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Bush working his way to the GOP convention

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — George W. Bush is eager to tell the country about his plans to "use these good times for great purposes."

The GOP nominee-to-be is working his way to the Republican National Convention by stumping through battleground states won by Democrats in 1996 and 1992, including Arkansas, Missouri, Kentucky and Ohio.

"But not this time, not this year," Bush said Monday in a satellite remarks to the gathering in Philadelphia after his wife's prime-time convention speech.

"We've seen thousands of people. The crowds have been big and the enthusiasm even bigger," he said from a classroom at Westerville South High School. "And I cannot wait to stand before you Thursday night and tell America how I want to use these good times for great purposes."

Bush arrives in Philadelphia on Wednesday.

The Texas governor watched his wife with a group of honor students while waiting to go on camera himself.

Seated in a school chair, he grinned proudly as she took the stage. "She looks great," he said. Then, as Laura Bush said she was "honored to open this convention that will nominate my husband for president of the United States," Bush joked, "I wrote that line for her."

In his convention remarks, Bush recalled his premarital pledge to Laura — the one about her never having to deliver a political speech.

"I know you're as glad as I am that she didn't hold me to that promise," he told the delegates.

Aides said Bush will deliver more broad-themed, short speeches described as practice runs for the 3,900-word address that he delivers Thursday night to accept the Republican nomination for president.

The Bushes practiced their speeches separately, but in front of about a dozen friends and staff members Sunday night.

"I wanted to see her speech on first delivery," Bush said. "Nor did she help me practice mine."

Earlier Monday, Bush attended rallies at the University of Dayton, a private Catholic college, and in the Senate atrium of Ohio's state Capitol in Columbus. In both places, he sounded many of the themes he is expected to raise in his convention speech.

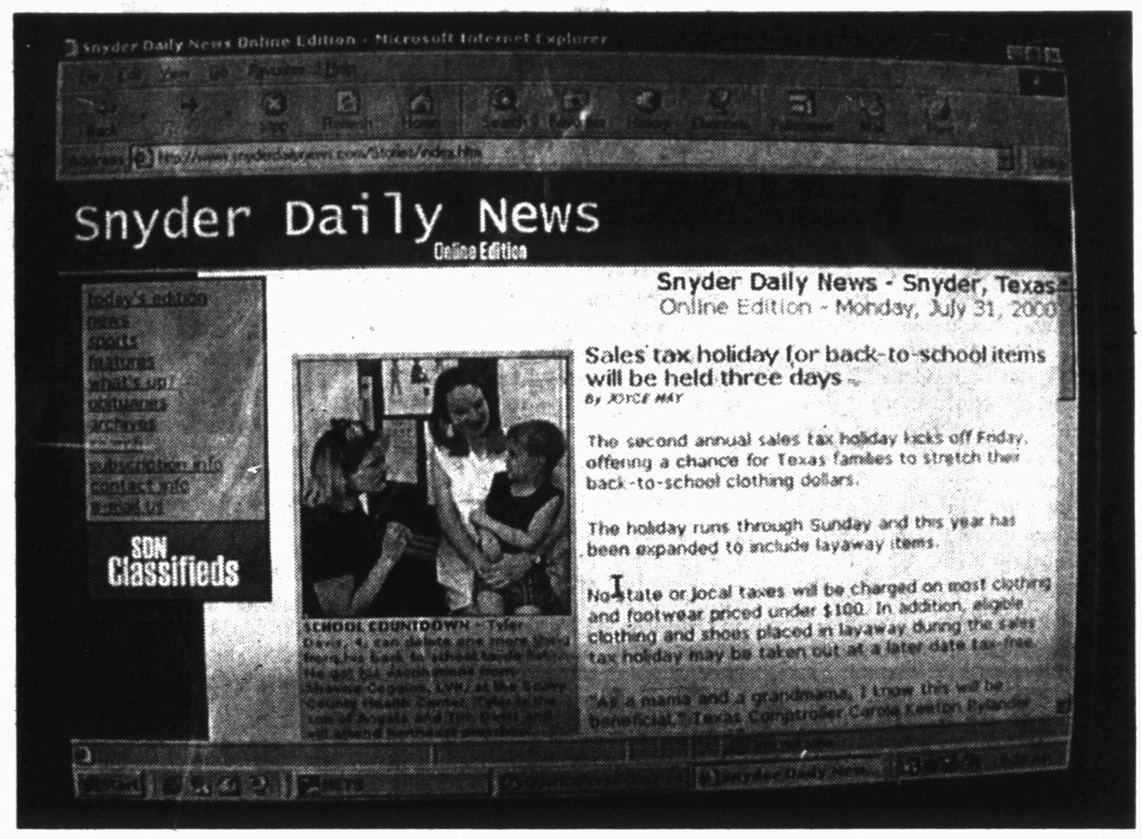
"We've got a lot of work to do, and I'm ready to do the work," he told the Columbus audience. He said Americans were "sick and tired of the politics of tearing people down."

Democrats held a competing rally a few blocks away.

Earlier in Dayton, Bush proclaimed, "Ours is not the politics of personal destruction" and pledged to wage "a campaign of hopefulness." He also promised to "keep the peace" and strengthen America's military.

As with most recent Bush rallies, only those with invitations were allowed up front. Still, a group of about two dozen people with Gore signs chanted "Al Gore" on the edge of the rally.

Bush ignored the group, but Sen. Mike DeWine, R-Ohio, turned to them and said, "The First Amendment is alive and well. We welcome our friends."



ONLINE — It's now possible to read the Snyder Daily News online by logging on to the Internet at www.snyderdailynews.com. The newspaper's web page opened today and will be updated around 2 p.m. Monday through Saturday. (SDN Staff Photo)

SDN now online

The on-line edition of the Snyder Daily News officially became part of the Internet today, and web browsers can expect the page to be updated around 2 p.m. each day.

The on-line SDN will have the latest local news from the the newspaper - including the front page photo, and will include features, the latest "What's Up" notices, and obituaries.

The web site will also contain display and classified ads, and past editions of the paper will be available in the archive section.

"We feel the web site will provide a useful service to our local citizens, and provide advertisers with another economical means of reaching potential customers," said Roy McQueen, publisher.

The on-line edition has been under construction for the past month, and already has been found and used by former residents who have sent e-mail messages expressing appreciation for the new service, McQueen added.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Everyone agrees. It's easier to get older than to get wiser."

Visitors are impressed with the friendliness of Texans. They think everybody knows each other because they always wave at folks in passing vehicles.

A good-ole fashioned wave is not uncommon in Texas, especially out here in rural West Texas.

There also can be messages from passing motorists. Generally, a wave means the opposing driver is indicating that he or she is mostly awake and things down the road on their side are clear.

There are several versions of acceptable waves in Texas.

—A one or two-finger wave. This is either from a lazy Texan or one who has all he can handle just holding on the steering wheel, but yet he wants to be friendly.

—Full-hand, straight-arm wave is given by former Marine sergeants or football coaches. It's a subtle way of being friendly, but letting others know you're in charge of your half of the road.

—A four-fingered piccolo-playing wave is not popular. It's viewed as a sissy wave and not for a real Texan.

—The half-hearted two-finger salute is probably somebody with a military background, unless it's a Texan adjusting his straw hat or gimme cap.

—The full-handed, 60-degree rotational wave is likely somebody trying to get a fly or mosquito out of the pickup.

—Out-the-window, full-hand wave is important. The driver may be trying to tell you there's a smokey up ahead, but his headlights don't work.

—A Tea-Sip may show his loyalty with a Hook 'em Horns. (1st and 4th fingers vertical, the remainder held to the palm with the thumb.

—An Aggie waves with thumb vertical, fingers in fist. (May say "Gig 'em" or "Howdy.")

—Somebody from Texas Tech puts thumb vertical, first finger at 90 degrees and other fingers in fist for the shape of a pistol.

—A hand "claw," accompanied with a growl is likely from Baylor.

But we noticed friendly folks in the city, too. Those speedy drivers in those little black yuppie cars can always recognize folks from the country.

And they have a special single-finger wave, just for us country folks. Texas is a wonderful place!

Ten Western states are battling numerous fires

RIDGECREST, Calif. (AP) — Firefighters battling stubborn wildfires that have consumed a half-million acres of timber, bush and brush in 10 Western states are getting help from the military this week.

Nearly 50 blazes have blackened more than 538,000 acres in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Washington and Wyoming in the past two weeks.

With at least 10,700 firefighters deployed, resources stretched thin and fatigue setting in, the Pentagon ordered up soldiers from Fort Hood, Texas, and Marines from Camp Pendleton, Calif.

"Hallelujah!" said Michelle Barret, spokeswoman for the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, Idaho. About 500 soldiers were expected to arrive in Idaho on Tuesday for on-the-job training. About 500 Marines are expected to arrive Friday.

This year is shaping up to be the worst fire season since 1988, when 7.4 million acres were consumed nationwide.

"There were 2.2 million acres burned year-to-date in 1988. We're already at 3.5 million and we're just coming into fire season in most of the West," Barret said.

Fire bosses said it would be weeks before some of the blazes are contained. Dry lightning forecast for Montana, Idaho, Nevada and Oregon was expected to ignite even more fires.

"The West is just in a terrible time," Barret said.

The largest wildfire in California, a 63,270-acre inferno in Sequoia National Forest, was burning on the eastern side of the Southern Sierra, 120 miles north of Los Angeles.

Seven homes were destroyed Saturday in the Kennedy Meadows area, a remote hamlet at 6,000 feet, and there were 11 minor firefighter injuries. Most of the hamlet's 43 permanent residents fled over the weekend and were still out of their homes Monday.

"There were 30- to 40-foot high flames. I thought my uniform was going to melt," firefighter Robert Cisneros said.

It was one of six California fires, including a 3,000-acre blaze burning five miles east of Temecula on the Pechanga Indian Reservation.

Basketball and volleyball season tickets on sale

Snyder Tiger volleyball and basketball season tickets are now on sale at the SISD administration building for all home games.

The cost of the season tickets are $30 for each sport, or $50 for a combined volleyball and basketball ticket.

These tickets are good for all home games, from the varsity level through the seventh grade. If purchased individually, adult tickets are $2 each.

Friday morning...

Cogdell board to meet

The Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers will meet Friday morning at 7:30 to continue its search for a new chief executive officer.

The hospital is officially without a permanent CEO since the resignation of Jeff Reecer became official Monday. Reecer and his family are moving to Plano.

Covenant Healthcare employee Steve Holmes is serving as interim administrator.

Two applicants for the CEO position were at the hospital Monday, and both met with hospital department heads and other employees.

The board has not released the names of any applicants, but of the two who were in town Monday, one is currently an employee of Covenant.



BANQUET — From left, Tracie McDowell, Debra Medrano and Sandra Barboza look through decorations for the upcoming chamber of commerce banquet. Tickets are on sale through Aug. 23 for the event, which will be held Aug. 26 in Scurry County Coliseum. The theme this year is Mardi Gras, and Cajun cuisine will be served. (SDN Staff Photo)

Sexual assault case investigated

A 19-year-old woman reported being sexually assaulted by two males early Monday.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital employees who treated the woman in the hospital's emergency room notified Snyder police of the incident.

