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Council ponders budget

By Joyce May
Staff Writer

City council members continued to ponder facts and figures Thursday night in another budget workshop, making some progress toward final figures for 2000-2001.

Decisions concerning air packs for the fire department and cameras for the police department were settled as council members gave unanimous approval to include appropriations for both items.

However, conflicting opinions on a wage study and a proposed salary adjustment for city employees prevented members from firming up the financial plan.

Instead, Mayor Dayton Robertson prepared six possible options for the general fund budget.

These include one with no salary adjustment, one with a one percent adjustment and one — as proposed by councilman James Ashley — with a 2.7 percent adjustment.

In addition, the mayor prepared plans that include what would be the general fund's portion for the wage study — $8,215 — and a plan that would exclude it.

The total cost of a proposed wage study if done by an external group would be around $15,000, but that total cost is spread over the city's three funds — general, garage and enterprise, Robertson explained.

All of the plans will make for a balanced budget. The difference, the mayor said, will be the impact on the city's insurance fund.

Robertson explained that since the city is self-insured, each year each fund (general, garage and enterprise) contributes a portion into the insurance fund.

What the mayor proposed in each of the plans is to excuse the general funds portion this year to the insurance account.

A 2.7 percent salary adjustment would have a $125,000 impact on the fund while the one percent salary adjustment would have a $110,000 impact. With no salary adjustment, there is still a need to excuse $110,000.

The council was clearly divided on the issues of the wage study and salary adjustments, setting the stage for additional lengthy discussions on the issues. However, all members decided it was not necessary to meet again before the council's regular meeting Aug. 14.

"I have a problem paying an outsider, particularly when we are short of money," councilman Terry Martin said. He suggested instead that the city form an in-house committee to look at employee salaries.

Councilman James Ashley countered, "We need to hire people that know what they are doing. We made a commitment we would look at employee's pay last year and a year has rolled around and we didn't do anything about it."

Councilman David Harrell questioned what the city would do with the information once it was received.

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NEW TEACHER ORIENTATION — Snyder ISD held its new teacher orientation this morning. Dr. Melissa Jones, assistant superintendent, weclomed new teachers. Todd Pollard, signs in while Brad Wikse looks on. Pollard coaches track and cross country and is assistant girls basketball coach. Wikse coaches tennis. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

School seeking ways to update its facilities without tax increase

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

Snyder ISD's board of trustees is mulling a plan to renovate the district's aging facilities, beginning with heating and cooling at three elementary schools - and without a tax increase.

The plan was unveiled during Thursday night's budget workshop that included the presentation of a balanced budget for 2000-01.

By issuing maintenance tax notes, the district can keep its present tax rate of $1.50 per $100 valuation and generate some $520,000 in funds to install new heating and cooling units at West, East and Northeast Elementaries.

And by maximizing its rate at the $1.50 level, the state will send the district another $635,000 next year – an amount that would be lost if the district dropped its rate to the effective rate of $1.387.

Lee McNair, assistant superintendent for finances, said a school law passed two years ago, Senate Bill 4, allows the district to maximize the tax rate without having a rollback election.

"The law allows the district to issue the maintenance tax notes," McNair said. "But it is also specific in what the money can be used for."

McNair noted the money only can be used for improvements on existing buildings, and no new construction.

"By issuing the tax notes, we can take care of several maintenance items, and keep our tax rate at $1.50," said McNair.

Two district bond issues have failed in recent years. If the bond issues had passed, the tax rate could now be as high as $1.72 per $100 valuation.

"I think the voters told us in the elections that they wanted the tax rate to be no more than $1.50. I think they said you have the $1.50, now fix the schools," said Supt. Gayle Lomax.

"This will allow us to get started," he added.

If the board decides to issue maintenance tax notes in the amount of $520,000, it will cost the district $12,083 in interest over the next two years, plus an estimated $30,000 in fees to First Southwest for issuing the tax notes.

McNair said the $30,000 could be reduced by about half by interest earned on the principal amount.

"It would be wonderful to keep the tax rate at $1.38," said Lomax. "But we would hate to lose the $645,000 in state funding if we did not maximize the rate at $1.50."

It is expected the board will act on the proposal when it meets again on Aug. 22 for a budget hearing.

The balanced budget the trustees were presented includes revenue of $18,326,000, and expenses of $18,325,344.

This compares with revenue last year of $18,415,670, and expenses of $18,413,804.

In other action Thursday night, the board ratified the contracts of seven teachers.

Included in this list are Michael Williams, vocational ag teacher at SHS; April Martin, band director at junior high; Charles Haggard, special ed counselor at SHS; Nancy Jones, PE teacher at Central; Vanessa Kidd, elementary counselor;

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Cogdell board close to naming new CEO

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers have extended an offer of employment to an applicant for the vacant chief executive officer's position.

The board released a statement to that effect this morning following an executive session of more than an hour.

The statement said the board directed Covenant Health System to discuss "position requirements, availability, benefits and salary with an individual."

The statement also indicated the appointment of a new CEO could occur in the very near future.

The board has not released the applicant's name.

The position at the hospital has been vacant since Jeff Reecer left the post, effective July 31.

Some 15 applicants submitted resumes to the hospital board, and five were interviewed.

Steve Holmes, a Covenant employee, is serving as interim administrator.

Redistricting major issue, says Counts

While much of the attention is focused on fellow-Texan George W. Bush, two Democratic candidates said other November elections remain important to the future of rural America.

State Rep. David Counts and U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm spoke briefly Thursday night following a hamburger cookout sponsored by the two longtime lawmakers who represent Scurry County.

About 200 attended the gathering in the Scurry County Coliseum and heard Rep. Counts say that redistricting will be one of the most important issues to face the state legislature.

While Gov. Bush is anticipating a strong show of support from West Texas, Counts and Stenholm both expressed concern about the declining influence of rural areas.

"One thing is needed, a voice in Washington and Austin that will fight for our area," Counts said.

Counts cited the seniority of both Stenholm and himself. "They can't run over us, they have to listen. Stenholm has served 22 years in congress and is vice chairman of the house agriculture committee.

Stenholm has been mentioned as a possible Bush choice for Secretary of Agriculture. Stenholm sidestepped that speculation Thursday by saying that his interest is winning re-election in November.

Counts has served 12 years in the state house and is chairman of the natural resources committee and is a member of the redistricting committee.

Stenholm praised Counts for his work to develop a water plan for Texas and said Counts will be valuable in the redistricting process.

Stenholm currently represents 20 counties in the 17th District and likely will increase his area of representation by five counties. Counts currently has 22 counties and could increase his area to 32.

Stenholm cautioned the audience about the use of the projected budget surplus. "It's not real money yet," Stenholm said. "It's a projection and I hope it will be real money."

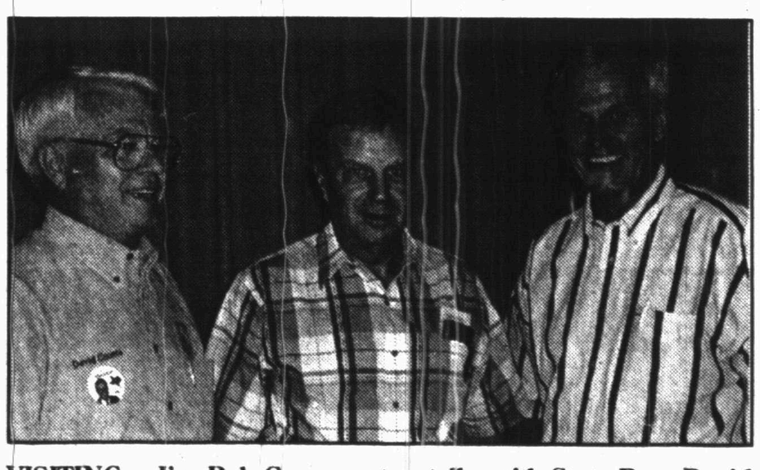
Stenholm acknowledged that the money belongs to taxpayers but said he feels it would be fiscally irresponsible to fail to look at long-range needs.

The Stamford native said health-care issues, including Medicare, will require more funding. Stenholm added that because of the 1997 balanced budget amendment, he expects 10 to 12 hospitals to close in his district alone in the next 12 months unless funding is increased. He noted that one nursing home in his district failed to meet payroll that day.

He also suggested that some of the projected surplus be used for Social Security, so that funds will be available when Baby Boomers begin retirement in 2010.

Stenholm said that to use all the projected budget surplus for a tax cut is popular, but would be irresponsible. "But when you do the right thing, you sometimes pay a political price."

The congressman said the interests of West Texas, petroleum and agriculture, have found that working together on common problems has resulted in positive results.



VISITING —Jim Bob Cave, center, talks with State Rep. David Counts, left, and U.S. Rep. Charlie Stenholm during a hamburger supper hosted by the representatives Thursday evening.

THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "America was first called the Land of Promise during a political campaign."

Barbara Tune, Snyder piano teacher, became excited during the opening night of the Republican National Convention.

Yes, she liked what First Lady hopeful Laura Bush had to say in her nationally-televised speech.

But Barbara was just as thrilled about the mention of Crawford, a Central Texas community near Waco.

The Bush family has purchased the ranch – and if elected – it could become the Texas White House.

Barbara grew up in Crawford and knows the ranch well. Barbara, an independent, is hoping that Bush is elected in November and that her hometown of Crawford becomes a household name across the nation.

Neighbors helping neighbors...

Accolades to members of Snyder's First United Methodist Church for assisting volunteers who are building a water line from Graham to Throckmorton. Local church members showed up with water, Gatorade and money to assist those doing the manual labor.

Thomas and **Kem Fogleman** and their two daughters, **Lynn** and **Amy**, made the delivery on behalf of the church.

Congratulations and good luck to **David Kerr**.

The SHS ex and 1999 grad of Texas Tech received a scholarship to attend UT Southwestern medical School in Dallas.

He is the son of **Dr.** and **Mrs. Tom Kerr**.

Another scholarship recipient is **Josh Ward**, a May graduate of Snyder High School.

Ward, the son of **Mr.** and **Mrs. Leon Ward**, was awarded a baseball scholarship to play for Frank Phillips College in Borger.

A proud mom, and rightly so.

Pam Johnson, an SHS grad and former employee of Western Texas College, is executive director of Grayson County Juvenile Alternatives.

Recently, the Sherman Rotary Club honored Johnson with the vocational service award. Johnson also was named to the state board of the Texas Network of Youth Services.

Johnson is the daughter of **Jean Black** of Snyder, retired owner of The Snootie Fox.

Snyder's **Hadley Hirt**, son of **Rex** and **Stacey Hirt**, captured the all-around champion saddle at the Bellmead rodeo.

Yard of the month honors...

