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673 early ballots cast...

Voters poised for Tuesday primaries

Despite having the name of Scurry County's next county judge on one of the ballots, two weeks of early voting was termed slower than usual by County Clerk Joan Bunch.

"We had 673 vote early," said Bunch. "But in light of the fact there is a contested race for county judge in the Republican Primary, I thought more would vote early."

Voting in the Republican primary were 466, while 207 cast Democratic ballots.

"If citizens have not voted, I hope they do cast their ballots in the primaries on Tuesday," Bunch added.

Voters need to bring either their voter registration card, or another form of identification to the respective polling location.

Bunch also reminds that a person can vote in either the Republican or Democratic Primary, but not both. And that a person can vote for whomever they want in the November election, regardless of which primary they vote in Tuesday.

The race for county judge has been basically non-eventful as two long-time Scurry County citizens are hoping to be the Republican's nominee in the November general election.

Rod Waller and Ted Crenwelge are running as GOP hopefuls and the winner will face Democrat Janet Stribling. Stribling is unopposed on the Demo ballot.

Waller is a former mayor of Snyder who has served on several boards. Crenwelge is a former school trustee and hospital board member. Both are directors of the CRMWD.

In other contested races, Cliff Hall and Robbie Floyd are seeking the Precinct 2 commissioner's post on the GOP ticket.

Jerry House is the lone Democratic candidate. Incumbent Roy Idom chose not to run for a fourth term.

Three are candidates for commissioner in Precinct 4.

Incumbent Chloanne Lindsey and Ronnie Clawson are on the Demo ballot, while Keith Hackfeld is running as a Republican.

Unopposed office holders are District Clerk Trina Rodgers, County Clerk Joan Bunch, County Treasurer Nelda Colvin and Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Deborah Boyd, all Republicans; and Sheriff Darren Jackson, a Democrat.

Seven candidates, all from the San Angelo area, are seeking the newly-formed four-county state representative post. Seeking the post as Republicans are Tom Goff, Mark Brown, Scott Campbell and Drew Darby.

Democrats are Clara "Betsy" Johnson and Jeri Sloan.

Robert Restivo is running with the Libertarian party.

The May 4 election for the WTC board, city council and school spots also has been quiet as no competitive races have developed.

The terms of Drew Bullard and Jackie Greene are expiring on the WTC board and both have filed for another term.

Incumbents Vernest Tippens, David Harrell and James Ashley have filed for the Snyder city council, as has Ron Shaw. Present councilman I.E. Martin is not seeking another term.

Glenn Clarady and Mark McCormick have filed for another term on the Snyder school board, while Doug Neff is seeking the post currently held by Stribling who chose not to run as she is seeking the county judge's post.

Supt. Jerry Church said Friday that all incumbents on the Hermleigh board filed late in the week for another term. They are Tony Lambaren, Burton Sandefur and Larry West.

No one has filed for the three spots on the Ira board that are expiring. Incumbents are Sid Wall, Fran Farmer and Lance Autry.

The last day to file for these boards is Wednesday, March 20.

PRIMARY PREPARATIONS — Deputy County Clerk Magali Bernal inspected voting boxes Thursday to ensure a smooth primary on Tuesday. The boxes will be at voting locations Tuesday in each precinct throughout the county. (SDN Staff Photo)

Voting locations for Tuesday's Elections

Democratic Primary

Commissioner Pct. #	Voting Box	Voting Place
1	14	Northeast Community Center
1	15	North side of Coliseum
2	5	Fluvanna Community Center
2	6	Union Community Center
2	7	Scurry County Library
3	8	School Administration Building
3	9	Ira Church of God Annex
3	10	Towle Park Barn
4	11	Dunn Community Center
4	12	South side of Coliseum
4	13	Hermleigh Community Center

Republican Primary

Commissioner Pct. #	Voting Box	Voting Place
1	14, 15	Northeast Elementary
2	5, 6, 7	City Hall
3	8, 9, 10	Stanfield Elementary
4	11, 12, 13	East Elementary

City worker waiting on call to serve his country

Ron Wilson has served the city of Snyder for the past six years. But his service to his country began more than a decade ago, leading him to various destinations world wide for 13 years.

Wilson, 32, is a corporal in the 49th Armored Division in the U.S. Army, and since the events of Sept. 11, he has been "waiting for the call."

"I don't know where I'll be going or when it will happen," he said this week from a work site in town. "I've been told if I'm needed, I have a window of a few weeks to a few months for the call. And who knows, something might change and they won't call us. But, I've learned to never hold my breath."

Wilson is no stranger to the prospect of leaving home for the sake of national security.

Since joining the service after graduating high school in Vernon, he has joined his countrymen in conflicts in Panama, Desert Storm and Bosnia, among others and also spent several years stationed in Germany.

Joining the service "just seemed like the thing to do," Wilson said. He is a fourth generation servicemen, with his father, grandfather and great-grandfather all preceding him in the armed services.

"When I entered the service it was still during the Cold War 'to defend our nation against the Russian invader' as we were told," he said. "Things have really changed since then."

Now Wilson and wife Misty have a family of their own. The army engineer is the father of two sons, Colter, 5, and Justin, 2.

"My youngest son doesn't know yet that I'm in the army, but my older boy thinks it's pretty cool," Wilson said. "Until it comes time for me to leave."

Wilson's experience with the military has been a positive one, allowing him to see many places around the globe and teaching him skills he uses every day as a crew member in Snyder's water and sewer department.

He said life has changed for most Americans in one way or another since Sept. 11.

"As soon as the attacks happened I was getting phone calls from friends and family," he said. "When all that happened, I thought I would get called a lot sooner than I did.

"I look at life and appreciate things a lot more than I did a few months ago and I don't take small things for granted anymore."

For servicemen such as Wilson though, at least one of the changes is more apparent. "My bags stay packed more than they used to."

Former SHS grid star rescues man from fire

Snyder fire department officials are crediting the quick action of a former Snyder High School grid star with saving the life of a Snyder man inside a burning house.

Hayward Clay was driving into Snyder about 4 a.m. Saturday to visit his family when he saw flames shooting from the home of George "Chongo" Moore.

Clay, who played tight end for Texas A&M University and four seasons of professional football, went inside the home and pulled Moore, who had been asleep, to safety.

Hayward Clay

Fire Chief Perry Westmoreland praised Clay for his swift action. "It was pretty bad in there already and I'm afraid not many people would have gone in there."

Clay, who graduated from Texas A&M and spent two seasons with the Dallas Cowboys, was enroute to Snyder to visit family and watch his little brother run track.

"I saw the flames, stopped and heard him yelling. I had to go in. I called his name, found him and helped him get outside. I couldn't do anything else but go in when I heard him," Clay said.

Moore, who sustained only minor burns to his hands, stayed at the scene but was later taken to Cogdell Hospital for observation. "It could have been a lot worse in a matter of minutes," Westmoreland said.

The home, located at 3412 Ave. M, was a total loss. "Flames were already shooting through the roof when firemen arrived," the chief said.

Four trucks and 18 firefighters were at the scene for about 31/2 hours. Cause of the fire remains under investigation.

Clay lives in Euless and owns his own company. He and his wife have one son. Clay, 28, graduated from Snyder High School in 1992.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A fellow we know claims to be a retired cannibal. He got fed up with people."

No matter how fed up a person may become, it's the desire to be regularly fed that keeps people working.

Since folks are living longer, people in our age group are now expected to stay employed longer. We just learned you've got to reach 67 just to draw Social Security.

And then there are other indicators. A recent study said that kids who babysat, mowed lawns or had other jobs tend to continue working longer later in life than their peers who didn't work early on.

Let's see, that 20 customers on our newspaper route in the second grade is now coming back to haunt us.

We told that story to a young couple the other day, and naturally it failed to get the appreciation we thought it deserved.

We took 20 copies of that weekly newspaper on consignment each Friday and sold them for 10 cents each. We returned a buck to the news office and got to keep a dollar.

That was until we made our first installment purchase – a baseball glove from Rhodes Hardware. It cost $6.95 and that was before sales taxes. So for the next seven weeks, we had a nickel left over. It was a long seven weeks.

We also tried the lawn business and contracted with an old-maid school teacher who checked the height of our mowing with a ruler. It was a long summer.

The next job also entailed a ruler. We signed up at the same news office to run down Little League and Pony League scorebooks and to write stories about the games.

They would pay 10 cents an inch. We figured we could be wordy enough to buy that newspaper some days. But what we didn't anticipate was an editor with a sharp pencil and a bookkeeper with a short ruler. We learned that retirement was a long way off.

And there's even more reasons for retirement looking far into the future. It has to do with stuff that seems to be out of our control.

Just about the time we think we have enough to open a savings account, we hear ole Greenspan may want us to start paying the bank to keep our money.

ASK US

Q—Does the law requiring overfilling prevention devices apply to large propane tanks?

A–No. Only tanks from 4 to 40 pounds are required to have OPDs.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 81 degrees; low, 30; 7 a.m. Saturday, 30; no precipitation; total for 2002, 1.48 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, clear, low in upper 20s; light SE winds. Sunday, mostly sunny, warmer; high mid 60s; S winds 10-20 mph. Sunday night, partly cloudy low upper 30s.

Karissa Medina
Sunny

Sunset: 6:48 p.m.
Sunrise: 7 a.m.
Of 67 days in 2002, the sun has shone 64 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Life is either a daring adventure or nothing.
—Helen Keller

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More arrests in crematory case

LAFAYETTE, Ga. (AP) — Relatives of the man accused of dumping hundreds of corpses on the grounds of a crematory have been charged with lying on a death certificate.

Tommy Ray Marsh Sr. and Clara Marsh and their daughter, Rhames Marsh, all were arrested on Friday.

Tommy Ray and Clara Marsh are the parents of Ray Marsh, who is being held on 174 counts of theft by deception, accused of discarding bodies he was paid to cremate and in some cases passing off dirt or cement powder as human remains.

Ray Marsh, 28, took over the Tri-State Crematory in northern Georgia from his parents in 1996.

Prosecutors say the three relatives misrepresented themselves as funeral home officials by signing death certificates. They were taken to the Walker County jail after their arrests, but later released on bond.

During a brief court hearing, the 76-year-old Tommy Ray Marsh sat in a wheelchair, and his wife, 70, wiped his nose and face. Their lawyer, Ken Poston, said Marsh has Parkinson's disease, among other ailments.

Poston said the arrests were based on papers that had been known to authorities for weeks. He criticized the late afternoon arrests as "Friday night specials."

So far, 339 corpses have been found on the property of the crematory. Only 109 have been identified.

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SPECIAL FLAG — Bruce Stewart holds an American flag that has been signed by the support crew and pilots of two bombing missions during Operation Enduring Freedom. Stewart has a friend serving in Afghanistan. Stewart sent the flag to him and after it was signed, the flag was mailed back to Stewart. Stewart, who is a member of the Fourth Cavalry Regiment Memorial, said the flag will be displayed at air shows and other public events. For security reasons, no other information about the soldiers who signed the flag can be disclosed. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Dead woman was Texas fugitive

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A woman found shot to death in a burning pickup truck six weeks ago has been identified as a fugitive wanted in the shooting death of a Texas teen-ager.

Cassandra Denise Washington, 28, formerly of New Orleans, was one of five people sought in the death of Julio Moreno, 19, who had come with a friend to Washington's house in San Angelo, Texas, on Dec. 13, possibly to collect money, authorities said.

Stephen Smith, the district attorney in the San Angelo area, said four men wearing hoods ambushed the teens in Washington's home and stole their wallets, rings and pocket knives.

Washington and the men then drove the teens outside the city limits and shot them, Smith said. Moreno died at the scene, but the other youth, Jessie Lazenby, 17, managed to drive off for help and told authorities what happened, Smith said.

Three of the suspects were identified as Bryan Ayers, 28; Leonard Seals, 29; and Ronald Hines, 26. Police do not know the name of the fourth suspect

Gilbert to head actors' guild

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Melissa Gilbert was elected president of the Screen Actors Guild in a retake of a vote that had been thrown out by union officials after questions about procedures in the first round of balloting.

Following a bitter election campaign, Gilbert garnered 21,351 votes, or 57 percent, to challenger Valerie Harper's 12,613, or 34 percent, a SAG spokeswoman said Saturday.

"I'm honored to have been trusted by the SAG membership," Gilbert said in a prepared statement. "With the re-run of the election now behind us, I welcome focusing on the crucial issues at hand."

In the results announced in November, "Little House on the Prairie" star Gilbert, 37, also defeated Harper, 61, of "Rhoda" fame. In that round of voting, Gilbert received 45 percent of the vote to Harper's 39 percent.

"I want to sincerely thank everyone who supported my candidacy," Harper said in a statement. "In this election, re-run in a fair and uniform manner, the real winner is the democratic process."

Harper thanked those who participated in the vote. "As a member of the SAG board of directors, I look forward to immediately focusing on the crucial issues facing the membership," she said.

Also seeking the top post were Eugene Boggs, who gained 2,178 votes according to Saturday's results, and Angeltompkins, who got 1,010 votes.

Kent McCord, who was elected treasurer in November, was re-elected, defeating Amy Aquino and Kathleen Haigney. Elliott Gould was elected recording secretary, outpolling Kevin Kilner and Renee Aubry.

According to SAG, 41.4 percent of those eligible to participate in the election cast ballots. That's the highest turnout ever, eclipsing the previous high of 34 percent, when Patty Duke won the presidency in 1985.

A company called American Arbitration Association was retained to oversee the mailing, collection and tabulation of ballots.

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AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
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Bond set at $250,000 for Texas hit-and-run suspect

FORT WORTH (AP) — The suspect in what authorities say is one of the most inhumane crimes they have ever seen was a Girl Scout who cared for babies at her church and took nursing classes in college, her family says.

But authorities say Chante J. Mallard's relatives don't truly know the woman, charged with murder after a homeless man she hit died in her garage, his body lodged in her car's windshield.

After some of her family testified at a bond hearing Friday, state District Judge James R. Wilson raised Mallard' bond to $250,000. He said if Mallard posts bail, she must be under house arrest, wear an electronic monitor, continue counseling, avoid alcohol and undergo drug testing.

Wilson also imposed a gag order in the case.

Mallard, who had been released on $10,000 bail after her arrest Wednesday, cried in the courtroom and was taken into custody after the hearing Friday. She remained in the Tarrant County Jail early Saturday.

Prosecutors had said the previous bond was too low.

"It is no secret that the community is outraged by the offense of the defendant ... and I'd remind the court this is a murder charge," said Richard Alpert, a Tarrant County assistant district attorney.

Mallard, 25, told police she struck a man along a Fort Worth highway near her house one night in October, then drove home with his head lodged in the broken windshield, according to an affidavit.

She ignored his cries for help as he bled to death over the next two days in her garage, police said. Her friends then dumped the stranger's body in a park, authorities said.

Mallard faces up to life in prison if convicted. Police say they expect more arrests in the case.

Gregory Glenn Biggs' body was found Oct. 27. Authorities suspected he had been hit by a car, but they had no leads until a tipster came forward last week. Mallard allegedly told the tipster that she had been drinking and using drugs that night.

House to consider amnesty issue in time for Bush trip

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republican leaders say they're ready to take up a bill that would grant amnesty to certain illegal immigrants and hope to pass it before President Bush visits Mexico this month.

Bush has pressed for the measure since last spring, when approximately 200,000 illegal immigrants who qualified for amnesty missed the deadline to apply. A bill extending the deadline was sidetracked after the Sept. 11 attacks.

"I know this is something the White House wants," said John Feehery, spokesman for House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill.

Gaylen Barksdale, spokesman for House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, said GOP leaders want to bring the measure to the floor Tuesday along with a larger immigration security bill.

Rep. Tom Tancredo, R-Colo., chairman of the Immigration Reform Caucus, opposes amnesty and criticized the move by House leaders. They put the measure on a fast track, Tancredo said, "to have it available for the president to bestow on (Mexican President) Vicente Fox as a little gift."

Three companies settle federal charges

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three Internet companies, including one based in Texas, have settled federal charges that they illegally gathered and sold personal financial information, agreeing to return the money they made off their operation and pay fines.

Under the settlement, Information Search Inc., Smart Data Systems and Discreet Data Systems are barred from using deceptive practices to gain such data, the Federal Trade Commission said Friday. The companies must also pay $2,000 each in fines to the government.

The information brokers advertised on the Internet that they could obtain private records for a price.

FTC investigators caught the alleged activity in a sting operation.

One FTC investigator posed as a potential customer hoping to check on the balance of her husband's private bank account. Each of the companies then had a representative call the husband's bank, pretending to be the husband. The calls were answered by investigators.

The three companies charged customers fees ranging from $100 to $600, depending on the information sought, according an FTC official.

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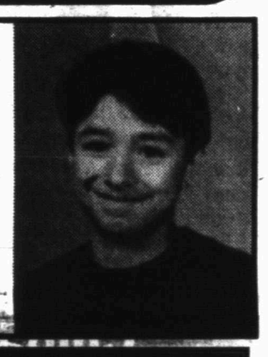

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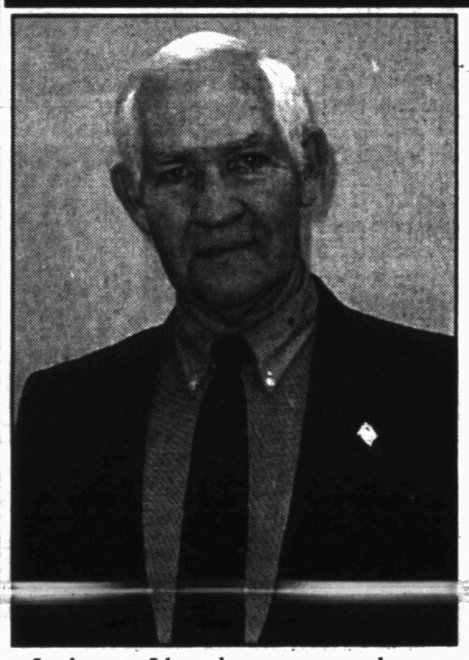

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In the past I have been owner and manager of Arrow Construction Co., as well as owner and manager of G&W Trucking Co., and was a partner in J&R Meter Service.

I have served on the City Council and as your mayor for 5 years, and currently serve as chairman of the church council at First United Methodist Church where I have been a member for over 35 years.

Other civic endeavors include being a member of the board of directors of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, board of trustees of the Sears Methodist Retirement System, the West Central Texas Workforce Development Board, the West Central Texas Tech-Prep Advisory Committee, and the Snyder Chamber of Commerce Gold Coat organization.

In the past I have served as president of the local United Way, president of the West Central Texas Council of Governments, president of Western Texas College Booster Club, and the Advisory Board of Snyder Senior Citizens Inc. All the above indicates my willingness to work for every citizen of the county.

I want to be your County Judge to work for better unity between Scurry County and the City of Snyder. I will work for cooperation between all county entities and consideration for all county employees.

VOTE ROD WALLER FOR COUNTY JUDGE
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Strange illness sickens people at Oscar dinner

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A mystery illness has overcome at least 100 guests who attended a pre-Oscar ceremony honoring scientific and technical achievement last weekend.

About 500 people attended the dinner and awards presentation at the Regent Beverly Wilshire hotel in Beverly Hills on Saturday. Although many became ill the next day, some guests didn't show symptoms for several days.

The total number of people sickened has not been determined, but the Los Angeles County Department of Health said Thursday that at least 100 were overcome, while Oscar officials said it could be nearly 200.

County epidemiologists were examining everything from the fish and beef on the menu to the desserts and wine. Investigators also collected stool samples from sickened individuals to determine the nature of the disorder.

The illness was characterized by vomiting, diarrhea, nausea and sometimes a low-grade fever. Symptoms were typically lasting one to two days.

Nearly 20 employees of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences called in sick earlier this week amid the organization's busy Oscar season, said spokesman John Pavlik. Among them is Laura Ziskin, who's producing the March 24 Oscar telecast.

"It seems like it was about half the people at each table," Pavlik said. "For instance, I didn't get sick, but my wife did and we both ate the same things."

Pavlik added that another person at his table had a vegetable plate with no fish or meat and still became ill. "Whatever it was, it seems to have skipped around a lot," he said.

Financial Focus

Women and the Economy — Planning for One's Financial Future

March marks National Women's History Month, making it a good time to reflect on why women are so important to the economy.

Today's women have money and influence. More than 60 percent of American women are employed outside of the home, earning a collective $1 trillion annually, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Women-owned businesses now number 9.1 million, employ more than 15 million workers and generate nearly $1.4 trillion in sales.

But don't let those figures fool you. Women with high-powered careers and wealth should not be the only ones to concern themselves with investing. Don't drop the ball when it comes to planning for your financial future while juggling day-to-day career demands with one hand and family obligations with the other. Think of the financial arena in terms of your everyday lives.

Based on the realities of today, it's vital that women realize the importance of having their own financial goals.

Take these startling facts for example:

- American women still earn only about 76 percent of what men earn;
- Only 49 percent of working women have pensions, according to the Social Security Administration;
- Almost 70 percent of the elderly poor are women, according to the U.S. Census Bureau;
- As many as nine out of 10 women will be solely responsible for their own finances at some point during their lives.

But women can take action now to develop an investment plan.

The following steps can help you form a retirement plan that combines Social Security, a company retirement plan and personal savings:

Learn about investments — Attend an investment seminar, read books and magazines and join an investment club.

Use an investment professional for guidance

Invest systematically — While this method does not guarantee a profit or protect against a loss, the best way to save is to establish an automatic investment each month.

Looking for a Head Start?

Look to 2002 tax changes.

