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FBI seeking to question 400 in attacks

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI is seeking nearly 400 people for questioning in the terrorist attacks while federal prosecutors build a criminal case involving identification cards for five of the now-dead hijackers. One man has been charged.

Material witness charges against a Texas doctor who had been detained by the FBI were dropped, the FBI said today. Al-Badr Al-Hazmi had been held in New York as a material witness in the Sept. 11 attacks. Government officials confirmed that he was released and was returning to Texas.

A Saudi national, Al-Hazmi, 34, was doing a medical residency in radiology at University of Texas Health Science Center. He had been working at a military hospital located on Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio in the days before the attacks.

As the investigation proceeded on several fronts Monday, a Florida bank president said he had been told that one of the men suspected in the Sept. 11 hijackings of four airliners tried to get a loan from the U.S. Agriculture Department to buy a crop-dusting plane.

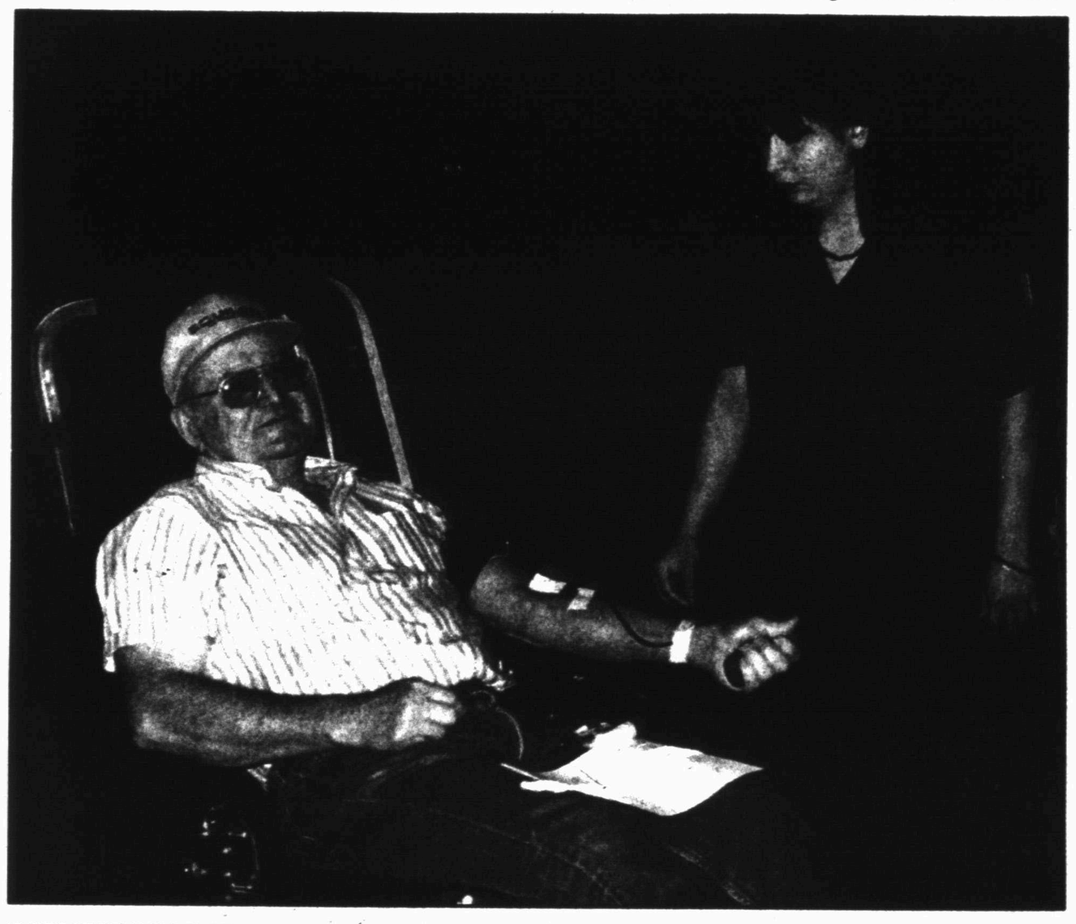
Attorney General John Ashcroft told Congress the FBI had gathered information raising fears that crop-dusters could be used in a biological or chemical attack. At the FBI's request, the planes were grounded Sunday and Monday. The grounding was lifted early this morning.

Appering today before the Senate Judiciary Committee, Ashcroft said terrorism remains a clear and present danger. He said the investigation has uncovered several individuals with links to the hijackers who have fraudulently obtained or attempted to obtain licenses to transport hazardous materials.

"Given the current threat environment, the FBI has advised all law enforcement agencies to remain alert to these threats," he said, adding later, "We must prevent first, prosecute second."

In the criminal case, the government said Herbert Villalobos accompanied Abdul Aziz Al Omari and Ahmed Saleh Al Ghamdi to a lawyer's office in Virginia on Aug. 2 to help the two suspected hijackers obtain state identity cards.

When shown photos of the hijackers by the FBI, Villalobos recognized three other suspects "believed to have commandeered American Airlines Flight 77" from Washington Dulles International Airport that crashed into the Pentagon, according to court documents. Villalobos said Hani Hanjour, Salem Al Hazmi and Majed Moqed were at the Arlington, Va., office of the state Department of Motor Vehicles on Aug. 2, just as Al Omari and Al Ghamdi were.



DONATING BLOOD — Joe Rollins of Snyder donated blood at this morning's drive at First Baptist Church's Family Life Center while Sonya Magallanes helps out. (SDN Staff Photo)

Last victims of bridge collapse are recovered

PORT ISABEL, Texas (AP) — Officials believe the last of the victims of a South Texas bridge collapse have been retrieved by rescue workers in the Laguna Madre bringing the death toll to eight.

Two bodies were retrieved on Monday and one was recovered Sunday, more than a week after four barges loaded with steel coils and guided by a tugboat slammed into the Queen Isabella Causeway.

A couple was retrieved from a Ford sport utility vehicle pulled from the water in two sections. The victims were identified as Barry Welch, 53, and his wife Chealsa Welch, 23.

The identity of a second person who occupied another vehicle brought to the surface Monday was being withheld until relatives could be notified, DPS spokesman Adrian Rivera said.

Two more unoccupied vehicles were expected to be retrieved today. Four automobiles remain in the bay, but Rivera said the main goal had been achieved.

During the weekend, demolition crews removed tons of concrete and other debris that delayed recovery work until Monday.

Repairs to the 2.37-mile-long bridge — the only vehicular link between the mainland and South Padre Island — could take four months and cost $5 million.

Gov. Rick Perry asked the federal Small Business Administration on Monday to activate the Economic Injury Disaster Loan program for businesses in Cameron County affected by the Sept. 15 collapse.

Hotels, restaurants and retail shops were hit hard when the bridge collapse cut short the tourist season, Perry said.

Businesses that can't meet financial obligations or pay operating expenses because of the collapse are eligible. Loan amounts would be based on need.

The accident comes amid a call for public hearings to discuss building a second causeway to the island.

The Brownsville City Commission on Tuesday evening will vote on a resolution against a proposed causeway at Holly Beach, north of Port Isabel.

The resolution calls for a look at alternatives such as ferries, a sister bridge near the Queen Isabella Causeway or a bridge at the original causeway site, south of the current bridge, to avoid a negative economic impact on Brownsville.

Meanwhile, a draft of a plan for a second bridge between the island and Holly Beach is to be presented Thursday at a Texas Transportation Commission meeting in Austin.

Texas Attorney General John Cornyn has sued the company that owns the tug, asking a court to allow the state to recover damages to the causeway. The suit also asked the court to declare Brown Water Towing I Inc. and Brown Water Marine Service Inc., both of Rockport, negligent and liable for damage to the bridge.

But towing company attorneys in federal court have denied responsibility for the collision and moved to limit financial liability.

Area code meetings set

A meeting will be held in Abilene this evening concerning the addition of another area code for the present 915 area.

The meeting will be from 6:30 until 8 p.m. in Room 141 at Abilene High School

"The increased use of cell phones, pagers and fax machines in the region has created a need for more numbers," said Terry Hadley of the Public Utility Commission.

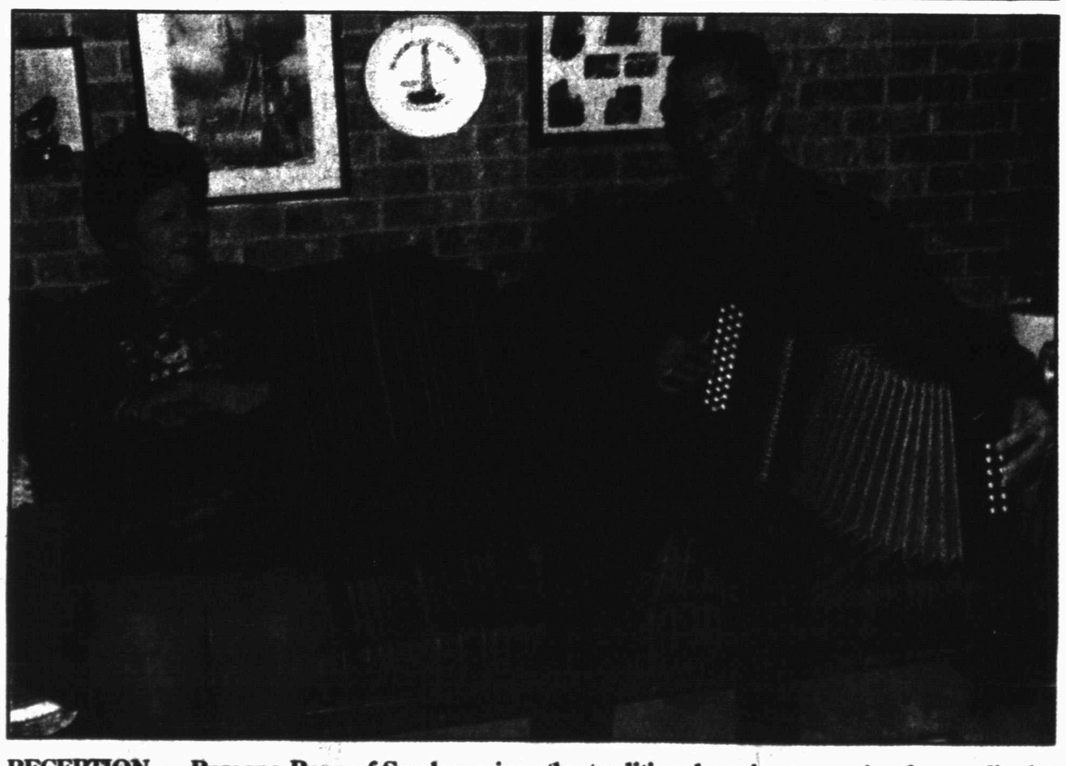
Area code 915 serves all of 44 counties and parts of 16 more in West Texas and it is estimated that all available phone numbers will be exhausted in the first quarter of 2004.

In six public meetings this week, the PUC is reviewing eight proposed plans to introduce a new area code to the region. The plans involve either a geographic split or a number overlay.

Another meeting will be in San Angelo from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. Wednesday at Fort Concho officers quarters, while Midland will also host a meeting Wednesday from 6-7:30 p.m. in the Midland City Council chambers.

The first of six meetings was held Monday night in Llano, while others are set for Odessa and El Paso.

Citizens unable to attend a meeting can contact the PUC by calling 1-888-782-8477, or by e-mailing the PUC at area-codes@puc.state.tx.us. They can write the commission at PUC Office of Customer Protection, Box 13326, Austin, 78711-3326.