Snyder Garden Club and Snyder Beautification Committee have selected the outstanding landscapes for the month. **Cutting Edge** was the Most Improved Business and residential honorees were **Mary Ann** and **Wayland Caldwell** and **Estell** and **Mario Herrera**.

ASK US

Q—Our company is building a float to use in all local parades. When is the next one?

A—Scheduled right now is the 16th of September parade sponsored by Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. Call Lucy Garcia at 573-5996 for a spot.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Thursday, 100 degrees; low, 75; 7 a.m. Friday, 75; no precipitation; total for 2000, 15.01 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly clear. Low, lower 70s. SE wind 5-15 mph; Saturday, sunny, hot, high near 101. S wind 10-20 mph.

Brenna Fletcher
Sunny

Sunset: 8:37p.m.
Sunrise: 7:04 a.m.
Of 216 days in 2000, the sun has shone 213 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Take heart. Get out of your own way.

Report: Amusement park injuries increase

TOLEDO, Ohio (AP) — It's a report that could frighten even the most fearless thrill-seeker: In the past four years, the number of injuries at the nation's amusement parks has nearly doubled.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission's annual study, released this week, found there were about 7,260 rider injuries last year at amusement parks, compared to 3,720 injuries in 1996. Add in fairs and carnivals, and there were 10,380 injuries last year.

"Thrill rides are supposed to give people the illusion of danger, not put them in danger," said Ann Brown, the commission's chairwoman.

Park operators disputed the findings and said the skyrocketing numbers must be flawed.

The report, based on injuries that were serious enough to warrant emergency treatment, comes at a time when amusement parks have come under closer scrutiny.

Six people died last year on amusement park and carnival rides in the United States. Some lawmakers have proposed giving the government expanded authority to regulate all rides.

The commission now regulates rides that travel from site to site with carnivals and seasonal fairs. But regulation of roller coasters and other rides at amusement parks is left to states, more than a dozen of which lack inspection programs.

Amusement industry leaders say they have noticed no increase in injuries, and question the commission's findings. The number of injuries listed in the report is based on surveys taken at 100 hospitals across the nation.

"The whole thing is kind of curious," said John Graff, president of International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions.

Graff said he believes the numbers are flawed because it's a small sample and researchers projected their overall numbers based on the 167 ride-related injuries they found at hospital emergency rooms.

The report's authors admit the total number of injuries could be off by as many as 5,560.

"Even if the report is right, it still is an extraordinarily low number," Graff said. "We're still talking about one serious injury in 27 million rides."

He said that after a reported increase in injuries in 1995, an independent agency found that there was no increase — only a change in accounting.

"We are able to confirm there is a trend," countered commission spokesman Russ Rader. "Attendance rose less than 10 percent, and the injuries went up almost 100 percent."

The safety commission says it can't determine what's behind the increase because of its lack of regulatory power. It says it must rely on sample surveys from hospital emergency rooms and has no access to data from the parks.

Ride inspectors say they would be the first to know if accidents increased.

"I haven't noticed that," said Jim Barber, a ride inspector from New York. "It doesn't make sense that all of a sudden there's been this huge jump, unless they've changed the way they're counting."

"It's so unusual to have a serious accident that it is big news," said Barber, president of the National Association of Amusement Ride Safety Officials.

During the 1990s, there were 21 rider deaths at amusement parks nationwide and seven at fairs and carnivals. Blame for the accidents has fallen on riders, ride operators and mechanical failure.

At Cedar Point in Sandusky, Ohio, ride inspectors work around-the-clock. Park spokeswoman Janice Witherow said most accidents and injuries are caused by riders who don't follow the rules.

In the last six years, Witherow said there have been three accidents that resulted in hospital stays. Those involved rides but were not related to malfunctions or operator errors, she said.

"The industry's goal is safety," she said. "Without an excellent safety record, there is no amusement industry."

On the Net:
Consumer Product Safety Commission: http://www.cpsc.gov
International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions: http://www.iaapa.org

Trooper remains in critical condition

KYLE (AP) — A Department of Public Safety trooper was in critical condition Friday after he was shot in the head by a driver he had pulled over for not wearing a seat belt, officials said.

Randall Vetter, 28, of San Marcos, a six-year DPS veteran, remained in the intensive care unit at Austin's Brackenridge Hospital after undergoing surgery earlier in the day.

Hospital officials on Friday declined to release further details.

"We don't know why this happened," said Mike Cox, DPS spokesman. "It's very unusual for something like this to happen on a weekday morning in broad daylight. It just goes to show that an officer never knows."

Vetter, who is married and has an 8-month-old son, was shot on a frontage road of Interstate 35 in Kyle, about 20 miles south of Austin, said DPS spokeswoman Tela Mange.

He had stopped Melvin Edison Hale, 72, of Kyle, to ticket him for not wearing a seat belt, Mange said. Vetter was sitting in his patrol car finishing up paperwork when he was attacked, she said.

Carrying an assault-style rifle, the assailant walked up to the trooper's car and fired a single shot through the windshield, striking Vetter in the head. The trooper fell sideways out of his car onto the road, said Cox.

He told the San Antonio Express-News that investigators believed Hale used the radio in Vetter's patrol car to call police and tell them of the shooting.

Hale then got into his car and drove northbound on the two-way frontage road.

He was stopped about 100 yards from the shooting scene after Hays County Sheriff's deputies shot out his front tires. Hale then got out of his car, placed a rifle on a patrol car and surrendered, Mange said.

Hale was being held in Hays County Jail on $1 million bond on a charge of attempted capital murder of a police officer.

According to Hays County Justice of the Peace Macel Sullivan, Hale said he felt his civil rights were being violated when Vetter pulled him over.

Shortly after the shooting, officers at the scene gathered in a small circle and prayed for their wounded colleague.

Police cars blocked off a one-mile section of the frontage road while they completed their investigation. Highway traffic had resumed to normal about an hour after the incident.

BOOK DONATED — Baylor University has donated a copy of Cody Carlson's book, "Out of the Darkness," to Scurry County Museum. It will be auctioned during Taste of Scurry County, set Aug. 17 at the Family Life Center at First Baptist Church. Baylor graduates, Beth Bowen, left, and Terrie McWilliams, hold the book. Tickets for Taste of Snyder are $12.50 for adults, $5 for children 5-12. Children younger than 5 eat free. The annual fundraiser benefits the museum. Carlson served as quarterback for Baylor University and the Houston Oilers. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Saturday, August 5, 2000

There's a strong possibility that you will be quite lucky in the year ahead in two partnership arrangements. Much of it will be due to how well you've handled relationships in the past.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Turn the other cheek instead of using equal force should you meet with opposition today. It's tolerance that will tone down temperamental behavior and soothe antagonistic people. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Only if you can be left to your own devices today will you be able to experience success. Unfortunately, should someone try to direct your life, you'll take a hike and do nothing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Instead of behaving in a jealous fashion today, which could make you look bad, should someone you love be admired by another today, consider it a compliment to your good taste.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If the outside world should buffet you around today, don't use it as an excuse for taking your hostility out on innocent family members.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If you do not adhere to methodical procedures today should something unexpected disrupt your routine, it's going to be awfully tough to get back on track.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your wallet could be exceptionally vulnerable today. If you're not dipping into it yourself, chances are some freeloading pal will take up the slack.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Don't be afraid to speak up or stand up for the rights you've earned should someone with whom you're involved today attempt to take credit for something you initiated.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) It won't be how hard you work today, but how smart you work that counts. You could have little to show for your time and efforts if you don't first think your assignments through carefully.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Before committing yourself to any social arrangements with pals today, better check out what the costs involved might be. The tab may take the punch out of the event.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Poor PR could cause others to ignore you instead of garnering their cooperation today. Be careful of how you handle people, and don't make any tactless remarks.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A clever ploy to evade facing issues squarely in the face today could backfire on you. The possibilities are strong that you would outsmart yourself and have to pay the consequences.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It's best not to involve yourself in promoting some type of enterprise today that you know to be risky, especially with friends. If your endeavor is a fizzle, they'll start to sizzle.

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Alaskan Airlines grounds jets

SEATTLE (AP) — Saying earlier inspections may have produced incorrect readings, Alaska Airlines is grounding as many as 18 Boeing MD-80 airliners for another look at a part implicated in January's crash that killed 88 people.

The airline told the Federal Aviation Administration that a tool used to check jackscrews — key steering components in jets' tails — may have resulted in erroneous readings. It said the remaining 16 MD-80s in its fleet did not require the new inspections, which by Friday had resulted in 90 flight cancellations.

The airline's president conceded late Thursday that the tool used to check the doomed plane was made by Alaska Airlines and not the jet's manufacturer, but he insisted the aircraft were safe and said airlines commonly make and use their own tools.

There are no indications of problems, the FAA said in a statement Thursday night. But the agency is alerting other airlines using MD-80s — as well as DC-9 jets, which are also affected — to check their planes.

Out of about 2,000 MD-80 and DC-9 jetliners worldwide, more than 1,100 are flown by U.S. carriers.

Alaska Airlines Flight 261 plunged into the ocean off Southern California on a flight from Mexico to San Francisco on Jan. 31. Everyone aboard the MD-83 — an MD-80 variant — was killed.

A criminal investigation into the crash focused on a mechanic's decision not to replace a jackscrew assembly. The assembly consists of a nut that rides up and down a screw as it turns to raise and lower the stabilizer, a wing-like part of the tail used to tilt the nose of the plane in flight.

Flight 261's jackscrew had been tested repeatedly and found to be nearly worn out, but was put back into service after a second crew retested it a few days later. Two Alaska Airlines mechanics insisted in an interview with The Seattle Times that they were not at fault.

The tool in question measures the amount of space between the thread on the jackscrew and the nut that holds it in place.

The airline's tests, conducted during the National Transportation Safety Board investigation of the fatal crash, indicated that "endplay" measurement could vary. According to the MD-80 maintenance manual, airlines can measure jackscrew "endplay" using a tool made by the aircraft manufacturer or an equivalent substitute.

Alaska Airlines owns tools made by the manufacturer but also uses several that were made in its own machine shop. In side-by-side testing by the airline, the different tools produced the same measurements, the airline said. However, the airline found measurements could vary if its own tool was improperly positioned.

The airline's own tool was used to measure the jackscrew on Flight 261, Alaska Airlines President Bill Ayer said.

"It is up to the U.S. attorney's office and the NTSB to determine if this tool is a problem in their investigation," he said at a news conference.

Ayer said it was a common practice among airlines to make their own maintenance tools. He also declared the MD-80s to be safe: "There's no more inspected airplane in the world than the MD-80, especially the Alaska MD-80s."

