on Thursday and testimony from prosecutors Joe Owmby and Kaylynn Wiliford last week, Dietz's attorney Michael Hinton told the Houston Chronicle.

"The right decision has been made," said Hinton, who has described Dietz's error as nothing more than an innocent mistake.

Dietz, known nationally for his work on the cases of serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer and Unabomber Theodore Kaczynski, testified in the trial of Andrea Yates, who was sentenced to life in prison in March 2002 for the drownings of three of the children. She was not tried in the other two deaths.

Dietz was paid $50,000 for his work and expert opinion that Yates was legally sane when she drowned her children.

During cross examination by defense attorney George Parnham, Dietz described a television show about a mother who drowned her children and was acquitted with an insanity defense.

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Following the day-to-day encounters of four cattle herders who roam the countryside without owning a particular piece of land, or "freegrazers" living in the final years of the Wild West, this film tells the story of how they eventually team up to rid a burgeoning remote town, Harmonville, from the machinations of a ruthlessly evil rancher, Baxter, who forms a sort of "outlaw state" where he makes the laws and rules, and enforces them using scare tactics and brute force. **Starring: Kevin Costner, Annette Bening, Abraham Benrubi, Robert Duvall, Michael Gambon**

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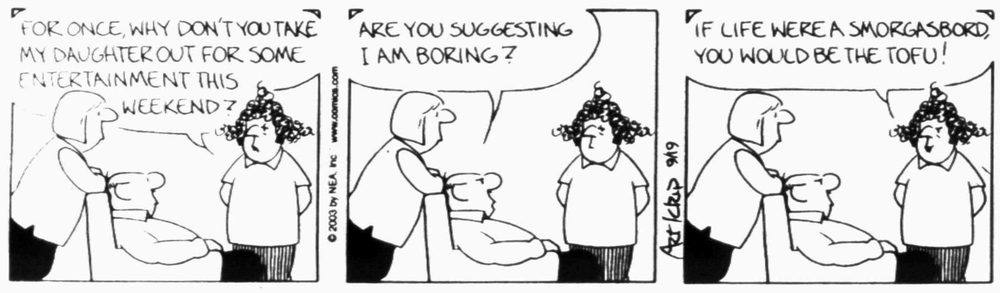
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11 Runs around
13 Glass bottle
14 A Turner channel
15 Look rudely at
16 Freud's daughter
17 Commanded
19 Trails behind
20 Leia's rescuer
21 Merrily
23 Heyerdahl's "Kon - —"
26 Bristles with
28 Smashing serve
29 8 pts.
30 Wild ducks
34 Car-wash step
36 Dawn goddess
38 "— Te Ching"
39 Pass, as a bill
41 Sports honorees
42 Took out
44 Pair
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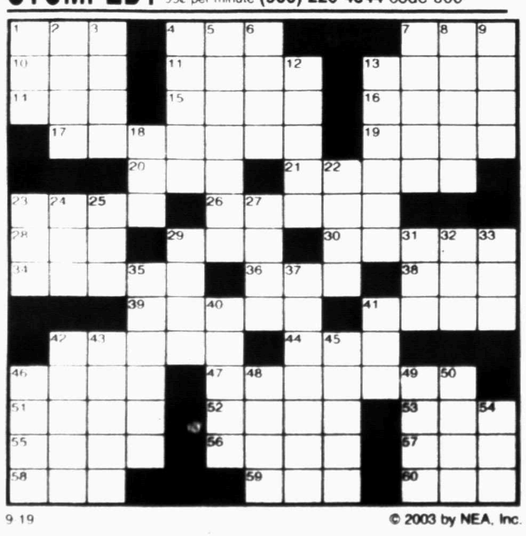
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12 Swamp grass
13 Luggage item
18 T'ai — ch'uan
22 Sums for CPAs
23 Pothole filler
24 Here, to monsieur
25 Author — Follett
27 Mo. expense
29 Trait carrier
31 Dune buggy kin
32 Baby's seat
33 Distress signal
35 Couch
37 Hassock
40 "Gunsmoke" doc
41 Heifer's hello
42 — Lama
43 Adjust the wheels
45 Encloses
46 Game show name
48 Lion's pride
49 Small guitars
50 Fixes a seam
54 Craving

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SPORTS

For first victory...

Cards dominate junior Gorillas

The Hermleigh Cardinals finally got a taste of victory — and in a big way — blanking the Trent Gorillas junior varsity, 46-0.

The game was ended on the mercy rule with 6:57 remaining in the fourth quarter.

In chalking up its first victory under Coach Don Jones, the Cards were impressive in the running game and took advantage of five Trent turnovers.

Hermleigh struck first with 3:11 remaining in the first quarter when quarterback Jonathan McClure raced 25 yards for the TD. High winds prevented the extra point kick.

Still in the opening stanza, McClure scrambled 40 yards for paydirt with just over a minute left. The pass conversion was good.

McClure tossed 25-yards to running back Robby Anderson in the second quarter for a touchdown with 6:00 left. The kick attempt failed again.

With 30 clicks left in the half, McClure scored again on a 35-yard scamper. Winds prevented the kick conversion again before the half, 25-0.

It was more of McClure in the second half, as the sophomore signal caller eluded a near safety and raced 70 yards for a TD. The extra point kick failed again.

In the third period, Anderson, padded Hermleigh's lead to 38-0 with a 40-yard run with less than a minute to play. This time the pass conversion was good.

In final quarter, Kennon Garcia returned a Trent punt 75 yards to the Gorillas' one-yard line. On the next play, Anderson stepped into the end zone, ending the game. This time the kick was successful.

"Fantastic," was Cards head coach Don Jones description of the contest. "They played with so much desire out there. It's a good feeling."

Jones noted the importance of the victory as the Cardinals were winless last season. Jones said his reward came watching his player's faces light up with excitement.

Said Trent head coach Matt Valadez, "What can I say? We need to work on blocking. We're a young team, still learning," he said.

Sports Briefs

WTC MGA tournament

The Western Texas College Men's Golf Association will hold its monthly golf tournament at 1 p.m. Saturday at the WTC golf course. Contact Bob Doolittle at 573-8521 ext. 26 for more information.

Football booster club

The football booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the film room. The Friday night game film will be shown by Coach Rogers.

The booster club is selling honorary & memorial stones placed alongside the walkway at the high school football stadium. If stones are ordered before Wednesday they will be laid before the homecoming game. Stones can be ordered by calling John Harper 573-6420 or Jerry Boyd 573-3840.