Sgt. Brian Haggard said the incident reportedly occurred early Monday at a residence in Snyder. He said it was not the woman's residence.

The case remains under investigation.

ASK US

Q—When will renovations be complete on the new building for the Community Supervision and Corrections Department?

A—Sy Tabor, director, said he is projecting renovations to be finished by late August.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Monday, 91 degrees; low, 66; 7 a.m. Tuesday, 67; no precipitation; total for 2000, 15.01 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy, less than 20% chance of storms, low, upper 60s, SE wind, 5-19 mph; Wednesday, partly cloudy, high, mid 90s, SE wind, 5-15 mph.



Brian Muniz
Partly Cloudy

Sunset: 8:39 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:02 a.m.
Of 213 days in 2000, the sun has shone 210 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Find your own "sweet spot." Take your talents and enjoy them, share them, expand them.

El Paso DA wants the Texas Rangers to investigate PD

EL PASO AP) — The district attorney said he wants Texas Rangers' assistance in an investigation of the El Paso Police Department.

Jaime Esparza, who would not disclose details of the probe, said it involves "criminal matters," according to a report for Tuesday's El Paso Times.

Ranger Buster Collins referred questions about the matter back to Esparza.

The DA said independent scrutiny of the Police Department will add public confidence to the criminal justice system.

"Having an outside agency investigate the areas I asked them to look into is appropriate under the circumstances," Esparza said.

Police spokesman Sgt. Al Velarde said "the Police Department welcomes the independent investigation ... (so that) there is no question of bias or partiality in our conclusions."

The investigation is one of several involving the troubled agency.

Recently, city police said they were investigating how reporters obtained a police document containing allegations against Police Chief Carlos Leon's former administrative assistant.

Police also recently began an investigation into the alleged mishandling of rent money from the Texas Commission for the Blind.

Velarde said police have not finished either probe.

The FBI is investigating the allegations contained in the police document, which state that former administrative assistant Luis Cortinas was suspected of assisting drug traffickers. Cortinas denies those allegations.

The rent-money case involves how police handled monthly payments the commission made for a snack bar at police headquarters.



RECEIVE CERTIFICATION — Terri Kincaid (left) and Willard Norman (right) have received certification acknowledging the completion of their juvenile probation basic training. The two are drill instructors for the STAR boot camp program. The training allows them to be assistant juvenile probation officers and handle caseloads under supervision by Larry Thompson (center), juvenile probation officer. (SDN Staff Photo)

Random House forms an electronic imprint

NEW YORK (AP) — Random House, the country's largest trade publisher, has started a new electronic imprint that will exclusively use such digital formats as e-books and print-on-demand.

"We see the business going in this direction and we want to establish a beachhead," said Jonathan Karp, publisher of the new imprint, called AtRandom. "Imagine all these teen-agers literally growing up online. It's highly likely they'll want to read books that way."

AtRandom plans to release about 20 titles beginning next winter, including a biography of the hockey star Mark Messier and a collection of essays by Harper's editor Lewis Lapham.

This fall, another Random House imprint, the Modern Library, will issue 100 classic works electronically, including James Joyce's "Ulysses" and Marcel Proust's "In Search of Lost Time."

Over the past year, the bookselling industry has become increasingly computerized. Publishers have been digitizing their catalogues, stores are establishing Web sites and authors such as Stephen King have sold books exclusively through the Internet.

This spring, Time Warner established a digital imprint, iPublish.com. Random House already owns a percentage of another electronic publisher, Xlibris.

Constance Sayre, director of the industry newsletter Publishing Trends, said the formation of AtRandom was an "inevitable step."

Books are traditionally shipped first to stores and then sold, but electronic titles work in the opposite way. They can either be downloaded as e-books or custom ordered via print-on-demand.

"Print-on-demand is definitely a more efficient way to publish," Karp said. "A lot of the authors we're publishing were swayed by the availability of print-on-demand for their books."

Barbara Streisand plans two shows

NEW YORK (AP) — Barbra Streisand is sticking to her plan to sing only two farewell shows in New York — and those shows sold out in no time.

Tickets to the Sept. 27-28 performances at Madison Square Garden sold out hours after they went on sale Monday. Tickets ranged from $125 to $1,500, with VIP tickets going for $2,500, including dinner.

Streisand has said the shows plus two performances in Los Angeles on Sept. 20-21 will mark the end of her concert career.

Coach accused in murder plot

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A high school soccer coach and social studies teacher is accused of trying to arrange the murder of a state district judge for a friend in prison.

Carroll Parker Jr., described by friends and students at McCollum High School as a devoted teacher and coach, was held Tuesday at the Beeville jail in lieu of a recommended $40,000 bond.

An arrest warrant named Parker in connection with solicitation to commit capital murder, according to Tuesday's editions of the San Antonio Express-News.

Parker, 38, was arrested Monday at a San Antonio restaurant while eating lunch with a fellow coach.

Investigators stated that the plan to kill Judge Mark Luitjen, 45, was hatched inside the prison at Beeville by Parker's childhood friend, Robert E. Lee, who is serving a 25-year sentence for conspiracy to commit murder.

Authorities say Lee, 37, apparently was incensed over Luitjen's recommendation last August that the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals not consider his appeal. Facing another appeal before the same judge, Lee — who has not been charged in the Luitjen case — believed he stood a better chance with the judge out of the way, authorities said.

Parker, authorities told the Express-News, apparently agreed.

"Mr. Parker was to collect the money to have the killing carried out," said Bill Lazenby, chief of internal affairs for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Region IV. "He compiled the money that was going to be paid to our undercover officers."

Lazenby said Parker had collected an undisclosed amount of money that he was about to turn over to two undercover agents from the Department of Public Safety, who had promised to kill the judge.

"We stopped it before money had actually changed hands," Lazenby said. "You can only let these things go so far."

Lee and Parker, who authorities say have been best friends since the sixth grade and played high school football together, began corresponding about the plot by mail, Lazenby said.

Date Book

Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2000

Today is the 214th day of 2000 and the 43rd day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1894, Japan declared war on China.

On this day in 1930, in Crisp County, Ga., the first county-owned hydroelectric power plant began operation.

On this day in 1957, in Albuquerque, N.M., the Solar Building — the first solar-heated commercial building in the United States — was completed

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: William Clark (1770-1838), U.S. explorer; Francis Scott Key (1779-1843), poet; Richard Henry Dana (1815-1882), writer; Herman Melville (1819-1891), writer; Al D'Amato (1937-), U.S. Senator, is 63; Jerry Garcia (1942-1995), musician; Gregg Jefferies (1967-), baseball player, is 33.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1972, San Diego Padre Nate Colbert hit five home runs and batted in 13 in a doubleheader with the Atlanta Braves.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Genius all over the world stands hand in hand, and one shock of recognition runs the whole circle round." — Herman Melville

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (July 30) and first quarter (Aug. 6).

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OUTSTANDING YARDS — Snyder Garden Club and Snyder Beautification Committee has selected three outstanding yards of the month. In the photo above, the Cutting Edge, 2109 College Ave., was chosen as the Most Improved Business. From left are employees Kim Knipe, Xalyn Palacios, Tara Trevey, Esme' Olvera, Rhonda Sutter and Vanessa Williams, and garden club judges Pam Browning and Delores Merritt. Pictured in the top left photo judges are shown with Mary Ann and Wayland Caldwell, 2402 Gilmore, and their grandchildren, Eliot and Sarah Caldwell of Midland. The Caldwells received the small yard of the month honor. Estella and Mario Herrera, 107 Scurry Ave., are shown in the bottom photo with garden club judges. They received the large yard of the month award. (Staff Photos by Jo Ann Nunley)

Don Knotts now on Web site for Virginia town's visitors bureau

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (AP) — Don Knotts, well known for his portrayal of bumbling deputy Barney Fife on "The Andy Griffith Show," is the new voice of the Greater Morgantown Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Audio tapes he recorded will be used on the agency's answering machine and Web site to encourage tourism in his hometown.

"Take it from me, it's a great place to be," Knotts says.

Two years ago, the city renamed a street for the 76-year-old Knotts.

The Web site will be updated in a week or so and will feature a photo of Knotts; clicking on the picture will launch the audio.

Knotts recorded the tapes while in town last weekend for a reunion of Morgantown High School's Class of 1942. Although he now lives in Beverly Hills, Calif., he is in West Virginia almost every summer to visit friends.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: July 31—Mellie McCarty, Robert Sharp, Luther Bedwell and Walter Falls.

DISMISSALS: Armando Martinez, Mellie McCarty and Merle Riggs.

CENSUS: 36 (Med./Surg.-10, Long-term Care-10, OB-1 and Nursery-1)

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North			08-01-00
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	♥ J 10 7 5		
	♦ K 10 4		
	♣ Q J 9 4		
West		**East**	
♠ A Q 7 6 3		♠ J 10 8	
♥ 8 3 2		♥ A 6 4	
♦ 9 7 6		♦ 8 5 3 2	
♣ 7 2		♣ 8 6 5	
	South		
	♠ K 4 2		
	♥ K Q 9		
	♦ A Q J		
	♣ A K 10 3		

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2 NT	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 6

Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2000

Do not let declarer sneak home

By Phillip Alder

We are looking at times when it is right for a defender to play Second Hand High. One of the most obvious is when you have the setting trick or you know, by winning a trick, that you can defeat the contract. Then, usually you should grab that trick and take the set. Still, how will you know that you can defeat the contract? Occasionally it won't be clear, but in other deals everything should be obvious — as here.

West, on lead against three notrump, selects the spade six: five, eight, king.

Declarer has only eight top tricks: one spade, three diamonds and four clubs. So, he needs one heart trick. Yet the opponents' spade suit is established. South's best line is to lead a club to the dummy and call for the heart jack. If a sleepy East ducks, thinking declarer is about to take a losing finesse to West's queen, South has snuck his ninth trick and can claim.

However, East shouldn't duck. Given South's denial of a four-card major to the Stayman inquiry, West is known to have five or six spades. Even more important, from the Rule of Eleven, West's suit is known to be ready to run. Deducting six — the value of the card West led — from 11 tells East that there are five spades higher than the six in the dummy, his hand and declarer's hand combined. And East has seen all five: dummy's nine, his jack-10-eight, and South's king. So, East should rush in with the heart ace and return the spade jack, defeating the contract in the process.

When your partner has led fourth-highest, apply the Rule of Eleven.

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Community Calendar

TUESDAY

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

AA Beginner's Meeting-Open; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 7 p.m.

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5 to 6 p.m.; 2501 35th. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

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

Spiritual Solutions for Living Problems Book Study; Snyder Park Club; 6 p.m.

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 574-1292 or 573-8018 p.m.

THURSDAY

Al-Anon brown bag; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 574-1292, 573-2101 or 573-0695; noon to 1 p.m.

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

Rock and Roll Quilting Club evening meeting; Hermleigh Community Center; for more information call 863-2426; 6:30 p.m.

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

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

Scurry County AA closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

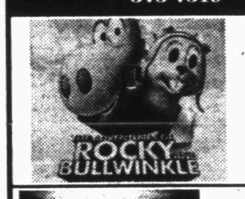
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SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 10 a.m.