In June, the FAA announced that Alaska Airlines had made sufficient improvements to continue doing maintenance on its planes. Previously, the agency had threatened to strip the airline of the right to do maintenance — a step that could have eventually grounded all its planes — unless its programs were improved.

Alaska, which has 500 departures daily, has a fleet of 92 planes, 34 of which are MD-80s. Once the airline verified that the manufacturer's tool was used to measure the jackscrews on 16 of its MD-80s, it decided to reinspect the remaining 18.

The new inspections resulted in 18 flight cancellations Thursday night and 72 more on Friday, airline spokesman Greg Witter said. The airline hoped to complete the inspections by late Friday but service disruptions were expected to last at least through Saturday.

Dengue Fever kills Harris County man

HOUSTON (AP) — Dengue has claimed the state's first fatality this year.

A Harris County man died Monday night of dengue hemorrhagic fever, becoming the first death for 2000 in Texas from the mosquito-borne virus, a city health official said.

"He had multiple-organ failure," Kathy Barton, a spokeswoman for the Houston Department of Health and Human Services, told the Houston Chronicle in Friday's editions. "It was a misery."

Because of the man's travel history and the disease's seven- to 14-day incubation period, "there's no doubt he did not get it in this country," said Kevin Johnson, an epidemiologist with the Harris County Health Department.

Dengue is not spread by human contact or by airborne particles. The man was returning from Bangladesh, via London, when he began showing symptoms aboard a Continental Airlines flight that landed in Houston on July 24.

Authorities at Bush Intercontinental Airport notified Houston health officials of a passenger who was suspected of having meningococcal meningitis. Meningococcal disease, which causes swelling of the membranes of the spinal cord and brain, is contagious and has a high fatality rate.

After the flight landed, the patient and crew remained on the plane for less than an hour while a Continental doctor examined the man, Barton said.

The doctor determined the patient, who had a fever, did not have meningitis and cleared him to leave the plane to see his own physician, Barton said.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 08-04-00
♠ A K J 9
♥ 7 5
♦ A K Q
♣ 7 6 3 2

West
♠ 6 5 2
♥ A K Q 10 8
♦ 10 4
♣ K J 9

East
♠ 3
♥ 9 6 3 2
♦ J 9 7 6 2
♣ 10 5 4

South
♠ Q 10 8 7 4
♥ J 4
♦ 8 5 3
♣ A Q 8

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: West

South	West	North	East
	1 ♥	Dbl.	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ A

Rise to stop the duck

By Phillip Alder

Oscar Wilde claimed: "Talk to every woman as if you loved her, and to every man as if he bored you, and at the end of your first season you will have the reputation of possessing the most perfect social tact."

In a bridge context, this might become: Make every bid as if you love it, and find every play as if it were boringly obvious, and at the end of the deal you will have the reputation of possessing the most perfect bridge technique.

Well, can you spot the winning defense in this deal and become the talk of the bridge social set? Cover the South and West hands. Defending against four spades, your partner, who opened one heart, cashes two heart tricks, then exits with a diamond to the dummy. Despite holding only one high-card point, do you see how you might have to make a critical play?

South's two-spade advance shows some 9-11 high-card points with four or five spades.

Declarer mustn't lose two club tricks. It looks as though he needs the club finesse to work, but that is highly unlikely, given West's opening bid. Still, one does the best one can.

After winning trick three, declarer draws trumps and cashes the diamonds. Now comes a low club. If East plays low, South covers with his eight. This endplays West; he must either return a club away from the king into South's ace-queen, or concede a ruff-and-discard. However, if East plays the club 10, the contract is defeated.

If declarer has eliminated two side suits and is trying to endplay fourth hand in the third, second hand should play high.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Woman asks how old is too old when choosing a mate

DEAR ABBY: I am in love with a wonderful man who meets all my specifications for a lifetime mate, except one.

He is honest, healthy, good-looking (could pass for 58 to 60), financially secure, generous, very active socially, has a great attitude on life, a great set of friends, we are sexually compatible, and he loves my family and me more than any man ever has.

My problem? He is 70 years old. I am 52. I have told him if he were 58 I would marry him.

I greatly value your opinion. Could I be making the biggest mistake of my life? — **CONFUSED IN SOUTH CAROLINA**

DEAR CONFUSED: I don't know if it's the biggest — but it's certainly in the top 2 percent. You say he's healthy and vigorous — what could be your fear? If it's that you might be a young widow, consider this: You could marry a younger man with whom you have less in common, but he could keel over tomorrow. None of us has a contract with God.

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DEAR ABBY: I know my question is probably one that you have answered many times, but it is still on my mind.

I have met the most amazing guy — and he's just indescribably delicious. I love him more than anything. From the first moment I saw him, it's been like magic.

I need to know: Is it possible to find true love in your teen-age years? What are the odds? And if so, what is the chance it will last? — **LIZ IN LONG VALLEY, N.J.**

DEAR LIZ: Yes, it's possible to find true love in your teen-age years. I did. I was 16 when I met my husband-to-be, Morton Phillips, who was in his freshman year of college. (I didn't find out until later that he was 6 weeks younger than me!) Of course, we waited until we were 21 to be married, and people married younger back then. We've been married 62 years.

Today I advise couples to wait to marry until they have both completed their education. People grow as they mature, and sometimes they grow in different directions. I also urge young women to refrain from marriage until they have acquired enough education to support themselves and their children should they have to, because unfortunately, they often have to.

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DEAR ABBY: When my children play outside, their friends ask them for snacks and drinks. While I usually encourage them to share, I simply cannot afford to feed all the neighbors' kids in addition to my own four. How do I say no and still set a good example? — **ON A BUDGET IN NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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Bush denies rumor that he will purchase land in Texas

WACO (AP) — Reports that Texas Gov. George W. Bush's father was considering the purchase of North Central Texas land near the governor's ranch have been denied by the elder Bush.

"It's absolutely absurd," Bush said, attending the Republican National Convention in Philadelphia, where his son accepted the GOP presidential nomination.

Rumors had the senior Bush pursuing a land deal near Crawford, where his son bought acreage last year and is building a home with wife Laura. Crawford is about 90 miles north of Austin.

The president not only dismissed the idea but said a friend recently told him about a rumor that he, Bush, was buying a house at Nassau in the Bahamas.

"I don't know where these things come from," Bush told the Waco Tribune-Herald in Friday's editions. "No, there's nothing to that. But George sure loves his place down there. He just loves it."

Crawford Mayor Pro Tem David Posten said he wishes the rumor had been true.

"Oh, gosh, it would be nice if he lived here," Posten said. "I don't know how it would affect the community, but George W. being here already has heightened the awareness in town. We're trying to do more to get the city cleaned up. I've seen a change in attitude."

Posten said talk of another Bush building a home in Crawford had become so strong "that a friend of mine told me it was a done deal."

"Is one enough? Gosh, no," Posten said. "We'd take the whole crowd. It's very, I don't know, awe-inspiring to think we have the governor living in Crawford. We think it's a nice area, and we're glad he shares our sentiments. If the senior George wants to come, we'll take him and all his relatives."

Date Book

Friday, Aug. 4, 2000
Today is the 217th day of 2000 and the 46th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1848, the first American-built steamship to cross the Atlantic ocean departed from Norfolk, Va.

On this day in 1874, at Fair Point, N.Y., the Chatauqua organization was formed.

On this day in 1957, the Everly Brothers sang "Wake Up, Little Susie" on the Ed Sullivan Show.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Percy Bysshe Shelley (1792-1822), poet; Knut Hamsun (1859-1952), writer; Helen Thomas (1920-), journalist, is 80; Maurice "Rocket" Richard (1924-), hockey great, is 76; Mary Decker Slaney (1958-), track athlete, is 42; Roger Clemens (1962-), baseball star, is 38.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1945, golfer Byron Nelson won the Canadian Open.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Familiar acts are beautiful through love." — Percy Bysshe Shelley

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

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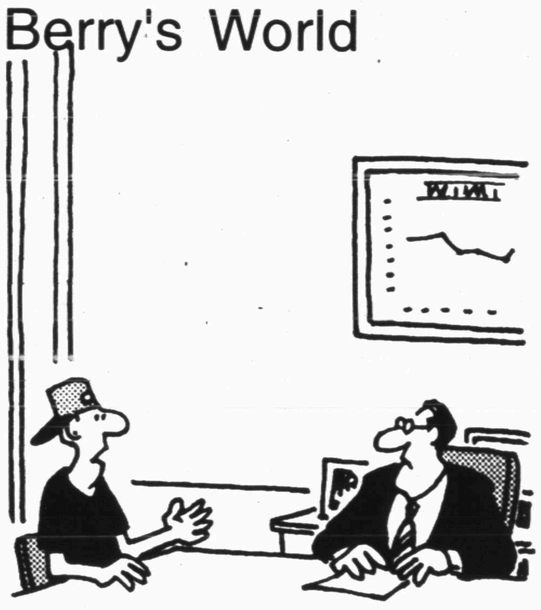

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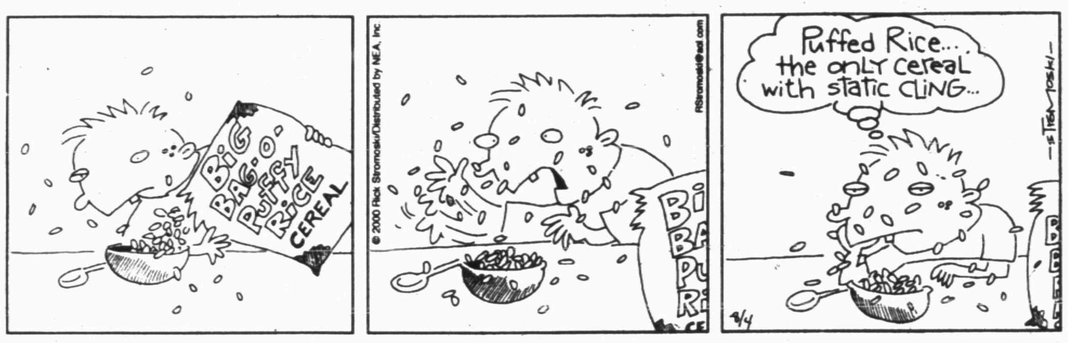

