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Scurry County population dips 12%

From local, wire reports

All it might take would be a jog down a big-city street, a stroll through a suburban mall or a drive across a lonely West Texas prairie to anticipate what the 2000 census said about Texas.

The major cities, and especially their minority populations, are still growing. Their outlying areas are expanding even faster. And rural points, especially in West Texas, simply can't keep up.

"If you drive west of I-35, it's a very lonely place," said University of Houston political science professor Richard Murray.

Scurry County has lost 2,273 residents from the 1990 census. The census lists the county population at 16,361 presently, down from 18,634. That is a decrease of 12.2 percent.

Other oil-based counties suffered similar losses, as Ward County is down from 13,115 to 10,909 – a drop of 16 percent.

Andrews County has dropped 9.3 percent to 13,004 from its 1990 county of 14,338.

The biggest losers were Loving (37.4 percent), Reagan (26.3 percent) and Upton (23.5 percent)

.However, census figures for both Mitchell County and Dawson County show an increase in population.

Both of these counties attracted new state prisons since the last census, and it is reflected in their present populations.

The census counts inmates among the county's population.

Snyder's Price Daniel Unit population was first reflected in the 1990 census for Scurry County.

The first detailed breakdown of the 2000 Census headcount, released Monday, showed 91 percent of the 3.86 million in population growth occurred in the metropolitan counties and their suburbs.

Maintaining meteoric growth that began in the 1970s, suburbs accounted for the eight fastest-growing counties. Among them: Collin, north of Dallas; Williamson, north of Austin; and Montgomery, north of Houston.

Texas' population was pegged earlier this year at 20.9 million, supplanting New York as the second-most populous state. Texas swelled by 22.8 percent, outpacing the U.S. growth rate of 13.2 percent.

"We had relatively pervasive growth, with the exception of some rural areas," said Steve Murdock, head of the Texas A&M University's State Data Center, which processed the numbers Monday.

The Hispanic population explosion slightly trailed the 58 percent Latino growth rate nationwide, but was impressive considering an already large presence in Texas. The census found 6.7 million Hispanic Texans in 2000 compared with 4.4 million in 1990. Hispanics accounted for 60 percent of Texas' 1990s population surge.

"Latinos now comprise 28.6 percent of voting-age Texans. This growth in the voting age tells us that Latino political strength is on the rise," said Nina Perales, staff attorney for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund.

Hispanic is considered an ethnicity, not a race; people of Hispanic origin can be of any race.

The decennial statistical portrait is important to Texans for many reasons: Lawmakers use the figures to decide how to allocate political representation, both on the state and national level. The growth ensures Texas will get more of the $185 billion given each year in federal money to states and communities. Even decisions about where to place shopping malls and fast-food outlets are predicated on demographics.

Among the results:

—Harris County grew by about 580,000 to 3.4 million in 2000 to remain largest. Its county seat, Houston, expanded by about 285,000 to 1.95 million and continues to be Texas' biggest city and fourth-largest nationwide.

—Collin County was fastest-growing, surging 86 percent. From 264,036 residents in 1990, the county north of Dallas ballooned to 491,675 in 2000.

—In addition to being the quickest-shrinking, Loving County remained smallest with 67 residents.

Time for a break...

DeWhite and October Wells, from left, work in the yard. Terri Wells is their mother.

Photo left, from left, are Kristy Reyna and Rebecca Valdez , daughters of Mary Ann Valdez and Julia Trejo, daughter of Petra and Gabriel Trejo. Chase Gaines, grandson of Jimmie Day, is pictured right with a hand held video game. (SDN Staff Photos by Joyce May)

United Way directors meet

Plans for this year's Scurry County United Way were discussed and the financials were approved at the directors meeting Monday held at the chamber office.