The federal government levied an income tax for the first time in 1861.

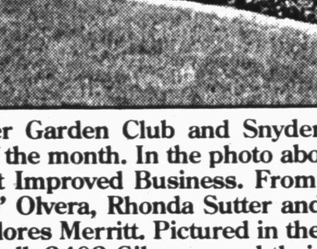
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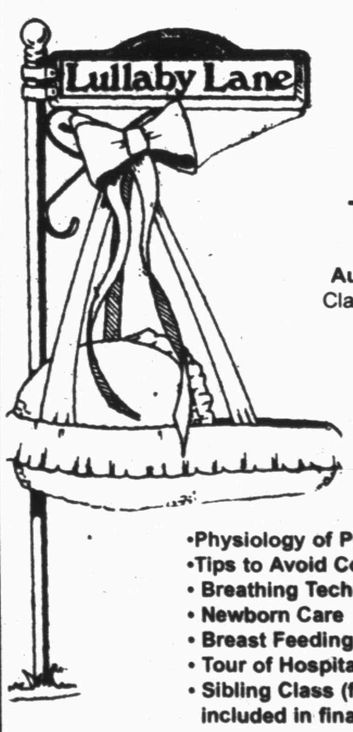
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Bonnie Carroll, RN
Linda Briseno, RN

- Physiology of Pregnancy and Delivery
- Tips to Avoid Complications
- Breathing Techniques
- Newborn Care
- Breast Feeding Techniques
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- Sibling Class (for future big brothers and sisters included in final class)

Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a coach.

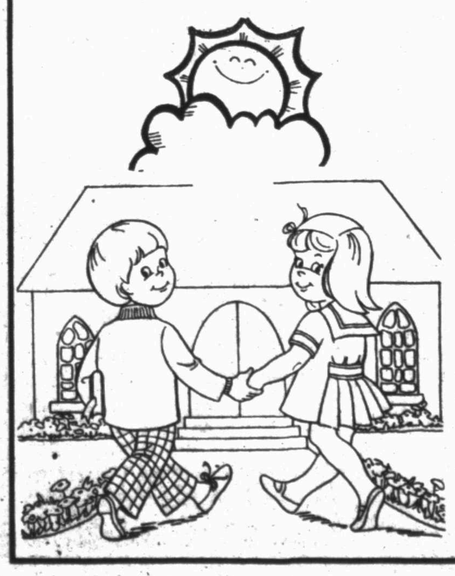
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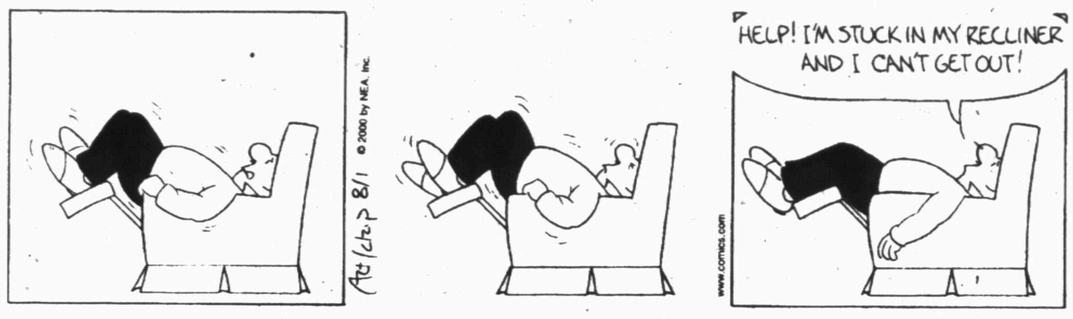


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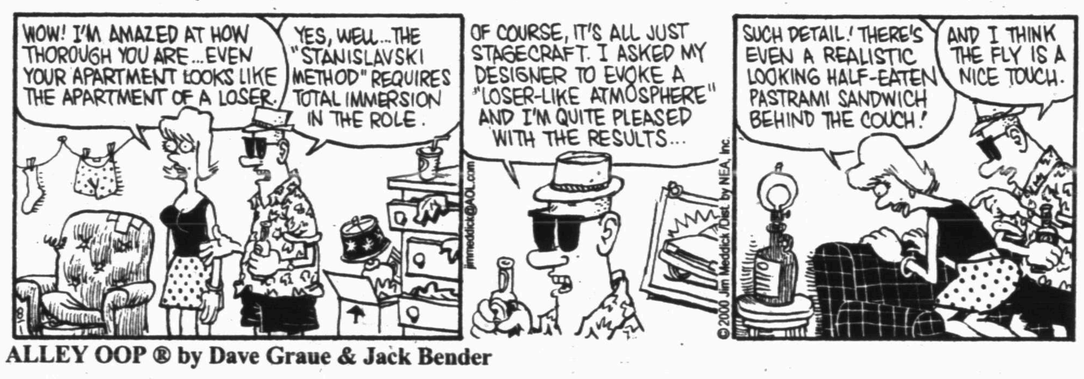
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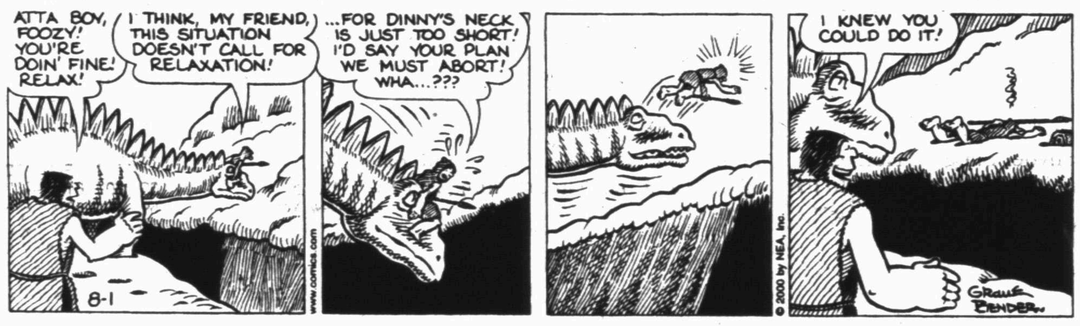
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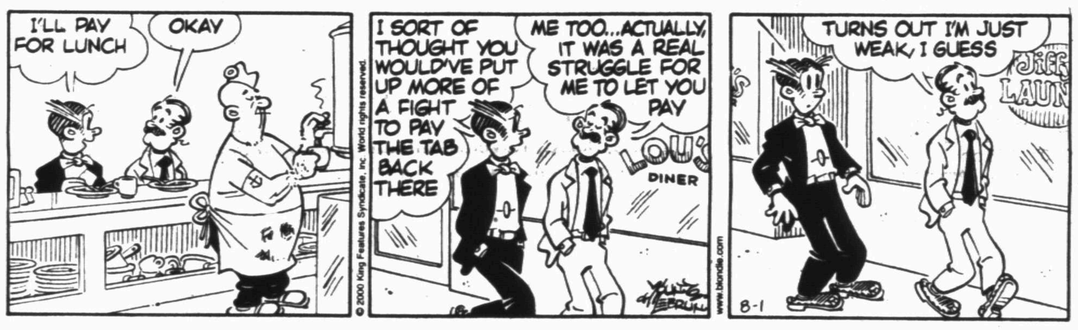
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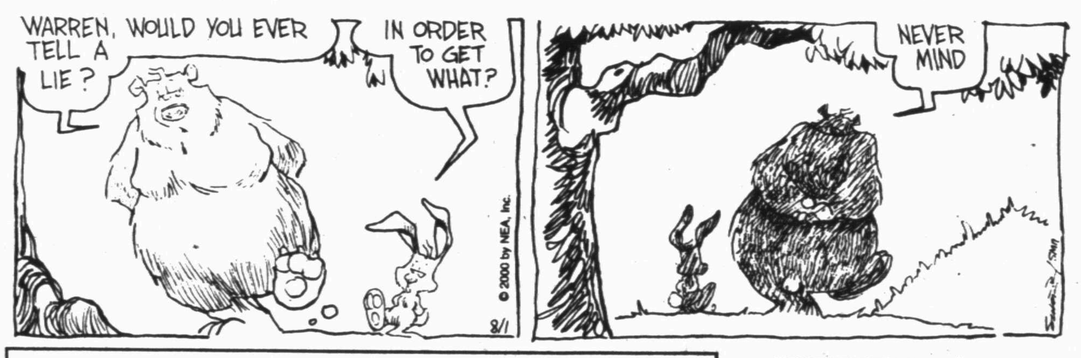
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13 Singer Lee
14 Army command (2 wds.)
15 Resentful
16 Wickerwork material
17 Soul (Fr.)
18 Trim (branches)
20 Wool-washing residue
21 Perennial candidate Harold —
25 Fuel-conveying tube (2 wds.)
28 Lavish entertainments
32 E.T., for example
33 It's not real!
34 Baseball teams
35 Wipe out
36 Crystal-containing stone
37 Sprinkled
39 Had a speech problem
41 UK broadcasters
44 Bill —, the "Science Guy"
45 Buzzing insect
48 Wild sheep
51 Prevent the attainment of
54 French region
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56 Actress Louise —
57 Film director Robert —

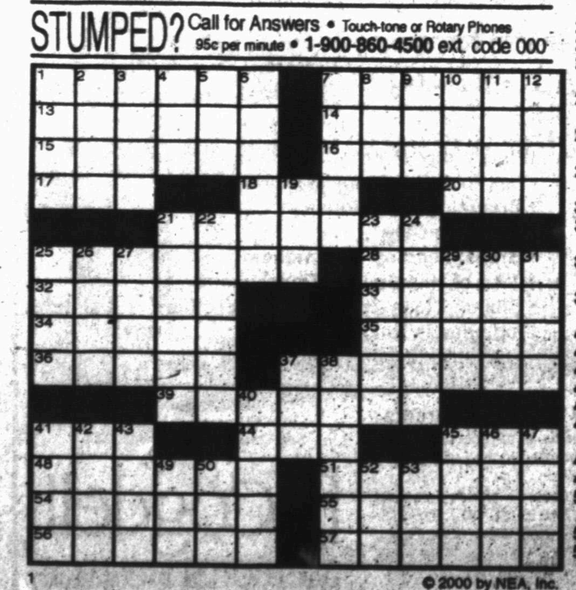
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2 Edge
3 Nerve network
4 Picnic pest
5 Pres. inits.
6 Covering for a hearing organ
7 Stringed instruments
8 Type of lizard
9 Obtain
10 Fedoras, e.g.
11 Jacob's twin
12 Mail
19 "Verb" end
21 Goes 95 mph
22 Christmas decoration
23 Overrefined
24 Approached
25 Group of delinquents
26 "I cannot tell — —"
27 Chinese (comb. form)
29 Construction beam
30 If not
31 Burpee product
37 Dryly humorous
38 Singer Franklin
40 Beneath
41 Idol
42 Type of tie
43 Swear
45 Beer foam
46 Goddess of the earth
47 Type of jacket
49 "— Boot"
50 Perfect tennis serve
52 Actor Linden
53 Jokester

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SPORTS

Biggio keys Astros' 4-2 victory

MIAMI (AP) — Craig Biggio had a simple explanation for consistently hitting the ball hard.

