INSIDE
What's Up 2A
Sports . . . . . 6 & 7A
School menus 3B
Dear Abby 5B
Letters to the Editor 8B

WT-Int. Crude - $26.40
WTIC Posted - $23.25
Natural Gas - $4.285

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

WEEKEND
Nov. 30 & Dec. 1, 2002
Vol. 54 No. 183
40 Pages $1.00
Home of Buddy Payne

Spirit of helping spans the globe



NEW FRIEND — This Kabul girl has been befriended by Marines and her request to them is simple — a pair of shoes.

By Shirley A. Gorman
SDN News Editor

Food, clothing or toy drives are often organized around the holidays, a time when even those who don't have very much think about helping those who have even less than they do.

In keeping with the Christmas spirit, toy and food drives are underway to benefit needy families in Scurry County.

Local schools, businesses and individuals are collecting cans and other non perishable food. The application form is on 3A. The deadline to apply is Saturday.

The local Christmas for Kids 2002 is also underway and is being coordinated by several individuals including Judi Martin, Peggy Vernon, Joni Huffman, David and Alicia Graves and Marisa Silva.

Toys will be distributed Dec. 21-23. The application form is on 4A and the deadline to make application is Dec. 11.

In addition to the local drives, county residents are also being asked to open their hearts and pocketbooks to contribute much needed clothing, shoes, hygienic items and toys for 900 needy children in two orphanages in Afghanistan.

Soldiers deployed at Bagram Army Base are asking their wives to organize drives to benefit the children who live near the base.

Amber Warlock, wife of Capt. Geoffrey Warlock, a Harrier pilot stationed at the base, is spearheading the local Afghanistan drive.

Mrs. Warlock said the U.S. Marines, who have been in Afghanistan about seven weeks, have been touched by the desperate needs of the children and want to help in any way they can.

While their greatest needs are for shoes and all types of clothing, including socks, mittens and gloves she said the soldiers also want to be able to provide them with a toy as an extra treat.

Mrs. Warlock said the children can also use basic hygienic items as well and reading material since many speak English. However, she said they have been asked not to send anything of a religious nature as the country is predominately Muslims.

She said her husband and the other Marines' goal is to pack a five-ton truck with the donated items to be delivered to the two orphanages.

In addition to donations of shoes, clothing, toys and hygienic products, Mrs. Warlock is asking for monetary assistance to help pay the cost of shipping the items to her husband in Afghanistan. She said any items that she will not be able to send overseas will be donated to another charity.

Since time is very critical, she said items need to be donated by Friday to allow time for packing and shipping. Donations can be dropped off at 3009 Avenue U. Mrs. Warlock can be reached at 573-2575.

Mrs. Warlock, a former Marine, said she is organizing this drive, "for my husband and the Marines as much as I am for the children in Afghanistan."

When she was involved in a humanitarian mission in Nicaragua, she said Geoff mailed a box of full of toys to her to give to the children there.

"Handing the toys to those kids and watching them play was the best feeling in the world," she said. "I want the Marines over there (Afghanistan) to feel the same joy that I felt when they hand this stuff to the children.

"The holidays are all about giving. Our deployed Marines may have a hard time giving to their families right now but we can still help them feel that holiday spirit by helping them give to the kids over there," she added.

Mrs. Warlock and her 15-month-son Hogan are visiting relatives in Snyder and will be here for several weeks. Their home is a Marine base in Yuma, Ariz.

She is the daughter of Kathy Beasley and the granddaughter of Dorothy Owens, both of Snyder.

Mrs. Warlock served four years in the Marine Corps and was ranked captain and was a logistics officer when she was discharged.

As a Marine, she took part in a humanitarian mission to Nicaragua in 1999 when the country was devastated by a hurricane.

She was the detachment officer and the 20 engineers in her unit helped build schools and medical clinics in a town where everything had been washed away by the storm.

Mrs. Warlock said she chose to enlist in the Marines because she wanted a challenge and the discipline of the military.

"And I got both," she said.

Originally from Dallas, Mrs. Warlock said she and her husband met in officer candidate school in Quantico, Va.



Inside the Marine camp



COMIC RELIEF — Robin Williams, second from right, visited Bagram and made friends with Geoffrey Warlock, Aaron Johnson and Mike Trapp.

Photos courtesy of Geoffrey Warlock

DA's office moving...

Office space to be court topic

Scurry County commissioners' court will assign office space in the courthouse when it convenes at 10 a.m. Monday.

Precinct 4 commissioner Chloanne Lindsey said the change will affect the district attorney's office.

The DA's office will move from its current location on the fourth floor of the courthouse, down one level to the previous location of the juvenile probation office.

The juvenile probation department will move across College Ave. to be housed with the adult probation office on the west side of the square.

The new location will offer the district attorney's office more room. The office space is on the third floor next to the county courtroom.

Also on the agenda is the opening and consideration of bids for enclosure of the coliseum breezeway.

The breezeway between the coliseum and annex will be sealed, transforming the two structures into one large building.

The enclosure project will incorporate several large garage doors so that heavy equipment can still enter either portion of the building.

A stall for washing show animals also could be installed as part of the project.

No other business is included, but any line-item transfers or budget amendments presented will be considered.

It's time to write Santa

Santa Claus says now that Thanksgiving is past, it's time to start thinking about Christmas.

The jolly ol' elf has arranged for a special mailbox at The Snyder Daily News where good little boys and girls can leave their letters to Santa.

The newspaper will print all the letters in the special Christmas greeting edition on Christmas Eve, and then forward the letters to the North Pole.

Former resident to head ranching center

Snyder native Gary Terrell is the new president of the executive committee of the Ranching Heritage Association of Lubbock.



Gary Terrell

Terrell, a Lubbock attorney and rancher, was elected to the post at the most recent meeting of the National Ranching Heritage Center.

Terrell, the son of Marlin and Jo Terrell of Snyder, served the association last year as the first vice president.

An adjunct professor of law at Texas Tech University, Terrell is also a member of the Lubbock County Bar Association, the State Bar of Texas, and the Texas Bar Foundation.

He is a member and former commander of the Fourth U.S. Calvary Regiment (Memorial) of Lubbock.

He, and his wife Empress, have two children: Audrey, a senior at Texas Tech; and Austin, a senior at Lubbock High School.

Terrell is a former county attorney for Scurry County.

Vacant superintendent posts...

Finalists to be named

Snyder and Ira school systems should have new superintendents named before the end of the week.

Snyder trustees set Thursday as the day they would name the finalist for their top job.

This action will follow a group of trustees visiting the home district of the top candidate Tuesday and Wednesday.

Ira's board met Wednesday evening and a meeting is expected to be called this week to name a finalist for the superintendent's post.

State law requires a 21-day waiting period before a board can vote after a finalist has been named.

Historic Dermott School getting the Christmas spirit

The historic Dermott School, located on the grounds of Scurry County Coliseum, will be open to the public from 2-4 p.m. next Saturday.

Artwork by Snyder second and third graders will be on display, and the decorations will be handmade by East Elementary fourth graders.

An old-fashioned decorated Cedar tree — straight from the pasture — also will be on display.

Santa's sleigh, filled with wrapped gifts, will be available for children's photos.

American State Bank will furnish popcorn for everyone attending.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "An archeologist is a man whose career lies in ruins."

We want to start a new weekly feature in the Snyder Daily News and we're soliciting your help.

"Whatever happened to...?"

That's not an original or necessarily exciting heading, but we think the information can be interesting and informative.

Scurry County's three high schools have turned out tons of talented folks who have gone on to successful and interesting careers.

We're asking the parents of those to give us a brief information about what the kids have been doing — whether the "kids" are 30, 40, 50 or 60 years old.

And if you have an old yearbook photo and a current photo, it will add even more interest to the feature which we hope to publish as least weekly.

For example, Mike and Kathy Post or grandparents Jack and Frances Denman could tell about Chris Post, a 1997 graduate of SHS.



Chris Post

Chris had a successful college career and was a starting defensive lineman for the SMU Mustangs. After graduation, Chris quit a better-paying bank job in Dallas because he missed being around football.

In his first year, Chris was promoted to head coach of the Irving Nimitz freshman team. And on Friday nights, he assisted the varsity defensive staff.

In a recent freshman game, Chris didn't realize the extent of the rivalry. One frosh gridder who weighed about 285 pounds almost made the fatal mistake of jumping on a referee.

Chris intervened and pulled the kid off the field. Just as they reached the sidelines, the young coach was met by the player's angry mother.

But before she could take her wrath out on the rookie coach, the high school's head coach also had come out of the stands and stepped between the two.

The veteran coach warned, "Lady, you had better get back in the stands. If you ever come down here again, your son will be in P.E. the next day and he will never play a down of football."

After the situation calmed, the head coach grinned and said, "Post, ain't coaching high school fun?"

And earlier in the season, after Irving Nimitz had defeated Irving MacArthur and players were shaking hands, Chris was called by a familiar voice.

"Post, what are you doing here?"

It was the defensive coach of the opposing team, Joe Granato, who had been Chris' defensive mentor at SHS.

Brag a little and let us know what your "kid" has been doing.

ASK US

Q—Is Tuesday evening's utility committee meeting with representatives of Cox Cable open to the public.

A—All city meetings are open. It begins at 6:30 p.m. at city hall.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Lanell Bearden...

...wears two hats at Ira School where she has worked for the past 21 years. Lanell is the teacher's aide in charge of the computer lab and she drives a school bus. She has two grown sons, Brent and Shane. Lanell also likes to dance and play bingo and do things with her four grandchildren.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Nothing cures like time and love.

—Laura Nyro

It's back to school Monday

It's going to be back to the books for students in Snyder, Ira and Hermleigh Monday morning as the Thanksgiving holiday comes to an end.

Western Texas College also resumes classes Monday.

The next holiday for students will be the lengthy Christmas vacation period.

DEC 01 2002

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Angel project

The angel project done for Carole Haynes is a continuing effort and anyone who has a decorated angel may drop it off at Stanfield Elementary.

Community Services raffle

Scurry County Community Services is holding a drawing for a $75 gift certificate to United and $75 to Wal-Mart. Tickets are $1 and all proceeds will be used to buy Christmas gifts for children.

Tiger's Lair on sale

Orders for the 2003 Tiger's Lair are being taken. Cost is $45 with options available at an addition fee. The price will increase to $50 after Monday. Also deadline for senior dedications is Monday. Dedications are $45 per photo and message. Call 574-6138 for information.

Support groups

Adult family violence support group and children's family violence support group meets at 6:30 p.m. each Monday at Gateway Family Service. For information call 573-1822.

Scurry 4-H Christmas party

Scurry County 4-H will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the Senior Center for the annual Christmas party. Members are asked to bring old Christmas cards to use for decorations. Refreshments will be served.

Chevron retirees dinner

Retired Chevron SACROC employees will have a Christmas dinner at 6 p.m. Monday at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Cost is $8.50. Reservations must be made by Friday by calling Bob Stewart at 573-6898 or Bob Barbee at 573-6733.

Financial aid session

Ira High School seniors and their parents are invited to a college financial aid information night at TSTC's Sweetwater campus beginning at 6 p.m. Monday.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Learning to Properly Listen to God's Word," followed by "Meaning of the New Birth."

Drama booster club

The Snyder High School drama booster club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Texas Savings Bank.

FBC services televised

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

Canned food drive

Snyder Oaks Care Center is having a canned food drive for Gateway Family Services that ends Tuesday, Dec. 10. Bring your canned goods to the care center.

FBC support groups

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

White Buffalo Festival T-shirts

White Buffalo T-shirts featuring a train are on sale at the Whistle Stop or the coliseum office for $7 each.

WTC adult basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at Western Texas College will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. until noon, and from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Classes include E.S.L., GED and refresher courses. Certified teachers and Spanish speaking aides teach the classes. Call 573-8511, ext. 322.

WTC pool, gym hours

The WTC pool and gym are now open Monday through Thursday. The gym is open from 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. The pool is available from 6:30 to 8 a.m., noon to 1 p.m. and 7 to 8:50 p.m. The gym closes at 4 p.m. on Friday and the pool is open only in the morning and at noon on Fridays. Memberships are $50 per semester or visits are $2. Contact Christy Cerecedes for information at 573-8511, ext. 290.

Sr. citizen swimnastics

Swimnastics for senior citizens is held from 10-11 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call the senior center at 573-4035 for more information.

WTC PE building to close

The PE building at Western Texas College will close at 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, for the fall semester and will reopen for the spring semester on Wednesday, Jan. 15, at 6:30 a.m.

Cancer treatment transportation

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

Most states agree to Microsoft settlement

WASHINGTON (AP) — From California to Connecticut, states have decided to follow the federal lead and abandon the broad-based antitrust fight against computer software giant Microsoft.

Only Massachusetts said Friday it would continue to seek tougher sanctions against Microsoft after seven other states announced they would accept the landmark settlement reached by the company and the Bush administration.

Massachusetts Attorney General Tom Reilly, one of Microsoft's most outspoken critics, called the settlement, approved by a federal judge earlier this month, a "loophole-filled deal" without adequate sanctions.

"There was nothing in the deal with Justice that will change Microsoft's business practices in any substantial way," said Reilly, a Democrat. "We are prepared to go it alone."

West Virginia was the only other state to leave open the possibility of filing an appeal by Monday's deadline. The lawsuit against Microsoft at one point included 21 states.

Seven states — California, Connecticut, Florida, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota and Utah — said Friday they would go along with the settlement, which they had once opposed as being inadequate.

These states plus the District of Columbia plan no additional court action and will focus on making sure Microsoft obeys the settlement, said Iowa Attorney General Tom Miller.

"Consumer interests are now best served by turning our focus to enforcement," said Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal.

Miller also disclosed that Microsoft will pay $25 million in legal reimbursements to be divided among states based on how much they spent on the antitrust case. California has borne the brunt of legal costs.

The company was required under federal law to pay those legal fees, though $25 million is far more than the out-of-pocket costs for those states. Government lawyers are paid fixed salaries, but the law calculates reimbursed fees based on hourly rates for private attorneys.

California Attorney General Bill Lockyer said the settlement was "not completely satisfying." But he said it "closed enforcement loopholes, keeps compliance with the remedies squarely before the court and allows us now to turn attention to making sure that Microsoft competes fairly in the marketplace."

Under the settlement, Microsoft:

—May not participate in exclusive deals that could hurt competitors.

—Must offer uniform contract terms for computer manufacturers.

—Must let manufacturers and customers remove icons from desktops for some Microsoft features.



Candace Stribling

Candace Stribling inducted into Tech's 'Golden Key'

LUBBOCK — Candace Denise Stribling of Fluvanna has accepted membership in Golden Key International Honour Society and was individually honored during a Texas Tech campus ceremony.

Stribling, a 1997 graduate from Snyder High School, is majoring in special education and will graduate from Tech in May.

Stribling is married to Justin Stribling, the son of Jimmy and Janet Stribling. She is the daughter of Johnny and Suzanne Barrow and the granddaughter of Betty Jo Lawson.

Justin's grandparents are Hassie and Betty Sneed and Dan and Jackie Russell.

Golden Key is a non-profit, academic honors organization that provides academic recognition, leadership opportunities, community service, career networking and scholarships.

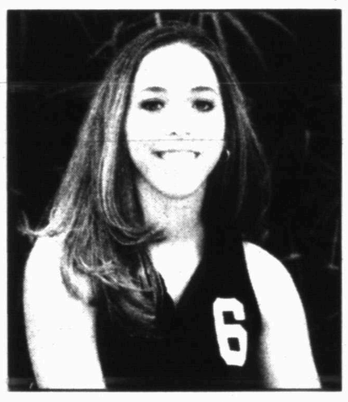
Poets earn honors at awards banquet for poetry society

A local member of the Hi-Plains Poetry Chapter brought home three awards from the Poetry Society of Texas annual Awards banquet last month in Dallas.

Yvonne Nunn of Dunn won fourth place with *The Unsolicited Pen*; *sixth for Fate*; *and seventh for Prairie Ethics.*

Von Bourland of Happy, a native of Scurry County, won a first-place recognition with *Granny Played the Fiddle*; fifth for *Eventide*; two sixth-places for *West Texas Sky* and *Autumn's Concert*; a ninth for *Wild Iris*; and a 10th-place for *Lullabies.*

Bourland was born and reared near Fluvanna and attended school in Snyder. She is the daughter of the late Weldon and Bennie Sumruld.



Sara Thornhill

Thornhill inducted into Who's Who

Sara Thornhill, a junior at Snyder High School, has been inducted into *Who's Who Among Students* for the second consecutive year.

Thornhill is a member of the volleyball team and serves as secretary of the Student Council.

She is the daughter of Chris and Sally Thornhill of Snyder and the granddaughter of Jerome and Henrietta Motl and Bill and Nancy Thornhill, all of Seymour.

GUARANTEED ANNUITIES

Call 573-3858 For Rates



Ernie Sears
1816 26th Street
573-3858

Today's chuckle

Man wants to find 30-foot snake

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Paul Raddatz is hoping his hunt for a 30-foot anaconda in South America doesn't turn into a wild-goose chase. He'd rather snag a spot in the Guinness Book of World Records.



The search was spurred from the standing $50,000 offer of Wildlife Conservation Society, which operates the Bronx Zoo, for any snake longer than 30 feet.

Raddatz first heard of the offer, which has stood unclaimed for 90 years, in 1990.

Raddatz, a leather dealer, gave lookout orders to his hunting teams, which were providing him with leather.

"I realized that if anyone should be able to find the world's largest snake, it would be me," said Raddatz, 44, who is active in the legal market for African elephants and American buffalo, among other fierce creatures with hides coveted for leather.

His chase might sound far-fetched, but he's nearly found one before.

Twelve years ago he found Samantha, a 26-foot-long, 275-pound python, that he sold to the Bronx Zoo. She died last week.

Now there are local stories in Venezuela of a 30 feet long anaconda.

"They say it's in the Amazon basin of Venezuela," Raddatz said. "When they tell me they have this snake, I'll be on the next flight out."

According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the longest snake ever captured was a 32-foot-91/2-inch python killed in Indonesia in 1912.

WTC, Ritz production will debut on Friday

Launching the holiday entertainment season in Snyder, the Ritz Community Theatre and the Western Texas CollegeTheatre Department join hands again this year to present *The 1940s Radio Hour* by Walton Jones, opening Friday.

The evening begins with dinner at 7 p.m. in the Western Texas College dining hall in the Student Center followed by the show in the Fine Arts Theatre. Dessert will be served in the lobby after the show.

The dinner theatre will run again next Sunday with lunch at 12:30 followed by the show. There will be a matinee at 2 p.m. Saturday. with no meal.

A different time is evoked in this theatrical and winning show, a live broadcast of The Mutual Manhattan Variety Cavalcade from the Hotel Astor's Algonquin Room on Dec. 21, 1942. The spirit of that bygone era when the world was at war and pop music meant "The Chattanooga Choo-Choo" and "Boogie-Woogie Bugle Boy" is accurately captured as the audience gets a peek at the backstage travails of the characters as they strive to make the live show happen.

This family-oriented production has a cast of some 15 characters, backed by a community choir of 15 singers directed by Sam Robertson and accompanied on the piano by Judy Brown. The music includes a potpourri of Christmas and swing favorites plus a few surprises.

Dinner tickets are $20 for adults, $17 for seniors and students, and $13 for Ritz season ticket holders and WTC faculty, staff and students.

Reservations are required for the dinner theatre. Tickets for the Saturday matinee are $7 for adults and $5 for seniors and students. Call 573-8511, ext. 234, for reservations.

Major roles will be filled by Chris Hensley, Rebekah Thornton, Emily Hataway, Myra Hayes, K.K. McClain, Meagan Bailey, Corey Knipe, Chris Shoemake, Jacob Brumley, Tedrick George, Ryan Ballard, Michael Gonzales, Eric Henry, Lacey Rowe, Holly Gwyn, Monica Rose, Brandy Birkenfeld, and Mandi Mitchell.

Cameo appearances will be made by Dr. Ed Barkowsky and Margaret Presswood.

events

LOTTO TEXAS™

TEXAS LOTTERY

RESULTS

Friday's

Lottery Numbers

Texas Two Step

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:

5-23-30-33

Bonus number 13

Estimated jackpot: $925,000

Pick 3

(Day) 0-1-2

(Night) 1-1-0

Cash Five

2-12-23-28-29

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Published each Sunday morning and each evening, except Saturday, by Snyder Publishing Co., Inc., 3600 College Ave., Snyder, Texas 79549.

Periodicals postage paid at the post office at Snyder, Texas, Publication Number USPS611-520.

POSTMASTER send change of address to P.O. Box 949, Snyder, Texas, 79550.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES: By carrier in Snyder, $9.25 per month.

By mail in Scurry and adjoining counties, one year $88.80 balance of Texas and out of state $113.85.

Roy McQueen, Publisher
Wade Warren, Managing Editor
MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Associated Press is exclusively entitled to use for republication all news dispatches in this newspaper and also local news published for republication of special dispatches.

Zsa Zsa Gabor improving in hospital after traffic accident

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Zsa Zsa Gabor, injured in a Sunset Boulevard car crash, remained in serious condition but is breathing on her own, her husband said.

"I talked to her, she whispered, but you can hardly understand her," her husband, Frederic von Anhalt, said Friday night from Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. "She looks at me and she recognizes me."

Gabor likely will remain in the hospital for a week or so, he said.

The 85-year-old film and television actress suffered broken bones in the Wednesday night crash and received stitches to close wounds to her head, hands, arms and legs.

Gabor was in pain but her lungs, heart and brain were all OK, he said.

"It's just that she's in so much pain she doesn't respond to anything," he said.



SNYDER MEDICAL CLINIC

5206 Trinity Blvd — Snyder, TX 79549
(915)573-8594

Medical Care For The Entire Family - Walk-ins Accepted
Medicare and Medicaid Welcome

Minor Emergency Treatment Complete With X-Ray and Laboratory Testing
Gynecological Care With Private Dressing Area Pediatric Care
Cardiac Care - Electrocardiograms and Free Blood Pressure Evaluations
Physicals for Businesses and Schools Workman Compensation Care
Minor Surgery - Removal of Lesions and Suture of Lacerations (Stitches)
Allergy Testing and Treatment
Referral to Specialists For Additional Care Is Arranged When Appropriate
OFFICE HOURS:
Monday-Friday 8:30-5:00, Closed Wednesday Afternoon
Saturday 8:30-12 Noon
We Accept Various Insurances As Well As Credit Cards



THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS CLASSIFIEDS
ALWAYS A WINNER

Real Estate

3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car garage plus office. 1650 sq.ft. 3404 Kerrville. $75,000. Call 574-2668.

By Owner
160-acre cotton farm, 510 yield. 3-1¾-2 brick home. New paint & carpet, storm cellar. Some minerals. 1½ miles NE of Snyder. 806-780-6399

BY OWNER
4507 Galveston 3-2½-2, formal living room & pool. Great family neighborhood. 573-6496

BY OWNER
5603 CEDAR CREEK DR.
2,763 SQ.FT. RV GARAGE.
BE IN BEFORE CHRISTMAS.
573-9780

For Sale: 3718 Sunset Brick 3-1¾-1cp-FP, CH/A, washer/dryer connections, & large workshop. 806-748-5894, 806-893-3612

OWNER WILL FINANCE
2-1 home. Nice & clean. Low down payment. $200-$250 monthly. 806-790-0827

OWNER WILL FINANCE
3 bedroom, 1 bath, 1 car garage, w/patio, brick home, CH/A. 2803 38th 806-790-0827

Resorts

WATERFRONT 4/2/2 New Custom Home. Owner Relocating. Priced to Sell. $25,000 Below Cost. Restricted Subdivision Lake C-City. Wow! View Pictures On Line. Super Nice. www.chexpert.com/lakehouse or mpiland@chexpert.com 915-728-3422 or 915-728-2513

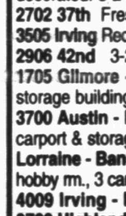
JACK & JACK
Realtors
611 Coliseum Dr
Ford Spikes, Owner/Broker
573-8571 573-3452

Corner 3-1¾-2 + RV shed + shop & other
Gorgeous Home 1986 Sq. Ft. on 12 + Acres
Lrg. Home Nice neighborhood 5-1¾ ..$59.5T
Shop Bldg. + 3 Lots 407 College & 2-1 Merrill
Stock Farm 146 Acres Near Dermott
REDUCED! 2510 Towle Park Rd 3-2-2cp, 1Acre
Mobile Home Site w/Privacy Fence 807 16th St.
5 Business Shopping Complex 606 Coliseum
2 Living Areas, 3-1¾-1+2cp....2111 43rd
Nice Storm Cellar 3-2-2cp 314 36th $37.5T
Good Floor Plan 3-1¾-2 4006 Jacksboro $54.9T
1.89 Acres 2-1-2cp South of Hermleigh.....$20T
80 acres 5 mi. SE of Hermleigh, 3-2-2 + office + shop & out building.....Call
20 Acres 4-1¾-2 Beautiful Pool & Yard
Stonewall Co. 1,315 acre cattle operation. Water well + 6 earth tanks. Deer, quail, turkey & hogs.....Call

We Will Work For YOU!
We Need Listings
Doris Spikes.....573-6602



Country Listing 4483 FM 1607
Close to town... 3 bedroom, 2 bath, on 2 acres.
A Must See! In the $60's



Call **Tresa Cornett** to view!
Heritage Homes Realtors
573-5056 (W) 512-771-7969 (C#)



Dolores Jones
Broker/Owner
573-5308

HERITAGE HOMES REALTORS



Faye Blackledge
Broker/Owner
573-1223

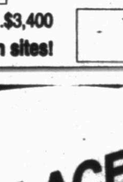
** 573-5056 **



Joan Tate
573-8773



Tresa Cornett
574-1024



Abel DeLoera
573-9353
"Se habla español"



Sherry DeLoera
573-9353



Shirley Drum
573-1550

3405 Snyder Shopping Center Suite B

EXCLUSIVE LISTINGS

5603 Cedar Creek - Buy of the Century Call
2601 35th - Great Floor Plan - 3-2½-2, Cabana w/hot tub, metal fence .....$100's
2901 Ave. M 1900's Victorian 2-story, 3-2, high ceilings, porch, on corner lot ....$30's
2212 Towle Park Updated & ready to enjoy! 3-2-2LA's, rock fireplace, dining, office $100's
2901 38th Large with possibilities 4-1 ..$35T
New Listing - Beautiful professionally decorated! 3-2-2 .....$90's
2702 37th Fresh & clean 3-2-cp .....$30's
3505 Irving Redone Contract Pending pp$40's
2906 42nd 3-2-1 .....$30's
1705 Gilmore - 2 story, 3-2-cp, pool, fenced, storage building .....$80's
3700 Austin - Roomy 3-2-2 living areas, FP, carport & storage .....$50's
Lorraine - Bank Acquired - 4-3½-2 lofts, office, hobby rm., 3 car gar., 5 acres Reduced $94.9T
4009 Irving - Nice - 3-2-2, shop ...$80's
3766 Highland INVESTORS 2-1 Low $20's
3112 Ave. X Updated 3-2-2 Motivated ..$100's
5501 Cedar Creek 3-2-2 .....$100's
Good Buy 3741 Highland 2-1-1 ....$25T
1804 39th 3-1, covered patio, needs TLC $37T
New on the Market 3-1-cp, Investors $25T
5404 Cedar Creek- Reduced 3-2½-2 LA's .$90's
2202 41st - CUTE 3-1, den .....$20's
3002 37th - Motivated Seller 2-1, rear cp $40's
2106 42nd 3-1-1 .....$30's
Hermleigh 3 bedroom house w/3 apartments $89T

LAND
Lot - Prime Location, Colonial Hills ..$3,400
Call about new home construction sites!

OTHER LISTINGS

1508 Preston Trail - Quality & Design 3-2-2LA's Double fireplace tile floors .Call
2510 Towel Park Rd. 3-2 ..Reduced $79T
513 34th Updated 2-1, Great rental prop. $20T
One of a kind! Custom, 2605 33rd ...Call

COUNTRY HOMES

4483 F.M. 1607 Country at its best!! Contract Pending 3-2-2cp 2 acres .....$60's
7507 FM 1607 - Great 3-2-den, FP, 5 A's $75T
2476 Uvalde Contract Pending Reduced $30's
New Listing Close in, 4-3, 3 acres ...$68T
S. 208- Custom 2-2, barn, shop w/10 A's Must See!
Reduced - Hermleigh - Good 80 acre farm 20 plus buildings, 3-3½-2 .....Call
C-City - 5 bedrooms with 10 acres $31.9T

LAKE PROPERTY

C-City - 2050 LCR 252 Brick doublewide plus small guest house .....$100's
New - Lake Champion - 3-1½-cp, dock, wood deck, shop, pool .....$50's

COMMERCIAL

401 37th Great Location for offices, salon, etc $47.5T
5109 College Comm. Lot 2 acres ...$90's
College Ave. Frontage, over 7 acres ..Call

We want your listing to reach all buyers!
Check out our new website - Updated Daily!
www.heritagehomesrealtors.com
E-Mail: HeritageHomes@snydertex.com

☆ **We Need Listings** ☆
Call Us Today!

GREAT PLACE TO BUY, SELL, TRADE OR RENT 573-5486

Rural cops use advanced wireless networks

SULPHUR SPRINGS (AP) — Officer Gina Wilburn was cruising down Radio Road when she spotted a blue Chevrolet sedan rolling through a stop sign.

Whipping a U-turn, Wilburn quickly pulled the car over and approached the woman behind the wheel.

It was a routine stop, just like hundreds Wilburn has made in five years on the Sulphur Springs police force. Except that instead of calling a dispatcher to pull up the driver's record, Wilburn clicked a few keys on a laptop computer.

Within seconds, Wilburn had the woman's driving record, car registration and the fact that she had no arrest warrants.

"That means she's clean," Wilburn said, tapping her pen on the screen. "No record. No tickets. Story of my life — I always stop the good ones."

A few moments later, the motorist was on her way with just a warning, and Wilburn was back on patrol.

Wilburn figured the stop was 10 to 15 minutes shorter than it would have been if she had to wait for a busy dispatcher to get the same information from the Texas Department of Public Safety computers in Austin.

Sulphur Springs, a northeast Texas town of 14,000 where the annual stew festival is a major civic event, is among the vanguard of rural police departments tapping directly into advanced wireless phone networks.

Local officials say the technology eventually will let them do even more, such as send pictures of suspects directly to officers' laptops, which seemed a pipe dream a few months ago.

Armed with a federal grant and some local money, the Sulphur Springs force of 20 patrol officers and five investigators installed a $165,000 system from Sherman-based Skystream Technologies.

Operating over Sprint PCS' so-called 3G or third-generation wireless network, the system allows nearly unlimited data to flow directly into the officers' laptops for transmission costs of about $450 a month.

Assistant Chief Robert Stidham said the system installed in September lets officers get information on suspects and vehicles in seconds instead of minutes.

"Police officers are very impatient," Stidham said. "This way, if an officer wants to run a driver's license or (check if a car has been reported) stolen, he doesn't have to bother that dispatcher. He can make his own call."

Stidham said the new system allows officers to communicate silently with typed messages instead of radios, which can be monitored by anyone with a police scanner.

Not to be overlooked, the assistant chief said, is that the system would also spare the city the expense of hiring another dispatcher because officers will run many of their own records checks.

Kelly Harris, who tracks police use of data technology for the Sacramento, Calif.-based National Consortium for Justice Information and Statistics, said Sulphur Springs is part of a trend of rural departments that are dismantling their old radio networks to save money.

"The air time for the new systems is expensive, but you don't have the same infrastructure costs," Harris said. "You're using the cellular provider's towers and networks. It comes out cheaper, especially for the smaller departments."

But cell-phone networks have drawbacks. Coverage can be spotty, especially in remote towns. Sulphur Springs is 75 miles east of Dallas but is fortunate to be located along a busy interstate highway and has good coverage, police officials say.

There are also concerns about the security of information transmitted over cell-phone networks.

Joe Passanisi, senior vice president of marketing for Skystream, says his company's system in Sulphur Springs and planned for other Texas towns, including Little Elm and Wilmer, features 128-bit encryption.

Information is transmitted in packets and put back together inside the recipient's computer, so only someone with the company's software could decode messages to officers or intercept someone's driving record, Passanisi said.

Civil-liberties groups are also monitoring the way police use increasingly sophisticated technology.

Stidham, the assistant chief, said he might direct officers to randomly enter license plates of cars parked at motels in search of stolen cars.

Such a practice would be time-consuming and impractical for a dispatcher but a snap for an officer with a laptop and high-speed link to law-enforcement data banks.

Crime scene TV puts heat on investigators

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — Ida Kehl's death at age 90 in her home was originally thought to be caused by heart disease. Family members weren't convinced.

A relative then saw a television show in which an elderly person was killed with a muscle relaxant. At the family's request, authorities re-examined autopsy tissue last summer and found the drug. Her death is now being investigated as a homicide.

The public's fascination with crime dramas, most recently "CSI: Miami" and "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," has people nudging and questioning real-life coroner's investigators and forensic scientists. It is unknown how many coroners are hearing more from the public, but some say more people are calling with increased expectations.

"The last thing we want to do is leave a question unanswered," said Dr. Michael Bell, vice president of the St. Louis-based National Association of Medical Examiners. "We're not always successful, but certainly if there are questions we want to address them."

Medical examiners and coroners say they received calls when the drama "Quincy, M.E." was televised in the 1970s and early 1980s. Now, as the CSI shows spotlight investigative techniques, people want their local investigators to do the same.

"Why don't you microscopically look at that fractured hair and tell how big the hammer was that hit my dad?" a caller asked Ken Betz, director of the Montgomery County coroner's office in Dayton.

"Family members and others will call and want to know the results and why did it take four weeks? They did it in an hour on television," Betz said.

James Baroni, investigator with the Ventura County Medical Examiner's Office in southern California, said relatives want to know why investigators cannot pinpoint an exact time of death or wonder why it takes them so long to get test results.

"It isn't uncommon for them to bring up CSI," he said.

He said it takes at least two weeks to get a DNA profile and up to four months to get toxicology results.

Richard Townsend of the Department of Public Safety Crime Lab in Salt Lake City said his investigators don't have all the high-tech equipment viewers see on the CSI shows.

He said he has never heard of some of the CSI techniques, such as using an electronic database to identify a perfume or pouring a substance into a wound to determine the exact shape of the knife.

Actor William Petersen, who portrays investigator Gil Grissom on "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," acknowledged differences between his show and real-life CSI investigators when he testified last year before the Senate Judiciary Committee in support of funding for crime labs.

Petersen said his CSI lab knows no budget constraints, has state-of-the-art equipment and enough employees to solve every crime within an episode. Many real crime labs have outdated equipment, not enough employees and mounting case backlogs, he said.

"Their reality is quite different than the manufactured world of my character and CSI," Petersen said.

Townsend and others, including assistant prosecutor Leon Daidone in Dayton, say they are concerned criminals may profit from the realistic scenarios.

"I fear in one way they're educating the bad guys on what to do and what not to do," Daidone said.

No one has been charged in Kehl's August 2001 death. Kehl's relatives declined comment, citing the ongoing investigation.

On the Net:
National Association of Medical Examiners: http://www.thename.org/

Texas food banks stress nutrition

DALLAS (AP) — Workers at the North Texas Food Bank agonized over what to do with a recent donation — five-gallon buckets of cake icing.

"It's just one of those things that you can't really turn away, because it's still usable food," said Amy Lopez, nutrition education manager for the food bank.

But there was something troubling about giving the frosting to a needy family.

"That's really not what our mission is, handing out buckets of frosting to people who are probably the most at risk for all kinds of health problems," said Jan Pruitt, the food bank's executive director.

Traditionally, food banks like Pruitt's operated on poundage and didn't particularly worry about whether the food had any nutritional value.

Now, food banks are taking on a new role. They are educating the families they serve about nutrition and the health benefits of a balanced diet.

"The focus is beginning to change," Pruitt said. "It's not 'Just go out and get more and more pounds.' It's about getting a bang for a buck. Quality calories for people."

In 1996 the NTFB partnered with Share Our Strength, a national anti-hunger nonprofit, which had developed a curriculum called Operation Frontline.

Taught by volunteer professional chefs and nutritionists, the four- to six-week course teaches nutrition, cooking skills, food budgeting and food safety. The participants are those at risk of hunger, including children, families, seniors and people with HIV or AIDS.

Now, Operation Frontline classes are taught in Dallas, Houston and about a dozen other cities, mostly in the Northeast.