Basketball booster club

The boys basketball booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the student center.

Alumni hats

The SHS football booster club is selling hats for Snyder alumni for $30 for homecoming week. The caps feature the name, class and organization, if any. All orders should be put in by next Friday for the Oct. 3 homecoming game against Levelland. Contact Mike Tyrrell at 207-2315 for more information.

15th annual Blowout Partnership on tap

The Scurry County golf course will host the 15th annual Blowout Partnership Sept. 27-28. Cost is $300 per team, and all participants must be 21 or older. The field is limited to 56 and the first 56 paid teams will determine entries.

Shotgun will start at 8 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. both days of the tournament, with scramble being the first round format and lowball the format for the final round. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top four teams. There also will be a welcome and registration date on Sept. 26, with a practice round available. Call Rick Mammolite at the pro shop at 573-7101 for more information.

Jamaica volleyball tournament

Our Lady of Guadalupe will be hosting the Jamaica Volleyball Tournament Sept. 28. Call Louis at 573-7321 for more information.

Flag football league forming

Any teams interested in playing men's flag football should contact Earl Ware at 573-0800. The season begins in October.

WTC golf tournament

The third annual Western Texas College Student Government Association Golf Tournament will be held Oct. 4 at the WTC golf course. Format is four-person scramble, and cost is $120 per team. Shotgun will start at 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Cash prizes will be awarded for the top three teams, and deadline to register is 5 p.m. on Oct. 3. Cart fees are not included in the cost.

Contact the WTC pro shop at 573-9291 for more information.

Putters and Duffers tournament

The 3rd annual Putters and Duffers tournament will be held Oct. 4-5 at Scurry County Golf Course, with shotgun starts at 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. both days. Entry fee is $150 per couple and includes lunches, dinner and mulligans. For more information or to register, contact Xalyn at 574-3343 or Judy at 573-0637.

WTC GLT tournament

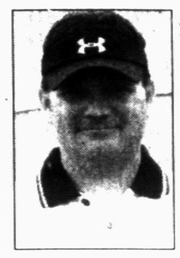
Western Texas College will host the golf and landscape technology tournament Oct. 11. Format is nine-hole lowball-daylight and nine-hole select shot glow ball-dark with tee-off at 5 p.m. Cost is $70 per team with cash prizes. Contact the pro shop at 573-9291 for more information.

Tigers seek turnaround against ranked Rangers

By Bobby Allen
SDN Sports Editor

The parallels are eerie.

Last season, the Snyder Tigers squared off with Midland Greenwood following a bye week and looking to climb out of an 0-2 hole to start the season.



Rogers

In 2002, the Rangers were coming off a tough victory over Sweetwater in game the Mustangs dominated statistically.

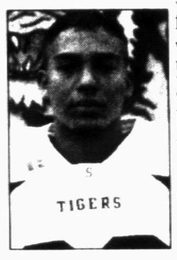
Those same scenarios apply to the 2003 season as well, with the Tigers hoping to stem a two-game losing streak, and the third-ranked Rangers trying to use momentum from a dogfight with Sweetwater to bulldoze their way deep into the playoffs.

The Tigers will host the Rangers at 7:30 tonight, and Snyder head coach Chad Rogers said his team has used the bye week to its fullest.

"We've had a good week of practice," Rogers said. "The kids have been very attentive in learning their assignments. They are ready to get back onto the field."

Greenwood head coach Bob Purser said his team is not the same as the one that thumped Snyder 35-7 last year. The 2002 Rangers set 16 school records en route to a state championship berth.

"Every game has been really tough. We don't have the depth," he said. "We are not the same team we were last year. We have struggled to find ways to win. We would like to be consistent, but we have a long ways to go."



Martinez

Purser is clearly not taking Snyder lightly.

"They look like they have gotten better," he said. "And they have a lot of depth."

Greenwood stopped Sweetwater last Friday, 36-29, gaining just four first downs and running only 28 plays compared with 72 for the Mustangs.

"Obviously, we are playing a very good team," Rogers said. "Their quarterback (Dawson Wilber) compares with (Frenship quarterback Jayme) McCall, and they have a good running back in Jeremy Audus. They are very aggressive. You don't give the game they gave to Sweetwater without being a salty team."

Wilber has picked up where he left off last season, going 17-of-31 for 370 yards, 3 touchdowns and a pick. He also has carried the ball 46 times for 269 yards and a score.

Audus has been a juggernaut on the ground, averaging 6.6 yards per carry in totaling 355 yards and seven touchdowns.

Snyder has scored just two touchdowns in its first two games this season, with quarterback Boicy Martinez involved in both.

Martinez leads the team in rushing with 146 yards. He has also thrown for 240 yards, including a 55-yard touchdown to Justin Boyd against Wylie.

Both clubs will be missing key performers for the contest, with Greenwood lining up without starting middle linebacker Blake Higgins, and Snyder being without Isreal Sosa and Hunter Shipp.

Shipp said Wednesday that he should be ready for the Oct. 10 game at Sweetwater.

When the teams met last September, Greenwood gave Snyder its third straight loss to start the season with a convincing victory in Midland.

Snyder scored first, then gave up 35 unanswered points in a game in which the Tigers lost three fumbles and threw an interception.

Greenwood also had trouble holding on to the ball in that game, fumbling five times, but only losing one.

Rogers said the Rangers are making big plays in clutch situations, something the Tigers must do tonight.

"We've got playmakers, we just have to make plays," he said. "We are going to need to be physical, because they will be physical."

JV trounces Greenwood

The junior varsity Tigers used a pair of touchdown runs from Jonathan Gonzales in pounding host Midland Greenwood, 42-20.

The junior Tigers led 30-6 at halftime in a game they dominated from the outset.

Urbano Hernandez led off the scoring barrage with a 12-yard run and two-point conversion, followed by a 55-yard sprint from Johnny Vasquez, who also punched in the conversion attempt, to give the Tigers an early, 16-0 lead.

Gonzales posted his first score on a 40-yard burst, and added his own two-point conversion to stake the JV to a 24-0 edge.

Gonzales later added a 4-yard run, while quarterback Matt Reigh sneaked in from five yards out for a score.

Snyder also took advantage of Greenwood's miscues, with Salvador Perez and John Birks each recovering a Ranger fumble.

Barrett Bowlin turned a late Snyder mistake into a touchdown, picking up an offensive fumble and cruising 42 yards for the score.