- $3,000 IRA contribution limit
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- Increased company retirement plan contributions
- More options for rollovers into IRAs
- Income tax-free qualified distributions from 529 plans
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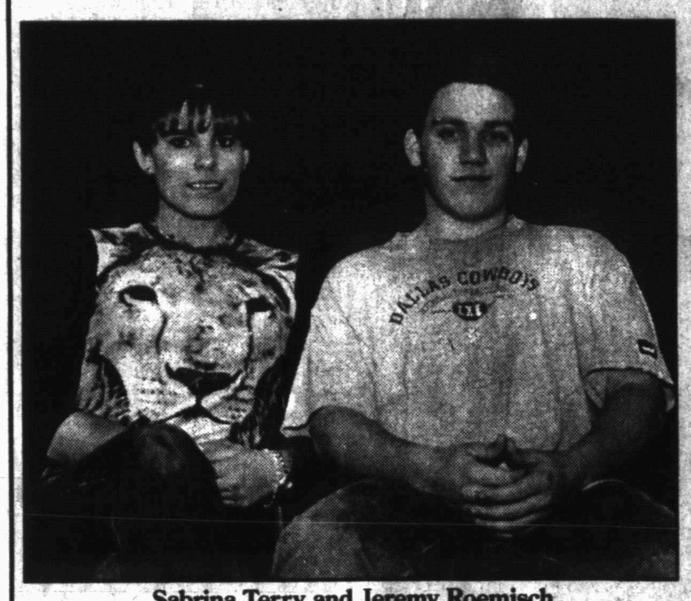
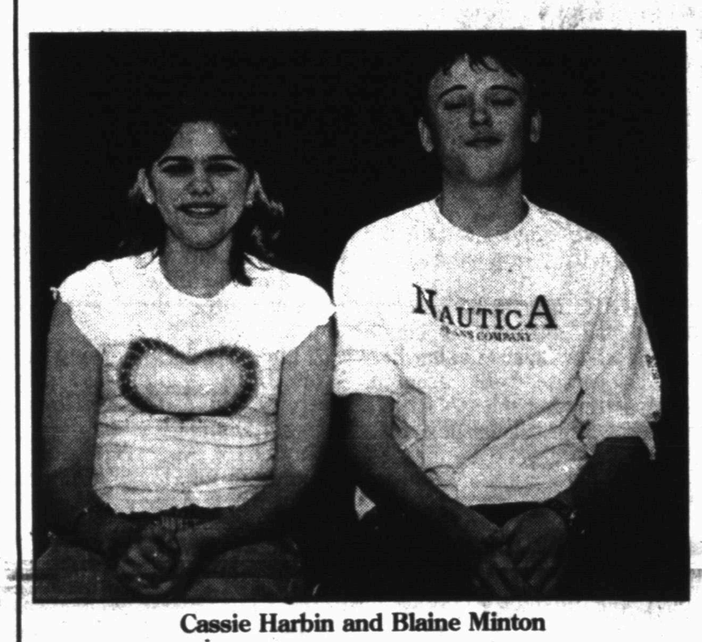


Sabrina Terry and Jeremy Roemisch

Juniors

Amber Yruegas and Terrel Culp

Freshmen



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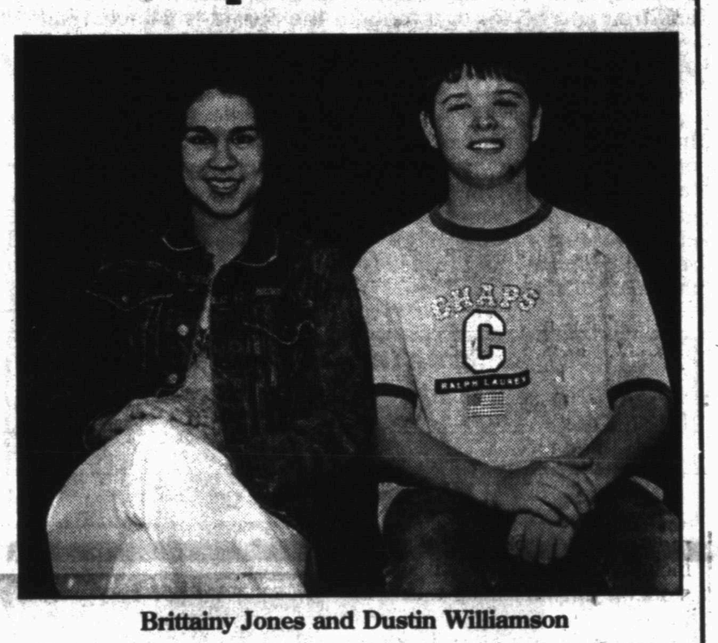

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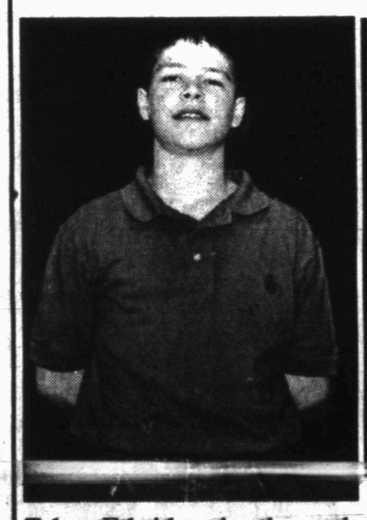

Tyler Ethridge is the only favorite as the sixth grade doesn't have any girls.

7th Grade

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8th Grade

Alana Culp and Johnathon McClure

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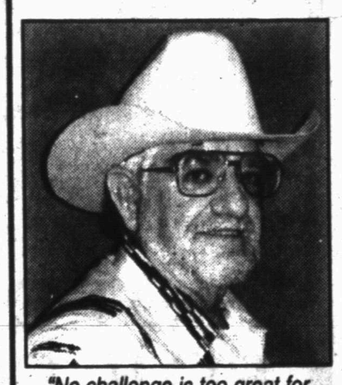

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East Jumps Rope for Heart

Cassie Cochran (above) and Stephen Kelley (at right) were some of the fourth graders who participated in Jump Rope For Heart.

East earns $2,748.76 in 'Heart' fundraiser

East Elementary fourth grade students raised $2,748.76 for the American Heart Association through its annual Jump Rope For Heart fundraiser held Feb. 20.

The three top money raisers are Aryn May, $160; Chance Kelly, $150; and Kyra Lara, $133.

Dale Neves' students raised the most money — $520.80. Sponsors included friends and relatives and students jumped during their PE period.

Some students also made Jump Rope For Heart posters. Winners include Alicia Chaidez, first place; Cassie Benitez, second place; and Asley Silva, third place.

Kenneth Parker, PE teacher, coordinated the annual event. He noted that students, sponsors, parents or guardians and Sharlot Sparlin and Mrs. Richardson, who judged the poster contest, worked together to make the annual event a success.

TOP MONEY MAKERS — The three top money raisers are Aryn May, $160; Chance Kelly, $150; and Kyra Lara, $133.

POSTER WINNERS — Some students also made Jump Rope For Heart posters. Winners include (from left) Alicia Chaidez, first place; Cassie Benitez, second place; and Asley Silva, third place. (SDN Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Jury sees Yates videotape

HOUSTON (AP) — The woman who drowned her children in a bathtub allowed earlier opportunities to kill her children pass because she "wasn't ready," she told a forensic psychiatrist who testified in her capital murder trial.

When Andrea Yates, 37, was asked during a videotaped interview how she got ready to carry out the killings, Yates replied: "Just mentally, to do it."

Portions of the Nov. 7 interview with Dr. Park Dietz, a psychiatrist hired by the state as an expert witness, were played for jurors Friday.

Yates faces two capital murder charges for the June 20 deaths of three of her five children. She could later face charges for drowning the other two. If convicted, she could be sentenced to life in prison or the death penalty.

The case could go to the jury next week.

Dietz, who was to undergo cross-examination Saturday, has worked on other high profile cases including that of serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer, Unabomber Ted Kaczynski and South Carolina child killer Susan Smith.

Yates has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity.

During the taped interview, Yates becomes misty-eyed as she detailed how she killed her four sons and one daughter.

As she filled the bathtub with cold water, she said, 3-year-old Paul came in and asked, "'Mommy, are we going to take a bath today?'"

Yates said she placed him face down in the water until he stopped breathing and took his body to a back bedroom where she covered it with a sheet.

The second was 2-year-old Luke. When his body grew limp, she placed 5-year-old John face down in the tub next to him.

Yates said she took their bodies to the bedroom and placed them next to Paul.

"I called for Noah from the kitchen," Yates told Dietz. "Before Noah, I did Mary. He came in and said, 'Mommy, what's wrong with Mary?'"

Yates said she then drowned Noah next to his infant sister. The 7-year-old's body was left in the tub as Yates called police and her husband at work.

The former nurse told Dietz all her children struggled, "except Mary, she wasn't strong enough."

The mother also said as she drowned Noah, he said something she couldn't remember "if it was 'I'm sorry' or what."

To prove insanity, defense attorneys must show Yates suffered from a severe mental disease or defect and didn't know her actions were wrong at the time of the killings.

Dietz concluded from his review of police statements, Yates' medical records, court documents and interviews with her and others who know her that despite a severe mental disease, she knew her actions were wrong.

Defense attorneys are trying to prove that Yates, who has been diagnosed with schizophrenia by defense and prosecution experts, thought in her delusional, psychotic mind that drowning her children was the right thing to do and the only way to save them from eternal damnation.

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East Coast spring fire threat great

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — With drought parching the East Coast from Maine to Georgia, brush fires are breaking out in woods that normally would just be thawing out from winter, and some areas are banning outdoor burning in anticipation of a bone-dry spring.

Firefighters have already battled blazes in New Jersey, Virginia and areas of the Pocono Mountains in Pennsylvania that are normally streaming with melting snow this time of year.

"We've had no spring thaw, because there's nothing to melt," said Roger Maltby, emergency services director for Pike County, about 100 miles north of Philadelphia. County commissioners voted this week to ban outdoor burning starting March 15.

"Generally our brush fire season starts at the end of March and runs through the beginning or middle of May. Normally there is snow on the ground in February," Maltby said.

But this year fires have already scorched area woodlands, including one blaze in late February that spread near several homes.

Paul Head, of the National Park Service in Boston, said fires in Virginia and New Jersey also signal an early fire season.

"It's probably about four weeks earlier than usual," said Head, whose office coordinates firefighting for the region. "Basically, the Northeast has been in about a three-year drought."

A blaze burned for nearly a week and charred about 4,200 acres in Shenandoah National Park.

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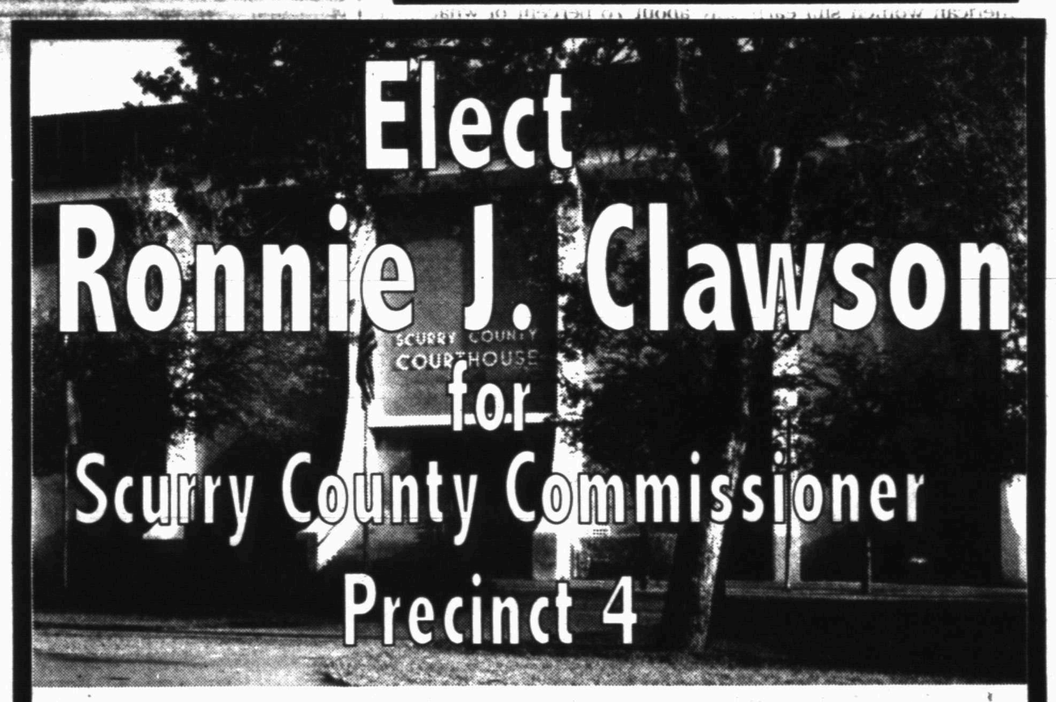

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SPORTS

Despite three homers from McGuire...

Tigers bow to Odessa, Cooper

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

With a brisk breeze blowing out to left, Moffett Field surrendered seven home runs on a day when the Snyder Tigers saw their title hopes come to an end.

Snyder got three home runs from Brandon McGuire but couldn't overcome Odessa High or Lubbock Cooper, dropping both games in extra innings Friday at the Iron Curtain Classic.

Both contests lasted eight innings with Odessa High winning the semifinal, 7-6, before Cooper posted a 9-8 victory in the nightcap.

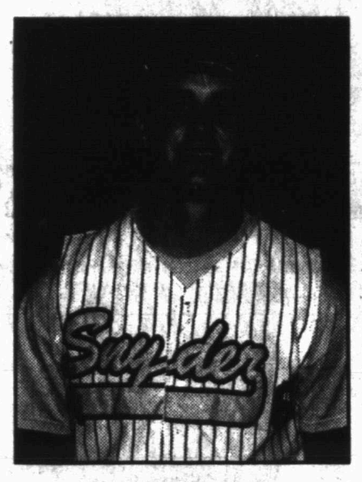
The Tigers, out of the chase for the top three spots, have a guaranteed game at 2 p.m. Saturday against Big Spring.

"With district starting on Tuesday, we need to put today behind us," said Snyder coach Roland Herrera. "We need to remember all the positive things that we did, and forget about the negatives. Everybody is 0-0 again starting Tuesday."

Three balls left the park in the Tigers' semifinal match-up with Odessa.

The first homer came in the top of the third when Odessa's Carlos Moreno blasted a 2-1 pitch from Tito Alaniz over the big, green wall in centerfield. Moreno's shot pushed the Bronchos to a 4-1 lead.

Trailing 5-2 in the bottom of the sixth, McGuire jump-started a Tiger rally with the first of his three home runs. McGuire took a pitch from Travis Young and bounced it off the net that protects the scoreboard in right field.



Brandon McGuire

Following the homer, Stephen Ortegon singled and Alaniz drew a walk before Shay Franks plated both runners with a base hit to center to knot the tally at 5-5.

A pair of hits in the top of the seventh gave Odessa another run, but McGuire forced extra innings with his second blast of the game.

This time the senior busted a 1-0 offering over the left field fence and into the adjacent softball park. McGuire went 3-for-8 with six RBI over the course of two games.

"Coach (Charlie) Bollinger helped me make a couple of adjustments, and I was seeing the ball a lot better," said McGuire, an all-state selection his junior year. "I just wish we could have won those games. I would rather have won the games than hit the home runs."

The Bronchos scored the winning run in the eighth. Alaniz hit Zeke Tijerina with a pitch, and Jonathan Armendariz moved him to third with a single. Tijerina scored easily when Craig Snoddy looped a base hit into left field.

Snyder loaded the bases in the bottom of the frame before Young struck out Zach Rollins and got Billy Pena to fly out to left.

Alaniz went the distance for the Tigers, surrendering 11 hits and four walks to go along with 11 strikeouts.

With their title hopes dashed, Snyder appeared sluggish against Cooper. After the Tigers grabbed a 6-2 lead in the second, the Pirates scored five runs over the next four innings.

The highlight came when McGuire busted his third homer of the day over the wall in left-center field.

Both teams scored a run in the seventh to force extra innings. Cooper scored again in the top of the eighth, then held on in the bottom of the frame for the 9-8 victory.

"I think our team needs to learn how to have that killer instinct," Herrera remarked. "We'll get a team down, and then we kind of let up and let them back in it. We have to learn how to put games away."

Odessa's victory propelled the Bronchos into the championship game against Odessa Permian. The title tilt is slated for 7:30 at Moffett Field.

Following Saturday's meeting with Big Spring, the Tigers open District 4-4A play Tuesday at San Angelo Lake View.

WINNERS' BRACKET LINE SCORES

Odessa Permian 11, Pampa 7

Pampa	0	0	6	0	0	1	0	—	7	6	5
Permian	1	0	3	4	2	1	x	—	11	12	0

Francis, Tice (4) and Snelgrooes; Durrell, Valdez (3) and Herrera. WP: Valdez. LP: Tice. 2B: Pampa, Tice, Martin, Miller, Jones, Zimanek; Permian, Herrera, Parker, Gilbert, Thompson. 3B: Permian, Zimmerman. HR: Permian, Herrera, Parker.

Permian 8, Lubbock Cooper 6

Permian	1	0	0	0	3	4	0	—	8	11	1
Cooper	2	0	0	1	3	0	0	—	6	6	1

Parker, Looney (6) and Herrera; Cleveland and Harger. WP: Looney. LP: Cleveland. 2B: Permian, (2)Herrera, Thompson; Cooper, McClure. HR: Permian, Valdez; Cooper, Fuller.

Odessa	ab	r	h	bi
Snoddy lf	4	1	1	1
Downs ss	4	1	1	0
Young p	4	0	3	1
Pradon cr	0	2	0	0
Roberts 1b	5	0	1	1
Smart 3b	4	1	2	1
Moreno cf	3	1	1	2
Melendez c	4	0	0	0
Tijerina dh	3	1	1	0
Armendariz 2b	4	0	1	0
Totals	**35**	**7**	**11**	**6**

Snyder	ab	r	h	bi
Pena ss	5	1	1	0
McGuire cf	4	2	2	3
Ortegon c	4	0	1	0
McBroom cr	0	1	0	0
Alaniz p	3	0	0	0
Price cr	0	1	0	0
Nunley ss	4	0	1	0
Pendleton 1b	3	0	0	1
Roemisch dh	1	0	0	0
Franks dh	2	0	2	1
Ramon 3b	3	0	1	0
Dorsett lf	3	1	1	0
Rollins ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	**33**	**6**	**9**	**5**

Odessa	1	0	3	0	1	0	1	1—	7	11	1
Snyder	1	0	1	0	0	3	1	0—	6	9	2

DP - Odessa 1. LOB - Odessa 9, Snyder 7. 2B - Odessa, Young, Smart, Tijerina; Snyder, Dorsett. HR - Odessa, Moreno; Snyder, (2)McGuire.

Odessa	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Young	8	9	6	6	4	8
Snyder	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**
Alaniz	8	11	7	7	4	11

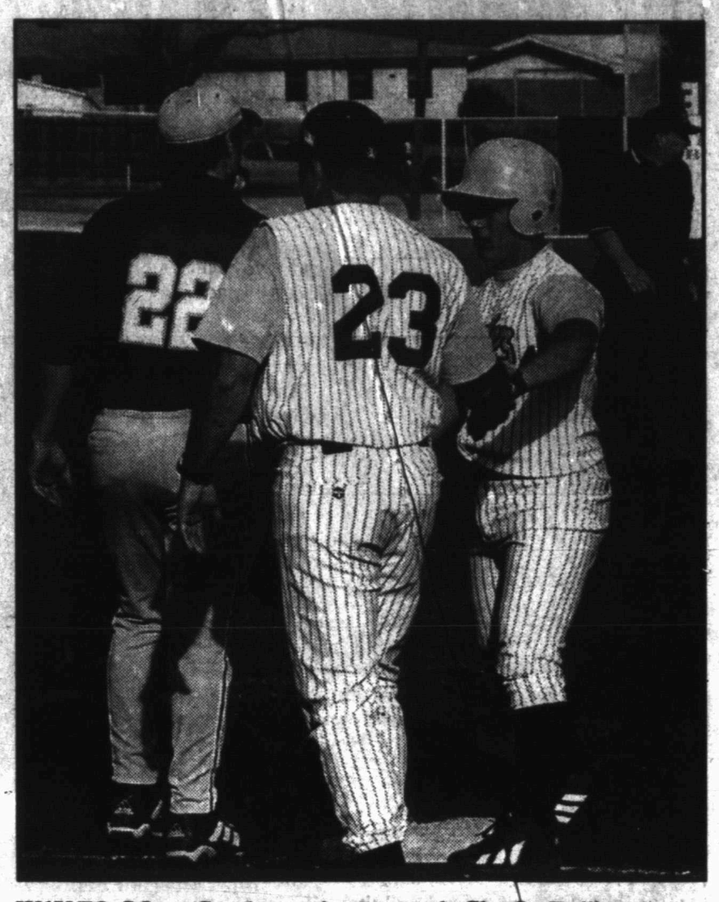
Cooper	ab	r	h	bi
Malick ss	4	2	2	0
McClure 2b	5	0	1	0
Brown 3b	3	2	2	1
White rf	4	1	0	0
Cleveland 1b	4	1	3	1
Fuller p	4	2	3	2
King dh	4	1	1	2
Gould lf	4	0	0	0
Bynum c	3	0	0	0
Totals	**35**	**9**	**12**	**6**

Snyder	ab	r	h	bi
Pena ss	4	1	2	0
McGuire cf	4	1	1	3
Ortegon c	4	0	0	0
McBroom cr	0	1	0	0
Franks dh	2	1	2	0
Nunley ss	4	0	0	1
Pendleton 1b	4	1	1	1
Alaniz lf	4	1	1	1
Ramon 3b	4	2	2	0
Dorsett lf	4	0	1	0
Totals	**34**	**8**	**10**	**6**

Cooper	2	0	0	1	0	4	1	1—	9	12	3
Snyder	0	6	0	0	0	1	1	0—	8	10	2

LOB - Cooper 8, Snyder 6. 2B - Cooper, Malick, Brown; Snyder, (2)Ramon, Pendleton, Alaniz. HR - Cooper, Fuller; Snyder, McGuire.

Cooper	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Fuller	3	4	6	3	2	0
Harger	4	4	2	1	1	2
Cleveland	1	2	0	0	0	0
Snyder	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**
Trout	5	7	6	4	0	4
Hill	1	3	2	2	2	1
Pendleton	2	2	1	1	2	0


WAY TO GO — Snyder assistant coach Charlie Bollinger congratulates Billy Pena following a hit Friday during the Tigers' semifinal loss to Odessa High at Moffett Field. (SDN Staff Photo)

Richardson misses review deadline

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Former Arkansas basketball coach Nolan Richardson did not meet a Friday deadline to provide information for a review of his dismissal, the university said.

"I don't know what's going to happen next," university spokesman Jay Nichols said.

The university had given Richardson until 5 p.m. Friday to submit in writing information that he wanted President Alan Sugg to consider in reviewing the decision to buy out the remaining six years of the coach's contract.

Instead, the university released letters in which Richardson lawyer John Walker requested a multitude of university documents under the state Freedom of Information Act. He asked that the records be made available as soon as 4 p.m. Monday.

Walker has said he would ask Sugg to review the termination of Richardson's contract when his appeal is ready — even if it's after the school-imposed deadline.

The review sought by Richardson is seen as a prerequisite for possible legal action against the university.