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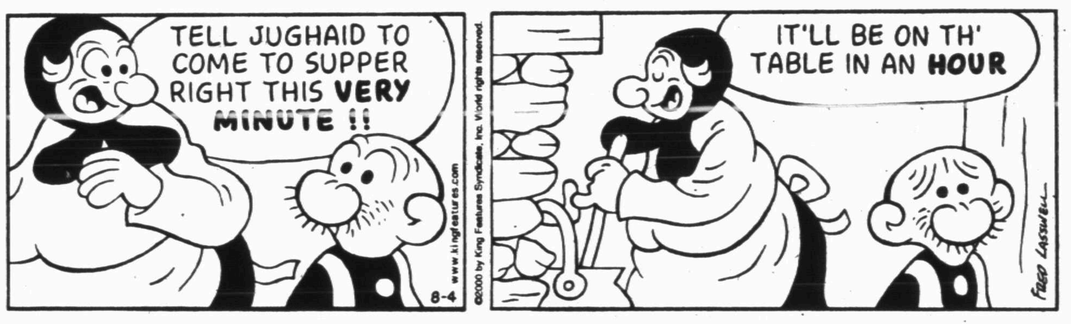

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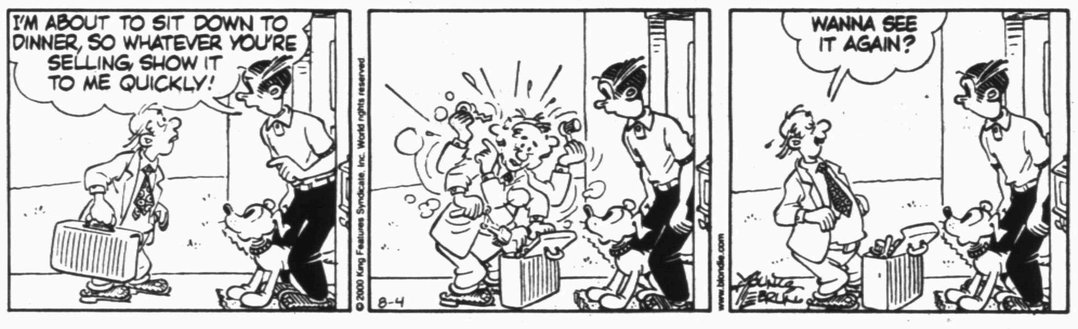

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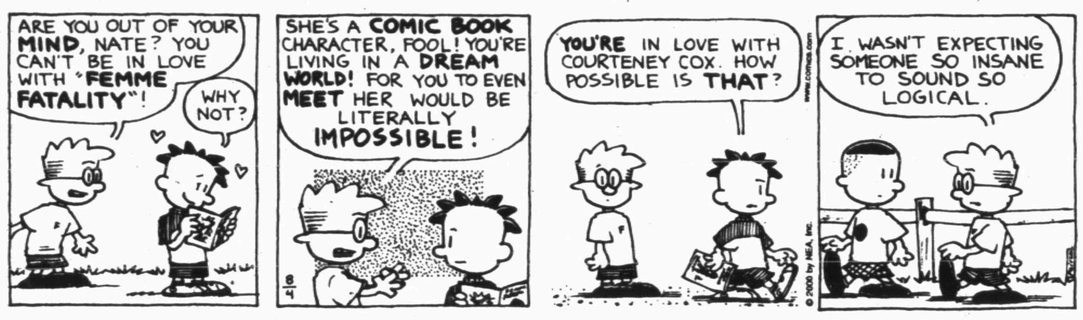

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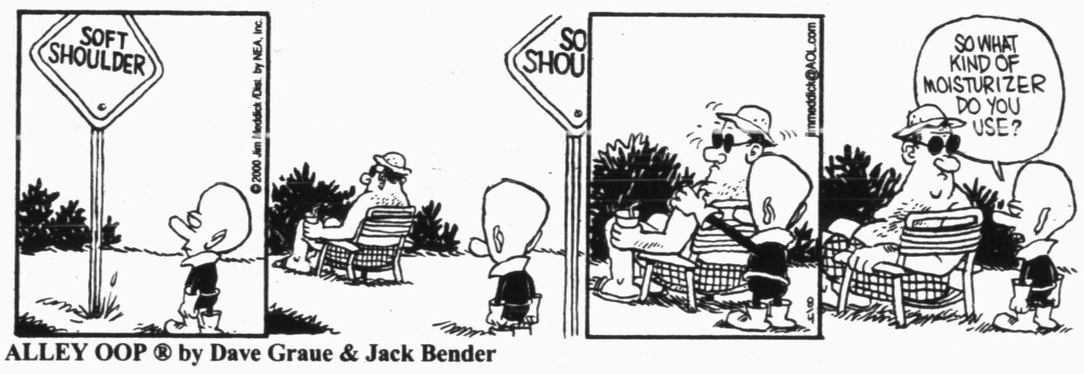

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12 Make invalid
13 Museum tour guide
14 Plaza Hotel girl
15 Come into view
16 Morning moisture
17 Evergreen
18 Lge. container
21 Tori's dad
23 UK media inits.
26 Greasy
28 Days of — (the past)
29 Motorists' org.
30 Lotion ingredient
31 Western hemisphere native
33 Cunning
36 Novelist Bagnold
37 Koppel or Kennedy
38 Utah ski resort
40 Bandleader Arnaz
41 Rd. crossers
42 Stands
44 The lady
45 Old age
46 Knead
48 Nervous —
51 Slow musical movement
55 Showy flowers
56 Mexican dish
57 Actor Fonda
58 Fill with love

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8 Maple genus
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11 Sault — Marie
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20 — of London
22 Uses the oven
23 Lyndon — Johnson
24 Exile
25 Country-club worker
27 Intense desire
32 Blushing
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54 Above (poet.)

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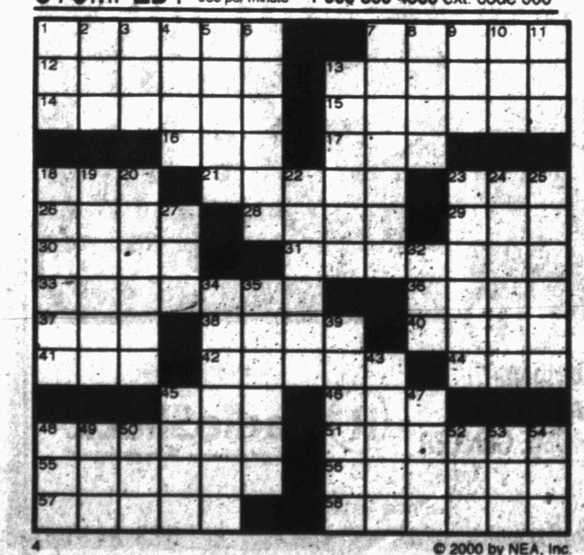

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SPORTS

Broncos' Davis ready for return

By The Associated Press

Terrell Davis expects to have some big-time jitters when the Denver Broncos play their first preseason game Saturday at Arizona.

"If I don't have butterflies, something is wrong," Davis said Thursday. "Bird-sized."

When Davis takes the field, it will mark a major milestone in his recovery from major knee surgery. Davis tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee while making a tackle after an interception Oct. 3.

"He'll get into about 10 plays and maybe a few more," Broncos coach Mike Shanahan said. "We'll give him a chance to carry the ball a little bit. He's excited to get out there and take a couple of shots."

Two seasons ago, Davis became the fourth running back in NFL history to rush for 2,000 yards in a season. He now faces the mental and physical challenge of regaining that MVP form.

The Broncos have been cautious with their three-time All-Pro, limiting his practice time during training camp. Team owner Pat Bowlen even said he would prefer to see Davis sit out Saturday's game.

"I'm ready to go," Davis said. "The longer I don't play, the more anxiety is going to build up. So I want to get in there right away."

Davis will line up behind starting quarterback Brian Griese, who endured heavy criticism during Denver's disappointing 6-10 season. Shanahan said the first-string offense and defense will play one quarter, or about 15 snaps.

Raiders

Running back Randy Jordan was rushed to a hospital Thursday after a collision during practice left the 30-year-old motionless on the ground.

According to Raiders spokesman Mike Taylor, Jordan was conscious and undergoing a battery of tests at Queen of the Valley Hospital in Napa.

"The X-rays were negative and he has feeling in his arms and his legs," Taylor said.

Jordan, a seven-year NFL veteran, was taking part in an intrasquad scrimmage just two days before the Raiders' preseason opener in St. Louis. While blocking for quarterback Scott Dreisbach, he collided with defensive end Regan Upshaw and linebacker Tavian Smith.

"He was taking on Upshaw, and Upshaw whipped him around as I was going away on the other side to avoid the quarterback," Smith said. "Before I knew it, his helmet was in my side."

"He was talking, he had feeling in both arms and both legs and he was breathing perfectly," Oakland coach Jon Gruden said. "He's just sore, sore in the back of his neck."

Dolphins

For the time being, Damon Huard is Dan Marino's successor as the Miami Dolphins' quarterback.

Jay Fiedler, competing with Huard for the starting job, was to undergo arthroscopic surgery on his right hip Thursday. He's expected to return late in the preseason or early in the regular season, which begins Sept. 3.

The surgery was scheduled to repair a tear in Fiedler's right hip. Fiedler had been bothered earlier this summer by a sore back.

Huard, 27, led Miami to a 5-1 record when Marino was sidelined last season. Huard had a slight edge over Fiedler early in training camp and was already slated to start the Dolphins' first exhibition game Saturday at Pittsburgh.

Colts

The Colts signed veteran Billy Joe Hobert to contend for a backup role to starting quarterback Peyton Manning. Quarterback Pete Gonzalez was released to make room for him.

A third-round draft pick of the Los Angeles Raiders in 1993, Hobert spent four years there until signing with Buffalo in 1997, when he was released after admitting he had not studied a game plan. He was signed by New Orleans later that season and started seven games for the Saints last year.

Hobert, 29, has 17 starts in 29 NFL games, completing 52 percent of his passes for 3,371 yards with 23 touchdowns and 25 interceptions.

Bengals

Cincinnati notified unsigned running back Corey Dillon on Thursday that he will be ineligible to play in the first regular-season game unless he signs and reports in time for the team's Aug. 11 preseason game at Atlanta.

The Bengals also said Dillon will not be paid for the first regular-season game if he doesn't meet the deadline.

Gray, Whitworth win SCC junior golf titles

Snyder High School golfer Stafford Gray fired a 2-under-par 70 to win the Snyder Country Club Junior Club Championship.

In the girls' competition, Catherine Whitworth tallied a 99 to win the club title.

Gray, a sophomore, won the boys' 15-18 age division by six strokes over runner-up Vaughn Wiggins. Matt McCormack carded a 92 to take third.

In the boys' 12-13 age group, Alan Gray posted a 94 to win the division, with Syd Wiggins turning in a 98 to grab second place.

Astros squander lead again

MIAMI (AP) — The shortest game of the Houston Astros' long season didn't end soon enough.

Houston blew a lead for the second game in a row Thursday and lost to the Florida Marlins 4-3. The defeat dropped the Astros to 5-21 in one-run games and 40-68 overall, worst in the major leagues.