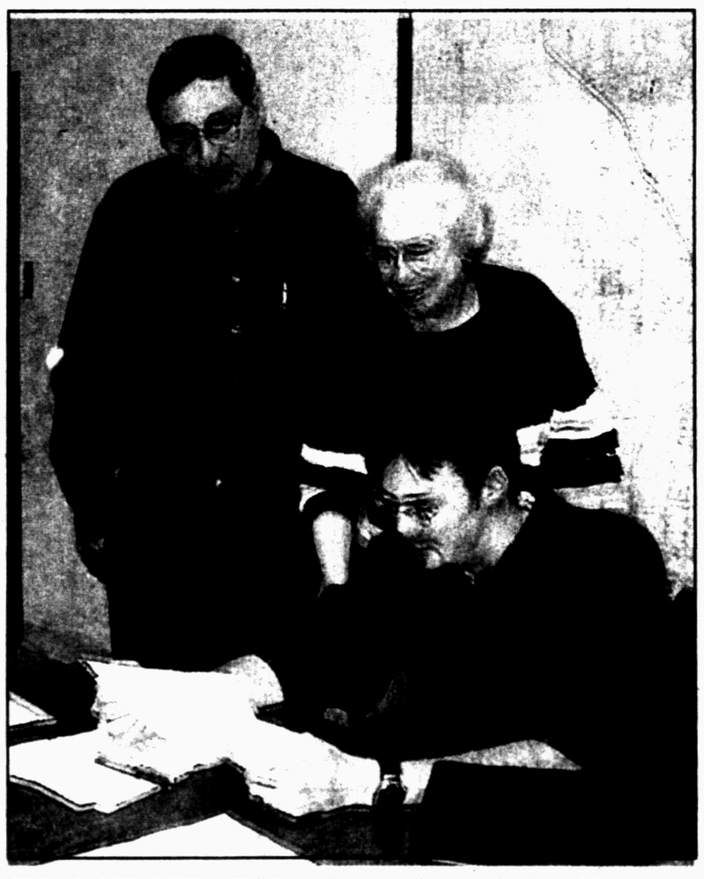
Rana Anderson was introduced as the new executive secretary, formerly held by Zola Schlegel.

Officers include Stephen Covey, president; Peggy Vernon, first vice president; Joan Bunch, second vice president; Leslie Cooley, recording secretary, and Schlegel, treasurer.

Covey explained his "team strategy" that includes a special events team, public awareness team, packet distribution team and grant writing team. Directors unanimously approved the plan.

United Way directors meetings will continue on the second Monday of each month with hopes of meeting at the various participating agencies to include Scurry County Boys & Girls Club, Snyder Child Day Care Center, Gateway Services Inc., Girls Scouts, Boy Scouts, Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse , Scurry County Food Cupboard and American Red Cross.

New or returning board members are Schlegel, Kent Wright, Christy Brown, Gayle Burleson, Ann Smartt, Dalinda Roberts, C.R. Perez, Sandra Fulford, Dr. Edward Barkowsky, Carolyn Osborne and Carl Burleson.



KICKS OFF NEW YEAR — Scurry County United Way president Stephen Covey talks over new ideas with board members Carl Burleson and Ann Smartt at Monday's meeting.

Armstrong names new court reporter

District Judge Ernie Armstrong has appointed Terry Hanshew of Midland to the post of 132nd District court reporter.

Hanshew, who currently works for the Midland County Courts of Law, succeeds John Cline, who retired last December.

"I am replacing a good guy in John Cline," he said. "I hope I can do as good as he did. I am looking forward to working for Judge Armstrong."

Hanshew will begin his duties May 1. Currently, the court is contracting for a court reporter.

Originally from Sweetwater, Hanshew is a 1988 graduate of Sweetwater High School, and he graduated from the Stenograph Institute of Texas in 1993.

After graduation, he was a freelance court reporter before accepting the position in Midland County in 1995.

Hanshew and his wife, Gayla, are expecting their third child. Their son Chance is 10, and daughter Alexis is two.

"I am proud to be able to bring a young family to Snyder. I think they will be a real asset to the community and certainly to me," Judge Armstrong said.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Some people make a living by their wits, and half a living ain't bad."

Here's some more dim-wit stories. It seems that they are more plentiful these days.

Take for example the distraught woman who called the poison hot line saying that her two-year-old daughter had eaten ants.

The medical student, taking his turn at the control center, reassured the mother that the ants were not harmful and there was no need to seek further medical attention.

The mother calmed down, and at the end of the conversation, happened to mention that she gave her daughter some ant poison in order to kill the ants.

The doctor then advised a fast trip to the emergency room.

And some Boeing employees decided to steal a life raft from a 747. After being successful in getting it out of the plant, they took it for a float.

Soon, they were surprised to find a Coast Guard helicopter coming towards them.