"It's all confidence," Biggio said after he had two hits, including a homer, and three RBIs in the Houston Astros' 4-2 victory over the Florida Marlins on Monday night.

"When you feel comfortable, that builds confidence, and you go from there."

Biggio's two hits raised the second baseman's average to .270 and gave him 35 RBIs.



Biggio

"I look up at the scoreboard and see Biggio hitting .266, and I think there's something wrong with the board," Marlins manager John Boles said.

According to Biggio, the truth isn't always in the numbers.

"I hit the ball pretty well in Atlanta, but had nothing to show for it," said Biggio, whose team was swept by the Braves last weekend. "Some days, what you did just doesn't show up in the boxscore."

Houston manager Larry Dierker offered a more detailed explanation when asked about Biggio's recent success.

"I think he has relaxed his hands," Dierker said. "Before, he was out in front of off-speed stuff and had a tough time catching up to the fastball. He seems to have fixed that."

Nobody has to tell Dierker what it means to have a guy who can get on base regularly at the top of the lineup. After several years hitting first in the Astros lineup, Biggio has been batting second this season.

"Look at Florida with Luis Castillo," Dierker said of the Marlins' leadoff hitter. "A guy like at the top of the lineup makes a bit of a difference. And Biggio also is a guy who can knock in 60 or 70 runs."

Biggio's output Monday night supported right-hander Jose Lima (4-13), who won his third straight start.

"I made a promise to myself — I'm not going to lose another ballgame this year," Lima said. "In 1998, I promised I'd win 15 games, and I won 13. In '99, I promised I'd win 20 and I won 21. With 12 or 13 more starts, and with the help of the Lord, I'll win 10 or 11 games."

11 deals made before deadline

By BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer

B.J. Surhoff, Will Clark and Al Martin, welcome to the pennant race.

All three joined first-place teams Monday, part of 11 deals that came before the afternoon trading deadline.

Rondell White, Tom Goodwin, Steve Trachsel, Todd Hollandsworth and Henry Rodriguez also moved. In all, more than 100 players changed places in the last month — Detroit was the only club that did not make a trade.

"It was a very volatile market," New York Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said.

From now on, all trades require putting players through waivers, often a tricky proposition.

Atlanta boosted its outfield by getting Surhoff from Baltimore and St. Louis got Will Clark from the Orioles to fill in for injured Mark McGwire.

The Mariners acquired another outfielder, getting Martin from San Diego for first baseman-outfielder John Mabry and a minor league pitcher.

The Orioles were in the middle of two big trades, sending Clark and cash to St. Louis for third base prospect Jose Leon and moving Surhoff to Atlanta in a five-player deal.

Minus McGwire, the NL Central-leading Cardinals felt compelled to add a bat at first base.

McGwire went on the disabled list July 6 with pain in his right knee, and there's no telling when he'll return. In his absence, St. Louis is 8-13.

"There's some uncertainty about Mark," Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said. "We think he's got a chance to come back, but in the meantime Will Clark's a winning-type of veteran. He should help us."

In other trades:

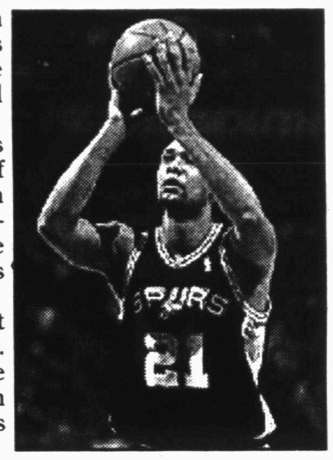
— the Chicago Cubs made two deals involving outfielders. They got White from Montreal for pitcher Scott Downs, then traded Rodriguez to Florida for two prospects.

— Los Angeles sent Hollandsworth to Colorado for Goodwin, who has 39 stolen bases, in an exchange of outfielders.

— Toronto tried to bolster their staff by getting Trachsel and Mark Guthrie from Tampa Bay for a prospect and a player to be named.

Duncan to skip Olympic Games

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Tim Duncan has notified NBA officials that he probably won't play in the Olympics, according to a published report.



Tim Duncan

The San Antonio Express-News reported Tuesday that members of the U.S. national team selection committee are still trying to persuade Duncan to participate in the Sydney Games, but that it appears unlikely he will change his mind.

Duncan was one of the biggest prizes in this year's free-agent pool. The 24-year-old forward led the Spurs to their only NBA title in 1998-99, but missed last season's playoffs with an injured left knee.

Duncan underwent surgery to repair torn cartilage in the knee May 24, but did not begin a full rehabilitation regimen until two weeks ago.

Although Duncan has not had any significant setbacks, he would have little time to rest before next season if he played in Sydney.

The Olympic team begins practice Aug. 25 in Hawaii, and the gold-medal game is scheduled for Oct. 1, just days before most NBA teams open training camp.

Ravens' RB welcomes challenge

By The Associated Press

Priest Holmes had every reason to be wary of Jamal Lewis, the Baltimore Ravens' top pick in the 2000 draft.

Instead, Holmes welcomed the rookie running back to training camp and went out of his way to prepare him for the NFL.

"It would be hard to be threatened because I've been playing so long," Holmes said Monday. "I have a very good work ethic and I believe in Christ, and those two things are hard to beat."

Now in his fourth season, Holmes ran for 1,008 yards in 1998 and averaged 5.7 yards last year as the backup to Errict Rhett, who left for Cleveland during the offseason.

"First of all, Priest is a heck of a running back," Ravens fullback Chuck Evans said. "It takes a lot to get 1,000 yards in the NFL. He's a good guy, a perfect human being. The guy just works hard."

Holmes remains the No. 1 running back, but there's no telling how the depth chart will look after Lewis returns from the dislocated elbow he received in Friday's scrimmage against the Washington Redskins.

Holmes couldn't care less. He figures he'll get his carries, and he looks forward to the time when Lewis returns.

"It's going to save the hits off me," Holmes said. "I know Jamal is going to be in there on third-and-1, and that's one less hit I'll have to take. It should help me in terms of speed and endurance."

Holmes just isn't saying that. He has proved he's unselfish, as exhibited by his rapport with fans who attend Ravens training camp.

There isn't a hat, or a piece of paper or a football that he won't sign. He doesn't put his name down, either. He talks with each fan as if he's a friend.

"I was out there for an hour Saturday, and when I got done he was still out there," coach Brian Billick said.

Sports Briefs

SHS football workouts

All Snyder High School football players must report to the field house at 6:30 a.m. Monday to receive equipment. The first workout will begin at 4 p.m.

Horseshoe pitching

Snyder Slingers Horseshoe Club has league play at 7 p.m. Thursdays at the courts adjacent to the coliseum. For more information, call T.C. Nunn at 573-6710 or Terry Duncan at 573-5589.

WGA playday

Snyder County Club Women's Golf Association will hold its weekly play day at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Format will be Most Pars, Net Pars on Front 9. A luncheon and business meeting will follow play. Also, the Friday mixed-foursomes event will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Athletic physicals

All athletes needing physical exam must do so by Friday. An appointment must be made with one of the following doctors: Burleson, Cooper, Thompson, Nussey or Rakov. Athletes requiring physicals include all incoming 7th and 9th graders, students new to SISD, students participating in athletics for the first time, and any student whose medical history form requires them to do so. All athletes not needing a physical must return all completed forms to their coach, the athletic director's office, or trainer Steve Krueger. Incoming 7th and 9th graders can pick up physical forms in the doctors' offices.

Kiwanis Club tournament

Snyder Kiwanis Club will host the Cargile Scholarship Foundation Benefit Golf Tournament Saturday at WTC. Entry fee for the four-person scramble is $30 per person. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top four teams, along with prizes for closest-to-the-hole and longest drive. $10,000 will be awarded for a hole-in-one. To register, call the WTC pro shop at 573-9291 or Russell Fisk at 573-3438 or 573-3267.

Golf team qualifying

Qualifying for the SHS boys and girls golf team will be held at 9 a.m. Aug. 10-11 at the WTC course, according to Coach Matt Glenn. The tryout is open to all SHS students.

Junior golf classic

Western Texas College will host the Junior Classic starting at 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 11, at the WTC golf course. Entry fee for the 10 and under age division is $10. Entry fee for the 11-14 and the 15 and older division is $15. To sign up call 573-9291.

Men's blowout partnership

The 12th annual Blowout Partnership will be held Aug. 25-27 at Snyder Country Club. The field will be limited to 60 teams, pre-flighted by combined handicap. A practice round will be held Aug. 25. Saturday's format will be scramble, and Sunday's will be lowball. Entry fee is $310 per team. Deadline to register is Aug. 18. For more information, call the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

Clark wins in sudden death

SILVIS, Ill. (AP) — Michael Clark became the sixth first-time winner on the PGA Tour this season when he rolled in a 12-foot birdie putt on the fourth playoff hole to defeat Kirk Triplett in the rain-delayed John Deere Classic.

In a final round suspended Sunday because of heavy rain, Clark shot a 4-under-par 67, but Triplett birdied the final hole of regulation to tie in a tournament-record 19-under 265. Triplett, who had a final-round 70, twice made birdies to keep the playoff going. Charles Howell (66) finished one stroke out of the playoff.

Huggins stays put

CINCINNATI (AP) — Bob Huggins turned down an offer to coach the Los Angeles Clippers, preferring to stay at the University of Cincinnati. Huggins turned down a four-year contract believed to be worth a total of $8 million.

During his 11 seasons at Cincinnati, Huggins has taken the Bearcats to one Final Four and made them a consistent Top 25 team.

Major League Baseball

National League
All Times EDT
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	65	40	.619	—
New York	59	45	.567	5½
Florida	51	54	.486	14
Montreal	47	55	.461	16½
Philadelphia	46	58	.442	18½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	58	47	.552	—
Cincinnati	54	51	.514	4
Chicago	49	55	.471	8½
Pittsburgh	45	58	.437	12
Milwaukee	44	62	.415	14½
Houston	39	66	.371	19

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	57	46	.553	—
Arizona	58	47	.552	—
Los Angeles	55	49	.529	2½
Colorado	50	54	.481	7½
San Diego	47	58	.448	11

Monday's Games
Los Angeles at Pittsburgh, ppd., rain
St. Louis 4, Montreal 0
Houston 4, Florida 2
Cincinnati 6, N.Y. Mets 0
Chicago Cubs 2, Colorado 0
San Francisco 4, Milwaukee 3, 11 innings
San Diego 4, Philadelphia 1
Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games
Colorado (Astacio 8-7 or Rose 0-0) at Chicago Cubs (Garibay 2-3), 2:20 p.m.
St. Louis (Ankiel 7-6) at Montreal (Downs 4-3 or Moore 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Houston (Erickson 10-4) at Florida (Smith 1-3), 7:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Perez 4-5 and Valdes 2-4) at Pittsburgh (Anderson 3-5 and Arroyo 2-3), 2, 5:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Parris 5-13) at N.Y. Mets (Hampton 10-7), 7:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Estes 10-3) at Milwaukee (Snyder 3-5), 8:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Millwood 6-8) at Arizona (Reynoso 7-7), 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Person 5-3) at San Diego (Eaton 2-2), 10:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Cincinnati (Dessens 5-0) vs. N.Y. Mets (Leiter 11-4), 12:10 p.m.
Los Angeles (Dreifort 7-7) at Pittsburgh (Silva 7-4), 1:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Hernandez 10-7) at Milwaukee (Wright 6-4), 2:05 p.m.
Colorado (Rose 0-0) at Chicago Cubs (Quevedo 0-3), 2:20 p.m.
St. Louis (Hentgen 9-8) at Montreal (Johnson 5-5), 7:05 p.m.
Houston (Miller 1-3) at Florida (Cornelius 3-5), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Maddux 12-5) at Arizona (Schilling 7-6), 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Daal 2-11) at San Diego (Clement 9-10), 10:05 p.m.