RECEPTION — Ramona Pena of Snyder enjoys the traditional conjunto music of accordionist Santiago Jimenez Jr. Monday at a going away reception for Jimenez and his wife at the chamber of commerce office. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Rich people with no kids have a house full of antiques. Others have a house full of kids and old furniture."

We got an invitation to see the retirement spot of former WTC president Harry Krenek and his wife, Marsha.

Their retirement home is still in the planning stages, and currently they are living in what will be the guest house.

The setting is on a bluff right on Copano Bay, and the work they have done in building a sea wall, dock and boardwalk down to the water makes running a college look easy.

Just before the trip we vowed to conform to the do-gooders plea not to shoot a shark. We also vowed to stay out of the water.

A news release from the People for Ethical Treatment of Animals referred to our kind as "knee-jerk." If we encountered a shark, more than a knee would be jerking.

Most of those PETA folks likely have good intentions, but we're gonna kill a rattlesnake if one happens to cross our path. We're not going to go hunting for it, so we expect it not to hunt for us.

A few years ago, organizers of the Scurry County Fair had to cancel a horned toad race after getting criticism from the animal rights folks.

Just the other day we read where somebody is challenging management of a hotel in Austin because they have doves living in the lobby.

The animal do-gooders say the birds are stressed-out because they spend their entire day being gawked at by folks passing by.

From what we saw in the bottom of the cage, they can't be too concerned about doing their business in public.

And talk about leering, what about those ducks in the Peabody hotels who stroll down a red carpet first thing each day. They don't seem to mind – and they've been doing it on a regular basis since 1936.

A recent letter from the president of PETA said, "If you listen to us without hating, you might just raise your family as vegetarians."

We're trying and have become half vegetarian. We promise always to order a potato with our steak.

But we have a problem with the hate part. We still hate snakes.

And after an encounter with those jackrabbit-sized mosquitoes on the coast, we couldn't resist smacking 'em.

We expect a letter of reprimand from PETA just any day.

Tie-breaker decides football contest winner

The entrants with three misses were the money winners in last week's SDN Football Contest. The order of finish was determined by the tie breaker procedure.

The tie breaker game was Dallas vs. San Diego, which the Chargers won, with a point total of 53. All three winners picked San Diego, so the point total determined the finish order.

Gary Martin of 2316 40th St. won the $50 first prize, guessing 32 total points.

Matthew Rios of 2900 Ave. W took $25, predicting 27 points.

Joe Wirsching of 366 CR 146 took third place and $15, calling for 20 points.

Winners will be mailed their checks. Another contest appears in this edition.

ASK US

Q—I think my elderly parents are being solicited by a Canadian lottery company. Where can I get information about these scams?

A—Call the Texas Attorney General's office at 1-800-621-0508.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Monday, 72 degrees; low, 40; 7 a.m. Tuesday, 47; no precipitation; total for 2001, 14.95 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, clear, low around 50, light, variable winds. Wednesday, sunny, highs around 80, S winds 5-10 mph. Wednesday night, clear, lows mid 50s.



Briana Rose
Sunny

Sunset:
7:30 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:35 a.m.
Of 267 days in 2001, the sun has shone 255 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Happiness is an inside job.
—Wally "Famous" Amos

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Some Arab students are going home after attacks

By The Associated Press

Around the United States, scores of Arab students have dropped out of college and left the country, many of them after being called home by parents fearful of war and anti-Arab sentiment following the terrorist attacks.

Some 47 students from the United Arab Emirates have quit Washington State University in Pullman, Wash. There are also reports of about 100 Arab students leaving other U.S. colleges in the wake of the Sept. 11 suicide hijackings.

"There are some students who feel anxiety," said Shafeeq Ghabra, spokesman for the Kuwaiti Embassy in Washington, D.C. "Their parents back home in Kuwait are more anxious than they are. Some would like to be together with their children."

While it is unclear exactly how many Arab students are leaving, it appears that the vast majority are staying. Of the 570,000 foreign students in the United States, about 40,000 of them are from Arab countries, according to the American Council on Education.

One of the biggest exoduses appears to be from Washington State, which has a total of 18,000 students.

"For the most part it's because their parents want them back," said Ranna Daud, 20, head of the Muslim Student Association at WSU.

Daud, an Arab-American raised in Pullman, said there has been no violence against the students, though some have been harassed verbally.

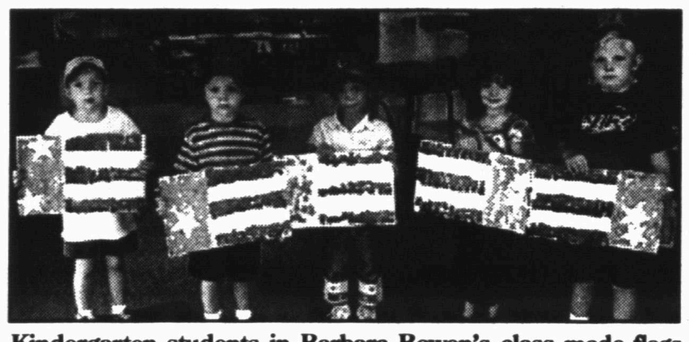
Efforts to contact some of the departing students were not successful because colleges would not release their names.

The Saudi government is providing free airfare to students who wish to go home. Those who choose to do so will not lose their government scholarships.

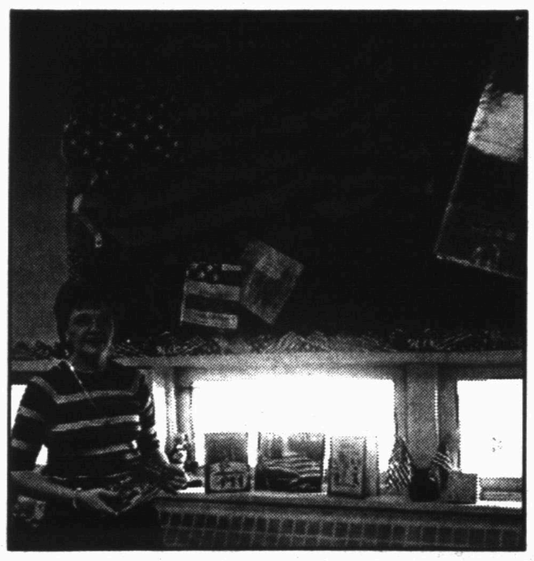
Kuwait has more than 3,000 students in the United States, Ghabra said. "We have encouraged students to stay," he said.

Those who are afraid to stay in the United States are getting Kuwaiti government assistance to come home, but are being asked to return to this country for the spring semester, said Ghabra, who has a daughter who is a junior at American University in Washington, D.C.

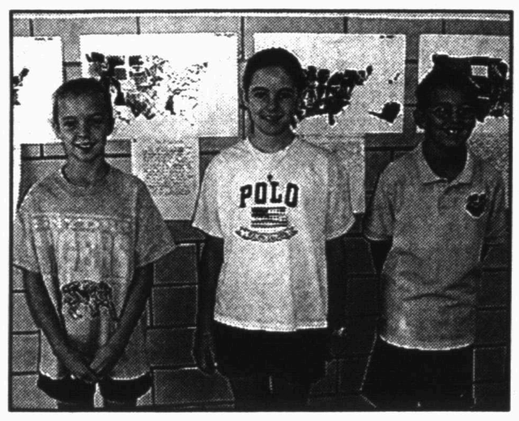
Northeast Elementary



Kindergarten students in Barbara Bowen's class made flags for Celebrate Freedom Week, which began Monday. From left are Colton Claxton, Joshua Mayes, Aileen Molinar, Caprice Block, and Brett Sorrells.

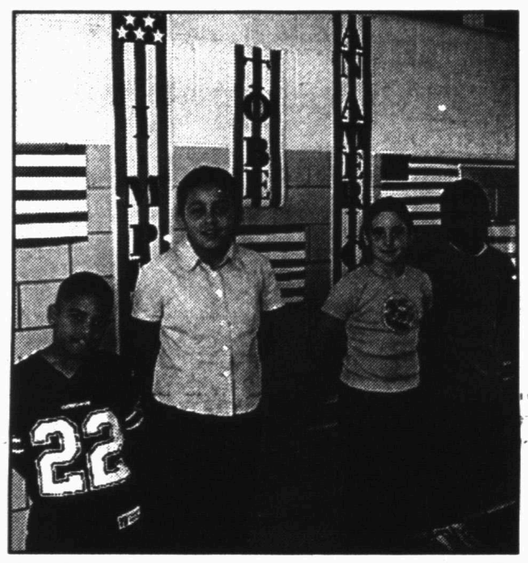


Vanessa Taylor coordinated Celebrate Freedom Week activities. She stands below the display she created for her classroom.

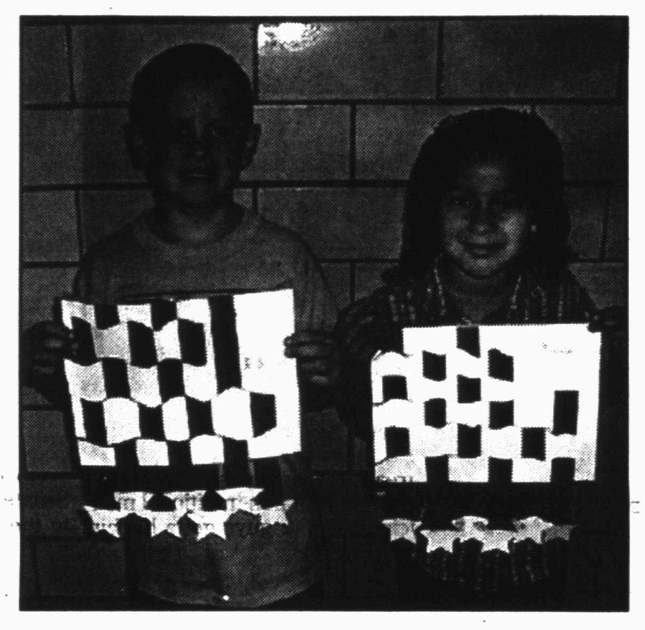


Fifth graders in Staci Bollinger's class wrote *I'm Proud to be an American* essay. From left are Kailea Shaw, Ryanna Alexander, Alexander Cave.

Celebrates freedom...



Ann Uptergrove's class made flags for their *I'm Proud to be American* display. From left are David Jalman, Yoci Arellano, Charley Stewart, Tommy Green.



Sandra Baker's first graders created patriotic artwork. Joe Iglehart and Mercedes Guzman are pictured with their projects.

SDN Staff Photos By Shirley A. Gorman

Divorce case dismissals increase following attacks

HOUSTON (AP) — Divorce attorneys say more clients considering breakups — as well as those in the middle of one — are now trying to reconcile following terrorists' attacks on New York and Washington, D.C.

Dismissals in divorce cases have risen in the Harris County Family Law courts in the weeks since the terrorism.

Family law cases, most of which are divorces, have been dismissed at almost three times the volume in the days after the tragedy as in the days before it. About 400 such lawsuits have been dismissed in the 10 working days since Sept. 11.

In the five working days before hijacked planes struck the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, about 75 lawsuits were dismissed.

State District Judge Linda Motheral, who hears family law cases, said the trend seems likely a product of the "general sense everywhere that people realize this could be it, our lives may have changed forever and the things we worried about before look like small potatoes."

"It could be a coincidence, but it would be one big coincidence," Motheral told the Houston Chronicle in today's editions.

In her court, 54 cases were dismissed in the 10 days since the court has been open for business since Sept. 11. In the five working days at the beginning of the month, 13 cases were dismissals.