The lone consolation was that the defeat on getaway day took only 2 hours, 17 minutes. But there was little enthusiasm in the clubhouse about heading back to Enron Field for a series against the Montreal Expos beginning Friday.

"It's not like we have a winning record at home," outfielder Moises Alou said. "It's worse."

That's not quite true. The injury-plagued Astros, who play 16 of their next 19 games in Houston, are 18-30 at home and 22-38 on the road. They went 5-5 on their three-city swing and have still had only one winning trip all year. And they lost second baseman Craig Biggio to a season-ending knee injury Monday.

The surprising young Marlins, by contrast, were buoyed by consecutive one-run victories, making them 24-15 in one-run games. Dave Berg drove in the winning run with a sacrifice fly in the eighth inning to cap Florida's 31st comeback win.

Injured Blue Jays hold off struggling Rangers

TORONTO (AP) — Raul Mondesi's injured right elbow might end his season and Toronto's playoff hopes.

Frank Castillo ended the Blue Jays' six-game losing streak with a 3-1 win over the Texas Rangers on Thursday night, but the Toronto clubhouse was anything but happy with the news that Mondesi might be gone for the rest of the year.

"I don't want to lose my career for two months," said Mondesi, who has ligament damage and chips in the elbow. "I want to play for at least 10 more years."

The 29-year-old right fielder has been told by three doctors that he needs surgery. Mondesi, hitting .272 with 24 homers and 67 RBIs, can't straighten his right arm.

Mondesi said he will wait five or six days, and if he's not at least 85 percent, then he will have the surgery. He's been told it will take 8-10 months to recover.

The Blue Jays are 51/2 games behind the first-place New York Yankees in the AL East. Toronto has struggled since Mondesi was injured July 21.

Castillo (8-5) hasn't lost since June 1. The right-hander allowed just one run on four hits in seven innings. He struck out four and didn't walk a batter.

"He kept us off balance," Texas' Rafael Palmeiro said.

After allowing consecutive singles to open the sixth, Castillo turned a double play by making a sprawling catch in front of the mound on a bunt attempt by Dave Martinez. He then threw to second to double up Royce Clayton.

"Castillo made a do-or-die move, and that killed our chances for a big inning," Martinez said.

Castillo, who barely made the club out of spring training, has been Toronto's second-best starter this season. He's won seven of nine starts and has gone at least seven innings in six of those outings.

"At the beginning of May, my back was against the wall. If I didn't throw well, I didn't know what was going to happen," Castillo said. "Since then, I've put a string of good starts together."

Major League Baseball

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	66	42	.611	—
New York	61	45	.575	4
Florida	53	55	.491	13
Montreal	48	56	.462	16
Philadelphia	46	60	.434	19
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	59	48	.551	—
Cincinnati	54	53	.505	5
Chicago	50	57	.467	9
Pittsburgh	46	61	.430	13
Milwaukee	45	63	.417	14½
Houston	40	68	.370	19½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	59	47	.557	—
Arizona	60	48	.556	—
Los Angeles	57	50	.533	2½
Colorado	51	55	.481	8
San Diego	50	58	.463	10

Thursday's Games

Florida 4, Houston 3
San Diego 6, Chicago Cubs 5
Arizona 8, Atlanta 4
San Francisco 10, Pittsburgh 2
Only games scheduled

Friday's Games

Florida (Dempster 9-8) at Cincinnati (Harnisch 3-5), 7:35 p.m.
Montreal (Vazquez 8-5) at Houston (Holt 4-12), 8:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Glavine 13-5) at St. Louis (An.Benes 10-5), 8:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Bottenfield 0-0) at Colorado (Tavarez 6-2), 9:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Reed 5-2) at Arizona (Johnson 15-3), 10:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Lieber 10-5) at San Diego (Witasick 0-0), 10:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Rigdon 0-1) at Los Angeles (Brown 10-4), 10:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Benson 8-8) at San Francisco (Rueter 7-7), 10:35 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Atlanta (Burkett 8-4) at St. Louis (Stephenson 11-7), 1:15 p.m.
Philadelphia (Wolf 9-5) at Colorado (Bohanon 5-8), 4:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (O'Connell 0-0) at San Francisco (Gardner 7-4), 4:05 p.m.
Florida (Burnett 1-2) at Cincinnati (R.Bell 5-6), 7:05 p.m.
Montreal (Hermanson 8-9) at Houston (Lima 4-13), 8:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (B.J. Jones 5-5) at Arizona (Guzman 3-1), 10:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Tapani 7-8) at San Diego (W.Williams 6-3), 10:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (D'Amico 7-4) at Los Angeles (Park 11-8), 10:10 p.m.

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	58	45	.563	—
Boston	55	49	.529	3½
Toronto	56	54	.509	5½
Baltimore	47	59	.443	12½
Tampa Bay	45	61	.425	14½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	65	42	.607	—
Cleveland	54	51	.514	10
Detroit	50	56	.472	14½
Kansas City	48	59	.449	17
Minnesota	49	61	.445	17½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	62	45	.579	—
Oakland	60	47	.561	2
Anaheim	57	52	.523	6
Texas	51	55	.481	10½

Thursday's Games

Toronto 3, Texas 1
Cleveland 5, Tampa Bay 1
N.Y. Yankees 3, Kansas City 2
Only games scheduled

Friday's Games

Minnesota (Milton 10-6) at Detroit (Nomo 4-10), 7:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Etherton 5-1) at Cleveland (Woodard 0-1), 7:05 p.m.
Texas (Perisho 2-3) at Toronto (Trachsel 6-10), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Moyer 11-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 11-6), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Suppan 5-6) at Boston (Fassero 7-5), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Mercedes 6-4) at Tampa Bay (Harper 0-0), 7:15 p.m.
Oakland (Appier 9-8) at Chicago White Sox (Sirotka 9-8), 8:05 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Kansas City (Durbin 2-5) at Boston (Arrojo 0-1), 1:15 p.m.
Anaheim (Schoeneweis 5-5) at Cleveland (Finley 9-8), 4:05 p.m.
Texas (Oliver 2-6) at Toronto (Escobar 7-11), 4:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Parrish 1-1) at Tampa Bay (Sturtze 2-2), 4:15 p.m.
Seattle (Sele 12-6) at N.Y. Yankees (Cone 1-10), 4:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Mays 6-12) at Detroit (Blair 8-2), 5:05 p.m.
Oakland (Heredia 13-7) at Chicago White Sox (PArque 9-4), 7:05 p.m.

WNBA Glance

All Times EDT

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
x-New York	18	10	.643	—
x-Cleveland	16	12	.571	2
Orlando	14	14	.500	4
Detroit	12	16	.429	6
Washington	12	16	.429	6
Miami	10	19	.345	8½
Charlotte	7	21	.250	11
Indiana	7	21	.250	11
WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Los Angeles	26	3	.897	—
x-Houston	23	5	.821	2½
Phoenix	19	10	.655	7
Sacramento	19	10	.655	7
Utah	16	13	.552	10
Minnesota	13	15	.464	12½
Portland	10	18	.357	15½
Seattle	5	24	.172	21

x-clinched playoff spot

Thursday's Games

Washington 75, Indiana, 71
Cleveland 74, Utah 71
Phoenix 85, Seattle 63

Friday's Games

Detroit at Washington, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Miami, 7 p.m.
Orlando at New York, 8 p.m.
Cleveland at Indiana, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Houston at Portland, 10 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Los Angeles at Phoenix, 4 p.m.
Utah at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.

NFL Preseason

All Times EDT
Friday's Games

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

Saturday's Games

Miami at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at New York Giants, 8 p.m.
Indianapolis at Seattle, 8 p.m.
Kansas City at Tennessee, 8 p.m.
New Orleans at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Oakland at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Baltimore, 8 p.m.
San Diego at San Francisco, 9 p.m.
Atlanta vs. Dallas at Tokyo, 10 p.m.
Denver at Arizona, 10 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 10

Tampa Bay at Miami, 7 p.m.
Carolina at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 11

Cincinnati at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
New England at Washington, 8 p.m.
New York Giants at Jacksonville, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 12

New Orleans at Indianapolis, 8 p.m.
Cleveland at Chicago, 8 p.m.
New York Jets at Baltimore, 8 p.m.
Buffalo at Detroit, 8:20 p.m.
Minnesota at San Diego, 9 p.m.
Seattle at Arizona, 10 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 13

Green Bay at Denver, 4 p.m.
Oakland at Dallas, 7 p.m.
San Francisco at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 14

St. Louis at Tennessee, 7 p.m.

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Sports Briefs

Kiwanis Club tournament

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

SHS volleyball workouts

Snyder High School volleyball workouts will begin Monday. JV and varsity will practice from 4 to 6:30 p.m., and freshman from 6:30 to 9.

SHS football workouts

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

WGA playday

Snyder County Club Women's Golf Association will hold its weekly play day at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Format will be guess your score.

SJHS football equipment

All incoming Snyder eighth grade football players need to pick up their equipment from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Thursday at the SJHS gym. A short meeting will follow. All seventh grade football players will receive their equipment from 1:30 to 3 next Friday.

Golf team qualifying

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

Junior golf classic

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

Raggedy Ann and Andy tourney

Snyder Country Club's Raggedy Ann and Andy Couples Tournament will be held Aug. 12-13. Format will be scramble, with the field divided into two divisions by total handicap. Each division will be split into three flights, after the first round. Entry fee is $200 and includes a Friday night welcoming party, and Saturday night dinner. For more information, call Judy Moss at 573-0637 or Penny Perry at 573-0486.

Men's blowout partnership

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

Lehman leads tourney

CASTLE ROCK, Colo. (AP) — Tom Lehman, motivated by the early successes of his playing partners, had five birdies and an eagle over his last 14 holes Thursday and shared the lead in the first round of the weather-delayed International.

With half of the field still on the course, play was suspended twice in the afternoon by lightning. The 72 players who did not finish their first round were to return at 7 a.m. this morning, with the second round to begin about two hours later.

Lehman, the 1996 British Open champion, totaled 15 points under the modified Stableford scoring system that awards a player with 5 points for an eagle, 2 points for a birdie, zero for a par, minus-1 for a bogey and minus-3 for a double-bogey or worse.