American League
All Times EDT
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	56	44	.560	—
Boston	54	48	.529	3
Toronto	55	52	.514	4½
Baltimore	46	58	.442	12
Tampa Bay	44	59	.427	13½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	64	41	.610	—
Cleveland	52	50	.510	10½
Detroit	48	56	.462	15½
Kansas City	47	57	.452	16½
Minnesota	48	60	.444	17½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	61	44	.581	—
Oakland	58	47	.552	3
Anaheim	57	50	.533	5
Texas	50	53	.485	10

Monday's Games
Baltimore 6, Minnesota 5
Oakland 6, Toronto 1
Anaheim 5, Detroit 4
Boston 8, Seattle 5
Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games
Toronto (Loaiza 6-7) at Oakland (Zito 1-0), 3:35 p.m.
Kansas City (Reichert 4-6) at N.Y. Yankees (Gooden 5-3), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Colon 9-8) at Tampa Bay (Rupe 3-4), 7:15 p.m.
Minnesota (Redman 9-4) at Baltimore (Mussina 6-10), 7:35 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 12-4) at Texas (Glynn 2-1), 8:35 p.m.
Boston (Wakefield 6-5) at Seattle (Halama 9-5), 10:05 p.m.
Detroit (Sparks 0-2) at Anaheim (Cooper 4-5), 10:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Kansas City (Stein 1-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Neagle 2-0), 12:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 7-11) at Baltimore (Rapp 6-7), 3:05 p.m.
Toronto (Carpenter 7-10) at Oakland (Mulder 6-7), 3:35 p.m.
Detroit (Moehler 6-7) at Anaheim (Hill 5-6), 4:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Burba 10-4) at Tampa Bay (Rekar 4-6), 7:15 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Garland 2-2) at Texas (Helling 12-7), 8:35 p.m.
Boston (P.Martinez 12-3) at Seattle (Garcia 3-1), 10:05 p.m.

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	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	18	10	.643	—
Cleveland	15	12	.556	2½
Orlando	14	13	.519	3½
Detroit	12	15	.444	5½
Washington	11	15	.423	6
Miami	10	17	.370	7½
Indiana	7	19	.269	10
Charlotte	7	21	.250	11

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Los Angeles	25	3	.893	—
x-Houston	22	5	.814	2½
Sacramento	18	10	.643	7
Phoenix	17	10	.630	7½
Utah	15	12	.555	9½
Minnesota	13	14	.481	11½
Portland	9	18	.333	15½
Seattle	4	23	.148	20½

x-clinched playoff spot

Monday's Games
New York 81, Charlotte 56
Cleveland 76, Detroit 65
Los Angeles 73, Minnesota 66

Tuesday's Games
Washington at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Orlando at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Miami at Portland, 10 p.m.
Indiana at Seattle, 10 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Los Angeles at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Miami at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

NFL Preseason

Saturday's Games
Atlanta 20, Indianapolis 13
New York Jets 24, New Orleans 20

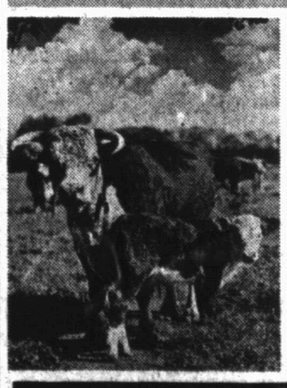
Sunday's Games
Cleveland 33, Philadelphia 22
Pittsburgh 38, Dallas 10

Monday's Game
New England 20, San Francisco 0

Friday, Aug. 4
New England at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Cincinnati at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Jacksonville at Carolina, 8 p.m.
New York Jets at Green Bay, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 5
Miami at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at New York Giants, 8 p.m.
Indianapolis at Seattle, 8 p.m.
Kansas City at Tennessee, 8 p.m.
New Orleans at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Oakland at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Baltimore, 8 p.m.
San Diego at San Francisco, 9 p.m.
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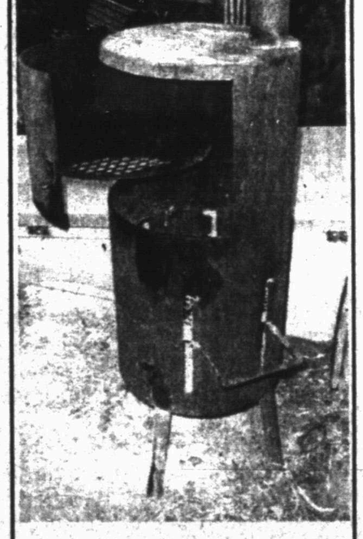
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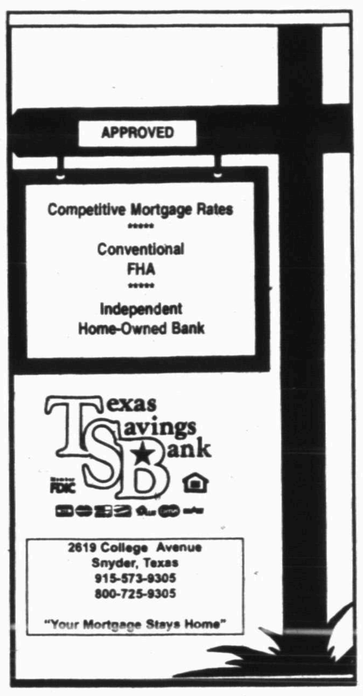
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Movie producer is hospitalized

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jerry Weintraub is spending this week in the hospital instead of at the Republican National Convention.

The movie producer best known for "Diner," "Oh, God!" and "The Karate Kid" films broke his shoulder and knee when he was launched over the handlebars of his bicycle.

Weintraub, 62, was riding Sunday near his Kennebunkport, Maine, home when he struck something on the highway and was hurled to the ground, said his Los Angeles publicist, Paul Bloch.

His left shoulder was broken in two places and his right knee was broken.

"He's in a tremendous amount of pain," Bloch said.

Ted Nugent, protestors argue at Neiman Marcus

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The fur flew when Ted Nugent ran into a group of animal rights protesters.

Nugent, in town for two concerts, was shopping Sunday in Neiman Marcus while activists gathered to protest the chain's sale of furs. Nugent got into an argument with a protester as he left.

"The guy made threats to Ted Nugent. That's why he was arrested," said police Officer Terrye Ivy.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP) -

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp s	33½	32⅞	32 15-16	— ⅛
AT&T Corp	31 13-16	31 1-16	31¾	+ 13-16
Albertsons	30 7-16	30	30 3-16	
Alltel	62 13-16	61⅝	61 15-16	+ 5-16
AmerOnline s	56 11-16	52 5-16	52⅝	—11-16
AndarkPtr	49½	47⅞	49 5-16	+ 1 7-16
ATMOS Egy	20½	20 3-16	20 7-16	— 3-16
Aviall	5 3-16	5 1-16	5 1-16	+ ⅛
BP Amoco s	52 9-16	52¼	52 5-16	
BakerHughes	35⅝	34⅝	35 1-16	+ 29-64
Bank of Amer	47 11-16	47 3-16	47¼	— ⅛
BellSouth	40 3-16	39⅝	39 15-16	+ ⅛
Beth Steel	4 11-16	4⅝	4 11 16	+ 1-16
BurlNoSFe	24¾	24⅜	24⅜	— 1-16
Caterpillar	34 7-16	34⅛	34⅜	+ 5-16
Chevron	80 3-16	78½	79 3-16	+ 13-64
Citigroup	71	70 1-16	70¼	— ¼
Coastal	59¼	57¾	59 3-16	+ 1 29-64
CocaCola	62 7-16	61 5-16	62⅜	+ 1 1-16
ColgatePal	56 13-16	55 5-16	56¾	+ 1 1-16
ComclMetals	29⅛	28 15-16	28 15-16	— 7-16
Cooperln	32⅜	32 3-16	32⅜	+ 13-16
DaimlrChry	52¾	52 1-16	52 1-16	— ⅝
DallSemicn s	41 11-16	39 11-16	39¾	— 2⅛
DeltaAirl	54	53⅝	53 13-16	+ ⅛
Dillards Inc	14¼	13¾	13 13-16	+ ⅛
DowChem s	29	28 5-16	28⅜	— ⅜
DuPont	46 1-16	45¼	46	+ 11-16
EastmanChem	47	46½	46 11-16	— 3-16
EstKodak	55⅝	54⅞	55 9-16	+ 11-16
EDS Corp	43 13-16	43 1-16	43¾	+ ¾
Entergy	28¼	27¼	28¼	+ 1⅛
ExxonMobil	81 9-16	80½	80 13-16	+ 53-64
Flowers	21 7-16	20 15-16	21 7-16	+ ⅛
FordMotor	46 11-16	46 9-16	46⅝	+ 1-16
GenDynam	58 13-16	56 9-16	58 9-16	+ 2⅛
GenIElec s	52 3-16	51 13-16	52⅛	+ 7-16
GenMills s	34⅞	34½	34½	+ ⅛
GenMotors	57 11-16	57¼	57 9-16	+ ⅝
GaPacGP	25 5-16	24⅞	25¼	+ ¼
GlobalMar	28 15-16	28⅛	28 15-16	+ ⅝
Goodrich	36 7-16	35 11-16	36¼	+ 9-16
Goodyear s	19 15-16	19 9-16	19⅜	— 1-16
GtAtlPac	14⅜	14 5-16	14 5-16	— 1-16
Halliburtn	47¾	45 15-16	47 1-16	+ 61-64
Hanson ADS	28 15-16	28¾	28⅜	— 5-16
HarteHanks	25 7-16	25⅛	25¼	— 1-16
HomeDepot s	51 15-16	51	51 3-16	— 9-16
Honeywellintl	34 1-16	33½	33 15-16	— 1-16
IBM	112 7-16	111 1-16	111 9-16	—11-16
IntlPaper	34⅜	33⅞	34⅛	+ 7-16
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Kroger Co	21 3-16	20 11-16	21 3-16	+ ½
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LockheedM	29	28 5-16	29	+ ⅞
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MayDeptStr	23 11-16	23⅛	23 9-16	— 3-16
Medtronic s	53 15-16	52⅛	53⅜	+ 2 13-16
MorganJP	133¾	132	132½	— 1
Motorola s	35,3-16	34 3-16	34 15-16	+ 1⅞
NCR Corp	36¼	35 7-16	35½	+ 1-16
Navistar	36⅜	35 11-16	36⅜	+ 11-16
Penney JC	16½	16⅛	16 7-16	+ 5-16
PepBoys	5⅜	5 11-16	5 13-16	
PepsiCo	45⅝	45	45⅜	— 716
Pharmacia	55 7-16	55	55 1-16	+ 5-16
PhelpDodge	42¼	40 11-16	41 15-16	+ 1¼
PhilipPet	51 3-16	50 1-16	50 5-16	—31-64
PilgrmPrd B	7 5-16	7¼	7¼	
Polaroid	18⅛	17⅝	17 15-16	— 1-16
Praxair	39¾	38⅞	39¼	— 5-16
ProctGamb	57⅝	55⅝	57 9-16	+ 11-16
PubS NwMx	18⅜	18⅛	18 3-16	+ 1-16
RadioShack	58⅜	57 1-16	58⅜	+ 2
ReliantEngy	33⅞	33¼	33 9-16	+ 1-16
RoyalDut	58 13-16	58 7-16	58⅜	+ ⅜
SBC Comm	43 3-16	42 9-16	42 15-16	+ ⅜
SaraLee	18¾	18 9-16	18 11-16	+ ¼
Scripps EW	50	49 9-16	49 15-16	+ 9-16
SearsRoeb	30⅛	29 7-16	29 13-16	— 1-16
SherwinW	21⅛	20⅞	21 1-16	+ ¼
SmithkiBchm	65⅞	65	65 13-16	+ 1 13-16
SouthernCo	25	24 7-16	24 13-16	+ ⅜
SwstAirl	23½	23 3-16	23 7-16	— 3-16
SprintFON	36⅛	35 3-16	35⅝	
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TXU Corp	31 13-16	31 5-16	31¾	+ ½
TempleInland	44⅜	43½	44⅜	+ 15-16
Texaco	50	48 15-16	49⅛	+ 13-64
TexInd	32⅜	32	32 3-16	— ¼
TexasInst s	59 13-16	58⅜	58¾	— 7-16
Textron	57 11-16	56⅞	57 11-16	+ ⅝
TriconGlbR	25⅜	24¼	25 3-16	+ 15-16
TrinityInds	19 9-16	19⅛	19⅛	— ⅛
TritonEngy	46 3-16	44⅛	46	+ 1⅞
TylerTech	2½	2¼	2 7-16	— ⅛
USX-Marathn	24 11-16	24 3-16	24⅛	+ 1-16
USX-USS	18⅝	18	18⅛	+ 3-16
UnCarbde	45¼	44⅛	44 5-16	— ½
UnionPacif	43 7-16	43⅛	43 7-16	+ ¼
UnitedTech	59½	58⅞	59⅜	+ 1
Unocal	30 7-16	30	30 7-16	+ 13-64
Venator Grp	14¾	14⅛	14⅜	+ ½
VerizonComm	47 13-16	47⅛	47⅜	+ ⅜
WalMart	54⅛	53 7-16	53 9-16	—1 9-16
WellsFargo	41 13-16	41 5-16	41 11-16	+ 3-16
WstnGasRs	18 5-16	18⅛	18¼	
WinnDixie	14⅝	14 5-16	14 9-16	+ ⅛
Xerox Cp	15⅜	14 15-16	15 5-16	+ ⅛