On a recent Wednesday, 13 women gathered in the activity center of a government-funded retirement community for low-income seniors.

Snacking on grapes, crackers and cheese set out on the long tables, the seniors exchanged greetings, their gentle voices intermingling with the clamorous banging of pots and pans from the adjoining kitchen.

Carrots, potatoes and celery spilled out of grocery bags on the counters in the modern kitchen, waiting to be chopped and cooked with the day's recipe of roasted herb chicken and vegetables.

Volunteer workers set out cutting boards on the center island for the project of the day — cutting up a whole chicken.

Splitting a whole chicken into ten pieces is cheaper than buying the pieces separately, chef Jack Leath told the women.

"I've never cut up a chicken myself," 74-year-old Diana Small whispered to one of her classmates as Leath split the chicken cleanly down the backbone.

Another chef, Cassondra Armstrong, warned the women about the caloric dangers of holiday eating.

"Remember that holiday meal, that once-a-year meal, you're eating enough for three whole days," she said. "So watch yourself before you wreck yourself."

Armstrong said a typical Thanksgiving meal packs 5,000 to 6,000 calories. The recommended caloric intake for an adult male is about 2,000 a day.

"But that's just once a year. I like to eat. I eat like a farmhand," said Small, whose petite figure belies her appetite.

Dorothy Lowe, 64, said she would try to eat smaller portions this holiday season.

"I feel like I want to be around for my grandkids and great-grandkids, and to do that, I need to eat right and exercise," Lowe said. "I knew Thanksgiving was bad, but I didn't know it was that bad."

Those who attend the Operation Frontline classes are rewarded with a bag of groceries at the end of each class.

"It teaches them some new tricks to an old trade, in addition to having them take groceries home to prepare themselves. They have such wonderful reports after having them do that," Armstrong said.

Participants say they've made changes in their food habits because of Operation Frontline classes.

Lucille Belford, 62, said that although she drank plenty of water and ate a lot of fruit, she's realized that some things could change.

"I learned that butter is better for me than margarine," she said. Although some scientists have long considered margarine to be healthier than butter, a recent study found that stick margarine can increase the risk of heart disease.

However, changes in eating habits come slowly.

"I didn't throw out the margarine I already had," Belford said. "I have to use it up and then start over."

CARDS OF THANKS

THANK YOU

A big thank you to our friends and fellow neighbors for all the food, cards, calls, flowers, and concerns during our time of sorrow. We are blessed to be surrounded by such caring people. May God bless you.

Thank you kindly,
The Don Massingill Family

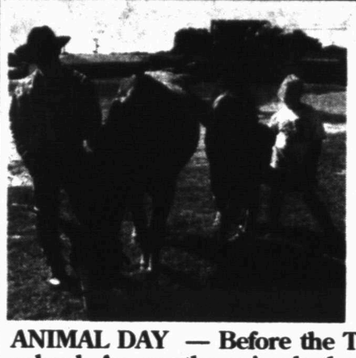
THANK YOU

The family of Bobby Davidson wishes to express our thanks and appreciation to our friends and neighbors for their kind expressions of sympathy, food, cards, and flowers during the recent passing of our beloved brother and uncle.

And a special thank you to Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Earl & Carol Davenport
Andrea Kight Alan Hamilton

DEC 1 2002





ANIMAL DAY — Before the Thanksgiving break, Stanfield students enjoyed pet day at the school. Among the animals the students became acquainted with were a horse, a kitten and an iguana. (SDN Photos By Shirley A. Gorman)

United Airlines appears headed to bankruptcy, some analysts say

CHICAGO (AP) — Wall Street analysts say it appears all but certain that struggling United Airlines will soon be forced to restructure under bankruptcy-court protection as its cash reserves dwindle.

The grim outlook — even as management made a last-ditch effort to rescue a cost-cutting plan — became drastically worse after the carrier's mechanics late Wednesday rejected a key component of the financial recovery plan.

The plan is considered vital to United's application for a $1.8 billion loan guarantee from the federal government. Without the loan guarantee, United has said it would have no choice but to file for bankruptcy.

Wall Street on Friday reacted just as grimly. Shares in United parent UAL Corp. plunged $1.12, or 31 percent, to close at $2.51 in heavy trading on the New York Stock Exchange. The stock has lost 92 percent of its value since before the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

United, the world's second largest airline, has been struggling since the attacks to reverse multimillion-dollar losses each day. The carrier has reduced service and has laid off 20,000 workers in the face of a weak economy and sharply reduced spending by business travelers.

United said Friday officials have restarted negotiations with union leaders to try to fashion a wage-cuts package that would be palatable to its mechanics — the last group resisting proposed steep reductions in wages and benefits.

But with hefty debt payments and other challenges looming, there's almost no time left for United to find the financial backing it needs to avoid filing for bankruptcy-court protection from its creditors.

"The mechanics' vote makes bankruptcy virtually inevitable for United and UAL," said credit analyst Philip Baggaley of Standard & Poor's, which downgraded the company's long-term corporate debt rating deeper into junk status.

Other airline experts concurred, and United reiterated its intention to file for protection under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy code if it can't get mechanics to swiftly go along with their roughly $600 million share of a targeted $5.2 billion in companywide labor cuts over 51/2 years.

"We need to reach that amount that we already agreed upon (with a coalition of union leaders) if we're going to get a government loan guarantee," United spokesman Jeff Green said.

The Machinists' union said late Friday no formal negotiations had been held. A meeting is scheduled with United officials Sunday to discuss the rejection of the tentative agreement. "We will explore options that allow for District 141-M participation in United's out-of-court recovery," said Scotty Ford, president of the mechanics' unit.

Even if mechanics vote again quickly and opt to accept wage cuts, as their US Airways counterparts did in reversing course this fall, United's application for a loan guarantee was put in jeopardy by Wednesday's vote setback. A ruling is expected any day on the guarantee, which cash-poor United says it needs to obtain $2 billion in private loans.

United's pilots insisted the airline still has a chance to avoid bankruptcy and urged the federal panel to grant the loan guarantees.

"We are convinced that the process for an out-of-court recovery for United Airlines is not over," United's pilots union said in a statement. "We encourage all parties to continue their hard work in solving the open issues."

The airline faces a tough decision on whether it has sufficient cash to make a $375 million debt payment Monday, although under a grace period it could push that back to Dec. 16. Its cash reserves are believed to be around $1 billion and on a pace to run out this winter.

The other impending deadline for United is Dec. 31, when wage-cutting agreements accepted by its pilots and other employee groups expire unless mechanics join the others in ratifying concessions.

The effects of a bankruptcy filing likely would have a profound impact on the airline industry.

Thursday Evenings Only From 4:30 to Closing
FAJITAS FOR 2 - $12.49 or
Your Choice of Single Fajitas (Chicken or Beef) $6.29
DAILY SPECIALS - $3.99
Winter Hours
Mon - Thur 11-2 & 4:30-8
Fri 11-2 & 4:30-8:30
Sat 11-8:30
Closed Sun
JARAMILLO'S MEXICAN FOOD
102A E. Coliseum 573-9253
Most Major Credit Cards Accepted
Come out and try us...you'll be glad you did

Financial Focus

Does Annuity Payout from 401(k) Make Sense for You?

If you have a 401(k) plan where you work, you'll have an important decision to make upon your retirement. Specifically, how should you take your 401(k) money? You'll want to make the right choice — because it can make a big difference in your life. Let's consider the distribution options available to you:

You can take the money as a lump sum — Many plans require participants to take their 401(k) in a lump sum distribution — and many people choose lump sums, even when they have a choice. If you need a large sum of money immediately upon retirement, taking a lump sum may be right for you. However, your plan will immediately withhold 20 percent for taxes, and you may have to pay more later.

•You can leave the money in your plan — Not all 401(k) plans offer this option. But if it's available, it may be a good choice for you if you like the investment options in your 401(k) and if the plan allows you to withdraw funds as often as you need after you retire. You will have to start making withdrawals by age 70 1/2.

•You can move your money into an IRA — If you move your 401(k) into a "Rollover IRA," your money will continue to grow on a tax-deferred basis, and you will avoid the 20 percent federal withholding. You can withdraw money as you need it, subject to IRA minimum distribution rules, and you'll pay income tax only on the amount you withdraw. (Withdrawals before age 59½ may be subject to a 10 percent early withdrawal penalty.) Plus, you can fund your IRA with virtually any type of investment — stocks, bonds, government securities, etc.

Your final distribution option is to convert your 401(k) into a lifetime annuity, purchased from a private insurance company. Not all plans offer this choice, but if they do, it is an option worth considering for one reason alone: It offers you an income stream you can't outlive. Every month, for the rest of your life, you will receive a check for the same amount of money - even if the cumulative payments exceed the amount you paid into your 401(k).

Furthermore, you can extend your annuity over the course of two lifetimes. Thus, when you die, your spouse will start receiving the monthly payments. As is the case with IRA withdrawals, your annuity payments are subject to ordinary income tax.

Clearly, a lifetime source of income may be of great value to you - especially when you consider that you could easily spend two or three decades in retirement. At the same time, you'll need to take into account two possible drawbacks to taking your 401(k) distribution as an annuity. First, your payments will not be indexed for inflation, so, over time, you will lose purchasing power. And second, there's no death benefit to this annuity — when you and your spouse pass on, the payments stop.

Ultimately, you'll have to look at your overall financial picture before you decide if taking your 401(k) distribution as an annuity is a good idea for you. If, after reviewing your situation, you identify a need for a regular source of income, the annuity may be a possibility. But if you know that you'll have enough money coming in from a variety of sources, and you want to maximize the assets you leave to your beneficiaries, you might want to consider other distribution options.

It's your choice - so make it a good one.

Man lights up town with display

NEW CASTLE, Del. (AP) — There's no sleigh in the driveway, but a rusting blue Ford pickup with a license tag reads "Santa C."

Rich Faucher, neighborhood Santa Claus, works his own magic with cables, motors, steel rods, pipes, wood, plastic figurines, garlands and lights.

Every holiday season he tries to top the Christmas display he presented the year before at his New Castle home. On the day after Thanksgiving, he turns it on.

"In order to stay creative, you've got to challenge yourself," said Faucher, who works at the Boeing helicopter factory in Ridley Park, Pa.

Just how many lights? Faucher said he hit the million mark a few years ago, but otherwise doesn't get caught up in numbers.

Some might think Faucher's display is kitschy and over the top; for others, it's a must-see tradition. For Faucher, 44, it's a big birthday party and everyone is invited.

"I think it's a great thing," said neighbor Mike Chupka, 26.

Faucher's tradition began 23 years ago when he and his wife, Linda, were living in New Jersey and celebrating the birth of their first child. Faucher drove his infant daughter around to look at Christmas lights, but didn't find many.

"I was a new dad and I was frustrated," said Faucher, who promptly headed to a hardware store, bought 10,000 lights, and decorated the front of his apartment building.

"It just kept growing and growing, and before you know it, we got big tourist buses," said Linda, 40.

Faucher now begins planning his Christmas displays in the heat of summer.

"It consumes most of my time between September and February," he said.

Faucher said his favorite decorations are the 10-foot-high stockings he welded for each of his six children. The display changes every year, but the stockings are a fixture.

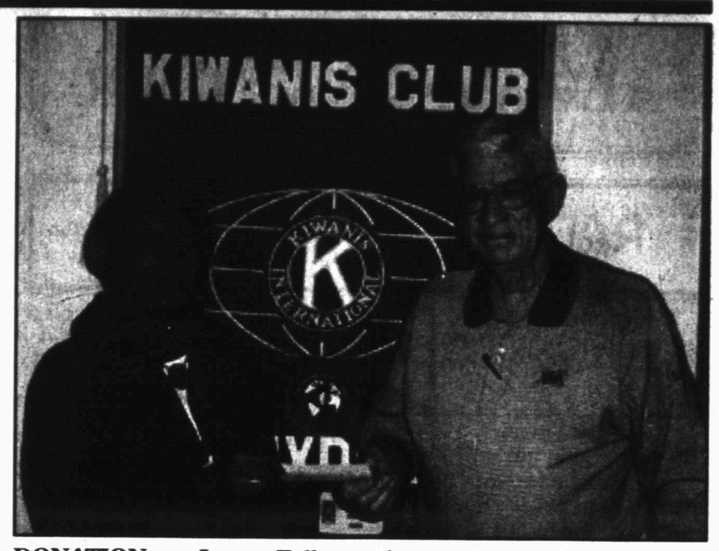
"That's kind of a personal thing," he said. "No matter how big it gets, I'll always be just a dad who's doing it for my kids."

The display is powered by a pair of 200-amp service units Faucher installed with the help of his father, an electrician, and run by a remote control.

When the display is complete and the lights are on, a costumed Faucher takes his place in a small garage transformed by his daughters into Santa's hut, listening to the dreams of hundreds of children.

"You'd be amazed at what a child asks Santa Claus," said Faucher.

And every Christmas Eve, Faucher prays.



DONATION — Larry Falls, assistant chaplin for the Price Daniel Unit, presented a program for the Kiwanis Club about the Inmate Christmas Fund. President Paula Bond then presented the program with a $200 donation. (Contributed Photo)

CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS 2002
TOY APPLICATION

Family Name _____
Street Address _____
Phone# (required) _____
Total Monthly Family Income $ _____
(work) ___SSI ___TANF ____SS ____VA _____

For each child in your home, please list 3 toys that they would like for Christmas. We do not give clothes and shoes, so please do not list these. We ask that you only list children (through age 16) that physically live in your household in Scurry County.

Child #1 Name _____
age _____circle: male female
1 _____2 _____
3 _____
Child #2 Name _____
age _____circle: male female
1 _____2 _____
3 _____
Child #3 Name _____
age _____circle: male female
1 _____2 _____
3 _____
Child #4 Name _____
age _____circle: male female
1 _____2 _____
3 _____
Child #5 Name _____
age _____circle: male female
1 _____2 _____
3 _____
Child #6 Name _____
age _____circle: male female
1 _____2 _____
3 _____
Child #7 Name _____
age _____circle: male female
1 _____2 _____
3 _____

Keep this bottom portion for your information. Please send the above application to: **Christmas For Kids P.O. Box 1202 Snyder, TX 79550-1202.** Toys will be distributed on Saturday, December 21st and Monday, December 23rd. If your application is accepted, you will receive a phone call informing you of the date and time to pick up your children's toys. **You will ONLY be contacted by phone.** Please list a phone # above even if it is only for us to leave a message. **The last day to accept applications will be Wednesday, December 11, 2002.** When toys are picked up. please bring the following: driver's license or ID card, proof of income for each person, proof of address, each child's SS card and birth certificate. For more information, contact: Judi Martin at 573-7556

Gunman kills one, wounds three others

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) — A gunman fired through a window into a Thanksgiving party, killing a 5-year-old boy and injuring three others.

A gunman stood on the front lawn and opened fire at close range into a large crowd inside the home, neighbors said. Neighbors said they heard about eight gunshots in rapid succession.

The gunman fled.

At least three generations of one family lived in the home, neighbors said.

A critically injured 14-year-old girl was in surgery late Thursday night at Madigan Army Medical Center.



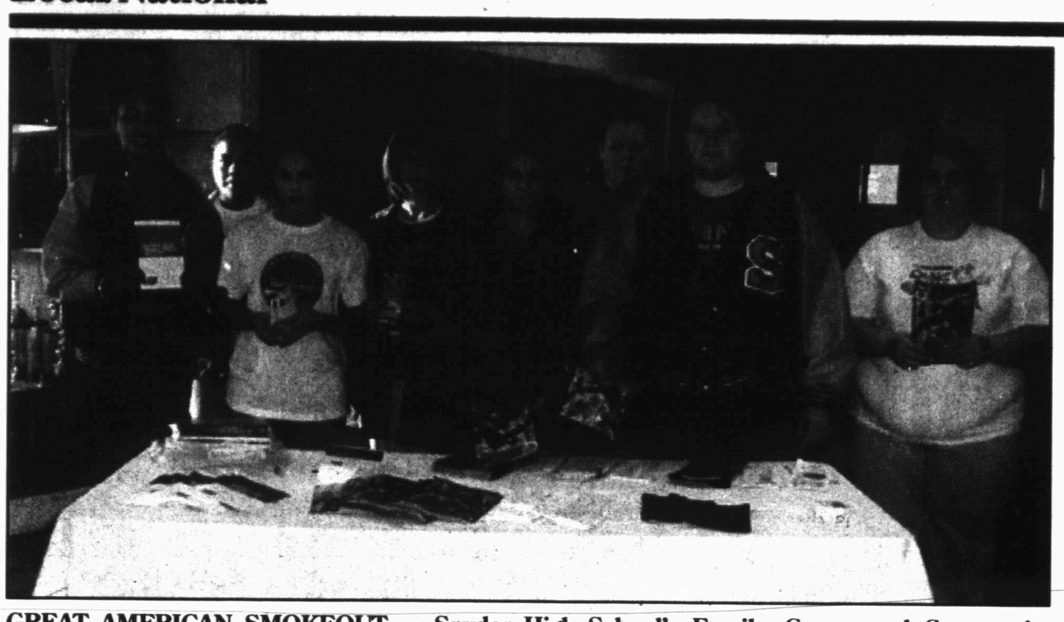
You're invited to a holiday open house.
The true meaning of the holidays is giving thanks for our families and friends. Please stop by so we can Show our appreciation for you and your confidence in us.
Drawings for door prizes!
Refreshments will be served.
Date: DECEMBER 10
Time: 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Location: EDWARD JONES 4204 COLLEGE AVE
TIM RIGGAN & TRENT DRIGGERS AND OFFICE STAFF
4204 College Ave. Box 1153
Snyder, TX 79550
1-800-441-3096 915-573-4055
www.edwardjones.com

Tim Riggan

Trent Driggers
Member SPC
Edward Jones
Serving Individual Investors Since 1871
www.edwardjones.com

This Week's Special
Lane Recliner Sale
Big Man with Massage Unit
$399

WAREHOUSE FURNITURE
"We'll Save You Money"
1814 VARSITY SQUARE
90 DAYS SAME AS CASH - 6 MONTHS FREE LAYAWAY



GREAT AMERICAN SMOKEOUT — Snyder High School's Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) chapter operated a special booth during last week's Great American Smokeout. Students handed out anti-smoking stickers and literature. From left are Taz Moorehead, Nalley Garza, Veronica Aguilar, Krista-Anne Burleson, Kristen Courtney, Kim Walker, Tammi Walker, Janie Hembree and Valorie Kay. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Plaque sets the record straight

DENVER (AP) — For nearly a century, the 1864 massacre of more than 150 Arapaho and Cheyenne women, children and elderly at Sand Creek was memorialized as a victory for Union forces in the Civil War.

But on Friday, a plaque was installed at the Civil War Memorial at Colorado's State Capitol that set the record straight.

"This is as close to an official apology for the massacre that occurred 138 years ago (Friday) as is possible," said former state Sen. Bob Martinez, who led the campaign to tell the true story.

A memorial erected at the Capitol in 1909 by the Pioneer's Association called the massacre by the Colorado militia on Nov. 29, 1864, a victory for Union forces in the Civil War.

"It is a great day today," said Laird Cometsevah, president of the Southern Cheyenne Sand Creek Descendants Association and a tribal chief.

"I think this is something we needed to do to help bring healing," said rancher Bill Dawson, who owns much of the land where the massacre occurred.

Robert Tabor, chief tribal chairman the Cheyenne Arapaho of Oklahoma, also welcomed the plaque and the decision to create a national historic site near the killing fields outside Chivington, 180 miles southeast of Denver.

"We still need the truth to be told in our schools," he added.

The memorial began with a 15-mile healing run Thursday.

At the time of the attack, settlers in Denver were terrified the Confederacy would use Indians as surrogates. Anti-Indian sentiment was fanned when the scalps of a family killed by a roving band of Indians were put on display in Denver.

Many Indians, deprived of their traditional, hunting grounds, were starving. "I now think a little powder and lead is the best food for them," said Colorado Territorial Gov. John Evans in July 1864.

While offering an amnesty to peaceful Indians, Evans authorized Col. John Chivington to attack them. Chivington, a lay Methodist minister, was known as "the fighting parson" for defeating Confederate forces from Texas in an ambush at Apache Canyon in New Mexico. He led 1,000 men in a dawn attack on Arapahos and Cheyennes who were camped at a site where they had been told to go by the U.S. Cavalry.

Evans was fired by President Lincoln and Congress condemned the attack, but Chivington and others involved were never punished.

The Sand Creek memorial erected in 1909 includes a soldier atop a square carrying a Sharps carbine and saber, with two cannons in front. It listed Sand Creek as one of the 22 Civil War battles fought by Union forces.

The federal government is acquiring land for the national historical site. Negotiations are under way.

Minneapolis-based Southwest Entertainment Inc., which operates two casinos for tribes in Oklahoma, is buying some of the land to make it available for the historical site.



EAST DIABETES WALK — East Elementary raised $3,187.50 for the American Diabetes Association through its October fundraiser. Lupe Garza raised the most money, $410.22; followed by Demetri Gunderson, $267; and Alexia Hernandez, $218. Coach Kenneth Parker coordinated the event. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Hit and run death still unsolved

NEW YORK (AP) — Hundreds of thousands of total strangers who drive through the Lincoln Tunnel between New York and New Jersey know the details of Douglas Dibble's too-short life.

Through fliers and posters plastered near the tunnel, they know the man with the close-cropped hair was born in 1966. They've seen family photos of Dibble with his wife and 2-year-old daughter. They know where, when and how he died: 7:35 p.m., Nov. 30, 2001, corner of 40th Street and Dyer Avenue, hit-and-run driver.

But nobody seems to know who killed him.

Dibble, 35, was fatally injured one year ago outside the Lincoln Tunnel.

And though 21 million vehicles have come through the tunnel in the 12 months since, not a single witness has emerged.

"It boggles my mind that no one saw anything to give us a good lead," said Detective Sgt. Anthony Brazicki of the Port Authority police. "We've turned over every stone."

Brazicki said it's possible the hit-and-run was accidental, with a bus or truck never knowing it had struck Dibble.

Dibble had just left his job as an assistant professor in the Hunter College Department of Art when he was struck and killed on Dyer Avenue, a grimy strip of Hell's Kitchen beneath a bus ramp.

The sudden death rocked his young family and the school, which immediately put up a $1,000 reward.

Along with the reward, more than a dozen appeals for help were glued to the walls along Dyer Avenue. There's a family portrait, shots of Dibble giving his daughter a piggyback ride — each one heart-wrenching.

DEC 01 2002

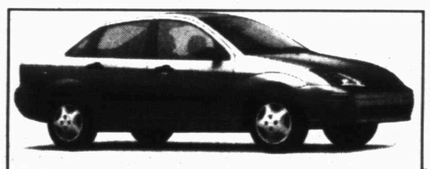
COLD-WEATHER BUYS

Old Man Winter can't stop these high-performance vehicles.
Be sure to get yours before the snow flies, at season-low prices.

1998 Saturn SL2
Clean, low miles, leather
Cash Price $9,482.86
$197 Month
10.69% for 48 months
25% Down + TT&L WAC.

2001 Ford Focus SE
4 Dr. 2 to choose from
Cash Price $9,680.33
$175 Month
7.5% for 60 months
10% Down + TT&L WAC.

2000 Olds Intrigue
Power windows/locks, CD, alum. wheels, new tires
Cash Price $9,257.54
$154 Month
8.59% for 60 months,
25% Down + TT&L WAC.



2002 Ford Focus SE
+ FREE 5 Year/100,000K Powertrain Warranty
Cash Price $9,680.33
$210 Month
1.90% for 72 months
10% Down + TT&L WAC.



2002 Ford Ranger XLT Reg. Cab
Cash Price $15,196.58
$199 Month
1.90% for 72 months,
10% Down + TT&L WAC.



2003 Ford F150 Reg. Cab
Cash Price $19,527.28
$279 Month
4.90% for 72 months
10% Down + TT&L WAC.



2002 Ford Escort ZX2
Auto, A/C, Spoiler
Cash Price $14,782.84
$199 Month
2.90% for 72 months
10% Down + TT&L WAC.



1999 Pontiac Gr. Prix SE 4 Dr.
Power win./locks, CD, New Tires. Cash Price $9,953.51
$165 Month
8.5% for 60 months,
25% Down + TT&L WAC.



1999 Honda Accord
Coupe, Auto, CD, Power Windows/locks. 1 Owner
Cash Price $10,801.93
$179 Month
8.5% for 60 months
25% Down + TT&L WAC.

1-800-545-5019
915-573-6352

WILSON MOTORS
YOUR TRANSPORTATION HEADQUARTERS FOR OVER 40 YEARS
Wilson's Guarantee: "We won't be undersold on F Series Pickups."
www.wilsonmtrs.com or www.ford.com
East Hwy. 180 - Across from Coliseum Snyder, Texas

FORD
LINCOLN
MERCURY

SPORTS

Longhorns crush Aggies; Slocum's future in doubt

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum has heard the drumbeat to fire him all season. Losing big to rival Texas won't calm things down.

The 10th-ranked Longhorns rolled to a 50-20 victory Friday in a game of redemption for quarterback Chris Simms that raised even more questions about Slocum's future with the Aggies.

While Simms was passing for 278 yards and three touchdowns, Slocum had to be wondering if his 14-year tenure at A&M will soon end.

"Anytime you lose a game by that score it stinks," Slocum said.

The Aggies committed a season-high six turnovers in the 109th meeting in the rivalry.

Slocum's 123 wins are the most in school history but the Aggies (6-6, 3-5 Big 12) are just 29-23 over the last four years. They finished with their first losing season in league play since 1984 and the days of the old Southwest Conference.

Slocum has said he won't quit. University president Robert Gates gave Slocum a vote of confidence last month but left his future in the hands of a new athletic director to be hired later.

"I'm disappointed — and that's as mild as I can put it — about this season," Slocum said, "and I look forward to going back to work.

"There is no question in my mind about my intent to coach the team in a bowl game, or my intent to coach the team next season or for many seasons to come."

Slocum and the Aggies had a tough week, having to play Texas just four days after freshman defensive tackle Brandon Fails died suddenly in his dorm.

Fails' was to be buried Saturday and his teammates wore stickers with his No. 89 on their helmets.

"Without a doubt, we had a major distraction with a young man's death," Slocum said. "I wouldn't want in any way to somehow attribute this loss to losing this player. That wouldn't be fair to his family."

When Simms came to Texas (10-2, 6-2) in 1999 he brought with him expectations of Big 12 and national titles and even a Heisman Trophy.

He will end his career without any of those.

Instead, Simms and Texas will have to be satisfied with doing something no Texas quarterback had done in 55 years: leading the Longhorns to three straight victories over the Aggies.

Simms, 3-1 in his career against the Aggies, is the first Texas quarterback to win three in a row over A&M since Bobby Layne in the 1940s.

He made his final home game, in front of 83,711 at Royal-Memorial Stadium, a memorable one. He'll leave Texas 15-0 as a starter at home.

"I know everybody back home in New Jersey was watching," said Simms, whose father, Phil, helped the New York Giants win the 1987 Super Bowl. "I had to put that last one good showing on TV. It's tough to explain — I almost started crying before the game when I had to hug my mom, but it ended up being a great day."

Simms had to answer to his own critics, even during a season in which he passed for a school-record 24 touchdowns and 2,938 yards, second best in school history.

"He's meant a lot to this program," Texas coach Mack Brown said. "He took a lot of undue criticism, but his standards were different than others."

Texas broke open a tight game with 27 straight points in the second half.

Roy Williams caught touchdown passes of 75 and 38 yards from Simms, Michael Huff returned an interception 28 yards for a TD, and Nathan Vasher went 60 yards with a punt return to score.

The Aggies couldn't recover from the turnovers, including four by quarterback Dustin Long that led to 16 points for Texas.

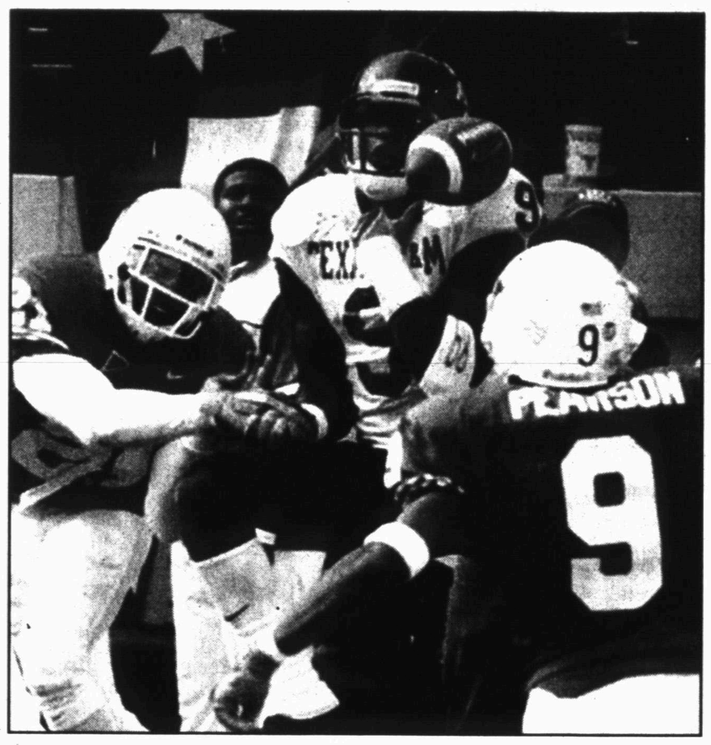
Texas led 9-0 in the first quarter after the Aggies turned the ball over on their first three possessions. Dusty Mangum kicked field goals of 37, 41 and 28 yards.

Simms cranked it up in the second. B.J. Johnson took a short pass on a crossing route, broke Byron Jones' tackle and raced 44 yards for a touchdown.

After forcing a punt on A&M's next possession, Texas needed just one more play to find the end zone again. Williams burned Jones on a slant, hauled in Simms' pass on his hip and coasted in for the 75-yard score.

Simms connected with Williams again in the fourth on a perfect strike into the end zone after another Aggies turnover.

Williams finished with 149 yards on six catches. The junior said he'll wait until after Texas' bowl game to announce whether he'll leave early for the NFL.



PICKED APART — Texas defenders Rod Babers (21) and Dakarai Pearson (9) pressures Texas A&M receiver Bethel Johnson (9) as he bobbles a pass in the endzone during the second quarter in Austin Friday. Pearson made an interception on the play as the Longhorns rolled to a 50-20 win. (AP Photo)

Miller out-duels Jordan; Kobe scores 45 in OT win

By the Associated Press

Maybe it was the last wild shootout between two of the NBA's greatest clutch players.

And this time, Reggie Miller got the best of Michael Jordan.

The 37-year-old Miller scored 17 of his 25 points in the decisive third quarter to lead the Indiana Pacers past Jordan and the Washington Wizards 100-84 on Friday night.

"He makes the big shots. He changes the momentum of the game," said Jordan, who will retire at the end of this season. "They went from eight points down in the third to six points up. It was all from his play."

Playing only his third game of the season after returning from a bone bruise on his right ankle, Miller hit three 3-pointers in a 50-second span of the third quarter. After the third one, he backpedaled on defense and stared at Jordan, who was sitting on the baseline.

What Miller couldn't say with words, he said with his eyes: Come out and play.

"I would never say that to the all-time greatest player ... ever," Miller said, laughing. "But I was thinking it."

Jordan returned to the game and hit a jumper to give Washington a 66-65 lead, but Miller answered with two free throws. Jordan hit another 18-footer, but that was Washington's last lead.

Ron Artest sank the go-ahead free throws to make it 69-68 and Miller nailed another 3 as the Pacers ended the third ahead 78-73.

"Someone had to do something," Miller said. "It was my night tonight and things were going for me. I just did enough for us to get back in the game and the young guys took over."

Jordan, who will turn 40 in February, finished with 14 points in 30 minutes one night after saying there was "zero chance" he will play next season.

Artest added 21 points for the Pacers, who have the best record in the East at 13-2. After handing Dallas its first loss of the season Thursday night, Indiana made 35 of 36 free throws and improved to 9-1 at home.

Lakers 112, Grizzlies 106, OT

Kobe Bryant scored eight of his 45 points in overtime to lead Los Angeles.

It was Memphis' first regular-season game against Los Angeles since former Lakers star and general manager Jerry West came out of retirement to become president of the Grizzlies in April.

Shaquille O'Neal tied it at 98 with a free throw with 11 seconds left in regulation. He had 33 points and 13 rebounds.

76ers 106, Cavaliers 99

Allen Iverson scored 29 points and took over in the final two minutes as Philadelphia withstood a furious fourth-quarter comeback to send the Cavs to their 13th consecutive loss.

Rookie guard Dajuan Wagner scored 29 points for the Cavs, who have lost 14 straight to Philadelphia.

Raptors 98, Celtics 95

Morris Peterson scored a career-high 31 points and Vince Carter added 23 in his first start since Nov. 2 as Toronto snapped a six-game losing streak.

Antoine Walker tied a season high with 31 points for the Celtics, who had their four-game winning streak snapped.

It was Carter's second game back after missing 10 games with a strained quadriceps muscle in his left knee.

Hawks 100, Heat 94, OT

Shareef Abdur-Rahim scored 29 points as the Hawks rallied from an 11-point deficit in the fourth quarter and beat Miami in overtime.

Miami's Mike James hit a 3-pointer with 3.6 seconds left in regulation to tie it at 88.

Pistons 96, Bucks 91

Richard Hamilton scored 20 points and Ben Wallace added 12 points and 21 rebounds for Detroit.

Wallace grabbed at least 20 rebounds for the fourth time in his last six games as the Pistons improved to 7-1 at home.

Jazz 95, Timberwolves 77

Matt Harpring set a career high for the second straight game with 33 points as Utah won its sixth straight.

Coming off his previous high of 30 points against the Clippers on Tuesday night, Harpring made his first seven shots — primarily against Kevin Garnett, who is 4 inches taller.

Warriors 92, Nuggets 82

Earl Boykins scored 20 points and had six of his seven steals during a key run in the third quarter to help Golden State overcome a 21-point deficit. Gilbert Arenas added 27 points and seven assists for the Warriors.

Suns 94, Spurs 87

Stephon Marbury scored 43 points — his biggest output since joining the Suns before last season — as Phoenix rallied to beat San Antonio.

Marbury had a team-record 26 points in the fourth quarter in his biggest game since he scored a career-high 50 for New Jersey on Feb. 13, 2001, against the Lakers.

Kings 107, Clippers 94

Bobby Jackson scored a career-high 31 points and Doug Christie had a season-high 25 as the short-handed Kings improved to 8-0 at home.

With Peja Stojakovic and Hedo Turkoglu joining three injured teammates in street clothes, Sacramento dressed the NBA-minimum eight players. Chris Webber scored 16 points despite a severe case of the flu.

Rockets 83, Sonics 72

Steve Francis scored 13 of his 21 points in the third quarter for Houston.

The SuperSonics have lost six of seven after opening the season 8-2. It spoiled a milestone night for point guard Gary Payton, who became the franchise leader with 964 regular-season games, passing Fred Brown (1971-84).

Sports Briefs

Baseball booster club

The baseball booster club will meet Tuesday night at 7 in the film room.

Cardinals hire firm to build new ballpark

ST. LOUIS (AP) — An Indianapolis firm that has built eight of the last 11 major league ballparks will build the St. Louis Cardinals' new stadium.

Hunt Construction Group Inc. was selected Wednesday over three other contractors, said John Loyd, hired by the Cardinals to oversee the new stadium's construction.

Champ to fight Klitschko in early spring

HAMBURG, Germany — Lennox Lewis is set to defend his WBC title against Vitaly Klitschko, with the bout expected to take place in late February or early March.

Lewis manager Adrian Ogun said Friday the site and exact time will be set as soon as possible.

Klitschko, a Ukrainian who trains in Hamburg, is ranked No. 2 by the WBC. He positioned himself for the bout with a knockout of Larry Donald on Saturday.

Tech assistant in the running for Houston job

HOUSTON (AP) — Two NFL assistants and an assistant at Texas Tech have emerged in the search for a new Houston coach.

Houston athletic director Dave Maggerd has talked with Buffalo Bills assistant Tommy Kaiser and San Diego Chargers assistant Clarence Shelmon, according to KRIV-TV.

Maggerd also has interviewed Tech assistant Art Briles, according to the report.

Els tops leaderboard at Nedbank

SUN CITY, South Africa (AP) — Ernie Els shot a 7-under-par 65 to take a one-stroke lead over Chris DiMarco after two rounds of the $4.06 million Nedbank Golf Challenge.