"They did an excellent job coming off the ball," freshman coach Charles Bollinger said. "We made some adjustments with formations, and they did a good job. It's a good win for them."

The JV will battle Post at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Hokies pour it on late to top Aggies

BLACKSBURG, Va. (AP) — Bryan Randall ran 12 yards for an insurance touchdown in the fourth quarter and No. 8 Virginia Tech overcame Hurricane Isabel and Texas A&M on Thursday night, beating the Aggies 35-19.

The game, played on the other side of the state from where Isabel had knocked out power to nearly 1.5 million people, was as bizarre as the weather, featuring a series of unusual plays and freakish circumstances.

The Hokies (3-0) didn't get command until the end, when Randall capped an 11-play, 80-yard drive with his run that made it 28-19 with 8:20 left.

The Aggies (2-1) mishandled the ensuing kickoff and the Hokies recovered. Kevin Jones' third touchdown, with 5:33 to play, sealed the Hokies' 27th consecutive victory in games played before October.

But the Aggies, seeking their first road victory against a top 10 team since 1979, put more of a scare into the home team than the storm that sometimes had the rain coming down sideways with 40 mph wind gusts.

With Reggie McNeal completing key passes and at other times leaving Tech defenders grasping at air as he ran for crucial yardage, the Hokies led only 21-19 with 14:24 left after McNeal's 15-yard TD pass to Tim Van Zant.

The Hokies also were making uncharacteristic mistakes.

They twice swarmed Aggies punter Cody Scates, once allowing him to escape for a 15-yard run and a first down, the next time getting called for an offsides penalty that negated a sack by James Anderson.

Ira jr. high, JV handle Borden

The junior high Ira Bulldogs opened the season Thursday night with a convincing, 45-20 win over Borden County.

Andy Rivera scored five touchdowns, collecting 207 yards on nine carries, and led the team with eight tackles.

Garcia also returned an interception 30 yards for a score.

"For our first game we came out and looked sharp and did things well," Ira coach Toby Goodwin said.

Justin Jones rumbled in for a 22-yard touchdown run, and Brandon Ramirez and Tony Martini scored two-point conversions.

Goodwin said the offense was powered by the blocking up front, especially Gil Shafer.

"His blocking was tremendous. He did a super job," Goodwin said, adding that every player on the roster got time on the field.

The junior varsity ran roughshod over the JV Coyotes, with every player on the roster recording a tackle in the 26-6 victory.

Kerry Jamison recorded 65 yards rushing, scoring touchdowns on runs of 4 and 22 yards.

Adam Rivera was on the receiving end of a touchdown strike from Corbin Clements, and Chris Gutierrez galloped 51 yards for a score.

Safety Jason Ramos posted 15 tackles for the speedy Ira defense, and Kevin Graves had two sacks and nine tackles.

Linebacker Clements tallied 13 tackles, while defensive end Chris Dobbs had 11 stops.

Both clubs will play Thursday at New Home.

WTC strong at ENMU

PORTALES, N.M. — Bull riders Tate Stratton and Justin Simmons were tied for first place after the opening round Thursday at the Eastern New Mexico rodeo.

The two riders each recorded a score of 77, while teammate Denny Farley made a top-10 ride, standing in sixth place with a 65.

Jake Marshall was in the top three in two events, including a first-place saddle bronc ride that netted him a 61.

Marshall was third in the bareback riding event with a 72, while Clay Bunney was fifth a 61.

Clay Long used a time of 12.5 seconds to hold down the fourth spot in calf roping.

Sabrina Lay led the women's team Thursday, notching a first-place time of 17.78 in the barrel racing competition.

Erin Anglin and Ashley Hadley were in good position after the first round, with Anglin in second with an 8.1 and Hadley coming in sixth with a 9.9.

The ENMU rodeo is scheduled to run through Saturday.

Major League Baseball

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	94	58	.618	—
Boston	89	63	.586	5
Toronto	79	73	.520	15
Baltimore	68	83	.450	25½
Tampa Bay	60	92	.395	34

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	84	69	.549	—
Chicago	80	72	.526	3½
Kansas City	79	73	.520	4½
Cleveland	66	88	.429	18½
Detroit	38	114	.250	45½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	92	61	.601	—
Seattle	87	66	.569	5
Anaheim	72	81	.471	20
Texas	68	85	.444	24

Thursday's Games

N.Y. Yankees 1, Baltimore 1, 5 innings, rain, tie
Texas 2, Seattle 1, 10 innings
Boston 4, Tampa Bay 3
Toronto 10, Detroit 6
Kansas City 3, Cleveland 2
Minnesota 5, Chicago White Sox 3

Today's Games

Toronto at Baltimore
Boston) at Cleveland
N.Y. Yankees at Tampa Bay
Detroit at Minnesota
Anaheim at Texas
Kansas City at Chicago White Sox
Seattle at Oakland

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Atlanta	95	58	.621	—
Florida	84	68	.553	10½
Philadelphia	84	69	.549	11
Montreal	78	76	.506	17½
New York	63	89	.414	31½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	83	69	.546	—
Chicago	82	70	.539	1
St. Louis	79	75	.513	5
Pittsburgh	71	81	.467	12
Cincinnati	65	88	.425	18½
Milwaukee	65	88	.425	18½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-San Francisco	93	58	.616	—
Los Angeles	81	70	.536	12
Arizona	79	74	.516	15
Colorado	69	84	.451	25
San Diego	60	92	.395	33½

x-clinched division

Thursday's Games

Pittsburgh 7, Cincinnati 0
Philadelphia 5, Florida 4
Houston 6, Colorado 0
San Diego 7, San Francisco 3
Montreal 1, N.Y. Mets 0
St. Louis 13, Milwaukee 0
Los Angeles 2, Arizona 0

Today's Games

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Adoptive mom pleads guilty

OLATHE, Kan. (AP) — A woman unexpectedly pleaded guilty to murder and child abuse Thursday just as her trial was beginning in the death of her adopted son, who suffocated after he was bound in duct tape.

Christy Edgar's husband, Neil Edgar Sr., 47, and the family's baby sitter, Chasity Boyd, 19, remain on trial on first-degree murder and child abuse charges.

Attorney Bob Thomas told the judge that Christy Edgar was changing her plea against his advice. "This is not tactical. ... It's her decision," he said.

Attorneys for Neil Edgar and Boyd said they were not changing their innocent pleas.