Markets

Midday Stocks

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	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp s	32 11-16	31⅞	32¼ —	¼
AT&T Corp	31 5-32	30 9-16	30⅞ +	5-16
Albertsons	31 3-16	31	31⅛ —	⅛
Alltel	63⅛	62⅜	62¾ —	¼
AmerOnline s	53 15-16	52⅜	52 7-16 —	⅜
AndarkPtr	49¼	48 3-16	48 5-16 —	9-16
ATMOS Egy	20⅞	20¾	20¾	
Avialt	5 3-16	5	5 1-16	
BP Amoco s	53⅞	53½	53¾ —	¼
BakerHughes	35 15-16	35	35⅞ +	⅛
Bank of Amer	50 11-16	50 1-16	50⅝ +	1 9-16
BellSouth	39¾	39¼	39½ —	¼
Beth Steel	4⅛	4	4 1-16	
BurlNoSFe	24 7-16	24¼	24¼ —	¼
Caterpillar	35 1-16	34 9-16	34 11-16 —	⅜
Chevron	78¾	77⅝	78¼ —	1¾
Citigroup	71 15-16	70¾	71½ +	3-16
Citigroup wi	53⅞	53⅞	53⅞ +	¼
Coastal	60 1-16	59 3-16	59 7-16 —	½
CocaCola	62⅝	61⅛	61½ —	1½
ColgatePal	56⅜	55⅜	55½ —	⅞
ComclMetals	28¼	28⅛	28 3-16 +	1-16
Cooperin	32¼	31¾	32 3-16 +	⅜
DaimlrChry	52⅜	51⅞	51 15-16 —	5-16
DallSemicn s	38 7-16	36¾	36¾ —	¼
DeltaAirl	51⅛	50 7-16	50 9-16 —	7-16
Dillards Inc	13 15-16	13¾	13 15-16	
DowChem s	28⅜	27½	27 11-16 —	3-16
DuPont	46 7-16	45 9-16	45⅞ —	⅛
EastmanChem	46¾	44¾	45⅜ —	2 1-16
EstKodak	57¾	56 11-16	56⅞ —	⅞
EDS Corp	46	44⅞	45 5-16 +	⅛
Entergy	30 9-16	29¾	29⅞ —	49-64
ExxonMobil	81¼	79 15-16	80 7-16 —	1
FstBksAm	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛ +	1-16
Flowers	21 5-16	21	21 5-16 +	1-16
GenDynam	60⅞	59¾	60¾ +	1 3-16
GenElec s	52½	51 3-16	52⅜ +	5-16
GenMills s	34 15-16	34½	34⅝ —	9-16
GenMotors	58¾	58¼	58 9-16 +	7-16
GaPacGP	25¾	25 3-16	25 5-16 —	3-16
GlobalMar	28 15-16	28 3-16	28⅞ +	3-16
Goodrich	37 15-16	37¾	37⅞ +	1-16
Goodyear s	20¾	20½	20⅝ —	⅛
GtAtlPac	14¾	14⅝	14 11-16 —	1-16
Halliburtn	48	46⅞	47⅝ +	½
Hanson ADS	29 11-16	29 9-16	29 11-16 +	1 1-16
HartleHanks	25 13-16	25 11-16	25¾ +	3-16
HomeDepot s	52 11-16	51⅝	52⅛ +	⅜
HoneywellIntl	34⅛	33½	33⅞ +	3-16
IBM	116½	114¾	114 13-16 —	1¼
IntlPaper	34¼	33¼	33 5-16 —	15-16
JohnsonJn	96⅝	95 5-16	96⅛ —	⅞
K mart	7 5-16	7 3-16	7 3-16 —	1-16
Kroger Co	21 11-16	21⅛	21¼ —	½
Litton	53⅝	53½	53⅝ —	⅛
LockheedM	29 11-16	28¾	29 9-16 +	1 3-16
Lowes Cos	42½	41 13-16	42 5-16 +	1-16
Lubys	7 15-16	7¾	7¾ —	3-16
LucentTech	43 7-16	42¼	42 5-16 —	13-16
MayDeptStr	24¼	23¾	23 13-16 —	⅜
Medtronic s	55⅛	54⅛	55 1-16 +	1-16
MorganJP	139 15-16	135⅞	139 7-16 +	4 7-16
Motorola s	37⅛	35¼	35 5-16 —	13-16
NCR Corp	34 11-16	34⅜	34½ +	¼
Navistar	36 1-16	35⅝	35⅞ —	3-16
Penney JC	17½	17⅛	17¼ —	⅛
PepBoys	6	5⅞	6 +	⅛
PepsiCo	45½	44¾	44⅞ —	¼
Pharmacia	57 11-16	55¾	56 11-16 —	5-16
PhelpDodge	43⅛	42¼	42¼ —	5-16
PhilipPet	53 1-16	52 1-16	52 11-16 —	½
PilgrmPrd B	7½	7⅜	7½ +	⅛
Polaroid	17¾	17⅛	17 9-16 +	5-16
Praxair	39⅞	39⅛	39⅛ —	⅜
ProctGamb	58 1-16	57 5-16	57 9-16 —	½
PubS NwMx	18⅝	18¼	18 7-16 —	3-16
RadioShack	60 5-16	59½	59 15-16 +	7-16
ReliantEngy	35⅛	34	34⅜ —	57-64
RoyalDut	59	58⅛	58 5-16 —	5-16
SBC Comm	44⅛	43¾	43 13-16 —	3-16
SaraLee	19 3-16	18 15-16	19 1-16 +	⅛
Scripps EW	50⅜	49⅞	50⅜ +	11-16
SearsRoeb	31¼	30⅝	30 11-16 —	5-16
SherwinW	21 7-16	21⅛	21⅜ +	⅛
SmithklBchm	66 15-16	65 15-16	65 15-16 —	½
SouthernCo	26½	25 15-16	26 —	29-64
SwstAirl	24¼	23 13-16	24 3-16 +	⅛
SprintFON	37⅜	36	37⅛ +	⅛
SprintPCS s	56¾	56	56¼ +	¾
Sunoco Inc	25 15-16	25⅝	25¾ +	1-16
TXU Corp	33 1-16	32½	32 9-16 —	37-64
TempleInland	44 11-16	44 1-16	44⅜ —	5-16
Texaco	49 1-16	48¼	48 5-16 —	7-16
TexInd	32⅞	32 11-16	32 11-16 —	3-16
TexasInst s	59	55 3-16	55¼ +	¼
Textron	58 1-16	57⅜	57 13-16 +	⅛
TriconGlbR	28 5-16	27½	28⅛ +	11-16
TrinityInds	19⅛	18 15-16	18 15-16	
TritonEngy	42	40¾	41 9-16 —	11-16
TylerTech	2	2	2	
USX-Marathn	25 11-16	25 3-16	25⅜ —	⅜
USX-USS	18¼	17 15-16	18 1-16 +	⅛
UnCarbde	43 9-16	42 13-16	42 15-16 —	1-16
UnionPacif	45½	44¾	44 13-16 —	¾
UnitedTech	57 9-16	57	57 1-16 —	1-16
Unocal	30⅝	30 1-16	30 1-16 —	7-16
Venator Grp	15⅛	14⅝	14 13-16 +	3-16
VerizonComm	47⅛	46¼	46¼ —	1¾
WalMart	54 1-16	53 3-16	53 5-16 —	11-16
WellsFargo	44 7-16	44 1-16	44 3-16 +	¼
WstnGasRs	19 13-16	19 7-16	19 7-16 +	⅛
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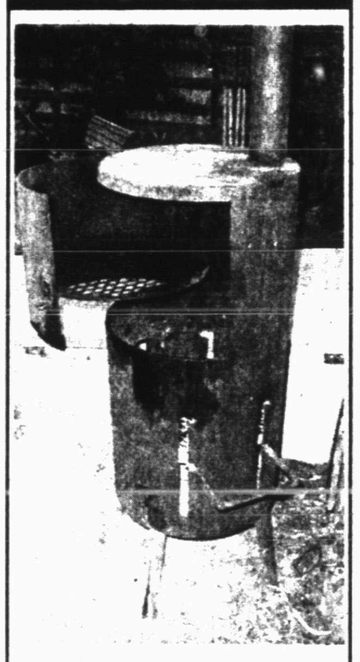

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Ford investigates safety of Firestone tires

WASHINGTON (AP) — Almost 100 years ago, Henry Ford chose Harvey Firestone to supply tires for America's first mass-produced automobiles. It was the beginning of an enduring friendship and fortunes that would outlive them both.

The companies that grew out of the relationship are trying to maintain their solidarity in the face of a government investigation into whether Firestone tires used on Ford Motor Co.'s popular Explorer have caused people to die.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has 193 complaints, including reports of 21 deaths, that Firestone tires peel off their casings, sometimes as the car they are on is barreling down the road at speed.

Many of the Firestone ATX, ATX II and Wilderness tires are original equipment on Ford, General Motors, Toyota, Nissan and Subaru SUVs and pickups, but most accidents reported to the traffic safety agency have involved the Ford Explorer, the industry's top-selling sport utility vehicle.

NHTSA's investigation is in its preliminary stages, but sometimes such investigations lead to a recall by the manufacturer, which in this case is Firestone's parent company, Nashville, Tenn.-based Bridgestone/Firestone.

Ford is looking into the case on its own. Company officials say it's too soon to say how they might respond, but spokesman Ken Zino said Ford's decision probably would not involve dropping its longtime tire supplier.

"I can envision no response to a problem, if there is one, that doesn't involve working closely with Bridgestone/Firestone," Zino said. "I think it's extremely unlikely that this long-standing supplier would not work closely with us."

Bridgestone/Firestone has involved Ford in its crisis communications plan since the investigation began in May, said Christine Karbowiak, spokeswoman for the tire company.

"We have a relationship with Ford. We've cherished it since 1906," she said in an interview from Akron, Ohio, where the company was celebrating the 100th anniversary of Firestone tires.

"We want to make sure our customer is happy, whether it's Ford or it's somebody coming in to buy five tires."

Karbowiak said consumers had been "unduly concerned" by media reports of the investigation, but the company is using the coverage as an opportunity to educate people about tire safety.

The company is encouraging owners to go to a Firestone Tire and Service Center for free inspections of their tires.

"These things aren't indestructible," Karbowiak said. "They are made out of rubber. Every passenger car sold in the United States is sold with a spare tire, and they're sold with a spare tire for a reason."

Two Florida families sued Ford and Bridgestone/Firestone on July 24, alleging tire treads on their Ford Explorers separated and caused fatal accidents. Similar suits concerning the tires have been filed since 1996.

The Washington-based Public Citizen advocacy group alleges that as many as 30 deaths have been caused by tire separation. Strategic Safety, an Arlington, Va.-based group that does research for plaintiffs' attorneys, is recommending to Ford and Bridgestone/Firestone that they recall tires on 1991 through 2000 models.

According to NHTSA, 28 of the reports of tread separation noted that the tire remained inflated, sometimes even after a crash. In two cases, the tire tread wrapped around the rear axle and locked up the wheels.

Tread failure was reported at a speed of 20 mph, but 55 mph to 75 mph was typical. Some tires that failed had been used fewer than 2,000 miles, agency records show.