Annette Henry, a lawyer who handles family-law cases, said right after the explosions she had telephone calls from two clients, both who had preliminary consultations. Both canceled their appointments for Sept. 11.

"I just thought they would reschedule. But in both cases, they said they were going to try to reconcile instead," Henry said. "One woman said she had children and with all that had happened she just couldn't do it, she wanted to keep them all together."

Henry said that when someone files for divorce, their problems seem insurmountable.

"But with a tragedy like this, it puts it all in perspective. Whatever was driving you crazy no longer seems so significant," she said.

Michael Von Blon, an attorney who specializes in family-law cases, said two clients stopped their divorce proceedings last week.

"I've probably had 10 reconciliations like this in 20 years of practice. Two in one week is unusual," said Von Blon, who suspects the tragedy is the catalyst.

But plenty of new lawsuits have been filed in the days since the attacks. And plenty of divorce lawyers haven't seen any reconciling clients.

Family-law attorney Ellen Elkins Grimes hoped the tragedy would cause some clients to reconcile.

"Unfortunately, I haven't seen that. There are still people calling, upset with each other," Grimes said. "Maybe when people hear about the others trying this, they'll find hope."

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In 1999, one in eight Americans was 65 years old or older. In 2030, about one in five will be.

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Twenty-six percent of all Americans age 55 or over exercise 100 or more times per year.

Miners killed in Alabama

BROOKWOOD, Ala. (AP) — Ten coal miners are being hailed as heroes for rushing into a mine to rescue co-workers hurt in an explosion, only to be caught in the mine when a second blast hit.

As many as 13 people were killed in the mine. If that death toll is confirmed, the explosion would be the worst mining accident since Dec. 19, 1984, when a fire killed 27 coal miners near Orangeville, Utah.

The miners who went in after their co-workers were praised for their selflessness, which drew comparisons to the bravery of rescue workers killed in the terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center on Sept. 11.

"These men gave their lives to help others, just as the firefighters and police of New York did nearly two weeks ago," said Don DeFosset, chief executive of Walter Industries, which owns the mine and its operator, Jim Walter Resources Inc.

One of the would-be rescuers died of burns at a hospital Monday, and officials said the other nine were missing and presumed dead. The three miners they were trying to help also died in the fireball.

Rescue work was halted because of continuing fires and high concentrations of gases. It was unclear when recovery work would begin.

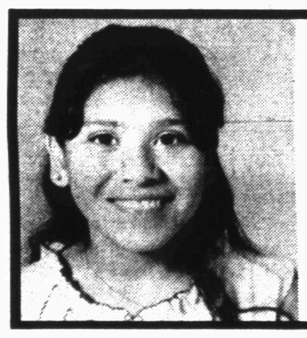
"It takes a special hero to give up his life to save another," said Gov. Don Siegelman. "We've seen over the past few weeks that our country is full of those heroes, and Alabama is no exception."

The company said rocks loosened in a roof collapse hit a large battery charger, sparking the first explosion. The cause of the second explosion was under investigation.

The blasts occurred about 45 minutes apart Sunday evening at the Blue Creek No. 5 mine, known for high concentrations of volatile methane gas, which is common in coal mines.

The mine is the deepest vertical shaft coal mine in North America, with operations at 2,140 feet beneath the surface, the company says. The mine employs 402 people.

The company said 32 people were in the mine performing maintenance work when the first explosion occurred.



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Dale Huff
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Confronting Evil

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Matthew 11:28-30

Jesus invited people to follow him. In other places, the Bible tells us that Jesus set out the difficulties. He wanted people to know that following him was not something that could be done without purpose and decision. You have to decide to follow Jesus and then you have to follow through on that decision. But here in Matthew 11, we hear another side of the issue. Following Jesus brings rest to weary hearts.

Where does weariness in our hearts originate? Jesus is not talking about physical weariness, but instead he speaks of weariness of the soul. He can give rest to those who will take His yoke upon themselves. A little bit of living teaches us the truthfulness of Jesus' words. Life brings weariness. This is especially true when we confront evil. Just the knowledge that there are large numbers of people in the world who hate Americans is a sad thing. When we experience hatred first hand, sometimes in the hearts and actions of those around us, it is even bigger. It is evil. It makes us sad and it makes hearts weary.

The love of God is the balm for a troubled soul. "Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so." These are words to a children's song that have a very adult meaning. It is the love of God that heals hearts and lifts our spirits. Even in the face of evil from people around us, God's love gives us strength and comfort.

But the comfort and peace of God's love is for those who take the yoke of Jesus upon them. They decide to obey and follow Him. People can resist the idea of obedience because they feel like it is restrictive. Jesus says it is the opposite. His yoke is easy and His burden is light. It is in obedience to Jesus that rest is found. Is this true? There's only one way to find out!

Dale Huff

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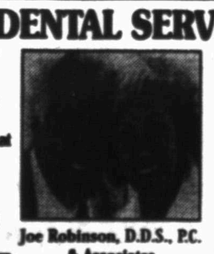
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COSMORAMA BEGINS YEAR — Focusing on foods, fad and fun, Cosmorama Study Club met at the Martha Ann Woman's Club for a Hawaiian Aloha Festival hosted by the executive board, Nonnie Ward, Carol Miller, Mary Jimm Floyd, Dorothy Rosson, Millie Sentell and Durelle Gorman. Cosmorama will meet on Oct. 17 for viewing aspects of dramatic art by Brad Vincent, Snyder High School drama department. (Contributed Photo)

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Traditional medicine emphasizes prevention

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a licensed massage therapist and acupuncture physician candidate with a master's degree in holistic health sciences. Is it possible that the preventive perspective is too close to the fringe of Western medical consciousness to broach? Even though medical means of remedies may be your potpourri to present, preventive suggestions could be given in addition.

DEAR READER: First of all, your flowery language indicates a hankering for professional recognition. Such high-falutin' talk (that is meant to impress) doesn't communicate. Go to the blackboard and write 25 times: "I will not talk fancy, I'll talk English."

Now to your question, which I'll paraphrase: Western medicine seems preoccupied with treatment of disease, why so little emphasis on prevention?

I see the trap you are setting, and I'm not going to walk into it. Alternative health care — such as the holistic approach, reflexology, iridology, pyramid imaging, crystal power and a host of other schemes — is claimed by its proponents to emphasize preventive medicine, rather than conventional treatment of disease. This makes it equal or superior to traditional medicine, the argument goes, which relies exclusively on drugs, etc.

As anyone with an IQ above room temperature knows such a view is utter foolishness. Vaccinations to eradicate smallpox, tame polio and prevent tetanus are all prime examples of medical prevention. Also, modern physicians often spend inordinate amounts of time trying to persuade people to alter harmful lifestyles — stop smoking, reduce alcohol intake, disdain drugs, use seatbelts, exercise moderately, lose weight, eat less fat and practice safe sex. I assure you that preventive "suggestions" are the bread-and-butter of most medical practices.

Therefore, alternative health care can't hold a candle to traditional Western medicine when it comes to patient education and disease prevention, as well as the treatment of illness. I have no quarrel with non-traditional medicine but you guys gotta be fair. Some of your claims are simply outrageous, such as curing heart disease and cancer with high colonics and spinal adjustments. "Holistic health sciences" is an oxymoron; there is no science whatsoever in it. If there were, there would be much more acceptance and support by the medical establishment.

So, I'll make my plea yet again: Holistic practitioners and traditional physicians must learn to work together to help people in need and to prevent disease when possible. To accomplish this goal, alternative health practices must undergo the same rigorous, scientific scrutiny that is expected of traditional medicine, its procedures and its forms of drug therapy. This requires a level playing field, not two different sets of criteria. When you're ready to go through the necessary analyses, let me know. Then we'll talk.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 38-year-old mother with situs inversus. Should this affect my health?

DEAR READER: Situs inversus means that organs ordinarily located on the left side of your body are positioned on the right. For example, the heart is customarily to the left of the midline; in situs inversus, the heart is on the right side of the chest. This genetic condition does not cause health problems.

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Community Calender

TUESDAY

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

Beginners' AA open meeting; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 573-8268, 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for more information call 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

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

WEDNESDAY

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

Martha Ann Woman's Club luncheon and game day; serving begins at 11:30 and games of choice follow; reservations may be made by calling 573-3427.

Spiritual Solutions for Living Problems Book Study; Snyder Park Club; 574-1292; 6 p.m.

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal; Cathy Lubke of San Angelo will give a demonstration in watercolor; Lois Burney, hostess; bring pictures for library; 9 a.m.

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

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

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

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

Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; MAWC; 7 p.m.

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

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8494 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 573-3733, 573-2101 or 5731141; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

NA-Just For Today open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-1438; 7 p.m.

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Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
2 ♠	4 ♥	4 ♠	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ K

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2001

What else for a weak two-bid?

Yesterday, I mentioned that a weak-two opening of two diamonds, two hearts or two spades shows a decent six-card suit and 5-9 points nonvulnerable and 6-10 vulnerable. There are other traditional requirements.

You are not supposed to have four cards in a side major. When you open with a weak two-bid, you promise length in that suit and no other. It is hard to find a fit in another suit, and uncovering a 4-4 fit is virtually impossible.

You shouldn't have a void. If you do, you are looking at either 6-4-3-0 or 6-5-2-0 distribution. The first hand is playable in three suits, not just the one you announce. The second is a two-suiter and should be bid as such.

It is dangerous to hold two aces. A weak two-bid is a two-edged sword. If partner is strong, you hope he will know what to do because you have closely defined your hand. Yet if the opponents have the tickets and bid game, partner with a fit will be thinking about a sacrifice, expecting you to have at most one defensive trick. However, if you hold two solid winners, it could easily be a phantom sacrifice.

In this deal, North might have doubled four hearts and collected 200 points. But he preferred to go for the vulnerable game bonus.

West led the heart king. South could see 10 top tricks: six spades, one heart, one diamond and two clubs. Could anything go wrong? Yes, if East had no hearts. What was the solution? To play low from the dummy at trick one. South repeated the procedure at trick two, ruffed the third heart in hand, drew trumps, and took those 10 winners.

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Date Book

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2001

Today is the 268th day of 2001 and the fourth day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1493, Christopher Columbus set sail from Cadiz, Spain, on his second voyage to the New World.

On this day in 1789, the U.S. Senate approved 12 amendments to the Constitution. Ten of them were ratified, and became known as the Bill of Rights.

On this day in 1987, President George Bush and presidential candidate Michael Dukakis participated in a debate. Among the topics they discussed were the Pledge of Allegiance and the deficit.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: William Faulkner (1897-1962), writer; Mark Rothko (1903-1970), painter; Walter "Red" Smith (1905-1982), sportswriter; Dimitri Shostakovich (1906-1975), composer; Phil Rizzuto (1917-), baseball great-sportscaster, is 84; Michael Douglas (1944-), actor-producer, is 57; Pedro Almodovar (1951-), director, is 50; Will Smith (1968-), rapper-actor, is 33.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1962, Sonny Liston won the heavyweight boxing title by knocking out Floyd Patterson.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Morality cannot be legislated, but behavior can be regulated. Judicial decrees may not change the heart, but they can restrain the heartless." — Martin Luther King Jr.

TODAY'S MOON: Day after first quarter (Sept. 24).