Brian Edgar, 9, died Dec. 30. His father brought him to a hospital from the family home in Overland Park, where prosecutors say he had been wrapped from head to toe with duct tape, leaving only his nose uncovered and causing him to suffocate on vomit.

In his opening statement, District Attorney Paul Morrison said Brian and two other children in the Edgar family were often disciplined by being tied up all night.

At a preliminary hearing, an older sibling had testified that Brian was being punished for stealing food.

Lawyers for Boyd and Neil Edgar both sought to deflect blame for the boy's death away from their clients and onto other defendants.

The Edgars were pastors of God's Christian Outreach Ministry in Kansas City, Kan. Five other church members face charges of abusing three of the Edgars' children and a friend of the children.

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	High	Low	Last	
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AT&T Corp rs	22.74	22.45	22.57	+ .02
Albertsons	21.31	21.05	21.19	— .19
Alltel	47.72	47.36	47.41	— .27
AmEl Pw	29.70	29.52	29.56	— .13
AndarkPtr	42.27	41.76	42.08	+ .23
ATMOS Egy	24.15	24.05	24.13	+ .07
Avall	13.71	13.60	13.66	— .04
BP PLC	42.29	42.08	42.11	— .31
BakerHughes	31.31	30.73	31.10	— .03
Bank of Amer	79.94	79.31	79.55	— .14
BellSouth	25.70	25.36	25.48	— .38
BurlNoSFe	29.75	29.49	29.58	+ .13
Caterpillar	71.75	70.15	71.48	+ .18
CenterPoint	8.99	8.88	8.94	— .04
ChevronTex	72.45	71.95	72.15	— .10
Citigroup	46.99	46.60	46.65	
CocaCola	43.62	43.30	43.40	— .20
ColgatePal	55.32	54.70	55.08	+ .23
CmclMetals	19.10	18.80	19.08	— .06
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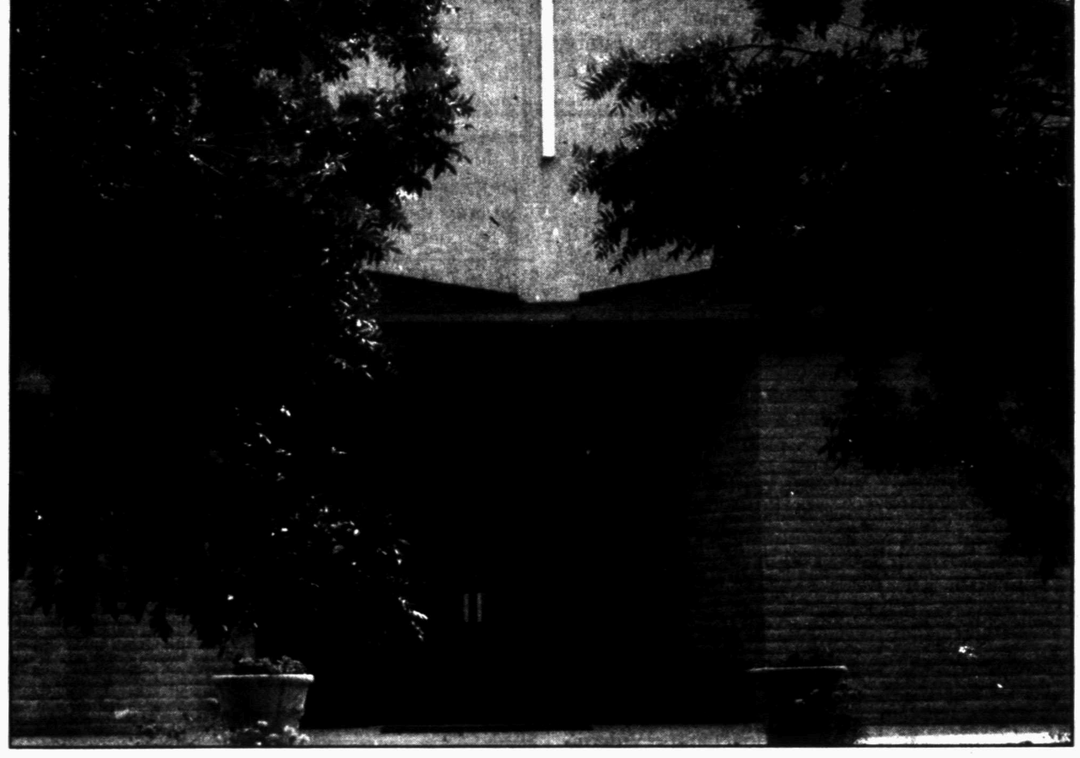
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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Others may be scrutinizing your modus operandi today when it comes to situations where you are in charge. Fortunately, you'll handle your leadership in ways that are admirable.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Try to break out of routine situations today, because a lack of spontaneous activities may leave you with a negative outlook. Being uninhibited allows you to grow with the times.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Others will display a willingness to share what they have with you today. This is because in the past you went out of your way to do for them. Good always finds a way to return itself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You have a talent today to draw out others and make them feel worthwhile and appreciated, so don't be surprised when others seek you out in order to share their time with you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — For you, being industrious and productive today will be more fun and rewarding than goofing off. If you have your way, you'll turn off the television and do something worthwhile.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — It's a day to spend outdoors, in the fresh air. Being part of nature itself will have a marvelous affect on refurbishing your outlook. Put on your hiking boots and hit the trails.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Your instincts will be right on target today when it comes to gauging the needs of your fellow man. This can be an enormous plus for you should you have any direct dealings with the public.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Instead of balancing the barbells today, spend some time weighing and balancing problems that need to be sorted out. You should be especially good at figuring out complicated situations.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — This is an excellent day to spend your time designing measures that will make your family more secure. It won't matter if what you furnish is love, help or money; they're all precious.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — The most important thing to you today will be your independence to operate as you see fit. Don't let anyone jockey you into a corner where you'll find yourself under his or her control.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Your logic is one of the most important ingredients when an intelligent decision is called for, yet there's nothing wrong with letting a little instinct help. Blend the two today for reaching conclusions.

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Clark OKs debate, then backtracks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Wesley Clark's presidential campaign said he would participate in a Democratic presidential debate Thursday, then quickly backtracked, angering party officials and drawing criticism from his primary rivals.

"I hope I'll be there," Clark said after a campaign stop Thursday night in Hollywood, Fla. "I'd like to do it."

But campaign spokeswoman Holly Johnson said Clark has a contract to give a paid speech in Texas next Thursday at the same time the nine other Democratic candidates plan to debate economic issues in New York.