Mrs. Bush launches convention, returns to campaign trail

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Out from behind her husband's shadow, Laura Bush is carving her own path in the campaign that could lead her to the East Wing of the White House.

She charmed delegates Monday night with her rousing kickoff speech at the GOP convention. An increasingly valuable asset in Gov. George W. Bush's presidential bid, she planned to return to his side on the campaign trail Tuesday.

She comes back here later this week to show off yet another facet of her campaign role at a major fund-raiser.

At the convention, the delegates greeted the Texas first lady exuberantly, amid a shower of metallic streamers and red, white and blue confetti. She drew a standing ovation when she suggested that voters want to return respect to the presidency.

America wants a leader who reflects "its heart and its values and its leadership in the world," Mrs. Bush said. "They will be looking for someone to uphold that honor and that trust."

She said the Texas governor would fulfill those dreams.

"He shares credit and doesn't cast blame," she said. "He sets a tone that's positive and constructive, a tone that's very different from the bitterness and division that too often characterize Washington, D.C."

The former librarian and schoolteacher walked on stage to the Jackson Five classic "ABC," setting the tone for a speech framed around her experience and interest in education.

She pledged that if her husband is elected, she will focus her attention on the issues she has championed in Texas, such as early childhood development and reading and learning.

Twenty students from a Houston charter school sat in desks behind her. They recited multiplication charts and chanted, "There are no shortcuts" before Mrs. Bush took center stage.

Referring not-so-indirectly to Vice President Al Gore, Mrs. Bush noted that her husband's opponent sometimes spends a night at a teacher's home before visiting a school.

"George spends every night with a teacher," said Mrs. Bush, 53, to a round of cheers. The pair wed in 1977 in Midland, Tex., where they both grew up.

Standing next to her state's delegation in the center of the convention hall, Minnesota Secretary of State Mary Kiffmeyer said she "loved that line ... There's a quality about Laura Bush, a genuineness, a sensitivity, and I think the American people are looking for that kind of First lady," she said.

Mrs. Bush credited her husband for working to make education more accessible to young adults.

Diabetes needs aggressive treatment

WASHINGTON (AP) — The statistic is dismal: Americans too often have the most common form of diabetes silently festering for up to 12 years before they're diagnosed.

That's 12 years that diabetes quietly eats away your vision, injures your kidneys and nerves and sets you up for heart disease — damage that's preventable if only people learned sooner that they have Type 2 diabetes.

Worse, half of diagnosed patients don't have their diabetes controlled well enough to stop that early damage from worsening. And experts estimate hundreds of thousands skip a test they're supposed to take every few months that's crucial for improving therapy.

Shouldn't your doctor know if you're at risk for diabetes and test you? If you've got it, shouldn't the doctor automatically provide the proper exams, including that often-skipped "A1C" test, to adjust your therapy? Ideally, yes.

But doctors aren't doing a good enough job, says a new government call for more aggressive diabetes screening and care — a call that urges at-risk Americans to demand their physicians check them.

"We're trying to get the word out so people who are at risk will ask their doctors," says Dr. Judith Fradkin of the National Diabetes Education Program, a federal initiative to improve the alarming state of diabetes care and diagnosis. "There's so much we can do for you" if the illness is discovered early.

The NDEP's new call to action, published recently in the Journal of the American Medical Association, is important because too many people don't realize how serious diabetes is, says Dr. Robert Sherwin, president of the American Diabetes Association.

"A 'touch of diabetes' is what you constantly hear, the implication being that's not a serious problem," when in fact even borderline diabetes is dangerous, Sherwin says.

Diabetics' bodies cannot regulate blood sugar, or glucose.

Some 16 million Americans have the disease, and experts say at least a third don't know it. It's a leading cause of blindness, kidney failure, limb amputations. It dramatically increases the risk of heart attacks, and kills 180,000 Americans each year.

Type 1 diabetes, also called "juvenile" diabetes, typically strikes in childhood. Patients' bodies cannot make insulin, a hormone crucial to converting glucose into energy. Regular insulin injections keep them alive.

But the vast majority of diabetics have the Type 2 form — the diabetes that sneaks up on you.

These patients' bodies gradually lose the ability to use insulin properly. Over time, high glucose levels damage their blood vessels, leading to heart, eye, kidney and nerve injury. Indeed, at diagnosis some 20 percent of patients have enough eye damage to calculate they've actually had diabetes for up to 12 years, Fradkin said.

Type 2 diabetes is most common after age 40; risk rises with increasing age. Unfortunately, however, overweight children increasingly are getting Type 2 diabetes, too. Some patients require insulin injections, but most are prescribed other medications, diet and exercise.

So who should seek a diabetes test?

Sherwin recommends routine screening at age 45, but says people with more than one risk factor need testing earlier. Risks include:

-Being overweight.

-Having a close relative who had diabetes.

-For women, having a baby who weighed more than 9 pounds at birth.

—Being black, Hispanic, American Indian or Asian.

In addition, Sherwin urges anyone with high cholesterol or high blood pressure to seek a diabetes test — saying even borderline-high blood sugar can make your cholesterol problem twice as bad.

Tightly controlling fluctuating blood sugar protects diabetics from the disease's deadly complications. Patients check daily glucose levels with finger-prick blood tests. But about every three months, they also need an "A1C" or "hemoglobin A1C" test. This more intricate blood test measures how well you're doing over time, so doctors know if you need a medication change.

It's a cheap test, usually $15 to $30. Yet "people aren't getting it," Fradkin laments. No one knows why; maybe because so many diabetics get care from doctors who aren't diabetes specialists.

Among those who do get A1C testing, half discover they're not adequately treated, prompting the federal diabetes program to urge more aggressive therapy.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



An unorthodox approach to MS

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've suffered the symptoms of multiple sclerosis for more than two decades, and I am thoroughly convinced that amphetamine drugs have stimulated my nervous system to keep me going. My doctor reluctantly authorizes refills of amphetamines. Am I risking harm?

DEAR READER: Multiple sclerosis is a slowly progressing neurological disease of unknown cause, marked by numbness and weakness of the extremities, clumsiness, double vision, dizziness, depression, apathy, poor judgment, and difficulty concentrating. These symptoms often wax and wane, leading to prolonged periods during which MS patients may be relatively normal. The disease is incurable; symptoms are treated as they arise.

The diagnosis is usually confirmed by MRI scanning, which demonstrates the spotty areas of demyelinization (loss of the brain's insulating substance) that are characteristic of the disorder. I am not aware that amphetamine stimulants help the disease, yet I can understand how these drugs could relieve some of the fatigue and apathy of MS.

Amphetamines can be dangerous because they are addictive, may cause euphoria and overstimulation, and are associated with delusional states. Because they have not been shown to alter the unpredictable progression of MS, they are not standard therapy. Nonetheless, I cannot argue with success. Although I believe that your health would be better off without stimulants and that the drugs may cause more problems than they solve, the appropriateness of this therapy is an issue that you and your physician must solve together. MS is a terrible reality for which there is no consistently effective therapy. Therefore, if the amphetamines help you and you're willing to assume the risks of their use, I cannot in good conscience condemn you or your doctor. To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Multiple Sclerosis." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: We live at 7,000 feet. My mother has had several TIAs recently, during which she loses the ability to speak and becomes confused. Nothing has shown up on a CT scan. We wonder if the altitude may be complicating her problem.

DEAR READER: A TIA (transient ischemic attack) is a temporary neurological defect, such as weakness or inability to speak, that resembles a stroke but is not permanent. Altitude does not cause TIAs or strokes. Experts believe that it is caused by a blood clot that becomes wedged in an artery to the brain; within hours, the clot is dissolved by the body's natural anticoagulants. Unlike a stroke, a TIA disappears, leaving no nerve disorder.

Because the affliction is transient, it is impossible to confirm with the customary tests, such as CT scans. Doctors diagnose the condition when a patient suffers what appears to be a stroke but recovers quickly and completely. (A stroke will usually be visible during CT scanning as a permanent smudge on the otherwise normal X-ray pictures of the brain.)