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1. "Black House" by Stephen King, Peter Straub (Random House)
2. "Valhalla Rising" by Clive Cussler (Putnam)
3. "Mercy" by Julie Garwood (Pocket)
4. "Envy" by Sandra Brown (Warner)
5. "Suzanne's Diary for Nicholas" by James Patterson (Little, Brown)
6. "The Smoke Jumper" by Nicholas Evans (Delacorte)
7. "The Corrections" by Jonathan Franzen (Farrar, Straus, & Giroux)
8. "Shock" by Robin Cook (Putnam)
9. "Total Recall" by Sara Paretsky (Delacorte)
10. "Long Time No See" by Susan Isaacs (HarperCollins)

NONFICTION/GENERAL

1. "Jack: Straight from the Gut" by Jack Welch with John A. Byrne (Warner)
2. "The Prayer of Jabez" by Bruce H. Wilkinson (Multnomah)
3. "Who Moved My Cheese?" by Spencer Johnson (Putnam)
4. "John Adams" by David McCullough (Simon & Schuster)
5. "Wild Blue" by Stephen E. Ambrose (Simon & Schuster)
6. "Crossing Over" by John Edward (Jodere Group)
7. "Body for Life" by Bill Phillips with Michael D'Orso (Harper Collins)
8. "Fish!" by Stephen Lundin, et al. (Hyperion)
9. "The Road to Wealth" by Suze Orman (Riverhead)
10. "Secrets of the Vine" by Bruce H. Wilkinson (Multnomah)

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1. "Time and Again" by Nora Roberts (Silhouette)
2. "Dr. Death" by Jonathan Kellerman (Ballantine)
3. "The Bear and the Dragon" by Tom Clancy (Berkley)
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9. "Hearts in Atlantis" by Stephen King (Pocket)
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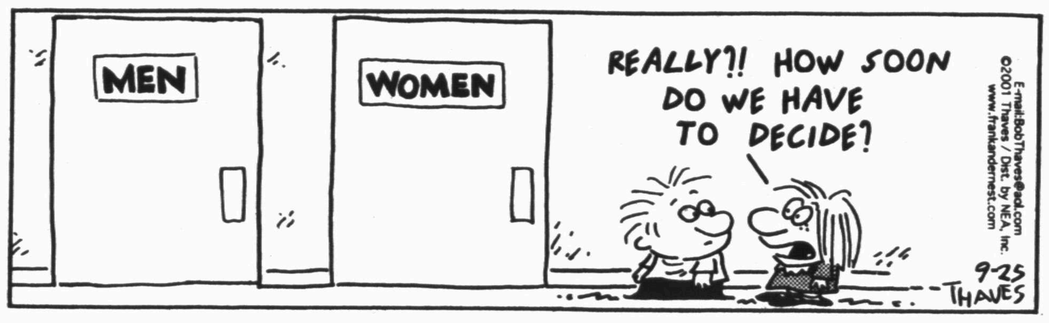
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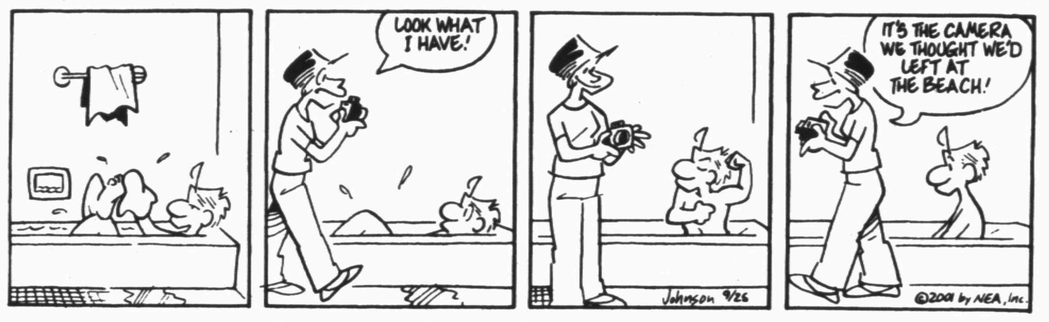
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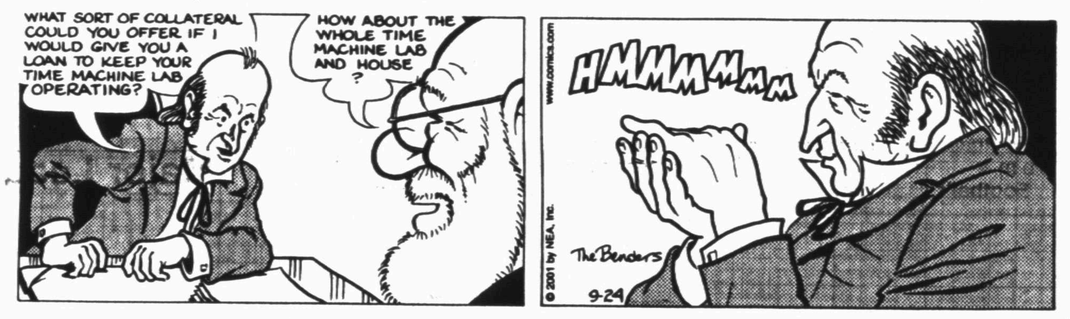
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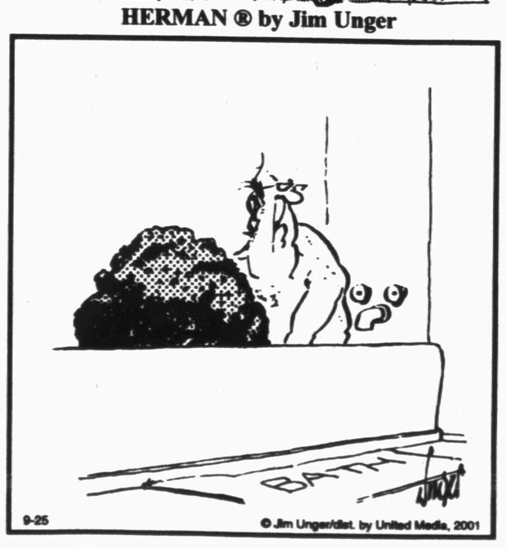
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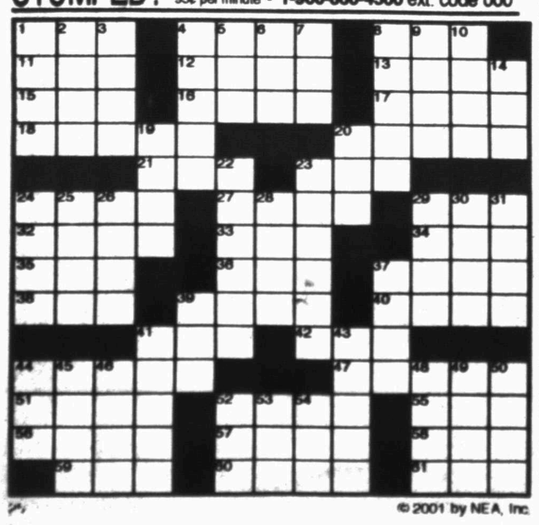
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SPORTS

Wright downplays QB controversy

IRVING (AP) — The last time quarterback Anthony Wright was concerned about his status with the Dallas Cowboys, he sent his agent to do the talking. He later fired the guy.

Now Wright is representing himself. And he's advising his client to keep quiet and let his performance do the talking.

Rather than try igniting a quarterback controversy with rookie Quincy Carter, Wright isn't putting up a fight about going back to the bench after throwing three touchdowns, even though he has the support of some teammates, including Emmitt Smith.

"I really don't want to get into that discussion," Wright said Monday. "It's quite touchy."

Maybe Wright figures he'll get another chance because Carter will again be injured or be ineffective.

Or, maybe he just realizes that a third-year player with three career starts — all losses — isn't going to catch a break over a second-round draft pick who signed for a $1.5 million bonus and has already been anointed the team's quarterback of the future by owner Jerry Jones.

Coach Dave Campo has made it very clear that there's no competition between Wright and Carter, who was ineffective in losing the opener then missed Sunday's 32-21 loss to San Diego with an injured thumb.

On Monday, Campo said that outside of injury, he couldn't envision Wright unseating Carter this season.

Carter was 9-of-19 for 34 yards with two interceptions and a lost fumble in a 10-6 loss to Tampa Bay. Wright was 12-of-25 for 193 yards with three TDs, three interceptions and a lost fumble against the Chargers. San Diego's first touchdown and the game-clinching field goal both came off his turnovers.

Wright's wide lead in yards was aided by a change in game plans: Coaches let him throw deep, or at least deeper than Carter. Six of Wright's completions went for at least 11 yards, a distance Carter reached only once.

"When I come back, we'll open it up a little bit and throw the ball downfield," Carter said. "Hopefully, I'll get the same opportunities Anthony did."

Wright isn't much more experienced than the 23-year-old Carter, but he's farther along on the learning curve. That's why Smith believes Wright should start Sunday night in Philadelphia.

"We want to win right now and they're developing for the future," Smith said. "We're trying to get out here and stop this 0-2 thing from going to 0-3 and 0-4.

"Winning is a cure for a lot of situations. All we want is a chance to win games. I think both of them give us a chance, but when you weigh one versus the next, you've got a young rookie and you got a veteran quarterback that's been there and gotten a little bit of experience.

"It ain't nothing personal. It's all about winning."

Smith first said he thought Wright should start after Sunday's game. Told of those comments Monday, Campo said: "None of our players determines who plays. Emmitt, we make the decision on who plays."

The health of Carter might make this a moot argument.

Carter's thumb is still swollen , and he won't even try throwing until practice Wednesday.

JV, frosh spikers top Estacado

Snyder's junior varsity and freshman volleyball teams stayed on the winning track Saturday with a pair of victories over Lubbock Estacado at the SHS gym.

Snyder JV held off the Lady Matadors, 15-5, 15-10, while the freshmen came out on top, 15-5, 15-3.

Dominique Braziel led the junior varsity's effort from the service line with nine points.

Kelsi Johnson added eight more, and Ashley Martinez posted six. Beth Clements tallied three points, and Kelby Drum and Erin Burleson registered two apiece.

For the freshmen, Rebecca Aguirre served up nine points to lead the squad.

Heather Holmes accounted for six points. Erin Hackfield served five, and Jacy Beccue added four. JJ. Farmer finished with three points, and Kayla Guerrero, Stacey Williamson and Heather Zajicek chipped in one each.

Both squads are in action at 6 tonight at Andrews.

Eighth graders sweep C-City

COLORADO CITY — One was a rout and the other went all three games, but they both equaled victories Monday night for Snyder's eighth grade volleyball teams.

Snyder Gold held off Colorado City, 15-10, 4-15, 15-4, while Snyder Black rolled over the Lady Wolves, 15-0, 15-1.

Teddi Crenwelge led the Gold squad from the service line with eight points.

Bianca Gonzales added six, and Aeryal Peoples and Emily Jones posted five apiece. Shaela Thompson posted four points. Glyn Wright and Erica Little finished with two each, and Sarah Henson and Jessica Taylor chipped in one apiece.

In the other match, Snyder Black won the opening game behind the serving Cammy Hill who registered all 15 points.

Ciara Latta posted five points to lead the Lady Tigers in the second game. Lindsey Morin and Morgan Bilderback registered four points, and Jessica Calvert and Ashley Pavlovsky finished with one.

Local Sports Schedule

TODAY

Tennis: Lubbock Trinity at Snyder, 3:30

Volleyball: Snyder freshmen, JV and varsity at Andrews, 6 and 7 p.m.

THURSDAY

Golf: Snyder boys vs. San Angelo Central at Quicksand GC

Football: Snyder JV at Plainview, 5 p.m.