The winner of the elite, 12-player event will earn $2 million, the richest first prize in golf.

Els, playing in his home country, had an eagle on the 17th hole and is at 135. DiMarco is next after a second straight 68. Darren Clarke rebounded with a 67 and is third at 139.

Mets owe NYC back rent

The Mets might owe the city $1 million in back rent for Shea Stadium, the *New York Post* reported Thursday.

The Mets pay about $10 million in rent each year, but the amount fluctuates based on attendance and revenue.

Dave Howard, the Mets' senior vice president for business and legal affairs, told the *Post* that he did not think the team owed as much as the city estimated.

Smith put on paid leave by Panthers

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Carolina Panthers running back Lamar Smith, charged Thursday night with drunken driving, was put on paid leave by the team for the rest of the season.

Smith will be paid because the team had no other choice. Under league rules, the Panthers could not have released him because of his arrest.

Even if they could have waived Smith, they would have had to pay his weekly salary of $41,176 for each of the remaining five games.

IOC puts off killing baseball until 2004

MEXICO CITY (AP) — International Olympic Committee put off a debate on kicking baseball, softball and modern pentathlon out of the 2008 games in Beijing.

The IOC voted to delay a decision until after the 2004 Athens Olympics.

PUBLIC FAX SERVICE
Fax Number
573-0044
Sending: $1.95 First Page
$1 Thereafter
Receiving: 75¢ Per Page
Snyder Daily News
3600 College Ave.
573-5486

IT'S TIME FOR A CHANGE
• Up to 38¢ cpm
• No forced NE or Canada
• 1 yr. OTR, 23 yrs. old
• CDL w/HazMat required
• No loading or unloading
• Guaranteed home policy
• 2000 or newer Conventionals
Owner Operators Welcome
PTL
1-800-848-0405

Laser Vision Correction
Latest Technology for Vision Correction.
Are you a candidate?
• Free Prescription analysis • Video & Brochures available
• Free information • We provide complete pre and post operative care
Bryan Cave, O.D.
Cogdell Center
Snyder, Texas
(915) 573-5571
Mon., Wed., Fri. 9-5
Tues., Thurs., 9-6

SPORTS

Texans look to stay on track

HOUSTON (AP) — Win a big game, lose ugly. Win another big game, lose uglier.

The Houston Texans have set a definite pattern after the first two victories in franchise history. Now coming off a third triumph, beating a winning team for the first time, they want to break out of their rut Sunday in Indianapolis.

"That will be the challenge this week," Capers said. "I've always believed that it's human nature that as you go out and things are going well, people pat you on the back a little bit, it's human nature to relax a little bit. You can't relax.

"We've got to work that much harder to go to Indianapolis, because we know they're a skilled football team. It's going to take everything we have to go in there and hopefully battle them into the third quarter."

The Texans are 3-8 after beating the New York Giants 16-14 on Sunday. Next they head to Indianapolis, where the division rival Colts are leading the AFC South at 7-4.

"We're a young football team in many regards, and you've got to be a mature competitor to understand that you have to come back and work that much harder," Capers said.

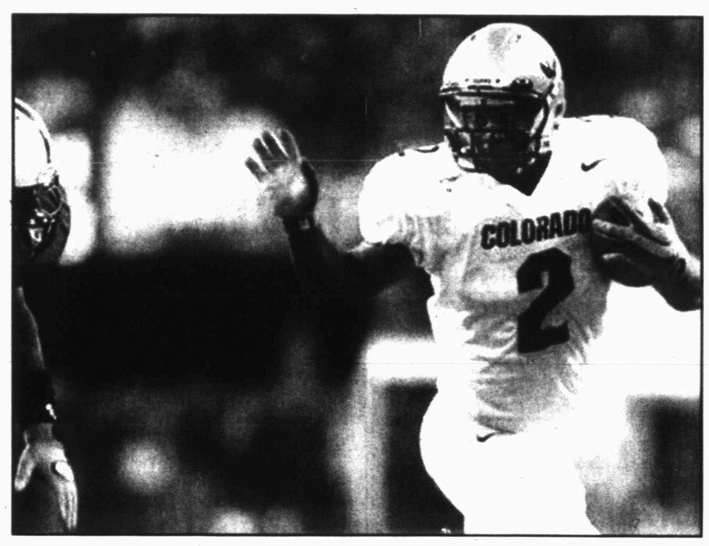
Houston followed its previous victories with the team's two worst defeats of the season:

— After beating the Dallas Cowboys in the home opener 19-10 and becoming the first NFL expansion team to win its initial game, the Texans were trounced 24-3 in San Diego, where the Chargers defense manhandled the young Texans offense.

— Houston lost five straight before winning its first road game, 21-19 at Jacksonville. Then the Texans laid an egg trying to win their second straight against the hapless Bengals, losing 38-3 at home.

The Colts needed no such Texans hangover in Week 3, coasting to a 23-3 victory at Reliant Stadium. This time, Houston goes in having come down to the last drive in its last three games, and players and coaches alike want to maintain a semblance of momentum.

"For us, it's a five-game season," said quarterback David Carr, who will be limited in practice this week.



TRAMPLED UNDER FOOT — Colorado's Brian Calhoun prepares to fend off Nebraska's T.J. Hollowell during Friday's 28-13 win. Freshman Brian Calhoun ran for 137 yards as No. 13 Colorado put the final nail in the worst Nebraska season since 1961. (AP Photo)

Colorado preps for Sooners by dominating Cornhuskers

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Last year, Chris Brown ran wild on Nebraska. This year, it was someone named Brian Calhoun.

Calhoun, a freshman who's No. 4 on Colorado's tailback depth chart, ran for 137 yards as the 13th-ranked Buffaloes defeated Nebraska 28-13 Friday for their first victory in Lincoln since 1990.

Fullback Brandon Drumm added two touchdowns for the Buffaloes (9-3, 7-1 Big 12), who clinched the North Division championship. They'll go to Houston for next Saturday's Big 12 championship game against Oklahoma having won eight of nine after a 1-2 start.

"We didn't want to share it," Colorado coach Gary Barnett said. "We wanted to win it in Lincoln, which is very difficult to do. We weren't fancy or pretty this season. We just played hard and found a way to get the job done."

Calhoun had all but one of his 20 carries in the second half while Bobby Purify sat out with a sore knee and sprained ankle. Purify had been filling in for Chris Brown, the nation's third-leading rusher, who was held out of the game because of a bruised sternum.

Barnett opted to go with Calhoun instead of third-stringer Marcus Houston once Purify left for good in the third quarter.

"I wasn't surprised," Calhoun said. "I knew Chris wouldn't be able to go, and I knew Bobby had an ailing knee, so I prepared myself all week to be the man to carry the ball."

The Cornhuskers (7-6, 3-5) ended their worst regular season since 1961, when they were 3-6-1. The Buffs denied the Huskers a chance to extend their unprecedented streak of nine-victory seasons to 34. Nebraska could have reached nine by winning Friday's game and a bowl.

"I'd be surprised if any teams ever makes a run at that," Nebraska free safety Philip Bland said of the streak.

The Huskers, who have lost four of their last six games, had a losing conference mark for the first time since 1968, when they went 3-4. They came back to go 9-2 overall the following season and won the national title in 1970 with an 11-0 record.

Nebraska's loss marked the first time since 1990 it had failed to beat a ranked opponent. That year, the ninth-ranked Buffs came to Lincoln and won 27-12.

Despite all their struggles, Nebraska still will get invited to a bowl, and the Huskers must win that game to stretch their streak of winning seasons to 41.

Calhoun led a Colorado rushing attack that generated 253 yards — 178 after halftime.

After Dale Endorf's 49-yard field goal put Nebraska up 13-7 early in the third quarter, Colorado used consecutive scoring drives to take a 21-13 lead.

"The bottom line is that we were in the ballgame," Nebraska coach Frank Solich said, "but we didn't get the things done that needed to get done in order to make it work."

Purify finished a 15-play, 80-yard drive with a 2-yard run to give the Buffs a one-point lead. Then, after Calhoun busted loose for 35 yards to open Colorado's next series, Drumm bulled his way into the end zone from a yard out.

The Buffs sealed the victory late in the fourth quarter when Drumm broke a 16-yard touchdown run five plays after Nebraska I-back David Horne fumbled away the ball at the Huskers 30.

Endorf, a walk-on who replaced the suspended Josh Brown, made a 33-yard field goal late in the second quarter to give Nebraska a 10-7 halftime lead. Brown's suspension came after his arrest last week on suspicion of drunken driving.

Sideline Views

by Bobby Allen



After getting a break over Thanksgiving weekend, the Snyder Tigers get back to a full slate of action beginning Tuesday, when Lubbock High comes to town, followed by weekend tourney at Andrews starting Friday.

Meanwhile, the undefeated Lady Tigers will host Greenwood Tuesday before all three girls' squads head to Lamesa Thursday for a three-day tournament.

Ladies' varsity coach Mike Martin said the confidence the team is getting from winning is more important than the record at this early date, and there is no argument here.

Winning breeds a winning attitude, and the ladies are on the right track already.

Boys' coach Bud Birks said earlier this week that the Tigers need some more practice time before the rust begins to shake loose.

During last week's contest with Monterey, Tiger players were out-manned, but not out-hustled.

This team consists of the kind of scrappy, intense players Birks loves, guys who will get after it defensively, and who won't back down from bigger, stronger opponents.

As the coach said, the basketball season is all about playing progressively better leading up to district play.

"We want to be playing our best ball in January," he said.

And speaking of basketball, there have been inquiries lately about moving the varsity games back to Scurry County Coliseum.

That seems like a bad idea, if only for the simple fact that larger arenas can hinder depth perception, leading to lower shooting percentages, and lower-scoring contests.

There is also the problem of smaller crowds in a larger venue, which makes each dribble sound like a rifle report.

Plus, playing in a high school gym affords the kind of intimacy one can only get with varsity sports.

A high school gym certainly won't seat as many as an arena, but it sure sounds like it when a full gym gets revved up.

Self-appointed draft "guru" Mel Kiper Jr. has released his top 25 and top five senior prospects by position lists, and it should surprise no one that Kliff Kingsbury isn't in the top 25, and is at number five on the quarterback prospect list.

This is because Kingsbury is only a marginal talent (or, to borrow an overused phrase, a "system quarterback"), right?

Wrong — just like Kiper usually is.

Ahead of Kingsbury on the list is a guy named Dave Ragone from Louisville, Seneca Wallace of Iowa State, and quarterback du jour Byron Leftwich from Marshall.

After a sizzling start, Wallace threw one touchdown and eight interceptions as the Cyclones dropped their final three games, and the massive Leftwich has some problems with his mechanics and his health.

All Kingsbury did was help revive a moribund football program with one of the best passing seasons in college football history.

The number five quarterback on Kiper's depth chart only completed 67 percent of his passes, while throwing for 4,642 yards and 42 touchdowns.

Managing editor Wade Warren tells us that Kingsbury is even more impressive from the sideline view than he is on television, showing poise, smarts and grit.

While many NFL teams now covet QBs like Mike Vick (they come around pretty often, eh?), there is still plenty of room for a guy who can drop back and chuck the ball downrange.

If Seneca Wallace becomes a better pro player than Kingsbury, we'll eat our share of crow.

But we have a feeling we won't ever need to make reservations for that dinner.

Mavs' streak sends message to other teams

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks knew they eventually would lose a game. So they're not going to dwell on falling one win shy of making NBA history.

"You're making way too much out of this. It's no big deal," coach Don Nelson said. "There have been lots of streaks longer than this. That it was at the start of the season is why it was getting a lot of attention."

Dallas won its first 14 games, the longest winning streak in franchise history, before a 110-98 loss Thursday night at Indiana. The 14-0 start was just short of the NBA's best start, 15-0 by the 1948-49 Washington Capitols and 1993-94 Houston Rockets.

"It's nice to have a lot of wins in the bank. They can't take those away from us," Nelson said.

"It sends a message that we're a better team," said guard Avery Johnson. "The first thing Isiah (Thomas, the Indiana coach) said to me after the game was, 'You guys are good enough to start another streak.' "

The Mavericks get their chance to start a new streak Saturday night, in their third of four games in six days, when they play at home against Chicago. That game is also expected to mark the return of guard Nick Van Exel and center Raef LaFrentz from the injured list.

Nelson gave his emotionally drained team a day off Friday.

"It was a good run for us," said Michael Finley, who had 16 points against the Pacers. "We came out of preseason wanting to establish ourselves early around the league, and I think we did that. Defensively, we wanted to let people know that we are better than last year. I think we did that."

Dallas knows its streak was ended by a good team.

Indiana has the best record in the Eastern Conference, 12-2 before Friday night's game against Washington. The Pacers shot 53 percent against the Mavericks, and were led by Jermaine O'Neal with 28 points and 18 rebounds.

Area Sports Calendar

MONDAY
Basketball: Snyder frosh boys vs. Merkel, 6:30 p.m.
Basketball: Snyder frosh girls at Merkel, 6:30 p.m.
Basketball: Snyder junior high boys vs. Merkel, 5 p.m.
Basketball: Snyder junior high girls at Merkel, 5 p.m.
Basketball: Ira junior high boys and girls at Sands, 6 p.m.
Basketball: Hermleigh junior high at Westbrook, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY
Basketball: Snyder JV and varsity boys vs: Lubbock High, 6 p.m.
Basketball: Snyder JV and varsity girls vs. Greenwood, 5 p.m.
Basketball: Ira JV and varsity boys vs. Post, 5 p.m.
Basketball: Ira girls vs. Roscoe, 6:30 p.m.
Basketball: Hermleigh varsity vs. Lueders-Avoca, 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY
Basketball: Snyder varsity, JV and frosh girls at Lamesa tourney.
Basketball: Ira varsity boys and girls at Blackwell tourney.
Basketball: Hermleigh at Patton Springs tourney.
Basketball: Ira JV at Sands tourney.
Basketball: Snyder junior high girls at Slaton tourney.

FRIDAY
Basketball: Snyder varsity boys at Andrews tourney.
Basketball: Snyder JV boys at Snyder tourney.
Basketball: Snyder varsity, JV and frosh girls at Lamesa tourney.
Basketball: Ira varsity girls and boys at Blackwell tourney.
Basketball: Snyder junior high boys at Sweetwater tourney.
Basketball: Snyder junior high girls at Slaton tourney.
Basketball: Ira JV boys at Sands tourney.
Basketball: Hermleigh at Patton Springs tourney.
Golf: Snyder varsity girls at San Antonio.

SATURDAY
Basketball: Snyder varsity boys at Andrews tourney.
Basketball: Snyder varsity, JV and frosh at Lamesa tourney.
Basketball: Snyder JV boys at Snyder tourney.
Basketball: Ira varsity boys and girls at Blackwell tourney.
Basketball: Ira JV at Sands tourney.
Basketball: Hermleigh at Patton Springs tourney.
Basketball: Snyder junior high boys at Sweetwater tourney.
Basketball: Snyder junior high girls at Slaton tourney.
Golf: Snyder varsity girls at San Antonio.

DRIVERS!
ARE YOU LOOKING FOR STABILITY?
• Respect & Integrity! • Friday Paydays!
• Family Voicemail! • Consistent Miles!
• In-Cab E-Mail! • 401K Plan!
2-Hour Processing!
800-727-4374 www.continentalx.com



For fourteen years, Rhino Linings® has been the world's #1 sprayed-on bed liner. And now, it's easy to give this non-skid, rust-proof, impact-resistant gift to the truck owner in your life. Rhino Linings gift certificates make the perfect present and are available in any amount. So see your participating Rhino Linings dealer today. It's never been easier to wrap up a Rhino.
Rhino Linings® THE SPRAYED-ON LINER®
Gift certificates are available at your local dealer.
573-5900 111 N. College Ave.

DEC 01 2002

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS CLASSIFIEDS
ALWAYS A WINNER

BUSINESS DIRECTORY OF SERVICES

Appliance Repair

It's all about Speed & Performance

JOHNNY'S APPLIANCE
Service On All Major Home Appliances
Part Sales
ALL MAKES and MODELS
Authorized Warranty Repairer
17 Yrs Experience Locally Owned
24-HOUR EMERGENCY SERVICE
573-3458 • 573-2273
Accepting All Major Credit Cards
johnappl@nwol.net Insured

Beauty/Salons

HAIR RAZORS
presents
GINA JONES
18 years experience
★Perms ★Color ★Cuts ★Highlights
$ Great Prices $
573-0189
2417 College Ave.

Carpet/Flooring & Cleaning

KING CARPET
Cleaning & Floor Coverings
915-573-3032
Holiday Sale
All in stock flooring
99¢ sq.ft. Tile
Carpet starting @ $4.79 sq.yd.
Vinyl starting @ $4.49 sq.yd.
Come In & See Our Big Selection!

CARPET CLEANING *EXPRESS*
Your Local Carpet Cleaning Specialist
*Water, *Fire & *Smoke Damage
24 Hour Emergency Services
573-2661

Catering

DUNN-RIGHT BBQ
CATERING
Specializing in Briskets & Ribs Homemade Sauce
•Weddings •Anniversaries
•Reunions • Private Parties
Call Kerry Clay
(915) 573-8349
725-3533 (mobile)

Christmas Decorating

Christmas Lights & Decorations
Installation & Removal
Free Estimates
References Available
CALL
574-1463 or **573-0696**

Construction

Lee's Construction
"No Job Too Small"
Residential
Remodeling & Repair
STEVE LEE
Snyder, Texas
79549
915/573-2709
Mobile
915/725-3165

SPARLIN CONSTRUCTION
Welding *Metal Buildings*
Fabrication *Carpentry*
Fencing *Painting*
Bud Sparlin
574-2206 573-9752
or 575-4182
2701 48th St.
Snyder, TX
79549

COVEY CONSTRUCTION & Floor Covering
Carpet, Vinyl, Wood, Ceramic Tile
Showroom samples may be viewed by appointment
Construction
Remodeling, Roofing, Painting, Siding
Free Estimates On Any Job
Cale 573-7745 or 338-6939

HOME REMODELING
Kitchen/Bathroom • Garage Conversion
Air Conditioning & Heating
Vinyl Siding • Roofs
35 yrs. Experience Free Estimates
915-863-2219
FRED GREEN Lic. TACLA003458E
INSPIRATION HOME IMPROVEMENT CO.

The SDN Business Directory Gives You The Most Exposure For Your Advertising $$

Electric

DALE'S ELECTRIC
We Do All Kinds Of Electrical Work New & Repairs
403 33rd St.
573-5330
Mobile 338-1227
Dale Swigert

Insurance

Stewart Insurance Services
• GREAT RATES
• GREAT SERVICE
All Lines of Insurance
904 26th St. Snyder, TX
573-8401

A PROUD PAST WITH A SOLID FUTURE
GERMANIA SINCE 1896
Property • Auto • Life Insurance
KUBENA INSURANCE AGENCY
915-863-2754
Marsha Kubena, Agent

Plumbing

Plumbing Repair Service
Telephone
(915) 573-3085
Coventry Plumbing
M-19955
1311 College Ave. Snyder, Texas 79549
Jim Coventry
Owner

Roofing

Free Estimates
(915) 267-5478
FULLMOON, INC.
Roofing
Commercial, Residential, Industrial
Insured • Bonded
$500,000 General Liability
Big Spring, Texas
Henry Backes

Storage Rentals

New storage units now available in downtown **Hermleigh**, located at 688 Harlan Ave.
J & K Rentals
573-0859
or come by 3609 W. Hwy 180 for more information.
12x30 units & other sizes available in **Snyder**

North Ave. E Storage Buildings
10' x 20'
DAVID HOLT
573-3255

Internet Service

Bullard's Internet Service
Dell "white box" computers. Check our prices! Local support. Something new. Dell prices with no long waits on hold trying to get help!
- *Local Storefront, New Computers, Repairs Upgrades, Software, Networking*
- *If you are our customer, we fix your Internet problems for free*

3405 College Ave.
573-4801

Let Us Spotlight Your Business!!
For all of your advertising needs just call 573-5486 Mon. – Fri. 8 - 5:30

Call SDN Today!!

FOR AS LOW AS $2.50 PER DAY
($65 per month)
You Can Advertise Your Services in The *BUSINESS DIRECTORY*
Call 573-5486 for more info.

Business Hours:
Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
CLASSIFIED DEADLINE
Tuesday through Friday
4:00 p.m. prior day
For Sunday & Monday
3:00 p.m. Friday
Snyder Daily News
3600 College Ave.
P.O. Box 949
Snyder, Texas 79550

For Classified Power Call
573-5486
Fax 573-0044

ERROR
Advertisers Should Check Their Ad On The First Day of Insertion!
The Snyder Daily News cannot be responsible for more than one incorrect insertion. Claims cannot be considered unless made within 5 days from date of first publication. No allowance can be made when errors do not materially affect the value of the advertisement. All ads are cash unless customer has an established advertising account with The Snyder Daily News.
The Publisher is not responsible for copy omissions, typographical errors, or any unintentional error that may occur further than to correct it in the next issue after it is brought to his attention.

Classified Ads $17.55 for 5 days, get the 6th day FREE!!
15 words or less
(Excluding Garage Sales & Displays)

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF BIDDERS
Scurry County Commissioners' Court will open bids for construction of breezeway enclosure and wash bay at the Scurry County coliseum on Monday December 2, 2002 at 10:00 a.m., during Special Session of the Commissioners' Court. Specifications may be obtained at the County Judge's Office, Scurry County Courthouse, Snyder, Texas 79549.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
of Routine Facilities Contract Work for the **Texas Department of Transportation**
Sealed proposals for:
Roofing retrofit for the Scurry County Maintenance Facility in Snyder Project No. CBC4704-00-127
will be received by the Abilene District Office of the Texas Department of Transportation located at:
4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas
until: **2:00 P.M. Wednesday, December 18, 2002**
then publicly opened and read.

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at the Snyder maintenance facility, located at 111 N. Avenue V, at 1:30 P.M. on Wednesday, December 11, 2002.

Bidding documents, including proposal/agreement form and specifications, may be obtained from:
Scott Mitchell
Texas Department of Transportation
4250 N. Clack
Abilene, Texas 79601
(915) 676-6911

Lost & Found

REWARD!
Lost (2) red-nosed Pit Bulls, male & female, light brown, "Chelsi" & "Star". 573-0800

Vehicles

1990 Ford Mustang
Red, 4 cyl., automatic. Runs good. $2,000 OBO 573-1596

1992 Honda Accord 2-dr. $4,000 cash. Serious inquires only. 573-9497

1995 Ford F-150 Extended cab, auto, AC, all power, custom wheels, 119 K. $6,700 573-4730

1997 Buick Riviera
Loaded w/everything. 1 owner, price debatable. 806-629-4218

1997 Ford F350 crew cab, 4-wheel drive, gasoline or propane. Excellent condition. New motor & clutch. Will wholesale. 915-737-2403 or 338-4949.

1998 Jeep Wrangler
6cyl, black, low miles. $12,900. Call 574-8161.

2000 Chevy Van
Wheelchair lift, 29,000 miles. Call 573-8407.

For Sale: 2000 Ford Ranger
Very clean & nice. Low mileage. 915-574-1644, after 7p.m.

Business Opportunity

FOR SALE
Successful business in Snyder & surrounding area. $110,000 for equipment & inventory.
Interested parties write to:
Business For Sale
P.O. Box 949 A
Snyder, TX 79550

Business Services

Sewing & Alterations
2209 40th St.
573-6877

"College Guys Needing Work"
Will put up X-mas lights at reasonable rates.
Call 338-2244 or 725-8633.

A COMPUTER PROBLEM?
"Don't Unplug, we come to you."
Repair, Upgrades, Networking, Tutoring, etc.
Fast Track Computer Service
573-8995

Antique Restoring
& Furniture Refinishing
Re-gluing & Veneering
Free Estimates, Work Guaranteed
863-2342 Hermleigh, TX

Chimney Cleaning & Repairs
Walter Banks or Darrell Craig
573-4736 573-2472
Leave Message

R & J CONSTRUCTION
Metal buildings, Roofs
Carports & Fences
John Green 573-3976

Tilling–Leveling
Front-end loader, Walk-behind tiller, Tractor tiller, Small acreage plowed. 915-573-8264

Employment

Competent, mature person needed to train as a dental receptionist. Apply at office of Dr. John T. Best.

Full-time LVN needed 7p–7a for correctional facility in Post. Call Suzanne or Maritta at 806-495-4040. EOE

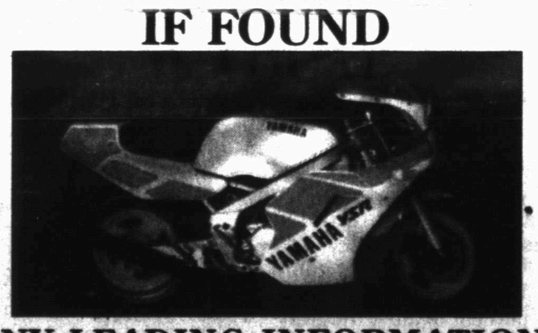
ATTENTION - Work From Home
$500-$1500 P/T, $2000-$4500 F/T
915-228-4346
www.homesuccess4u.com

Backhoe Operator
Medical/dental benefits, 401K.
Send letter of interest to:
P.O. Drawer 670
Snyder, TX 79550

Backhoe Operator Needed. Must have at least 5yrs. experience. References needed. Apply in person at Circle M Welding, 7365 W. Hwy 180.

LOST

REWARD
IF FOUND



ANY LEADING INFORMATION
CALL: 573-1463 or 575-2689

ALWAYS A WINNER THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS CLASSIFIEDS

Employment

Driver
THE TIME IS NOW!
Flatbed OTR Drivers
Needed your area!
- Excellent home time
- Great pay and benefits
- 23 yrs old & 1 yr OTR req.
- Ask about our new MJS Division!

Maverick Transportation
CALL TODAY!
1-800-289-1100
www.maverickusa.com

LVN Needed
Competitive hourly rate and benefits, including mileage. Apply in person to Terri Owens, at Kristi Lee Manor, 1941 Chestnut St., Colorado City.

Now hiring: Full charge bookkeeper for local company. Must be experienced in all phases of bookkeeping. Experience in DOT-IFTA and tax forms in Texas and New Mexico helpful. Send resume to: SDN, P.O. Box 949C, Snyder, TX 79550. All inquires confidential.

Part-time attendants needed to assist elderly and disabled clients with personal care & light housekeeping in Snyder area. Must have own transportation. Contact Susan at 254-965-9666, 877-885-7056.

CALL FOR RESULTS!
573-5486
CLASSIFIEDS

Employment

Snyder Oaks Care Center is now taking applications for LVN's. All shifts, part-time, and full-time. We offer a competitive benefits package & pay 2/3 of health insurance. Call Vicky, Darla, or Kellie at 573-9377 or come by & apply in person at 210 37th St.

West Texas Centers for MHMR has openings in Snyder for Contract Foster Care Providers to provide care for adults with mental retardation. Provider rate of pay based on consumer level of need. Applications available at www.wtcmhmr.org or by calling 915-263-9769.

Laid off? Work from home. Be your own Bo$$! First, call the Federal Trade Commission to find out how to spot work-at-home schemes. 1-877-FTC-HELP A message from The Snyder Daily News & the Federal Trade Commission.

Woman's Column

MARY KAY COSMETICS
Complimentary Facial
or Reorders!
Call Geraldine Thames
915-573-9433, 1812 38th Snyder

Classified
The link between buyer and seller
573-5486

Farmer's Column

HAY FOR SALE
Round Grass & #2 Alfalfa
Square-Wheat or Sudan
Ross Preston
573-1217 725-9444

Merchandise

Complete P4 Computer System 2.26 GHZ CPU, 256 RDRAM, 40 Gig HD, 128 MB Video card, Sound Blaster Live 5.1, 400 W Power Supply, 17" Flat CRT Monitor, WinXPHome. Compare others at $2,500. Only $1,895. Have 2 complete systems. Please call 575-8708 for more information.

CONVALESCENT NEEDS
Wheel Chairs, Walkers, Canes, Home Blood Pressure Kits, etc.
Sales & Rentals
3706 College **573-7582**

Dearborn heater, spare bricks, propane or natural gas. $75 OBO 573-3078

Dining table w/leaf and 6 chairs. 573-9467, please leave message.

Firewood Delivered
Mesquite & split oak.
573-1535, leave message.

FIREWOOD!! Mesquite!
Local cutter. Part seasoned.
24"-22"-20"-18". Some split.
Delivered. **573-1216**

GUARANTEED USED APPLIANCES
Washers, Dryers, Refrigerators, Ranges & Freezers
WESTERN AUTO 2510 Ave. R

Large shelled pecans for sale. Great for the holidays and gift giving. 915-573-2505

Lifetime Christmas Gift
Metal detectors by White Electronics. Call 915-728-2494, Colorado City.

Nutty Acres
Shelled **pecans** for sale for your holiday baking. Cracking available. Call before coming, 915-728-5936 or 338-5822.

Washer & dryer for sale, set $300. Call 573-5839, leave message.

Take total control during the holidays. Burn fat, block cravings, boost energy. 1-866-495-6539. www.losealot.com

CAROL'S CRITTER CORNER BOOK NOOK
BABY. . . and Before & More!
1809 25th 573-0990

GARAGE SALE
Advertise your garage full of "Don't needs" in
SNYDER DAILY NEWS
573-5486

Merchandise

ROCKIN' G GIFTS
Post Old Mill Trade Days
Nov. 29th – Dec. 1st
Booth #109 - 110
- Precision Wind Chimes
- Lazart Wall Art
- Christian Calligraphy
- Case Knives
- Men's & Women's Watches
- Ladies Bracelets
- Christmas Lariat Wreaths
- Throw Pillows
- Texas Pottery

Many other Country Theme Items
★ Friday 15% off all merchandise
★ Saturday & Sunday
Mention this ad & get 10% discount
Billy & Dorothy Gober

PALLETS FOR SALE
2 For A $1.00
Call 573-5486 or come by Snyder Daily News

Dogs, Pets, Etc.

For Sale
Chocolate Lab puppies. Ready for Christmas. $100 Call 728-8905.

Ready For Christmas!
Poodles - Will hold for Christmas. Call 573-6614.

To Be Given Away
9 mo. old Calico cat, declawed & spayed. 574-1314.

Rent Or Lease Property

Body shop for rent, 3 stalls, paint room, (2) offices, bath. $350/mo. Call 573-3758, ask for Ellen.

Apartments For Rent

Furnished 1 bedroom apartment for rent. Nice & clean. Located in Hermleigh. Call 863-2700.

NEW RATES! $300/mo. 2-bedroom, furnished or unfurnished. All bills & cable paid. No pets. 573-5773.

Western Crest & Windridge Village
3901 Ave. O
Snyder, TX
573-1488
Quality Living At An Affordable Price
1 Bedroom, 1 Bath
Pool
2 Bedrooms, 2 bath
W/D Connections, Pool & Playground

Houses For Rent

3 bedroom, 2 bath house. 3806 Galveston $450/mo., $200/dep. 915-573-2818

Houses For Rent

***212 35th** 2 bedroom, 1 bath, $300/mo., $100/dep.
***408 35th** 3-1¾, 1-car garage, $400/mo., $100/dep.
1-888-596-6218 1-915-669-1501

(2) 2 bedroom houses w/stove, refrigerator, washer & dryer furnished. 3800 & 3806 Noble Dr. $350/mo. Contact 573-9066 or 1809 38th.

2B/R-1BATH w/ GARAGE For Rent. Fenced back yard. 2807 38th - Call 573-4454.

3 bedroom 1½ bath. $325/mo. $100/dep. References required. 3102 40th 573-1640 or 725-8349

2 bedroom house, stove & refrigerator furnished. $200/mo., $100/dep. 573-8251

3 bedroom, new heat & air, refrigerator & range. 2711 Ave. O. $350/mo., $200/dep. 915-573-5896

HOUSES FOR RENT
Available Dec. 1st
3902 Eastridge 3-2-2 . . . . .$400
Elizabeth Potts Realtors 573-8505
Suzan Pinkerton 573-0004

Mobile Homes For Rent

Available December 1st
2 bedroom, 2 full bath, large living room w/FP, CH/A, washer/dryer hook-ups. Refrigerator, stove & dishwasher furnished. Storm cellar, large fenced landscaped yard. $450/mo., $150/dep. Call 573-6197 or 725-0636.

Mobile Homes

3B-2B-2CP doublewide, den, shop, 3RV/port, water well, fenced. $5,000/dwn, $500/mo. 959 N. Ave. R 573-2251

Mobile Home Lot(s) for Sale

2 corner lots - plumbed/ready. $500/dwn, $100/mo. School bus route, good location. Call 573-2251.

There's no limit to how fast you can get things done in the Snyder Daily News classifieds. Just call 573-5486 to see how!

homePRO REALTORS®
4002 College Ave. Snyder, TX 79549
915-574-1600 or 915-573-2075
Branch Office NOW OPEN!!
904 E. Holland Alpine, TX 79830
915-837-0767 or 915-837-0768
Debby Miller, Broker/Owner, ABR, RECS
"Where Serious Buyers & Sellers Meet!"



600 29th	3-1-1-2Living Areas, needs TLC	**$20,000**
2202 Sunset	3-2-2cp . . **Contract Pending**	**$65,000**
217 36th St.	3-1-2 li **Lease Pending** ened porch.	**$40's**
Commercial:	1800 Ave. R	**$8,500**
Commercial:	Motel on E 180	**$80,000**

Elizabeth Potts Realtors Temi Matthies Owner/Broker
1707 30th Street 573-8505


Sarah Jamison **573-4028**


Dee Kemp **573-1152**

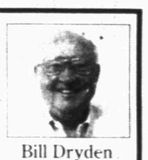

Annette Waller **573-9467**


Keith Hackfeld **573-2873**

3003 40th St	4-2-1 . . . . . $27.5T	**Outskirts of Town**	3-2 + 1A, Very Nice $33T
Comm. Bldg.	w/paved parking . . . 401 37th	**6 to 22 acres tracts**	. . . Owner Finance
3211 Cherry	4- **ON CONTRACT** ! $67.5T	**3100 Ave. U**	Beautiful 3-2-2, Loaded
3766 Ave. V	2-1-1, CH/A $14.5T	with amenities	. . . . . REDUCED Call
Country!	585 Armadillo 2-1½, 13 A's. . $38T	**105 23rd**	3-2 + cp w/shop, 9 A's, lots of extras
5603 Cedar Creek	RV Garage . . Reduced Call	**City Block**	on 21st plus more . . $7T
2556 CR 31	**CONTRACT PENDING** $65T	**Commercial:**	1706 25th St. . . CALL
320 Acres IRA	. . . . . Call	**3104 41st**	3-1¾-2cp. $55T
513 34th	2-1, Clean, Nice! . . Red. $17T	**4000 Jacksboro**	3-1¾-2 huge kitchen $87.5T
Commercial Lot	2101 College Ave. Reduced	**1505 39th**	3- **ON CONTRACT** . . $34T
900 25th, 2309 25th, 2703 College	Call	**New! 5 acres**, water well, electricity, on the outskirts of town $12.5T	
1801 22nd	Reduced Comm. 7 offices/yd	**List With Us Today! Listings Selling Fast!**	
2605 33rd	Magnificent Custom Built Home		

Stevenson Real Estate
573-5612
2405 25th Street
Snyder, Texas


Wenona Evans
573-8165


Bill Dryden
573-9739
Broker/Owner

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY
REALTORS®


Lora Lord
573-1700


Kayla Moreland
573-4809

★ **Stevenson Real Estate is a Cooperating Office.** ★
This means we can show & sell any listings the other offices have, and they can do the same with our listings.

Ready to work for you! List with us.