Walker sought, among other things, contractual, financial, personnel and other records, including a copy of Richardson's personnel file and all communications regarding Richardson between university officials and others, including the president of the Arkansas Razorback Foundation.

Richardson's seven-year, $1.03 million a year contract, which was terminated March 1, does not mention specific deadlines beyond saying "time is of the essence in all respects concerning this agreement."

Walker was in court Friday and did not return calls seeking comment. His office said the lawyer might send another letter to the university, saying the appeal was still being prepared.

That is what Walker did Monday after Chancellor John White initially said Richardson had only until noon that day to seek a review.

School lawyer Fred Harrison acknowledged in a letter to Walker on Tuesday that there was no specific deadline for Richardson to appeal but cited the "time is of the essence" clause.

Arkansas bought out the remaining six years of Richardson's contract at $500,000 per year after Richardson said twice publicly that if the school would buy out his contract, he would leave. Before the contract was ended, Richardson said he wanted to stay.

Tech continues Big 12 march with 73-51 win

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — From nine wins last year to 23 this season — and counting. From one victory in the five previous Big 12 tournaments to two victories in two days — and counting.

Bob Knight has revitalized Texas Tech in his first season at the school, advancing to the semifinals of the Big 12 tourney with a 73-51 victory over 14th-ranked Oklahoma State on Friday.

"Last year at this time I was already back in Lubbock," said All-Big 12 guard Andre Emmett, who scored 23 points and helped hold Oklahoma State to a season-low point total.

The Red Raiders (23-7) beat Texas A&M in the first round on Thursday and will play No. 1 Kansas in the semifinals on Saturday.

"I've enjoyed working with this team as much as any I've had," said Knight, who won three national championships at Indiana but was fired in September 2000 for violating a zero-tolerance policy.

Tech certainly impressed Oklahoma State coach Eddie Sutton.

"They're now one of the 25 best teams in the country," Sutton said. "Tech definitely has a chance to move up" in the NCAA tournament seedings.

Knight now has a 3-2 career edge over Sutton in a series between coaches who have nearly 1,500 wins combined.

The listless Cowboys (23-8) were consistently stymied by Tech's swarming defense and shot only 34 percent. Unable to get more than a few good looks at the basket, the Cowboys went 7-of-28 in the first half. On four straight possessions in the second half, the Cowboys had three turnovers and one air ball.

Cheyne Gadson finished just 1-of-12 from the field.

"It wasn't there from the tipoff," Oklahoma State's Fredrik Jonzen said. "We got back in the game, and then they scored nine straight. It's unbelievable how we can play like this."

Texas Tech, by contrast, got plenty of easy baskets in Knight's motion offense, making 54 percent from the field. Kasib Powell, hitting both inside and outside, had 18 points, and Andy Ellis 13.

Big 12 Basketball

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Game 4: Missouri 79, Iowa State 59
Quarterfinals
Game 5: Kansas 102, Colorado 73
Game 6: Texas Tech 73, Oklahoma State 51
Game 7: Oklahoma 63, Kansas State 52
Game 8: Texas 89, Missouri 85
Semifinals, Saturday
Game 9: (1)Kansas (27-2) vs. (5)Texas Tech (23-7), 1 p.m.
Game 10: (2)Oklahoma (25-4) vs. (3)Texas (20-10), 3:20 p.m.
Final, Sunday
Game 11: Game 9 winner vs. Game 10 winner, 2 p.m.

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Game 10: Baylor 91, Iowa State 83
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SPORTS

Lady Tigers cruise past Levelland for league win

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

The Snyder Lady Tigers know they can play better, but they'll take the victory none the less.

Jacque Alvarez threw a one-hitter, and the Lady Tigers overcame some early errors to cruise past Levelland, 12-2, Friday night in a District 4-4A softball game at Cates Field.

While the victory improved Snyder's league record to 1-1, Coach Shelly Hayes believes her squad has yet to play its best softball.

"We're happy to get the win," said Hayes. "We did some things well, but then we made some errors in the field. It's all a mental thing. We're trying to get the girls to relax, and not dwell on a mistake."

There weren't many mistakes after the first few innings, and the Lady Tigers needed only six frames to end the game on the 10-run rule.

Alvarez issued only one walk and surrendered her only hit in the top of the sixth. She finished with eight strikeouts.

"She pitched a great ballgame," said Hayes. "Her location was good, and she kept their hitters off balance."

Levelland took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first on an error, a walk and two wild pitches. The Lady Tigers made two more fielding miscues in the third that led to another run, but made only one error after that.

After falling behind 1-0, Snyder seized a 3-1 lead in the bottom of the frame on singles by Vanessa Freeman and Valerie Hernandez, and two Levelland errors.

The Lady Tigers padded their advantage in the second when Dara Chambers led off with a single, and Freeman brought her in with a double.

Snyder broke the game open with five runs in the fourth when it sent 10 batters to the plate.

Ashley Martinez and Missy Vasquez slapped singles, and Shelly Fisk belted a double to fuel the outburst. A sacrifice fly by Hernandez and three errors helped keep the inning alive.

The Lady Tigers capped the game with three runs in the sixth, all of them coming with no outs.

Fisk led off with a single, and Hernandez and Chaelyn Robinson reached on errors that allowed one run in. A sacrifice fly by Martinez plated Hernandez, and a double by Vasquez brought home Robinson to end the game.

"I told the girls to stay aggressive at the plate and they did," Hayes remarked. "We've done a pretty good job of hitting all year, and the girls are also aggressive on the bases. That's what we like to see."

Friday's contest was the first of three consecutive home games for the Lady Tigers. They're in action again Tuesday when they host Big Spring. Snyder welcomes Frenship to Cates Field on Friday.

Levelland	ab	r	h	bi
Salazar 3b	3	1	0	0
Reyes ss	3	0	0	0
Madison p	3	0	0	0
Niblett cr	0	1	0	0
Sanders c	1	0	0	0
Rodriguez c	1	0	1	0
Bencomo lf	3	0	0	0
V.Saldana 1b	2	0	0	0
K.Saldana cf	2	0	0	0
Vizcarra rf	2	0	0	0
Constantine 2b	1	0	0	0
Wallace 2b	1	0	0	0
Totals	22	2	1	0

Snyder	ab	r	h	bi
Freeman c	4	2	2	1
L.Martinez rf	3	1	0	0
Fisk ss	4	2	2	2
Hernandez 2b	3	2	1	2
Robinson cf	4	3	1	1
A.Martinez dh	3	0	1	1
Vasquez 3b	4	0	2	2
Chambers lf	3	2	1	0
Alexander 1b	3	0	0	0
Totals	31	12	10	9

Levelland	1	0	1	0	0	0—	2	1	7
Snyder	3	1	0	5	0	3—	12	10	4

Game ended on run rule with no outs in bottom of the sixth.
DP - Snyder 1. LOB - Levelland 3, Snyder 5. 2B - Snyder, Freeman, Fisk, Robinson, Vasquez.

Levelland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Madison	5	10	12	3	1	1
Snyder	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**
Alvarez	6	1	2	1	1	8

FRAMING IT — Snyder catcher Stephen Ortegon secures a pitch Friday while Odessa's Craig Snoddy lets it go by during the semifinals of the Iron Curtain Classic at Moffett Field. Odessa won the game in the eighth inning, 7-6. (SDN Staff Photo)

Saints trade Heisman winner to Dolphins for two draft picks

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) — Three years ago, the New Orleans Saints decided Ricky Williams was worth an entire draft. Now the Miami Dolphins believe he could be worth two first-round picks.

And the agent for the 1998 Heisman Trophy winner says Williams is worth more money — which could be a problem for the Dolphins.

The Saints traded Williams to Miami on Friday for draft picks: a first-round choice in 2002 and a third-rounder in 2003 that could escalate to a first-rounder if Williams rushes for 1,500 yards this year.

"That would lead the league and put him in the Pro Bowl and hopefully put us in the Super Bowl," Miami coach Dave Wannstedt said.

The teams also swapped fourth-round selections in next month's draft, allowing the Dolphins to move up 11 spots.

In 1999 Mike Ditka, then the Saints' coach, traded all eight of their draft picks to acquire Williams. But the new regime in New Orleans wants to build through the draft.

"We never like to trade good football players, but this was a deal that we felt like we couldn't pass up," general manager Randy Mueller said. "The extra draft picks allow us to concentrate on some of the other areas of our team that need to be addressed."

And they'll no longer have to worry about the prickly issue of Williams' contract. The eight-year deal, negotiated by rapper Master P.'s agency after the Saints made Williams the No. 5 pick in 1999, contains large incentives but low base salaries, including just $350,000 this season.

"It's a contract that's unique in the annals of NFL history," said Leigh Steinberg, now Williams' agent. "It's a contract that cries out for renegotiation."

The Dolphins don't plan to renegotiate, Wannstedt said.

"That has not been discussed. That's not part of the deal," he said. "Ricky and Leigh Steinberg know that if you come in and contribute and help the Dolphins win games, you're going to be taken care of."

Williams, 24, declined to discuss his contract and said he's delighted to join Miami. He'll be in town Monday.

"The biggest plus for me is I'm coming into a situation where they already have a good team. They're just adding a good player," Williams said. "I'm going to be surrounded with talent. I'm not going to feel like it's my job to win games. I just have to do my part."

The deal is the biggest for the Dolphins since at least 1985, when they acquired linebacker Hugh Green from Tampa Bay for first- and second-round draft picks. Williams will become the first Heisman Trophy winner to play for them.

Warriors snap streak with 108-95 victory over Rockets

HOUSTON (AP) — The Golden State Warriors will take bright spots anywhere they can get them.

Rookie Jason Richardson gave another peek at the franchise's future Friday night, scoring 32 points and sparking a game-sealing rally to lead the Warriors to a 108-95 victory at Houston, snapping a 13-game road losing streak.

"This guy is going to be awesome," said teammate Antawn Jamison, who added 27 points. "Every game we play, he gets more confident and more important to our team. As he gets better, everybody gets better. He's going to be a special one."

Richardson shared star billing with a bat that got loose in the arena for five minutes during the second quarter.

The bat, which initially dive-bombed Houston guard Moochie Norris and forced a stoppage of play as it strafed the court, eventually was netted by a Rockets ballboy and released outside.

Sadly for the Rockets, Richardson stuck around in his first game back after missing two with an injured ankle.

After Houston (22-39) narrowed Golden State's lead to 89-87 with 6:17 left, Richardson's jumper started a 11-2 run for the Warriors, whose previous road victory was Dec. 22 at Denver. The Warriors improved to 17-42.

"It's been a long time," Richardson said. "We played a good game and got a victory on the road. A big problem for us has been losing a lot of close games."

Richardson and Jamison combined for all the points during Golden State's key stretch. Danny Fortson had 18 rebounds for the Warriors, tying an opponent's single-game high against Houston.

Cuttino Mobley, who led Houston with 31, wouldn't cite back-to-back games for the Rockets' fade.

"We didn't match their intensity and I don't have much to say about that," Mobley said. "We didn't play hard in the fourth quarter and didn't match their intensity."

Norris said Richardson demanded more defensive attention than he got.

Richardson was 10-for-11 from the foul line, mirroring his team's night. The Warriors finished 29-for-33, or 88 percent.

Houston was correspondingly cold from the 3-point line, sinking just four of 27.

Sports Briefs

Pro bowl center re-signs with Bears

LAKE FOREST, Ill. (AP) — Pro Bowl center Olin Kreutz agreed to a six-year contract that will keep him with the Chicago Bears.

The Bears would only say the deal includes a signing bonus of $7 million.

Kreutz signed with the Bears after being drafted in the third round in 1998. Over the past three seasons, Kreutz has started 40 of 49 games for the Bears. He was a Pro Bowl alternate in 1999 and 2000.

San Francisco strikes deal with fullback

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — Fullback Fred Beasley agreed to a four-year, $6.075 million contract to remain with the San Francisco 49ers.

Beasley, one of the NFL's best blocking fullbacks, rushed 23 times for 73 yards and a touchdown last season. He also caught 16 passes for 99 yards.

Riegger leads Honda Classic

CORAL SPRINGS, Fla. (AP) — John Riegger completed a course-record 9-under 63 in the rain-delayed first round, then added a 69 in the second to take a two-stroke lead over Paul Casey in the Honda Classic.

Riegger, who turned pro in 1985 but is still looking for his first top-10 finish on the PGA Tour, was the clubhouse leader at 12 under when the second round was halted because of darkness.

Only 52 players in the 144-man field finished 36 holes Friday. Eighteen golfers had yet to tee off in the second round, meaning the cut will not be made until Saturday.

Casey was 10 under after 14 holes when the round was suspended. Joey Sindelar, did not make a bogey in the first two rounds and was 9 under.

Boys State Basketball Tournament

STATE TOURNAMENT
at The Erwin Center, Austin
CLASS 5A
Semifinals
Dallas Kimball 64, Midland Lee 57
SA Jay 82, FB Mightower 71
Final, 8 p.m. Saturday
Dallas Kimball (29-6) vs. SA Jay (27-9)
CLASS 4A
Semifinals
Dallas Lincoln 62, SA Roosevelt 49
Beaumont Ozen 55, FW Dunbar 53
Final, 4 p.m. Saturday
Dallas Lincoln (39-0) vs. Beaumont Ozen (32-2)
CLASS 3A
Semifinals
Kountze 59, Dimmitt 56
Gainesville 74, Aransas Pass 60
Final, 10:30 a.m. Saturday
Kountze (34-4) vs. Gainesville (28-6)
CLASS 2A
Semifinals
Frankston 56, Olney 39
Little River Academy 49, Peaster 48
Final, 2:30 p.m. Saturday
Frankston (32-5) vs. Little River Academy (32-3)
CLASS A
Division I Final
Brock 76, Kennard 59
Division II Final
Nazareth 61, Goodrich 58
Consolidated Final, 9 a.m. Saturday
Brock (31-7) vs. Nazareth (26-3)

National Basketball Association

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE — Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	39	22	.639	—
Boston	34	27	.557	5
Philadelphia	32	29	.525	7
Orlando	32	30	.516	7½
Washington	29	32	.475	10
Miami	27	33	.450	11½
New York	23	37	.383	15½
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Detroit	35	25	.583	—
Milwaukee	35	26	.574	½
Indiana	30	32	.484	6
Charlotte	29	32	.475	6½
Toronto	30	34	.469	7
Cleveland	23	39	.371	13
Atlanta	22	38	.367	13
Chicago	16	46	.258	20
WESTERN CONFERENCE — Midwest Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Dallas	43	18	.705	—
San Antonio	40	21	.656	3
Minnesota	40	22	.645	3½
Utah	34	27	.557	9
Houston	22	39	.361	21
Denver	18	40	.310	23½
Memphis	16	45	.262	27
Pacific Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Sacramento	43	17	.717	—
L.A. Lakers	42	18	.700	1
Portland	38	24	.613	6
Seattle	35	27	.565	9
L.A. Clippers	31	31	.500	13
Phoenix	30	32	.484	14
Golden State	17	42	.288	25½

Thursday's Games
Detroit 95, Washington 92
Memphis 122, Indiana 111
San Antonio 99, Houston 97
Denver 104, New York 93
Dallas 122, Toronto 103
Seattle 92, Charlotte 89, OT
Friday's Games
Philadelphia 103, Indiana 100
Boston 117, Detroit 92
Toronto 83, Miami 74
Orlando 99, Washington 96
Cleveland 115, Milwaukee 109, OT
L.A. Clippers 94, Chicago 90
Golden State 108, Houston 95
New York 85, Utah 79
Phoenix 81, Minnesota 76
Sacramento 99, Charlotte 87
Portland 82, New Jersey 73
Saturday's Games
Philadelphia at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Miami at Memphis, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Portland at Denver, 10 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Toronto at Orlando, 12:30 p.m.
Utah at Houston, 3 p.m.
Washington at Boston, 3 p.m.
Sacramento at Milwaukee, 3 p.m.
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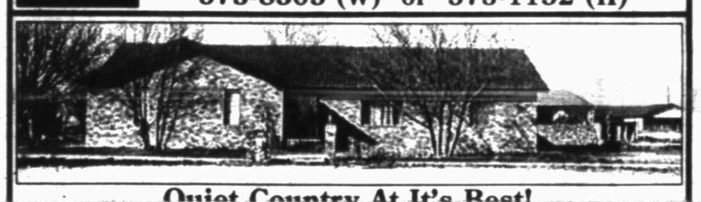

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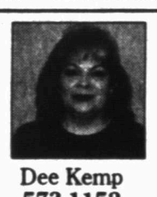

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Electric Punch Press
Porter Cable Upright B. Sander
Peddinghaus Iron Worker 3 in 1
1 Lot Material Roller Stands
Walker-Turner 10" Table Saw

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2 Airless Paint Sprayers
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2 Battery Chargers
Surveyor's Transit Level
DeWalt Radial Arm Saw
Comet Radial Arm Saw
12 Speed Drill Press
HDC 6" Joiner
5hp Elect. Shop Air Compressor
Metal Building Shear
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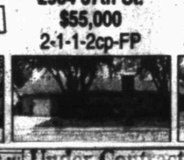

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$85,000
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Q & A
Inhalants - a deadly high

The Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with Al-Anon support groups and the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (SACADA), are devoting this column to current information and answering your questions about substance abuse.

INHALANTS–A DEADLY HIGH

They're young, they're curious, and willing to try many ways to get high. One way kids are trying is by inhaling ordinary household products – either by sniffing (through the nose) or huffing (through the mouth). Experts claim up to 1000 household products can be used as "inhalants"—airplane glue, rubber cement, paint thinner, nail polish remover, bleach, kerosene, felt tip markers, butane, gasoline, dry cleaning fluid, spot remover, vegetable cooking spray, and propane. And parents often don't know about it.

Inhalants may be the first substance a child uses, before marijuana, tobacco or alcohol, often in late childhood or early adolescence. National studies suggest that inhalant abuse reaches its peak at some point during the seventh through ninth grades. The latest government study reports that 9.1 percent of 8th graders and 6.6 percent of 10th graders used inhalants in the past year. (Monitoring the Future, 2001)

Why do young people use inhalants instead of other drugs? The products are widely available, inexpensive, easy to conceal and legal. Most users do not realize how dangerous inhalants can be. Many young people start because they don't think these substances can hurt them. Once hooked, they find it a tough habit to break.

The biggest danger in using inhalants is that kids can die the first time, the third time, or the 100th time. "Sudden Sniffing Death" happens when inhalants disrupt heart rhythms and lead to cardiac arrest. Death can also result from suffocation or fatal injury from car crashes when driving while high. Inhalant use can cause damage to the heart, kidney, brain, liver and other organs.

Signs of inhalant use
Unusual breath odor or chemical odor on clothing
Spots and/or sores around the mouth
Nausea and/or loss of appetite
Slurred or disoriented speech
Drunk, dazed or dizzy appearance
Red or runny eyes or nose
Hidden empty spray cans or solvent containers
Chemical soaked rags or clothing

What can parents do? Put household products in a safe place and clearly mark them "poison." There are also simple, everyday things you can do to keep your kids away from drugs:

Be absolutely clear with your children that you don't want them to use inhalants or other drugs. Don't leave room for interpretation. Talk often – more than once or twice a year – about the dangers of drug and alcohol use.

Don't react in a way that will cut off further discussion. If your child says things that challenge or shock you, respond with a calm discussion of why people use drugs and whether doing so is worth the risk.

Be involved in your child's life. Always know where your children are and what they're doing. Get to know your child's friends and their parents. And find time to spend with your child each week.

This information is provided by the National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign. For further information and a free copy of their brochure, "Keeping Your Kids Drug-Free: A How-To Guide for Parents and Caregivers" visit www.theantidrug.com, the parent site of the National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign. These materials are also available by calling 1-800-788-2800 (ask for document number PHD884).

New option for home owners gets approved

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Department of Insurance on Friday approved a new type of insurance policy for State Farm that the department says will allow some customers to make substantial savings while giving them more choices.

The all-risk policy, called HO-W, allows customers to tailor their coverage to their individual needs, Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor said.

It also will provide reduced coverage for water damage including mold repair, with an option to purchase mold remediation coverage at various levels. Consumers also can get limited coverage for foundation repair.

A consumer advocate blasted the policy, saying the savings it offers are "nothing more than a shell game in which the losers are Texas homeowners."

"The fact of the matter is there ought to be reductions in rates because there are significant reductions in coverage," said Texas Watch executive director Dan Lambe.

Gov. Rick Perry held a news conference Friday to tout the plan as a way to lower homeowner insurance rates and increase consumer choice.

He began discussing the issue publicly last month, noting that insurance premiums were increasing from 14 percent to 200 percent for Texas homeowners.

In addition to the rising prices, two of the big three insurance companies have stopped offering the comprehensive coverage for new customers, and the third has stopped offering it for new or existing customers.

While the insurance department said some State Farm Lloyds customers could see their rates drop from as much as 40 percent, State Farm said only that some policy holders will see a premium reductions.

Others, the company said, will experience an increase in their annual premiums because of rate increases implemented in November 2001 and February 2002 that have may not yet been have been added to their policies.

The new Texas policy is the same policy State Farm offers to homeowners nationwide.

Lambe said Texas homeowners do not have the same needs as someone who lives in New York City or Seattle.

The HO-B policy addressed those needs by providing for things such as gun collections and water damage, he said.

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Stanfield... Donuts for dad

In conjunction with Public School Week, Stanfield Elementary hosted Donuts for Dad on Wednesday. Gabriel Castillo and his daughter, Sabrina, enjoyed the early morning breakfast. Sabrina is in the first grade.

David Harrell and his son, Lucas, also attended the event. Lucas is a kindergarten student.

Kyle Freeman and his daughter, Kyla, have selected their donuts. Kyle is a former Stanfield student. Kyla is a second grader.

SDN Photos By Shirley A. Gorman

Pentagon: Expect more fights with al-Qaida, Taliban

WASHINGTON (AP) — After one of the most difficult weeks for the U.S.-led campaign in Afghanistan, the Pentagon delivered a harsh message: Be prepared for more of the same.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said a fierce battle to crush al-Qaida and Taliban holdouts in the east of the country could be finished in "seven, eight, 10 days." The fight entered its eighth day Saturday.

But even if coalition forces killed every last enemy fighter they're hunting in the Shah-e-Kot valley, there are others hiding in other places.

"We've got a lot of cleaning up to do," Rumsfeld said Friday in an interview with Fox News Channel.

The assault by coalition warplanes and troops from a half-dozen nations is the biggest ground battle in the 5-month-old war and included the deadliest single day yet for U.S. troops. Eight Americans and three Afghans died in the first days of the mission last weekend, including seven Sunday night or early Monday.