Football: Plainview at Snyder freshmen, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY

Football: Plainview at Snyder, 7:30

Football: Hermleigh at Trent, 7:30

Football: Blackwell at Ira, 7:30

Football: Wellman-Union at Borden County, 7:30

SATURDAY

Tennis: Snyder at Lake View, 11 a.m.

Volleyball: Snyder JV and varsity at Levelland, 2 and 3 p.m.

Volleyball: Snyder freshman at Lamesa tourney

Football: Snyder Black seventh and eighth grade vs. Plainview at Frenship, 11 a.m.

Football: Snyder Gold seventh and eighth grade vs. Plainview at Frenship, 12:30

High School Football Poll

Here is The Associated Press' high school poll with records, first place votes in parentheses and points based on 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1, through games of Sept. 22:

Class 5A

Team	Rec	Pts	Pvs
1. Austin Westlake (18)	3-0	197	1
2. Tyler John Tyler (1)	4-0	180	2
3. The Woodlands (1)	3-0	153	4
4. Galena Park N. Shore	3-0	119	5
5. Copperas Cove	3-0	99	6
6. Lufkin	2-1	97	7
7. Midland Lee	2-1	65	8
8. Aldine Eisenhower	2-1	53	3
9. Mesquite	3-0	51	9
10. Flower Mound Marcus	2-1	23	10

DROPPED OUT: None.

Also receiving votes: Bryan 14, Abilene Cooper 7, San Antonio Churchill 7, Lewisville 6, Marshall 6, Donna 5, Abilene 4, Euless Trinity 4, La Joya 3, Houston Langham Creek 2, Schertz Clemens 2, Duncanville 1, Galveston Ball 1, Lubbock Monterey 1.

Class 4A

1. Ennis (15)	3-0	193	1
2. Denton Ryan (5)	3-0	179	2
3. Corpus Christi Calallen	4-0	143	3
4. Stephenville	2-1	119	4
5. Brownwood	3-0	108	5
6. Bay City	3-1	74	6
7. La Marque	2-1	66	7
8. Highland Park	3-0	64	9
9. Smithson Valley	4-0	63	8
10. San Marcos	3-0	33	10

DROPPED OUT: None.

Also receiving votes: Beaumont Ozen 16, Greenville 9, Fort Worth Dunbar 8, West Orange-Stark 5, Texarkana Texas High 4, Corsicana 3, Kerrville Tivy 3, Texas City 3, San Antonio Roosevelt 2, Southlake Carroll 2, Andrews 1, Jacksonville 1, Mesquite Poteet 1.

Class 3A

1. Forney (20)	3-0	200	1
2. Commerce	3-0	168	2
3. Abilene Wylie	4-0	148	3
4. Everman	3-0	133	4
5. Sinton	3-0	99	5
6. Sweetwater	4-0	94	6
7. Cameron Yoe	3-0	75	7
8. China Spring	3-0	74	8
9. La Grange	2-2	27	10
10. Newton	2-1	12	x

DROPPED OUT: Lindale.

Also receiving votes: Lindale 10, Atlanta 9, Gladewater 9, Graham 9, Sealy 6, Lake Worth 5, Midland Greenwood 5, Sweeny 5, Ballinger 3, Altair Rice 2, Barbers Hill 1, Bellville 1, La Feria 1, Mexia 1, Muleshoe 1, Taylor 1, White Oak 1.

Class 2A

1. Celina (20)	4-0	200	1
2. Arp	3-0	176	2
3. Farmersville	3-0	149	3
4. Mart	2-1	127	4
5. Rogers	3-0	112	5
6. Garrison	4-0	107	6
7. Refugio	2-1	68	8
8. Sonora	3-1	49	9
9. Pilot Point	3-1	33	10
10. Spearman	2-1	18	7

DROPPED OUT: Corrigan-Camden.

Also receiving votes: Alto 13, Leon 7, Corrigan-Camden 6, Comanche 5, Hardin 5, Poth 5, Hamilton 4, Hemphill 4, Quanah 4, Henrietta 2, McCamey 2, Como-Pickton 1, Crawford 1, Freer 1, Little River Academy 1.

Class A

1. Stratford (17)	3-0	197	1
2. Roscoe (2)	3-0	177	2
3. Windthorst (1)	3-0	150	3
4. Beckville	3-0	141	4
5. Celeste	3-0	116	7
6. Iraan	3-0	89	8
7. Shiner	2-1	56	5
8. Rankin	3-1	43	6
9. Mount Enterprise	3-0	22	x
10. Petrolia	3-0	19	x

DROPPED OUT: Collinsville and Bremond.

Also receiving votes: Bosqueville 15, Bremond 12, White Deer 9, Collinsville 8, Hart 6, Burkeville 5, Chilton 5, Iola 5, Knox City 4, Menard 4, Nazareth 4, Tolar 4, Wortham 4, Chico 3, Robert Lee 1, Throckmorton 1.

Major League Baseball

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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	80	70	.533	—
Philadelphia	80	70	.533	—
New York	76	74	.507	4
Florida	70	80	.467	10
Montreal	64	86	.427	16

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	90	60	.600	—
St. Louis	85	66	.563	5½
Chicago	81	69	.540	9
Milwaukee	64	86	.427	26
Cincinnati	61	89	.407	29
Pittsburgh	57	94	.377	33½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	84	66	.560	—
San Francisco	83	68	.550	1½
Los Angeles	80	71	.530	4½
San Diego	74	76	.493	10
Colorado	67	83	.447	17

Monday's Games

Florida 1, Atlanta 0
Pittsburgh 7, Chicago Cubs 6
Houston 9, St. Louis 3
Colorado 15, San Diego 11
San Francisco 2, Los Angeles 1

Tuesday's Games

N.Y. Mets (Appier 8-10) at Montreal (Pavano 1-4), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Millwood 6-6) at Florida (Olsen 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Bere 11-9) at Pittsburgh (J.Anderson 7-17), 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Hamilton 0-1) at Philadelphia (Coggin 5-5), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (W.Williams 13-9) at Houston (Miller 16-7), 8:05 p.m.
San Diego (Tollberg 7-4) at Colorado (Hampton 14-11), 9:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (D'Amico 1-3) at Arizona (Lopez 3-6), 9:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Rueter 13-11) at Los Angeles (Park 13-11), 10:10 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

N.Y. Mets at Montreal, 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Florida, 7:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
San Diego at Colorado, 9:05 p.m.
Milwaukee at Arizona, 9:35 p.m.
San Francisco at Los Angeles, 10:10 p.m.

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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	89	60	.597	—
Boston	75	73	.507	13½
Toronto	74	76	.493	15½
Baltimore	59	90	.396	30
Tampa Bay	53	96	.356	36

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	86	65	.570	—
Minnesota	79	71	.527	6½
Chicago	78	72	.520	7½
Detroit	61	89	.407	24½
Kansas City	58	92	.387	27½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Seattle	107	44	.709	—
y-Oakland	92	58	.613	14½
Anaheim	74	76	.493	32½
Texas	70	81	.464	37

x-clinched division
y-clinched wild card spot

Monday's Games

Baltimore 5, Boston 1
Toronto 3, Cleveland 2, 11 innings
Seattle 9, Texas 3
Detroit 4, Kansas City 2

Tuesday's Games

Baltimore (Mercedes 7-17) at Boston (F.Castillo 8-8), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Carpenter 12-11) at Cleveland (Drese 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Sturtze 10-12) at N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 20-1), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Sele 13-5) at Texas (Duchscherer 1-0), 8:05 p.m.
Detroit (Lima 4-8) at Kansas City (George 4-5), 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Mays 16-13) at Chicago White Sox (Glover 4-3), 8:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Schoeneweis 10-10) at Oakland (Hudson 16-8), 10:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Seattle at Texas, 3:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Boston, 7:05 p.m.
Toronto at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
Detroit at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago White Sox, 8:05 p.m.
Anaheim at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.

Snyder visits Andrews with 4-4A lead at stake

Four teams entered Saturday's matches tied for the District 4-4A volleyball lead. Now only three squads sit atop the standings, and there's likely to be only two come tomorrow.

The Snyder Lady Tigers travel to Andrews tonight for a key district match-up with the Lady Mustangs. The contest gets underway at 7 o'clock.

Snyder and Andrews are locked in a three-way tie with Lake View for first place at 5-1. The Maidens figure to move to 6-1 after taking on struggling Frenship this evening, so tonight's Snyder-Andrews winner will find itself in a two-way tie for the top spot.

"All we're focused on is playing our best volleyball," said SHS coach Patty Grimmett. "We can't worry about what other teams are doing. The girls have been playing really well as a team lately, and that's what we want to keep on doing."

The Lady Tigers are in the midst of a five-match winning streak. Their last setback was in the district opener at Lake View. Since then Snyder discarded Levelland, Big Spring, Frenship, Plainview and Estacado, leaving only Andrews to finish out the first half of the league schedule.

Tonight is the first of two consecutive road matches for the Lady Tigers, who play only three of their next eight matches at home.

"On the road, it's always important to keep your focus," Grimmett said. "Since district started, we've done a good job of staying with our attack. We need to do that again tonight, and keep Andrews on the defensive. We also need to keep playing great defense along the back row."

The Lady Tigers hit the road again Saturday to face Levelland, before returning home next Tuesday to host Lake View.

District 4-4A Volleyball

	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Snyder	5	1	12	14
Andrews	5	1	20	9
Lake View	5	1	21	5
Plainview	4	2	18	9
Big Spring	3	3	13	14
Frenship	2	4	8	16
Levelland	0	6	8	17
Estacado	0	6	4	18

Today's matches: Snyder at Andrews; Frenship at Lake View; Plainview at Big Spring; Levelland at Estacado.

Snyder Bowling League

Men's Commercial League

Team	W	L
WTP Energy	33	18
Snyder Iron	33	18
Cutting Edge	31	20
NAPA	30	21
The Shack	29	22
Team 3	25	26
Team 8	24.5	26.5
Team 10	24.5	26.5
Timely Finance	23	28
Anadarko	20	31
Blue Sunco	20	31
Team 12	12	39

High series: Rick Mammolite, scratch, 581; Cory Maxfield, handicap, 657.
High game: Chris Goebel, scratch, 214; James Northcutt, handicap, 265.
Splits and special mentions: Wayne Monroney, 3-10, 4-5-7; Roger Batchelor, 5-6, 3-10; Butch Evans, 3-10; Joe Mac Cheney, 9-10; Harold Kornegay, 6-7.

Sports Briefs

SHS girls' basketball meeting

Snyder High School coach Mike Martin will hold a meeting for parents of all SHS girls' basketball players at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at the SHS gym.

Softball tournament

Price Daniel Unit will sponsor a softball tournament Oct. 13 at Winston Field to benefit the State Employee Charitable Campaign. Entry fee is $110 per team, and deadline to register is Oct. 10.

Trophies will go to the top three teams. The top two squads will also receive T-shirts. For more information, call Valerio Torres at 574-2297, or Sal Gonzalez at 573-0696.

Western Texas MGA

The Men's Golf Association of Western Texas College holds a weekly event at 6 p.m. each Tuesday. Players need to register in the pro shop by 5:30.

Tuesday scramble and all-day MGA

The Men's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club holds its weekly scramble at 5:30 p.m. each Tuesday.

Also, an all-day MGA event is held each Thursday.

Green Bay 37, Washington 0

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — The Green Bay Packers and Washington Redskins both verified their season openers were no flukes.