New Exclusive in Cedar Creek		**2108 41st**	4-2 living-1 . . . . . $45T
1508 Preston Trail	3-2-2 LA's-2, FP	**New! 2315 42nd**	4-2 . . . . . $43.5T
2409 36th	3-3-3, office Red. $155T	**3742 Avondale**	3-2-1 . . . . . $37T
2800 34th	3-3-2 LA's, pool Red. $149.9T	**2609 Ave. U**	Duplex $35T
2509 48th	3-2-2 . . . . . $110T	**E. 23rd**	Mobile Home 3-2, 1 acre . . $33T
4708 El Paso	3-2-2 + **SOLD** . . . $99.5T	**2405 40th**	Nice 3-1-1 . . . . . $32,750
3001 Beaumont	Nice 3-2-2 . . $90's	**West 180**	3-1-2 . . . . . $31.5T
New! 4000 Jacksboro	3-2-2 $87.5T	**W. Hwy 180**	3-2, 1 acre $30T
New! 4105 Jacksboro	3-2-2 $85T	**2307 28th**	2-1-shop $25T
200 Acres	- Camp Spring Rd, fenced $80T	**105 34th**	2-1 . . . . . $25T
2950 Gary Brewer Rd	3-2½-1-shop $79.5T	**321 35th**	3-1-1 . . . . . $24T
3004 Beaumont	3-2 liv-2-2 . . $79.5T	**3814 Ave. V**	2-1, fireplace . . $24T
3309 Ave U	3-2-2 . . . . . $79.5T	**501 35th**	2-1 . . . . . $22.5T
Reduced 2510 Towle Park Rd.	3-2-2cp on 1 + acre $79T	**Hermleigh**	2-1 . . . . . $6,500
New! 3600 41st	3-2-2 . . . . $78.5T	**McBeth Pecan Farm**	House, 15+ acres, some equipment included . . Call
2808 47th	3-2, 2 living areas . . $77.5T	**Hermleigh**	3-2 w/acreage Call for details
2200 30th	3-2½-2, 2 LA's Red. $75T	**E. 180**	Lots avail. w/mobile hook-ups
2204 45th	3-2-2 living areas $75T	Bldg. suitable for shop on 4 lots. . . . Call	
4505 Denison	3-1¾-1 . . . . . $68T	**Comm. Bldg**	Westerner Golf $49T
2303 43rd	3-2-2 . . . . . $65T	**College Ave.**	Large office Bldg. . . $48T
1710 37th	3-2-2 Reduced to $60T	**Car Lot**	w/Comm. Bldg 709 Hwy 180 $40T
3405 44th	**CONTRACT PENDING** 9T	**Commercial Bldg**	2515 College Call
3612 Ave. V	3-2-2 LA's Reduced $59.9T	**600 37th**	Large Comm. Bldg . . . Call
7233 W Hwy 180	3-2-3, 2.5 acres $55T	**3607 College**	- Lg Comm. Bldg Call
2209 30th	3-2-1 + 1cp $54.5T	**Ponderosa Motel**	- Lamesa Hwy - . . . Call
2203 43rd	3-2-1 . . . . . $45T	**Comm. Bldgs.**	N, S, W sides downtown

VISIT OUR WEB SITE AT:
snydertex.com/stevensonrealestate/index.htm

Wilson Motors
is now accepting applications for immediate employment for sales consultant
FORD MERCURY LINCOLN

Ford Certified +
- Guaranteed Salary
- Great Benefits Including Insurance
- Commission

WILSON MOTORS
East Hwy. 180
Across from Coliseum
Snyder
Texas
FORD MERCURY LINCOLN
(915) 573-6352

JOB VACANCY
WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE
SNYDER, TEXAS 79549

POSITION: SOCIAL SCIENCES INSTRUCTOR (with multidiscipline teaching abilities) - Contingent upon funding – 2 Positions DEPARTMENT: Social Science **SALARY:** College Scale **DUTIES:** Teaching Social Science courses offered both day and evening on campus, at extension centers, via Interactive Television, via Internet and in units of the TDCJ-Correctional Division. **EMPLOYMENT:** Full-time, 9-month contract. **QUALIFICATIONS:** Master's Degree required with 18 graduate hours in History, Economics, Government, Sociology, and Psychology (qualifications to teach in two or more disciplines preferred). Community College teaching experience desirable. Texas Department of Criminal Justice security clearance required. Scurry County residency preferred upon employment. **APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Position open till filled. Applications are available in the Administration Building on campus or on the WTC website: www.wtc.edu **SEND APPLICATION/RESUME TO:** Human Resources, Western Texas College, 6200 College Avenue, Snyder, TX 79549-9502. **DATE OF EMPLOYMENT:** January 08, 2003.

WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY INSTITUTION AND IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED AND CONSIDERED WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOR, CREED, SEX, AGE, NATIONAL ORIGIN, VETERAN'S STATUS, OR DISABILITY.

THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
is seeking applicants for
CORRECTIONAL OFFICER

positions for the Smith Unit in Lamesa. A new Correctional Officer starts at $1,716 a month. Pay raises begin after two months of employment and continue at intervals until the salary reaches $2,589 a month after 96 months of service.

Benefits include: Paid Vacation, Sick leave and Holidays, Life and Health Insurance and Retirement

Training is conducted in Plainview.
If you are at least 18, have a high school diploma or GED,
call toll-free 1-877-967-5489
or schedule on-line at http://www.tdcj.state.tx.us.

An Equal Opportunity Employer

WIN A FREE - 1 YEAR SUBSCRIPTION TO THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Persons Subscribing Or Renewing Subscriptions For 6 Months or More During Each Month Are Eligible To Win A FREE 1-Year Subscription. Clip Coupon & Bring With Payment To:

SNYDER DAILY NEWS – 3600 College Ave. or Mail to P.O. Box 949, Snyder, Texas 79550

Drawing Will Be Held At The End Of Each Month

Name_____
Address_____
City_____
State_____
Zip_____

By Carrier Or Mail In County	By Mail Out Of County
1 Year: $88.80	1 Year: $113.85
6 Mos: $47.70	6 Mos: $61.60

DEC 01 2002

Future of Vermont civil unions appears assured after elections

MONTPELIER, Vt. (AP) — It's been two elections since Vermont's political landscape split sharply over the passage of a same-sex civil union law. Now, even opponents of the landmark measure say it's there to stay.

Supporters of the law have gained power in the Legislature, and detractors have resigned themselves with reasoning that is a mix of the practical, political and legal.

"If we couldn't make changes the first year, then they probably weren't going to happen," said Republican Rep. Margaret Flory, who sought unsuccessfully to have the law repealed.

Practically, people in Vermont seem to have accepted the law and have moved on to other issues closer to home, such as a slowing economy.

"I think civil union is now part of the life of Vermont," said Democratic Rep. William Lippert, one of the authors of the law. "There may always be a small group of individuals whose mission it will be to repeal civil union, but I think they are going to be a clearly distinct minority. I think most people at this time are ready to move forward."

Civil unions, adopted in 2000, grant gay and lesbian couples virtually all the rights and responsibilities of marriage that flow from the state.

Even before the Legislature began debating the notion, it stirred political opposition like none that's been seen in the state in decades.

The issue seemed to lose its appeal in the 2002 campaign, though, and was seldom raised among candidates.

Attorney Beth Robinson, who argued the state case that led to civil unions, said it appeared the public decided that letting same-sex couples get a legal recognition of their relationships was fine.

"Between then and now, we've had two years of couples — both Vermont residents and out-of-stateers coming to Vermont — joining in civil unions," Robinson said. "It's quite clear that the parade of horribles predicted by opponents hasn't materialized."

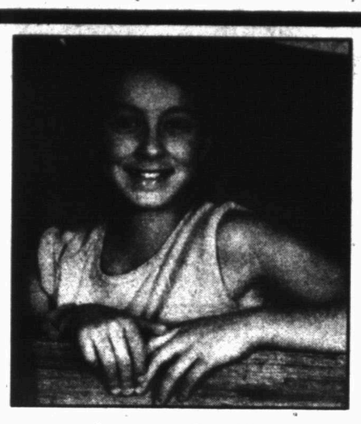
Instead, she said, most Vermont residents have not been affected at all.

"It's made some families a little stronger and a little more secure and it hasn't taken away from anybody else," Robinson said.

According to University of Vermont study released Thursday, couples who enter into civil unions are more likely than same-sex couples who don't to own a home together, have joint bank accounts, socialize with the families of their partner and even send jointly signed holiday cards.

That doesn't mean there won't be attempts to change or throw out civil unions. Republican Rep. Nancy Sheltra said she would continue to lead that effort.

"Realistically, I don't know if it will go anywhere, but it's a matter of principle for me," she said.



Autumn Castillo

Fifth grader to compete for top title

Autumn Castillo, daughter of Freddy and Tami Castillo, is participating in the "Distinguished Youth of Texas Scholarship and Recognition Program" being held at the Renaissance Hotel in Austin Saturday.

Castillo, 11, is also competing in four optional events including the talent tap, formal and informal photogenic competitions, and sportswear competition where she will model a Snyder Tiger cheerleading outfit.

During the weekend event, two Texas students were to be selected to receive a $1,000 U.S. Savings Bond and the right to serve as a State Program Titleholder for one year.

In addition, both winners will receive $250 to present to their respective schools from the Distinguished Youth of American Program. In all, more than $5,000 in awards and prizes will be presented to various participants.

The Distinguished Youth program is designed to recognize girls who rank high academically and who are leaders in their schools and communities.

The criteria used to select the two state titleholders include scholastic record, service to school and community, personality projection and interview.

Castillo is sponsored by Snyder residents and businesses.

West

West Elementary students received the following awards for the second six weeks. The number after a name indicates the student received the award in more than one subject.

Sixth graders recognized include:

Outstanding: Consuelo Acosta, Lecy Blauvelt, Jared Cave (2), Elizabeth Davis, Amy Fogleman (2), Taylor Gibbs, Ashley Hagins, Clay Hirt, John Johnson (3), Savanah Molina, Alix Rieser and David Strayhorn.

Most improved: Adrian Alvarez, Ryan Anderson, Lareshia Carey, Robert Castanada, Lindsey Cox, Jaclyn Deleon, Carson Matthies, Matthew Medrano, Rebecca Morin, Tony Perales, Roxann Renteria, Megan Villegas, Gage West, Gregory Williams.

Citizenship: Yocelin Arellano, Douglas Brunson, Sierra Foreman, David Guzman, Brittney Hendricks, Melanie Hernandez, Alexandrea Martinez, Carson Matthies, Matthew Medrano, Yolanda Munoz, Bailey Richardson (2), Brittany Scott, Josh Sorrells, Jessica Timora, Heather Torres, Ashlee Wallace (2), Anne Winder and Chris Witte.

The following primary students were recognized.

Outstanding: Brittany Birkenfeld, Jayson Bohannon, Briana Doucette, Priscilla Guzman, Jose Jimenez, Lakrecia Lane, Robert Maldonado, Josh Molter, Lacey Morris, Eric Pool, Cody Stewart, Caitlyn Velasquez.

Most improved: Michael Arizmendi, Yanira Garcia, Sydney Grimes, Xavier Jaramillo, Savannah Marricle, Ricardo Morin, Brice Nix, Matthew Northcutt, Michael Northcutt, Mark Salinas, Kegan Scifres, Anthony Torres.

Citizenship: Kelsie Barrera, Gabriel Benitez, Samantha Bloom, Jose Cortez, Teah Dollins, Austin Garza, Tiffany Gonzales, Seth Jaramillo, Adrian Martinez, Sarah McWilliams, Zane Morin, Cecilin Wilson.

Attorney calls law unconstitutional

ERIE, Pa. (AP) — The attorney for a woman charged with fetal homicide says the law enabling an unborn child to be considered a murder victim is unconstitutional.

Corinne Wilcott, 20, is charged with murder of an unborn child, aggravated assault of an unborn child and related charges in the death of the 15-week-old fetus that Sheena Carson had been carrying.

Erie County prosecutors contend Wilcott attacked Carson and threatened her fetus during a fight June 8 because Wilcott's husband was the father.

KEY TO THE KINGDOM
Learning to Properly Listen to God's Word
IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY
Meaning of the New Birth
Cox Cable TV Channel 2,
Monday, Dec. 2, 7:00 pm

Kiwanis/Goodfellows



Scurry County families may apply for Kiwanis/Goodfellow food donations by filling out this form. The deadline to apply is November 30th. Applications should be mailed to Kiwanis/Goodfellows, P.O. Drawer 112, Snyder, Texas, 79550

Home's Monthly Income $

Do You Receive Food Stamps AFDC SS/SSI

Father of Home

Age

Last or Present Employer

Work Phone

Mother of Home

Age

Last or Present Employer

Work Phone

Home Address

Mailing Address

Another Telephone Where You Can Be Reached

List Ages of Children at Home

Boys:

Girls:

Total Number of People at Home

Acceptance Cards will be mailed to only qualified applicants at their address.



Michael Rushing

Rushing finishes basic AF training

Michael D. Rushing has completed basic training in the U.S. Air Force at Shepherd Air Force Base in Wichita Falls.

Rushing graduated from Snyder High School in 2001 and attended Western Texas College for one year.

He is the son of Keith and Connie Rushing and the grandson of Joyce Boyd, all of Snyder, and James Stovall of Oklahoma City.

The HEAD QUARTERS
Hair Design
GARY BREWER RD.
Phone: 573-2131
Specializing in:
•Men's Cuts
•Haircolor
•Contemporary short styles



Jemma Richburg

There's no place like hometown banking at ASB!
And there's nothing better than FREE
FREE checking with automatic $300 overdraft protection*
FREE first order of checks
FREE Bank-On-Line Account Access
FREE MasterMoney™ debit card
FREE transactions at any ASB ATM
American State Bank
"Right Size to be Friendly"
*Some fees & limitations apply, business accounts not eligible
3610 College Ave. 573-4041

CHRISTMAS SAVINGS GALORE
Remember to Shop At Home !!!
MY WISH LIST
Free Phone
Free Accessories
More Minutes
Now Nights & Weekends
Car Kits Now on Special
Permian Communications
Your Local
Texas Cellular Agent
2403 25th Street Snyder, Tx
915 573 2424
Some Restrictions Apply



AMERICAN I
Indian villages
Northwest and
ny Jones, Mel
McClure and
Smith, Jacob S
Redman. Cath

Bush te

CRAWFORD
dent Bush aske
Saturday to re
ing and the up
as a "season
which they ma
good fortunes
ways on beha
need.

"Taking tim
own blessings
many people
day — men, w
dren facing hu
ness, illness,
despair," Bus
weekly radio a

"These are
They are fel
needing comf
compassion,"
continued.

The address
broadcast wh
spending the h
at his ranch.

The Snyder
lowing busi
Harvest Fes
community.





AMERICAN INDIANS — Hermleigh 5th graders have been studying about American Indians. Indian villages and other dwellings made by the students reflect lifestyles of Woodland, Plains, Northwest and Southwest Indians. (Top photo) Students pictured back row from left are Anthony Jones, Melanie Kariainen; front row, Dustin Dacus, Caroline Granados, Josh Beasley, Sean McClure and Naomi Arellano. (Bottom photo) Back row from left are Shawn Shankles, JP Smith, Jacob Sanchez and Shaye Williams; front row, Ricky Garcia, Vincent Mireles and Michael Redman. Cathy Beckman is the teacher. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

Bush to promote public service, volunteerism

CRAWFORD (AP) — President Bush asked Americans on Saturday to regard Thanksgiving and the upcoming holidays as a "season of service" in which they marshal their own good fortunes in big and small ways on behalf of those in need.

"Taking time to count our own blessings reminds us that many people struggle every day — men, women, and children facing hunger, homelessness, illness, addiction, or despair," Bush said in his weekly radio address.

"These are not strangers. They are fellow Americans needing comfort, love, and compassion," the president continued.

The address was taped for broadcast while Bush was spending the holiday weekend at his ranch.

The president acknowledged that unfinished business — the ongoing war on terror, the prospect of war with Iraq, the sputtering economy — could leave people feeling as jittery as they are thankful this year.

"The blessings we have received take on special meaning in this time of challenge for our country," he said.

It was the third time Bush has invoked the Thanksgiving holiday to press people to get involved in their communities.

His official Thanksgiving proclamation called for a "commitment to make our country and our world better." Bush also videotaped an ad run during NBC's coverage of Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade promoting public service and pointing viewers toward his USA Freedom Corps, an umbrella organization set up to coordinate federal volunteerism efforts.

In the radio address, Bush suggested a number of volunteer activities: helping at a soup kitchen, teaching a child to read, visiting a hospital patient, or taking food to an elderly neighbor, among others.

"Every time you reach out to a neighbor in need you touch a life, you improve your community, and you strengthen our nation," he said.

On the Net:
USA Freedom Corps: http://www.usafreedom-corps.gov

Enron taking bids on solvent assests a year after bankruptcy

HOUSTON (AP) — A year after careening into what in 2001 was the largest bankruptcy in history, Enron Corp. could be on the verge of selling off its 12 most valuable assets and disappearing from the corporate landscape.

That is, if creditors agree liquidation is their best shot at recouping as much as possible from the company whose failure was a precursor to a string of business scandals in 2002.

"It looks like it is going to take us over a year and tens of millions of dollars in administrative fees to get to the point that should have seemed obvious from the beginning — Enron should be put up for auction," said Todd Zywicki, a bankruptcy law professor at George Mason University.

Enron is currently taking bids on the non-bankrupt assets that have generated most of its income for the past year, including Portland General Electric, the Portland, Ore. utility acquired in 1997 that serves 740,000 customers in the Pacific Northwest, and Enron's whole or part ownership in three pipelines.

Spokesman Mark Palmer said final bids and purchase agreements will be in by late December. If creditors favor a sell-off, bids will be presented to U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Arthur Gonzalez in New York in early January.

"Whether we liquidate or stay together, the question is, 'Are they worth more sold?'" Palmer said. "Or, if the market doesn't value them, will we combine them into a new company that creditors hold equity in? It's a mathematical, economic decision."

When restructuring specialist Stephen Cooper became Enron's interim chief executive in late January, he insisted a slimmed-down Enron would emerge from Chapter 11 within a year, focused on moving natural gas and electricity, much like the original Enron formed in 1985.

The reputation of the man who handled bankruptcies for Trans World Airlines, Polaroid Corp. and Laidlaw, Inc., won't be damaged if the company liquidates, Zywicki said.

"By and large, the case has proceeded in an orderly and competent manner, and that matters more than the outcome," he said.

Enron, No. 7 on the Fortune 500 with $100 billion in revenues two years ago, declared bankruptcy on Dec. 2, 2001, fueled by shady accounting, hidden debt and inflated profits. Stock that traded at $90 in August 2000 plummeted to pennies, costing investors millions of dollars and leaving employees and retirees with evaporated 401(k) accounts.

The next day, more than 4,000 laid off Enron workers streamed out of the company's 50-story headquarters in downtown Houston, facing limited job prospects in a weakened economy.

Now the bankruptcy is among the 3,600 questions in the new 20th anniversary edition of the board game Trivial Pursuit, released this year. On Tuesday, the anniversary of Enron's mass layoffs, the company will hold its second multiple-day auction of surplus equipment, featuring signature tilted-E logo signs that used to be outside the headquarters and in its lobby. A similar auction in September netted $3.3 million.

And many of the laid off workers have found jobs or launched their own businesses in hopes of rebuilding what they lost in retirement accounts and stock options that vanished when Enron collapsed.

Laurie Evans, 39, considered herself lucky when she found a job at the Williams Cos.' Houston offices soon after Enron sent her packing last year. But she was laid off again after eight months, this time a casualty of cutbacks to combat a weak energy market in Enron's aftermath.

Evans, who worked in Enron's treasury department and lost $500,000 in the company's stock plunge, sold jewelry door to door to pay the bills and landed a job at Coastal Bank a few weeks ago, glad to leave the energy business behind.

"I try to look at the positive things, even though there wasn't a day for six months that went by when I'd drive down the road, thinking I couldn't believe I lost half a million dollars," said Evans, who was with Enron for 13 years. "But (selling jewelry) made me feel like I was very resourceful at doing something for myself."

Top executives who pocketed millions from stock sales and bonuses also are gone, as are the directors who were in charge while financial shenanigans set Enron on a course for failure.

But investigations by the Justice Department, the Securities and Exchange Commission and other agencies are continuing. So far three Enron workers have pleaded guilty to charges ranging from fraud to filing false tax returns in agreements to cooperate with prosecutors. Former chief financial officer Andrew Fastow has been indicted on 78 charges relating to schemes to skim money for himself and others at the company's expense.

Drownings claim sisters

BREVARD, N.C. (AP) — Two teen-age girls from Texas died in an apparent drowning in Transylvania County on Thanksgiving Day.

Authorities said sisters Keri Coleman, 19, and Kimberly Coleman, 15, may have slipped on ice near waterfalls while on a hike, according to sheriff Bobby Orr. An uncle found one of the girls in a pool of water near Cathedral Falls, and found the other about 200 feet away in a separate pool shortly before noon.

The teens were taken to Transylvania Community Hospital, but doctors were unable to resuscitate them. Authorities believe the drownings were accidental and are not conducting a criminal investigation.

The sisters lived in Fort Worth, and were visiting family for the holiday weekend, Orr said.

The accident came less than a day after a 16-year-old boy was found shot to death in neighboring Henderson County.

Authorities would not release the name of the victim, who was found late Wednesday at a home in the Dana community, according to Sheriff George Erwin Jr. Officers said the victim had been shot in the head.

An autopsy will be performed at Bowman Gray Medical Center in Winston-Salem. Results of the investigation are expected to be turned over to the Henderson County District Attorney's office Monday.

Marcus Reid Cave, CPA
Tax Preparation
E-Filing
106 E. Sammy Baugh
Rotan, TX 79546
For more information call
735-2155

CINEMA I & II
1907 Snyder Shopping Center
57-FILMS (573-4567)
HARRY POTTER AND THE CHAMBER OF SECRETS PG
Fri - Sun 2, 7:30
Tues. - Thurs. 7:30
No Poor Boy Discount on Harry Potter
TREASURE PLANET
PG
Fri. - Sat 2:15, 7, 9
Sun. 2:15 & 7
Tues-Thurs 7
Closed Mondays - "Poor Boy" Night Tuesday $3

KIDS KAMPUS
CHILD CARE
Open 7 Days A Week
5 a.m. - Midnight
Birth to 12 Years Old
Transportation Provided
111 37th Street 573-4848

The 1940's Radio Hour
Walton Jones
The Pitz Community Theatre & WTC Theatre present a Christmas Holiday Dinner Theatre
December 6 (Fri) 7:00pm Dinner Theatre $20 adults $17 seniors students
December 7 (Sat) 2:00pm (show only) $7 adults $5 seniors students
December 8 (Sun) 12:30pm Luncheon Theatre $20 adults $17 seniors students
Dinner will be served in the WTC Dining Hall. The play will follow immediately afterward in the Fine Arts Theatre
For Reservations and Details 573-8511 ext 234
Fine Arts Theatre - Western Texas College - Snyder, Texas

Thanks!
The Snyder Church of God would like to thank the following businesses for their donations, making our Harvest Festival a grand thing for the children of our community.
WHATABURGER
COLLEGE AVE. DAIRY QUEEN
SONIC
WAL-MART
MCDONALD'S
UNITED SUPERMARKET
PIZZA INN
GILLS
BURGER KING

After 57 Years in Snyder
Going Out of Business
25% Or More Off Everything!*
No Further Discounts 'til after Christmas!
Snyder Drug Gifts & Collectibles
3609 College Ave. 573-9334
Open 10:00am til 5:30pm Monday thru Saturday
*The Obligatory Fine Print: 25% off all regularly priced merchandise. 50% to 75% off clearance and closeout items. Service items such as Post Office, Western Union, and Band Supplies are excluded. Cash, Check or Bank Card only; no layaways. Gift wrap charge on all reduced price items.

DEC 01 2002

2nd Front Page

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

al-Qaida may be involved in attacks

MOMBASA, Kenya (AP) — Kenyan investigators have not ruled out the possibility that Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network carried out this week's simultaneous terror attacks on an Israeli-owned airliner and resort hotel, the country's defense minister said Saturday.

Israel and the United States also suspect al-Qaida involvement despite a claim of responsibility by the previously unknown Army of Palestine. Palestinian officials have denied any involvement by Palestinian groups.

"Kenya has been attacked by al-Qaida (before) so we cannot rule them out," Internal Security and Defense Minister Julius Sunkuli told The Associated Press, referring to the deadly 1998 attack on the U.S. Embassy in Nairobi.

"Over the last six months, Kenyan investigators have been following certain leads, (but) not particularly this one."

Those leads concerned terrorism in general, not al-Qaida specifically. Sunkuli also said those leads were not connected to an attack on Israelis.

Australia said it received information more than two weeks ago about terrorist threats in Mombasa. American officials said there were indications that American, British and Israeli citizens traveling abroad were facing greater danger.

In Washington, initial suspicion centered on two groups: al-Qaida and al-Itihaad al-Islamiya, a Somali Islamic group suspected of having links to bin Laden's network, a U.S. official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Friday. It also was possible the two groups were working together, the official said.

In Israel, the Mossad spy agency was put in charge of investigating Thursday morning's attacks.

Two shoulder-fired surface-to-air missiles were launched against an Israeli charter jet leaving Mombasa airport, narrowly missing the Arika Airlines Boeing 757 with 261 passengers and 10 crew members. It landed safely in Tel Aviv, Israel, with no casualties.

A few minutes later, a vehicle packed with explosives broke through the gate at the oceanside Paradise Hotel. One attacker ran into the lobby and blew himself up, while two others exploded the vehicle. The bombs killed 10 Kenyans, three Israelis and the three bombers.

Investigation into crash continues as family plans funeral

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — As federal investigators prepared to move the wreckage of a plane that crashed earlier this week, the brother of the pilot who was killed was getting ready to make funeral arrangements.

William Gray, 56, his wife, Kathy, 53, and their sons Chad, 23, and Chase, 20, and daughter Brooke, 17, died Wednesday afternoon when their twin-engine plane crashed near McAlester Regional Airport.

Don Gray, the oldest of five siblings, remembered his brother on Friday as an overachiever athletically, who passed his sports ability on to his children.

"He wasn't the fastest or the biggest guy, but he was a good player," Don Gray told the Tulsa World from his Wentworth, Mo., home. "Everything he did, he wanted to do well."

William Gray played football and basketball at Pierce City in southwestern Missouri. His son, Chase, played on three state champion teams at Trinity Christian Academy in Texas, Gray said. Brooke Gray was on the drill team at Trinity.

Chad Gray worked at Grayco Bank Products in Carrollton, Texas, the company his father started after working at another banking supply firm with Jerry Gray, one of his other brothers, Don Gray said.

Chad was good with computers and was "working at Grayco and building Web sites," Don Gray said.

Kathy Gray was a counselor, her brother-in-law said. All five were active in their church, he said.

"They were just a fabulous family," he said. "They had three great kids."

Few additional details on a cause of the crash were available, said Tom Little, an investigator with the National Transportation Safety Board. Investigators interviewed witnesses and coordinated removal of the debris from the crash site to a hangar for examination.

The FFA and the NTSB were also investigating another fatal plane crash in central Oklahoma on Friday.

William Gray owned the six-seat airplane, a Piper PA-34-220-T. According to FAA records, the plane replaced a single-engine plane he had owned in 1998.

William Gray had been planning to bring his mother with him on the flight back, Don Gray said. The family was going to gather in the Dallas area for an upcoming Christmas pageant in which Brooke and Kathy Gray were participating, he said.

"Such a neat family," Don Gray said. "This is why it is so tough. To lose a whole family is hard."

Inspectors check military base

BALAD, Iraq (AP) — UN weapons inspectors paid a surprise visit Saturday to a small, sleepy military post north of Baghdad where they searched for signs of weapons of mass destruction.

The weapons experts, as usual, provided no information about their mission to journalists who followed them to the Balad military base and watched from beyond the fence.

After 3½ hours, Brig. Karim Mohsen Alwan, an Iraqi escort, told reporters the team had done their checking "and they found nothing."

He said the post housed a unit equipped to counter chemical attacks. This raised the possibility the inspectors were looking for signs of reported large Iraqi imports of atropine, a civilian medication that can be used to counter nerve agents employed as weapons of war.

American analysts have suggested such imports might signal an Iraqi plan to use nerve agents against any U.S. attack, while stocking atropine to guard its own troops against any "blowback."

The inspectors also might have been checking for any forbidden chemical arms.

Area residents earlier had said — apparently incorrectly — that the post housed an anti-aircraft unit. The small military base, about 50 miles from Baghdad, had no obvious production facilities.

It was the third day of inspections under a U.N. Security Council mandate that gives Iraq a "final opportunity" to shut down its chemical, biological and nuclear weapons programs or face "serious consequences." The United States has threatened war to disarm Iraq.

In their first two days of inspections after a four-year break, the UN teams visited sites with well-known involvement in Iraq's past weapons programs — places where equipment had been disabled or weapons material destroyed after U.N. inspections in the 1990s. The fact the Iraqis would receive unannounced visits was no surprise.

Snyder officers investigate peculiar incident Saturday

•Accident

Snyder officers are investigating a peculiar incident early Saturday. The 1 a.m. accident resulted in several damaged vehicles and a Suburban wrecked into a room at the Purple Sage Motel.

The large vehicle left a gaping hole in one of the rooms at the motel, which was occupied at the time of the accident. No injuries were reported.

Little else was known about the accident before noon Saturday. Officer Jason McMillan said it is unclear if those involved were juveniles or adults or what other factors might have played a role in the mishap.

Two vehicles parked at the motel also were damaged and the occupants of the Suburban fled the scene in another car that was apparently following them, according to McMillan.

The Suburban was towed and a report for a major accident will be submitted and also for a private property accident.

•Arrests

Officers responded to Lota 'Burger at 5:25 p.m. Friday and arrested two men, ages 47 and 49, for public intoxication.

•Assault

A clerk at Rip Griffin's Truck Stop requested an officer at 6:23 p.m. Friday to report an assault. Class C assault charges were filed against a woman, age unknown.

•Close patrol

A woman requested officers at the Coleman Apartments at 3 a.m. Saturday because her ex-boyfriend was trying to get in. Officers arrived and the woman requested a close patrol, but later advised she was leaving the apartment to stay the night somewhere else.

Bush cuts pay raises for all fed workers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal workers will get a smaller pay raise next month because President Bush is freezing part of the increase, citing a national emergency because of the fight against terrorism.

Bush's decision is yet another blow to the civilian federal work force, which has been the target of sweeping changes in the government bureaucracy.

In a letter sent Friday to congressional leaders, Bush announced he was using his authority to change workers' pay structure in times of "national emergency or serious economic conditions" to limit raises to 3.1 percent.

Most federal employees also were to receive a second pay hike based on private-sector wages earned in metropolitan areas. But Bush said that increase would be too expensive and "inappropriate" at this time.

"A national emergency has existed since Sept. 11, 2001," Bush wrote. "Such cost increases would threaten our efforts against terrorism or force deep cuts in discretionary spending or federal employment to stay within budget. Neither outcome is acceptable."

The White House quietly divulged the cut in an e-mail to reporters late Friday, the middle of a long holiday weekend in which government and politics weren't likely to be on most Americans' minds.

Obituaries

Bea Lewis

1907-2002

Beatrice "Bea" Lewis, a longtime Snyder retailer, died Thursday, Nov. 28, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Lewis, 95 is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. James Merrell, retired Methodist minister, officiating.

Graveside service is set for 2 p.m. Monday in Marlow, Okla.

Born May 12, 1907 in Grady, Okla., Mrs. Lewis began work in Marlow working in the J.A. Hodnett 5 & 10 store. She started in sales and advanced to manager of the A. Harris Inc. in Dallas. She moved to Snyder in 1948 and operated Bea Owens Department Store on the west side of the Snyder square.

Mrs. Lewis was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Martha Grubb of Snyder; two grandchildren, Kenneth Keller of San Antonio and Karmen Dosser of Woodville; seven great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Robert Smith

1914-2002

Robert Smith of Snyder died Wednesday, Nov. 27, in Snyder Oaks Care Center after a lengthy illness.

Graveside service for Mr. Smith, 88, is set for 10 a.m. Monday in Hillside Memorial Gardens. The Rev. Caiaphas Cain of Snyder will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Born Sept. 22, 1914 in Jackson, Miss., Mr. Smith was a retired farmer.

Survivors include six nephews, Earnest Peavy and Brady Cobb, both of Snyder, Charles Carter of Chicago, Stanley Cobb of Monahans, and Melvin Cobb and Welton Cobb, both of Texas; and three nieces, Vera Cain, Roann Clay and Vonnie Wallace, all of Snyder.

Personal, Professional Service
BELL CYPERT-SEALE FUNERAL HOME
3101 College Ave. 573-5454

Births

Sergio and Amelia Jimenez of Snyder and big brother, Eduardo, announce the birth of Emily Jimenez at 8:53 p.m. on Nov. 29 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Emily weighed seven pounds, six ounces.

Paternal grandparents are Nick Jimenez of Snyder and Camila Hernandez of Mexico. Maternal grandparents are Jose and Lucia Moran of Snyder.