It turned out the chopper was honing in on the emergency emitter that was activated when the raft was inflated.

The former employees now have plenty of free time for water activities.

And an Arkansas man wanted some booze pretty badly. He decided to throw a cinder block through a store window, grab some beer and run.

After lifting the cinder block and heaving it over his head at the window, the cinder block bounced back, hitting the would-be thief on the head.

Found unconscious, investigators discovered the window was made of Plexiglass and the whole episode was captured on security cameras.

And good for granny!

A Florida woman returned to her car in a grocery parking lot to find four males in the act of trying to get in the vehicle.

The grandma dropped her grocery bags, drew her handgun and screamed at the men. "I've got a gun and know how to use it. Get out of the car, you scum bags."

The four wisely ran off. Meanwhile, the shaken woman proceeded to load her grocery bags into the back seat. Still shaken, she found she had difficulty getting her key into the ignition.

Finally, the woman discovered why her key wouldn't work. Now embarrassed, she found her car four or five spaces farther down.

She loaded her grocery bags into the right vehicle and proceeded directly to the police station where she found four pale men reporting a car jacking by a little ole lady.

After getting all the facts, the police sergeant was laughing too hard to file any charges.

HISD board to meet

Hermleigh ISD's school trustees will meet at 7 this evening in the high school building to discuss a number of once-a-year agenda items.

The trustees will review the textbook committee's report, a contract with the food purchasing cooperative and teacher contracts.

The board also will appoint an election judge for the May 5 board election.

The board also will continue its discussion on how a declining enrollment and a lower tax base will affect next year.

ASK US

Q—When does Daylight Savings Time begin?

A—April 1, which is also April Fool's Day.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Monday, 71; low, 40; 7 a.m. Tuesday, 41; no precipitation; total for 2001, 4.13 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy, low 45-50; S wind 5-15 mph. Wednesday, mostly cloudy, 40% rain chance, high upper 60s, S wind 5-10 mph.

Josephine Ornelas
Cloudy

Sunset: 6:51 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:55 a.m.
Of 71 days in 2001, the sun has shone 62 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

More men fail through lack of purpose than through lack of talent.
—Billy Sunday

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Wednesday, March 14, 2001
The probabilities for success in your career or with an ambitious project are rather strong in the year ahead. However, you might have to make a number of adjustments to make it a reality.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Should things not go your way today, don't look for scapegoats. The fault will be traceable to you if you bite off more than you can chew. Pisces, treat yourself to a birthday gift.

Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper. P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't depend on your memory today, because when those very facts are needed, it can let you down big time. As a result, you could suffer some kind of important loss.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Whatever you do today, do not allow your emotions to dominate a financial matter that will prove costly if you're wrong. What you feel about something might not be so in reality.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Beware of reckless companions today encouraging you to be equally as rash as they. Don't feel you have to respond in kind in order to get along. You don't.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You won't be able to manipulate the truth concerning a job you botch up. In fact, if you try, you could get in deeper hot water than you're already in. Take your medicine and learn from it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It might be all too easy today to put your trust in someone who doesn't deserve it. Be careful when in a social situation that you're not blinded by friendliness.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Check it out before committing yourself to a project today. You might achieve success, but, unfortunately, all that work may be for naught, because the target could turn out to be of little worth.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It's best not to match wits with someone today of whom you know little. You might not be as sharp as you think you are, or he or she may possess knowledge or expertise you lack.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Being an optimist is good, but don't count your pennies before they're in your hand. Be a hard-nosed person today who relies solely on common sense and prudence.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You might have to pay for the way you treated some people yesterday who only had your best interests at heart. Today they may be nowhere to be found, leaving you on your own.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be particularly careful today that you don't get immersed in something in which the entire control of the operation is dominated by another. It could turn out to be a big loss for you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Frivolous pursuits must not be allowed to interfere with your more serious affairs today. Socializing when you should have your nose to the grindstone could cause you some major headaches.

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Shooter saved one bullet for himself

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The teen charged in the shooting spree at Santana High School saved one bullet to kill himself but was unable to use it due to quick action by police, a newspaper reported Tuesday.

Charles "Andy" Williams, 15, told detectives he carefully counted bullets, but planned to shoot randomly, The San Diego Union-Tribune reported Tuesday.