Even after this battle's over, the coalition's work in Afghanistan will be far from finished, officials said.

Though former Taliban rulers fled their last stronghold in Kandahar in early December — and al-Qaida terrorists fled theirs in Tora Bora shortly after — the Defense Department has said ever since that the enemy remained in varying-sized "pockets of resistance" elsewhere.

This week's ground attack was meant to crush a number of pockets that reconnaissance units had been watching for weeks in a 60-square-mile area near the town of Gardez.

With more troops on the way, some 2,200 soldiers from a half-dozen nations united for Operation Anaconda, named for the snake that kills by squeezing its prey in its coils. Some coalition troops are fighting small groups of enemy fighters with the help of bombing, while others have formed an ever-tightening circle around the perimeter in hopes of killing anyone who flees.

The assault was against an estimated 1,000 Taliban, al-Qaida and members of the Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan, with only a couple hundred still left Friday, said Brig. Gen. John W. Rosa Jr., deputy operations director for the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

One intelligence official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said it may be the last big enemy concentration, in terms of the numbers of fighters, their ability to destabilize the new Afghan government, the extent to which they are organized.

Poll shows Sanchez is leading Morales

DALLAS (AP) — Tony Sanchez is pulling away from Dan Morales in the Democratic race for governor, according to a poll of likely Democratic voters conducted by The Dallas Morning News.

Sanchez, a millionaire who has outspent his opponent nearly 40-to-1, is favored by 44 percent of likely Democratic voters in the poll, the newspaper reported in a copyright story for its Saturday editions. Morales is backed by 30 percent and 24 percent are undecided.

The margin of error is plus or minus 4 percentage point, meaning the results could vary by that much in either direction.

A similar survey by the newspaper a month ago gave Sanchez a six-point lead.

The newspaper's poll also asked about the Democratic candidates for the U.S. Senate seat being vacated by Republican Phil Gramm. Former Dallas mayor Ron Kirk has pulled even with schoolteacher Victor Morales with 25 percent each of the likely Democratic voters. U.S. Rep. Ken Bentsen has the support of 17 percent, with 27 percent undecided, the poll shows.

"We see Kirk and Morales," pollster Julie Weprin said. But she cautioned that the margins are close. With 27 percent of voters undecided, Houston Rep. Ken Bentsen still could displace either opponent and make the runoff, she said.

Sanchez, a Laredo oilman and banker, has spent more than $18 million, most of it his own money, to swamp Texans' television screens with commercials touting his family values and views on education. The strategy appears to be paying off, said pollsters Blum & Weprin Associates Inc. of New York.

"At this point, Sanchez wins or splits virtually every demographic group," said pollster Micheline Blum.

Former Attorney General Dan Morales doesn't appear to have much of a constituency, Blum said.

"And those he does have really like Republican Gov. Rick3/8 Perry," based on the poll's questions, she said. "So they have no particular reason to rush out on primary day and vote for him."

The results of the Dallas newspaper's statewide survey come just days before the Tuesday primary as candidates in both contests have turned up the steam on voting drives and attacks against their opponents.

The telephone survey of 588 likely Democratic voters was conducted Sunday through Thursday, after the historic televised debates in Dallas in which the gubernatorial candidates faced off in both English and Spanish.

Glenn Smith, Sanchez's campaign director, told the newspaper he is encouraged by the numbers.

"It looks like our message is working," he said. "When our opponent entered the race, most observers said it would be almost impossible for us to overcome his name identification. So I think it has been remarkable that in a couple of months, we've been able to surpass name ID he built in 15 years."

Sanchez had drawn support from party leaders and was expecting little opposition in the primary until Morales stunned Austin politicos in January by jumping into the race rather than run for the U.S. Senate.

Jim Moore, a Morales campaign consultant, predicted that much of Sanchez's support is soft and will abandon him on primary-voting day.

"We continue to place our faith in the undecideds breaking our way," Moore said. "When rank-and-file Democrats vote on election day, this is going to be a very, very close race."

According to the survey, Morales is leading Sanchez is North Texas, but is trailing badly in East Texas, the Houston area and South Texas. The survey indicates that the two Democrats essentially split the white vote but that Sanchez easily outdistances Morales among Hispanic and black voters.

The winner of the Democratic matchup will face Perry, who is unopposed in the GOP primary.

If the Democratic vote in the U.S. Senate race produces no one with a majority of the votes, the top two vote-getters would advance to an April 9 runoff. Based on the Dallas Morning News poll, that would be Morales and Kirk.

Bentsen and Morales have not shown much movement since the last poll, but the poll shows Kirk has gained ground. Since the last poll, "The only one who has shown momentum is Kirk," Weprin said.

Kirk, the first candidate to air TV commercials, says the ads have helped build momentum for his campaign.

A Bentsen spokesman questioned the accuracy of the new poll and said the Houston congressman is doing much better than the poll indicates.

Morales, the party's Senate nominee in 1996, also dismissed the poll.

"The Dallas Morning News poll can take a hike," Morales said. "I've led in every poll."

At this point, Morales says the race is up to the people.

In the governor's race, Sanchez and former attorney general Morales traded blasts at the other's television ads.

At a news conference in Austin, Morales said Sanchez is continuing to attack him in radio and television commercials because he knows the race is tight.

Sanchez, during appearances in Houston, said Morales' accusations "are the last gasps of a drowning man. He knows he's going to lose."

Morales said Democratic voters should look at the fact that he won two statewide races for attorney general during what he described as a career of public service. He said Sanchez has done little but amass the millions of dollars that he now is spending on his primary campaign.

Morales noted that Republican Gov. Rick Perry, who is unopposed in his party's primary, is a veteran politician who has never lost a race. Morales said he would be up to the challenge of taking Perry on in the fall general election, but Sanchez would not.

Morales likened Sanchez's personal financing of most of his $18 million primary campaign to that of a Mexican land baron who wants to buy an election.

"Oftentimes what occurs in a Mexican campaign is that the candidate, the individual who owns all the lands, who owns all the banks and who owns all the newspapers, also believes he can own all the people and the process," Morales said.

Morales went on to describe it as "patron-style campaigning, political boss-style campaigning"

Sanchez said Morales' accusation is baseless.

"We should stay to the issues. He has no idea what he's saying about patron politics. I have fought the patron political system for 35 years," Sanchez said.

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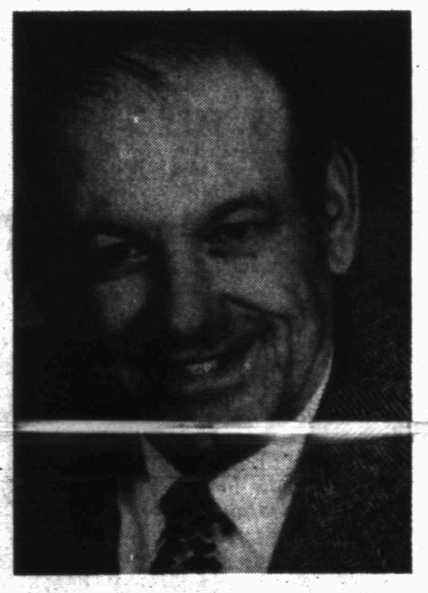

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Bush inks economic stimulus legislation

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush signed legislation Saturday that he hopes will reinvigorate the economy six months after the Sept. 11 attacks.

"Today we are acting to help workers, we're acting to create jobs, and we're acting to strengthen our economy," the president said in a Rose Garden ceremony.

The recession-relief package extends regular 26-week unemployment benefits by 13 weeks and allows additional automatic extensions in states with high unemployment rates. It also provides businesses with a variety of tax breaks.

The economic stimulus bill is projected to pump $51 billion into the economy this year, $43 billion next year and $29 billion in 2004, congressional analysts say. Its cost over 10 years is about $42 billion, because some tax breaks would generate government revenue in later years.

"We're seeing some encouraging signs in the economy, but we can't stand by and simply hope for continued recovery," Bush said in his weekly radio address, which he gave just before the bill signing.

"We must work for it. We must make sure that our recovery continues and gains momentum. We want a recovery that is broad enough and strong enough to provide jobs for all our citizens."

The nation's unemployment rate unexpectedly slipped to 5.5 percent in February as businesses, after cutting payrolls for six straight months, added 66,000 new workers. It was the strongest signal yet that the country's first recession in a decade is ending.

The bill also creates a "Liberty Zone" in the lower Manhattan section of New York in which $5 billion in tax breaks will apply over the next 10 years to help the city recover from the attacks.

"The terrorist attacks of Sept. 11 were also an attack on our economy and a lot of people lost their jobs," Bush said. The stimulus package "will allow those who lost their jobs in recession in the aftermath of the Sept. 11 attacks more time to pay their bills and support their families while they look for work."

For boll weevils...

Eradication program vote set for Monday

Cotton farmers and landowners with cotton production are eligible to vote in Monday's referendum that will determine whether to continue a boll weevil eradication program in the 22 counties – including Scurry – of the Rolling Plains Central Boll Weevil Eradication Zone.

According to Farm Service Agency records, the Texas Department of Agriculture has mailed 3,953 ballots.

A postage-paid return envelope was included with each ballot and they must be postmarked by Monday to be counted.

In addition to deciding if an eradication program should continue or not, voters will elect a board member from the zone to serve on the statewide board of directors of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

Woody Anderson, who is presently on the board, was nominated. Anderson farms in the Colorado City area.

Growers in this zone initially approved a boll weevil eradication program on Dec. 1, 1994.

In March 1998, cotton growers voted by more than a six-to-one margin to continue the eradication program.

On Feb. 19, the Rolling Plains Central Zone was declared functionally eradicated of boll weevils, the second area in Texas to receive designation.

"Functionally eradicated" means that inspectors found no evidence of reproducing boll weevils in the zone.

This zone covers approximately 700,000 acres and besides Scurry County, includes Baylor, Callahan, Comanche, Eastland, Erath, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Palo Pinto, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Throckmorton, Young and parts of Archer, Borden, Brown and Taylor.

Man arrested for felony theft

•Arrests

At 12:40 p.m. Friday, DPS troopers arrested Jack Vail, 63, address unknown, on U.S. 84 for felony theft over $1,500 and less than $20,000 and transported him to jail.

A 25-year-old woman was taken into custody in the 1100 block of 25th Street just after midnight Saturday for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and on two local warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to appear before a judge.

•Theft

John Holmes reported the theft of a video camera from ColorTyme Friday afternoon. An offense report for Class B theft was filed.

•Criminal trespass

Deputies issued a criminal trespass warning to a man Friday afternoon ordering him to stay away from an address on N. College Ave after complaints had been received from a resident.

•Close patrol

A woman requested a close patrol of her Ave. I residence Friday evening due to individuals driving past and screaming at her.

A close patrol was initiated at Barbee Medical Supply at 9:40 p.m. Friday after juveniles were seen playing near the store.

Births

Angelica Vargas and Roberto Jaramillo of Snyder announce the birth of their daughter, Zalyn Mariah Vargas Jaramillo, at 5:57 p.m. on March 8 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Paternal grandparents are Lawrance Jaramillo of Snyder and Juana Jaramillo of Muleshoe. Maternal grandmother is Omega Vargas and great-grandmother is Mercedes Vargas, both of Snyder.

Obituaries

Sally Lane

1933-2002

Sally Mae Lane, a native of Scurry County, died Friday, March 8, in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

Funeral service for Mrs. Lane, 68, is set for 2 p.m. Monday in the Ave. D Baptist Church with the Rev. Charles Day, pastor, officiating. Cremation will follow.

Born May 12, 1933 in Dermott, she married J.W. Lane in May, 1952 in Union.

Survivors include her husband, J.W. Lane of Snyder; three sisters-in-law, JoAnn Mayer and Mattie Morris, both of Snyder, and Mae Simmons of East Texas; two brothers-in-law, Robert Lane and his wife, Dorothy, and Calvin Lane, all of Snyder; three nieces, Becky Carey and Dawn Davis, both of Snyder, and Denise Dupont of Louisiana; two nephews, Robert Lane of Snyder and Gary Hamilton of Michigan; two great-nieces, Brianna Cary and Jodi Hamilton, both of Snyder; and two great-nephews, Steven Carey and Joshua Likes, both of Snyder.

Ann Lovelady

1921-2002

Ann Marie Lovelady, longtime Snyder resident, died Friday, March 8, at her home in Snyder after a brief illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Lovelady, 80, is set for 10 a.m. Monday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Tommy Culwell, pastor of Colonial Hill Baptist Church, and the Rev. Miller Robinson, retired minister, officiating. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

She was born on Sept. 9, 1921 in Spadra, Ark., the daughter of Glynn David Caldwell and Essie Leona Goin Caldwell. She married Robert Thenius Lovelady on March 10, 1946 in Lovington, N.M. He died May 13, 1997.

Mrs. Lovelady had lived in Snyder since 1949 and was a member of Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, David Fletcher and Marsha Lovelady of Snyder and Robert Keith and Laura Lovelady of Midland; one daughter and son-in-law, Gayle Frances and Andrew J. Coberly of Midland; a sister, Glynette Barnard of Hobbs; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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Alifonse Ramos

1935-2002

Alifonse Barrera Ramos, 67, died Thursday, March 7, in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock after a lengthy illness.

Mr. Ramos

Funeral service for Mr. Ramos is set for 3 p.m. Sunday in Noah's Ark Church with the Rev. Jack Gonzales, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born Jan. 23, 1935 in Fashion, Tex., he had been a resident of Snyder since 1970 and had worked for Scurry County for 17 years. He was a member of the Noah's Ark Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Ann Garcia and Janie DeLao and her husband, Ruben, all of Snyder; three sons and two daughters-in-law, Alifonse Jr. and Sue Ann Ramos of Carlton, Jesse and Rose Ramos of Plano and Joe Ramos of Snyder; a sister, Guadalupe Sanez of San Antonio; and a former wife, Delfina Ramos of Snyder; 12 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

J.W. Headstream

1948-2002

ABILENE – James Wayne Headstream, a former resident of Snyder, died Thursday, March 7, in Baylor Hospital in Dallas.

Funeral service for Mr. Headstream, 53, is set for 2 p.m. Monday in the Pioneer Drive Baptist Church with the Rev. Glenn Ward officiating. Burial will follow in Elmwood Cemetery under the direction of North's Funeral Home.

Headstream

Born In Lubbock, he grew up on the family ranch in Scurry County and attended the Snyder schools. He married Donna Lynn Ward of Snyder on July 31, 1970.

Mr. Headstream attended Angelo State University from 1966-67 and Hardin-Simmons University from 1967-70.

He worked as an area supervisor for S.M.S. Foods of Abilene, a McDonald's franchise, from 1969-85.

He was owner of N.T.A. Catering from 1985-98 and held a catering contract with the Abilene Civic Center for 10 years.

From 1998 to the present he was an investigator and process server for the Thurman and Nix law firm.

Mr. Headstream served as a board member of the West Texas Rehab Center, United Way and Abilene Industrial Development board. He was president of the Abilene South Lions Club, Texas Restaurant Association of Abilene, Abilene Jaycees and Abilene Visitors Bureau. He also was a member of the military affairs committee.

Survivors include his wife, Donna Headstream of Abilene; a son, James Wayne Headstream of Abilene; his mother, Mary Ellen Headstream of Abilene; and a brother, Chris Headstream of Katy.

Visitation will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday at North's Funeral Home, 242 Orange.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or to the West Texas Rehab Center.

Billy Don Boyd

1933-2002

BEAUMONT — Billy Don Boyd, a native of Snyder, died Friday, March 8, in Christus St. Elizabeth Hospital.

Funeral service for Mr. Boyd, 68, is set for 4 p.m. Sunday at Kelley-Watkins Funeral Home and burial will follow at Beaumont Haven of Rest Cemetery.

Born Dec. 9, 1933 in Snyder, he was a longtime Beaumont resident. Mr. Boyd was retired from Mobil Oil Transport.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 20 years, Veda Boyd, and his mother, Viola Metcalf.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Robert G. and Golda Boyd of Sulphur, La.; two stepdaughters and their spouses, Cynthia Ann and Wayne Stinson, and Brenda Kay and Scott Arnold, all of Lumberton; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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Country and gospel music

There will be country and gospel music played beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Snyder Senior Center. For more information, call 573-3996.

Noah's Ark Church

Noah's Ark Church will have its first services in its new home at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday. The church is located at 119 36th St., the former home of Morningside Baptist Church. Randy and Delia Asebedo from Lord's Supper Church in Lubbock will be ministering, while music will be by Siervos de Dios of Abilene.

Scurry County retired teachers

Scurry County Retired Teachers Association will meet at noon Monday at The Shack. Jo Thrower will speak on how to start genealogy research.

Masonic Lodge meeting

Scurry Masonic Lodge No. 706 will work in the Master Degree at 7:30 p.m. Monday.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Little Sins, Big Consequences" followed by "Our God is Alive."

Gateway Family Services

Gateway Family Services' parenting discussion group will meet at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday. Call 573-1822 for more information. There is no charge.

1977 SHS class reunion

The 1977 class reunion committee will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the home of Janie McCormick at 2805 32nd St.

Free income tax help

Free income tax aid for low to middle income citizens of any age is available each Wednesday from 9 a.m. to noon, and 1-3 p.m. at the senior center located, 2603 Ave. M.

FBC services televised

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

Community garden planning

There will be a planning session for the community garden at 7 p.m. Thursday at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church. All interested are invited to attend. For more information, call BeBe Boren, coordinator, at 574-1967 or 806-629-4475.

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.

American Legion spring convention

The American Legion's spring convention will be next Saturday and Sunday. Registration will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday. For more information call 574-6805.

UW board meeting

Directors of the Scurry County United Way will meet at noon Monday, March 18, at 2311 Ave. T.

Community choir class

A community choir class will begin Monday, March 18, in Western Texas College's Fine Arts Theatre. The class will meet Mondays from 7-9 p.m. for seven weeks, followed by a performance on April 26. The class is free and registration will be on the first day of class. Call 573-8511 for more information.

SHS class of 1992 reunion

The 1992 class of Snyder High School is needing addresses for classmates. Call Melanie at 573-4022, Julie at 573-1634 or Amy at 573-4793. The reunion will be held at the end of July.

Enchilada dinner

The third annual Knights of Columbus enchilada dinner is Sunday, March 24, at West Elementary. Serving will be from noon until 5 p.m. Adult plates are $5 and child's plates are $3. Meal includes tea and dessert.

Windbreak trees

The Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District has windbreak trees available for sale. Extra hardwood trees are $1 each and Evergreens are $2.25. Call 573-6317 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Adult basic education classes

Adult basic education classes taught by certified teachers and Spanish-speaking aides are held at WTC from 8 a.m. until noon Tuesday through Thursday, and from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Classes include G.E.D., E.S.L., and refresher courses. For more information call 573-8511, ext. 322.

WTC pool hours

Lap swim: M-F, 6:30-8 a.m. and noon to 1 p.m.; open swim, M-TH 7-9 p.m. Memberships for the semester: $50. The swimming pool is also available for rental, contact Lisa Christensen, ext. 290.

Seniors swimnastics

Swimnastics for senior citizens on Tuesday and Thursdays is held from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Western Texas College pool.

ESL, GED classes

Classes for E.S.L., GED and computers are held at 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Region 14 classroom at 4200 College Ave. For more information, call 574-6012.

Discovery School

Discovery School will be providing summer childcare from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. for children ages birth to 10 years. For more information call 573-4770.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland is available free of charge. Call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5933 or Blakey Fergason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Local woman completes 26.2 mile marathon

Rebecca Craig thought she could probably walk a marathon. Now she *knows* she can. Her moment of truth occurred on Dec. 9 when she walked across the finish line of the 26.2-mile White Rock Marathon in Dallas.

Craig's efforts raised more than $2,100 for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Team in Training supervises the marathon and trains the participants.

"This was the most physically challenging thing I had ever attempted," she said. "Hauling myself 26.2 miles wasn't easy, but between God and me, we managed."

The marathon began at 8 a.m. at the American Airlines building in Dallas, and the route wound around the downtown area.

Medical and water aid stations and vans with radio station DJs were set up along the route. Every 40 minutes, she said participants in the marathon had to consume a "horrible tasting" sports gel that was super sweet and fortified with carbohydrates.

Seven hours after she took her first step, Caig crossed the finish line. The trek was anything but easy for the local woman, who says she isn't an athlete although she has walked in numerous cancer research fundraising events.

She described the first nine miles in the marathon as "nearly all up hill. There were more hills to climb by the time she reached the 14th and 15th miles and after mile 22 it was all uphill."

"As I was walking, runners would pass and tell us that Team in Training is number one. I met the nicest people in the world on this journey. Toward the end I came across two walkers who were quitting after 16-20 miles," Craig said.

"I decided I needed to give back so I walked a mile or so with a couple of them, just to encourage them. Both of them crossed the line from walker to marathoner that day."

Seeing that last walker cross the finish line was a high point for the Snyder woman who hit her own rough patch around mile 22.

As she was walking up a hill, she thought, "I am finished, I can't do this."

Craig had intended to let one of the vans stationed along the route pick her up, until she remembered why she had entered the marathon. The 'honored heroes' (people stricken with a form of cancer) she was walking for and their families can't catch a van and get off their journey, even for a minute. So she kept going.

Craig's "honored heroes" include Joshua Reynolds, 5, of Lubbock who is battling Hogkin's lymphoma. "Joshua has had a tough time the past few months. His white cell count fell too low for him to withstand chemotherapy. He is taking injections to stimulate that. He also suffered a rough case of shingles."

Josh's story was published in the *Lubbock Avalanche Journal* in the fall when he emptied his piggy bank and donated the money to the American Red Cross for the children in New York City whose moms and dads were the firefighters who were killed.

Craig and Josh's mom became friends and Kraig said she gets a weekly e-mail update about Josh.

Brandon Rivera is Craig's second honored hero. He is 7 and lives in Odessa. She said he is in remission and is "counting down the time when doctors will pronounce him 'cured'."

There were others too. She walked for her husband's cousin who has stage-four lymphoma, and is currently responding to chemotherapy.

She also walked in memory of her brother-in-law, Wallace Rutkowski, who died of leukemia at age 35. Wally was a Vietnam veteran and underwent experimental treatments as he fought the disease.

Cancer is no stranger to Craig's family either as the disease claimed both her mother and grandmother. Two uncles have successfully fought the disease.

"Early detection will save your life," Craig said. "It makes the world of difference. My uncles are perfectly healthy and my mother's in heaven."