WCFH
Independently Owned & Operated
WRIGHT COLONIAL FUNERAL HOME
200 East 37th St. Snyder, Texas
915-573-6200
FOR INFORMATION GO TO WWW.AMERICANMEMORIALS.COM

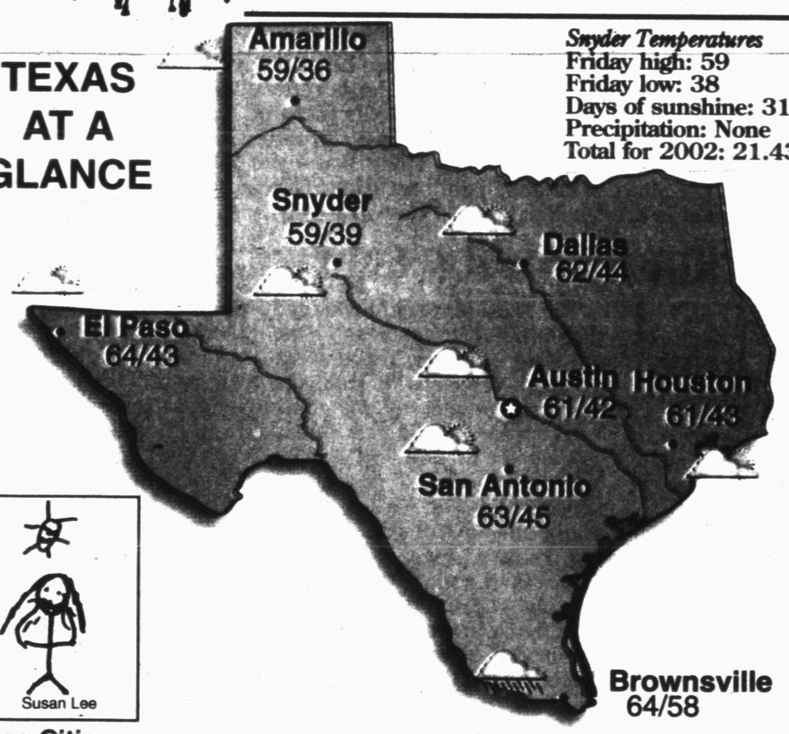
Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Sun 12/1	Mon 12/2	Tue 12/3
59/39	64/44	86/31
Mainly sunny. High 59F. Winds S at 5 to 10 mph.	Cloudy. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 40s.	Showers possible. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the low 30s.
Sunrise 7:28 AM, Sunset 5:37 PM	Sunrise 7:29 AM, Sunset 5:37 PM	Sunrise 7:30 AM, Sunset 5:37 PM

WEST TEXAS STATE BANK
1901 26th Street • 573-5441
FDIC

TEXAS AT A GLANCE



Snyder Temperatures
Friday high: 59
Friday low: 38
Days of sunshine: 319
Precipitation: None
Total for 2002: 21.43

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	61	43	pt sunny	El Paso	64	43	pt sunny	Midland	61	44	pt sunny
Amarillo	59	36	pt sunny	Fort Stockton	64	45	pt sunny	Raymondville	63	52	cloudy
Austin	61	42	pt sunny	Gainesville	59	38	pt sunny	Rosenberg	61	44	pt sunny
Beaumont	59	41	pt sunny	Greenville	59	39	pt sunny	San Antonio	63	45	pt sunny
Brownsville	64	58	rain	Houston	61	43	pt sunny	San Marcos	62	43	pt sunny
Brownwood	62	41	pt sunny	Kingsville	63	50	cloudy	Sulphur Springs	59	38	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	62	50	cloudy	Livingston	59	37	pt sunny	Sweetwater	61	41	pt sunny
Corsicana	61	42	pt sunny	Longview	57	35	pt sunny	Tyler	60	41	pt sunny
Dallas	62	44	pt sunny	Lubbock	61	39	pt sunny	Weatherford	61	38	pt sunny
Del Rio	63	49	pt sunny	Lufkin	59	38	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	62	40	pt sunny

National Cities

Atlanta	45	21	mst sunny	Houston	61	43	pt sunny	Phoenix	70	52	pt sunny
Boston	34	20	sn shower	Los Angeles	67	54	pt sunny	San Francisco	57	47	pt sunny
Chicago	27	15	pt sunny	Miami	75	58	rain	Seattle	51	39	foggy
Dallas	62	44	pt sunny	Minneapolis	22	11	pt sunny	St. Louis	46	22	mst sunny
Denver	52	29	pt sunny	New York	36	24	pt sunny	Washington, DC	39	25	pt sunny

Moon Phases

Last	New	First	Full
Nov 27	Dec 4	Dec 11	Dec 19

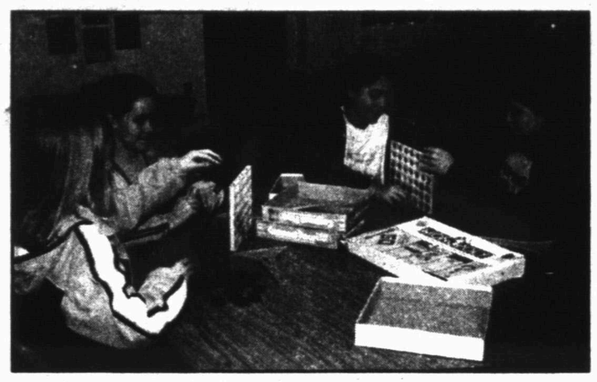
UV Index

Sun 12/1	Mon 12/2	Tue 12/3
Low	Low	Minimal

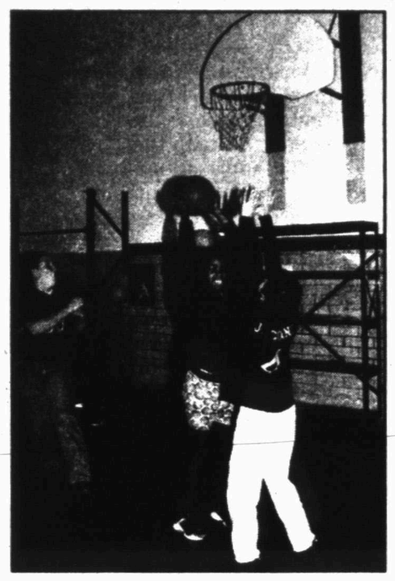
The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 — 11

©2002 American Profile Hometown Content Service

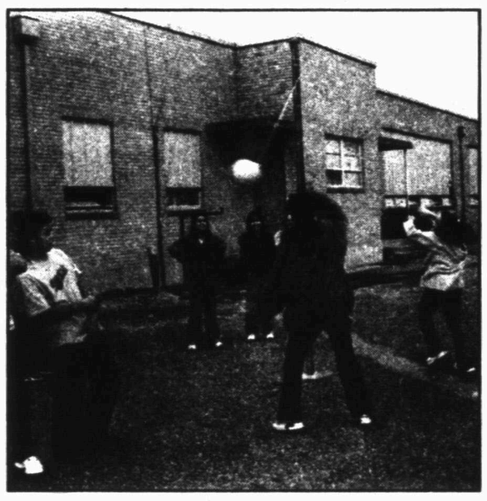
Good behavior pays off



Connect Four

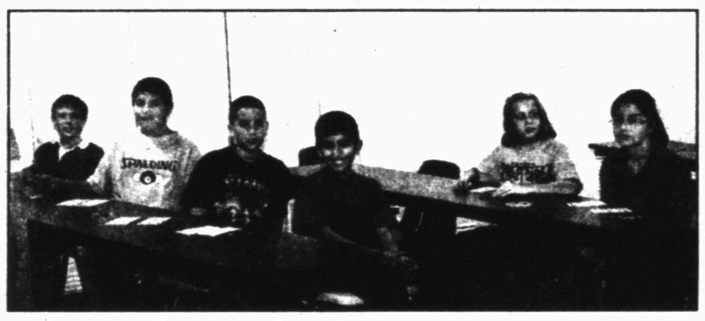


Basketball



Tether ball

GOOD BEHAVIOR PARTY — West Elementary students who met the requirements in behavior, attendance and grades recently enjoyed a Reward Party. A different party is planned every six weeks. This party included game day at school. The students picked their game from a variety offered including volleyball, board games, basketball, touch football, tetherball and computer games. They were also treated to pickles, popcorn and Coke floats. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)



Bingo

Milwaukee's embattled police chief says he will keep fighting

MILWAUKEE (AP) — When Arthur Jones became a police officer in this city 35 years ago, black officers like him were banned from riding in squad cars or patrolling white neighborhoods.

Jones eventually rose through the ranks to become the city's first black police chief, promoting himself as a reformer who has fought to integrate and update the force.

But along the way, Jones created critics. He has been called abrasive and authoritarian, and accused of gutting the force of senior officers. The embarrassing public spat between the two sides could soon head to court.

Jones, 56, has filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, in June, what is believed to be the first-ever racial discrimination complaint by a sitting police chief.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Jones said city leaders ignored his complaints, forcing him to go to the commission as a last resort to argue that he faces a hostile working environment.

"People say I play the race card, but it's real," he said. "When I joined this police department there was no one in the African American community — or any other color — or females in the command staff of this police department. It was all white males."

The mayor's office says the fight is about poor policing. Milwaukee's murder rate is largely unchanged since Jones took office in 1996 — 130 murders that year and 127 in 2001 — while other cities have seen dramatic drops in crime.

"The mayor does see that policing activity has helped in those communities and would like to see a similar effort here," said Mayor John Norquist's spokesman, Steve Filmanowicz.

Jones says Norquist asked him to use "repressive measures," such as stopping cars in mostly black neighborhoods and seizing guns, which he says violates civil rights.

But others say it's Jones who uses repressive measures.

After a raid on a Hispanic grocery store and tortilla factory in September, 25 workers filed a complaint alleging police used excessive force when they raided the businesses for antibiotic drugs. They blamed Jones, who says officers followed proper procedure.

Alderman Willie Hines, who is black, says the city holds Jones to a higher standard than his predecessors. He said Jones challenged police department brass and their hiring tactics from day one — rankling staid city leaders.

"He has challenged the department as well as the city to embrace all races and all citizens at a time when the city was very reluctant, very unwilling, and very divided," Hines said.

But alderman Mike D'Amato, who is white, wants the chief gone. He said Jones has little patience for others' opinions and isn't open to new ideas or cooperation, and it's hurt the force.

"I think that he has a very difficult time sharing the spotlight with anybody else," D'Amato said.

The police union has opposed Jones since the beginning, filing several lawsuits alleging discrimination and retaliation against officers. Jones is named in at least eight lawsuits — one was settled for $31,000. Another is expected to cost taxpayers $690,000.

Jones has gone to court himself in the past. Before he became chief in 1996, he fought for a U.S. Justice Department mandate requiring the department to hire and promote minorities, later filing his own discrimination complaint against the department — and winning — when he wasn't promoted.

The chief calls the mayor "vindictive" and says Norquist has tried to get the fire and police commission — the only body that can fire the chief — to oust him. The two men have a long history: Jones was once the mayor's bodyguard.

Filmanowicz says Jones' belief is "a strange conspiracy theory." He says the mayor just wants officers to do more than monitor radios in an effort to prevent crime.

Jones said he's not giving up. He said he'll continue keeping detailed logs of promotion by race and gender, diversifying the top brass. And he said he intends to reapply for his job when his term is up next year.

On the Net:
http://www.milwaukee.org

Pantoliano may feel at home on Broadway

NEW YORK (AP) — Joe Pantoliano may feel right at home on Broadway.

The actor, whose character on the HBO show "The Sopranos" was recently retired in a rather violent fashion, is set to make his Broadway debut Jan. 1 in the hit revival of "Frankie and Johnny in the Claire de Lune."

He'll join a mob of "Sopranos" actors now on Broadway: Lorraine Bracco has been taking it all off as Mrs. Robinson in "The Graduate," Jamie-Lynn Sigler is the beauty half of "Beauty and the Beast" and Saundra Santiago will appear in the Roundabout's revival of "Nine."

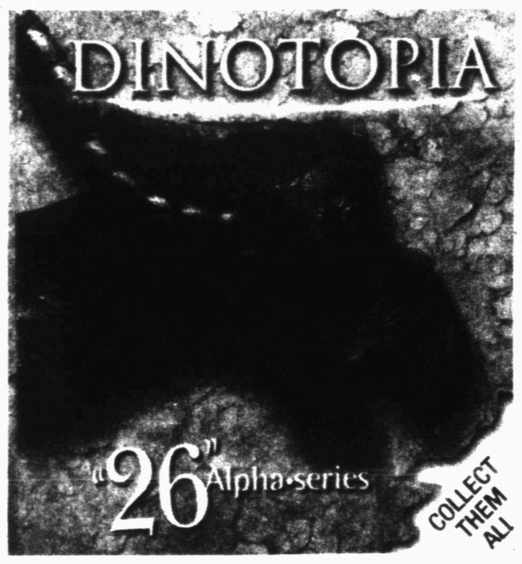
DEC 01 2002

Holiday Value Buys
With Purchase of 3 Cards



Photo Album $2.95
Santa Plate $2.95

DINOTOPIA
Egg & Toy $9.95



"26" is the adorable, mischievous Chasmosaurus orphan born at the Vidabba Earth Farm Hatchery on the Island of Dinotopia

Boxed Christmas Cards
~FREE PRINTING~

Ty Buddie &
Ty Classic
25% Off

The Pleasure's Mine
2502 Ave. R Snyder, Texas 915/573-6536
~Layaways ~ Virginia Bloom, Owner

Hallmark MasterCard VISA



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Carmen Zarate of Sweetwater and Ian L. Bost of Bedford are planning an April, 2003 wedding to be held in Bedford. Miss Zarate attended Western Texas College. She is the daughter of Mrs. Maria Zarate of Sweetwater and the late Jose Zarate Sr. Bost is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mauer of Garland and Dr. and Mrs. Wallace Bost of San Angelo. (Contributed Photo)

Governor's Thanksgiving proclamation revamped in response to complaints

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — To some churches, Gov. John G. Rowland's Thanksgiving proclamation seemed as old as the holiday itself.

The governor had issued the same proclamation since he was sworn in for his first term in 1995. In it, he urged people to "reflect upon all they have, remember the sacrifices of others and express their gratitude in gestures of assistance toward those in need."

But Rowland changed the statement for this Thanksgiving in response to complaints from the public, said Dan Moreland, a staff assistant for the governor who writes state proclamations.

"Many churches have lobbied against the old proclamation. They are tired of reading the same one," Moreland said. "I think the governor just really liked the old one."

The new result?

"The cheerful ambiance of the holiday season embraces our senses, warming our homes as it soothes the heart and soul," the latest proclamation reads.

"Visions of long bountiful tables filled with generations of family evolve into the resonance of stories and laughter. Tantalizing aromas linger through our subconscious, provoking reminiscence of gatherings from years past. All of our hard working and earnest efforts throughout the year seem to have culminated on this day."

Never make a defense or an apology until you are accused.
—Charles I, King of England

Bridal Registry

LYNN POLK AND BRAD HART
LESLIE DEERE AND COREY TRUJILLO
LAURIE HUDDLESTON AND JOEY ROLAND
STEPHANIE COX AND CHRIS REED
SARAH ANN DYKES AND JOE MAC CHEYNE

Infant Registry

Wedding Invitations
•Tuxedo Rentals
Phone In Orders Welcome
Free Delivery To Bridal Shower

Classic Interiors

2520 Ave. R East Side of Square 573-1701
Open Mon.-Fri. 9:30-5:30, Sat. 10:00-4:00

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

Played this year; winner next year?

North 11-30-02
♠ J 6 2
♥ A Q 10
♦ K 10 8 5
♣ A K 4

West
♠ 10 8 4
♥ 9 7 6 3
♦ A J 2
♣ 7 6 5

East
♠ K Q
♥ K 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ Q J 9 8 3 2

South
♠ A 9 7 5 3
♥ J 8 5 2
♦ Q 6 4
♣ 10

Dealer: North
Vulnerable: Both

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

Opening lead: ♣ 5

The International Bridge Press Association gives annual awards, but because the cutoff date is often well before the end of the year, deals bid, played, or defended brilliantly later in the year are considered for the following year's accolades. This deal was played during the match between Ireland and Portugal at the European Championships in Salsomaggiore, Italy, last June. It was reported by Maureen Hiron, an Englishwoman who has lived in Spain for many years.

West leads a club against four spades. Will South succeed or fail?

Since they were using a weak no-trump, North had to open one diamond. After East overcalled two clubs, most experts sitting South would make a negative double because the hand is too weak for two spades.

Declarer cannot handle four spades in the West hand, so he will be "forced" to guess the trumps. With a trump loser and one loser in each red suit, it looks as though the contract will make. However, Nick FitzGibbon (East) and Adam Mesbur produced a scintillating defense.

After the Portuguese declarer won the first trick with dummy's club king, he played a spade to the king and ace. If South had continued by ducking a trump, he would have got home, but he understandably led a heart to dummy's 10 — FitzGibbon ducked smoothly.

Now declarer played a diamond to his queen — Mesbur ducked smoothly.

Suitably hoodwinked, South led a heart to dummy's queen, but East produced the king, put his partner on lead with a diamond, and received a heart ruff. A moment later, West collected a trump trick to defeat the contract.

Copyright 2002, Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

Bridge Winners

Jane Hinton directed bridge at the Snyder Country Club.

Friday, Nov. 22

A Group
1. Dora Blakey, Nonnie Ward.
2. Suzy Reed, Anita Talbott.
3. Nona Morrison, Nina Nesbit.
4. Margaret Birdwell, Durelle Gorman tied with Tizzy Hall, Dorothy Rosson.

B Group
1. Paula Gilbert, Vera McSpadden.
2. Darla Smith, Fritz Smith.

Miss Doolittle, Monzingo marry in garden wedding

HOUSTON — Julie Ryan Doolittle from The Woodlands and James Daniel Monzingo from Tomball were united in marriage Sept. 14 with the Rev. Jerry Neill, family friend and minister of music at Southside Baptist Church in Palestine, officiating.

Bob and Suzanne Doolittle of Snyder are parents of the bride. Her grandmothers are Jean McCommas, also of Snyder, and Marie Doolittle of Springfield, Mo. The groom's parents are Edward and Gloria Monzingo of Tomball.

Double-ring vows were pledged in a ceremony under a gazebo in the backyard of "The House Estate," which is an old plantation-style home near Houston. The gazebo was covered with greenery and the columns were twisted with fall colored roses and rust colored Gerber daisies.

White wooden chairs were placed in two sections to create a center isle. The center isle was covered with multi-colored rose petals. To the left of the ceremony scene was a 40x40 white tent set up with a dance floor and surrounded by tables and chairs for the reception.

Vocalist and matron of honor Mrs. Kasey Neill Reedy of College Station, formerly of Snyder, sang "This Day."

Father of the bride gave his daughter in marriage as she wore a strapless A-line ivory matte satin dress decorated with slate blue crystals along the neckline and down the front and side of the gown. The gown, designed by Magique Collection, had a corset in the back that flowed into an apron chapel-length train also decorated with slate blue crystals.

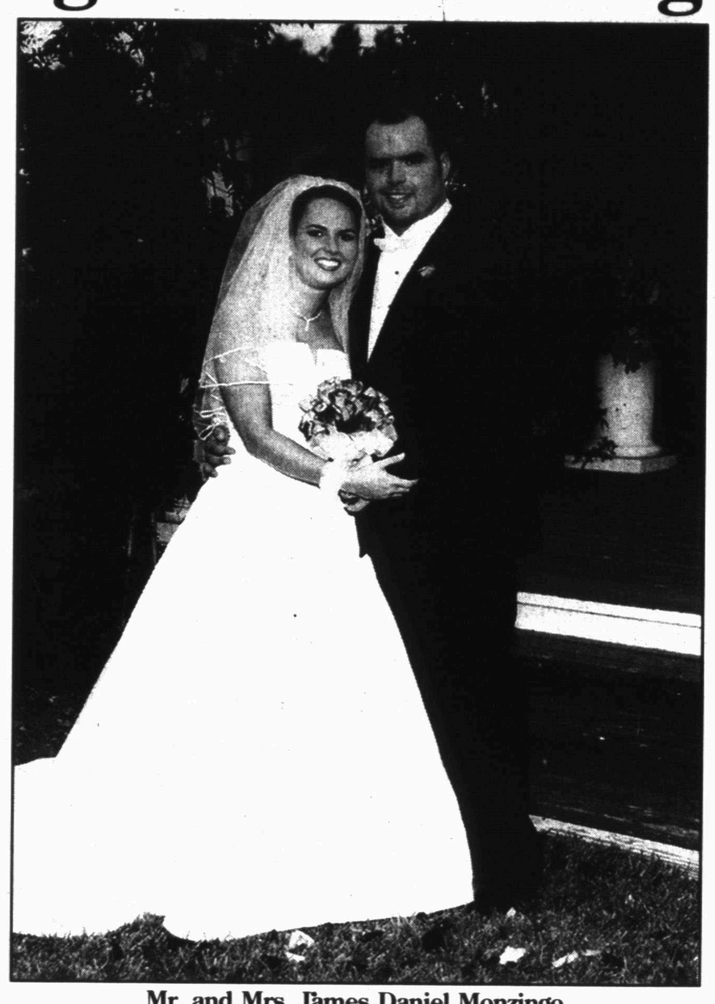
To complete the gown, the bride chose an Allin Rae headpiece of pearls and rhinestones on a silver wire comb with a two-layer diamond white veil decorated with crystals in a floral design and finished by a soutache edge.

The bride wore a candlelight satin and lace garter with a small satin pouch created to hold pennies minted in the year of the couples' births. The garter was made by her grandmother, Jean McCommas.

Her bridal bouquet was two dozen freshly cut Leonidas roses wrapped with two special handkerchiefs presented to the bride by her grandmother and mother. One handkerchief was carried in both her grandmother's and mother's wedding and the other was handmade and purchased in Switzerland by her grandmother.

The ceremony included the lighting of a unity candle that was used in the bride's parents' wedding in 1975.

Matron of honor was Kasey Neill Reedy, lifelong friend and college roommate. Bridesmaids included college roommates, Danyel Lintleman from Dallas, Misty Harrell of Georgetown, Jill Bryant from Waco and Sabrina Kelley of Dallas.



Mr. and Mrs. James Daniel Monzingo
(Contributed Photo)

Each attendant wore a black floor-length sleeveless gown with a scooped neckline and rhinestones covering the bodice. They each carried two long-stemmed fall colored calla lilies.

Flower girls were Kyndra Doolittle, cousin of the bride from Marshfield, Mo., and Brette King of Beaumont, niece of the groom of Beaumont. Ring bearer was Ty Rowden of Tomball.

Groomsmen were Scott Cowan, Tyson Grona, both of Tomball, John Sturgeon of Magnolia, Richard Boyd of Spring and Chris Klawinsky of Houston.

Ushers included Braden Doolittle, brother of the bride from Snyder; Brian Monzingo, cousin of the groom from New York City; and Brandon Boyd from Tomball.

The groom and male attendants wore black Liz Claborne tuxedos. The groom wore an ivory vest and ivory bow tie. Groomsmen and ushers wore black vests and black bow ties.

Jamie McCommas, cousin of the bride from College Station, Callie Bane from Snyder, and Monica Monzingo, cousin of the groom from Tomball, registered guests.

The reception was held at the House Estate under a 40x40 white tent. Guests were served a meal of Italian pastas with a choice of Alfredo or meatball sauce, tossed salad, and garlic French bread. Tables were set up along the wrap-around porch, underneath the tent and inside the house.

A dance followed the meal. A DJ provided the musical selections from Frank Sinatra classics, Jazz and big band music.

The bride's table held the wedding cake and two champagne flutes. It was four-layer, round stacked vanilla cake with cream cheese filling and was surrounded by three smaller satellite cakes. The cake was decorated with a Chantilly lace pattern slightly tinted for a candlelight coloring. It was finished with the bride's grandmother's cake topper that was used in her wedding in 1951. Roses and Gerber daisies cascaded along the side of the cake. The House Estates staff served.

The groom's table held a chocolate cake decorated with the Texas A&M University seal on top and was surrounded by chocolate covered strawberries.

The couple's honeymoon trip was to Maroma Beach, south of Cancun, Mexico, and their new home is in Spring.

The bride, a 1997 graduate of Snyder High School and University of Mary Hardin-Baylor in 2001 with a degree in psychology and sociology, is working as a golf professional assistant at The Club at Carlton Woods. Carlton Woods is the new Jack Nicklaus course located in The Woodlands.

A 1997 graduate of Tomball High School and 2001 graduate of Texas A&M with a degree in economics and business, the groom is working for Klein Bank in Spring.

DAR program is Scotch/Irish immigration to America

The Martin Prueitt Jr. Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution met at The Shack for its November meeting with Lois Bartels presenting the program.

In following with the theme "tour of countries," Bartels took members to Ireland and Scotland, tracing the courses of the Scotch-Irish immigration to America and the impact of their coming into the formation of our country. Many of them fought in battles of the Revolutionary War with some being officers. Many more fought against the Indians on the western frontier, holding it from the British.

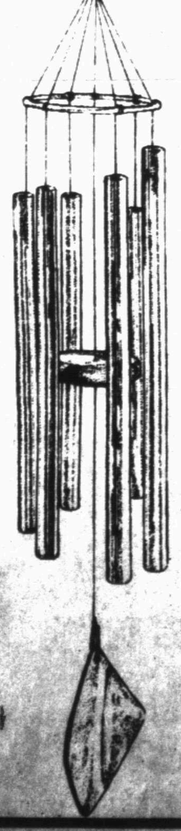
Later Scotch-Irish immigrants worked to build railroads, steel mills, factories and also worked in the mines. They also brought the Catholic Church and the Presbyterian Church to America's shores. They played, and still play, an important part in our politics.

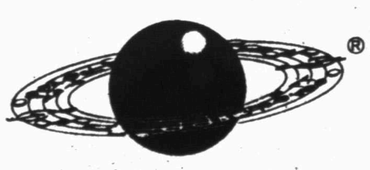
She concluded with the fact that other things we owe to Scotch-Irish immigrants and their descendents are the telephone, television, Carnegie free libraries, rubber tires, many makes of cars, penicillin and golf.

During the business meeting, members voted to send funds to DAR magazine for advertising supporting the state regent in her campaign for national office. Kathie Nelson was a guest.

- The next DAR meeting will be Dec. 10 at the country club and members will exchange Christmas ornaments.

Music of the Spheres





These enchanting chimes blend old world craftsmanship with the latest in technology–harmonizing art and science to uplift the spirit and delight the senses.

Our matte black, powder coated aluminum alloy tubing will never rust and always looks elegant.

McWilliams Pharmacy
3706 College Avenue
573-7582

Christmas at Special Occasions

~Crosses~
~Tapestry Travel Bags~
~Pewter Serving Pieces~
~Picture Frames~
~Candles~
and much, much more

SPORTS CORNER

PRIVATE LABEL HOLIDAY CANDLES HAVE ARRIVED

Gift Baskets Available
Free Gift Wrapping Gift Vertificates

Special Occasions
Monday-Friday - 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Office 574-2004
507 Coliseum Drive
Across from old Minute Market
Home 863-2794

NURSING HOME
NEGLECT • ABUSE

If your loved one has suffered serious injuries resulting from the abuse or neglect of a nursing home, then you may have a legal action available to recover monetary damages to compensate them for their injuries. If you would like to know what can be done to protect your legal rights, please call for a FREE CONFIDENTIAL CONSULTATION

DAVID P. WILLIS
BOARD CERTIFIED
PERSONAL INJURY TRIAL LAWYER
Texas Board of Legal Specialization

TOLL FREE 1-800-883-9858
713-654-4040
PRINCIPLE OFFICE – HOUSTON, TEXAS

School Menus

Snyder

All meals are served with milk. Breakfast menu offers juice.

CLASSROOM BREAKFAST
(East, Northeast, Stanfield, West)

Monday
Cinnamon Texas Toast
Tuesday
Sausage Topped Muffin
Wednesday
Strawberry Toaster Pastry
Thursday
Ham & Cheese Wrap
Friday
Toasted Cheese Wedge

(Other Schools)
Monday
Breakfast Ham & Cheese Wrap or
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Tuesday
French Toast Sticks w/Syrup or
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Wednesday
Cinnamon Roll or
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Thursday
Biscuits w/Gravy or
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly
Friday
Scrambled Eggs w/Bacon or
Assorted Dry Cereal
Toast w/Jelly

LUNCH
Monday
Crunchy or Corn Dog or
Tomato Soup w/Cheese Sandwich
Waffle Fries
Broccoli & Cheese
Apple Crisp
Tuesday
Salisbury Steak or
Chicken Nuggets
Cheese & Chive Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Texas Toast
Wednesday
Beef Enchiladas or
Crispy Taco
Campfire Beans
Lettuce & Tomato Cup
Ice Cream
Thursday
Meatball Sub Sandwich or
Pizza
Cucumber & Tomato Salad
Applesauce
Garlic Bread Stick
Friday
Chicken Fry on a Bun or
Fish Wedge w/Tarter Sauce
Garden Green Peas
Tater Tots
Fruit Cobbler

Hermleigh

All meals are served with milk and the breakfast menu offers juice.

BREAKFAST
Monday
Toast & Jelly
Tuesday
Oatmeal
Toast
Wednesday
Scrambled Eggs
Ham Toast
Thursday
Cinnamon Toast
Friday
Biscuits
Sausage

LUNCH
Monday
Corn Dogs
French Fries
Pork & Beans
Pineapple
Tuesday
Fried Fish
Macaroni & Cheese
Cole Slaw
Hush Puppies
Mixed Fruit
Wednesday
Chili Cheese Fries
Pickle Spears
Fritos
Peaches
Thursday
Frank Wraps
Salsa Sauce
Carrot Sticks
Pears
Friday
Pizza
Vegetable Salad
Corn
Pink Applesauce

Community Calendar

MONDAY

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

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

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

Snyder Fire Dept. Auxiliary; Central Fire Station; 7 p.m.

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

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

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

TUESDAY

Gateway Family Services parenting discussion group, focuses on a variety of parenting issues and special challenges; no charge; call 73-1822 for more information; 10:30 a.m.

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

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Garden Club; Martha Ann Woman's Club; business meeting at 4 p.m., followed by a workshop of decorating gourds and pine cones for Christmas for the nursing homes; Christmas dinner at 6:30 p.m.

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

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

AA Big Book Study; closed meeting; contact numbers are 574-8015, 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 573-3733, 573-2101 or 5731141; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

Woman donates kidney, prepares meal within days

RENTON, Wash. (AP) — A week after donating a kidney to her mother-in-law, Darci Bidman had some other family duties to perform: helping prepare a Thanksgiving dinner for 14 people.

"You can't keep her down for long," said her father-in-law, Jim Bidman.

On Nov. 21, Darci was in Swedish Medical Center in Seattle, where a surgeon removed one of her kidneys and implanted it in 63-year-old Ayako Bidman.

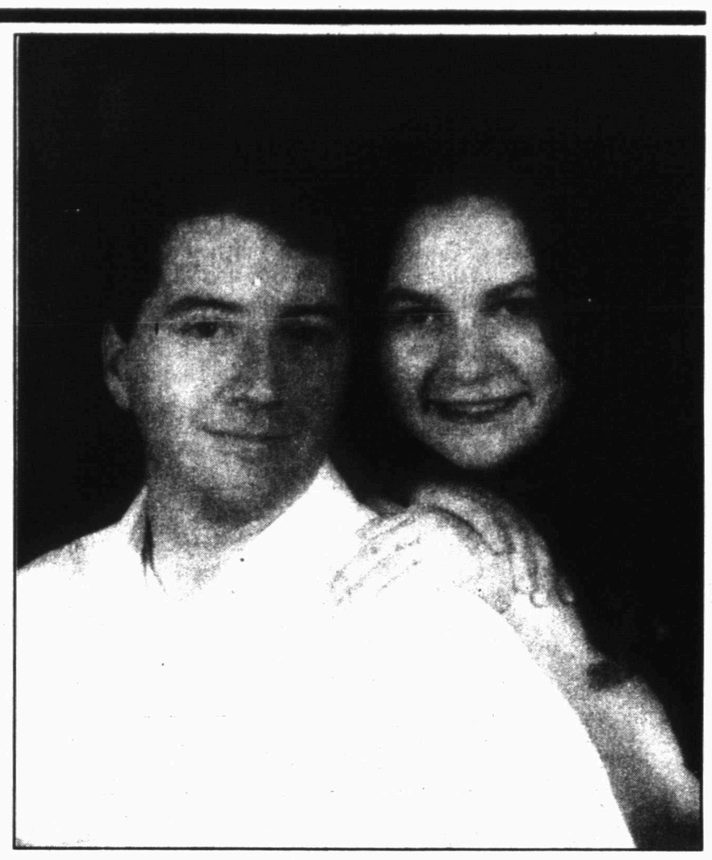
Daugherty, Balk will wed in December

Diane Balk and Carl Daugherty along with their parents, Ruth and Richard Balk and Majorie and Noble Young and Robert Daugherty, announce their engagement and approaching marriage.

The bride-elect is a 1988 graduate of Turkey Valley High School in Jackson Junction, Iowa. She has a bachelor's degree in elementary education and education of the hearing impaired from Augustana College in Sioux Falls, S.D. Diane is employed by Comal Independent School District in New Braunfels as an itinerant teacher for the auditorially impaired. She will complete her master's degree in deaf and hearing science from the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio in May, 2003.

Daugherty is a 1987 graduate of Snyder High School. He has a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering technology from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. He is employed by Ibis Aerospace as a technical writer and is currently working in conjunction with AeroVodochody a.s. on an aircraft certification project north of Prague in the Czech Republic.

A Dec. 28 wedding is planned at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Lawler, Iowa. A reception and dance at the Pinicon in New Hampton will follow the ceremony.



Carl Daugherty and Diane Balk

Sister dreams of same day delivery; dream comes true

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Christa Garro had a recurring dream that she'd give birth the same day as her sister.

"The circumstances would change in the dream, but we were always delivering on the same day," said Garro, 28, of Warminster.

On Monday, the dream came true. Garro and her sister Anne Marie Russo delivered their first-born babies within six hours of each other at Abington Memorial Hospital outside Philadelphia.

Russo, 31, went two weeks past her due date and Garro gave birth a month earlier than expected.

Both babies — Gabriella Garro and Christopher Robert Russo — went home with their mothers on Wednesday. The infants spent much of their time in the hospital together.

Garro's husband, Juan, had just finished work on the nursery when her contractions started about 9:30 p.m. Sunday. Three hours into labor, she saw her pregnant sister and her sister's husband standing in her hospital room and wondered why they had chosen to visit in the middle of the night.







DEC 1 2002

Public Records

Filed in District Court

Fernando Romero vs. Anadarko Petroleum Corp., suit for damages.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Lupe Lopez and Valentina Lopez, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Darlene Harrison and Willis Hiram Harrison, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Patricia Ann Graham and Andy Brian Graham Sr., divorce granted.

In the marriage of Saturnino Martinez and Anita Justa Martinez, divorce granted.

April Leigh Lollar vs. David Cotton, order of dismissal.

James H. Coventry, dba Coventry Plumbing, vs. Joe Silva, default judgment.

Deed Records

Theresa Y. and Rodney Dupree to Travis and Susan Goswick, the east 39 feet of Lot 29 and the west 29.5 feet of Lot 30 in Block 11 of the Replat of the south one-half of Block 7 and Blocks 6 and 11 of the Highland Addition.

Mark and Cheri Totty to Otilia Rios, Lot 14 in Block C of the Replat of the Highland Park Addition.

Welborn K. Willingham, independent executor of the estate of Barton Willingham, to Pegge J. Alcorn, 1.0-acre tract in the southwest one-quarter of Section 180, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Russell Jones Jr. to Allan and Katherine Rieser, Lots 11 and 12 in Block 11 of the Bootheland Addition.

Nicki Glasscock to Randall D. Glasscock, Lot 1 in Block 1 of the Bowden Addition.

Darlene Harrison to William Hiram Harrison, Lot 1 in Block 4 of the Cullum Addition.

Reymundo and Narcissa Guerrero to Ida Turnbo, Lots 13-16 in Block 20 of the Belmont Park Heights Addition.

Mayzell Fenton, individually and as independent executrix of the estate of Lynn Fenton, to Elida Chavez, the north 50 feet of Lot 3 in Block 2 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Jake and Betty Jean Smith to Robbie Neal and Patricia Ann Floyd, Lot 5 in Block 4 of the Park View Addition.

Cody and Lisa Williams to Mark W. and Lavina Thomas, 3.0 acres in the southwest one-quarter of Section 294, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Shawn and Teresa Ragland to Christopher D. and Brook Nicole Mackey, Lot 17 in Block 1 of the Wall Addition.

Lana Carol and Bill Galloway to Lyndell Joe Ashley, 543 acres out of the west part of Section 381, Block 97, H&TC survey.

HIGGINBOTHAM-BARTLETT HOME CENTER
1913 25th STREET
SNYDER, TEXAS
SATURDAY, DEC. 7
PHOTO HOURS
9-3:00

$12.99 plus tax due at pick-up
1 - 10X13
1 - 8X10
2 - 5X7s
2 - 3X5s
16 King Size Wallets
8 Regular Size Wallets
$1.99 sitting fee per person .



Shugart's inc.
WE USE KODAK PAPER, FILM & CHEMISTRY

Celebrity publicist Grubman leaves N. Y. jail after 37 days

RIVERHEAD, N.Y. (AP) — Celebrity publicist Lizzie Grubman left jail quietly Friday after serving time for backing her sport utility vehicle into a crowd outside a trendy Hamptons nightclub and fleeing.

Grubman, 31, avoided the cameras and was whisked away in a private car shortly before 10 a.m. after serving 37 days of a 60-day sentence at the Suffolk County Jail, with time off for good behavior, said her lawyer, Stephen Scaring.

"She was relieved and is looking forward to spending some quiet time with her family this weekend," Scaring said.

Grubman, the daughter of a high-power entertainment attorney, had built a thriving business promoting careers and parties for the likes of singer Britney Spears, rapper Jay-Z and the Backstreet Boys.

She was jailed Oct. 23 after pleading guilty to assault and leaving the scene of an accident outside the Conscience Point Inn, where she backed into and injured at least 16 people after allegedly shouting epithets at a club bouncer.

Some witnesses said her actions the morning of July 7, 2001, seemed deliberate, but Grubman said it was an accident.

Scaring said she fared better in jail than she thought she would.

"Nothing is ever as bad as you think," he said. "She developed a relationship with the inmates. They liked her and respected her."

Scaring said Grubman was met by family and friends and headed west to Manhattan, where she has an apartment. She would celebrate a belated Thanksgiving with her family on Sunday, he said.

"I'd be surprised if she's not at work on Monday," Scaring added.

Her publicist, Dan Klores, predicted her business would rebound. "The past year and a half has taught her the invaluable lesson of humility," he said.

Grubman still faces lawsuits filed by six people who were hurt.

Scurry County Service Men & Women

(Editor's Note: Citizens are invited to write their servicemen and servicewomen stationed stateside and overseas. Anyone having additions, changes or corrections to the list should submit them in writing to the Snyder Daily News, P.O. Box 949, Snyder, TX, 79550, bring them by the office at 3600 College Ave.; or e-mail to gorman@snyderdailynews.com. Sorry, no addresses will be accepted over the telephone.