The blood clots that cause TIAs are carried to the brain from other blood vessels — in particular, the aorta and carotid arteries. Thus, the affliction is not so much a brain disease as a circulatory disorder. TIAs often herald the onset of a major stroke. Therefore, many doctors advocate immediate and aggressive therapy with anticoagulant medication.

Coumadin is frequently used but has not been shown to be superior than a cheaper and safer drug: one adult aspirin a day. I suggest that you question your mother's doctor about this option. It might save her extensive future disability.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Gifts for teachers should be tokens of students' affection

DEAR ABBY: Recently your column dealt with suggestions from readers about the best kinds of gifts to give classroom teachers. Unfortunately, one of the responses ("Avid Reader, Winter Haven, Fla.") contained inaccurate information about the policy in our local school district.

The Polk County School Board has never prohibited students from giving gifts to teachers. Whether the gift is an apple, a restaurant gift certificate, a handmade craft, a stack of school supplies or a bottle of perfume, I think we all recognize that the true gift is the love exchanged between teacher and child. These gifts are merely tokens of affection for the teacher, and our teachers accept them gracefully and appreciatively, regardless of their monetary value.

The only restriction in our policy prohibits employees from accepting gifts from vendors and suppliers. Thank you for helping us correct this inaccuracy. — **FRANCES MC MICHAEL, COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIRECTOR, SCHOOL BOARD OF POLK COUNTY, FLA.**

DEAR FRANCES: You're welcome. However, I must confess that when I printed the letter from "Avid Reader," I thought the policy described in the letter was sound, sensitive and well-thought-out — not to mention a relief to poor families who are unable to compete in the area of gift-giving.

Teachers deserve to receive respect all year long for the hard work they do. They also deserve thanks for a job well done and to be paid salaries they can live on so they may provide for their families and their retirement. However, I'm not sure that student gift-giving is appropriate, since not all of them can comfortably do so.

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DEAR ABBY: I know that you are an animal lover, and that each year you warn your readers not to leave their pets locked in enclosed vehicles because they can quickly die from heat stroke. But this year would you also add this important message?

Dehydration is a slow, painful death. Outdoor animals need open, fresh water constantly available in order to avoid dehydration. (In the winter when water often freezes, we also carry warm water to all of our outside livestock three times a day.) This includes: dogs, cats, rabbits, geese, goats, horses and cattle.

Please, Abby, don't ask — TELL your readers to get out there and water their pets, or to find them a better home. — **SUNNY IN SPRINGFIELD, MASS.**

DEAR SUNNY: I agree — your letter contains an important message to pet owners. I hope they read it and heed it.

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DEAR ABBY: I recently found out that my husband of two years met a girl on a bus trip. He had been e-mailing her for almost two months.

I confronted him, and he promised me that he loved me and wanted only me. He swore that nothing had happened between them. However, in the e-mails that he had sent her, he told her about a fight we had — and he said things that could be interpreted to mean he wanted to have an affair with her.

She lives in Oregon not far from where we live. Should I be worried, or should I take his word for it and let it go? He promised he wouldn't e-mail her anymore or have any contact with her. — **HURT IN EVERETT, WASH.**

DEAR HURT: If I were you, I'd keep a sharp eye on him. Talk is cheap. Divorces are expensive — and not just monetarily.

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Vendors send personal data to marketing firms

WASHINGTON (AP) — Without knowing it, some Internet shoppers are forking over more than cash for their purchases. Several online retailers have been giving their customers' personal information to a marketing company.

Privacy groups called the practice an "unforgivable breach" of confidentiality.

A security and privacy firm that does risk assessments for Internet retailers says that four such sites have forwarded personally identifiable information to the marketing company, Coremetrics, in violation of the retailers' privacy policies.

When an Internet retailer breaks its own privacy policy, it can bring disaster for the company, including eroded customer confidence and lawsuits from federal regulators.

Two of the retailers, both sportswear vendors, carry the TRUSTe privacy seal, which is meant to indicate a commitment to customer privacy.

"If, in fact, these Web sites are transmitting personal information to third parties that they promised would be kept private, we would consider this an unforgivable breach of privacy," TRUSTe spokesman Dave Steer said Monday. "TRUSTe will be looking into this matter to see if these companies are breaching their privacy statements."

Columbus, Ohio-based Interhack Corp. founder Matt Curtin said he found four sites that forwarded personal information that Coremetrics said it was "contractually bound" to keep private: toy retailer ToysRUs and its baby site BabiesRUs, and sportswear sites Lucy.com and Fusion.com.

The sites use a myriad of tools — data-storing "cookies," invisible tracking images and the Web language JavaScript — to forward personal information to Coremetrics.

Coremetrics uses the data to build demographic information for the vendor Web sites, showing the company which Web pages and promotions were popular.

Not only does Coremetrics find out a customer's name and address, it also knows what pages they visit on a site that uses their software and what goods they browse. It also tracks users between sites that use Coremetrics software — currently over 40 clients since their March launch, including Wal-Mart's Web site.

Curtin said when a customer makes an order on the vendor's site, portions of their order are encrypted and sent off to Coremetrics.

This use of encryption makes it very difficult for users to find out what's going on, said Curtin, fooling systems that some privacy-conscious Web surfers use.

And while Coremetrics explains on its site what they do, and allows consumers to "opt out" of data collection, the vendor sites make no reference to Coremetrics. In fact, their privacy policies specifically state that they don't share personally identifiable information with third parties.

"BabiesRUs.com keeps your personal information completely confidential," reads that company's privacy policy.

"That's the problem," said Curtin. "ToysRUs does not have any indication that Coremetrics is part of this equation."

Privacy advocate Richard Smith, who has discovered several privacy breaches in the past, looked over Curtin's data on ToysRUs and agreed with Curtin's conclusions. "They've got a problem," he said.

Gordon Lanpher, a spokesman for Lucy.com, confirmed Curtin's findings as well. He said his company noticed a week and a half ago that its privacy policy didn't disclose the company's relationship with Coremetrics. Lucy.com will relaunch Tuesday morning with a new privacy policy with specific disclosures and links to Coremetrics' opt-out page, Lanpher said.

The other vendors did not return calls for comment.

David Farber, a privacy expert, is listed on Coremetrics' board of advisers. Farber is a computer science professor at the University of Pennsylvania, and advises the Federal Communications Commission on scientific issues. He is also on the board of the San Francisco-based Electronic Frontier Foundation, known for its free-speech and privacy work.

Coremetrics' activity appears to rival even DoubleClick, the largest Internet advertising network. DoubleClick has so far refrained from using any personally identifiable data to target ads.

A Coremetrics spokesman said that the company is legally bound not to disclose the data to anyone else, but did admit that Coremetrics personnel could access it.

TV production crew member electrocuted

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A member of a television production crew working on an episode of the hit television series "The X-Files" was electrocuted and six others were injured Monday when an electrical line sent a 4,800-volt charge through the scaffold they were using.

"It charged the entire scaffolding," Fire Department spokesman Jim Wells said. Six people were standing on the scaffolding, and a seventh person was on the ground, he said.

It was not clear how the power line came into contact with the scaffolding, which was set up 15 feet above the ground at the back of a three-story apartment building, Wells said.

The crew was working on the season premiere of "The X-Files," the spooky series about the paranormal produced by 20th Century Fox, said Steven Melnick, the studio's vice president of media relations.

Melnick identified the man killed as Jim Engh. Melnick said he did not know his age or how long he had worked for the show. Engh had been on the scaffolding.

A second person was hospitalized in critical condition, Melnick said. The other five victims were treated and released, he said.

According to a production notice at the scene, the crew was preparing for a scene involving dialogue, a foot chase down an interior rear stairwell and rain effects on rear stair windows.

Filming at the location was to begin Tuesday, Melnick said. He said he was not sure if the filming would go forward as planned. None of the actors in the series, which stars Gillian Anderson and David Duchovny, was present when the accident occurred.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Wednesday, August 2, 2000

New ways of doing things to make additional money should not be treated lightly in the year ahead. It'll be progressive concepts that could further your aims in life.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Even though many money tips passed on to us by others may not be reliable, today you could receive some inside information that will be worthy of further investigation. Pay heed. Leo, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper. P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You're the one who might be able to reawaken the enthusiasm in an associate who needs shoring up today. What you say and how you say it can do wonders for buoying up his or her spirits.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Think things out thoroughly before preceding today, and an important objective can be achieved. Being sure of your footing before taking each step will clear the path.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) The knowledge you're able to impart today from past successes could prove very helpful to a friend. You make a good instructor.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Being smarter than your competition, not bolder or stronger, is what will bring you success today. Let them use their backs if they want. You use your mind.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Someone with whom you'll be involved today might have some rather good ideas for advancing a mutual interest. Keep an open and receptive mind. It'll serve you well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) What you do today will be rewarded, albeit in small ways and not necessarily on a grand scale. However, all those little returns have a way of adding up to something substantial.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Because you'll know how to put others at ease and get them to talk about themselves, you'll be quite an asset at any social gathering today. Your abilities will make you popular.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) It will be all the little things you thoughtfully do for others today that shows them the type or person you are. They won't easily forget the attention to their needs that you display.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Endeavors that require creativity and imagination will be what you will be most skilled at handling today. Use these enviable sets in an advantageous manner.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Bright ideas abound today in your commercial dealings. You'll be superb at coming up with a number of them, but don't be indifferent to the suggestions of others, either.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you have something important that needs to be transmitted to another, be your own emissary and be sure to use the most direct lines of communication available to you.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Two die, 12 hurt in mine fire

PRICE, Utah (AP) — Fire broke out inside a coal mine early Tuesday, killing two miners and injuring at least 12 others.

Four miners escaped uninjured from the blaze at the Willow Creek Mine, about 12 miles northeast of Price, said Dennis Dooley, Carbon County emergency management director.

The fire, which broke out about 1:30 a.m., was put out and rescuers were able to enter the mine, Dooley said.

He said the mine reported that the fire happened on the working face, where coal was being mined, but provided no other information. Dooley said he didn't know how far in from the mine's entrance the accident occurred, but said it was 2,000 feet beneath the surface.

Dooley said the mine had confirmed the two deaths.

The cause of the fire was not immediately known.

There was no comment from the mine's operator, Ruhr Coal. A man who answered the phone early Tuesday refused to answer any questions. Federal Mine Safety Health Administration investigators were on the scene.

Four miners were treated at the scene and eight others were taken to Castleview Hospital in Price.

Hospital nursing officer Bonnie Cook said two were treated and released and six others were in stable condition with burns, smoke inhalation and physical trauma. Two of the six were taken to the University of Utah Health Sciences Center in Salt Lake City for further treatment.

Price, a community of about 9,000 people, is 100 miles southeast of Salt Lake City. According to federal figures, there are about 86,000 U.S. coal miners working primarily in Wyoming, West Virginia and Kentucky.

On the Net:
Mine Safety Health Administration: http://www.msha.gov

Country Music Association announces its nominations

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Faith Hill received eight nominations Tuesday for Country Music Association awards, while Nashville showed a penchant for self-criticism by nominating the song "Murder on Music Row" twice.