Brett Favre threw three touchdown passes, Ryan Longwell kicked three field goals and Ahman Green rushed 25 times for 116 yards as the Packers routed the Redskins 37-0 Monday night.

It was Green Bay's first shutout since beating the Raiders 28-0 on Dec. 28, 1993, and Washington's first game without scoring since Dec. 11, 1993, when they lost 3-0 to the New York Jets.

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Many New Yorkers wish they could re-elect Rudy Giuliani

NEW YORK (AP) — Mayoral candidates found their political aspirations in today's primary dwarfed by those of a non-candidate barred by law from serving a third consecutive term, incumbent Rudolph Giuliani.

His popularity higher than ever due to his handling of the World Trade Center attack, many have said Giuliani ought to stay past the Dec. 31 conclusion of his second term to guide the city through the crisis.

"If I had a chance, I would have voted for Giuliani again, and I'd vote to extend his time in office," said Elizabeth Dreier, an elementary school principal who voted today for Democrat Mark Green.

Giuliani has "personality flaws, but he's been a good mayor. He's shown leadership, poise and conviction through the crisis, and it's not over," Dreier said.

Giuliani intrigued supporters and dismayed opponents today by saying he wanted time to think about his political future. Aides who spoke on condition of anonymity said ideas being discussed include extending his term or rescinding term limits altogether.

"I need time to think about it. I need time to talk to people about it," Giuliani said.

The primary got under way the morning of Sept. 11 but was called off hours later when two hijacked jetliners crashed into the World Trade Center towers. More than 6,400 people are missing in the ruins.

After the attack, all six candidates — four Democrats and two Republicans — suspended campaigning. They resumed just last weekend and have since tried to convince voters they could provide Giuliani-like leadership come Jan. 1.

Giuliani, a Republican, scrambled the picture today by raising the possibility he had a political future to think about, despite term limits. Even so, he urged New Yorkers to vote today for candidates on the ballot and said the outcome of the primaries would have no bearing on his plans.

For Giuliani to continue serving, the Legislature and Republican Gov. George Pataki would have to enact emergency legislation to extend his term, or the City Council and voters would have to amend the city charter to lift term limits.

Neither scenario is likely. Mayoral candidate and City Council Speaker Peter Vallone have said they do not want to override city voters, who enacted the term limits in 1993.

During an appearance today night on David Letterman's "Late Show," Giuliani was asked if a term extension or a third term were legislatively possible.

"It can be done," Giuliani said. "It's really a question of whether it should be. I have to really think about that."

A poll last week showed 91 percent of city residents surveyed thought Giuliani had done an excellent or good job in the wake of the attack.

Primaries frequently attract little attention in New York. But with the city preoccupied by the disaster, the turnout for the rescheduled primary was expected to be even lower than normal.

The mayoral candidates, who had praised the mayor's performance lavishly since Sept. 11, allowed some criticism to creep into their comments after Giuliani's noncommittal announcement today.

Green, the city's public advocate and one of the leading Democratic candidates, said the mayor has urged residents to get back to normal, and "normalcy should include democracy and the resumption of constitutional regularity."

Another candidate, Bronx Borough President Fernando Ferrer, warned of lawsuits.

Dozens of arrests made at banned rave party in Texas

HEMPSTEAD (AP) — Dozens of arrests on drug and trespass charges followed a weekend rave party that had been held despite a court order banning it.

A prosecutor on Monday filed a contempt motion against representatives of the event's promoters, including a Hempstead lawyer, for violating a restraining order issued by a state district judge.

Waller County Judge Glenn Taylor, who has a private law practice in Hempstead, had represented the promoters last week in a hearing on the court order to stop the party.

About 70 people were arrested in connection with drug possession and criminal trespass at the party Saturday that drew as many as 10,000 people to a rural area south of Brookshire, 35 miles west of Houston.

District Attorney Sherry Robinson said the event, scheduled to start about 2 p.m. Saturday and go all night, went ahead as advertised despite the order she had obtained. She requested Judge Jon Delaney, who issued the order, to assess damages against the defendants including costs of policing the event.

Waller County Sheriff Randy Smith said about 150 officers from the Texas Department of Public Safety and nearby jurisdictions joined in the effort, including undercover drug work.

Smith said the drug arrests were chiefly for the popular underground drug Ecstasy and the criminal trespass charges stemmed from illegal parking on private property. Most of those charged had posted bail by late Monday afternoon, he said.

Prosecutors have said that previous rave parties are used to enhance the effects of the popular club drug Ecstasy.

Parking was so scarce for the party on wooded land south of Interstate 10 West near the Brazos River that many people left their cars along the freeway service road up to five miles from the site.

Robinson said the gathering, promoted by Cool World and CAN Inc., was held on land owned by A-Star Investments.

Most of the partiers, Smith told the Houston Chronicle, were teen-agers who "on the whole, were very polite and well-behaved."

Medical strike team prepares for possible attacks in future

HOUSTON (AP) — The city's team of rescue and medical workers formed to respond to a nuclear, biological or chemical attack is set to conduct a full-scale drill as soon as next week, the mayor says.

"We have not had any specific threat to Houston," said Mayor Lee Brown, but the events of Sept. 11 called for being prepared.

The drill for a chemical or biological attack against the city will be followed by weekly equipment training sessions and more full-scale quarterly drills, Brown said.

The city has a 150-member Houston Medical Strike Team, formed in 1999. But it has not conducted a major exercise in more than 20 months.

After Brown said last week the city had a "well-tested plan" to deal with a terror strike, some firefighters on the team disagreed. The city has a stockpile of equipment, they said, but most remained in storage.

That is changing quickly, officials said.

Brown introduced Dr. Ralph Feigen, president of Baylor College of Medicine, as the strike team's liaison with the local medical community. Feigen is an infectious disease specialist who has helped design hospital plans dealing with chemical and biological attacks.

Houston's strike team would be expected to offer the first response to a chemical or biological threat until state and federal help arrived. Its members include firefighters, police officers, doctors, nurses, hazardous materials technicians, city health officials and city emergency management officers.

Experts say a chemical attack would likely be known immediately, while a biological attack would become apparent only as people began seeing doctors with similar symptoms.

Brown said officials would activate a control center and turn to the media, but he declined to give other specifics, saying plans need to be guarded.

The strike force, he said, is positioning its equipment at strategic spots throughout the city.

He and Houston Fire Department officials declined any specifics, including exactly when and where the strike team will train.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP) -Morning stocks:

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	19.60	18.50	19.33	+ 1.03
AOL TimeWrn	33.50	31.25	32.86	+ .36
AT&T Corp s	17.70	17.33	17.64	+ .63
Albertsons	33.50	32.05	33.02	+ 1.60
Alltel	57.25	56.60	57.10	+ .47
AmEl Pw	45.50	44.50	44.55	—.30
AndarkPtr	44.45	43.00	44.15	—.55
ATMOS Egy	21.35	21.00	21.29	+ .14
Aviall	6.45	6.34	6.45	+ .10
BP PLC	45.00	44.17	44.60	+ .40
BakerHughes	27.70	26.75	26.76	—.91
Bank of Amer	55.30	53.30	55.20	+ 1.85
BellSouth	42.06	41.10	41.70	+ .71
Beth Steel	1.30	1.26	1.28	—.01
BurlNoSFe	24.99	23.95	24.02	—.71
Caterpillar	46.30	45.65	46.00	—.12
Chevron	81.08	80.14	80.46	—.64
Citigroup	39.84	35.25	39.71	+ .71
CocaCola	48.95	47.81	48.62	+ .59
ColgatePal	55.68	55.03	55.12	+ .59
ComclMetals	25.44	25.25	25.44	+ .05
Cooperin	39.00	37.40	38.76	+ .06
DaimlrChry	29.75	28.86	28.90	—.50
DeltaAirl	24.94	23.95	24.10	+ .11
Dillards Inc	13.50	13.21	13.50	+ .02
DowChem	31.74	31.29	31.51	—.49
DuPont	35.80	34.55	35.26	—.74
EastmanChem	32.90	31.76	32.52	+ .22
EstKodak	32.10	31.07	31.93	+ .20
EDS Corp	57.02	55.00	56.56	+ .41
Entergy	35.05	34.14	34.14	—1.04
ExxonMobil s	35.75	35.30	35.36	—.50
FstBksAm	28.46	28.35	28.35	+ .04
GenDynam	86.90	84.29	84.29	—1.91
GenElec	36.10	35.00	35.76	+ .56
GenMills	44.70	44.25	44.45	—.20
GenMotors	42.73	41.20	41.64	—1.59
GaPacGP	28.95	28.35	28.75	+ .45
GlobalMar	13.26	12.79	12.98	—.32
Goodrich	18.60	18.06	18.08	—.27
Goodyear s	18.86	18.24	18.65	+ .35
GtAtlPac	13.85	13.70	13.85	+ .22
Halliburtn	21.35	20.12	20.34	—.86
Hanson ADS	33.55	33.35	33.35	—.45
HarteHanks	21.55	21.05	21.25	—.35
HomeDepot	37.24	36.06	36.76	+ .75
Honeywellntl	27.87	26.70	27.00	—.84
IBM	96.00	94.09	95.21	+ .41
IntlPaper	33.70	33.09	33.58	+ .04
JohnsonJn s	53.15	52.00	52.68	+ .27
K mart	7.25	6.76	7.19	+ .47
KinderMorg	51.81	51.11	51.19	—.18
Kroger Co	25.05	24.05	24.95	+ .95
LockheedM	42.40	41.80	42.00	
Lowes Cos s	30.50	29.00	30.13	+ .89
Lubys	7.18	6.80	6.85	—.34
LucentTech	5.95	5.70	5.87	+ .07
MayDeptStr	30.00	29.20	29.66	+ .06
Medtronic	41.90	40.70	40.75	—.21
Motorola	15.65	15.05	15.47	+ .11
NCR Corp	31.20	30.80	31.01	—.01
Navistar	28.29	27.70	27.79	—.50
Penney JC	21.60	21.00	21.20	—.50
PepBoys	10.49	10.04	10.46	+ .36
PepsiCo	47.74	47.01	47.22	—.18
Pharmacia	37.84	37.35	37.50	—.10
PhelpDodge	30.15	29.60	29.90	—.09
PhillipPet	52.00	50.50	50.71	—.79
PilgrmPrd B	12.55	12.35	12.55	+ .08
Polaroid	1.00	.95	.97	—.03
Praxair	39.10	38.71	39.10	—.39
ProctGamb	70.87	69.45	70.34	+ .88
PubS NwMx	26.10	26.01	26.02	—.08
RadioShack	23.19	22.65	22.83	—.19
ReliantEngy	27.64	27.29	27.36	—.23
RoyalDut	46.34	45.60	46.08	+ 1.33
SBC Comm	46.50	45.56	46.49	+ 1.43
SaraLee	20.40	20.00	20.16	—.26
Scripps EW	58.90	58.50	58.70	+ .10
SearsRoeb	35.50	34.30	35.05	+ 1.07
SherwinW	20.89	20.50	20.82	+ .42
SouthernCo s	25.19	24.65	24.78	—.27
SwstAirl s	14.40	14.00	14.01	+ .26
SprintFON	22.03	21.55	21.92	+ .72
SprintPCS	26.80	25.02	26.30	+ .70
Sunoco Inc	33.73	33.10	33.22	—.15
TXU Corp	46.35	45.60	45.79	+ .11
TempleInland	46.98	46.40	46.81	—.10
Texaco	62.14	61.20	61.58	—.27
Texind	29.30	28.20	28.47	+ .19
Texasinst	25.50	24.17	24.41	—.04
Textron	43.50	42.25	43.18	+ .82
TriconGlbR	39.75	39.25	39.69	+ .55
TrinityInds	21.67	21.25	21.50	—.05
TylerTech	2.95	2.79	2.79	—.05
USX-Marathn	25.69	25.32	25.55	+ .05
USX-USS	13.38	13.14	13.23	—.35
UnionPacif	46.00	44.62	44.91	—.99
UnitedTech	46.49	44.40	46.23	+ 1.83
Unocal	30.75	29.75	30.35	—.05
Venator Grp	15.25	15.05	15.25	+ .08
VerizonComm	53.50	52.10	53.28	+ 1.28
WalMart	48.90	48.05	48.51	+ 1.23
WellsFargo	43.85	42.60	43.62	+ .45
WstnGasRs	26.95	26.20	26.53	—.07
WinnDixie	19.86	19.51	19.75	+ .48
Xerox Cp	7.63	7.45	7.51	+ .12

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Heart attack survivors' guidelines revised

DALLAS (AP) — The American Heart Association is revising its prevention guidelines for heart attack survivors to recommend wider use of beta-blockers and drugs called ACE-inhibitors, along with more aggressive control of risk factors.