"He said that while he did not intend to kill any particular person, if someone died, they died," San Diego County sheriff's Detective Sharon Lunsford said.

Williams allegedly told detectives he was angry at Santana High, in part because he was disciplined for repeated tardiness.

The statements and other details about the shooting were contained in a search warrant unsealed Monday at the request of the Union-Tribune.

"He counted the ammunition to be sure of how much he had. ... Charles said when he finished shooting, he had one round of ammunition left and planned to run away and shoot himself," a police report said. "He was prevented from doing this by police officers who arrived sooner than he expected them to."

The six-minute rampage on March 5 left two people dead and 13 others injured. Minutes after the shooting began, Williams was apprehended by two sheriff's deputies and an off-duty San Diego police officer who happened to be at the school to enroll his daughter.

Williams is being held in juvenile custody after being charged as an adult with murder, attempted murder and assault with a firearm.

Williams has not entered a plea. Lead defense lawyer Randy Mize declined comment Monday.

Williams allegedly said he had been skipping school and was mad about being locked out as prescribed by Santana High's late-student policy.

His father, Jeff Williams, knew his son had skipped school "and began talking back to him," the warrant said. The elder Williams, who has not been charged with any crimes, also told detectives he kept a .22-caliber rifle, a .243-caliber bolt-action rifle and several shotguns. He said he had taken his son shooting.

Police said Andy Williams told them he knew where the key to the cabinet that contained the guns was. He said he brought an eight-shot, .22-caliber revolver to school then went into a toilet stall to load it. He emerged from the stall and allegedly shot Bryan Zuckor, 14, once in the head. Zuckor died. He then allegedly shot Trevor Edwards, 17, in the neck "and told him to shut up." Edwards survived.

Detectives removed a computer, disks and a printer from the Williams' apartment after the shootings.

Investigators said last week they recovered a note related to the shooting from the apartment, but the contents of the note were not detailed in the warrant.

Author Robert Ludlum dies in Naples, France

NAPLES, Fla. (AP) — Suspense novelist Robert Ludlum, author of the Jason Bourne series of spy thrillers, and "The Matarese Circle," died Monday. He was 73.

Henry Morrison, Ludlum's literary agent since 1967, confirmed the author died, but declined to give details at the request of Ludlum's family. Morrison said the family in Naples where Ludlum died planned to issue a formal statement on Tuesday.

The cause of death is believed to be a heart attack, said Matthew Shear, a spokesman of Ludlum's publisher, St. Martin's Press.

"It's a horrible loss for all of his fans and for his publisher," said Shear. "Fortunately, he had been working on several books and to honor him we're going to continue to publish him."

Readers can expect at least three more novels, Shear said.

Ludlum started his career in the theater, working as an actor and a producer until he published his first book, "The Scarlatti Inheritance," in 1971.

The best-selling novel about a group that financed Adolf Hitler's Third Reich was followed by 20 novels that sold millions of copies.

More than 210 million of the author's books are in print, according to www.ludlumbooks.com, the official Web site run by Ludlum's publisher, St. Martin's Press.

Government secrets and corruption were a recurring theme in his spy adventures, which were known for unbelievable twists and turns that kept readers turning pages and critics sometimes rolling their eyes.

A Washington Post critic once said: "It's a lousy book. So I stayed up until 3 a.m. to finish it."

In "The Chancellor Manuscript," Ludlum fictionalized J. Edgar Hoover's death, unraveling an assassination plot that killed the head of the FBI.

One of his most popular series began with "The Bourne Identity," which tells the tale of a spy suffering from amnesia who's followed by assassins. Jason Bourne repeatedly escaped death as he feared the worst of his past, leaving himself and readers guessing why he would be the target of killers.

Schell recovering from appendectomy

NEW YORK (AP) — Maximilian Schell is recovering from an appendectomy that kept him off the stage of Broadway's Longacre Theatre, where he is headlining previews of a new production of "Judgment at Nuremberg."