LCPL Paxton Shane Beauchamp
3rd TSB Landing Support Company Unit 38420
FPO AP 96604-8420

Sgt. Joe Bilano Jr. USMC
Marine Security Guard Detachment
American Embassy Mexico City
P.O. Box 3087
Laredo, Tx. 78044-3087

REC. Bishop, Joseph E.
1st RTBN, A "Co" PLT 1099
MCRD
San Diego, CA 92140

Sr A Micah Brown
763 EARS/SC
APO AE 09853

SGT Ryan D. Byrd
330th MCB HHD
Fort Bragg, NC 28310

LCPL Christopher Damien (Haywood) Clayton
15354 Mina de Oro Rd
Poway, CA 92064

Marisa Barrera Clement
CMR 477 Box 688
APO AE 09165

Jeremy Clifton MP Division
USS John Young (DD 973)
FPO AP 96686-1211

PVT Timothy Craig
LOC#346MCCES,MCAGCC
Box 788253
Twentynine Palms, CA 92278-8253

Mineman First Class (SW) Delton C. "Cole" Drum II
Mobile Mine Assembly Unit Eleven
2214 W. Old Tom Rd.
Goose Creek SC 29445-8608

MASA Early Robert G.
PCS 451 Security
FPOAE 09834-2800

A1C Eime, Ryan N.
PSC 7
1001 Gemini Dr. UNIT 390102
Lackland AFB, TX 78236-6001

Sgt. Benjamin L. Felan
B CO 532nd MI BN
Box 245
APO AP 96271

Sgt. Cory M. Fisher
1983 Oakwell Farm Parkway #807
San Antonio, Tx. 78218

Rec, Ford, Ricky
2nd BNF Co PIT2105
360001 Midway Dr.
MCRD San Diego, CA 92140-5531

Maj. Amadeo B. Garza
Hidelburg A.F. Base
Florida

Sgt. Scott Graham
POB 33
YPA 85365

SR Timothy R. Green
Div. 466 Shipberth 10
Recruit Training Command
3301 Indiana St.
Great Lakes, Ill. 60088-3127

USS Bataan
LCPL Tommy R. Gordon
HMM 365 Rein AVI
26th MEU DET K
Unit 74079
FPO AE 09502-4079

Japan
AO3 Sharon Gulseth
VS-21 AO SHOP
FPO AP 96601-6500

Sgt. Michael R. Hill
ALPHA Co. 10th Signal BT.
10640 South Riva Ridge Loop
Ft. Drum, NY 13602

PFC. Jewel Johnson
438 AEG/HHC 1-187 (S-2)
APO AE 09351

CPL N.J. (Nicky) Jones
CSC/Maintenance Platoon
Box 33038
MCB Kaneohe, HI 96863

Quinton Kasparek
19757 E, Montview Dr.
Aurora, CO. 80011

Sgt. Michael D. Long
C-Trp 1/4 Cav.
CMR 464 Bx. 306
APO AE 09226

PFC Louis Mann
Delta Company 4-5AOA
Fort Hood, Tex. 76544

A-1C William Jared McMillan
3709 Patriot Dr. #206
Abilene, TX 79606

Chase Minter
4300 Horizon North Parkway
Apartment #1626
Dallas, TX 75287

Sgt. Chassidy Mobley
CMR 406 Box 774
APO, AE 09110

S.SGT. Eddie Neely
107 Quail Bush
Las Vegas, Nev. 89031

E1 Jeremy A. Nelson
2208 Wabash Ave.
Box 68
Eielson, Alaska 99702-2208

Melchor Para
2/1 Weapons CO. 81 PLT
Camp Pendleton, CA 92055

Lt. Col. Greg Pavlik
15015 Preston Court Drive
San Antonio, TX 78247

SR Chasity M. Perales, USN
Naval Hospital Corps School Class #03020
601 D STEET
Great Lakes, IL 60088-5257

SPC. Alvin Pike
438 AEG/HHC 1-187 (S-2)
APO AE 09351

Ssgt Brad Pilgrim & Dawn Pilgrim
4615 A
Redwood St. SW
McChord AFB,WA 98439

Ssgt Mark S. & Ssgt. Stacy J. Pilgrim
67th Fighter Squadron
PSC 80 Box 15172
APO, AP
96367

PFC Amanda M. (Wells) Reeves
102nd MI BN HHOC (ACE)
Unit #15110
APO AP 96257-5110

Sgt. Freddie & Christy Rocha
PSC 556 BOX 24
FPO AP 96386-24

Sgt. Jason Sealy
P.O. Box 2454
Ft. Campbell, KY 42223

LCPL Robert M. Stanley
2/4 3rd Platoon Echo Co.
Unit 39744
FPOAP 96609-9744

CRL. Derek Taylor
Operation Enduring Freedom
HHC 1-187 (5-2)
APO AE 09351

LCPL Jacob L. Thompson
HMLA 167 Mag 26
2nd MAW PSC Box 21014
Jacksonville, N.C. 28545-014

Lt. Dalton C. Walton
70072 Cottonwood
29 Palms, Ca 92277

SSgt. W.S. Warren
3009 Barberry Lane
Virginia Beach, VA 23456

LCPL Quinten Glen Wells
VMFA-251/Powerline
Unit 77229
FPO AE 09502-7229

Sgt. Daniel A. Wells
ACO 602D ASB
Unit #15725 Box 127
APO AP 96257

Cpt. Clint Wilson
3834 Crest Way
Abilene, Tex. 79606

Col. Joe Dan Wilson
CMR 460
Box 121
APOAE 09703

Shawn Wittie
202 L St. Clair CR
Yorktown, VA. 23693

First child born

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Tennis star Pete Sampras and his actress-wife, Bridgette Wilson, are the parents of their first child, a son named Christian Charles Sampras, a spokeswoman announced.

The baby was born Thursday.

True Value®
Help Is Just Around The Corner™

3-TOOL COMBO PACK



SKIL

3/8" Drill
3.2 Amp Motor
2500 RPM, 3/8" Keyless Chunk Reverse Lever, On/Off Trigger with Lock-On

Jigsaw
3.2 Amp Motor
3100 Strokes Per Minute, On-Tool Blade Storage, 3/4" Stroke Length

Palm Grip Sander
1/4 Sheet
1.7 Amp Motor, 13000 Orbits Per Minute, Sands Flush on Three Sides, Dust Protected Switch

$69.99

Southern True Value
Commercial Supply Network™
A Division of True Value
Your Source For Total Facility Maintenance
900 College Ave. 573-4903
OPEN: Mon. - Fri. 7 am to 5:30 pm
Saturday 7 am to Noon

The difference between us and them:

It's kind of personal.

At Snyder National, we take banking personally. We believe that if we treat our customers like friends, the rest will follow.

SNB SNYDER NATIONAL BANK
1715 25th Street 573-2681 Snyder, Texas

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Longtime friends pause before becoming lovers

DEAR ABBY: For the past five years, I have been friends with a man I'll call Harry. We met while we were working for the same company. I was dating someone else at the time, but the chemistry between Harry and me was apparent.

He eventually became my boss, so dating was out of the question. Both of us ended up leaving the company and getting involved with other people, but we always remained friends. Nothing romantic ever occurred between us — even though people always assumed we were a couple and would ask us how long we had been married!

Recently we both became unattached again. My question: Can two people who have been good friends for such a long time become lovers and make it work? Or was "When Harry Met Sally" merely a movie? — **A "SALLY" IN NEW JERSEY**

DEAR SALLY: Friendship can be a terrific basis for a romantic relationship. Lack of a solid basis of friendship is often the reason that infatuations fizzle. Count your blessings and proceed full speed ahead.

**

DEAR ABBY: "Missing My Friend in Indiana" wrote that her young friend had been killed, and wondered if she should write to her friend's parents to tell them what a lovely daughter they had. Your advice was correct: Such a letter would be a great comfort to the parents.

On April 2, 2001, we lost our dear son, Jeff, in a commercial fishing accident. He was on a boat called the Arctic Rose that went down in the Bering Sea. All 15 hands were tragically lost.

We waited four agonizing days before the Coast Guard finally called off the search. During that time, we received a letter from a young woman who knew Jeff in high school. She told us the story of how she met him in class and asked him to a dance. Then she described how special Jeff was and what a good friend he had been to her.

Abby, I read that letter again and again. It gives me great comfort, and I can never thank that young woman enough. I hope "Missing My Friend" will write those parents today. Letters like that are all we have left of our Jeff. Shared memories of him have helped us to cope with our loss. — **KATHY, DAVID MEINCKE**

DEAR KATHY AND DAVID: Please accept my sympathy for the tragic loss of your son. Your experience validates the fact that a letter of condolence can be a treasured keepsake and a lasting source of comfort for the recipient.

**

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been married for six months. I love him, but have a problem: I feel as if I was rushed into my marriage by his aunt.

Not only that, but I also find myself looking forward to seeing another man, "Ross." He is an inmate in a correctional facility and will be released around Christmas.

I dream about being with Ross. If my husband knew, he would be terribly hurt. What do you think I should do? — **PRISONER OF LOVE**

DEAR PRISONER OF LOVE: The inmate is "safe." You can project your fantasies on him and he cannot disappoint you. (He can't fulfill them, either — but that's beside the point.)

I urge you to seek professional counseling ASAP — before you destroy a promising marriage.

**

DEAR ABBY: I am a 21-year-old college student. This year I'm living with three sorority sisters in a house off campus. We get along fine except for one thing.

The mother of one of our roommates comes to stay with her daughter and the rest of us every single weekend — from Friday night to Sunday night. She is always underfoot. She is always in the bathroom when we need to use it. She uses the last of the toilet paper and never replaces it. In fact, she uses all the household supplies we buy as a group. We are struggling students and cannot afford to pay for a fifth roommate.

To add insult to injury, last weekend not only did this woman come to stay, but Grandma came with her! Never once has our roommate asked if these visits were convenient for the rest of us, nor have Mom's sleepovers been brought to our attention beforehand.

When we finally addressed the problem with our roommate, she promised her mother would start getting hotel rooms when she came to town. Unfortunately, that hasn't happened yet. We don't expect her to always stay in a hotel because of the expense, but none of us signed up to live with a housemother. Please help us! — **IRKED COEDS IN WACO, TEXAS**

DEAR IRKED COEDS: I feel sorry for your roommate. Either the mother is unable to let her daughter grow up and separate from her, or she may be seeking to escape an abusive environment. However, the current arrangement is unfair to you and your other roommates. So stick to your guns and insist that the mother keep her promise to make arrangements for other accommodations.

**

DEAR ABBY: My son is going through separation and divorce. It is not a friendly one.

He is now serving in the military overseas. His wife and two children are here in the United States and live close to my husband and me. She allows us to see our grandkids whenever we want. However, since the divorce, she's fallen on hard times — economically and emotionally — and it kills us to know she is suffering the consequences of her decision to break up the marriage.

The issue, Abby, is loyalty to our son. He is very upset by what she did, bringing the children back to the states and destroying his military career. He is bitter and adamant that our relationship with his ex-wife come to a halt. He says when he returns home, she is not welcome in our house. The children won't be an issue, as they have joint custody.

I love both my son and daughter-in-law. I feel terrible that our relationship with her must end. What would you do in our shoes? — **HURTING IN HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS**

DEAR HURTING: I'd remind my son that his almost ex-wife is still the mother of your grandchildren, and that whom you invite into your home is your decision, not his. This is not his choice to make. For the sake of the children, do not burn any bridges.

**

CHUCKLE FOR THE DAY: The apes in the zoo have a dilemma: They can't figure out if they are their brother's keeper — or their keeper's brother!

**

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

**

To order "How to Write Letters for All Occasions," send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $5 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby — Letter Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included in the price.)

COPYRIGHT 2002 UNIVERSAL PRESS SYNDICATE

What about a $80 million sub for someone who has everything?

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Can't think of the perfect stocking stuffer for those well-heeled friends on your Christmas list this year?

What about a customized jet for $70 million? Or a Formula One supercar? Or a $80 million submarine?

Those are some of the suggestions from the Robb Report and the duPont Registry, two publications who cater to folks not too concerned about economic downturns.

"I think a lot of our readers haven't really been impacted by the economy slowdown. They are recession resistant," said Brett Anderson, senior vice president and editorial director for the Robb Report.

The submarine is one suggestion from the Robb Report, which comes up each Christmastime with a list of 21 perfect gifts for its money-is-no-object readers.

The duPont Registry's holiday gift catalogue also features highbrow stocking stuffers: A $450,000 Bentley Estate Station Wagon is described as "the ultimate family vehicle for the truly refined lifestyle." A pair of McLaren Formula One supercars go for about $1.5 million apiece.

There's also a 1968 Mercedes-Benz 600 Presidential Landaulet, originally built for Romanian dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, for $295,000. And its only got 30,000 miles on the odometer.

The well-to-do also are hanging out at home a lot more.

"There's a lot of spending on home — entertainment theaters, wine cellars, commercial-grade kitchens," Anderson said. "They are creating their own theater and restaurant in the home. It's cocooning."

Tom duPont, chairman of St. Petersburg, Fla.-based duPont Publishing, said the duPont Registry items are designed to impress. But they also reflect America's trend with staying home.

"Along with the nesting there is nesting going on in the garage," duPont said Wednesday. "People with resources are buying classic and luxury cars — the everyday car, the weekend car and the commuter car."

The duPont Registry and Robb Report publications definitely aren't for the Chia Pet crowd. The average annual income of a Robb Report reader is $800,000, with an average net worth of $4.9 million.

Robb Report offers a 144-carat diamond necklace at $10 million, a customized private jet for $70 million, the new $350,000 Daimler-Chrysler Maybach 62 sedan, a $1.6 million Formula One Ferrari race car, a residence in London's fabled Regent's Park for $29.9 million and a $1.25 million 24-day America's Cup vacation.

Too expensive? How about an original copy of Ian Fleming's "You Only Live Twice," signed by the author, for $75,000?

Anderson said there's been a subtle attitude in the buying habits of the rich because of the dot-com bust and stock market slide. Conspicuous consumption is seen as tasteless by some.

"People are more interested in discreet luxury," Anderson said. "Back in the heyday of the dot-com boom executives were buying $200,000 and $300,000 Ferraris and there was a lot of show there.

"What has changed is Robb readers are going back to basics — spending on the home, classic cars and historic artifacts and antiques. They want things that have cultural resonance, things that aren't purchased necessarily an outward symbol of success.

"People are more self conscious about displaying wealth."

On The Net:
http://www.dupontregistry.com
http://www.robbreport.com

Applications being accepted for Omar Burleson interns

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Charlie Stenholm is now accepting applications from college students and educators interested in participating in the 2003 Omar Burleson Intern Program in Washington, D.C. The internship commemorates the Honorable Omar Burleson, who represented the 17th Congressional District for 32 years.

In order to be considered, completed applications must be submitted in person or postmarked by Jan. 6, 2003. The Selection Committee, consisting of eight judges chosen from across the 17th District, will review and score each applicant.

The scores will be averaged, and the top 10 applicants will be interviewed individually by the Selection Committee on March 22, 2003.

Interns are selected to work in the Congressman's office for one month in June or July. Interns are involved in the daily operations of the Congressman's office and assist the legislative staff in a variety of projects.

The internship program is open to college students from the 17th Congressional District, or those residents attending college outside the District.

Also eligible are local elementary and secondary school teachers and administrators. Interns are paid a $1,000 stipend to apply toward basic living and travel expenses.

Intern applications and information can be obtained by contacting Annette Wilson in the Stamford district office at 915-773-3623.

Wellstone's paper being packed for historical society

ST. PAUL (AP) — As one of their last official duties, staff members for Paul Wellstone are quietly packing photographs, speeches and other records of his 12 years in office to fulfill one of the late senator's wishes.

Years ago, Wellstone decided that when his Senate career ended, his official papers would be donated to the Minnesota Historical Society so researchers and citizens could review his work.

But nobody expected his career to end with his abrupt death Oct. 25 in a plane crash that also killed his wife, their daughter and five others.

Now, for the past two weeks, Wellstone's staff has somberly carried out his wishes before the Senate office in Washington must be vacated by mid-December.

"He worked for the state of Minnesota, loved the state of Minnesota, and it's only appropriate that the things that were collected here over 12 years be returned to the state," said Allison Dobson, Wellstone's spokeswoman.

"Our function here is that things be archived properly and that Paul's legacy is preserved."

For decades, the state historical society has been the prime repository for the speeches, letters and work papers of Minnesota's lawmakers, including those of Hubert Humphrey, Walter Mondale, Dave Durenberger and Rod Grams.

An estimated 300 boxes of Wellstone material is expected to arrive in St. Paul.

Craig Wright, curator of manuscripts for the Minnesota Historical Society, has heard from Wellstone's staff that the senator's passion for veterans' issues can be traced, in part, to "a specific poem that someone sent to him early in his first term, and it really had an impact on him and prompted some of his interest and activity in that area."

"That's a more personal level than we usually get," Wright said. "Usually, there's a paper trail and official business. But with Senator Wellstone, people approached him, he took it to heart and tried to create legislation to respond to that particular issue."

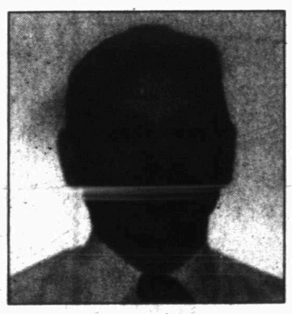
Wellstone's office was packed with personal items that reflected his passions: images of Humphrey, Eleanor Roosevelt and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.; hundreds of books; dozens of family photos; artwork from Minnesota tribes and immigrant communities.

State archivists must decide which items will be preserved, which means making educated guesses of what future researchers will find significant.

LUFKIN R. MOSES, D.O.

General and Vascular Surgery

NOW ACCEPTING PATIENTS



Dr. Lufkin Moses

235-3800 Offices Next to RPMH

Certified By The American Osteopathic Board of Surgery

Checkout The Similarities Between A SAVINGS BANK & STATE or NATIONAL BANK...

	Savings Bank	State or National Bank
Personal Checking	✓	✓
Commercial Checking	✓	✓
Savings Accounts	✓	✓
Certificates of Deposit	✓	✓
Home Loans	✓	✓
Home Equity Loans	✓	✓
Home Improvement Loans	✓	✓
Personal Loans	✓	✓
Commercial Loans	✓	✓
ATM/Debit Cards	✓	✓

Let Us Be Your Hometown Bank!

Texas Savings Bank

Member FDIC

2619 College Avenue
Snyder, Texas
79549

915-573-9305

DEC 01 2002

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



A new spin on witches / Most ovarian cysts are innocuous

DEAR DR. GOTT: Could the witches of Salem have suffered from physical ailments?

DEAR READER: The continued release of movies about vampires and witches underscores Americans' continued fascination with the occult. The publication of the book "Poisons of the Past: Molds, Epidemics and History" by Marion Matossian, (Yale University Press, 1989) may help to explain the basics of the Salem witch trials in 1692. After more than 400 years, we can begin to understand the reasons for this tragic misapplication of colonial justice.

Investigators have long been puzzled by the geography of the madness. Why 1692? Why Salem, Mass., and the surrounding communities of Essex County, Mass., and Fairfield County, Conn.?

Historical documents indicate that 24 of the 30 victims suffered from "fits." Rather than convulsions, which in modern parlance involves loss of consciousness, the young women in Salem may well have exhibited spastic movements without fainting. They also complained of sensations of being bitten and pricked. In addition, they were reported to have experienced temporary blindness, deafness and speechlessness. They had hallucinations and out-of-body experiences, such as flying through the air. They were nauseated and weak. Some died, as did several cows in the communities. All these symptoms were blamed on witchcraft when, in fact, they were probably the results of epidemic ergot poisoning from tainted rye bread and contaminated rye grass.

Ergot is a natural alkaloid with effects similar to that of the hallucinogen LSD. Produced by a fungus in rye, ergot colors the flour cherry red. Baking, unlike boiling, does not diminish the toxicity.

In Salem (and similar communities), rye harvested in August usually lay without being threshed in barns until winter, an open invitation for fungal growth. Moreover, because of bad weather, there was a food scarcity in Salem during the summer of 1692. Thus, residents may have been forced unknowingly to rely on contaminated grain harvested more than a year before.

Other facts confirm the theory of ergotism. By measuring tree rings in New England, researchers determined that 1691 was an unusually cold year, thereby facilitating the growth of ergot mold. The increasing population mandated that farmers had to plant crops on marginal swampy land, which was more suitable for growing rye — but made the grain more susceptible to fungal contamination. Finally, court records show that at least some of the bread consumed at a witch sacrament in Essex County was red.

Irrespective of the agrarian case for ergot contamination, the victims' symptoms were textbook typical for what modern scientists now know to be ergot poisoning. Therefore, it's likely that the Salem witches — regardless of their unconventional views and unorthodox practices — were burned at the stake for an epidemic over which they had no control and about which they hadn't a clue, and for which there was no treatment.

There are many other historical examples of societies that punished the socially unacceptable because of presumed religious reasons, most often heresy and consorting with the devil, when in fact the victims suffered from undiagnosed illnesses or poisonings of one kind or another.

This lesson should continue to give us pause, even as we smugly worship at the altar of technological achievement.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've had several ultrasound examinations that revealed ovarian cysts. My gynecologist is not concerned, and I wonder at what point I should become worried.

DEAR READER: Ovarian cysts are common. They are small collections of fluid that form on the surface of an ovary after ovulation and disappear with time. They are harmless and, by and large, do not require treatment unless they bleed or cause severe discomfort.

In general, such cysts have a characteristic appearance on ultrasound testing: They look like fluid filled bubbles. If, after examining you and reviewing the imaging pictures, your gynecologist is satisfied that the cysts are benign, I believe that you can trust his judgment and ignore them.

Should there be a question, however, the doctor can confirm the diagnosis by laparoscopy, during which he looks at the cysts (and, if necessary, biopsies them) through a lighted tube introduced through the abdominal wall.

Fortunately, in most cases, this procedure is not necessary to diagnose simple ovarian cysts.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've had to put up with recurring headaches for the past 50 years. I do not believe they are migraines, because light doesn't worsen them. I've been to all sorts of doctors and have had brain scans with negative results, yet the problem persists. Even when awakening from a nap, nine times out of 10, I have a headache. What's up?

DEAR READER: Chronic headaches can, as you've discovered, constitute a major challenge for health professionals. Contrary to popular opinion, patients with migraines are not always sensitive to light. Thus, you could be having migraines, although the pattern of your headaches is not typical.

From the sound of things, I suspect that you have been examined by a caboodle of doctors, including neurologists, who have been able to discard common causes of headache, such as the muscle-contraction variety, vascular types, brain infection and central nervous system tumors. At this point, I believe that your best bet would be an evaluation in a headache clinic at a teaching hospital.

In this setting, super-specialists will question and examine you, review your previous testing and, perhaps, order further studies, such as a PET scan. Most important, these headache gurus should be able to suggest not only therapy for the headaches but also a strategy to prevent or lessen them.

Get to the headache clinic.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Headaches." Other readers who would like a copy should send a self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: How long is a common cold contagious? My friends believe that we cannot pass on germs after three days. I question this, though, because people can still be coughing and blowing at that stage.

DEAR READER: Colds are probably not contagious once symptoms begin to diminish, usually in three or four days. Nonetheless, I always use caution, because once in awhile, people continue to shed cold-causing coryza viruses for longer periods. Therefore, I agree with you. To be on the safe side, assume that a cold-sufferer is contagious as long as he/she is sneezing, blowing or coughing.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I suffer from extremely dry and flaky skin. My dermatologist has prescribed moisturizing creams, but they don't really help. Can you tell me what's causing this, and how I might be able to treat this condition?

DEAR READER: Far be it from to me to second-guess a dermatologist about skin disorders. However, as a practicing general internist, I often see dry skin as a consequence of an underactive thyroid gland, which can also produce constipation and lethargy.

Therefore, just to touch all the bases, ask the specialist if he's checked you (with a blood test) for hypothyroidism. If you do have this affliction, the addition of thyroid supplement pills should cure your dry skin.

Copyright 2002, Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

Fruitcake maker defends holiday treat as gourmet

CORSICANA (AP) — The way Bob McNutt sees it, there are two kinds of fruitcake people.

The naysayers see fruitcake as the Rodney Dangerfield of desserts. It gets no respect, and nary a nibble.

The "dee-vo-tees," as the Collin Street Bakery president calls them, order early and often, shipping fruitcakes around the world and savoring the sweet dessert like a fine wine.

"It's got a wonderful long finish, which is unusual for food," said McNutt, who prefers an after-dinner slice with a glass of port.

And he's not the only one to elevate fruitcake to gourmet status. He says "foodie" magazines also are featuring the deserts made in Corsicana and elsewhere.

So why the bad rap for such a culinary delight?

Maybe the critics have only tried inferior varieties, McNutt said.

"It's like picking a steakhouse," he said. "You can get a steak as tough as leather or a prime piece you can cut with a fork."

McNutt says his bakery's original Deluxe fruitcake, made with the same recipe bakery founders brought from Germany more than a century ago, is the top chop — with a price tag starting at about $18.

The bakery, which had sales of $39 million in 2001 — most from mail-order fruitcake sales — produced 1.5 million fruitcakes last year, each made within days of shipping.

One style is made of 30 percent Texas pecans, along with pineapple and papaya grown by the bakery in Costa Rica.

Other varieties are pineapple and pecan; apricot and pecan; and apple cinnamon and pecan. The bakery uses a million pounds of pecans each year, McNutt said.

For many customers, a good fruitcake harkens back to earlier days, when their mothers and grandmothers baked the treat as a holiday tradition.

"Fruitcake is a comfort food," McNutt said. "When you talk about Christmas and the holidays, you get warm and fuzzy feelings."

The bakery recently commissioned a telephone poll of 804 people, who said the dense dessert conjured up thoughts of home, hearth, family and friends. More than one in four said they have given a fruitcake, and many of those sent more than one. High-volume givers were much more likely to be men.

Verna Rogers of Athens sends fruitcakes each year to her sister in Austin and daughter in Montana. Though her grandson didn't care for the cake, the rest of the family is hooked, she said.

"You couldn't make a better cake," she said, peeking through a viewing window to the Corsicana bakery's production floor. "The ingredients are always perfect."

The bakery runs at full throttle each fall, with more than 700 workers on three shifts.

Lined at long steel tables, the workers are mostly women wearing aprons and hair nets. Working quickly, they place an exact number of red cherries and green-dyed pineapple to cakes on conveyer belts to huge ovens.

McNutt and other administrative staff taste samples each day, a quality-control bonus that none seem to mind.

By the way, fruitcakes don't last forever, McNutt says. The Deluxe cake will keep up to six months refrigerated, and a while longer frozen.

Shuffle it around each holiday, though, and it will become the doorstop of legend.

Senior Menu

Monday

Creole steak, wild rice, green beans, tossed salad, cherry cutie pie

Tuesday

Chopped BBQ on a bun, potato salad, pinto beans, pickles/onion/peppers, brownie

Wednesday

Roast beef w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, cherry cobbler

Thursday

Chicken spaghetti, chopped broccoli, sliced carrots, tossed salad, spice cake

Friday

Fried fish, crinkle cut fries, macaroni and tomatoes, cole slaw, Jell-O cake

Senior News

The Christmas Candy sale will be at 10 a.m. Dec. 17. Volunteers are asked to donate homemade candy and have it to the center by 10 a.m. Individuals can choose the assortment of candies that they prefer, enough pieces to fill a coffee can, and the cost is $3 per can.

The Community Sing the second Saturday of the month and the game/dance night the fourth Tuesday of the month have been canceled for the month of December. Both activities will resume in January.

Two activities have been added to the calendar since the printing of the December-January newsletter. The West Elementary Honor Choir will entertain in the Senior Center dining room at 11:30 a.m. Dec. 13.

Make plans to attend. The third grade students from Central Elementary will visit our facility Dec. 16 and 18. They will be here to view the quilts and learn about making quilts.

Computer classes are being offered at the Senior Center for the month of December. The classes and instructors have been provided through Western Texas College. Senior citizens can pick up a schedule at the center at 2603 Avenue M or call 573-4035.

Five classes are being offered at the center: Advanced Windows, Basic Internet, Quicken, Introduction to Windows, and Introduction to computers. Senior citizens can register and pay for the classes at the Senior Center.

MONDAY

Party bridge begins at 9:30 a.m. and daily exercise at 11 a.m. On Monday afternoons at 1 p.m. eighty-eight is available for those seniors who enjoy playing after lunch.

TUESDAY

This Tuesday and Thursday will be the last week for swimnastics at Western Texas College before the Christmas break. The class is from 10-11 a.m. The spring semester schedule will be announced as soon as possible after the registration of WTC students. Join us for eighty-eight at 10. The Aubrey Wilson band will entertain at 11 a.m. All senior citizens are invited to join the Golden K Kiwanis for their weekly meetings on Tuesday. They meet at noon in the conference room.

WEDNESDAY

Pool begins at 9 a.m. for the ladies. Don't miss exercise at 11 a.m. Afternoon activities include line dancing and pinochle at 1 p.m. and clogging at 2 p.m.

THURSDAY

The fabric painting class begins at 9 a.m. and continues until 11:30 a.m. Don't miss the last day of swimnastics for this semester. The class is from 10-11 a.m. at WTC. Join us at the center for a Christmas sing-a-long with the Sunshine Choir beginning at 11.

FRIDAY

Blood pressure clinic and bridge begin at 9:30. Exercise or play eighty-eight at 11 a.m.

End of Game Notice

SCRATCH OFFS — TEXAS LOTTERY

TO DO TODAY BY DECEMBER 31ST

BEST OF 7's — BEST OF 7's (GAME #299) — *OVERALL ODDS ARE 1 IN 3.48

HOT STREAK — HOT STREAK (GAME #313) — *OVERALL ODDS ARE 1 IN 2.47

STASH OF CASH — STASH OF CASH (GAME #713) — *OVERALL ODDS ARE 1 IN 4.56

BIG MONEY SPECTACULAR — BIG MONEY SPECTACULAR (GAME #717) — *OVERALL ODDS ARE 1 IN 3.08

BREAK THE BANK — BREAK THE BANK (GAME #266) — *OVERALL ODDS ARE 1 IN 4.94

HARLEY-DAVIDSON — HARLEY-DAVIDSON* (GAME #277) — *OVERALL ODDS ARE 1 IN 3.42

LONE STAR LOOT — LONE STAR LOOT (GAME #708) — *OVERALL ODDS ARE 1 IN 4.77

FIND THE 9's — FIND THE 9's (GAME #258) — *OVERALL ODDS ARE 1 IN 4.85

CARD SHARK — CARD SHARK (GAME #292) — *OVERALL ODDS ARE 1 IN 4.91

These games will be closing on December 31, 2002. You have until June 29, 2003, to redeem any winning tickets for these games.

You can claim prizes of up to $599 at any Texas Lottery retailer. Prizes of $600 or more are redeemable at any one of the 22 Texas Lottery Claim Centers or by mail. Questions? Call the Texas Lottery Customer Service Line at 1.800.37LOTTO (1.800.375.6886).

Notice: A Scratch Off game may continue to be sold even when all the top prizes have been claimed. For current information on prizes remaining in a Scratch Off game, call 1.800.37LOTTO. Must be 18 years or older to purchase a ticket. *Overall odds include break-even prizes. © 2002 Texas Lottery Commission.

A NOVEMBER TO REMEMBER

03 DODGE NEON SXT
4 DOOR, 5 SPEED, AIR, AM/FM/CASSETTE, CRUISE
$199 DOWN • $199 MONTH
SALE PRICE $14,530
#3D107241, $199 DOWN + TT&L, 72 @ 4.99% APR, PRICE PLUS TT&L.

03 DODGE STRATUS SXT
AUTOMATIC, AM/FM/CD PLAYER, SXT PKG
$269 DOWN • $269 MONTH
SALE PRICE $18,515
#3N551045, $299DOWN+TT&L, 72 @ 4.99% APR, PRICE PLUS TT&L.

03 DODGE CARAVAN SXT
AUTOMATIC, 3.3L V-6, PWR W/L, AIR
$299 DOWN • $299 MONTH
FREE DVD PLAYER
SALE PRICE $21,431
#3B153783, $299 DOWN, 72 @ 4.99% APR, PRICE PLUS TT&L.

98 CHEVY PRISM — 4DR, AUTO, AIR, CASSETTE — $139 MO. — #7741, 48 @ 7.9% APR, SALE $5888, $88 PLUS TT&L DOWN.

01 PONTIAC SUNFIRE — AUTOMATIC, AIR, TILT, CD PLAYER — $199 MO. — #11223G, 60 @ 7.9% APR, SALE $9888, $88 PLUS TT&L DOWN.

CAN'T FIND WHAT YOU WANT? LET ONE OF OUR SALES PROFESSIONALS HELP YOU OUT TODAY! CALL US!

00 JEEP CHEROKEE — 2WD, CD PLAYER, AUTO, AIR, LUGGAGE — $249 MO. — #7794, 60 @ 7.9% APR, SALE $12,488, $88 PLUS TT&L DOWN.

02 MITSUBISHI ECLIPSE — GS PACKAGE, AUTO STICK — $279 MO. — #11291, 72 @ 4.99% APR, SALE $16,488, $88 PLUS TT&L DOWN.

$88 DOWN DELIVERS ON ANY PRE-OWNED VEHICLE MANY TO CHOOSE FROM!

*3 DAY 300 MILE GUARANTEE EXCHANGE POLICY!

*2 MONTH 3000 MILE LIMITED WARRANTY PROGRAM!

00 FORD ESCORT.....$7,188.....$139 MO. Auto, Air, AM/FM/Cassette, #11294*
01 CHEVY CAVALIER.....$8,588.....$159 MO. Air, Auto, Cruise, CD Player, #11227*
01 DODGE NEON.....$8,888.....$169 MO. Auto, Air, Tilt/Cruise #11304*
99 CHEVY LUMINA.....$8,988.....$169 MO. LTZ Package, 6 Cyl, Auto, Air, #11293*
01 CHEVY LUMINA.....$10,388.....$199 MO. Auto, Air, PWR W/L, Cruise #11281*
00 PONTIAC GRAND AM.....$12,688.....$248 MO. Auto, Air, CD Player, #11306*
02 OLDSMOBILE ALERO.....$13,688.....$269 MO. 4 DR, PWR W/L, TILT, CD PLAYER #11307*
99 CHRYSLER LHS.....$13,888.....$259 MO. Auto, Air, PWR W/L, #11292*
97 CHEVY 3500.....$11,988.....$289 MO. 4 DR, Auto, V-8, PWR W/L, #11299**

HURRY IN TODAY! LITHIA

All American CHRYSLER JEEP DODGE OF BIG SPRING

HURRY IN TODAY! LITHIA

502 East FM 700 • Big Spring, Texas • 915-264-6677

ALL FINANCING WITH APPROVED CREDIT. ALL PRICES PLUS TT&L. PHOTOS FOR ILLUSTRATIVE PURPOSES ONLY. *60 @ 6.0% APR, $88 PLUS TT&L DOWN.

Families & Individuals

Ask for Free, no obligation information on:

Health Insurance* @ Affordable Rates!

- A company whose A.M. Best rating is "A-(Excellent)."**
- You cannot be singled out for a rate increase.
- You cannot be singled out for cancellation.
- Allows you to choose your doctors and hospitals.
- Flexible programs to fit your needs and your budget.
- PLUS over 100 valuable business benefits through association membership
- A licensed insurance agent will contact you. (may not be available in all states)

Call Today!–Toll-free:1-888-829-8509

*Independent analysis who reviews insurance companies. Ratings are reviewed and affirmed annually.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, Dec. 1, 2002

You might take on a low profile in the year ahead for the purposes of forging stronger bonds with someone who could be important to your aims and interests. It will prove to be very successful.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — You'll be all on your own when it comes to getting out of an ill-conceived plan you may attempt today. Unfortunately, there will be no one around to help bail you out. Think before you act.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Credit card spending could contribute to your downfall today. Before taking on any financial obligations, wait until you have a better cash flow going for you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — In those situations that bring you before the public, monitor your behavior very closely today and do not take any actions that could reflect poorly on your honor or reputation.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — First impressions could be totally unreliable today, so when involved in anything important or critical, do not rush to judgment. It might be impossible to backtrack and reconsider.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Just because a firm offers the lowest price doesn't mean it is the best one to do business with. If they don't stand behind their product and you get a lemon, it'll cost you more in the end.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You're a very kind person, but to make a commitment that is contrary to your own best interests just so that you don't hurt a sensitive companion's feelings is not very bright. You could both be hurt.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Unless you are working on a project that is a true labor of love, put your tools aside for the day. You'll find that if your heart isn't in it, your usual quality of work will not be present either.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — If you find yourself in a better position than most of your friends or associates today, keep a low profile. Flaunting your good fortune could stir up jealous feelings.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Put everything back in its proper place around the house today or by day's end you'll find a real mess on your hands and you won't be able to find anything later when you need it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Be extremely careful about passing the latest news on to others today if it isn't corroborated. Should it turn out not to be true, you could be labeled a scandalmonger.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — If you're smart you'll stay away from expensive shops today. Your extravagant urges could be so strong that they'll easily overpower your practical considerations and judgment.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Insincerity is not an effective tool, so don't attempt to use it to achieve your ends today. Flattery, pretenses or fakery of any kind will eventually be discerned by the recipient and you'll be termed a charlatan.

Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that'll govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and an SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

Monday, Dec. 2, 2002

Don't go into the year ahead thinking it may be time to toss in the towel on a couple of projects that are not living up to your expectations. The months ahead could usher in new conditions that'll yield success.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Passing on assignments to others today that you should be handling yourself will come back to haunt you. Their work isn't apt to live up to expectations and you'll be held accountable.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — It could turn out to be an expensive experience today if you allow someone who always tends to exaggerate things to talk you into participating in a risky venture. Be smart, not weak.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Family finances could turn into a muddled mess today if you don't stay on top of things as each expense unfolds. Getting careless can cause more problems than you bargained for.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Try to discern whether it will be worth it to you in the long run to make some lavish promises today in order to get someone to do your bidding. A day of reckoning will come.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Your attention might dart around today to the point that you won't focus long enough on any one thing. If this happens, you won't be able to recognize or take advantage of some terrific opportunities that are hovering above you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — A situation that should be guided by your hand may be wrested away from you today because you won't be paying enough attention to it. The results won't please you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Be businesslike in all your dealings today, whether they are commercial or private. If you leave it up to someone else to determine how things should be divvied up, you'll be shorted.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — It's good to be optimistic, but your anticipation must be based on realism or else you could have a tendency to expect far more from a situation today than conditions warrant. You'll be disappointed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — The only way to be an achiever today is to personally control events instead of letting them control you. You cannot rely on charm, good looks or luck to get you by.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — If what you are attempting to do today doesn't compute mentally, the chances are great that things won't work out in practice. Rely solely on logic and not on desire.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Usually you're very difficult to deceive, because your mind is astute and discerning in your evaluations. Today, however, unless you're careful, you could be taken in by the pitch and overlook the scheme.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — It's quite possible today that an associate may tell you what s/he would like you to believe rather than give you frank answers. Evaluate important comments carefully.

Major changes are ahead for Sagittarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and an SASE to Astro-Graph c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167 Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

Copyright 2002, Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

Holiday weekend crowd faces new rules

GLAMIS, Calif. (AP) — Federal rangers have some not-so-friendly reminders for thousands of off-roaders and party seekers who are gathering for Thanksgiving weekend in one of the nation's largest dune parks:

Your favorite nighttime party spot is closed.

If you ride in the bed of a pickup truck, buckle up or you'll be fined.

And please, no more public nudity.

The Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area, in the southeastern corner of California, transforms during holiday weekends from a vast collection of picturesque desert hills into what off-road enthusiast Craig Kinsman calls "a cross between Mardi Gras and a scene from that 'Mad Max' movie."

Four-wheelers and dune buggies modified for speed roar down "Sand Highway" during the day. In chaotic all-night parties, scantily clad women dance around poles punched into the sand and motorcyclists plow through bonfires. The mayhem last Thanksgiving included a fatal shooting, several stabbings and more than 150 injuries.

Now park rangers are intent on laying down the law. All of them.

And if that rubs the party crowd the wrong way, so be it.

"Our intent is to make them feel unwelcome," said Stephen Razo, a spokesman for the Bureau of Land Management.

Authorities say they're showing zero tolerance for violations of BLM laws prohibiting public nudity, riding in open truckbeds and organized parties.

There will now be one law enforcement officer for every 1,600 revelers, up from one ranger per 4,000 two years ago. Officials are responding to the dune parties as they would to a major wildfire. The nearest hospital has switched into disaster mode.

By late Thursday — after a day of overcast skies and strong winds — only about 60,000 people had arrived at the area, and officials reported 18 injuries, all minor, and three arrests.

"It's relatively quiet. We have more people coming in still, but the weather must have had an impact on the number of people rushing out here," said another BLM spokesman, Stephen Johnson.

The big news for those who did arrive was an Imperial County ordinance closing Competition Hill on holiday nights, beginning Wednesday.

The easily accessible 360-acre bowl is cleared out at dusk in an effort to discourage partygoers, many of whom don't have the expensive off-road equipment needed to head deeper into the dunes. It is the first of four areas in the park that could be targeted for federal nighttime closures, officials said.

About 120 officers from 10 federal and state agencies are teaming up over the holiday season to patrol the dunes and keep people out of Competition Hill at night, said Razo, adding that enforcement costs over $200,000 each holiday weekend. Violators risk $500 fines and jail.

"Turn the lights off, get the power and the booze running, and there's a riot element there," said county supervisor Wally Leimgruber, who helped break up a fight at Competition Hill last year.

Off-roaders will admit lawlessness is part of the desert's appeal. There are no posted speed limits and riders can reach speeds of over 100 miles per hour. Local video stores rent tapes of the outrageous parties and off-road stunts at the dunes, 160 miles east of San Diego.

Emergency room staffers at nearby Pioneers Memorial Hospital poke fun at the high-risk dune culture. They're wearing "I Survived Thanksgiving 2002 at Glamis" T-shirts on the job through Sunday.

But many longtime Imperial off-roaders said they understand and even welcome the new restrictions. Once-a-year visitors — those in the center of Competition Hill chaos — have given the regulars a bad name, said 48-year-old Lenny LaVache of Los Alamitos.

"We come to enjoy the dunes and spend time with our friends and family," said LaVache, who has visited the area for 28 years. "They come to rape, pillage and plunder."

Under new direction from the Bush administration, the BLM is expected to soon release new rules opening 49,000 previously closed acres of the desert to a number of off-roaders with permits. The new land management plan includes no provision limiting the overall number of visitors to the dunes.

Motorists can now freely roam 68,000 acres, or 106 square miles.

"This is where you come to be free, to just rock and roll," Kinsman said, watching a pink sunset color the sands in his custom-built $60,000 dune buggy.

After slump, beekeepers enjoy sweeter prices

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — A multiyear slump appears to be over for some of the nation's beekeepers, who are finally being offered sweeter prices for honey this year.

Beekeepers are being paid about $1 to $1.20 a pound, about twice as much as in recent years. The increase is due to restrictions on cheaper imports and a shortage of honey caused by a nationwide drought.

"The price on the store shelf is still very affordable, it's still within a buck or two, but we are getting our share finally," said Richard Adee of the American Honey Producers Association.

Tariffs were placed on Argentine and Chinese exports last year, helping U.S. producers battle cheap foreign honey prices.

The United States stopped honey shipments altogether from China, one of the leading honey exporters, in August after an antibiotic was found. The U.S Food and Drug Administration prohibits chloramphenicol in food because of concerns about the potential for serious blood disorders in humans. Chloramphenicol is an antibiotic used to control disease in shrimp, crawfish and bees.

Not all beekeepers are reaping profits. Some have been hurt by the nationwide drought, causing less wild foliage for bees to pollinate. Bees gather pollen as they go from plant to plant seeking nectar, which is carried back to the hive to turn into honey.

The Honey Producers Association estimates a 27 percent decrease in honey production this year, with a total of about 160 million pounds — down from 186 million pounds in 2001.

Man convicted of attempted rape

HUTCHINSON, Kan. (AP) — A man was convicted of attempted rape for planning to assault a nonexistent 10-year-old girl who was imagined in an effort to break up a child pornography ring.

Prosecutors said Steven Peterman, 44, believed the child was real and that he intended to commit the crime.

Peterman was convicted Wednesday of attempted rape, solicitation to commit rape and sexual exploitation of a child. He faces 11 years in prison at his sentencing Dec. 27.

Authorities said a woman Peterman met in a bar made up the girl to help break up a child pornography ring.

Although prosecutor Keith Schroeder admitted to performing "a little bit of legal gymastics" in filing the attempted rape charge, he said Peterman wasn't prosecuted for simply thinking about raping a child.

He was arrested with several photos characterized by police as child pornography, along with a variety of sex toys.

Industrial or Toxic CANCER

NO FEE FOR FIRST VISIT

May occur 30 to 50 years after exposure to asbestos. Many workers were exposed from the 1940s through the 1970s. Industrial maintenance and operators are among those at risk for mesothelioma, throat cancer or lung cancer. Call us for professional insight.

Ryan A. Krebs, MD, JD
(Doctor-Lawyer in full time Law Practice)
Richard A. Dodd, L.C.
Timothy R. Cappolino, P.C.
Board Certified Personal Injury Trial Law & Civil Trial Law, Texas Board of Legal Specialization
Cameron, Texas

1-800-460-0606
www.asbestoslaw.com

Cappolino Certified as above and Others Not Certified By The Texas Board Of Legal Specialization

STOREWIDE PRE-CHRISTMAS SALE

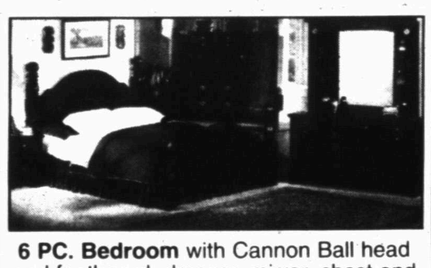
HOURS: MON-SAT. 10-6
SALE STARTS FRIDAY 10 A.M.
SALE ENDS DECEMBER 24

WAREHOUSE FURNITURE
SALE STARTS FRIDAY
10 A.M.

Warehouse Furniture's 14,000 sq. ft. Showroom is Filled with Quality Furniture at Great Savings Just In Time for Christmas



Contemporary Oversized Sofa & Loveseat in rich ultra fabric. Choice of colors
Reg. $899.95 Sale $588

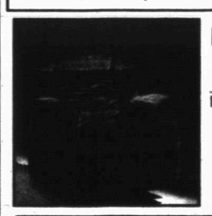


6 PC. Bedroom with Cannon Ball head and footboard, dresser, mirror, chest and nite stand. Choice of finishes
Reg. $1199.95 Sale $748

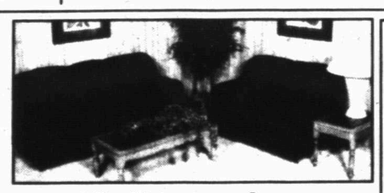


Contemporary Sofa and Loveseat by Ashley Sofa/Loveseat Plus Free Rocker & Ottoman
Reg. $999.95 Sale $599

4 Drawer Chest	5 Pc. Glass Top Dinette	Large Size Entertainment Centers	2 Only All Wood Rockers	Large Selection Sleeper Sofas	Glider Rocker & Ottoman	Country Style Sofa & Loveseat	5 Pc Oak Fin. Bedroom	Beautiful Chival Mirror
lots of storage space Reg. $69.95 Sale $44.88	4 sturdy chairs Reg. $169.95 Sale $88	Choice of finishes Reg. $249.95 Sale $138	ideal for nursery Reg. $119.95 Sale $68	Queen, full or twin size. All On Sale Sale $299 up	Choice of colors while they last Reg. $199.95 Sale $99	Green floral cover disc. item - 1 only Reg. $699.95 Sale $388	includes door dresser, & chest hb-nitestand,mirror Reg. $699.95 Sale $399	in cherry or oak Reg. $79.95 Sale $39



Beautiful Rocker Recliner in a choice of decorative covers
Reg. $399.95 Sale $199



8 Pc. Livingroom Group
Includes sofa, loveseat, chair, 3 tables and 2 lamps. Reg. $899.95 Sale $588



5 Pc. Country Style Bedroom
Includes dresser, mirrir, chest, bookcase headboard and nightstand Reg. $699.95
Sale $448



6 Pc. Family Room Group
Includes sofa, chair, rocker and 3 all wood tables Reg. $599.95 Sale $388

Posture Firm Sets 10 yr. warranty

Twin Set	Reg. $249.95	Sale $118
Full Set	Reg. $299.95	Sale $148
Queen Set	Reg. $399.95	Sale $198

Back Beauty Sets 15 yr. warranty

Twin Set	Reg. $299.95	Sale $178
Full Set	Reg. $399.95	Sale $218
Queen Set	Reg. $499.95	Sale $268
King Set	Reg. $649.95	Sale $348

Cyber Rest Sets Pillow Top Sets 15 yr. warranty

Full Set	Reg. $499.95	Sale $258
Queen Set	Reg. $599.95	Sale $298
King Set	Reg. $749.95	Sale $398

Special Purchase Pillow Top! Hurry For These

Queen Set Reg. $499.95 Sale $248



Special Purchase Market Special - 10 yr. warranty

Twin Set	Reg. $199.95	Sale $138
Full Set	Reg. $249.95	Sale $178
Queen Set	Reg. $349.95	Sale $228
King Set	Reg. $449.95	Sale $278

WAREHOUSE FURNITURE
VARSITY SQUARE, NEXT TO ECKERD DRUG, SNYDER, TEXAS
STORE HOURS: 10 A.M. TO 6 P.M. MON. - SAT.

DEC 01 2002

Letters to the editor

Dear Editor:

The last letter I wrote to the editor, I said I was going to let the following lay. I thought the city would finally do something about the damage they are doing to my property. I now know that have not intention of doing anything except flood me out. So I am back and I am going to get this problem fixed.

I do want to thank the editor for publishing my letter as there are now more than just John Gayle, Carolyn House and I that know about it. I would also like to thank Mrs. Francene Noah, the mayor. I give the manor full credit for getting them to at least do something.

On Nov. 12, 2002, I went to city hall to talk to the mayor to see if she would help me get something done with the alley at my residence. On Nov. 14, the city was trying to improve their mess. It looks like they hauled in a load of material and put up a berm along the edge of my lot and called good. Anyway you look at it; the east end of the alley is high. The east end of the alley used to have a slight taper to the gutter level. It is now a drop. It is my opinion when the city cut the alley down the first time they had it about right. But the folks on that end were wading mud to use the dumpster for lack of gavel.

The city hauled in gravel raising the elevation.

It is like someone wrote in a letter to the editor a while back, "if you have a bump and you put topping on it, what do you have?

I do not feel I am being unreasonable about this and I am sure that if Gayle or House were in my place they would do something about it pronto. I thought when they cut the alley back down to the original elevation it would be okay to repair the damage to my yard. I spent over $1,600 removing silt and replacing the sidewalk.

I wanted to get the yard covered with grass so it wouldn't be a muddy mess all winter. I did get the grass established, but instead of a sidewalk, I only paved the city's spillway.

The amount of monies the city is getting for alley franchises, (I am paying over $7 a month for Cox Cable alone) we could afford a better quality of services. I am beginning to see why the Sparkle had dimmed in Snyder. The only thing I am asking now is for you to do what is right.

If the city can't afford someone who can use a transit I will hire one for you. It will be cheaper than buying carpet and getting black mold. I have been butting heads with they city on this since the first of summer and I am now worse off than when I started.

Once again I want to thank Mayor Noah. Apparently I am asking for something that is beyond the capabilities of the city employees.

Omer Pointer

Dear Editor:

On Friday, Nov. 15, I was having dinner with my wife and mother in a local restaurant when a friend I have known for many years approached me. He put his hand on my should and said, "I just wanted to say thank you for what you do." I looked up at him and saw genuine sincerity in his expression, but I could not imagine why he would be saying such a thing to me. After a short pause, the next thing he said was "thank you for putting your life on the line every day."

After hearing those words I knew immediately what he was talking about, and I wanted to convey to the rest of the citizens of Snyder how proud that made me feel.

From September of 2000 until September of 2001, I proudly served the citizens of Snyder as a city police officer. I left full-time law enforcement in September of 2001 to pursue my education, but as any current or former police officer will tell you, "once it gets in your blood, it's there to stay.

"I spent two years as a full-time law enforcement, and I know why cops choose to live the life that they live. That life includes long, odd hours, working holidays, low pay, and missing birthdays and anniversaries; it includes people not wanting you around until they need you, then being mad because you didn't get there fast enough. Law enforcement officers are called upon daily to make quick decisions under difficult and dangerous circumstance, often receiving criticism from the public that they serve because their decisions are unpopular.

Most importantly, police officers go to work every day with the reality that there is a chance that they might not come home that evening. The men and women entrusted with keeping our communities safe from harm do what they do because they love it, not for the money or the authority or the appreciation.

I would like to offer my heartfelt gratitude to the gentleman who paid me such an unexpected compliment. Although I do not believe I deserve it nearly as much as the men and women who put on the uniform and badge every day of their lives in service to their fellow citizens.

I encourage the citizens of Snyder and Scurry County to take a moment the next time they see one of our local law enforcement officers to let them know that you appreciate what they do for us. They've earned it.

Sincerely,
Kurt McMillan

Dear Editor:

As a taxpayer and voter, there are some things that are somewhat puzzling.

How many of the county employees are eligible for government programs, such as WIC, reduced or free lunches, Lone Star Cards, etc.? Is Scurry County so broke that loyal employees cannot be fairly compensated?

Some of these Scurry County employees are in very important positions that generate income and bring in outside money to Snyder and Scurry County. Why are they not adequately compensated for the jobs they perform?

Many of these families do not receive any of the government programs, but they are very eligible for them.

It would be interesting to see a list of all county employees, all the duties they perform, their current pay and their average hours worked per week.

Thank you,
Gwen Cumbie

Dear Editor:

I've been sitting here trying to watch TV and could hardly see anything! I have noticed that it (the problem) has expanded from the usual three channels to almost all of 2 through 13. Now I know that Cox Communication said that it is because they are having trouble getting them in, but for channel 2 to be messed up — something is not right here.

I can't believe Cox has the nerve to raise our rates even though we can hardly see anything. I feel that Cox is messing up these channels in order to force us to take out the expensive service.

Snyder needs to get a different cable company in here to give them some competition so they won't have us over a barrel and treat us anyway they want.

Thanks for listening,
Michael Browning

Dear Editor:

This is pathetic.

The year is almost over and we still have bad cable reception. When is this ever gonna' end?

Each week I listen to my husband complain when he cannot see the Cowboys. Yes, the Cowboys are having a bad season, but we should at least get to see them have a bad season! That is our right.

I spoke with Michelle Harper and she says I can get a credit for the channels that do not work. It amounts to around 40 cents per channel per month. That is not a lot, but if everyone in Snyder would demand it, maybe then they will fix the reception problems. Or maybe we should not pay the bill at all until it is fixed. I have her number if anyone needs it.

Vanessa Stewart

Dear Editor:

This is in response to the "curfew" letter by Roxanne Stoker in last week-end's edition. I am so excited that people like Mrs. Stoker are thinking and talking about this issue!

Since I have looked at curfew ordinances from several different cities, I can provide some additional information that will be helpful. None of the ordinances target the many trustworthy and responsible young people in their communities.

The curfew ordinances are set up to exclude all possible legitimate "defenses," such as school, religious and community activities. These ordinances will be a good pattern for Snyder to follow in adopting a workable and fair curfew that will serve our community effectively.

If the curfew is implemented for Snyder, it will be a tool to help our youth stay out of trouble. I grew up in Snyder and I know what kids do late at night in a small town. There are few places to go, and lots of opportunities to get involved in illegal behavior. "Good" kids get caught up in irresponsible activities and the whole community pays. The towns which I looked at felt the curfew worked well. After studying the issue for several months, I feel this would help parents, help law enforcement, and make a positive difference in our community.

Sincerely,
Celia Morales
3050 44th Street

Dear Editor:

Is there some convention in journalism that demands the ludicrous and inappropriate use of the plural "we" in a column that is obviously written by a single person?

Does any proofreader (if there is one, any more) every notice how ridiculous it is to read that "we married our wife," or "we weren't born with a laptop in our hands?"

The column, "My Turn," has one author, one name and one picture, what is wrong with the writer using the single "I" or "my" to refer to what is surely not a shared entity, such as a hand or a wife. This is right up there with the juvenile reference to our wife as "ole what's her name."

Even the Queen of England eschews the "royal we," don't you think that the SDN would be improved by having the columnist take sole responsibility for his turn?

Sincerely,
Mildred B. Sentell

Open Government Barometer

Number of Executive Sessions held by public entities in 2002.

Snyder ISD	15
DCOS	10
Scurry County	9
Ira ISD	7
City of Snyder	4
Hermleigh ISD	3
WTC	3
Cogdell Hospital	3

NEWSPAPERS: LIGHTING FREEDOM'S WAY

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Austin American-Statesman

Raising tax on smokes

It's understandable that the first Texas Legislature with a Republican majority in both houses since the 19th century would resist any tax increase. But with a possible budget shortfall of at least $5 billion, some lawmakers and anti-tobacco groups are urging consideration of at least one exception, the cigarette tax.

Cigarette buyers pay a state tax of 41 cents a pack in Texas, generating about $540 million a year. The highest rate in the nation is $1.50 per pack in New York — and buyers in New York City pay an additional $1.50 in a city tobacco tax.

Some anti-smoking groups and sympathetic lawmakers want Texas to boost its cigarette tax by $1 a pack. State Rep. Steve Wolens, D-Dallas, has filed a bill to increase the cigarette tax by 50 cents and commit the additional revenue to police and firefighters' salaries.

States have long turned to so-called sin taxes on cigarettes and alcoholic beverages to avoid more general tax increases. More recently, some have suggested a tax on sugared soft drinks, in part to discourage their consumption by increasingly obese youths. Especially given that quite a few of them ran with strong support from conservative Christian activists, Republicans would seem naturally to turn to sin taxes to reduce a budget problem.

But many newly elected Republican lawmakers insisted in their campaigns that there is no need to raise taxes despite the projected budget shortfall, so it might look hypocritical to vote for one, however much sense it makes. Such a vote might invite a challenger in the next primary.

And then there's the tobacco lobby. Philip Morris USA has said it will fight any tax increase, and it has friends in high places thanks to its longtime lobbying efforts here. One of its lobbyists has been Mike Toomey, who has been named Gov. Rick Perry's new chief of staff.

Rep. Talmadge Heflin, R-Houston, whom many expect to be named chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, already has pronounced any tobacco tax increase "dead on arrival." It might pass in another session of the Legislature, he said, but not this one.

At least Heflin is also opposed to an idea advanced by the Texas Association of Business: for the state to sell its future tobacco settlement rights of up to $14.2 billion, to be collected over several decades, for an upfront $6 billion payment. We have previously argued that selling the state's tobacco settlement rights would be a shortsighted move.

In January, after state Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander gives her projected revenue forecast, we'll all have a much better idea just how much of a budget gap there is. Perhaps the situation won't be as bleak as it appears now, though recent, anemic sales tax figures are not encouraging.

In any case, we hope some vital state programs such as aid to local school districts and children's health insurance aren't cut just to protect smokers from having to pay more for cigarettes. The cigarette tax not only helps pay for state government but restricts consumption of a dangerous though legal product. We think most voters, including Republican faithful, would accept an increase.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

NATO's new course

To Americans who grew up in the last half of the 20th century convinced that it was their inevitable destiny to fight a European war against the Soviet Union, last week's meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization was nothing less than amazing.

NATO was set up 53 years ago to stave off the anticipated invasion of Western Europe by Soviet forces. On Thursday, it invited into membership seven East European nations, including Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia — the first former Soviet republics to join — along with former Soviet satellite states Bulgaria and Romania.

Such moves were once unthinkable. But times and politics change, meaning that there is always hope for this weary world.

The Washington Post described it like this: "The North Atlantic Treaty Organization formally left behind the 20th century, as leaders of the military alliance signed off in Prague on a major transformation designed to confront the 21st-century threats of terrorism and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction far beyond the West European borders that NATO was created to defend."

On Friday, NATO leaders looked farther — to the nations of Central Asia, where wars and rumors of war bubble constantly. The organization is eager to strengthen its ties with former Soviet republics in the area north of Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan. That's considered vital as the fear of a massive land war is being supplanted by the more complex and less well-defined war on global terrorism.





The Village Idiot by Jim Mullen

When you care enough to write your own

When an elderly neighbor we barely knew died recently, I went to the drug store to buy a sympathy card to send to his wife. I was looking for something sober and simple. A plain white card that said something like, "We were saddened to hear of your loss. Please accept our sincere condolences. Our thoughts are with you at this difficult time."

That you cannot buy. You can, however, buy any number of cards with embossed silver lilies on the front that say, with small variations, "He was the best person on Earth and after he invented cold fusion and time travel he gave all his money to widows and orphans. When he wasn't feeding the homeless he was building them houses. Albert Schweitzer and Mother Theresa wished they were as good and kind as he was. I beg you to make it a closed coffin funeral or I might jump in. Why him, Lord, and not me?"

That was more than I really wanted to say. Maybe someone closer to him, say, the oil delivery guy or septic-tank cleaner, could send something that flowery, but I was practically a stranger. Besides, it was so vague. Like one of those eulogies by a preacher who never met the deceased. I've been to funerals where, after the preacher's finished, I have to look at the program to make sure we're burying the right person.

If that card was too flowery, others were not flowery enough. I didn't have the heart to put my signature on this one either:

"Even though he was in a nursing home for the last eight years and hadn't spoken in six, we were shocked. We'd been planning to go see him for years and now it's too late. If only he could have hung on until our kids finished soccer season, we could have been there for him. If you need anything, I mean anything, please let us know. Well, not on Tuesdays, that's Jim's bowling night. And Friday's are pretty bad, too. Sue's taking that Thai cooking class. What's going to happen to that big rolltop desk he had? It would really look good in our library. I'm sorry, that was an insensitive thing to say. You might think it will look better in our family room. Who are we to tell you what to do? Thursdays are no good at all. That's 'Survivor' night. We never miss it. Now that I think about it, you're the one with all the free time now. Maybe you should come over here and help us. They say work will take your mind off your troubles."

While looking for something with just the right tone, I accidentally picked up some cards from the "Birthday — Seniors" section. "Hey, you old geezer, drop dead and make room on the planet for someone else," read the first one. "I wanted to get you something extra special, but Dr. Kevorkian is in jail," said the second. "I gave you this same card last year, but you probably can't remember it, can you, you senile old fool," said the third. I'm starting to think that what carried my neighbor off might have been a torrent of brutal birthday cards.

Sue and I have a big anniversary coming up. We're not telling anyone. I'm not sure I want to open the mail and read, "We found the perfect gift for your 25th Anniversary. His and her silver bullets."

One of the card companies has a slogan, "When you care enough to send the very best." They're right. So I did what I should have done from the start and wrote a note to the new widow on my own stationery. Weeks later she told me it was the only handwritten note she'd received.

Jim Mullen is the author of "It Takes A Village Idiot: A Memoir of Life After the City" (Simon and Schuster, 2001). He also contributes regularly to Entertainment Weekly, where he can be reached at jim_mullen@ew.com

Copyright 2002, Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

CHAMBER CHATTER

"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm"

Executive Board: President-Darren Jackson, Vice President-Jeffrey Martin, President Elect-Michael Thornton, Secretary/Treasurer-Paula McWilliams, Past President- Jack Whitworth

P.O. Drawer 840, Snyder, Texas 79550 915-573-3558 E-Mail: snychcom@snydertex.com

Looking Forward and Backwards



We've already had a blast with Halloween, enjoyed all the turkey and dressing we want 'till next November and already the Christmas music, decorations and sales, commercials and catalogues have filled our lives. Happy Holidays!

This year has gone by so quickly. This time last year we were in the middle of all the coliseum mess, the loss of all of our employees (but Sandra and me) and a great unknown year ahead of us. The two of us have spent the year dividing seven jobs into two, dividing up roles, responsibilities and duties, and even passing on some of our events because they conflict with others and two of us just can't handle everything! But you know what, we've remodeled the chamber offices, built another storage room, moved our "stuff" of which there is tons all here where we can find it, made major steps in the Deep Creek Project, and have finished the year in a relatively calm state. Our goldcoat organization keeps growing, my wonderful board keeps leading and our membership is up over last year. We've had a lot of businesses close this year, but thank goodness only two were chamber members, and we've had lots of new businesses open and join our business community.

It has been a strange year for Snyder in my opinion. We lost Lorber due to US economics but thanks to the 24/7 work of John DeLille and the DCOS board, it looks like 50 new folks will be working in new jobs by January 1st. What another blessing for our town.

The military training facility opened this year bringing in 23 new families to our town, and new friends for all of us. Our college has the largest enrollment in years thanks to Dr. Williams and company and plans to keep increasing WTC's student numbers and reputation. The prison continues to grow and hire. Warden Howard has improved the attitude, population size, employment numbers and general overall look of the place so much that I now have it on the tourism lists! Contracts have been signed with a builder to build much-needed new modern homes here, and the number of homes on the market has diminished so our realtors are looking for properties once more.

I'm not saying that we're all getting rich and Snyder's booming again, but I am saying, friends, it's been a whole lot worse! Look in the fields, we have crops! Hay everywhere, wheat so green it's gorgeous and cotton ready for harvest, fat cattle and stock in the fields, water in the tanks, and even in Lake Thomas.

The Tigers had a great season and we loved every exciting minute of it and our weather has been almost perfect. I don't remember seeing a fall this beautiful in years. The leaves and colors are gorgeous!

Yes, it's been a "chamber of commerce" year! More ups than downs and our little town and all who live in it are doing pretty darn well, overall!

Thank you, Lord, for all the blessings thou hast bestowed upon us. Happy Holidays my friends! May your hearts be filled with the spirit of Christmas!

Love, Donna



FIRST ANNUAL CHAMBER CHRISTMAS DINNER AND THEATER

You are cordially invited to the

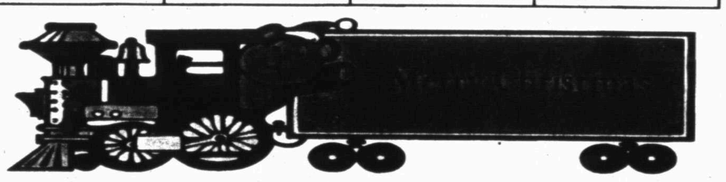
First Annual Chamber Christmas Dinner and Theater on

Thursday, December 5, 2002 at 6:30 p.m.
at the WTC Campus.
Tickets are $20 per person
This will benefit the Ritz Community Theater and the WTC Drama Department
RSVP - 915-573-3558

December 2002

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 Gayla Christmas Evening at WTC - Dinner and a Live Theater 6:30 p.m.	6 WTC Theater 6:30 p.m.	7 Lighted Christmas Parade Snyder Square 6:40 p.m. Santa's Workshop Dermott School - 2-4p.m. WTC Theater 6:30 p.m.
8 Jim Shearer's B-day (He'll be Old) Hanging of the Green 6:00 p.m. - CHB Church WTC Theater 1-7	9 WTC Board Meeting	10 Jr High Choir Concert Barrel Races 5:30 p.m. Coliseum	11	12 Jr High Band Concert	13 WTC Classes over for Holiday	14 Hermleigh Chapter Show Coliseum Annex
15 Christmas Contata CHB Church "Because It's Christmas" 10:50 a.m.	16	17 Chamber Board Meeting 11:30 p.m. Stanfield Elem. Christmas Play Barrel Races - 5:30 p.m. Coliseum	18 Stanfield Christmas Play	19 Chamber Open House 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	20 SISD Schools Out for Holidays	21 Winter Begins Snyder Chapter Show Coliseum
22 Candlelight Service CHB Church 6:00 p.m.	23 Chamber offices Closed for the Holidays	24 Candlelight and Lord's Supper - FBC - 6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service First Presbyterian Church 6:00 p.m.	25 Merry Christmas!!	26	27	28
29	30	31 Bull Ride and Dance HWY 208 7:00 P.M. Coliseum				

CHAMBER CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAYS!!



Chamber To Host "Open House"

Sandra and I would like to cordially invite you to our annual Chamber open house on Thursday, December 19th, from 10:00 a.m. 'till 2:00 p.m. There will be hot wassail, and cold punch, coffee, goodies, and a warm welcome to thank everyone in the community for making this a successful year for our chamber. Without all of you, we could not accomplish even half what we do and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. May you have a blessed Christmas Season and a wonderful 2003.

Goldcoats To Judge Homes

The goldcoats will once again be judging the house and yard lights. Wright Colonial Funeral Home has volunteered their company limousine to take the goldcoats around the city, so if you see the white limo pass, you'll know your home has been judged! Prizes are 1st place - $75, 2nd place - $50 and 3rd place - $25. Please call or come by the chamber and leave your name, address and phone number to enter.

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

Thank you everyone who worked at the playoff football game. Over 50 workers are needed for each game and it's so hard to get enough help. It was a huge, hard game and we were all tired!

Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Ford Spikes for three boxes full of various colored Iris bulbs! They are all planted and will be beautiful next year. Thanks for thinking of us. We'll think of you next spring!

Thanks to the Price Daniel inmates and the City of Snyder employees for help with getting all the Christmas ornaments ready and in place for the season.

Thanks to the Snyder Fire Department and personnel for the use of the fire truck and the driver to transport Santa in the lighted Christmas parade. Thanks to Ron Gilliland for being Santa's helper for us each year. What would we do without you Ron Ho, Ho, Ho?

Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Howell for the promise of roses. Mr. Howell has promised to oversee the moving and planting and they will be planted in the memory garden by the College Avenue Bridge.

On Your Mark Get Set-Build!

It's time to start planning and building your float for the lighted Christmas parade on Saturday, December 7th at 6:30 p.m. It's everyone's favorite parade, but every year we have so much trouble getting folks to enter. Please decorate your bikes, old cars, trucks, trailers, tractors, pick-ups, or build a float and come out and participate in our parade. The only requirement is that your entry be lighted. You can get the strings of lights with batteries at the Dollar Store and Wal-Mart, or get generators from several places in town. We hope you'll help us make this years Christmas parade the largest ever.

Prizes will be checks for $50, $75, and $100 for parade entries, and the goldcoats will be sponsoring the home-decorating contest as well. Come by or call the Chamber to enter the home-decorating contest. Judging for the houses will be decided at the next goldcoat meeting as well as prize amounts.

For the parade, just show up at the Snyder shopping center by 6:00 p.m. for judging. No pre-entry is required.

Parade of Lights December 7th

It's time for the annual lighted Christmas parade, and as usual, your chamber staff is begging for your help! We have had several calls about the parade, so we're hoping every church, Sunday School class, civic club, school organization, family and business will have some sort of lighted entry for everyone to enjoy. We'll meet at the Snyder Shopping Center at 6:00 p.m. Judging will take place at 6:15 p.m. Battery lights are sold at Dollar General and Wal Mart that we're sure of and possibly other places as well. Generators are loaned or rented from several places. Please participate. Pick-ups, cars, motorcycles, golf carts, horses, tractors, bicycles are all encouraged too! See you there! Bundle up!

Santa On The Square Before Parade

The Annual Lighted Christmas Parade will begin at 6:30 p.m. and Santa Claus will be in the Gazebo from 4:00 until 6:00 p.m. with his elves, Sandra and Donna helping with the children and passing out candy canes! Last year, we had record crowds of kiddos and Santa has to leave promptly at 6:00 o'clock to get in the parade! So please get there early, and don't forget your camera!

Christmas For Kids

Christmas for kids (formerly Toys for Tots) is once again being sponsored by the Girl Scouts organization here in Snyder. If you have toys to donate, please call Judy Martin at 573-7556, Ezell Key Feed and Seed on 26th or here at the chamber office. Make a child happy this Christmas won't you?

Goodfellows Helping Santa

The Goodfellows organization is once again distributing food to qualifying families, and urges you to open your hearts with gifts of canned goods or money for perishables. The canned goods can be dropped off at any SISD public school building, the sheriff's office or here at the chamber office. The monetary donations can be taken at any of our banks. Just ask your teller how you can donate as you make your regular transactions or drive through.

Thank you for anything you can do to make it a Happy Holiday for someone in our community.

Dermott School To Celebrate Season

On Saturday, December 7th from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. be sure to bring the family to see Santa's workshop in the Dermott School on the coliseum grounds. Local second and third graders have contributed seasonal artwork to be displayed throughout the school. Local 4th graders have made the ornaments that will decorate the school house tree.

There will be displays of old toys and Santa's sleigh will be available for pictures if you wish. Just be sure to bring your own camera!

American State Bank is providing the popcorn that will be given away and Jean Evertt will be on hand to sign her new book, Depression Kids.

Launching the holiday entertainment season in Snyder, the Ritz Community Theatre and the Western Texas College Theatre Department join hands again this year to present The 1940's Radio Hour by Walton Jones, opening Friday, December 6.

The evening will begin with dinner at 7 p.m. in the Western Texas College dining hall in the Student Center followed by the show in the Fine Arts Theatre. Dessert will be served in the lobby after the show.

The dinner theatre will run again on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 8, with lunch at 12:30 followed by the show. There will be a matinee on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 2 p.m. with no meal.

A different time is evoked in this marvelously theatrical and winning show, a live broadcast of The Mutual Manhattan Variety Cavalcade from the Hotel Astor's Algonquin Room on December 21, 1942. The spirit of that bygone era when the world was at war and pop music meant "The Chattanooga Choo-Choo" and "Boogie-Woogie Bugle Boy" is accurately captured as the audience gets a peek at the backstage travails of the characters as they strive to make the live show happen.

"Totally exhilarating hour of singing ... and funny commercials." - New York Daily News.

"This is fun with a capital fun." - ABC-TV.

This family-oriented production has a cast of some 15 characters, backed by a community choir of 15 singers directed by Sam Robertson and accompanied on the piano by Judy Brown. The music includes a potpourri of Christmas and swing favorites plus a few surprises.