Most of the complaints came from Texas and southern and southwestern states with warmer climates. Heat can affect tire tread bonding and may be associated with an increased rate of tread separation.

Ford has replaced Firestone tires for free on vehicles sold in Venezuela, Ecuador, Thailand, Malaysia, Colombia and Saudi Arabia after tires failed in those countries. It did not accept blame, but Ford said it swapped tires "as a customer satisfaction issue." It has not made a decision on replacing tires for U.S. customers.

On the Net:
Bridgestone/Firestone:
http://www.bridgestone-firestone.com
Ford Motor Co.:
http://www.ford.com
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration:
http://www.nhtsa.gov

After 56 years, airman buried with full honors

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Anthony DeLucia loved to swim almost as much as he loved to fly. For years, his family held out hope that the Army Air Corps flight engineer had paddled his way to a Pacific island after a bomber crash during World War II.

The last time his family saw him was in 1942 during a visit to his hometown of Bradford, 220 miles northeast of Pittsburgh. The Air Corps volunteer gave his brother Elmer DeLucia a watch.

"He said, 'Elmer, I'm going someplace real far away and I don't know when I'll ever see you again,'" Elmer DeLucia, now 77, said Thursday. "That was the last time I saw him. That was it."

On Aug. 31, 1944, DeLucia's 24th birthday, he and nine other airmen were reported missing when their B-24 did not return from a raid on Japanese ships in the former Formosa, now Taiwan.

His family figured the bomber had gone into the sea. Japanese records offered no clues and the Army could not find evidence of a crash. Over the years, Elmer DeLucia lost hope that he would find out what happened to his brother.

But in 1996, Chinese farmers found wreckage of the plane while searching for herbs on 7,000-foot Kitten Mountain in Guangxi Province.

The discovery helped the military fulfill a promise it made to families of missing veterans in 1946: to bring home everyone who could be found, no matter what it took.

"Even though this gentleman is from a long time ago, he's still one of our brothers," said Army Capt. Paul Gonthier, who is counseling DeLucia's brothers, both of whom earned Purple Hearts in World War II.

Elmer DeLucia will lay his brother's remains to rest Saturday in the family plot in Bradford, a town of 11,000 known for producing oil and Zippo lighters. Six of the other nine airmen will be buried Aug. 21 at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Va.

Families of the other men are burying them privately. Last month, the remains of Pvt. Vincent J. Netherwood were buried in his hometown of Kingston, N.Y. Netherwood, the plane's tail gunner, was 20 in 1944 and engaged to be married.

U.S. and Chinese searchers spent three years investigating the crash site for bones and artifacts that would help scientists at the Defense Department's forensic laboratory in Hawaii identify the dead.

They used dental records, dog tags, rings and DNA to identify what they could. The rest will be placed in a seventh casket that will be buried in Arlington at the same time as the other six.

Elmer DeLucia flew to Hawaii last week to escort his brother's casket home. Their mother, Jennie DeLucia, asked Elmer before her death in 1968 to bury Anthony, if he was ever found, alongside his parents near the church where he was baptized.

At the funeral, Elmer and another DeLucia brother, Auggie, will receive the Purple Heart their brother earned in the crash.

The 10 airmen will be honored with their names listed on a plaque at Arlington above the grave for the remains that could not be identified.

The remaining airmen were identified as 1st Lt. George H. Pierpont of Salem, Va.; 2nd Lt. Franklin A. Tomenendale of Shabbona, Ill., 2nd Lt. Robert L. Deming of Seattle; 2nd Lt. George A. Ward of Jersey City, N.J., Sgt. Ellsworth V. Kelley of Newark, Ohio; Pfc. Charles Buckley of Garden City, Kan.; Staff Sgt. William A. Drager of Washington, N.J.; and Sgt. Robert L. Kearsey of McKees Rocks, Pa.

On The Net:
Army personnel office at
http://www.perscom.army.mil

Queen Mother observes 100th birthday

LONDON (AP) — Queen Mother Elizabeth, the nation's favorite royal, celebrates her 100th birthday Friday with all the pomp and ceremony due a life that spanned a century.

For the Queen Mother, that means a horse-drawn carriage ride from her Clarence House home to Buckingham Palace, a 41-gun salute and a private luncheon with members of the royal family.

Since Thursday, royal watchers have staked out front-row seats at Buckingham Palace and along the parade route to personally wish the Queen Mother a happy birthday.

"She came to visit us in Hornsey Rise during the Blitz," said Terry Hutt, who was 5 when he first saw his favorite royal in his north London neighborhood during World War II. "She was my queen. That's why I am here today."

Like countless others, Hutt remembers her as Queen Elizabeth, consort of King George VI at a time when Britain faced Hitler's forces virtually alone, enduring heavy bombing and years of deprivation. Vivid, youthful memories link many of the wartime generation to the Queen Mother.

Britain's newspapers were among the first to salute the Queen Mother on Friday with photo tributes. The Daily Telegraph featured 100 pictures of the Queen Mother dating back to 1900, while The Times carried a 28-page pullout section illustrating her life throughout the 20th century.

Thousands were expected to gather along the broad avenue of The Mall, but they will have only a few minutes to catch a glimpse of the Queen Mother.

Accompanied by eldest grandson Prince Charles, she is to leave her home at Clarence House by horse-drawn carriage at noon and make the short trip up The Mall to Buckingham Palace.

Along with her daughters, Queen Elizabeth II and Princess Margaret, she is to appear on the palace balcony and hear a 41-gun salute before a private luncheon celebration with 30 members of her family.

While at the palace, the postman will hand-deliver a centenary card from the queen, who traditionally sends birthday wishes to everyone in Britain who turns 100. This one, for her mother, will have an additional personal message.

Eleven other centenarians will receive similar cards on the same day.

Janet Carter, who will be waiting patiently on The Mall for a wave from the Queen Mother, may not have the same birthday, but she never forgets the Queen Mother's.

"I try to come down every year," she said Thursday in between rain showers.

"We've been here since yesterday evening. I can't wait to get a glimpse of the Queen Mum. I am a true royalist and I reckon she's the best of the bunch."

The Queen has also issued a special honors list to mark her mother's 100th birthday.

Nine people are to be honored, including five who helped stage the Queen Mother's centenary pageant on London's Horse Guards parade ground in July.

Security for the Queen Mother's 100th birthday was expected to be tight, amid fears that dissident Irish republicans could disrupt the celebrations with violence.

During the Queen Mother's centenary pageant July 19, police detonated a bomb left on the tracks of a west London subway station after receiving a coded warning that the government said bore the mark of dissident Irish terrorists.

A senior security source told Britain's Press Association that police suspected terrorists would continue their campaign of violence Friday.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

See internist about unusual symptoms

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 30-year-old housewife who suffers from what I can best describe as muscle spasms, which travel from my stomach to my shoulders, back and left leg. The spasms are often associated with headaches and left facial pain. My doctor thinks that I have either a herpes infection or sinus congestion. I don't agree. Moreover, extensive testing has revealed a whooshing noise in my aorta. What's going on here?

DEAR READER: Your unusual symptoms are certainly puzzling. However, I agree that herpes and sinus inflammation are unlikely causes.

In order to diagnose your condition, a doctor should sit down with you and take an exhaustive medical history. For example, what is the pattern of your symptoms? What relieves (or worsens) them? Are they associated with any other symptoms, such as fever, flushing, weakness, diarrhea or high blood pressure? The answers to these and other questions should shed light on your unusual affliction.

One possibility is pheochromocytoma, a rare glandular tumor that periodically secretes a substance causing hypertension and a variety of symptoms similar to yours. This disorder can be diagnosed by special blood and urine tests.

Also, circulatory disturbances, such as "migraine equivalents" (inappropriate constriction and dilation of blood vessels in and around the head), must be considered.

I cannot explain the "whooshing" sound in your aorta. Such a noise could be caused by a damaged valve, a blocked portion of the artery or an aneurysm. In any case, this, too, should be investigated.

Finally, anxiety could contribute to your problem.

You mention that you have had extensive testing. These tests should be reviewed by the doctor who questions and examines you, preferably a well-trained internist, a specialist in difficult diagnoses. If your local physicians have been unable to help you, I suggest that you request a referral to a diagnostic clinic at a teaching hospital, where super-specialists are trained and equipped to diagnose unusual afflictions.

DEAR DR. GOTT: How can I prevent prostate infection? I've read that sexually active men experience fewer problems than do relatively celibate older gentlemen. Is this correct?

DEAR READER: To my knowledge, there is no generally accepted, consistent method of preventing infection of the prostate gland. Regular sexual activity, which releases prostatic fluid, is not always the answer, although — as you suggest — sexually active men do seem to suffer less often from prostate problems that do males who engage in infrequent sex.

At present, the relationship between orgasm and prostatitis remains too inconclusive to permit any recommendation. The only clear reaction has to do with arousal without release: Men who repeatedly become sexually aroused and do not achieve orgasm may suffer from chronic prostatic congestion, a condition that may predispose them to infection. Thus, unconsummated sex may provide the connection you are suggesting. The medical students' aphorism, "a healthy organ is an active one," probably holds true. To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "The Prostate Gland." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Scores of wildfires still burning

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — Scores of wildfires have forced beleaguered firefighters to give up ground as officials across western Montana warned people to stay inside and out of the thickening smoke.

In Nevada, a crash of a firefighting helicopter killed one crew member and injured three other people. The Bell 206 helicopter, assigned to a fire northeast of Elko, crashed late Thursday shortly after takeoff.

The pilot and a fuel truck driver who ran to help those in the helicopter after the crash were treated at an Elko hospital and released, fire information officer Bill Roach said. Another crew member was flown to a hospital in Twin Falls, Idaho, and was listed in serious condition.

Flights were restricted at the Missoula airport Thursday.

SISD trustees meet Thursday

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Roc Ann Rogers, English teacher at SHS; and Debbie Shaw, elementary counselor.

Resignations accepted were from East Elementary resource teacher Sally White, East fourth grade teacher Freda Shepard and Humble Smith speech pathologist Michelle McNary.

The board also accepted the food contract with Aramark for next school year, and approved the contract with the Hobbs Accelerated Education Cooperative.

The district is purchasing 35 slots at the alternative education school for $6,000 per student.

The board also reviewed insurance plans for employees, and adopted the calendar for teacher evaluations.

The board also adopted a new reimbursement policy for personal use of automobiles that will increase the pay from 25 cents to 29 cents per mile.

McNair said he estimates the change will cost the district some $4,000 the coming year.

Board president Mark McCormick presided at the meeting and board members present were Luann Burleson, Richard Chambers, Glenn Clarady, Mike Levens and Janet Stribling. Cathy Peoples was absent.