The campaign is refusing to say who Clark, a retired four-star general who entered the race Wednesday, is supposed to address. Johnson said they are trying to reschedule the speech and have offered several other dates for Clark to fulfill his speaking obligation.

Earlier Thursday, Clark aide Barbara Leyton called the Democratic National Committee and said the retired general would participate in the debate and the party's fund-raising dinner afterward, said DNC spokeswoman Debra DeShong.

Clark aide Donnie Fowler later said Leyton is one of many people who are working for Clark, but she didn't have the correct information when she called the party to accept the debate invitation. Fowler, who ran Al Gore's field operation in 2000, said he doesn't have a title with the campaign, but officials speaking on a condition of anonymity said he would be its manager.

The debate is the second in a series of six being sponsored by the Democratic National Committee. It will broadcast live on CNBC.

Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman's campaign on Thursday challenged Clark to participate.

"The economy is going to be arguably the most important topic that will be discussed this entire political season," said Lieberman spokesman Jano Cabrera. "Surely the general can change his schedule to discuss this issue with the American people."

Jim Jordan, campaign manager for Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry, said, "I think all Democrats will be disappointed if General Clark passes on an opportunity on national television to lay out his policies for making the American economy stronger and fairer."

Mark Fabiani, strategist for Clark, said that Kym Spell, former New Hampshire press secretary for John Kerry, is joining the Clark press office in Arkansas. Jordan said Spell, who quit the Kerry campaign this week, denied she was going to work for Clark but was nonetheless given five minutes to clean out her office. Spell, who was deputy communications director for Gore's 2000 campaign, could not be reached for comment.

Spell's departure comes one week after Kerry communications director Chris Lehane resigned. Lehane is Fabiani's longtime business associate, but said he is focused on his consulting business in California.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Adult acne — non-existent?

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If your dermatologists have failed to find a cure, ask your primary care physician to prescribe a lengthy course of treatment. And, while you're at it, get blood tests to check for diabetes and immune deficiencies, both of which are associated with lesions resembling acne in adults.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Recently, my doctor ordered a blood test that showed a high calcium level. Further testing revealed a tumor in one of my parathyroid glands. A surgeon says that it's time to operate. I know that the tumor causes calcium to be leached out of my bones and this can lead to kidney stones. Do I have any non-surgical options?

DEAR READER: Excess blood calcium can be associated with kidney stones, constipation, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, brittle bones, weakness, confusion, stupor and coma. The condition has many causes, including excess vitamin D, malignancies, vitamin A toxicity, chronic infection, hypothyroidism, Addison's disease (underactive adrenal glands), excess dietary calcium (milk-alkali syndrome), kidney failure, and over-production of parathyroid hormone. It is the last cause on the list that concerns your surgeon because it is relatively common in adult Americans.

The four parathyroid glands in the neck control calcium metabolism. When the glands produce too much hormone, the blood-calcium level rises. In such instances, most experts recommend that the overactive areas be removed surgically.

Before consenting to an operation, however, you will want to make sure that the parathyroids are indeed to blame, and if so, which of the four glands is the culprit. These answers can be obtained by blood tests and imaging studies.

In order to cover all the bases, your family doctor may appropriately choose to enlist the aid of an endocrinologist. The specialist should be able to sort things out and determine if surgery would be the most sensible next step.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Medical Specialists." 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.

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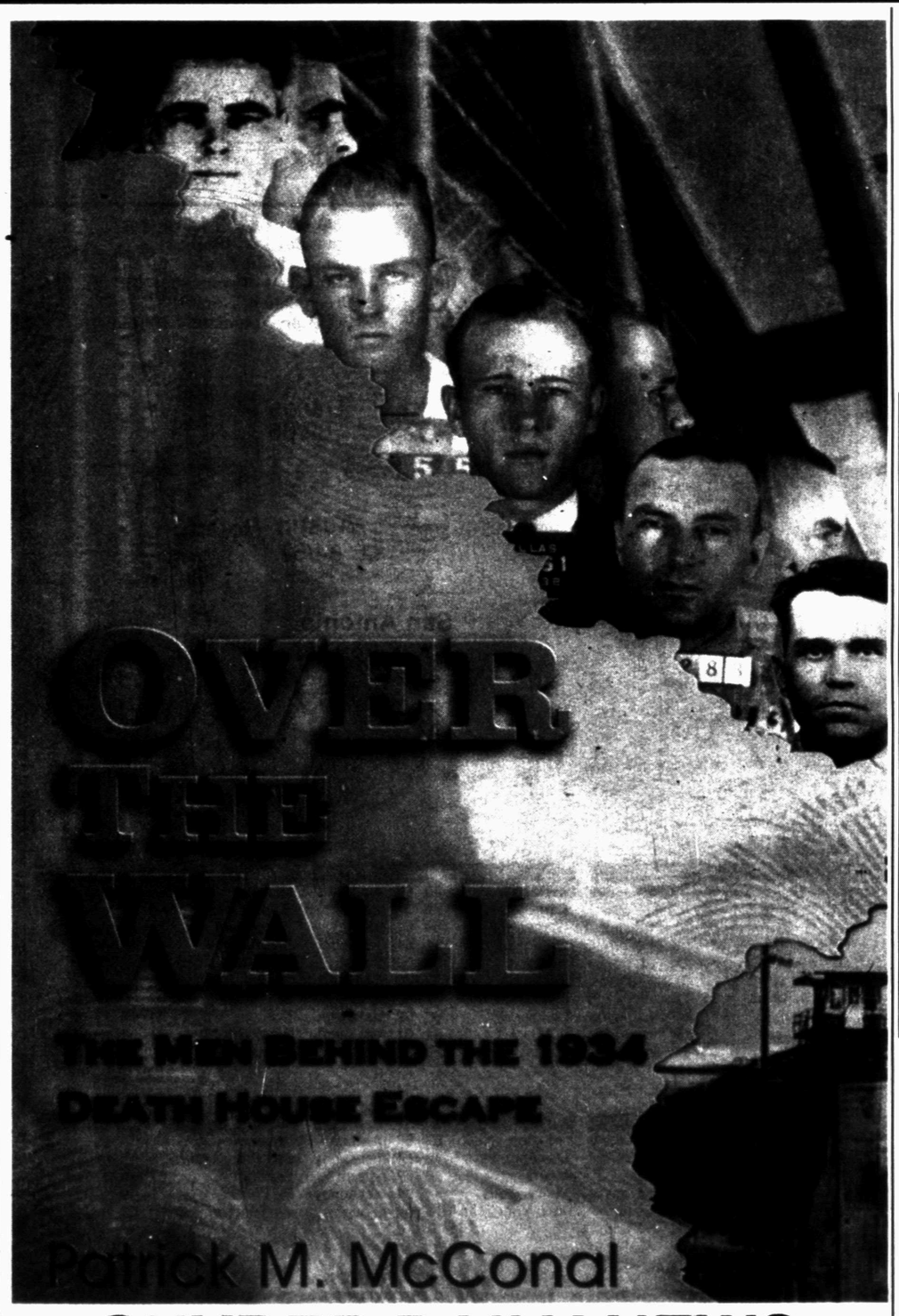
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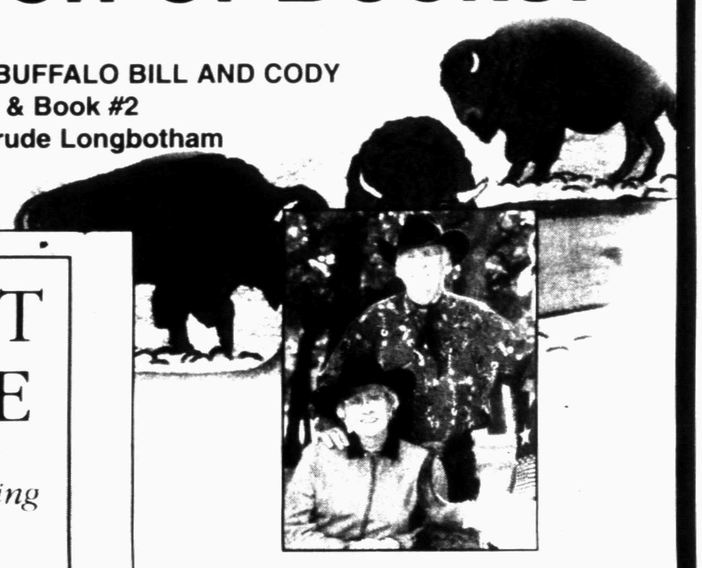