Dinner tickets are $20 for adults, $17 for seniors and students, and $13 for Ritz season ticket holders and WTC faculty, staff, and students. Reservations are required for the dinner theatre. Tickets for the Saturday matinee are $7 for adults and $5 for seniors and students. Call 573-8511, ext. 234, for reservations.

Major roles will be filled by Chris Hensley, Rebekah Thornton, Emily Hataway, Myra Hayes, K.K. McClain, Meagan Bailey, Corey Knipe, Chris Shoemake, Jacob Brumley, Tedrick George, Ryan Ballard, Michael Gonzales, Eric Henry, Lacey Rowe, Holly Gwyn, Monica Rose, Brandy Birkenfeld, and Mandi Mitchell. Cameo appearances will be made by Dr. Ed Barkowsky and Margaret Presswood.

Chris Burchfield will serve as lighting and sound technician.

GILL'S
GOLD 'n' CRISP
FRIED CHICKEN
3700 COLLEGE AVENUE
573-6831

HOSPITALIZATION AUTO LIFE
WORKMEN'S COMP LIABILITY
JOE FOWLER
Fowler & Associates
Office: (915)573-9318
Residence: (915)573-0856
3201 College
Snyder, Texas 79549
P.O. Box 260

American State Bank
"Right Size To Be Friendly"
Member FDIC
3610 COLLEGE AVENUE
(915)573-4041

SNB SNYDER NATIONAL BANK
1715 25th Street
Snyder, Texas 79549
915-573-2681
"EXCEEDING THE FINANCIAL EXPECTATIONS OF OUR BANKING FAMILY."
EQUAL HOUSING LENDER
Member FDIC

Member FDIC
WEST TEXAS STATE BANK
P.O. Box 1396
1902 26th Street
Snyder, Texas 79549
915-573-5441

DEC 01 2002

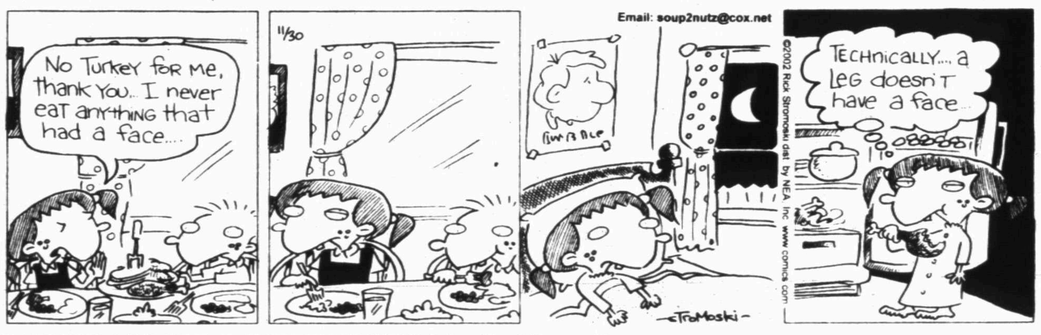
ZITS ® by Scott & Borgman



THE BORN LOSER ® by Art and Chip Sansom



SOUP TO NUTZ ® by Rick Stromoski



BARNEY GOOGLE & SNUFFY SMITH © by Fred Laswell



BLONDIE © by Dean Young & Denis Lebrun



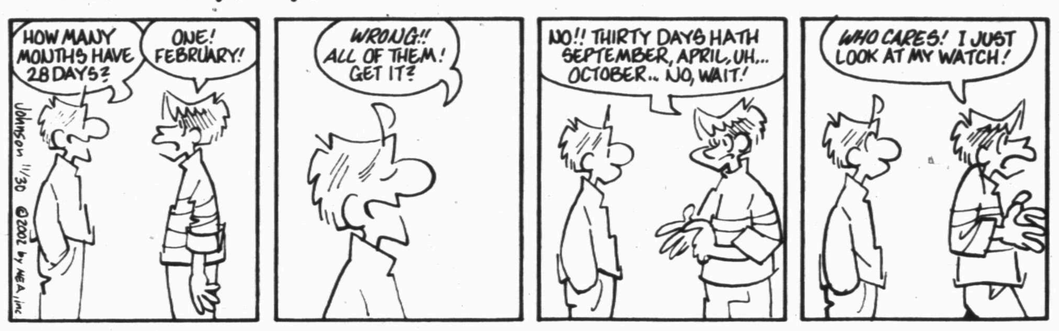
THE GRIZZWELLS ® by Bill Schorr



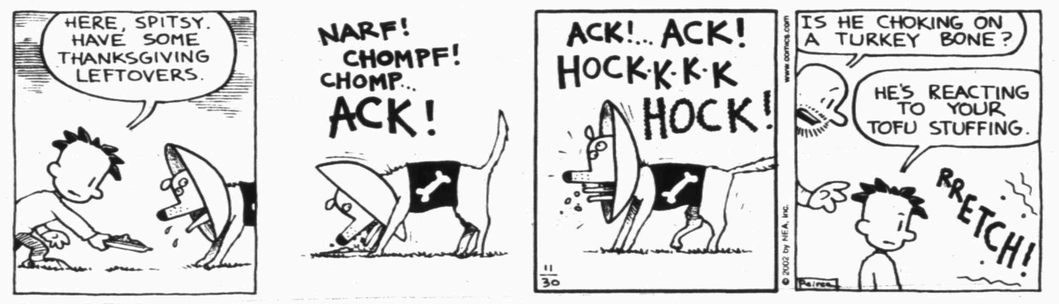
FRANK & ERNEST ® by Bob Thaves



ARLO & JANIS ® by Jimmy Johnson



BIG NATE ® by Lincoln Peirce



MONTY ® by Jim Meddick



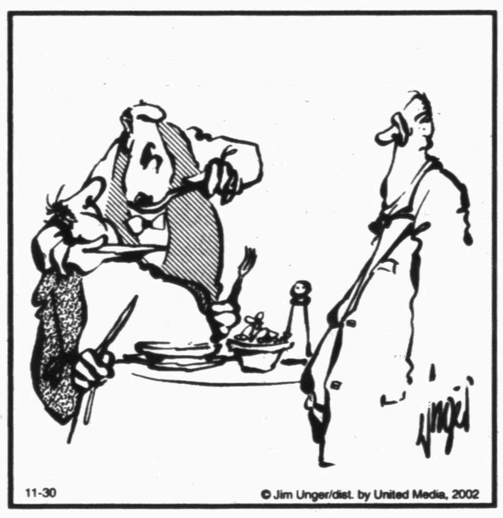
ALLEY OOP ® by Dave Graue & Jack Bender



BETTY ™ by Delainey & Rasmussen



HERMAN ® by Jim Unger



"I'll have a table for you, sir, in just two minutes."

KIT 'N' CARLYLE ® by Larry Wright



NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 — curve
5 Weary exhale
9 Left, to a mule
12 Light bulb, in comics
13 CFL's — Cup
14 Forum hello
15 Layer
16 Short-term worker
17 Toolshed item
18 Dwell upon
20 Kudu cousin
22 London park
23 Mew
24 Spout rhetoric
27 Columbus' ship
31 Young wolf
34 Bread or meat
35 Holiday number
36 Man-eating giant
38 Itineraries (abbr.)
40 ABC rival
41 Red Sea vessel
42 Exams
44 Zsa Zsa's sister
46 Gummy
49 Outlandish
52 Planet next to Saturn
54 Attorney's honorary deg.
55 Corn tassel
58 Darth Vader's son
59 Annapolis grad
60 Shade giver
61 Collar style
62 Syrup base
63 Schussee
64 Door ding

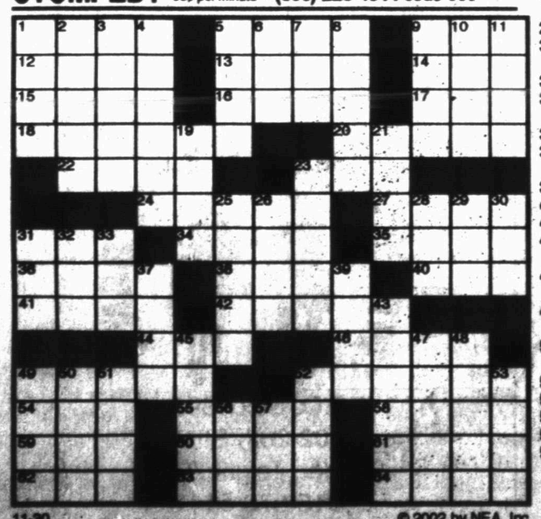
DOWN

1 Morsels
2 Archie Bunker's wife
3 Wary
4 Rio Grande town
5 Mil. officers
6 Wrath
7 Topaz or opal
8 Keyed up
9 Joke response (hyph.)
10 Cosmetics brand
11 Tend the garden
19 Peasant
21 Football's — Swann
23 Yields
25 Main artery
26 Handbag
28 Summer Games org.
29 Omaha's st.
30 Capp and Joison
31 Ocean fish
32 Snort of disgust
33 Slangy pal
37 Washstand pitcher
39 Mix up
43 Climbed
45 Waistcoats
47 Rockne of Notre Dame
48 Whitehorse's territory
49 Pamplona shouts
50 Longest arm bone
51 Recipe amt.
52 Guitar cousins
53 Transmitted
56 Vex
57 Flower garland

Answer to Previous Puzzle

M	A	M	A			G	A	P		S	A	M
A	G	I	N	G		E	M	U		A	L	I
P	A	T	I	O		L	I	P		G	A	S
			T	A	P	S		A	W	A	I	T
	K	O	A	L	A		A	S	H			
D	O	S		I	R	O	N		E	B	B	S
A	R	C		E	L	L	A		T	A	R	O
M	E	A	L		E	E	L	S		I	O	U
S	A	R	A		Y	O	Y	O		Z	A	P
			D	I	S		Z	O	N	E	D	
B	E	A	D	S		F	E	T	E			
U	R	L			L	O	U		H	A	L	O	S
C	I	D		A	W	E			E	R	E	C	T
K	E	A		M	E	L				S	A	T	E

STUMPED? Call for Answers • Touch-tone or Rotary Phones 95¢ per minute • (900) 226-4344 code 000



11-30 © 2002 by NEA, Inc.

Snyder Daily News Comics

DENNIS THE MENACE ® by Hank Ketcham



"SHE DOESN'T LIKE MUD, BUGS, FROGS AND STUFF, BUT SHE'S STILL A PRETTY GOOD MOM."

Datebook

Saturday, Nov. 30, 2002

Today is the 334th day of 2002 and the 70th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1954, a woman in Alabama was struck by a meteor while she was asleep on her couch. It was the first known recording of a human being hit by a meteor.

On this day in 1993, the Brady Bill (officially, the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act), which instituted a five-day waiting period to allow time for a background check, was signed into law.

On this day in 1996, singer Tiny Tim, of "Tip-Toe Thru the Tulips With Me" fame, died of congestive heart failure.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Jonathan Swift (1667-1745), writer; Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens), (1835-1910), writer; Winston Churchill (1874-1965), English statesman; David Mamet (1947-), dramatist, is 55; Bo Jackson (1962-), baseball player, is 40.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1979, World Middleweight titleholder Vito Antuofermo and Marvin Hagler fought a 15-round draw at a match in Las Vegas.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "A man should never be ashamed to own that he has been in the wrong, which is but saying ... that he is wiser today than yesterday." — Jonathan Swift

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Nov. 27) and new moon (Dec. 4).

Copyright 2002, Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

Sunday, Dec. 1, 2002

Today is the 335th day of 2002 and the 71st day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1955, Rosa Parks, a black woman, was told to give up her seat on the bus to a white man. She refused.

On this day in 1959, the first color picture of Earth was taken from the nose of a Thor missile.

On this day in 1959, twelve nations signed the Antarctic Treaty, banning military activity and weapons testing of any kind on the continent.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Woody Allen (1935-), director and writer, is 67; Lou Rawls (1936-), singer, is 64; Lee Trevino (1939-), golfer, is 63; Richard Pryor (1940-), comedian, is 62; Bette Midler (1945-), singer and actress, is 57.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1984, Greg Page won the World Boxing Association Heavyweight boxing title after knocking out Gerrie Coetzee.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "When we played softball, I'd steal second base, feel guilty and go back." — Woody Allen

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Nov. 27) and new moon (Dec. 4).

Copyright 2002, Newspaper Enterprise Assn

Pollsters face more obstacles to take accurate surveys

WASHINGTON (AP) — The rapid growth of cell phones, caller-ID technology and answering machines, combined with the public's growing resistance to opinion surveys, are making it more difficult for pollsters to do their jobs.

Most agree, however, that those forces have not crippled telephone polls. And the industry is unlikely to abandon phone surveys without something more reliable to take their place.

"I think that polls face increasing obstacles and barriers," said Andrew Kohut, director of the Pew Research Center for the People & The Press. "But polls done with reasonable schedules and reasonable rigor can still overcome these barriers."

The Pew Research Center has conducted research in the past that tested whether polls conducted over several days would get results similar to exhaustive surveys taken over several months. The study found no significant differences in the results, but the center plans to do a similar study this spring.

Increasing obstacles to phone polling are less likely to affect national polls done by top polling firms that follow accepted practices of selecting a random sample and doing a thorough follow-up to reach everyone possible.

The more immediate effect is on state polls done with smaller samples on a smaller budget, sometimes by polling companies not familiar with state demographics and voting patterns.

Some polls taken just before this year's midterm election picked up a voter surge toward Republicans in several Senate races following President Bush's barnstorming campaign tour, while others missed that surge.

Pollsters and analysts faced the additional challenge of an unprecedented combination of anxieties about terrorism, the economy and a possible war with Iraq.

National polls in the extraordinarily close 2000 presidential race were generally quite accurate.

Those in the polling business are constantly researching what's happening to their industry, which plays a critical role in both the political debate and marketing strategies.

Georgia State researcher Charlotte Steeh is working to gauge the growing impact of cell phones, which pollsters find are more difficult to contact and are gradually becoming the main phone some people use for personal communications.

"I think we're missing identifiable demographic groups like young people in urban areas who just don't have landlines anymore," Steeh said. "My research is designed to determine the extent of people we're missing altogether."

Researchers believe less than 5 percent of households use only a cell phone, although the number is higher among certain groups like young urban adults. The overall number using only cell phones is likely to grow, so researchers are looking for ways to cope with the changes.

People also are growing more reluctant to participate in polls, something the industry has been noticing for more than a decade.

Michael Traugott, a public opinion researcher at the University of Michigan, says that reluctance can be traced to people being too busy and having a lack of interest in politics.

He says increasing activity by telemarketers, who occasionally disguise their sales calls as legitimate polling, could increase that public resistance. Dozens of states are looking at laws that would allow people to shield themselves from telemarketing, but it's unclear what impact that would have on legitimate public opinion research.

Deadline nears for applications to U.S. service academies

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Charles W. Stenholm has announced that the deadline for applications to the United States Service Academies is about two weeks away.

The deadline to apply to any service academy through Congressman Stenholm's office is Dec. 15 Interested individuals are encouraged to contact the Washington office as soon as possible.

Eligible applicants must be at least 17 but not past their 23rd birthday, and need to have graduated from high school by June 30. They must also be single with no dependents and be a legal resident of the 17th District.

Competitive applicants should be in the top 15 percent of their class. They need to have SAT scores above 550 Verbal and 600 Math or ACT scores of 26 English and 27 Math. Involvement in extra-curricular activities, including school and community organizations and sports as well as full or part-time employment is also in the applicant's favor.

The Congressman will be making nominations for appointments to the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, CO; the Military Academy at West Point, NY; the Naval Academy at Annapolis, MD; and the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, NY.

The academies offer young people an excellent education, while also developing skills in leadership and self-discipline. It is a one-of-a-kind opportunity to earn a bachelor's degree and earn a salary for doing so. An education at an academy also guarantees a career upon graduation as an officer in the U.S. Armed Forces.

Applicants who wish to serve as commissioned officers are strongly encouraged to contact Jayne Schoonmaker in Congressman Stenholm's Washington office at 202/225-8119, 1211 Longworth HOB, Washington, D. C. 20515

Nominees will be announced in late December.

First cold snap strikes Florida

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — The calendar said November, but the thermometer said January.

A blast of cold, dry air swept into Florida early Friday, sending temperatures as low as 25 degrees in the Panhandle cities of Tallahassee and Perry.

"It is kind of unusual to see it that cold in late November," said Greg Mollere, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Tallahassee. "You don't expect this for another month or two."

Orlando hit 41 degrees overnight, about 15 degrees below normal, and temperatures were expected to drop further by the weekend.

Barry Goldsmith, a weather service meteorologist in Ruskin, said frost was expected to cover the northern Tampa Bay area and inland portions of east-central Florida early Saturday. It wasn't expected to damage the area's strawberry fields, he said.

Low humidity accompanied the cold, leading the weather service to issue a fire danger warning over much of Florida.

SUNDAY SERVICE
Any 2 Regular Foot Long Sandwiches
$6.99
THE SUBWAY
A SANDWICH SHOULD BE.
3603 College Ave.
573-9782

GOLDEN TERRACE VILLAGE
Accepting applications for
1 & 2 bedroom apartments.
For applicants 62+ or qualify as handicapped or disabled. Central heat & air. Water is paid. Refrigerator & range furnished, washer & dryer connections in each apartment. Each apartment has its own separate storage attached to the apartment.

RENT BASED ON INCOME
This facility is handicap accessible and operates in accordance with Rural Development/HUD policy which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability or familial status.
Applications may be picked up at the office located at 1607 52nd St. (North of Cogdell Hospital Emergency Room) or call 573-1416.
Locations: 2006 37th St.
1607 52nd St.
1911 Martha Ann Blvd.

Ask Hollywood

By Holly Wood

Where did Jo go?

Q: I was watching the end of "The Facts of Life Reunion," and I realized that the person who played Jo wasn't there. Did something happen to her, or did she not want to do the movie? — **P.L., via e-mail**

A: She didn't want to do the movie. Nancy McKeon was beginning work on Lifetime's "The Division," and she did not want to be part of a "Facts of Life" reunion.

Q: I want an address where I can write to Angela Lansbury. I love watching reruns of her show "Murder, She Wrote," on A&E. — **E.H., Ooltewah, Tenn.**

A: Fans can write to Lansbury at 635 Bonhill Road, Los Angeles, CA 90049. For those tired of watching reruns, there's good news: Lansbury is working on a made-for-TV movie called "Murder, She Wrote: The Celtic Riddle." A release date hasn't yet been set, but expect to see it later this year or early next year.

Q: My mother was on the TV program "Queen for a Day" in the 1950s. I know the exact date. Would there be a way to get a tape of that episode? — **P.B., Lone Grove, Okla.**

A: For those who don't know, "Queen for a Day" pitted four or five female contestants against each other in an attempt to win a household prize (usually a washing machine, a sewing machine or something similar). Each contestant had to convince the audience why she should be queen for a day. The "winner" was usually the one with the saddest life story.

The show isn't available on VHS commercially, but you can try your luck with ABC and NBC, who ran the show throughout the 1950s and 1960s. NBC's address is NBC, Viewer Relations, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10112. ABC's address is ABC, 500 S. Buena Vista St., Burbank, CA 91521-4551.

Q: In the early 1940s, there was an actress (I believe she was French) who starred in a movie called "Cat People." Her name was Simone Simon. Can you tell me what happened to her? She didn't make many films after "Cat People." I would appreciate any information you have about this pretty actress. — **S.H., Porterville, Calif.**

A: "Cat People" was released in 1942, and Simon retired from acting in 1956. (She made one more film, "La Femme en bleu," in 1972.) She didn't make many standout American films, but she has a lengthy list of French credits to her name.

Q: I saw a preview from the new TV series "8 Simple Rules for Dating my Teenage Daughter," with John Ritter. Is the oldest, blonde daughter the same girl who played the flirty girl in "The Real World: Vancouver" movie? — **C.S., Little Rock, Ark.**

A: No. Kaley Cuoco plays Ritter's daughter in the new series. I'm not sure exactly who you mean by "the flirty girl," since that label could apply to a few of the characters in "Real World: Vancouver," but Cuoco didn't appear in that film, so it definitely wasn't her. The show airs on Tuesdays at 8 p.m. EST.

TRIVIA: Kaley Cuoco has a Chihuahua/Dachshund mix named Petey.

(Send your questions to Ask Holly Wood, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Madison Ave., New York, N.Y. 10016, or write to HollyWood85@hotmail.com. Because of the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.)

Copyright 2002, Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

Man accused in massacre pleads guilty

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A man charged in a crackhouse massacre in which seven peoople died two years ago pleaded guilty Friday and will likely testify against other suspects.

Bruce Veney, 26, one of four suspects charged this week, pleaded guilty to seven counts of third-degree murder, robbery, aggravated assault and related offenses.

In exchange, prosecutors said they will recommend that Veney be sentenced to 15 to 30 years in prison. Assistant District Attorney Edward McCann Jr. said he anticipates that Veney will testify.

"It's a good holiday present," said Veronica Conyers, mother of victim Calvin Helton, 19. She was in the courtroom for Veney's guilty plea.

Veney; Shihean Black, 20; Dawud Faruqi, 27; and his brother Khalid Faruqi, 26; were charged Tuesday, months after four original suspects in the December 2000 Lex Street Massacre were cleared.

Police initially believed the massacre resulted from a turf battle among drug dealers. But prosecutors now say the slayings were touched off by a dispute over a car with a broken clutch.

The killings was carried out by a group of masked men who stormed a rowhouse taken over by squatters. Ten people were herded into a room, ordered to lie face-down on the floor, and shot.

Celebrate
An Elegant Christmas
with
Roscoe Flower and Gift Shop
"The Artist's Touch"
at our NEW LOCATION,
1006 Main Street
Roscoe, TX.
Join us as we open the doors to our new home for the first time, and share refreshments and friendship at our
Christmas Open House
on
November 29 and 30, 2002
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Look in Today's Paper



Copies are also available at your neighborhood Eckerd!

ECKERD
Get More!

DEC 01 2002



On Nutrition By Ed Blonz, Ph.D.

Combining vitamins is A-OK

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I hope you can answer these questions about vitamins and minerals. Is it OK to take water-soluble and fat-soluble vitamins at the same time? Should vitamin C be taken with foods that contain vitamin C, or is it just as effective to take them alone or with water? Should calcium be taken alone or with other nutrients, such as vitamins E, C and the B's? What's the best time of day to take vitamins? Thanks for all your help. **— C.F., Orange County, Calif.**

DEAR C.F.: There is no problem with taking water-soluble and fat-soluble vitamins at the same time. Vitamin C can be taken with or without C-containing foods. As a general rule, it is preferable to take supplementary vitamins and minerals at mealtimes. When food is present, the body is more attentive to the digestive system and the blood supply heads in that direction to pick up the incoming nutrients. The big picture: It is more important that you get the nutrients in the first place than be overly concerned about the time of day that you get them. Even more important is that you get them from the foods you eat. Supplements are just that — supplements.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I wanted some comments about coconut oil, which is something I have avoided like the plague. Am I correct in understanding that you say its effect on your cholesterol (or your heart) is less than that of partially hydrogenated fats? Along this line, am I to conclude that nonfat whipped toppings that have partially hydrogenated fats are to be avoided? Finally, are beef tallow and lard the same thing? If not, what is the difference? I struggle with high LDL (low density cholesterol) levels and discovered years ago that my total cholesterol only went down when I stopped eating margarine even when we then thought it was OK. I use olive, canola and flax oils, but still at most 2 tablespoons per day. My fat intake comes from walnuts, almonds and avocados. Any suggestions to help boost my HDL? **— B.G., no city, no state**

DEAR B.G.: Lots of questions, so let's get at them one at a time. I consider coconut oil to be less of a problem than partially hydrogenated vegetable oils. Notice I didn't say it was good for you or that it should be one of the main fats you eat; it's just not as bad as people have been led to believe. Every gram of tropical oil you eat does not push you further down the road to heart disease. The speed with which you travel that path is determined by the overall quality of your diet (and lifestyle). If you give your body the healthful foods it needs, it is able to handle the fats you eat. Coconut oil even has fatty acids in it that have antiviral qualities; research into this is ongoing. As regards the nonfat whipped toppings, there are less than 0.5 grams of fat per serving. Not much to be concerned about.

Lard is fat that is melted out of pork tissue. Approximately 39 percent (by weight) of lard is saturated fat, 45 percent is monounsaturated and 11 percent is polyunsaturated. Tallow comes from cattle and sheep; beef tallow comes only from cattle. Approximately 50 percent of beef tallow is saturated fat, 36 percent is monounsaturated and 4 percent is polyunsaturated. Every 10 grams of lard or beef tallow contains about 1 milligram of cholesterol. Again, these are not dietary demons, but certainly not items you should opt for — especially if more healthful fats can be used. For example, if given a choice I would prefer using tortillas made with lard over ones made with partially hydrogenated vegetable oil. If, however, ones were available that were made from unhydrogenated vegetable oil, I would choose those above the others.

As regards your issues with elevated LDL and margarine, congratulations on the successful detective work. Food science has come a long way, and there are now low-fat and nonfat margarines that are free from partially hydrogenated vegetable oils and the trans fats they contain. Be sure to read all labels and ingredient statements. Exercise is another way to boost your high-density cholesterol (HDL). It is always wise to check with your physician before you start an exercise program.

Send questions to: "On Nutrition," Ed Blonz, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. For e-mail, address inquiries to: ed@blonz.com. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

Ed Blonz, Ph.D., is a nutrition scientist and the author of "Power Nutrition" (Signet, 1998) and the "Your Personal Nutritionist" book series (Signet, 1996).

Copyright 2002, Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

Life after governor's office: TV shows, lobbying, RVs, politics

By The Associated Press

What comes next after you've turned words into law with your signature, overseen budgets of hundreds of millions of dollars a year, and fought with lawmakers, editorial writers and interest groups?

For a record 24 governors leaving office, the choices are many. One is already running for president. A few are becoming lobbyists, wielding their clout for cash. Less-traveled paths beckon, too — hosting a TV show, climbing Mount Everest, tooling around the country in an RV.

And don't sell retirement short.

"I'll tell you one thing. I'm not going to ever run for office again," said term-limited Tennessee Gov. Don Sundquist, a Republican who after eight years aims to retire to his mountain home. "It's going to be Marthatime. That's my wife."

Most of the soon-to-be-former governors — 14 — were barred by law from seeking another term. Six chose not to run. And voters decided to oust four.

In South Dakota, four-term Gov. Bill Janklow is headed to Congress. New Hampshire Gov. Jeanne Shaheen's run for the Senate failed, so her immediate plan is to be with her daughter when her third grandchild is born next month.

After reaching the pinnacle of Vermont politics, Gov. Howard Dean is aiming higher — to the presidency. The Democrat has already made dozens of visits to early presidential primary states such as New Hampshire, Iowa and South Carolina. His 11 years running Vermont is a big selling point for his presidential campaign.

"You can really make an important difference in people's lives," said Dean, who also is a physician. "I don't get all the credit — there's the legislature, the policy people — but I'm the one that makes it happen."

After years of wielding power, at least two governors are taking lucrative jobs as lobbyists to try and influence the powerful.

Oklahoma Gov. Frank Keating, who earned $101,000 this past year, will become CEO and president of the American Council of Life Insurers, a Washington-based lobbying organization.

Neither the council nor Keating's office would say how much he'll earn, but the council's former president — and former South Carolina Gov. Carroll Campbell — had a $1 million salary.

Keating will also continue his public service. The Republican was chosen by the nation's Roman Catholic bishops to lead the National Review Board, a group charged with ensuring dioceses are meeting new disciplinary standards after a year of sex abuse scandals.

Kansas's GOP Gov. Bill Graves is also becoming a lobbyist, taking a job as president of the Washington-based American Trucking Association.

Whether President Bush taps any GOP governors for his administration, as he did when he took office, has yet to be seen. Michigan Gov. John Engler, Graves, Keating and Arizona Gov. Jane Hull all are rumored to be possibilities, said Norm Ornstein at the American Enterprise Institute in Washington.

Some governors aren't saying now what they plan to do, including all four governors who lost bids for re-election — Democrats Don Siegelman of Alabama, Roy Barnes of Georgia, Jim Hodges of South Carolina, and Republican Scott McCallum of Wisconsin.

Others are weighing their choices.

Rhode Island Gov. Lincoln Almond plans on relaxing and tinkering at home while Hawaii Gov. Ben Cayetano looks forward to gardening.

New Mexico Gov. Gary Johnson hopes to climb Mount Everest in the spring, and then start a foundation aiming to end the war against drugs.

Maryland Gov. Parris Glendening has talked about working on environmental issues, Wyoming Gov. Jim Geringer aims to go into business and technology, and Oregon Gov. John Kitzhaber, a doctor, wants to help shape national policy on health care and prescription drugs.

Influential folk-blues performer dies

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Dave "Snaker" Ray, an influential figure of the folk-blues scene of the 1960s who won quiet renown for his virtuoso guitar work, has died at 59.

Ray, who was diagnosed with lung cancer in May, died at home Thursday, said his longtime band partner, "Spider" John Koerner.

The two, plus harmonica player Tony "Little Sun" Glover, formed the acoustic trio Koerner, Ray & Glover in 1962 and the next year released the landmark "Blues, Rags and Hollers" album.

Recording several albums and performing at folk festivals around the country, the trio never achieved more than cult status. But they influenced such legends as the Beatles, Bob Dylan, the Rolling Stones, Bonnie Raitt and Beck.

The parted ways in the late 1960s but periodically reunited over the years and also recorded individual albums.

"It's amazing how much these guys accomplished with so little," Rolling Stone senior editor David Fricke said. "The whole indie-rock business owes them a long debt of gratitude."

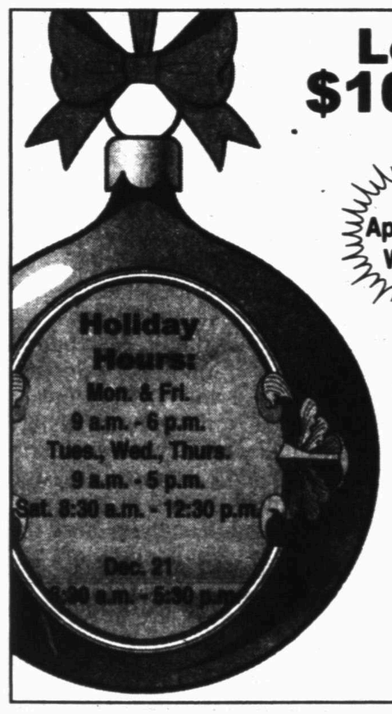
"They gave hope to white college kids everywhere," Fricke said.

As young Bobby Zimmerman, Dylan had listened to records.

Loans from $100 to $495

Phone Applications Welcome

Se Habla Espanol



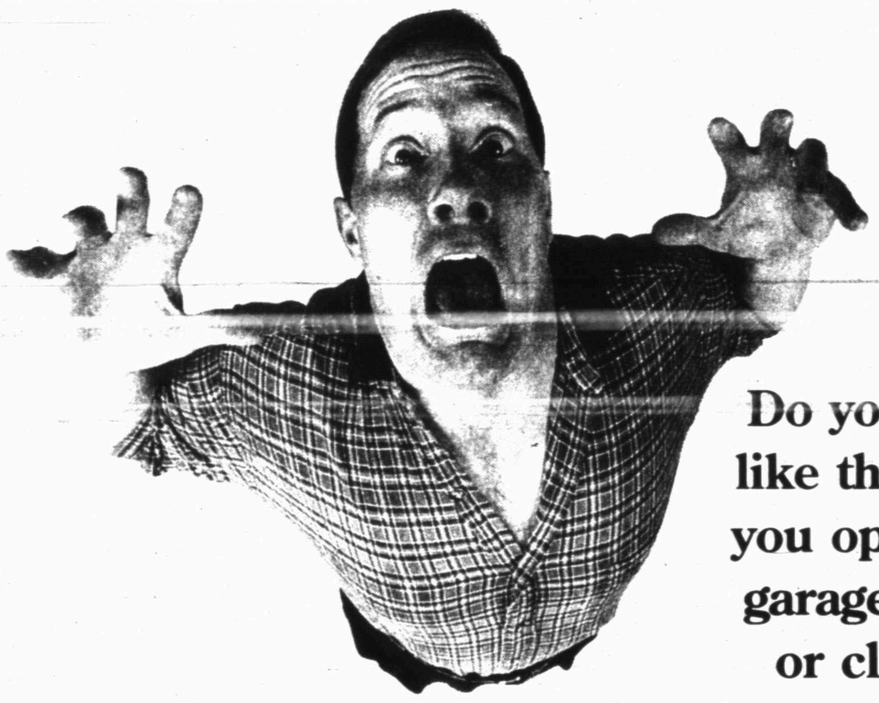
ASK ABOUT OUR SELECT BUYERS CLUB

Security Finance

CALL 573-1761

511 COLISEUM DRIVE

Ask For Elsa, Jason or Esther



Do you look like this when you open your garage, shop, or closets?

WELL, CLEAN THEM OUT & TURN THOSE UNUSED ITEMS INTO $$ FOR THE HOLIDAYS!!

On Mondays

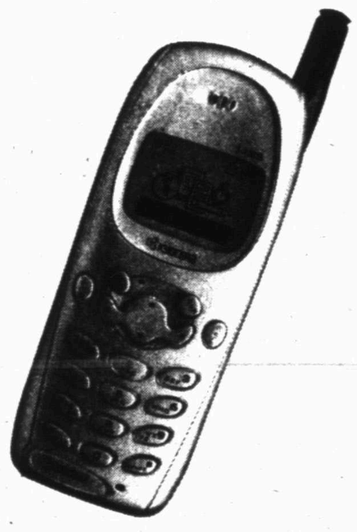
you can advertise up to 2 items, ($50 or less each), in the SDN Classifieds under the

BARGAIN BASEMENT

for regular price & if they don't sell we will rerun them on Wednesday for FREE!

Ads must be turned in no later than 4p.m. on Fridays to run in Monday's paper. Payment must be made in advance. - No commercial ads.

enough minutes to talk for days



3,850 MINUTES

anytime 350
evening 1,750
weekend 1,750

$30

KYOCERA 1135

only $19.99

AFTER $30 INSTANT REBATE with 24-month agreement

NATIONAL PLANS WITH FREE ROAMING AND FREE LONG DISTANCE STARTING AT $35

CELLULARONE®

Call on someone you know.

SIMPLICITY CHOICE VALUE 30-DAY SATISFACTION GUARANTEE

1.800.CELL.ONE CELLULARONEWEST.COM Cellular One proudly supports The National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign www.TheAntiDrug.com

Cellular One Stores

Snyder, 3311 College Avenue, 573-7907
Abilene, Park Central, 4149 Southwest, 437-0800
Mall of Abilene, located by Dillard's Mens Store, 4310 Buffalo Gap, 795-0253
Sweetwater, 1418 Holley St., Ste. C, 235-0300

Also at these Locations

Snyder, Cellular Plus, 573-3668
Abilene, Sam's, 5301 South First Street

Offers good for a limited time on new activations on select rate plans only, and are subject to change without notice. Not available in all areas. May not be combined with any other offers or discounts. Included minutes apply to calls from within local service area only. Unused minutes expire each month. "High" minutes apply to calls made from 8:00 a.m. to 5:59 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and "weekend" minutes apply to calls made from 6:00 p.m. Friday to 11:59 p.m. Sunday from within home calling area while in Range at reduced, additional fees apply for taxes, assessments, surcharges, roaming, long distance, quartermastered, credit card or other toll charges. Incoming and outgoing calls are rounded up and billed in full-minute increments from the time the network begins to process the call. Before the call charges are determined through the termination of the call. Service is subject to the terms of our standard 24-month service agreement that includes a $200 fee for early cancellation and a mandatory activation payment for each phone. Activation fee and deposit may be required. Digital handset required. Outside the digital coverage area, analog may be available, but analog service is not offered. Instant Rebates: Rebates may not exceed purchase price. Only one rebate per phone purchased. Nationwide Plans: Rate plans may be changed upon notice to the customer if more than 50% of usage is outside the Western Wireless network on nationwide rate plans. Most roam within a Western Wireless owned market to have nationwide plans. On nationwide plans, weekend minutes apply to calls made within our 20 state regional area only. Featured handsets available at Cellular One stores and participating dealers while supplies last. Service is not TTY compatible. See coverage maps and roaming restrictions brochure for complete details. Other conditions may apply. Cellular One is a registered service mark of The Cellular One Group. © 2002 Western Wireless Corporation.