United offers savings on all taxable items

While customers at retailers across the state are enjoying sales tax relief on items of apparel and footwear, customers at United Supermarkets will benefit from savings on all taxable items this weekend.

For all purchases made at its stores Friday through Sunday, United Supermarkets will pay the sales tax for customers on any taxable item. This greatly expands the state's tax relief program for the same three days, which is for apparel and shoes with retail prices of $100 or less.

"We recognized that it takes more than clothes to get ready for a new school year, Rusty Carter, local store director said. "School supplies are on everyone's list right now, but they aren't part of the state's tax-free weekend. With our promotion, shoppers can let United pay the tax on those items and more."

"Our hope is that this promotion will stretch our customers' budgets during a time they are facing additional back-to-school expenses," Carter added.

In addition to school supplies, United is paying any sales tax owed by its customers on health and beauty items, laundry and cleaning supplies, paper products, snacks and soft drinks, pet supplies, baby needs, film, batteries, photo finishing and other taxable products.

The promotion does not include federal and state taxes that are included in the cost of products such as fuel and tobacco.

Man locates signs in alley dumpster

• ***Road signs located***

Several road signs belonging to the Texas Department of Transportation were located in a dumpster behind a residence in the 300 block of 36th Street Thursday.

A man reported finding the signs at 8:36 a.m. The highway department was contacted and said the items had been taken Saturday from the 37th Street road construction area.

• ***Harassment***

A woman spoke to officers at 3 p.m. Thursday to report that she was being harassed and stalked by her ex-boyfriend.

• ***Arrests***

Two subjects, a 26-year-old female and a 17-year-old male, were jailed Thursday and early today for driving while intoxicated.

A 36-year-old female was arrested at 12:59 a.m. today on a Taylor County warrant for Class B theft and a Lubbock County warrant for issuance of a bad check.

Unoccupied house destroyed by fire

An unoccupied house south of Snyder was destroyed by fire Thursday evening.

Snyder Fire Department was dispatched to the blaze at 5:45 p.m., 14 miles south of Snyder on CR 3128.

Fire officials said the structure was fully engulfed upon arrival. In addition, some two acres of pastureland burned.

Wesley Graves owns the property.

Fourteen firemen and four trucks responded and were on the scene about three hours. There were no injuries and the cause of the fire is under investigation.

The blaze was reported when a passerby noticed smoke coming from the area and called the department.

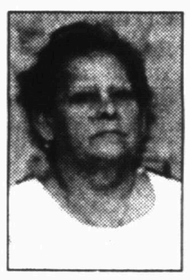
Obituaries

Valerianna Lopez

1941-2000

Valerianna Lopez, 59, died Thursday, Aug. 3, at her home following a lengthy illness.

Rosary for Mrs. Lopez, a homemaker, is set for 8:30 p.m. Saturday in the Wright Colonial Funeral Home Chapel.



Mrs. Lopez

Mass for Mrs. Lopez is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with the Rev. Leo Moras, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Born April 14, 1941 in New Braunfels, she married Faustino Lopez on Aug. 31, 1953 in Snyder.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother; and one daughter.

Survivors include her husband, Faustino Lopez of Snyder; three sons and two daughters-in-law, Jose and Gloria Lopez, Miguel and Anita Lopez and Alex Lopez, all of Snyder; six daughters and five sons-in-law, Lucia and Jeff Delapaz of Sweetwater, Rosa and Juan Hernandez, Virginia and Adan Flores, and Yolanda Lowry, all of Snyder, and Andrea and Russ Henzler of Matador; three brothers, George Gutierrez and Leon Gutierrez, both of Snyder, and Daniel Gutierrez of San Angelo; four sisters, Matilda Guzman, Lucia Garcia, Janie Alverado and Lillie Hernandez, all of Snyder; 23 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Jane Ann McCarty

1964-2000

Funeral service for Jane Ann McCarty, 36, is set for 11 a.m. Saturday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Jim Mosley, retired Baptist minister, and the Rev. Kenneth Martin, pastor of the Ira First Baptist Church, will officiate.

Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

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

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

Survivors include her parents, Leland and Jane McCarty of Snyder; a brother and sister-in-law, Ricky Don and Sharon McCarty of Slaton; another brother, Steven L. McCarty of Texas City; a niece, Cristi McCarty of Slaton; and a nephew, Wesley McCarty, also of Slaton.

Lunch for the family will be at 1 p.m. at the Ira Baptist Church.

Julius Glenney

1909-2000

DUNCANVILLE - Julius G. Glenney, a former Snyder resident, died Thursday, Aug. 3.

Funeral service for Mr. Glenney, 91, is set for 1 p.m. Saturday in the Holy Cross Cemetery Chapel in San Antonio with Deacon Steve Marques officiating. Interment will follow in the Holy Cross Cemetery.

Born Jan. 24, 1909 in San Antonio, Mr. Glenney reared his family in Snyder and he was a retired petroleum engineer for Texaco.

His wife, Elizabeth "Betty" Glenney, preceded in death.

Survivors include two sons, George Glenney of Georgetown and Richard Glenney of Duncanville; two daughters, Carolyn Lewis of Post and Mary Beth Glenney of San Antonio; one sister, Ethel Nicholson of San Antonio; 11 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Family visitation will be held one hour prior to the service. Arrangements are under the direction of Jaynes Memorial Chapel of Duncanville.

Lillie Mae Burch

1910-2000

GRAHAM — Lillie Mae Burch, sister of Zelda Atwood of Snyder, died Wednesday, Aug. 2, at a care center in Graham.

Service for Mrs. Burch, 90, was set for 1 p.m. today in Morrison Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Charlie Bazan, pastor of Faith Center Assembly of God in Graham, was to officiate. Burial was to follow in Pioneer Cemetery in Graham under the direction of Morrison Funeral Home.

Born May 22, 1910 in Graham to the late Thomas Leslie and Etta Gertrude (Webb) Helton, she married Eugene Bryan Burch on Dec. 20, 1931 in Walters, Okla. He preceded her in death.

Mrs. Burch was a member of Faith Center Assembly of God and was a homemaker.

Survivors also include a son, Delwin Burch of Graham; a grandson, Bryan Burch of Graham; a granddaughter, Belinda Burch Cisneros of Needville; five great-grandchildren; and special friends, Emilia and Ramiro Trejo of Graham.

Elsworth Greer

1915-2000

RANKIN – Elsworth Greer, the father of Dan Greer of Snyder, died Tuesday, Aug. 1, in Midland.

Funeral service for Mr. Greer, 85, was set for 10 a.m. today in the First Baptist Church. The Revs. Jim Medley and Ferris Akins were to officiate.

Burial was to follow at 3 p.m. today in East Hill Cemetery in Fort Stockton.

Born March 13, 1915 in Barksdale, he married Lahoma Rixse on May 22, 1937 in Imperial. She died in 1973. He married Judy Perry on Nov. 10, 1979 in Rankin.

Mr. Greer moved to Rankin from Imperial in 1979 and was owner of Greer Oil Company. He was a member of the State Firemen and Fire Marshall's Association and taught for 35 years in the Texas A&M Fire Training School.

A member of the Rankin First Baptist Church, he served as a deacon. He was a Mason, a member of the Rankin fire department, city council and Lions Club. He was a life member of the Imperial Fire Department and served as a director of the Upton County Fire District.

Mr. Greer also was a former Buena Vista school district trustee and was a retired justice of the peace in Pecos County.

Survivors include his wife, Judy Greer of Rankin; two other sons, Leldon Greer of Imperial and Sammy Heflin of St. Lawrence; four daughters, Eloma Ashwin of Crane, Laureen Terzich of Castroville, Shirley Peel of College Station and Sherie Johnson of Odessa; three sisters, Kayloma Dean, Geraldine Tucker and Eileen Coleman, all of Camp Wood; 26 grandchildren; and 32 great-grandchildren.

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Births

Kim and Exiquro Fox are the parents of a son weighing six pounds and five ounces, born at Cogdell Memorial Hospital at 11:50 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 3.

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ONGOINGS

Children's Crusade

Snyder First Church of the Nazarene, 2462 South Hwy 208, is holding a Children's Crusade from 6 to 8 p.m. This evening the final session. There will be games and refreshments. To ride the van, call 573-5601.

Queen candidate car wash

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

Class of 1975 reunion

The SHS Class of 1975 will hold a reunion from 9 p.m. to midnight Saturday at Jack Greene's place. Friends and teachers are welcome. Tickets are $10. Call Lisa Williams at 573-2980 or Karen Wadleigh at 573-2461 for more information.

Crystal River concert

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

Football booster club

The SHS football booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the high school student center.

Bible study tapes

Bible study tapes air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Genesis: A World in Turmoil," followed by "The Goodness and Severity of God."

Kings Kids opens registration

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

FBC worship service

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

School supply donations

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

Social Security reps

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

Locate SJHS homerooms

Snyder Junior High School students are invited to tour the building and locate homerooms between 5 and 6 p.m. Thursday.

GED Exams

GED exams will be administered next Friday at Western Texas College. For more information, call Emily Hataway at 574-2112, or Molly Kattes at 573-2919.

WTC success seminar

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

Meet the teachers

Stanfield Elementary will host an open house and meet the teachers event from 3-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 13. Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria. Students are also encouraged to bring their school supplies and find their desks. Stanfield's event falls on the first annual Texas Parents Day, as designated by the Legislature.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery:

5-11-18-31-38

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

5-4-3

City council conducts meeting

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For example, if the survey suggested an increase in all salaries, would the city be able to follow the suggestion.

"There is more than one chance this money is going to be wasted," Martin said. "If they tell us all is fine or if they tell us we need a 20 percent increase, the likelihood of us following the suggestions is unlikely. I think we can do it in-house."

Martin added, "I'm not against a wage study, I'm against paying $15,000 for it."

Other members said the city had put off the raises much too long.

"If we let these things go, we will just get further and further behind. We've waited too long now," Councilman I.E. Martin said.

Councilman James Jenkins said he had received no positive comments from citizens concerning proposed pay raises. He admitted, however, that he had not talked directly to city employees.

"I cannot understand why we are trying to give a pay raise when we don't have a balanced budget."

This prompted Ashley to ask him, "At what point do you want to give a pay raise?"

"I believe we deserve to support our people and not balance the budget on their backs," Ashley said.

The first reading of an ordinance approving the budget is scheduled Aug. 14 during the council's regular meeting. Members are scheduled to convene again Sept. 5 to adopt the budget.

It must be approved before Oct. 1 when the city's new fiscal year begins.

A slight increase of the tax rate is proposed — $0.4122 compared to last year's $0.3935 per $100 valuation. The proposal will generate approximately $70,000 more in revenue for the city than the present rate.