Craig is also a familiar face at local cancer fundraisers. She walked 16 miles in the Relay for Life last year, without training and on a flat track. So she thought she could handle a marathon. "After all, a 26.2 mile marathon doesn't sound to long if you say it fast," Craig laughed.

She said the White Rock Marathon caught her attention both for its fundraising aspects and because she had been looking for a project to become involved in.

She said she prayed about it and God "made it happen."

As things began to fall into place, Craig said she knew it was the right thing to do because the date — Dec. 9 — is her birth date, and it's Josh's mom's birth date as well.

She noted that she couldn't have survived the marathon without the help of her family and the donors who helped her raise more than $2,100 for the cause. Numerous people also prayed for her.

Craig said that her family "supported each step I took. They loved me at my most unlovable times and encouraged me at my lowest points."

Once Craig decided to enter the marathon, the serious work began — four months of training. She praised the Team in Training program in Lubbock for teaching her what she needed to know.

Two Saturdays each month she attended the training sessions. Craig said the coach, a marathon veteran, taught her how to walk, run, how much water to drink, what to eat and how often.

She also learned to take care of her feet. That meant coating them with Vaseline and wearing double socks. Though it was a rather "nasty process," she said her feet remained soft and blister free.

Craig intends to remain active in cancer fundraisers like the upcoming April 19 Relay For Life. She encourages everyone to participate. "It's for everybody. You don't have to be an athlete. You don't even have to walk fast. You just have to walk."

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Scurry County Folks

By Shirley A. Gorman

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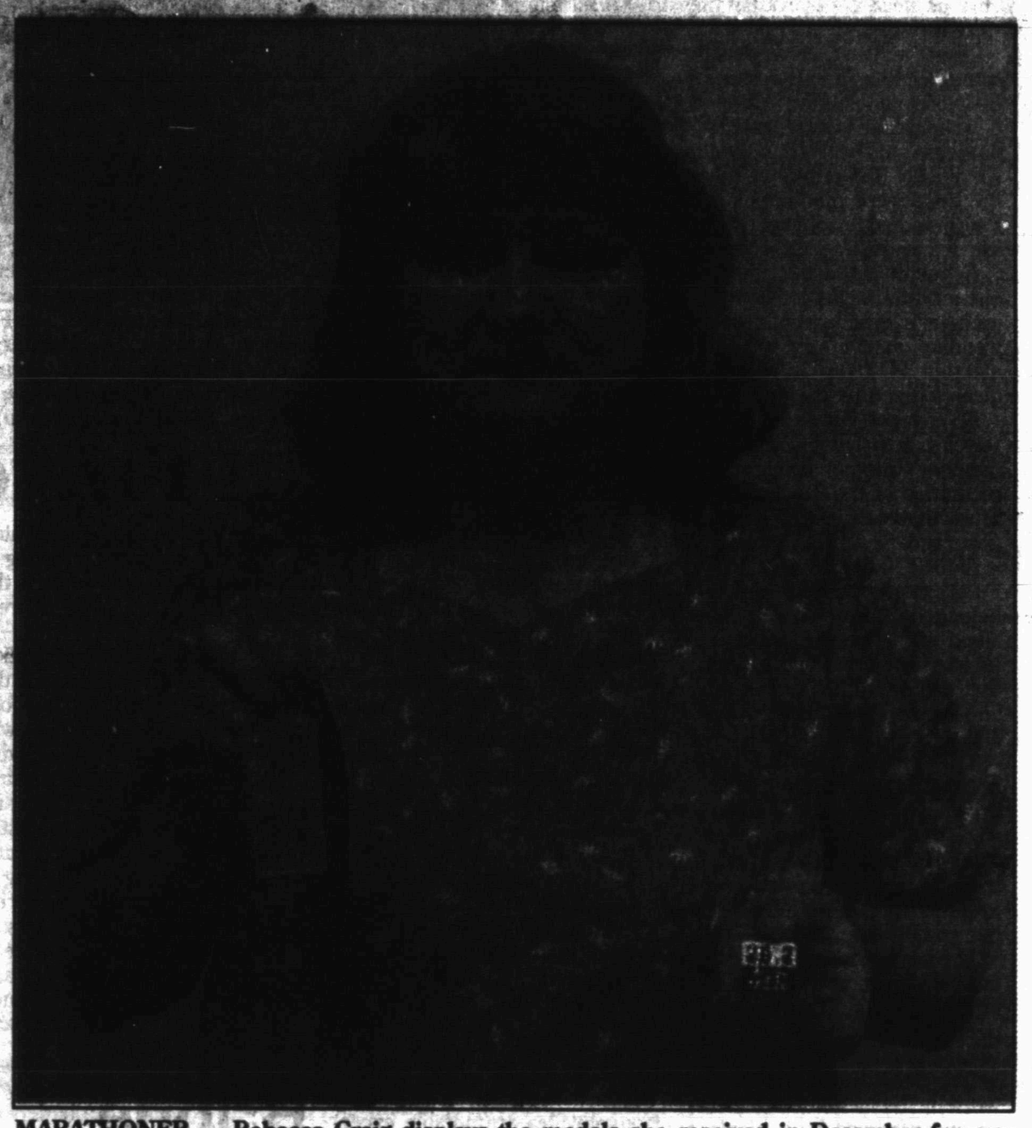

MARATHONER — Rebecca Craig displays the medals she received in December for completing the 26.2-mile White Rock Marathon. (SDN Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

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Heirloom program presented to Genealogical Society meet

The Scurry County Genealogical Society held their monthly meeting Feb. 26 in the Scurry County Library. After a short business meeting, society members presented a family heirloom 'show and tell' program.

One member displayed a delicate and colorful child's china tea set that she had received when she was four years old, over 65 years ago. It was a gift given to her from her grandfather's niece.

She also showed a cotton corder that belonged to her grandmother. The crowd was amused to learn her grandmother had traded three live chickens for it.

Another member had a small, cast-iron toy carriage that she had played with when she was a girl approximately 70 years ago.

She also showed a child's two-piece metal, embossed hand mirror and bristle brush toilet set that had belonged to her father when he was a child in the 1800s. The backs of the mirror and brush had a rose colored design on them.

Also shown was a 1902 family group picture taken of a member's husband's grandparents on the front lawn of their home. A picture of his great-grandfather was most interesting as he had a clean-shaven face with a long beard that began under his chin, unlike any beards worn today.

She explained many colorful stories had been told about him, none of which have been documented. One story told was that in Denmark where he was born it was customary for all young men to serve in the military service. He did not want to serve, so he stowed away on a boat loaded with goats and entered the United States at Ellis Island. The story continued that he walked all the way to Texas that took four years.

A small 100-year-old magnifying glass was shown that belonged to a member's grandfather. It resembled a prospector's miner's glass more than a reading glass. It was a single lens glass encased in a metal frame, probably brass, with a fold-away metal handle that made it convenient to carry in a pocket.

Four dolls over a 100 years old, that belonged to a member's grandfather, were retrieved from the family trunk many years after his death. Two were homemade rag dolls about six inches in height that he had played with when he was a small boy. By the obvious wear, it was evident they were loved.

The other two dolls were of the same height and well dressed in their original clothing. They had delicate facial features made of porcelain and were in excellent condition. The origin of where the dolls were made and when her grandfather obtained them are unknown.

A yellow floral pottery juice pitcher was a gift for a society member's grandparent's golden wedding anniversary who had married in 1906. It had been given to her after their death.

An engagement ring in a Towle Jewelry box that belonged to a member's mother brought back memories of the Towle Jewelry Store that was in Snyder many years ago.

A 1942 National Nutrition War Food for Victory Cookbook belonged to a member's mother along with a Kerr canning booklet from Lone Star Gas Company that explained how to can rabbit and squirrel, common in the 1940s.

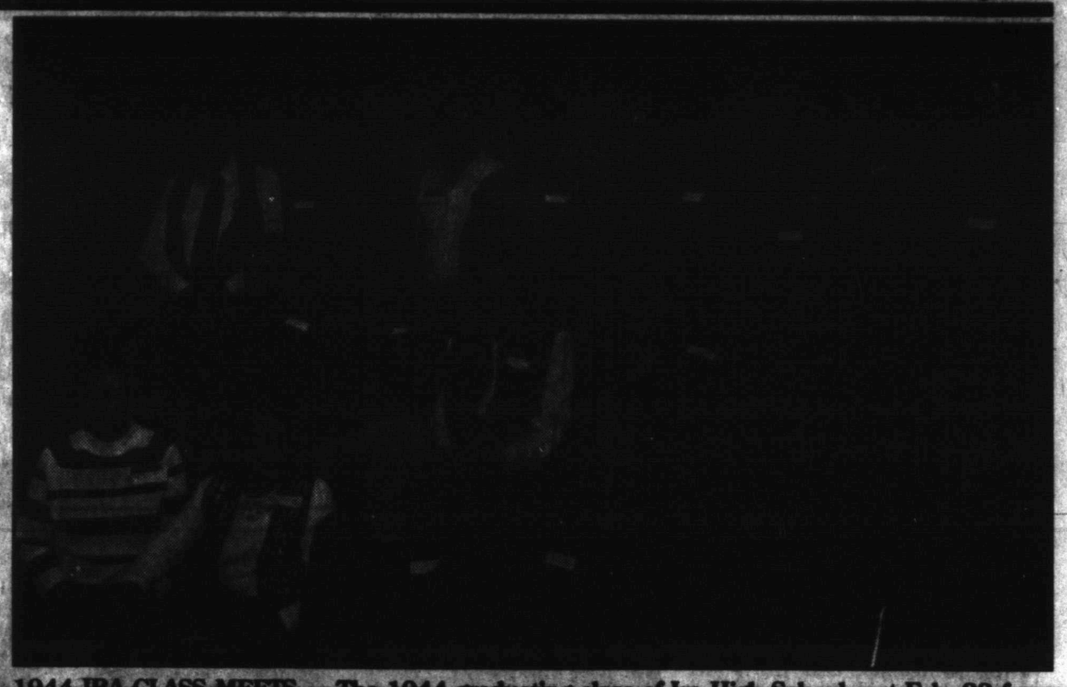
The society's president brought a 100-year-old pair of brown, leather baby shoes that were worn by her father born in 1900. She also showed the members a necktie worn by her grandfather when he married her grandmother in 1892.

The last heirloom shown was a pair of screw on earrings with large dangling loops that were over 65 years old. They belonged to a member's grandmother before her death in 1940. When worn by the member as a teenager she removed and misplaced the dangling loops that were not fashionable at the time.

Forty years later, the loops were again attached to the screw on part of the earring when it was learned another granddaughter had them in her possession all the time, not knowing her sister had the missing part of the earring.

Society members sharing stories about their family heirlooms were Frances Pitner, Jo Flynn, Sandra Graves, Ruby Gregory, Ann Smartt, Lorita Keller, Frances Gruben, Doris Steadman, Pat Outlaw and Jo Thrower.

The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Scurry County Library. The society is currently seeking new members and visitors are invited to attend.



1944 IRA CLASS MEETS — The 1944 graduating class of Ira High School met Feb. 23 for a reunion, getting together for the first time in 58 years. Pictured from left, back row, are Pat Falls, teacher, Snyder; Garland Bishop, Snyder; Harold Henley, Midland; Bill Strom, Copon, Okla; Howard Sterling, Snyder; Pat Westfall, Gatesville; Joe Falls, Snyder; middle row, Mae Wilson Hancock, Snyder; Faye Chapman Stewart, Sweetwater; Frances Autry Jones, Santa Fe, N.M.; Oleta Taylor Hamje, Dallas; Ellen Sorrells Tucker, Meadow; front row, Flo Howard Rosco, Snyder; Carla von Roeder Clark, Richardson; Patsy Hardee Galyen, Tulia; and Floy de Loach Williams, Yacht Lizabeth, Paris, France. (Contributed Photo)

SC Library News & Views

By Janie Romine, Librarian

For those of you who did not attend the Second Literary Evening at the Scurry County Library last week, you missed a real treat.

The library board and staff would like to thank Kay Hopper, Dorothy Rosson, Eddie McAnally and Troy Lilly for their presentations. Everyone enjoyed the wide variety of readings and visiting afterwards. "Talk to anyone who was here, and I think you will receive a very favorable report," said Janie Romine, librarian. "Come join us the next time we have a Literary Evening and I think you will agree that Scurry County has an abundant source of talented people," Romine said. Now that winter weather is hopefully departing, many people go into a spring-cleaning mode. Remember the library when you start throwing out things. The library's annual book sale has been scheduled for March 20-23, and we accept book donations.

For those who have never attended our book sale, books are available for purchase by donation. The books for sale are those that have been donated that cannot be used in the library collection because of condition or age, or books that have been withdrawn from the library collection for similar reasons.

If you have boxes of books that you are tired of moving from place to place, consider donating them.

This year the library will have children's books and old encyclopedias displayed in the children's story room, and will have all adult books in the back storage room. Encyclopedias and children's books are wonderful for teachers to use in classrooms so students have extra reading available.

Customers and supporters are reminded that the money goes toward the children's summer reading program, so we ask that you give generously. Most used bookstores would charge at least $3 for a hardback book, so remember that when you are figuring your donation for your books.

Take out your calendar and mark March 20-23 for the Scurry County Library Book Sale.

Help us earn some money for our children so that we can keep them reading this summer. Invest in your county by investing in our students. Support your Scurry County Library!

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Bobcat found in statue

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Call this bobcat Jonah.

Workers at the Science Center of Connecticut got a surprise Wednesday morning when they came across an 8-month-old bobcat that had been placed inside a whale statue that sits in front of the building.

The 20-inch bobcat was left in a pet carrier in the belly of the 60-foot statue. A note attached to the box said the animal was not relating well with humans.

"What a way to start the day, to have to take a bobcat out of a whale," said Hank Gruner, the center's vice president of programs and exhibits.

Houseplants thrive outdoors

By ED HUTCHISON

As you make plans for your summer vacation, don't forget your houseplants. They will be happy with a vacation a few feet away, outside the back door.

Houseplants thrive outdoors in the summer because of their tropical origins. Heat and humidity are very much to their liking. They respond by putting out new growth at a much faster rate than indoors. Some of this has to do with summer being a time of growth, compared to winter, but much of the rebound to robust growth is a result of better light, more humidity and warmer temperatures.

Brighter light is another consideration but with a few exceptions, blazing sun is not healthy for houseplants because it dries out leaves. Hibiscus and bougainvillea are notable exceptions, as both like direct and hot sun and respond with lots of leaf and flower growth.

A summer outdoors usually means these things will happen to a houseplant:

- Robust growth, so much so that it will likely need re-potting at summer's end.

- Insects likely will find the plant and need to be monitored and dealt with throughout the summer and especially before bringing the plant indoors again.

- Because the plant is growing quickly and is exposed to a lot of air movement, the soil will dry quickly and water may be needed every third day or so. Houseplants are usually situated outdoors in a sheltered place where rainfall does not reach. This means you become the principal source of water.

- Tall plants are susceptible to being blown over by even slight breezes; keeping them in a sheltered place helps but some anchoring is usually advisable. This is especially true for tall plants such as Schefflera, Norfolk, Island pine, Dracaena and Ficus.

While you can be on vacation as soon as the destination is reached, a houseplant isn't quite that nimble. It's quite a transition from indoors to outdoors and most people err by pushing the plant out of the house too quickly. The better course is to first choose a good place for the plant and move it first for a week or so to a spot that gets less light and air than the chosen spot. Watch for any browning or scorching of the leaves that would suggest the plant is getting too much direct sun.

Pay attention to how quickly the soil dries. Remember that the plant is exposed to much more air movement than when it was inside. Plants in clay pots will dry out much more quickly because moisture moves more freely and quickly through clay than plastic.

While these tips may sound daunting, the task of taking a plant outdoors where it can thrive all summer long is really easy. It is just that you have to be careful in not taking it out too soon and watching for signs of too much sun, too little water, insects and so on.

Probably the biggest part of the exercise is bringing the plant back indoors for the winter. In many parts of the country, a killing frost occurs before the plant needs to be back inside full time. Houseplants must be protected from frosty temperatures and the best way to do this is to take them inside or put them in the garage, then back out the next morning after the air has warmed. This is worth doing as typically you'll be able to give the plant another two or three weeks outside.

Be prepared to put the plant in a bigger pot. Most houseplants prefer their roots snug in a pot and this suggests moving to a pot only one size larger than the original one.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 03-09-02
♠ A 7 6
♥ A K Q 8
♦ 10 7
♣ A 10 6 4

West
♠ Q 9 5 3 2
♥ J 2
♦ K 9 8 4 2
♣ J

East
♠ K 8 4
♥ 10 7 5 4 3
♦ —
♣ Q 8 7 3 2

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

Dealer: North
Vulnerable: Neither

South	West	North	East
		1 ♣	Pass
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ 3

Saturday, March 9, 2002

A great piece of card play

By Phillip Alder

To end the week, here is an excellent example of how "easy" bridge can be if you are willing and able to count out a deal. Most of us would fail to collect nine tricks in no-trump, then grumble about all the bad breaks and our lack of luck. However, Subhash Gupta, who represented Canada in the 1985 Bermuda Bowl, wasn't willing to complain until he had explored every avenue.

North couldn't open one no-trump, because it would have shown only 12-14 points. However, my style is to rebid in no-trump, not one heart, with such a strong balanced hand.

West led the spade three: six, king, 10. East returned the spade eight: jack, queen, seven. West exited with the spade five: ace, four, heart six.

The logical first step was to attack diamonds, but when declarer started with dummy's 10, East luckily discarded a heart. (If East had had a low singleton, Gupta would have gone down.) Now, though, Gupta won with the diamond ace.

East's spade plays — king, then eight, then four — made it highly likely that West began with five spades. And as West had five diamonds, he could hold only three cards in hearts and clubs. Also, Gupta needed seven tricks from those suits — a tall order. Declarer started with a low club to dummy's ace. When West contributed the jack, Gupta continued with a low club to his nine — whew. Now came the club king, a heart to the ace, and the heart king, dropping West's jack — whew again. Finally, Gupta exited from the dummy with the club 10. East took two tricks in the suit, but then had to lead from his 10-7 of hearts into dummy's Q-8. Brilliant!

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Bridge Scores

Monte West directed bridge at the Snyder Country Club.

Friday, March 1

A Group

1. Tizzy Hall, ElWanda Nall.
2. Jane Hinton, Monte West
3. Billie Marie Long, Betty Courtney
4. Barbara Yorgesen, Dora Blakey

B Group

1. Tizzy Hall, ElWanda Nall
2. Billie Marie Long, Betty Courtney
3. Suzy Reed, Anita Talbott
4. J.O. Morrison, LaVerne Hood

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Avoid homebuying mistakes

With the homebuying season underway, many consumers are looking for ways to lessen the frustration involved in the process.

"Buying a home is a major investment and there is no substitute for taking time to educate yourself," says David Weekley, president of David Weekley Homes. Here he lists 10 common homebuying mistakes and suggestions for avoiding them:

1. Not doing your homework. Enter the market well-prepared by researching location, school district, deed restrictions and taxes.

2. Trying to make a shrewd investment. Focus on finding the best place for you and your family to live rather than trying to predict the real estate market.

3. Choosing a poor location. Consider what part of town you would like to live in and avoid homes located on busy streets.

4. Overlooking an inferior floor plan for an attractive exterior. Choose a great floor plan over a great exterior because you'll spend far more time inside the house than outside.

5. Overlooking how the home will function for your family. Consider features that are most important to your family and choose a home that will meet those needs.

6. Not having the home properly inspected when buying a resale. Hire a state-licensed, professional inspector to evaluate the home's true condition, which could save you thousands of dollars in repairs and maintenance.

7. Not having the home properly inspected when buying a new home. Research the number of homes sold, homeowner satisfaction, years in business, industry recognition and warranties offered.

8. Not getting what you want because you're impatient. If it's a used home, allow time to negotiate and get the best deal possible. Refusing to rush the process could save you $5,000 on the purchase price.

9. Waiting for a better time to buy based on the market and interest rates, History shows that those who purchased homes and kept them for three to five years or more did better than those who didn't. Waiting is one of the biggest mistakes a homebuyer can make.

10. The biggest homebuying mistake is not buying at all. Buying a home will give you a place to call your own and allow you to take advantage of tax breaks and build equity.

For more information about David Weekley Homes, visit the company's Web site at www.davidweekleyhomes.com.

It's said early Americans referred to the blackberry as a brambleberry.

The city of Venice, Italy, lies on an island in the Adriatic Sea.

Hot water weighs more than cold.

Tips to help save lives of animals on the highway

You can save an animal's life — and your own peace-of-mind. Collisions between automobiles and deer account for over one million accidents each year. The Humane Society of the United States urges drivers to avoid collisions with deer and other animals by following these tips:

- Scan the edges of the road for wildlife about to cross.
- Slow down when traveling where animals are most likely to cross, especially in wooded and brushy areas, stream valleys and areas where two habitat types meet.
- Maintain a safe following distance.
- Expect to see more animals at dawn and dusk, the most active times for many wild animals and rush hour for drivers.
- Lower your dashboard lights slightly to enable you to better see the reflection of your headlights in the eyes of any animal near the road.
- Deer can't read crossing signs. Use caution at all times.
- If you see one animal, expect more to follow.

For a free brochure and bumper sticker, call The HSUS at (202) 452-1100, or send your name and address to Give Wildlife a Brake, The HSUS, 2100 L St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20037.

Community Calendar

MONDAY

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

Defensive Driving School; Monday and Tuesday (two-day class) from 6 to 9 p.m.; Texas Savings Bank, 27th & College Ave.; for more information call 573-2850.

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.

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.

American Legion Layne Kite Post 181 and Auxiliary; 7:30 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.

DAR; The Shack; "Tour of the Texas DAR Room," by Helen Hatter; Lois Bartels and Lou Everett, hostesses; 11:30 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.

Snyder Shrine Club; call 863-2702 for meeting place; 6 p.m.

Beta Sigma Phi dinner, Snyder Country Club; Ritual of Jewels, meeting; 6:30 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.

Canyon Gun Club; 1910 25th Street; 7:30 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

Altrurian Daughters Study Club; MAWC; Jim Petty, program "Tips for Ladies Defense;" hostesses, Jean Sealy, Shirley Stewart and Nona Morrison; 11:30 a.m.

NA Just For Today, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-1438; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal building; program, Lila Guinn; hostess, Nina Mitchell; 9:30 to 4 p.m., lunch break.

LLL Club; fellowship hall of First Baptist Church; 9:30 a.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.

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information call 573-8268, 573-4048 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

Hermleigh Menu

All meals are served with milk.