Singers Lee Ann Womack and Brad Paisley, along with the band Lonestar, announced the nominations at a news conference at Adelphia Coliseum. Winners will be announced Oct. 4 at a ceremony at the Grand Ole Opry House, broadcast live by CBS.

Hits by Paisley and Womack were positioned as potential big winners. Womack's "I Hope You Dance" and Paisley's "He Didn't Have to Be" were nominated in the best song, single and video categories.

Hill was nominated for the top award — best entertainer — along with her husband, Tim McGraw; the Dixie Chicks; Alan Jackson; and George Strait. Last year's winner, Shania Twain, was not nominated.

Hill also was nominated for best female vocalist; vocal event of the year for "Let's Make Love," a duet with McGraw; and best album, single and video, all for "Breathe." She could win eight awards because as a producer, she would get two awards if she wins best album and single.

Hot newcomer Paisley was nominated in six categories, including best male vocalist.

Killings of Colombian police raise questions on aid limits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two deadly guerrilla attacks on Colombian police have raised delicate questions after the recent approval of a $1.3 billion anti-narcotics aid package.

Can U.S.-provided anti-drug helicopters be used for missions that aren't directly related to drugs? If so, could that push the United States deeper into Colombia's protracted civil war?

Last weekend, the helicopters — provided under an earlier counternarcotics package — were used to carry security forces to Arboleda, a mountain town 90 miles northwest of Bogota, where as many as 22 policemen may have been killed.

But two weeks earlier, the helicopters sat idle as 13 officers were killed in cold blood in the southwestern town of Roncesvalles. The officers were shot one-by-one after they ran out of ammunition and tried to surrender, police said.

The Roncesvalles killings prompted Rep. Benjamin Gilman, R-N.Y., chairman of the House International Relations Committee, to write to Secretary of State Madeleine Albright his misgivings that U.S. use restrictions might have kept the helicopters from being used.

Both U.S. and Colombian officials denied that was the case. Colombian National Police Chief Ernesto Gilibert said helicopters were not deployed because they weren't equipped to fly at night.

An American official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said U.S. policy allows Colombia to use the helicopters "for humanitarian purposes to prevent a loss of life and to provide evacuation."

The United States regularly reviews helicopter flight records to make sure helicopter use complies with guidelines, the official said. To date, Colombia has consistently met those guidelines.

The issue is sensitive from two sides. On one side is Gilman, who supports the Colombian aid and wants to see the United States help the Colombian National Police as much as it can.

On the other side are opponents of the aid, skeptical that it can be limited to the drug fight and keep the United States from getting drawn into Colombia's 36-year-long war against leftist guerrillas.

Consumer spending posts strong rebound in June

WASHINGTON (AP) — In more signs that the economy has yet to slow, consumer spending posted a strong rebound in June after two months of lackluster growth, while manufacturing activity remained steady in July.

The Commerce Department said spending rose by 0.5 percent in June, a slightly better-than-expected gain following smaller increases of just 0.2 percent in April and 0.3 percent in May.

The National Association of Purchasing Managers said that its production index remained at 51.8 percent in July, ending a four-month decline in a key guage of future factory activity. A reading above 50 percent in viewed as indicating manufacturing will grow in coming months.

The rebound in consumer spending outstripped American workers' gain in incomes, which were up 0.4 percent in June. That was in line with analysts' expectations and was a slight improvement from a 0.3 percent income advance in May.

The Commerce Department said that construction spending fell 1.7 percent in June to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of $800 billion. It marked the third consecutive monthly decline after decreases of 0.2 percent in May and 1.7 percent in April.

It was the longest stretch of weakness since a similar three-month drop from April to June last year and reflected weakness reflected declines in all areas of building.

Residential construction was down 1.4 percent; construction of non-residential buildings was off 1.1 percent, despite a slight rise in office construction, and government construction fell a sharp 4.4 percent, led by a big 9.7 percent fall in school construction.

The June rebound in consumer spending was a further sign that the economic slowdown many economists have been expecting has yet to materialize.

Vehicle reported stolen; two youths are detained

• ***Stolen vehicle***

Two 16-year-old Scurry County youths were taken to the Lubbock County detention center early today after they were found in Abernathy in a stolen vehicle.

A gold 1991 Acura owned by Doyle Chandler was reported stolen at 12:48 a.m. today.

The vehicle was recovered in Abernathy, which is north of Lubbock on I-27, around 4:20 this morning, and the two males were taken to the detention center.

The case is still under investigation and will be forwarded to the district attorney once completed.

• ***Harassing phone calls***

A woman spoke to officers at 3:51 p.m. Monday to report that she had been receiving harassing phone calls.

• ***Burglary***

Two televisions were reported stolen from Joseph Shlezinger's 3730 Avenue U residence at 4:38 p.m. Monday. Police officials said entry was apparently gained through an unlocked door.

• ***Stolen purse***

Julie Berryhill reported her coin purse stolen at 6:12 p.m. Monday.

• ***Credit card abuse***

Lino Felan contacted officers at 8:15 p.m. Monday in reference to a 15-year-old juvenile running his phone bill up to $3,000. The juvenile allegedly used Felan's credit card to make long distance phone calls. The offense is a state jail felony.

• ***Criminal mischief***

A report for criminal mischief was taken at 11:39 p.m. Monday in reference to someone scratching and denting the driver's side door of a 1985 Ford pickup owned by Bradley George.

• ***Arrests***

Three subjects, ages 17, 18 and 74, were transported to the Scurry County Jail at 10:13 a.m. to lay out city fines.

• ***Accidents***

A hit-and-run accident occurred in the Covenant Healthcare parking lot Monday sometime between 9:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. An unknown vehicle struck a 1999 GMC Sierra pickup owned by Willie Smith of 501 35th Street and then left the scene.

At 4:01 p.m., a two-vehicle mishap occurred in the Wal-Mart parking lot. A 1995 Chevrolet Lumina driven by Bertha Crumley Holdridge, 80, of 1607 52nd Street and a 1996 Chevrolet S-10 pickup driven by Shirley Irene Coffey, 49, of 3901 Avenue O, Apt. 38 were involved.

Obituaries

Jane McCarty

1964-2000

Services for Jane McCarty, 36, of Snyder are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Miss McCarty died Monday, July 31, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a sudden illness.

Born on June 22, 1964 in Colorado City, she attended Snyder schools, WTC and is a graduate of St. Joseph's School of Vocational Nursing. She had worked closely with hospice and had been a nurse at the Heart of West Texas Home Care in Colorado City for seven years. An LVN, Miss McCarty had also worked at Cogdell Memorial Hospital and Big Spring State Hospital.

Survivors include her parents, Leland and Jane McCarty of Snyder; and two brothers, Ricky Don McCarty of Slaton and Steven L. McCarty of Texas City.

Izetta Dial

1904-2000

SWEETWATER – Izetta Dial, the mother of Bobbye Mason of Hermleigh, died Monday, July 31, in the Holiday Retirement Center.

Graveside service for Mrs. Dial, 96, is set for 9 a.m. Wednesday in the Belvieu Cemetery in Rotan. Jay and Ollie Dial will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Cate-Spencer and Trent Funeral Home.

Born April 25, 1904 in Dowell, Tex., she married Ollie Dial on June 25, 1927. He died on March 9, 1972. She also was preceded in death by a brother, Douglas Reaves; and a stepson, Odell Dial.

A homemaker, Mrs. Dial was a member of the Ave. B Church of Christ.

Survivors also include a son, O.D. Dial of Sweetwater; a stepdaughter-in-law, Ina Dial of San Antonio; a sister, Frankie Dodd of Rotan; 17 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Bible Club

Northside Missionary Baptist Church is hosting a Bible Club for grades 1-6 from 1-3 p.m. though Friday. The church is located at 1909 16th St. For more information, call 573-7105.

Immunization schedule

There will be no immunizations given this week at the Scurry County Health Clinic.

Masonic meeting

Scurry Masonic Lodge 706 will have a stated meeting at 7:30 this evening. All Master Masons are invited.

Children's Crusade

Snyder First Church of the Nazarene, 2462 South Hwy 208, will hold a Children's Crusade from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday through Friday. There will be games and refreshments. To ride the van, call 573-5601.

FBC worship service

The First Baptist Church Sunday morning worship service airs at 3 p.m. every Thursday on TV Channel 2.

Hamburger supper

U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm and State Rep. David Counts will host a community hamburger supper at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Room A of the Scurry County Coliseum.

Football booster club

The SHS football booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the student center. All parents and team boosters are urged to attend.

Queen candidate car wash

A car wash for Kira Diaz, queen candidate for Our Lady of Guadalupe, will begin at 8:30 a.m. Saturday at Long John Silver's. Prices are $5 for cars, $7 for trucks, and $10 for vans and SUVs.

Crystal River concert

Crystal River will be in concert at 6 p.m. Sunday at Avenue D Baptist Church, 324 30th St. Everyone is invited.

School supply donations

Snyder ISD and the Scurry County Child Welfare Board are seeking donations for school supplies for needy children. For more information, call Mary Ann Juarez at 574-6012.

Social Security reps

Representatives of Social Security will be at the Senior Citizen Center on next Tuesday. Hours are from 10 a.m. until noon and from 1-2 p.m.

GED Exams

GED exams will be administered Thursday, Aug. 10, and Friday, Aug. 25, at Western Texas College.

Medical Funds set up

Medical funds have been established at American State Bank and West Texas State Bank for Jamie Justiss to help defray medical expenses. He is the son of Matt and Barbara Arnett of Fluvanna and the grandson of Robert and Mary Langford of Snyder.

Discovery School registration

Registration is underway for Discovery School at First United Methodist Church. The school provides quality childcare in small groups for ages six month through pre-K, Monday through Friday. Parents choose the days. Register now from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. as classes start Aug. 14. Call 573-4770 for more information.

Kings Kids opens registration

Registration for Kings Kids at First Baptist Church will be Monday and Aug. 10 from 8:30-9:30 a.m., and 5-6 p.m. Registrants enter through the east door. The program is for children one to four-years-old, and pre-K. Call 573-5683 or 573-7401 or come by 1701 27th St. for more information.

Joy School pre-registration

Pre-registration for Joy School is now underway. Joy School will be accepting infants through pre-K five days a week. For more information, call 573-3554.

WTC success seminar

Success Seminars at Western Texas College will be held Aug. 16-17 for all new student and their parents. Students planning to attend either session must inform the Admissions Office and mail payment by Aug. 11. Call 573-8511, Ext. 230, fo registration information.

Sonshine School registration

Pre-registration for Sonshine School at 37th Street Church of Christ is in progress. The classes begin Aug. 15 for ages two to five and will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call Lora Lord at 573-1700, or the church office at 573-0154.

Pyron homecoming

The Pyron Homecoming will be held Saturday, Sept. 2, at the Inadale Community Center. Registration will begin at 1 p.m. and the evening meal will be served at 7 p.m. The meal will be catered at $7 per plate. Reservations need to be made and the meal mu be paid for by Aug. 15. Contact Mrs. Viola Stirl, 13652 FM 644, Loraine, Tex. 79532-3110.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients is available every day free of charge to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland. For more information call Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
7-2-7

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery:
4-7-14-31-35