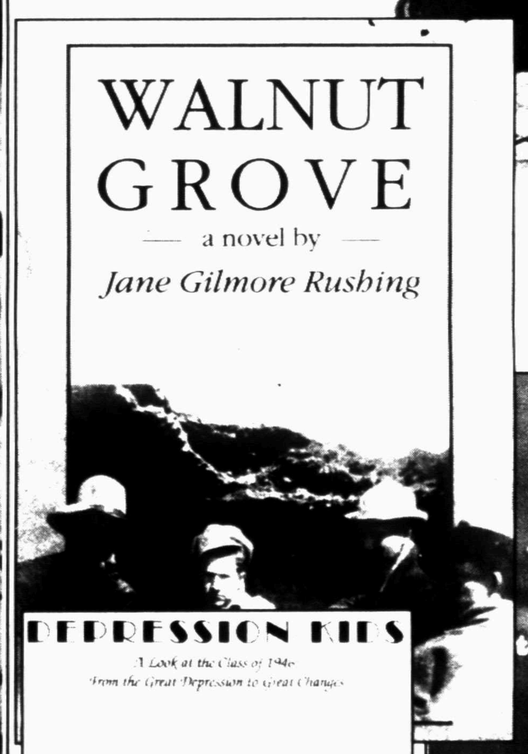
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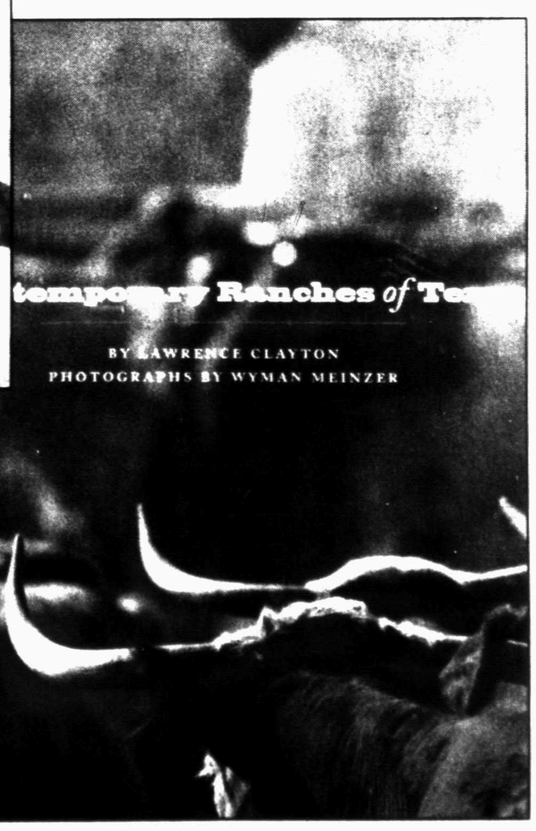
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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Deadly Isabell pounds East Coast

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Hurricane Isabel knocked out power to more than 4.5 million people before weakening into a tropical depression today as it raced toward Canada, swamping some tidal communities along Chesapeake Bay but breezing inland with less rain than expected.

The storm was blamed for at least 15 deaths: nine in Virginia, two in Maryland and one each in North Carolina, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Rhode Island.

The storm plowed into North Carolina's Outer Banks on Thursday with winds of about 100 mph and moved across Virginia, West Virginia and Pennsylvania early today as its winds eased to around 35 mph — just below the threshold for a tropical storm. Isabel dumped up to 4 inches of rain in Pennsylvania before moving toward Ohio, and was expected to dissipate in Canada by Saturday.

Michael Brown, director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, said Isabel inflicted the worst damage along the Outer Banks.

"Our concern down there is we have about 4,000 people who refused to evacuate. We're getting in to make sure they're OK," he said on ABC's "Good Morning America."

In Baltimore, 34 people were rescued from their homes, some by boat, in a neighborhood where waist-high water flooded some streets, Mayor Martin O'Malley said.

The federal government shut down for two days. Offices, monuments and subway tunnels in Washington were all but abandoned, frustrating tourists. Some were surprised that monuments and museums were closed Thursday, hours ahead of the storm.

FEMA's Brown cautioned that residents in Isabel's path should keep their guard up, with flood waters moving into tributaries throughout the day. "So people just because they see blue skies should not think, 'Oh this storm is gone and the aftermath is over with.'"