BREAKFAST

Monday
Juice
Pancake Pups/Syrup

Tuesday
Juice
Oatmeal
Graham Crackers

Wednesday
Juice
Cinnamon Toast

Thursday
French Toast Sticks
Juice
Sausage Patty

Friday
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Tuesday
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Corn
Pickled Beets
Hot Rolls
Chilled Peaches

Wednesday
Turkey Slices/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Hot Rolls
Baked Apples

Thursday
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Potato Wedges
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William Lloyd Cotton and Julie Rondell Odom, both of Ira.

Action in District Court

Snyder Daily News vs. Scurry County Commissioners Court, judgment for defendant.

Deed Records

Caroline Clark Fox and Wiley John Wright, co-Trustees of the Anne W. Rendon Irrevocable Trust, to Max A. and Valerie Drum, 259.5 acres out of the northeast part of Section 428, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anne Courtney Rendon Wright and Andrea Elizabeth Rendon Allen, co-Trustees of the Anne Whatley Rendon Trust, Carolyn Spencer, Clark Fox and Wiley John Wright III, to Max A. and Valerie Drum, 259.5 acres out of the northwest part of Section 428, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Benjamin Thomas Murphy to Kristen Murphy, Lot 4 in Block 11 of the Park Place Addition.

Kristen Murphy to Benjamin Thomas Murphy, all of Lot 11 and the west one-half of Lot 12, both in Block 6 of the Original Town of Snyder.

Mark Roger and Amy Leigh Hargrove to Jeremy Terry, 315.985 acres in the south one-half of Section 51, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Rodger B. Blackard, independent executor of the Boley Brown Blackard estate, to Rodger Blackard, Trustee, tract one being the south one-half of Section 36, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being the north one-half of Section 31, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract three being Lot 6 in block 6 of the Grayum and Clark Addition; tract four being Lot 25 of the McDowell Subdivision of Blocks 49 and 50 of the Cody Heights Addition.

Norma Shaw to Jerry Bob Lee and David Kent Lee, the east part of Lot 3 in Block 17 of the Original Town of Snyder.

Margaret Pauline Baker to Paul Lester Baker, the west 59 feet of Lot 16 and the east 2½ feet of Lot 15, both in Block 1, Section 1 of the Martin Addition.

Dorothy Lavender to Kenneth Dale and Francis Marie Hess, Lot 6 in Block 10 of the Park Place Addition.

Leroy J. and Cheri C. Williams to Sharon Ann Wemken and E.H. Dever Jr., Lot 14 in Block F of the Replat of the Highland Park Addition.

Phillip Goldesberry, attorney-in-fact for Johnnie H. Goldesberry, to Melissa K. Hodge and Greg and Bonnie Hodge, Lot 6 in Block 3, Section 2 of the Martin Addition.

William Curtiss Jackson to Buena Marie and Fred Wiley Dunkinson, the west 60 feet of Lot 2 in Block 73, Grayum and Nelson Second Addition.

Charles H. Henderson, Trustee of the Charles H. Henderson and Sandra F. Henderson Revocable Living Trust, to Orlando Castelan and Sylvia Santana, Lot 11 in Block 23 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition.

Olive E. Ford to Ann E. Taylor, 87.612 acres in the west one-half of the northeast one-quarter of Section136, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Wayde Stancell to Shawna Wooldridge, the north one-half of Lot 2 in Block 32 of the Blankenship Addition.

Man freed by DNA testing back behind bars

ORLANDO Fla. (AP) — The first inmate released from a South Carolina prison through DNA testing was in a Florida jail Friday, charged with sexually assaulting a child.

Perry Mitchell, 40, served 14 years of a 30-year sentence for the 1982 rape of a 17-year-old girl in Lexington County, S.C. He was released in 1998 and granted a new trial after genetic testing of the evidence ruled him out as the rapist.

On Feb. 27, Mitchell was charged in Orlando with sexually molesting a 9-year-old girl.

Mitchell was being held without bond on several charges, including three counts of sexual battery involving a child under 12.

Donnie Myers, the South Carolina prosecutor who put Mitchell in prison the first time, said he's not surprised.

"When he was released, I told somebody in my office, 'Well, it won't be long before he's in trouble again,'" Myers said.

Mitchell declined a request for a jailhouse interview and family members in Orlando did not return calls for comment.

After Mitchell's South Carolina conviction was overturned, Myers said he couldn't find the victim and decided not to pursue the case.

The South Carolina attorney general's office has no immediate plans to revisit the DNA test.

D. Bergeron wins SDN subscription

Dixie Bergeron of 2708 42nd St. is the February winner of a free year's subscription to the Snyder Daily News.

Each month a drawing is held from the names of those who either subscribe or renew for six months or more.

Two soldiers from Snyder are awarded service medals

Two soldiers from Snyder have been decorated with the Army Commendation Medal, awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Army.They are Army Spec. Michael A. Perez and Army Sgt. Daniel A Wells.

Perez is a unit supply specialist assigned to the 231st Field Artillery Detachment at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla. He is the son of Tony V. and Debra A. Perez of Snyder.

Wells is an avionic communications equipment repairer assigned to the 602nd Aviation Support Battalion at Camp Stanley, Uijong-Bu, South Korea.He is the son of Darla K. and Donald S. Wells of Snyder.The sergeant is a 1997 graduate of Snyder High School.

Redman reports to aircraft carrier

Navy petty Officer 3rd Class Jeffrey G. Redman, son of Toni Redman of Plainview and John Redman Jr. of Snyder, recently reported for duty aboard the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln, home ported in Everett, Wash.

Redman, a 1999 graduate of Plainview High School, joined the Navy in August, 2001.

Actors support building movie studios in 'Jersey'

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — William Baldwin, Paul Sorvino and Valerie Harper met with state lawmakers in support of a $20 million plan to build movie studios in the city's abandoned factories.

Baldwin, president of an activist group called the Creative Coalition, said the $20 million would generate $100 million in taxable revenue.

"This is an investment, a very important investment that's going to create a lot of jobs for New Jersey," he said at the Statehouse Thursday.

Some Democrats criticized the legislation's timing. Citing a $3 billion budget deficit, Gov. James E. McGreevey has laid off state workers, frozen aid to schools and municipalities, and cut aid to higher education.

"We're all in favor of luring independent filmmakers to the Trenton area, but we believe other communities have managed to attract such business without employing so much in taxpayer funds," Linda Greenstein and

Senior Center Menu

Monday

Vegetable soup, grilled cheese sandwich, tater tots, chilled pears, peanut butter cookie

Tuesday

Spaghetti w/meat sauce, whole kernel corn, spinach, tomato wedges, apricot cobbler, garlic toast

Wednesday

Chicken fried steak w/cream gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, coconut pudding

Thursday

Chicken filet w/gravy, au gratin potatoes, steamed broccoli, pineapple slices w/cheese, brownie

Friday

Fried fish, golden hominy, boiled okra, creamy coleslaw, yellow cake w/chocolate frosting

Senior Center News

The Continuing Education Division of Western Texas College has scheduled a variety of computer classes for senior citizens during the spring session.

The first class begins Monday, March 18. The schedule is available at the Senior Center or seniors may call 573-8511, ext. 390 to reserve a space.

Pinochle lessons will begin at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 20. A volunteer will teach the card game in the bridge room.

An AARP "55 Alive" driving course is scheduled on April 19. This eight-hour course will be taught in one day. Anyone 50 plus years may participate in this course at a cost of $10 per person. Call the center at 573-4035 to register.

Mayday, the Senior Center's main fundraiser is eight weeks away. Volunteers are encouraged to make aprons, bonnets, potholders, or other items for the craft booth. Batting and material for crafts have been donated to the center. Contact Pamela Fenton for supplies.

Monday

Bridge play begins at 9:30 a.m. and anyone who has just completed lessons is encouraged to practice new skills. Daily exercise is a low impact class of stretching and bending. Seniors may participate while standing or sitting. Seniors are encouraged to participate at their own speed and ability level. Juanita Ellington is the instructor and the class begins at 11 a.m.

Tuesday

Seniors may participate in eighty-eight at the center at 10 a.m. The Golden K Kiwanis is a service organization and meets every Tuesday at noon. Seniors are invited to join them. The monthly eighty-eight tournament begins at 1 p.m. Social Security agents will be at the center from 10 a.m. to noon and from 1-2 p.m.

Wednesday

Ladies are invited to play pool at 9 a.m., and if you do not know how to play, a volunteer will be available to help newcomers learn the game. Kitchen Band members will perform at Snyder Oaks at 10 a.m. Anne Gregory will play the piano at 11:30 a.m., and the Advisory Board will meet in the conference room.

Line dancing and clogging practice will begin at 1 p.m. in the dining room. Bernhard Bartels will be available to assist seniors with filing income tax returns from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1-3 p.m.

Thursday

Daily exercise begins at 11 a.m. The building will open at 6 p.m. for game night. Other games will include eighty-eight, bridge, pool or dominoes.

Friday

The blood pressure clinic and bridge tournament begin at 9:30 a.m. Seniors may participate in eighty-eight or exercise at 11 a.m.

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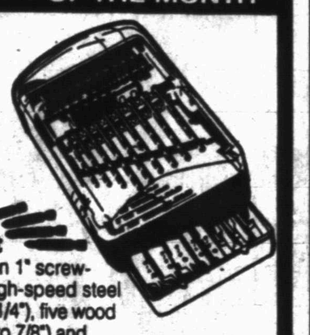

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Historians recording attack

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — Some of Steven Carter's memories of Sept. 11 remain vivid: Pentagon workers up to their ankles in cold water and jet fuel, helping injured colleagues. A macabre countdown to the arrival of another plane that was rumored to be on the way. He and others manning their posts to keep critical parts of the building running.

Other recollections, though, are already fading.

"I think the mind is kind and it takes the edge off some of your memories. It's part of the numbing process," said Carter, who was on duty as the Pentagon's assistant building manager the morning of the attack.

Government historians have interviewed Carter and roughly 1,000 others as part of a huge effort to chronicle the Sept. 11 attack on the Pentagon — and do it quickly.

Alfred Goldberg, the Defense Department's chief historian, said he expects a 200- to 300-page history of the attack to be completed some time next year, an unusually swift project for an office that typically researches and writes over many years about events from decades past.

"We want to get to people while their memories are still fresh," said Goldberg, 83, who began his career as a field historian in England and France during World War II."

Goldberg said about 20 to 30 military historians, representing all the military branches, have been interviewing survivors, Pentagon workers, medical workers, police, firefighters and others involved in the attacks and the response.

Reservists, including lawyers and public affairs specialists, have been called up to help.

Marathon defining moment for local

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She noted that cancer survivors will walk the first lap.

She isn't ruling out walking in future marathons either. The self-described "cancer-phobic" is hoping monies raised will make a cure possible someday.

Some of the other local benefits include a raffle by Kinder-Morgan and Craig is also helping put together a Cogdell Memorial Hospital Cookbook that will benefit cancer research. On April 10 she said she will begin her 22nd year as a nurse at the hospital. Her current assignment is the critical care ward

With cancer prevalent in her family, Craig knows she is at risk, but she intends to fight it before "it gets me. "I'm not saying that cancer won't get me but I'm going to come out swinging."

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The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team in Training (TNT) is the world's largest endurance sports training program. Area branches now include Lubbock and Abilene.

The organization provides coaching, training and even the travel opportunities to make athletic goals a reality.

In exchange for the training and support, participants raise money toward a cure for leukemia, one of the leading disease killers of children; lymphoma, the leading killer of men and women under 35; and other blood-related cancers.

More than 30,000 runners, walkers, cyclists and tri-athletes participate in the world's major marathons and centuries this year on behalf of the society.

TNT has raised millions of dollars toward finding the cure for leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma.

Team in Training began in 1988 when Bruce Cleland of Westchester County, New York formed a team that raised funds and trained people for the New York City Marathon.

Plans for memorial unveiled

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Pennsylvania congressman representing the area where a hijacked plane crashed Sept. 11 said Friday he wants the federal government to erect a memorial for the victims.

"The passengers on Flight 93 redefined the war on terrorism," Rep. John Murtha said. "This will honor their memory."

Murtha, a Democrat, said he will ask Congress to designate a national memorial in the southwest Pennsylvania field where the United Airlines jet went down.

Under his proposed legislation, Interior Secretary Gale Norton would name a 15-member panel to evaluate and decide on designs for the memorial.

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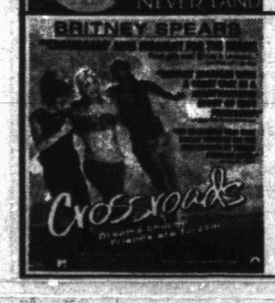

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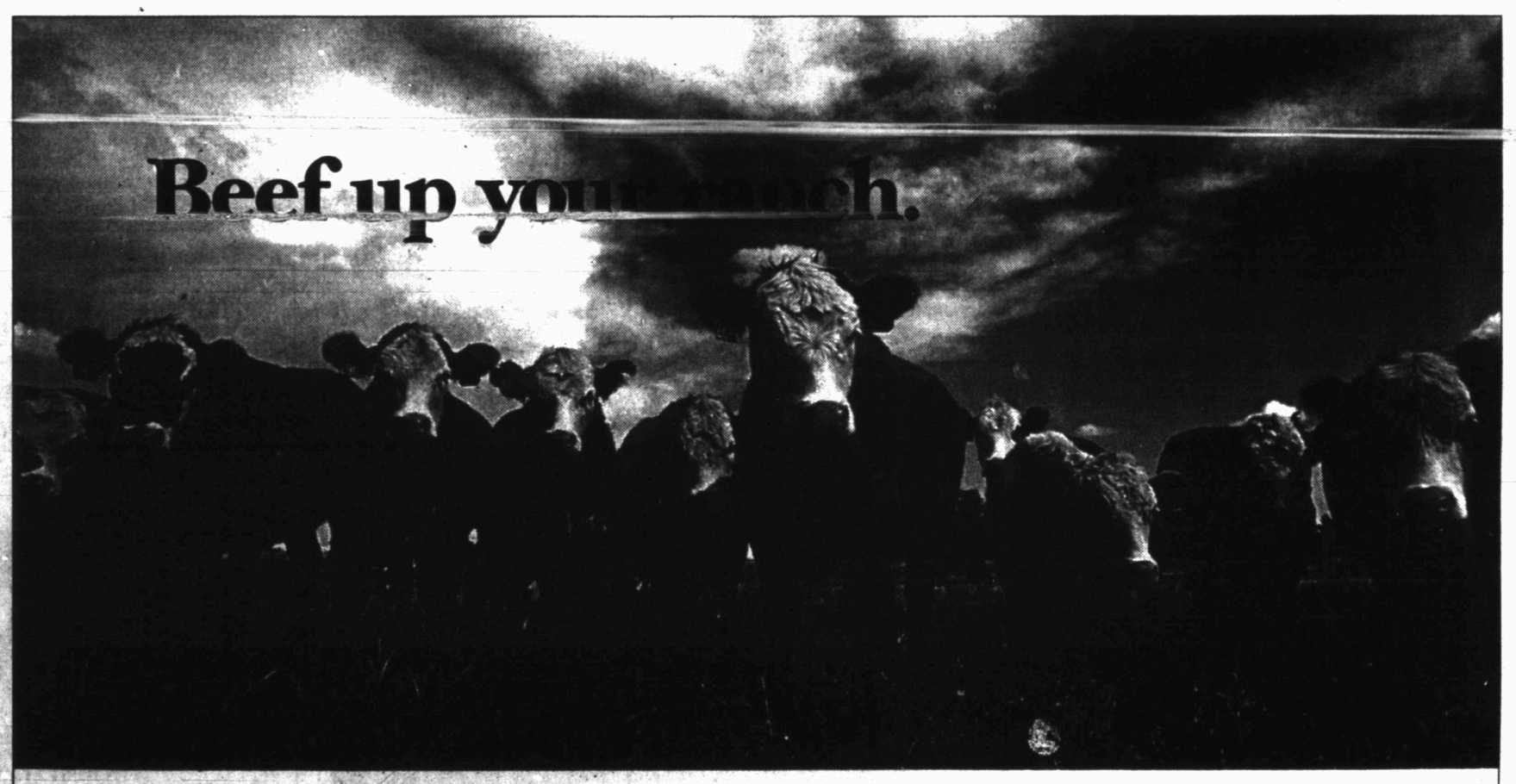

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Mexico will export popular theme part for kids to U.S.

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The City of Children, a theme park designed to teach a work ethic and create brand loyalty at the same tender age, could be coming soon to a shopping mall near you.

The successful Mexican attraction will begin construction in the United States soon, and malls in the New York and Los Angeles areas are competing to host to the first U.S. branch.

"This is genius," said James Ashton, president of AFC Commercial Real Estate, based in Westlake Village, Calif. He toured the attraction recently and is negotiating with the owners to build a similar park for a new mall in the Los Angeles area.

"People are so starved for something like this and there is nothing comparable. Everything is going kid-oriented and there is nothing that could compete with this."

But the concept that has been accepted so overwhelmingly here — companies build brand-oriented attractions for children within a "city" provided by the developer — could face more probing questions in the United States about its motives.

Mexican upper classes, to which the attraction caters, are lacking in cynicism about commercialism and materialism.

In the United States, where the planned entrance fee of about $20 would be accessible to many more families, people tend have a more pointed opinion that is the opposite of their Mexican peers.

"There are certainly some segments of the population who very much can't stand that kind of commercialism, but at the same time that's more and more in the mainstream of American society," said Gary Ruskin, executive director of Commercial Alert, a Portland, Ore.-based anti-commercialism group.

"More and more, this is what American marketing is looking like. It seems like there's nothing they won't do to market to kids these days."

The idea of the park is simple: After buying their American Airlines "ticket" to enter, children receive play money, which they can spend on General Motors bumper cars (Avis rents them). Or, they can make themselves up at the Pond's Institute beauty salon or scale a rock wall emblazoned with the word "Nesquik."

If they run out of money, they can go to work — applying Sherwin Williams paints to a wall at the Cemex construction site, caring for babies (dolls, actually) at the Johnson & Johnson hospital or reading bar codes at the Superama supermarket.

Union fund monies given to families

NEW YORK (AP) — Families of firefighters who died in the Sept. 11 attack on the World Trade Center will receive an additional $95,000 each from a union fund, a spokesman said Friday.

The increase was approved by directors of the New York Firefighters 9/11 Disaster Relief Fund, which includes officers from the International Association of Fire Fighters and its two New York locals.

The fund now plans to distribute $144 million to survivors, or $413,000 for each family of the 343 firefighters, three retired firemen and one fire patrolman killed.

Continuing recovery efforts at the site this week uncovered the remains of two more police officers, bringing the total number of victims whose remains have been identified to 753.

Also Friday, a new poll showed that New Yorkers appeared to be worrying less about their personal safety than in the weeks immediately following the terrorist attack.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Young girl's schedule leaves her with no time of her own

DEAR ABBY: I am 11 years old, and my life is so complicated I don't know what to do. I am tired and have no time to spend with family and friends.

My weekly after-school schedule:

Monday — advanced math school
Tuesday — ice skating
Wednesday — advanced math school
Thursday — gymnastics
Friday — piano lessons
Saturday — soccer
Sunday — math homework

Abby, I have at least five extremely hard homework assignments to do every night in addition to those given in the advanced math school. Please help a girl in need! — NICOLE IN MASSACHUSETTS

DEAR NICOLE: It appears a compromise is in order. If you haven't already talked to your parents about this, you should do so. If that doesn't help, then you need to enlist the help of a teacher, clergyperson or some other respected adult who can help your parents understand that they have you so tightly scheduled you have no time left for a childhood. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I have observed something that is taking place all across the country. Whenever a child becomes involved in any kind of team sport (soccer, T-ball, etc.), he or she may be invited to join a "traveling team."

These traveling teams spend many hours commuting to and from their out-of-town games and meets, spending time on the highway that could be better used in imaginative play, reading, homework, or building relationships and memories with their families and friends.

Many times these long-distance games are held on school nights, resulting in late-night returns, with too little time left for homework or sufficient sleep.

I've known a first-grade girl involved in cheerleading who attended a five-day "national competition" in another state and missed school to do it. This is a girl who, because of poor performance, needed every day of school she could get.

Abby, please ask parents to consider carefully how they deal with children's sports and activities. When some overeager coach or starry-eyed parent approaches with the idea for traveling teams and national competitions for the kids, have the guts to say no. — KIDS' FRIEND IN OKLAHOMA

DEAR KIDS' FRIEND: Although many team sports offer the chance for bonding and camaraderie, as well as developing teamwork skills, too many parents become so fixated on success that they lose sight of what is important. Above all, they should be certain that their children want to participate in the sports they're being signed up for.

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DEAR ABBY: I identified strongly with the letters from readers who graduated from college at an advanced age. Most were between 35 and 45 when they graduated.

When I graduated from high school, I was ranked 150 out of a class of 152. However, at age 59, I graduated in 1990 from Baldwin-Wallace College with a 3.79 grade point average. Even at 59, I was able to advance in my work, and eventually earned $75,000 a year by the time I retired at age 71.

Which goes to show you that it's never too late. — ESTELLE IN LAKEWOOD, OHIO

DEAR ESTELLE: That's true. I'm a firm believer in happy endings. Your letter is sure to inspire more late bloomers that it's never too late to achieve one's dreams.

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DEAR ABBY: The year 2002 is a palindrome. We had the last one in 1991, and the next one will be in 2112. Very few of us living today will experience that one.

My wife and I now reside in a retirement community. While we are seniors, none of us is ready to "graduate" quite yet. We have met many wonderful people here and made many new friends.

There have been rumors circulating that Julie Andrews did a concert for AARP. Among her selections was a song from "The Sound of Music," "My Favorite Things." She altered the lyrics to fit in with the AARP theme. Here are the new words to that famous melody:

"Maalox and nose drops and needles for knitting,
"Walkers and handrails and new dental fittings,
"Bundles of magazines tied up in string,
"These are a few of my favorite things.
"Cadillacs, cataracts, hearing aids, glasses,
"Polident, Fixodent, false teeth in glasses,
"Pacemakers, golf carts and porches with swings,
"These are a few of my favorite things.
"When the pipes leak,
"When the bones creak,
"When the knees go bad,
"I simply remember my favorite things,
"And then I don't feel so bad.
"Hot tea and crumpets, and corn pads for bunions,
"No spicy hot food or food cooked with onions,
"Bathrobes and heating pads, hot meals they bring,
"These are a few of my favorite things.
"Back pains, confused brains, and no fear of sinnin',
"Thin bones and fractures and hair that is thinnin',
"More of the pleasures advancing age brings —
"When we remember our favorite things.
"When the joints ache, when the hips break,
"When the eyes grow dim,
"I simply remember the great life I've had,
"And then I don't feel ... so bad!"