The guidelines, recommended jointly with the American College of Cardiology, incorporate recommendations from clinical trials completed since original guidelines were published in 1995. They are to be published in today's issue of Circulation, a journal of the American Heart Association.

"We felt the evidence is so powerful over last two or three years that these needed to be updated," said Dr. Sidney C. Smith, chief science officer of the AHA. "These medical therapies can significantly extend lives and quality of lives as well as diminish future procedures."

A major change in the guidelines, first announced by the AHA in July, recommends that women not be prescribed estrogen solely to prevent strokes and heart disease, because of growing evidence that the supplements might cause harm.

Doctors long believed that hormone supplements are good for women's hearts. But the heart association — one of the most authoritative organizations in the field of heart disease prevention — cites conflicting evidence that has come out over the past few years. Studies have suggested that in some cases, women had a higher risk of heart problems if they took hormone replacement therapy.

The heart association said that women taking hormones for the non-cardiac benefits do not need to stop. But women should not start taking hormones simply to prevent heart trouble. Hormone supplements are prescribed to about 20 million American women, mostly to treat hot flashes and other post-menopausal symptoms and to lower the risk of brittle bones.

Also, heart attack survivors should be treated more widely with drugs called ACE inhibitors and beta blockers. Beta blockers work by blocking the body's response to the high levels of stress-related hormones that pour into the bloodstream of heart failure patients. ACE inhibitors widen blood vessels, reducing stress on the heart.

Patients also should be given cholesterol-lowering drugs before hospital discharge, the guidelines emphasize. Smith said only one-third of eligible heart attack patients are prescribed the drugs while hospitalized.

"The patient's acceptance of these therapies is greater in the hospital," Smith said. "The hospital environment is an important location to introduce these therapies."

Berry's World



Shuttle service dwindles in Northeast

NEW YORK (AP) — Like many frequent fliers these days, Andrew Laperriere of Alexandria, Va., feels as if his wings have been clipped.

The managing director for International Strategy & Investment Group Inc. used to fly to New York's La Guardia Airport once a month to visit clients on Wall Street. But with only limited airline service out of Washington since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Laperriere is now reluctantly riding the train.

"I'm not scared to fly," he said Monday while searching for the nearest exit inside the unfamiliar terrain of New York City's Amtrak terminal. "It's up to me to find the most efficient way to travel and this is clearly the way."

Major carriers are offering 20 percent fewer flights nationwide as airborne terrorist attacks in New York and Washington — and the poor economic environment — resulted in drastically reduced spending by business and leisure travelers.

The reduced service is particularly acute for shuttles flying in the Northeast, where Washington's Reagan National Airport remains indefinitely closed and schedules between the nation's capital, New York and Boston have been reduced by as much as 75 percent.

"Dulles doesn't have much selection," Laperriere said of the next closest airport. "Anyone trying to get to New York from Washington wants to fly out of National."

Dulles International Airport is also considered inconvenient for people going to and from downtown Washington, which is about 45 minutes away. National is only 15 minutes by car.

For whatever reason, demand in the region is way down and airlines have responded by offering skimpy service.

Delta Air Lines and US Airways, which ran 19 and 16 daily round trips between National and La Guardia, respectively, before the attacks, have each added four round trips to Dulles International Airport.

Continental, which flew 10 round trips between Newark and National, now relies on four flights to Dulles, instead of five.

Service between Washington, Boston and New York has been similarly scaled back.

Despite the limited service, roughly 60 percent of the seats on domestic flights are empty, according to the Air Transport Association, an industry trade group.

US Airways chairman Stephen Wolf has called the closing of National "an unacceptable, visible win for terrorism. It must be reopened with heightened security procedures."

No timetable has been announced for reopening National, which was closed because of its proximity to federal buildings in Washington, including the White House.

Amtrak's ridership soared roughly 50 percent during a two-day shutdown of the nation's aviation system, said spokeswoman Cecilia Cummings. Since then, passenger volumes have gradually declined to more normal levels, although they remain roughly 10 percent higher than a year ago.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



It shouldn't take a broken hip for wife to hear words of love

DEAR ABBY: I have been married 62 years to the same man. I am 84. He is 87. When he is good, he's very good. When he is bad, he is BAD. However, he's always been there when I needed him. I recently fractured my hip, and I don't know what I would have done without him.

Abby, for 62 years this husband of mine could never say, "I love you." So, now I'm lying in the hospital, and I hear this forlorn voice, "I'm lost without you. I love you." I answered, "Pardon me, sir? Who's calling?" (I had to break a hip for him to say, "I love you"!)

So, to you guys out there — please don't wait until your wife breaks her hip. Say "I love you" now, and mean it. — **BETTER LATE THAN NEVER**

DEAR BETTER LATE: I'm pleased you finally got to hear the words you longed to hear. For other wives whose husbands are mute when it comes to the subject of love, read on:

DEAR ABBY: This is for all those women who complain their husbands aren't romantic enough or don't talk to them. I am married to one of those guys — and I wouldn't trade him for all the Romeos in the world.

This is not to say we haven't had our differences — we've had some wowzers. My man can't say "I love you" with a straight face, and he once presented me with a weed eater for my birthday.

However, he shows me that he loves me every day. When I get up in the morning, he's already made coffee for me. I never have to ask him to take out the trash — it's already been done. He empties the dishwasher because he knows it's not my favorite chore. He makes the bed, fixes his own breakfast and feeds the dog. (It's supposed to be my dog, but she has eyes only for him, and loves him as much as I do.)

My husband digs my garden, fills my composter and keeps my car in tiptop shape. He stood beside me through the deaths of my parents and only sister. His choice of comfort words may have left a little to be desired, but without complaint he made sure I ate regular meals and gave me the space I needed to grieve.

He has provided me with every creature comfort (and then some), supported me in all the wacko hobbies I've plunged into, eaten the "strange food" I like, taken me places he never would have gone, and provided for my future should I have to face life without him. He's a terrific lover, fun to be with, and makes me laugh out loud at least once a day.

My husband has taught me patience and helped me to grow up, even though I was 36 when we married. He has yet to declare his undying love for me, and we never talk about "feelings," but he doesn't have to, Abby — he does the deeds.

Every Valentine's Day he clears his calendar to be with me. Now, that's worth a volume of fancy words! This month we will celebrate our 25th wedding anniversary. I only hope he knows how much I love him. Here's one woman who knows that true romance is all in how you define it. — **SANDY IN PHOENIX**

DEAR SANDY: Take no chances in letting your husband know how you feel. If words won't suffice, clip this column and leave it on his pillow. From your description he is 99.44 percent perfect.

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Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2001

New vitality might be infused in your social affairs in the year ahead through many new contacts and friends. If you're unattached, one could even be of a romantic nature.

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Be alert for developments that could contribute to your material well-being, because conditions in that department look particularly promising today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Make discussing issues or information that could have an effect on you personally a priority today. Something good could come out of networking with others.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Graciously accept any invitation that comes your way today to participate in someone else's endeavor. It may be a gift horse you won't want to look in the mouth.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Persons you've been involved with lately are quite appreciative of the way you've treated them. Consequently, today one of them may invite you to join in on something very special.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Establish some meaningful objectives for yourself today, because you're in an exceptional achievement cycle. Don't waste a moment; strike while the iron is hot.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Advancing your self-interests — be they social, financial, or otherwise — should not be any trouble for you today. Chances are things will go smoother than usual.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Instead of tripping you up, you'll tend to benefit from changes or shifting conditions today. What occurs will be for your best interests, so enjoy the free ride.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Have that talk today you've been wanting to have with someone who is important to you, because anything you need to work out will be met with approval.

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Court to rule on death penalty issue

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court made clear today that it will soon decide if it is constitutional to execute mentally retarded killers, substituting a moot North Carolina inmate's case with one from Virginia.

The court's first choice had been the case of Ernest McCarver, but before arguments could be heard North Carolina passed a law banning such executions.

In another case today, the court agreed to review the national one-strike-and-you're-out rule that was intended to purge drugs from public housing projects.

The court accepted an appeal from a 63-year-old great-grandmother that arose from the policy, which allows entire families to be evicted if one member is caught once with narcotics, regardless of where an arrest was made or whether anyone else in the family was aware of the crime.

Stocks steady after confidence report

NEW YORK (AP) — Stock prices moved higher today, showing signs of stability despite a report that consumer confidence plunged following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The Conference Board said its widely-followed consumer confidence index fell to 97.6 this month from 114 in August, the lowest reading since Jan. 1996 and the largest monthly drop since the beginning of the Persian Gulf conflict in October 1990, when it fell 23 points.

The numbers, which were below most analysts' expectations, are important because consumer spending accounts for two-thirds of the economy.

In morning trading, the Dow Jones industrial average rose 61.09 to 8,664.95, extending its 368-point gain Monday in a rebound from last week's 1,369-point plunge.

Broader indexes also rose for a second session. The Nasdaq composite index was up 17.59 at 1,516.99, while the Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 11.02 to 1,014.47.

Analysts weren't surprised by the market's stability, noting that after last week's double-digit percentage losses in the indexes, stocks are still oversold and attractive to bargain hunting investors.

"We've just come down such a dramatic decline that I'd expect us to bounce. Having done that, it's now important that we simply stabilize. If we start dumping stocks again, that's a problem," said Larry Wachtel, market analyst at Prudential Securities.

Obituaries

Jack Dunn

1916-2001

A.L. "Jack" Dunn, a longtime resident of Scurry County, died Monday, Sept. 24, in the Mitchell County Hospital in Colorado City.

Funeral service for Mr. Dunn, 84, is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Calvary Baptist Church in Snyder with the Rev. James Green and the Rev. Larry McAden officiating.

Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Born Dec. 15, 1916 in Pioneer in Eastland County, he moved to the southwestern part of Scurry County in 1926 and attended Snyder schools until 1934. He married Veleri Robison in August, 1937.

Mr. Dunn was a farmer and rancher until 1953 when he went to work for the Colorado River Municipal Water District at Lake Thomas. He retired in 1982 as a water pumper.

A 63-year member of Ira Masonic Lodge 934, he was also a member of the Vincent Baptist Church for 42 years. He moved from the southwest corner of Scurry County to Snyder in 1992 and became a member of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Veleri Dunn of Snyder; two daughters, Jacqueline "Jackie" Nail and Xan Harris, both of Snyder; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Family visitation will be held from 7 to 8 this evening at Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Royce Patterson

1928-2001

Royce Franklin Patterson, a lifelong resident of Scurry County, died this morning in Cogdell Memorial Hospital following a sudden illness.