With mid-Atlantic states left sodden by an unusually wet summer, the winds toppled trees and rains flooded creeks and low-lying areas.

In Middletown, N.J., Isabel sent a tree crashing through the roof of Jean Paul Zammit's house.

"It was a just a big bang and crack, and the ceiling falling down and everything falling down," said Zammit, who was sitting in his living room when the roof caved in.

At 11 a.m. today, Isabel was 50 miles northeast of Cleveland, moving north at around 30 mph.

As much as 51/2 inches of rain fell on West Virginia — far less than the original forecast of a foot. Flood advisories for parts of the state were canceled.

"It was not as bad as it could have been," Rob Jelacic, a spokesman for the state Office of Emergency Services, said this morning.

In Virginia alone, more than 1.5 million people lost power by late Thursday and more than 16,000 people filled evacuation shelters. Six people were killed in a pair of weather-related traffic accidents in the state; two were killed by falling trees. One man drowned while canoeing.

Heavy rains falling in parts of Texas

By the Associated Press

Heavy rains on Thursday caused creeks and streams to spill over in Texas' Hill Country and some temporary flooding on streets in Brownsville and highways in Dallas County, bringing rush hour traffic to a standstill.

Traffic was backed up for several miles on Interstate 20 near Interstate 45 south of downtown Dallas as 6 inches of standing water covered parts of I-20 during the height of the storms, according the Dallas County Sheriff's office. Pools of water also slowed traffic on I-635 near I-75 in Dallas and on I-35 north of Waco.

No major accidents were reported.

High water also was reported in Mansfield, southeast of Fort Worth, where strong thunderstorms pounded the areas Thursday afternoon.

Air travel also was affected by the rain. Some flights at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport were delayed up to an hour and six were diverted, spokesman Ken Capps said.

The National Weather Service issued flash flood warnings for southeast portions of South Central Texas and North Texas because of the rains. The South Central region was expected to be under a flood watch through the night.

Rainfall amounts of up to 21/2 inches were reported in some Dallas-Fort Worth areas, weather officials said. The rains fell over a short period of time, prompting standing water on most roadways.

McLennan County in North Texas had up to 4 inches of rain fall from China Spring to western portions of the county. Another 2 inches was expected through the night.

In Brownsville, the floodwaters were deep enough for neighborhood children to swim in the streets. Some neighborhoods were flooded with up to 1 foot of water, The Brownsville Herald reported in its today's editions.

Brownsville police Cmdr. Abraham Delgado said the wet weather caused 17 accidents and made many streets impassable. No major injuries were reported.

McAllen's public works department offered sandbags to residents to keep floodwaters at bay, the newspaper reported.

About 3 inches to 4 inches of rain was reported in Wilson and Atascosa counties in South Central Texas. Other counties in the flood watch area, including Bexar, Comal, and Guadalupe, had up to 2 inches of rain fall since Wednesday night.

In San Antonio, ceilings at an apartment complex collapsed Thursday morning because of heavy rains. About a dozen people, mostly elderly residents, were forced out of their homes.

Randy Jenkins, a San Antonio Fire Department spokesman, said the residents escaped serious injury. He said the apartment complex was being re-roofed, but rain had pooled on the flat areas.

Saddam's ex-defense minister surrenders to U.S. troops in Iraq

TIKRIT, Iraq (AP) — Saddam Hussein's last defense minister surrendered today to an American commander, and U.S. troops backed by helicopters and armored vehicles fought an overnight battle near Tikrit after coming under a coordinated attack that killed three soldiers and wounded two.

Though Americans have been the targets of near-daily attacks, the battle in and around the village of Uja — Saddam's birthplace — was unusual because of its intensity and length. The fighting lasted from 8 p.m. Thursday until daybreak today, the military said.

The violence came as U.S. troops claimed a victory in their effort to track down remnants of Saddam's regime. Former Gen. Sultan Hashim Ahmad, Iraq's last defense minister, surrendered after weeks of negotiations.

Dawood Bagistani, who arranged the surrender to Maj. Gen. David Petraeus, said Ahmad was handed over "with great respect" and was with his family at the time.

Bagistani said the American military had promised to remove Ahmad's name from the list of 55 most-wanted, meaning he would not face indefinite confinement and possible prosecution.

Ahmad, the eight of hearts in the deck of playing cards of Iraqi fugitives, was no. 27 on the most-wanted list. Thirty-eight of that group are now in custody and 14 remain at large. Three are either dead or thought to be dead.

The special treatment for Ahmad could be an effort to defuse the guerrilla-style attacks that are taking a toll on U.S. soldiers. Many of the attackers are thought to be former soldiers in Saddam's army, and seeing their former military leader well-treated by the Americans might encourage them to abandon their insurgency.

It could also score points for the Americans among local tribes, whose leaders wanted Ahmad to be well-treated.

The Tikrit attacks were the most intense and coordinated since U.S. forces arrived in the area in April, according Maj. Jocelyn Aberle, a spokeswoman for the 4th Infantry Division.

They began as soldiers were sealing off parts of Uja, about five miles south of Tikrit, to conduct a raid against Iraqi resistance cells. Gunmen in a white pickup opened fire on an observation post, followed by rocket and small arms fire on a patrol that killed the three Americans.

Insurgents also launched attacks against two bases on using rocket propelled grenades and heavy machine guns. The two wounded soldiers brought to a medical station in a blood-soaked vehicle were listed in stable condition, said Col. James Hickey, commander of the division's 1st Brigade.

He said 58 Iraqi men of military age were captured, including those believed involved in the attack on the patrol. He said the attack showed remarkable coordination.

Four arrested in Snyder

•Arrests

Two men were arrested in the 4100 block of Ave. V at 8:50 p.m. Thursday after an anonymous caller reported a reckless driver. Taken into custody were a 21-year-old man for possession of two ounces of marijuana and a 37-year-old man for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

At 12:53 a.m. today, two men were taken into custody in the 1100 block of 21st Street. Arrested were a 40-year-old man, for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and a 21-year-old man for public intoxication.

•Criminal mischief

An employee from Big Country Electric requested a close patrol Thursday afternoon in reference to suspicious subjects possibly trying to steal wire after hours.

At 8:09 p.m. Thursday, a clerk at Allsup's in Snyder reported a man trying to get change for a fake $100 bill. A close patrol of the store was initiated.