— DEAN BUNN, BROOKLYN CENTER, MINN.

DEAR DEAN: The rewritten lyrics are a hoot, but I doubt that Julie Andrews ever warbled them. Fortunately, today medical science has provided us with solutions to many of the physical problems that used to be associated with aging. We know so much more than we used to about the benefits of preventive medicine, and because of that knowledge, advancing age no longer guarantees infirmity.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a newlywed. My husband, "Max," is kind, caring, attractive and compassionate. However, he does one thing that hurts my feelings.

When we make love, he wants me to shout out names of other women and describe their physical attributes. Max says he needs me to do this in order for him to make love to me.

I know Max loves me very much and sees no harm in doing this, but I find it humiliating. Any suggestions? — NO NAME IN NEW YORK

DEAR NO NAME: Humiliating? I would think you would find it distracting. One of the first things a sex therapist would tell you is that people are responsible for their own sexual fulfillment. Have you tried shouting out, "Brad!" "George!" "Matt!" "Tom!" "Russell!" etc.? What's good for the gander might also be spice for the goose.

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Two of the suspects in botched robbery were airport guards

VALLEY STREAM, N.Y. (AP) — Two of five people arrested in connection with a botched robbery attempt at a Staples store have been identified as security guards at nearby Kennedy International Airport.

Danita Brown, 22, and Kevin Grant, 23, were employed by Haynes Security, a private company that contracts with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, said Port Authority Sgt. Eugene Leary. The Port Authority operates the airport.

Dozens of police and emergency services officers surrounded the store during a nine-hour standoff that began at about 9:45 p.m. Wednesday. Twelve employees were trapped inside the store, some held as hostages and others hiding throughout the store.

The employees were freed in two groups late Wednesday and early Thursday.

Grant was arrested when he tried to leave the store, telling police he had gone in to buy a clipboard. Brown, who police believe was acting as a lookout, was arrested in a car in the parking lot.

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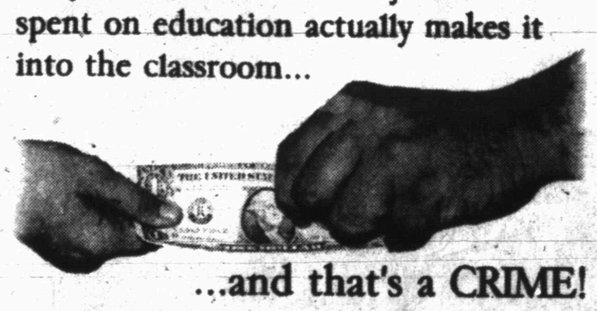

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Sunday, March 10, 2002

It would be to your advantage to be more selective concerning your goals and objectives in the year ahead. By prioritizing them, you may have fewer targets, but each will be worth more.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)— The best way to advance your own interests is to put the concerns of others first. They, in turn, will jump right in and help get your desires taken care of. Pisces, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper. P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)— An important goal is achievable, but it might require the support of a friend or associate. Maintain good relations with everybody, you may not know whose help you'll need.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)— A shifting condition may offer some benefits you would not have had otherwise. Fortunately, that stubborn streak you sometimes get won't be operative and you'll go along with the flow.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)— You could be relatively successful in your endeavors. because you'll be wise enough to recognize and capitalize on all the factors involved.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)— Even though this may be a day of rest for you, your capacity for work could be a bit higher than usual. You might want to start a special project you've been wanting to do.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)— This is an excellent day to get together with friends with whom you share a strong affinity, especially if there is something special you'd like to do.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)— If you follow through and do for others what you had promised to do, your image can be substantially enhanced. It's a good way to become your own press agent.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)— Be on your toes should an unusual opportunity be dumped in your lap from a least expected source. It may require you acting on it immediately.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)— There is that old adage that says, "You can't get blood from a stone." However, you do possess a gift for turning worthless things into something valuable.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)— It's a fact obvious to others that an endeavor in which you're involved needs your leadership. You might get the call to step forward.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)— If you've been discouraged by minor setbacks in pursuing something materially worthwhile, try again. What you hope to achieve is feasible now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)— It is now time to act on attempting to achieve the fulfillment of a current hope or desire. You may just have a brief period to do so, so be expeditious and decisive.

Monday, March 11, 2002

Situations which you personally create or control in the year ahead will produce many victories and advancements for you. Your sound thinking and good ideas will be successfully expressed.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Whether you seek it or not, today's developments may place you in a leadership role in a situation where up until now you've served as a follower. You'll do well in this position. Major changes are ahead for Pisces in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Trust your instincts today, because they'll be based upon gathered knowledge collected over time, even if you can't recall how or when the information got into your head.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — It's an excellent day to put forth positive measures to make your hopes and dreams realities. Conditions are conducive for success, so proceed with determination and assurance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Challenges can arouse and bring out your better abilities today, so don't be afraid to establish a couple of objectives that may be a few steps above your normal scope of operation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Special knowledge you've acquired through personal experiences of the past could be automatically triggered today and put to some positive use. It proves nothing is ever wasted.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Treat both business and financial situations with the seriousness they deserve, should an interesting development pop up today which holds the possibility for profit.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Take the time to work on and draw up any partnership arrangement you may have been toying with lately. What transpires today could have beneficial longevity attached to it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Fresh opportunities could be in the winds today concerning your work or career. It'll be up to you, however, to recognize, appreciate and take advantage of them.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — If your circumstances permit, get out today and circulate a bit. There's a strong chance you could meet and develop fresh contacts who could expose you to new social activities.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Start this week off by disengaging yourself from situations that have proven to be unproductive for you. There are better possibilities in which to invest your time and interests.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Now is the time to put into action any plans you've been formulating recently. It's a propitious period where sound ideas and concepts could produce rewards.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Today you could be more fortunate than usual in endeavors that might add to your income or resources. Give materially motivated matters top priority.

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Enron spent three times as much on lobbying as reported

WASHINGTON (AP) — Enron Corp. says it spent nearly $2.5 million on lobbying in President Bush's first six months in office, three times the incorrect figure that Enron gave Congress last summer.

Enron's revised 17-page report now states that it lobbied regarding "nomination to the Securities Exchange Commission" and "nomination to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission." The old report omitted any mention of lobbying on nominees for the two regulatory agencies.

The revised report contains eight references to White House lobbying; the earlier version just two.

The company is so uncertain of the accuracy of even the revised report that no Enron executive would step forward to sign the document.

White House spokeswoman Anne Womack was unable to confirm that Enron had lobbied the Bush administration regarding nominees to the SEC and CFTC. But she said Thursday night that "we've indicated before that countless corporations, unions and individuals have provided suggestions to the administration on appointments. Enron may have offered suggestions on these particular appointments."

Securities and Exchange Commission spokeswoman Christi Harlan said chairman Harvey Pitt, nominated by Bush last May, "has said he knows of no efforts by Enron or its executives on his behalf" for the chairman's post. Pitt was confirmed by the Senate in August.

It has been disclosed previously that Enron lobbied the White House on other regulatory appointments.

Then-Enron Chairman Kenneth Lay gave the White House recommendations for appointments to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission last spring and Bush eventually appointed two of the people on Enron's list. Lay gave the list of names to Clay Johnson, Bush's personnel director. Among the eight or so names were Pat Wood, now FERC chairman, and Nora Brownell, a member of the commission.

Enron was among Bush's biggest campaign contributors, and Lay made a series of telephone calls to members of the Bush Cabinet as Enron spiraled toward bankruptcy last fall.

The Justice Department, the Securities and Exchange Commission and a dozen congressional committees are investigating Enron and its longtime auditor, the Arthur Andersen accounting firm.

Enron revealed that it spent as much on lobbying in the first six months of Bush's presidency as it did in all of the previous year when lobbying expenditures were $2.1 million. The figure for all of 1999 was just under $2 million.

"We are advised that the amended report reflects a good faith effort to disclose the lobbying activities undertaken during the reporting period," Enron's outside legal counsel wrote in a letter filed March 2 with the House and Senate.

"Unfortunately, virtually all the Enron employees who worked in the Washington, D.C., office are no longer with the company," and "there is no current employee who has personal knowledge of much of the activity," continued the outside lawyer, Kenneth Gross.

With the company in bankruptcy, "once issues regarding indemnity and director and officer liability coverage are resolved, then a company official will be in a position to submit a signed copy," Gross wrote.

A Washington group that tracks political money, the Center for Responsive Politics, uncovered a discrepancy a month ago that led to the revised filing. Enron earlier reported spending only $825,000 on lobbying, but outside lobbying firms reported income from Enron totaled $1.8 million during the same period. Enron's own report is required by law to include payments to outside lobbyists as well as what it spends on its in-house lobbying team.

Seven men kill antelopes illegally

AMARILLO (AP) — Seven men accused of illegally slaughtering a herd of antelope have received stiff fines, suspended sentences and community service after accepting plea agreements.

A total of 10 suspects were accused of killing approximately two dozen antelope in a field west of Kerrick in December 2000.

Seven of them were sentenced Thursday on a charge of taking wildlife resources without consent of a landowner.

Sentenced Thursday was Billy Heath Collums, 23, Kenna Collums, 20, Brady Schoonover, 31, Leonard Hawkins, 40, all of Kerrick; Calvin Todd Foster, 21, of Pontotoc, Miss.; Jason R. Holladay, 24, of Houlka, Miss. and Paul Wells, 46, of Boise City, Okla.

Each got three years of deferred adjudication, a $2,500 fine, $12,600 restitution to Texas Parks and Wildlife, $700 restitution to the Dallam County Fire Department, 90 days suspended sentence in the county jail, and 160 hours of community service.

Wells received an extra year of deferred adjudication plus a bigger $4,000 fine.

The three other men — Wes Avent, 26, Amarillo; Clayton Watkins, 23, Van Fleet, Miss.; and Michael Wilson, 24, Houlka, Miss. — have agreed to plead guilty but will not be sentenced until next month.

Investigators said some antelope were shot, others had broken legs and other injuries after they were run over with vehicles.

Claritin will get over-the-counter status

NEW YORK (AP) — Under immense regulatory and competitive pressure, Schering-Plough Corp. said Friday it planned to switch its blockbuster allergy prescription medicine Claritin to an over-the-counter drug.

The switch means the company's top selling drug will see its sales shrivel, analysts say. Last year, Claritin had sales of $2.7 billion. That could sink to $400 million next year if the switch is approved as expected.

Analysts said the company has little choice.

Late last year, an FDA advisory panel said Claritin and two competing products — Pfizer's Zyrtec and Aventis' Allegra — were safe enough to be sold over-the-counter.

The FDA, which has said it agrees with the panel's finding, is expected to make that determination official in a few weeks. What remains unclear is whether the FDA would force the companies to switch the products to over-the-counter sales, and if it even has the power to do so.

Schering-Plough is under more pressure than Pfizer or Aventis because Claritin is it largest selling drug and it is expected to lose patent protection in December.

The Kenilworth, N.J.-based company has already filed numerous lawsuits against generic firms seeking to bring a cheaper version of Claritin to market.

Even more threatening, analysts said, are applications filed with the FDA by rivals Johnson & Johnson and American Home Products to market generic over-the-counter versions of Claritin, which could have frozen Schering out of the market if it didn't act.

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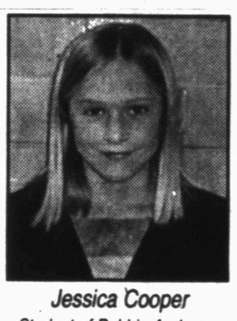
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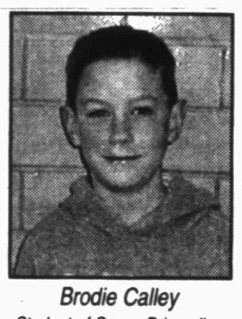
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Saints and Sinners by George Plagenz

No baseball in heaven

After the 1999 American League Championship baseball playoffs, I wrote in this column, "We don't know what a day in heaven will be like, but we can be sure of one thing. There won't be any sports played up there."

"If somebody so much as suggests choosing up sides for a little game of baseball, God will remember the near-riot that erupted at Fenway Park during the fourth game of the series and he'll break their bats in two."

Even the sports writers took off on their beloved city the next day. A Boston Globe writer emptied his bottle of venom on his fellow Bostonians in these words: "Every clod who threw a bottle in last night's fee-for-all, here's the final line on your performance: 'You're a loser.'"

This wasn't the only time that Boston, "the city of culture," acted like a bunch of rowdies. I was living in Boston when the Red Sox won the American League pennant in 1967. Jim Lonberg, who pitched the pennant-clincher, almost got his arm pulled off by the fans as he left the field. Autos were vandalized in Kenmore Square.

Some fans didn't want the Red Sox to win the World Series against the St. Louis Cardinals. They were afraid the celebration would reach the riot stage. Fortunately, the Red Sox lost the seventh and final game.

But, that was then and this is now. God is a forgiving God. "He pardoneth and absolveth all those who truly repent." But, sad to say, things have only gone from bad to worse. God has not changed his mind. The ban on sports in the heavenly places is still in effect.

That goes for football, too. If on some nice autumn day when he is walking through the clouds, the Referee in the Sky hears someone yell, "Hike!" and he senses there is a football game in progress, he will let the air out of the pigskin and send the players in for choir practice.

He will recall the bottle barrage that went on at a pro football game in Cleveland last December. Instead of being repentant the next day, the fans were more defiant. One letter-writer said, "I really wanted to see a bottle hit referee Terry McCauley."

In the words of TV crime reporter and former prosecutor Catherine Crier, "Sports have gotten more violent in the last 10 or 15 years." She was speaking during the highly-publicized trial of a father accused of killing another father when the two got into an argument at their sons' hockey practice in Reading, Mass.

Much of today's sports rage involves parents and other adults. In a recent basketball game in Texas, a player chasing a ball ran into the grandstand and accidentally fell on a woman spectator. Her husband grabbed the player and choked him.

When I was a sports writer I once called for an end to night football games in the high schools after 11 beatings and a stabbing occurred following four high school football games in Cleveland.

But, the games - and the violence - go on.

We used to think sports built character. But, if we want our young people to develop character, having a paper route will do more for them than joining a Little League team.

A few paperboys may foment customer rage by throwing the paper in a puddle every chance they get, but the urge to kill is usually sublimated into something less severe.

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North of Forty by Red Green

Apples to apples

One thing that life has taught me is that there are no absolutes. Pretty much everything is subjective and based on comparison. Like buying apples in the grocery store, your choices are based on the selection. A mediocre apple looks pretty good in a bin full of bad ones.

This is an important lesson to apply to other facets of your existence. At work, for example, you should do everything you can to keep incompetent people from being fired. They make you look like a real winner. Same thing in your marriage. Have a few total losers as friends. Make sure your wife knows about every stupid thing they do. You'll look like a genius.

It's also a good way to check on how far you've let your own standards slip. It's OK to have friends with tolerable faults in order to make you look better, but if it gets to the point where you have to associate with unemployable degenerate boozers just for you to survive comparison, well, maybe it's time to raise your own bar a little.

SHOPPING FOR TROUBLE

I don't think women understand why it's so difficult for us to shop for clothes with them there. The biggest problem is that we think we've kept our weight gain and fitness loss a secret. That makes us hesitant to do anything that would blow our cover. Like looking at the rack of 42 waist pants when everything else in our cupboard is a 34. So we don't do that. We pick out a pair of 34s and head for the cash register.

Then comes one of the most dreaded questions any husband can hear — "Aren't you going to try those on?" No. There's no point. We know these pants are going to be a major struggle to get on, and the change rooms are too small for us to do the physical contortions required to fasten a 34 waistband around a 42 waist.

So, instead, we have an argument and ultimately buy the pants without trying them on, and then we hang them in the closet beside all the other never-worn clothes we bought without trying on. None of this would have happened if wives would let husbands shop for clothes on their own. Or if husbands would shop for clothes on their own.

URBAN COWBOYS

As our cities have developed, they've kind of sprawled out over all the adjacent countryside. And the way they market the suburbs, you may think you're actually still living in the city even though you're a long way from downtown. Here are a few signs that will show you that you are in fact living in the country:

— You get your mail out of a small tin can at the end of the driveway.

— Sometimes, in the summer, the air doesn't smell very good.

— You have an egg man. And he's your neighbor.

— When you wash your hands, you can hear a pump start up.

— Your kids are the last ones to get off the school bus.

— What you eat eventually affects the height of your lawn.

DON'T WALK LIKE A MAN

My wife has a hard time getting me to take walks. It may be good for my health, and it may relieve stress, and it may eventually lead me to meet my neighbors, but there is something about walking that's contrary to the evolution of the male species. Every time one of us takes a walk, it's a slap in the face to our forefathers who invented the internal combustion engine.

My dad used to say, "Third-class riding is better than first-class walking," and he had the car to prove it. And this is nothing new.

Even when you see one of those old Bible movies, the king is always riding on a camel or a hammock or something. Peasants walk. Kings ride. Sure, I'd like to go for walks and lower my cholesterol, but I guess it's just not in my blood.

QUOTE OF THE DAY: "Whatever doesn't kill you makes you harder to insure." — Red Green

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Congress drags feet on SS

Despite copious rhetoric of late, Congress has failed to pass any meaningful legislation to address the Social Security system's long-term funding crisis.

Some Republicans — most notably House Majority Leader Dick Armey of Flower Mound — are now proposing that Social Security recipients be sent an embossed certificate "guaranteeing" that their benefits and annual cost-of-living increases won't be cut.

That sounds good. But, in actuality, the certificates are a gimmicky political ploy designed to reduce the GOP's vulnerability on the Social Security issue in this year's November elections.

Any benefits guarantee approved by the current Congress could quickly be nullified by a future Congress. Therefore, there's no way that the current Congress can guarantee that benefits won't be cut in the future.

The proposed guarantee apparently would be provided only to the approximately 45 million current recipients of Social Security benefits — but not to the roughly 150 million workers currently paying into the system who aren't yet getting benefit checks.

On Thursday, Social Security Administration Commissioner Jo Anne Barnhart told a House committee that the certificates would carry no legal weight and might confuse or scare Social Security recipients and others nearing retirement age. Just mailing the certificates would cost $10 million to $12 million "that could be used other ways," she said.

The guarantees would do nothing to address the long-term funding problems facing Social Security.

The system faces enormous future funding deficits as a result of a wave of baby boomers retiring in the next two decades. Unless substantive changes are made in the system, sufficient revenues probably won't be available to preserve the current level of benefits, regardless of what "guarantees" might be proclaimed by Congress.

Both Republicans and Democrats are already suffering from an embarrassing lack of credibility on Social Security.

They have violated pledges to avoid using surplus Social Security payroll taxes for general federal expenditures. They've raided the Social Security "lockbox" that they promised to keep their mitts off.

Houston Chronicle

How can Enron chiefs not know?

The protestations of former Enron chieftain Jeffrey Skilling that he knew next to nothing about the company's finances are difficult to believe, but suppose for a moment he was telling the truth under oath. The willful, deliberate, nearly total ignorance that he claims to have achieved would go a long way toward explaining why Enron collapsed in a heap of irresponsibility.

Although Skilling was repeatedly exposed to various briefings about the accounting charades that ultimately brought Enron down, he says the power uncannily failed or he stepped from the room just as the important bits were about to be revealed.

When Skilling's declared ignorance of Enron's finances is joined with the ignorance claimed by former Enron Chairman Ken Lay and many directors on its board, the picture that emerges is of a ship with no one on the bridge.

In his congressional testimony, Skilling repeatedly stated he was not an accountant. He wasn't much of a manager, either.

When alerted to possible problems with the partnerships that obscured losses and inflated profits, Skilling said, he told Enron's chief financial officer at the time, Anthony Fastow, to deal with it. Skilling apparently never checked back to see if or how the problems were dealt with.

If being chief executive of one of the world's largest corporations were as easy as saying, "I don't want to hear about it; let someone else deal with it," anyone who could don a suit could be one.

The Enron scandal is primarily a business story, although it has implications for politics, but the astounding know-nothingism of Enron's principals recalls similar claims of ignorance by Reagan administration officials after the Iran-Contra scandal broke. Vice President George Bush, deeply involved in national security issues, stated he was "out of the loop." President Reagan told the American people he knew nothing of what was being perpetrated by his military aides in the White House basement, even after their attempts to bankroll the Nicaraguan Contras were reported by the press.

Furthermore, Reagan told Americans he had made no effort to ask the perpetrators what was going on, deliberately prolonging "deniability," a euphemism for feigned ignorance or genuine irresponsibility.

Ignorance of the law or one's occupational duties is no excuse for ordinary Americans, who have the arrest records and impoverishment to prove it. Only those at the top seem able to employ the know-nothing defense with any hope of success. At the same time, the ignorant elite reject any insinuation that they are guilty of negligence, dishonor or gross incompetence.

San Antonio Express-News

Colombian crisis

After three years of seeking a peace agreement with leftist guerrillas, Colombian President Andres Pastrana finally gave up last week.

Pastrana, who was elected in 1998 after promising to make peace with the rebels, learned the hard way that the Revolutionary Armed Forces never were serious about ending the 38-year-old fight. The guerrillas, known by their Spanish-language initials FARC, escalated attacks on civilians, hijacked a commercial jet and kidnapped a senator.

Pastrana had no choice but to call off peace talks. He then ordered the military to kick the rebels out of a 16,500-square-mile zone that he ceded them on the condition that they negotiate a peace agreement.

An escalation of the civil war that has claimed tens of thousands of lives seems inevitable. That must concern nations throughout the Western Hemisphere, especially the United States.

The FARC, with its 16,000 fighters, is well-funded by the illegal drug trade and ransoms from kidnappings. Two smaller, but also dangerous, paramilitary groups and ruthless drug lords also operate in Colombia.

To complicate matters, the nation's economy is hurting. Voters must elect a new president this year because the Constitution prohibits Pastrana's re-election.

The FARC's expulsion from a territory the size of Connecticut and Massachusetts offers hope that the government is gaining an upper hand.

FARC's retreat without a fight indicates that the Colombian military eventually can regain control of the entire nation, which is nearly twice the size of Texas.