Funeral service for Mr. Patterson, 73, is set for 2 p.m. Thursday in the Fluvanna Church of Christ with Don Campbell, minister, officiating. Burial will follow in the Fluvanna Cemetery under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born May 12, 1928 in Fluvanna, he married Helen Warren on June 5, 1965 in the minister's home in Fluvanna.

Mr. Patterson worked for E.L. Farmer for more than 50 years and was a member of the Fluvanna Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Patterson of Snyder; three daughters, Cindy Nix of Snyder, Donna Smith and her husband, Tommy, of Midland and Rhonda Griffey and husband, Bill, of Galveston; a son and daughter-in-law, Tommy and Nena Patterson of Cuero; a sister, Izora Milliken of Snyder; eight grandchildren, Kerry Pyle, West Smith and Ross Hataway, all of Midland, Royce Hataway of Breckenridge, Colo.; Riley Patterson of Tulia, Colton Patterson, Craig Forbes and Chelsea Forbes, all of Cuero; four great-grandchildren, Derrick, Kamarie, Jordyn and T.C.; and a special niece and nephew, Marchita Carpenter and Johnny Milliken.

The family will receive friends from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

The family suggests memorials to the Fluvanna Cemetery Association, 4601 FM 612 in Fluvanna, 79517; or to the Fluvanna Church of Christ in Fluvanna, 79517.

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Leila Weathers

1902-2001

HAMILTON – Leila Weathers, a native of Scurry County, died Monday, Sept. 24, in Hamilton Nursing Home.

Funeral service for Mrs. Weathers, 98, is set for 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Riley Funeral Home Chapel. Interment is set for 4 p.m. Wednesday in Snyder's Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born Oct. 27, 1902 near Snyder, she was the daughter of the late E.A. and Ada Hayley Birdwell.

She attended school at Ira, Canyon and Snyder. She married Walter Weathers on May 25, 1923. He died Feb. 3, 1967.

The Weathers ranched in Borden County before moving to Snyder in 1932 so their son, James, could attend school there. In 1952 they moved to Hamilton County to continue ranching.

Mrs. Weathers played the piano for the Providence Baptist Church from 1952-98.

She also was preceded in death by two sisters, Ernest Cathey and Ruth Burney; and one brother, Hugh Birdwell.

Survivors include a son, James Weathers of Hamilton; two grandchildren, Sherry Busby of Hamilton and Kerrie Barnet of Bandera; four great-grandchildren, Josh Weathers of Hamilton and Brandon, Bryson and Jacob Barnet of Bandera; nephews, Birdwell Burney of Snyder, Alfred Weathers of Amarillo, Elwyn Weathers of San Antonio and William Cathey of Washington state; nieces Huana Glass of Pasadena and Helen Jarvis of Washington state; and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Hugh Birdwell of Snyder.

Pallbearers for the graveside service in Snyder will be Brent Murphy, Max vonRoeder, Donald Huddleson, Waylen Glass and Tommy Riley.

Betty McIntire

1917-2001

BUFFALO GAP – Betty McIntire, the stepmother of Gwen Cumbie of Snyder, died Sunday, Sept. 23, at her home in Buffalo Gap.

Funeral service for Mrs. McIntire, 83, is set for 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Buffalo Gap Church of Christ with Glen Dods officiating. Burial with a horse-drawn processional, will be held in the Buffalo Gap Cemetery under the direction of Bartlett Funeral Home of Tuscola.

Born Dec. 10, 1917 in Chicago, she spent summers in her early years on a family ranch in Idaho where she gained her lifelong love for horses. She was known as the "horse lady of Buffalo Gap."

She moved to Buffalo Gap in 1948 and enrolled in Abilene Christian College in 1958. She graduated in 1963 and taught at Dyess Elementary for 15 years, retiring in 1978. She married J.I. McIntire on Dec. 25, 1971 in Buffalo Gap. She was a member of the Buffalo Gap Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, J.I. McIntire of Buffalo Gap; two daughters, Nancy Henderson and Renee Hicks, both of Buffalo Gap; two other step-daughters, Debra Johnson of Aledo and Connie Clark of League City; a stepson, James McIntire of Midland; seven grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and 10 step-great-grandchildren.

Archie Tomlinson

1926-2001

HAMLIN – Archie B. Tomlinson, the father of Ronnie Tomlinson of Snyder, died Friday, Sept. 21, in the Hamlin hospital.

Funeral service for Mr. Tomlinson, 75, is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Hamlin Church of Christ with Jerry Yarborough and Portis Ribble officiating. Burial will follow in Hamlin Memorial Cemetery.

Born Feb. 11, 1926 in Valera, he married Eula Kiser on May 22, 1946 in San Antonio. An U.S. Army veteran of World War II, Mr. Tomlinson was owner of City Food Store in Hamlin. He served as an elder of the Hamlin Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Eula Tomlinson of Hamlin; another son, Drew Tomlinson of Hamlin; a daughter, Paula Davis of May; two sisters, Lydia Leach of Bangs and Zorita Flippin of San Angelo; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Daphne Smith

1906-2001

BIG SPRING – Daphne Meador Smith, a native of Scurry County, died Sunday, Sept. 23.

Graveside service for Mrs. Smith, 95, is set for 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in Trinity Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Born May 7, 1906 in Snyder, she moved with her family from Snyder to Big Spring in 1910. She was a 1924 graduate of Big Spring High School and married Neal R. Smith on Sept. 16, 1928 in Big Spring.

Mrs. Smith worked at the Big Spring Bombardier School in the early 1940s. She was a member of the Wesley United Methodist Church and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen.

Survivors include a sister, Jamie Grimland of Irving.

S.V. Box

1931-2001

ROBERT LEE – S.V. Box, a retired public school administrator, died Monday, Sept. 24, in the Robert Lee Care Center.

Funeral service for Mr. Box, 70, is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the First Baptist Church in Robert Lee. Burial will follow in the Paint Creek Cemetery under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Born April 26, 1931 at Moro, Texas, he graduated from South Taylor High School in 1949 and attended Howard Payne College on a football scholarship. At Howard Payne, he was named to the all-conference and all-American teams. He earned his master's degree from Hardin-Simmons University in 1964.

Mr. Box coached at Tuscola and married Bobbie Davidson on Dec. 22, 1955. They moved to Sweetwater in 1956 where he served as football coach and principal. He also served as superintendent of schools at Roscoe and Sweetwater. He retired in 1989 and the family moved to their ranch west of Robert Lee.

Survivors include his wife, Bobbie Box of the home; three sons, Blake Box of Robert Lee, Marcus Box of Roscoe and Powell Box of Stratford, Okla.; five grandchildren, Brandon, Hannah and Kevin Box, all of Roscoe, and Blaze and Rikki Box of Stratford, Okla.; three brothers, Troy Box and Sammie Box, both of Arlington, and Travis Box of Abilene.

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Disaster relief fund

An American Red Cross disaster relief fund, exclusively for the victims and families of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, has been established at American State Bank. Checks can be made out to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund.

Noon prayer service

The First Presbyterian Church will have a prayer service from noon until 12:30 p.m. each weekday. Everyone is invited.

Genealogical society

The Scurry County Genealogical Society will meet at 7 this evening in the Scurry County Library. Members will discuss information they found on female ancestors. Visitors are invited to attend and to ask questions about family research. Membership dues are $12.50 per person and $15 for a couple.

Central book fair

Central Elementary's Scholastic Book Fair concludes at tonight's open house from 7-8:30.

Avenue D Baptist Church revival

The Avenue D Baptist Church is hosting an "old fashion tent revival" through Thursday. Services are at noon with a covered dish meal, and at 7 p.m. Evangelist is Herman Cramer of Seguin. Don Thornton of Fairfield is music director.

Lord's Acre fish fry

The annual Lord's Acre fish fry hosted by the First United Methodist Church will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. today in the fellowship hall, 2700 College Ave. Adult tickets are $7 and tickets for children 10 and under are $3.50. Carryouts are available.

FFA, Jr. FFA meeting

A meeting of parents and students of lamb and goat exhibitors will be held at 7 tonight in the SHS ag shop. Topics will include validation, feeding, vaccinating, shearing and maintenance. For information, call Warren Beard at 574-6046.

SHS drama booster club

The SHS drama booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Texas Savings Bank community room. All parents of drama students are invited to attend. For more information, call 573-8104 after 6 p.m.

First Baptist Church

What does God say to us in tragedies? Don't miss this timely message from First Baptist Church at 3 p.m. Thursday on cable channel 2.

SHS military project

Snyder High School is asking parents or friends with current military people to bring a current photo with ID to be scanned and placed on a wall at the school in honor of all former graduates serving in the military. There are approximately 60 serving at this time. Bring photos to Larry Scott, principal. For more information, call 573-6301.

Ira cheerleaders fundraisers

Ira cheerleaders are selling $1 tickets for a 19-inch color TV to raise money for new uniforms and a mascot suit. They are also selling monogrammed caps, shirts and handbags. Donations for the kiss-the-pig contest are also being accepted. The winner — Mike Duke, Toby Goodwin, Vicki Flowers, Gale Northcott, Ron Baker or Kim Allen — will kiss the pig during the 3:05 p.m. pep rally Friday at the Roy Sallee Gym.

GED testing

GED testing will be held at Western Texas College Friday. For more information call Emily Hataway at 574-2112 or Molly Kattes at 573-2919.

Ira pre-game homecoming meal

Ira's senior class of 2002 is sponsoring a barbecue dinner from 5:30-7 p.m. Friday in the school cafeteria. Brisket, sausage, potato salad, beans, bread and cobbler is $6 for adults and $4 for children. Carryout plates are available.

Girl Scout meetings

Because of vandalism at the Girl Scout hut, no meetings can be held there until further notice. Troops will meet at other locations. Contact your leader or JoAnn at 753-3926 or Judi at 573-7556.

Officers respond to various calls

Arrest

A sheriff's deputy arrested a 32-year-old man at 10:40 p.m. Monday in the 1300 block of 26th Street on outstanding warrants for failure to appear before a judge, disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Burglary

A woman in the 2700 block of Ave. F requested an officer in reference to family members taking $200 worth of items from her residence when she was out of town. She told the responding officer she did not wish to file a report at this time, but did request that the items be returned.

Accidents

Officers were dispatched to 29th Street and Ave. E at noon Monday for a minor two-vehicle accident. Involved were a 1972 Chevrolet pickup driven by Joe Botts, 48, of 204 29th Street and a 1985 Chevrolet pickup driven by Joe Carrisalez, 41, of 1906 Scott. No injuries were reported.

Edmund Ruiz contacted police Monday afternoon to report a hit and run accident Sunday night. Ruiz' 1995 Chevrolet Lumina was hit by another vehicle while parked on 35th Street.

Assault

A woman requested an officer at 5:30 p.m. Monday in reference to her sister-in-law threatening her. An officer was dispatched to the woman's residence and advised an offense report for Class C assault by threat would be filed.

The woman's sister-in-law was issued a citation

Criminal mischief

A Santa Fe railroad employee alerted police to a broken window at the depot at 1912 College Ave. Monday morning. Officers responded and filed an offense report for Class B criminal mischief.

Gas drive off

A clerk at Allsup's in Hermleigh reported a gas drive off in the amount of $10.01 just after 10 a.m. Monday. The vehicle traveled east on U.S. 84 and its description was forwarded to Nolan County authorities.

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