•Threats

A woman in the 4400 block of Ave. U requested a close patrol in reference to her daughter receiving threats from a female and two male subjects.

•Aggressive dog

Linda Davenport on County Road 473 reported a stray dog acting aggressively towards her goats. A Scurry County deputy was dispatched and advised one shot was fired to dispose of the dog.

•Livestock at-large

A cow was reported loose on FM 1142, north of County Road 2127. A deputy responded and secured a black heifer.

Obituaries

Dorothy Bohannan

1925-2003

SPUR — Dorothy "Dot" Bohannan, the sister of Vivian Stansell of Snyder, died Wednesday, Sept. 17, in Lubbock.

Graveside service for Mrs. Bohannan, 78, was set for 2 p.m. today in the Spur Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Zeb Alexander officiating.

A son, Milton Ray Bohannan, died in 1979.

Survivors include a daughter, Sherilyn Beal of Plano; a brother, Milton Reynolds of Spur; another sister, Vera Alexander of Spur; and a granddaughter, Karen Beal of Austin.

Oletha Gibson

1920-2003

Oletha Gibson, 82, died Tuesday, Sept. 16, in Mitchell County Hospital in Colorado City.

Service is set for 11 a.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church in Colorado City with Henry Lee officiating. Burial will follow in the Mitchell County Cemetery under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home in Snyder.

Born Dec. 12, 1920 in Wortham, she married Dan Emerson Sr. in 1938 in Waco. He died in 1956. She married Eddie Gibson in 1970 in Big Spring. He died in 1983.

Survivors include four sons, Donald Lee Emerson and Thomas Lee Emerson, both of Colorado City, Daniel Emerson Jr. of Odessa and William Ross Emerson of Tulsa, Okla.; five daughters, Martha Louise Green of Snyder, Carolyn Salinas of Bedford, Edie Mae Garrett of Oklahoma City, Francis Emerson and Bernell Gibson, both of Colorado City; 48 grandchildren; 101 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Family visitation will be held 7-8 p.m. Wednesday at Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

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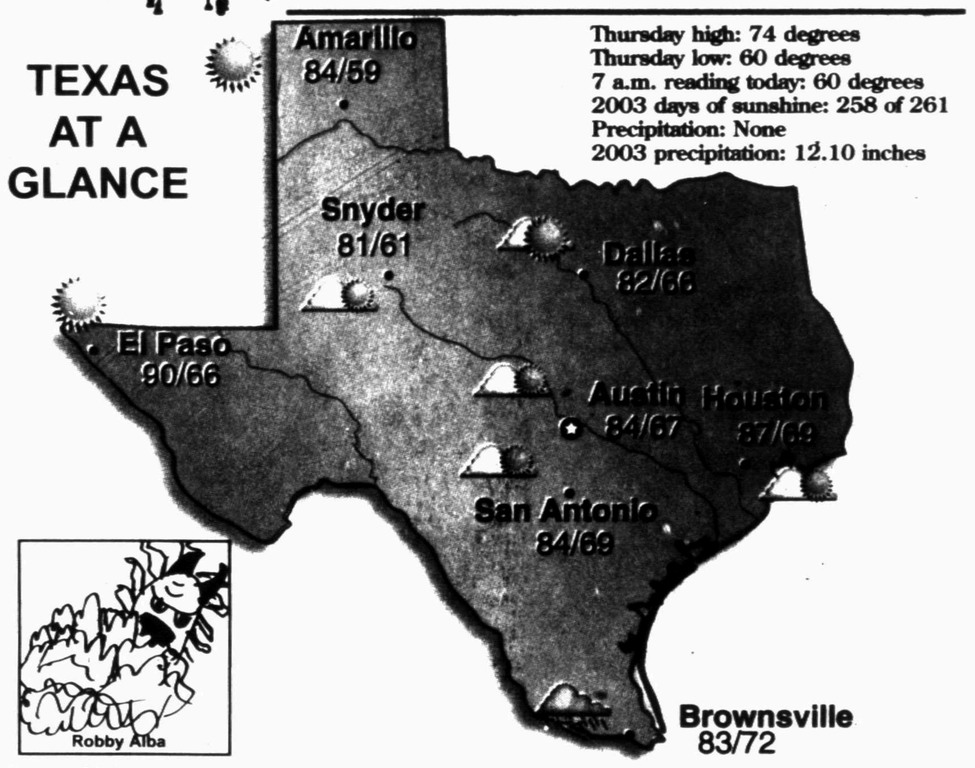
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Local 3-Day Forecast

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81/61	83/56	69/56
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Thursday low: 60 degrees
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2003 days of sunshine: 258 of 261
Precipitation: None
2003 precipitation: 12.10 inches

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Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	82	65	mst sunny	El Paso	90	66	sunny	Midland	85	64	mst sunny
Amarillo	84	59	sunny	Fort Stockton	85	63	sunny	Raymondville	83	70	t-storm
Austin	84	67	pt sunny	Gainesville	80	61	sunny	Rosenberg	87	69	pt sunny
Beaumont	87	68	pt sunny	Greenville	81	61	mst sunny	San Antonio	84	69	pt sunny
Brownsville	83	72	t-storm	Houston	87	69	pt sunny	San Marcos	85	67	pt sunny
Brownwood	85	64	pt sunny	Kingsville	83	70	t-storm	Sulphur Springs	81	60	mst sunny
Corpus Christi	83	72	t-storm	Livingston	87	65	pt sunny	Sweetwater	82	63	pt sunny
Corsicana	84	64	mst sunny	Longview	83	62	mst sunny	Tyler	84	64	sunny
Dallas	82	66	mst sunny	Lubbock	84	61	mst sunny	Weatherford	81	61	mst sunny
Del Rio	85	70	pt sunny	Lufkin	88	66	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	82	62	sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	85	62	mst sunny	Houston	87	69	pt sunny	Phoenix	105	78	sunny
Boston	74	61	drizzle	Los Angeles	79	64	mst sunny	San Francisco	78	59	mst sunny
Chicago	72	51	sunny	Miami	86	77	t-storm	Seattle	67	46	pt sunny
Dallas	82	66	mst sunny	Minneapolis	74	54	mst sunny	St. Louis	75	50	sunny
Denver	77	47	pt sunny	New York	79	62	pt sunny	Washington, DC	80	63	mst sunny

Moon Phases

Last	New	First	Full
Sep 18	Sep 26	Oct 2	Oct 10

UV Index

Sat 9/20	Sun 9/21	Mon 9/22
High	High	High

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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