Although Washington has been under pressure to become involved militarily, the Bush administration wisely has resisted. According to the Washington Post, Secretary of State Colin Powell, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld and national security adviser Condoleezza Rice have shelved a Pentagon-backed plan to increase U.S. involvement in Colombia.z

SEAL killed in fighting was ready to die for his country

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — The Navy SEAL who was slain after falling out of his stricken helicopter in Afghanistan wrote his wife an open-in-the-event-of-my-death letter in which he assured her: "I died doing what made me happy."

"Although I sacrificed personal freedom and many other things, I got just as much as I gave. My time in the Teams was special," 32-year-old Neil Roberts wrote. "For all the times I was cold, wet, tired, sore, scared, hungry and angry, I had a blast."

Roberts, a Norfolk-based petty officer 1st class from Woodland, Calif., was one of seven Americans who died Monday after U.S. helicopters were hit by enemy gunfire in Afghanistan. Roberts fell to the ground as his helicopter, hit by a rocket-propelled grenade, veered away toward safer ground. He apparently survived the fall and was shot on the ground.

Whether he was dragged away by al-Qaida fighters and shot to death, whether he was already dead when taken away, or whether he was wounded when taken and died later is unclear, said Gen. Tommy Franks, the U.S. war commander.

The U.S. military encourages members to update their wills and otherwise get their personal affairs in order before they leave on assignment.

The Roberts family is grieving in private, but friend Christina Kalassay released a portion of the letter because Roberts' widow, Patty, wanted to tell people a little bit about her husband, the father of her 18-month-old son.

"Neil would want everyone to remember him as a loving husband and father, a loving son and brother, a true friend and warrior who never once questioned his commitment to his family or his country," Kalassay said in a statement.

Roberts, who had a twin brother and 10 other siblings, wrote in his letter that he treasured his childhood and that his family's support and care made him the person he was. He also expressed how much being in the Navy meant to him.

"I loved being a SEAL," he wrote. "If I died doing something for the Teams, then I died doing what made me happy. Very few people have the luxury of that."

Donations to a fund that helps families of SEALs killed in action and offers scholarships to children of SEALs may be sent to the Naval Special Warfare Foundation, P.O. Box 5365, Virginia Beach, Va. 23471.

State judge blocks health plan that is unlicensed

AUSTIN (AP) — American Benefit Plans, an insurance company operating in Texas without a license, has been placed in temporary receivership with its bank accounts frozen by a state judge.

State District Court Judge Darlene Byrne took the action Wednesday, ordering the company to stop selling health care coverage to employees. He also placed the company's books, records, assets and other funds under the control of the state insurance commissioner.

ABP has been providing health coverage to approximately 8,000 Texans, primarily under contracts with employers. The plan is headquartered in North Richland Hills, a Fort Worth suburb.

"As medical costs rise, we are seeing a resurgence of unlicensed health plans that attempt to entice employers with lower-than-market rates," Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor said.

"These plans bypass the normal licensing process for a reason — and it's not a good one. Invariably, unlicensed health plans stop paying claims and leave their members with stacks of unpaid medical bills," the commissioner said.

The attorney general's office obtained the temporary receivership and temporary restraining order at the request of Montemayor and the Texas Department of Insurance.

Among other defendants, the order names company officers Robert David Neal of Fort Worth, Robert Neal Pointer of Dallas and the National Association of Working Americans.

Montemayor appointed Robert Loiseau of Jack M. Webb & Associates Inc. as special deputy receiver to convert the company's assets into cash for the payment of claims and other obligations.

If the company is placed in permanent receivership, Loiseau will attempt to collect assets that can be used for payment of claims.

Anyone with a question about the receivership can call the special deputy receiver's staff at 512-263-4650.

Happy Birthday Michale!

Datebook

Saturday, March 9, 2002

Today is the 68th day of 2002, and the 79th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt called Congress together for a special session. This was the beginning of the "Hundred Days," where FDR got a slew of legislation through Congress to help combat the Great Depression.

On this day in 1959, the girl's doll "Barbie" was introduced. Since then, over 800 million have been sold.

On this day in 1964, the Supreme Court issued their decision in The New York Times v. Sullivan. The ruling put the burden of proof on public officials to provide evidence of libel in order to receive damages.

On this day in 1997, rapper Chris "Notorious B.I.G." Wallace was gunned down in New York City.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Yuri Gagarin (1934 - 1968), first man in space; Raul Julia (1940 - 1994), actor; Bobby Fischer (1943 —), chess champion, is 59; Linda Fiorentino (1960 -), actress, is 42; Emmanuel Lewis (1971 -), actor, is 31.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1995, Major League Baseball officially granted a franchise to the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Would it be right to take off if I were not rested? It was my duty to sleep, so I slept." — Yuri Gagarin, referring to the night before his historic flight into space. Most of his colleagues were too nervous to get any sleep.

TODAY'S MOON: In between the last quarter (March 5) and the new moon (March 13)

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Sunday, March 10, 2002

Today is the 69th day of 2002, and the 80th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1876, the first telephone call was made. Alexander Graham Bell used his new invention to summon his assistant, Thomas Watson, after spilling acid on himself.

On this day in 1952, Gen. Fulgencio Batista began his military coup of Cuba. He was successful, but Fidel Castro soon deposed him.

On this day in 1977, astronomers discovered the existence of rings around the planet Uranus. Prior to this, it was assumed that rings were a peculiarity of Saturn alone.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Chuck Norris (1940 -), actor/martial artist, is 62; Kim Campbell (1947 —), former Prime Minister of Canada, is 55; Sharon Stone (1958 -), actress, is 44; Jasmine Guy (1963 -), actress, is 39; Shannon Miller (1977 -), Olympic gymnast, is 25.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1985, Dallas Mavericks coach Dick Motta became the fourtn NBA coach to win 700 games in a career.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Canada's first Prime Minister sought, unsuccessfully, to give women the vote. Today, a century after his passing, a woman stands before you as Prime Minister of Canada." - Kim Campbell, in a July 1, 1993 speech to Parliament.

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FCC stops review of merger

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal regulators on Thursday halted a review of satellite television company EchoStar Communications Corp.'s proposed $26 billion merger with Hughes Electronics until EchoStar provides more records and data.

EchoStar, which offers Dish Network, and Hughes, the parent of DirecTV, are seeking government approval for a merger that would create the largest pay-TV service in the country.

The Federal Communications Commission had been reviewing whether the merger would create a monopoly in the industry and subvert the public interest. The review was scheduled to be completed in no more than six months, but the process has been stopped until the agency gets more information from EchoStar, according to FCC officials.

The FCC had asked both companies to provide detailed information on their profits, losses and products.

Some of the requested information was filed with the FCC by March 6, but some critical data were not included, said an FCC official who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

EchoStar officials could not be reached for comment. Hughes officials refused to comment.

Both companies have said the merger would also expand high-speed Internet access for rural residents, whose high-speed access lags behind urban areas.

Last month, the companies announced they would be able to deliver local programming in each of the 210 markets nationwide, twice as many as they originally said they could reach. The change addressed a criticism of the merger — that small-town residents won't get their local channels.

On the Net:

EchoStar Communications: http://www.dishnetwork.com

DirecTV: http://www.directv.com

Caruso relocates to Miami

MIAMI (AP) — Former "NYPD Blue" star David Caruso has relocated to Miami, where he'll co-own an upscale clothing and home furnishings store.

Caruso, 46, said he's happy to leave the "cynical, hard-core energy" of Los Angeles for Miami's beach culture.

"Love it here," said Caruso. He and his 32-year-old wife, Margaret, own a $1 million South Beach condominium.

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22 The Force was with him
23 Soup server
26 Old word for "you"
28 Back when
29 Challenge
31 Mo. bill
35 Take a bath
37 Gambler's town
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42 Acclimate
44 Hannibal's route
46 Compete in a slalom
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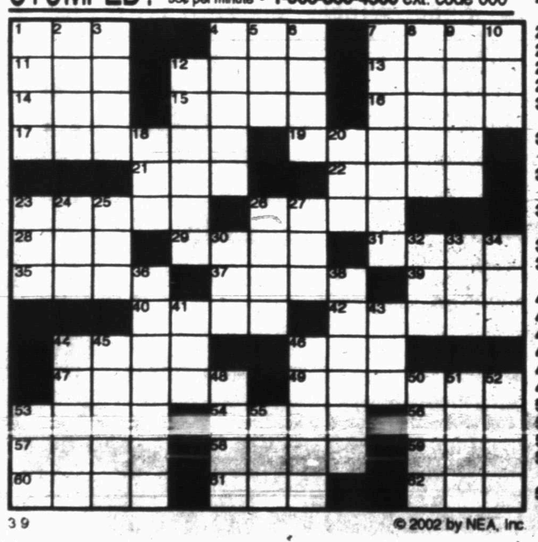

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Communicate with the doctor

DEAR DR. GOTT: During a recent visit to my doctor, he allowed a drug company sales rep to stay in the room. This made me feel exceedingly uncomfortable; I was unable to discuss several health issues that concerned me. Aren't office visits supposed to be confidential between patient and physician?

DEAR READER: Absolutely. Your physician acted inappropriately. At the very least he should have asked your opinion about having the sales rep in attendance. Also, you had every right to share your discomfort with the doctor, who would have explained the basis of his decision or asked the sales rep to leave the room.

As a general rule, I ask my patients to communicate freely with me about my glitches, forgetfulness and — yes — mistakes. I welcome direct dialogue, which serves only to reinforce a good doctor/patient relation. I wish that your physician were of the same mind.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I read your article a few weeks ago suggesting the 8 ounces of hot prune juice a day might cure constipation. I tried it. Boy, did it work. To prevent explosive diarrhea, I had to cut back to 4 ounces every other day.

Will this be a dangerous habit?

DEAR READER: No, the practice is not dangerous. However, you would do well to modify your consumption of prune juice; use only the amount you need to achieve your goal. For example, 4 ounces every two days (or 2 ounces every day) is an appropriate dosage.

Dried fruit — including prunes, raisins and apricots — is rich in potassium, a mineral necessary for good health. Potassium also has a laxative effect, especially when consumed warm. Although I initially recommended 8 ounces of hot prune juice a day — the customary dosage — many people do well with far less, on an as-needed basis. Unlike commercial laxatives, the potassium in dried fruits is neither harmful nor addicting; the bowel will not become dependent on it. The mineral is a normal component of a well-balanced diet. You may continue your hot prune juice to your heart's satisfaction.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Doctors must experience a great deal of stress from an increasingly elderly patient population and I can understand their frustration at dealing with so many health problems. Perhaps a dollop of humor might lessen the burden and renew your faith in the aged.

I visited my 94-year-old aunt recently and took her for her doctor's appointment. She was describing the usual litany of medical complaints, when he gently held up his hand. "Just how long do you want to live?" he asked.

Without batting an eyelash or missing a beat, she replied: "As long as you are smart enough to keep me comfortable."

Isn't that great?

DEAR READER: Better than great. Thanks for sharing.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Shame, shame, shame on you! In a recent article, you referred to a 60-year-old grandmother as "elderly"! Not in today's world, sweetie.

DEAR READER: OK, OK. I recant. But at what age are people considered elderly? Because I'm over 60 — and elderly — I figured that this age was an appropriate cut-off. In consideration of my valued readers, I hereby apologize to all those grandparents who are not elderly, just mature.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: Would you please address a concern I have about the medical profession? I just became aware of this and wonder how many other seniors know about it.

For years, when I had a doctor appointment, I paid for a basic office call and could discuss whatever concerns I had during that visit. Now I find that there is a basic office call charge, but if I bring up more than one problem the price goes up. For every concern I may want to talk about, the price rises accordingly. Is this an isolated case or is this the growing trend in doctor visits? Don't you think this will make people hesitate to discuss their problems with their doctor? I know now I'm going to be careful of what I say during my visit. I wonder how many seniors are aware of this, especially when most of them have a lot more than one thing to talk about, and it's one of their favorite things to do: telling their doctor about all their aches and pains.

DEAR READER: I am unaware of a national trend that encourages physicians to charge for each problem presented by patients. True, all doctors have to use a code when billing Medicare — and the more problems addressed, the more complicated the case; hence, the higher fees. But when I see a senior citizen for anything more than a trivial matter, I expect to be presented with a list of complaints and concerns, which are simply the way life is. Although my secretary, a very experienced and dedicated professional, generally sets aside extra office time for elderly patients with such issues, I certainly do not specifically charge extra for each problem. And I find this practice to be reprehensible.

Of course, sometimes I get burned. Last month, I examined an elderly widow who had arrived with a written list of complaints, each of which I addressed in turn. After 45 minutes of examination and discussion she seemed satisfied, and we both stood up and started for the door. Transaction — I thought — completed. "Oh, I forgot to tell you, doctor, that I have chest pain every time I walk or exercise. Could this be serious?"

I saw my late afternoon schedule collapse. I couldn't in good conscience disregard such a potentially serious symptom, so we again sat down to continue the office visit, while other patients piled up in the waiting room as though they were in line for a pre-flight check-in at a major airport. This experience re-inforced my conviction that, on occasion, I need more patience than patients. However, I apologized to my waiting clients and offered them the option of returning on another day because I was hopelessly behind schedule. They chose to stay and take their turns. When I finally arrived home at 8 p.m., I knew I had put in a memorable day but, as you well know, attitude is everything, and I wanted to maintain a good attitude and not get crazy. Did I charge extra for the lovely widow? You bet I did. But not because she had an additional problem. The office fee rose because she generated another potential disease-related code for which I had to perform further examination and testing.

I'll admit that senior citizens frequently present me with a litany of complaints. But to charge extra for each concern is preposterous — unless the complaint requires significant additional time, more meticulous examination and follow-up testing.

My advice to you is: Talk to your doctor about his policy. He may well have a convincing argument for it. Whether or not he does, he at least owes you an explanation and — possibly — a compromise. Perhaps if you were willing to submit to him a list of your health concerns before your appointment he might be willing to review them, shorten your office visit and avoid charging you for each complaint. It seems to me that open communication is a logical first step in resolving this issue. Let me know how this works out.

DEAR DR. GOTT: In a recent column, concerning what an observer should do if a person has a seizure, you gave incorrect advice. The Epilepsy Foundation has published first-aid tips: the convulsing person should be turned on his side and no object should be introduced into the mouth.

DEAR READER: The important considerations are that a bystander 1) make certain the airway is open and 2) protect the person having a seizure from hazards, such as falling (down a flight of stairs) or drowning (while swimming). My comments addressed these goals. I appreciate you writing to clarify these issues, and I am sorry for any confusion.

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$6 billion error in farm bill estimate creates problems

WASHINGTON (AP) — A $6 billion error by congressional budget analysts has created new problems for Senate Democrats in their election-year battle over farm policy with House leaders and the Bush administration.

The mistake, disclosed Thursday, means a Senate-passed overhaul of farm programs is $6.1 billion over the spending limit set by a congressional budget agreement.

Had the error been discovered before the Senate voted on the bill, its Democratic authors likely would have been forced to sharply scale back the legislation. Otherwise, minority Republicans could have potentially blocked the bill on procedural grounds.

"All we can do now is to continue to move forward and address this issue," said Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Tom Harkin, D-Iowa.

House Republicans had openly questioned how the Senate bill could create new subsidy programs and increase others and still comply with the budget, as a House-passed bill does.

The error "shows the balance and broad base that the House bill has," said House Agriculture Committee Chairman Larry Combest, R-Texas. He said the mistake strengthens his hand in talks with the Senate on a compromise bill.

Under the budget agreement, lawmakers are not supposed to increase government farm spending by more than $73.5 billion over the next 10 years. Prior to the error's discovery, that was the cost estimate for the Senate bill.

The Senate bill would spend significantly more than the House on conservation and nutrition programs and also would provide a far bigger boost to farm subsidies this year than the House bill.

Mary Kay Thatcher, a lobbyist for the American Farm Bureau Federation, said Senate leaders will have to overhaul the proposals in their legislation before they can negotiate further.

"It gives a little more leverage to the House side," she said.

The House-Senate conference committee that is working on reconciling the legislation already faced a number of thorny issues, including a new $2 billion subsidy program for dairy farmers in the Senate bill and a Senate-passed limit on the payments that individual farms may collect.

The Senate bill also would increase subsidies to grain and cotton farmers in a way that the Bush administration says would encourage overproduction of those crops.

Farm groups have been pushing lawmakers to finish their work on the bill by the time Congress breaks for its Easter recess on March 22 so that the legislation can take affect for this year's crops.

"My biggest fear is that this (error) serves to slow down the process even more than it already has," said Bruce Knight, a lobbyist for the National Corn Growers Association.

Safety nominee is being scrutinized

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumer advocates are questioning whether Harold Stratton, a former New Mexico attorney general and head of Lawyers for Bush there, is the right person to lead the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

The criticism is building even though Stratton's name has yet to be submitted to the Senate. President Bush lost an initial skirmish over the leadership of the regulatory agency when Senate Democrats last year thwarted his promotion of commission member Mary Sheila Gall to the top spot.

Bush announced more than four months ago that he would nominate Stratton to lead the agency that oversees some 15,000 products ranging from air conditioners to teddy bears.

Opponents who successfully sank Gall's nomination are accusing the administration of choosing candidates who would give the CPSC a pro-business tilt.

In a party-line 12-11 vote last summer, Democrats on the Senate Commerce Committee defeated Gall, Bush's first choice for the top job.

Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore. a member of the committee, said he will not prejudge the president's latest choice, but said he is concerned about Stratton's inexperience.

"He has no demonstrable track record on product safety," Wyden said. He added that Stratton does have "a record of voting against rules that empower consumers with information."

Stratton, widely known as "Hal," referred all questions to the White House. Spokeswoman Anne Womack said the delay in sending the nomination was not unusual and the FBI has been conducting a standard background check. Stratton's "leadership experience and knowledge of consumer issues make him an excellent nominee," she said.

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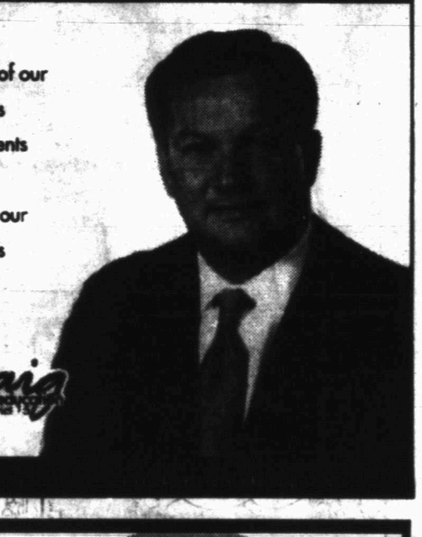
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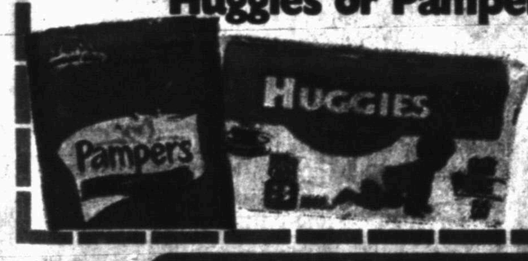

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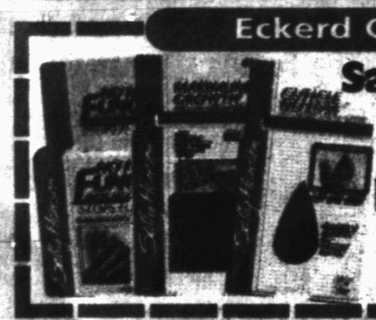

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TEMPLES AND TOMBS — Three fifth grade classes at Northeast recently completed their study of Egypt with a program entitled *Temples and Tombs*. Students in Vanessa Taylor's class (top photo) are from left, row one, Robert Castaneda, Zachary Rivera, Ted Cerda, Clint McDaniel, Caleb Harrison, Sebastian Jaquez, Jonathan Wallace, Richard Grice; second row, Lecy Blauvelt, Amanda Kerr, Ashley Hagins, Leslie Johnston, Erma Rodriguez, Bryan Guerra; third row, Jessica Sandoval, Kadrian Groage, Raven Gist, Esperanza Benitez, Patrick Meighan, Erica Maldonado, Heather Torres, Brittney Hendricks. Barbara Owen's students (middle photo) are from left, [illegible] Hernandez, Dominic Cabrera; row two, Matthew Medrano, Jessie Deavers, Kendra Iglehart, Alyssa Torres, Lolita Ramos, Ryan Anderson; row three, Aaron Chaidez, La Reshia Carey, Daniella Allen, Ashly Anderson, Nancy Rubio, Brooke Burleson, Roxann Renteria, Frankie Benitez. Rebekah Thornton's students (bottom photo) are from left, top row, Wolfie Garcia, Clay Hirt, Briana Bryant, Jarred Rascon, Riley Davis, Shaquita Sneed; middle row, Lesa Jones, Ava Reyes, Dana Stanley, Megan Villegas, Veronica Alvarado, Bianca Alvarado, Heather Vasquez, Kasey Young; bottom row, Randy Loveall, Brittney Rivera, Brandy Pyburn, Daniel Peterson, Jessica Timora, Cody Presley, Amanda Geraldon. Triesta Lilly is the music teacher. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Sculpture will become part of WTC memorial

NEW YORK (AP) — "The Sphere," the steel and bronze sculpture that was once a meeting point for World Trade Center workers, will become a focal point again as a memorial for those killed in the twin towers.

But the creator of the 45,000-pound sculpture, which was damaged in the Sept. 11 attack, said he has mixed feelings about using his work in a memorial.

"I hope I will still be able to consider myself the creator of this work," German sculptor Fritz Koenig, 77, said from his home in Landshut, Germany, before departing for New York to see his work and its new home in Battery Park.

The gashed and dented sculpture and a surrounding section of Battery Park, a few blocks from ground zero, will serve as a temporary memorial until a permanent one is built.

The temporary memorial will be dedicated Monday, six months after the attacks, at 8:46 a.m. — the time the first of two hijacked jetliners slammed into the trade center.

"The Sphere" will be surrounded by trees and benches for mourners.

Created in 1971, "The Sphere" was originally dedicated as a monument to world peace through trade. Until Sept. 11, it sat atop a granite fountain at the center of the five-acre trade center plaza. It was a landmark for people who worked or lived near the twin towers.

When the towers collapsed, the top of "The Sphere" lost about five feet off its 25-foot height.

Interviewed after the attack, Koenig was adamant that "The Sphere" not be restored, calling the piece "a beautiful corpse." "It is lost, just like the World Trade Center," he said at the time.

Koenig has designed memorials to those who died at a Nazi death camp in Mauthausen, Austria, and to the Israeli athletes killed at the 1972 Olympics in Munich.

Mayor Michael Bloomberg said "The Sphere" may serve as a centerpiece for a permanent memorial as well.