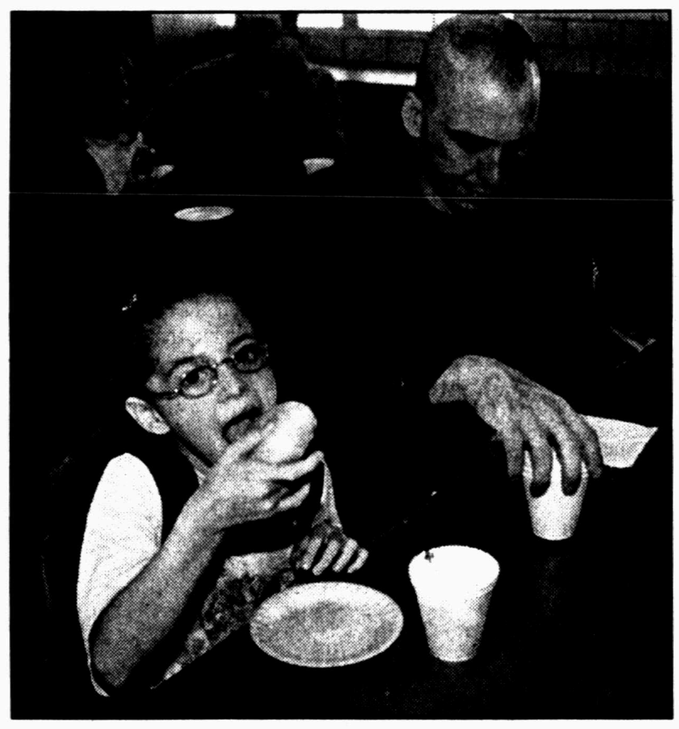
Schell, 70, portrays an aging minister of justice on trial in 1948 for sentences he handed down under Hitler.

He won a best actor Academy Award for the 1961 film "Judgment at Nuremberg," in which he gave a passionate performance as a young German defense lawyer.

Schell was hospitalized Saturday in New York City but is expected to resume performances Thursday, according to Joe Trentacosta.

Stanfield Elementary

MUFFINS FOR MOM — Sarah Cearley and her mother, Joanne Cearley, enjoyed Muffins for Mom last week. The event was hosted in conjunction with Public School Week. (SDN Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



DONUTS FOR DAD — Taylar Presley and her dad, David Presley, enoyed Donuts For Dad last week. The event was part of Public School Week. (SDN Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

events

LOTTO TEXAS

TEXAS LOTTERY

RESULTS

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery:
7-15-21-35-37

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
7-8-3

Ask The Preacher

WHAT KIND OF OBEDIENCE DOES GOD REQUIRE?

by Bill Looney

All obedience ought to spring from a humble, loving desire to yield to the will of God. Jesus was our example at Gethsemane, wanting to do God's will and not His own. He said simply, "If you love Me you will keep My commandments" (John 14:15).

God has always demanded that His people be careful to do what He instructed. "Only be strong and very courageous; be careful to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, so that you may have success wherever you go" (Josh 1:7). In the book of Deuteronomy alone, God demanded "careful" obedience some 27 times. The concept of carefulness is not limited to the principles of the Old Testament. Hebrews 2:1-3 probably says it best: "We must pay more careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away. For if the message spoken by angels was binding, and every violation and disobedience received its just punishment, how shall we escape if we ignore so great a salvation?"

Each man is building a house on something. To build upon rock is to hear (listen and understand) the words of Jesus and to do them.

Please address questions to:
Ask The Preacher
2500 37th Street, Snyder, Texas 79549
37th Street Church of Christ

Berry's World

FUTURE DERMATOLOGIST CHECKS OUT HIS PEERS DURING SPRING BREAK

Datebook

Tuesday, March 13, 2001
Today is the 72nd day of 2001 and the 83rd day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1781, English astronomer Sir William Herschel discovered the planet Uranus.

On this day in 1877, teen-age inventor Chester Greenwood received a patent for a new way of keeping one's ears warm: earmuffs.

On this day in 1946, Sadao Munemori became the first person of Japanese ancestry to receive the Medal of Honor. The medal was awarded posthumously.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Joseph Priestley (1733-1804), chemist; Percival Lowell (1855-1916), astronomer; Oswald Garrison Villard (1872-1949), editor-journalist; Janet Flanner (1892-1978), journalist; L. Ron Hubbard (1911-1986), religious leader-writer; Neil Sedaka (1939-), singer-songwriter, is 62; Dana Delany (1957-), actress, is 44.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1982, skater Elaine Zayak landed six triple jumps in her long program and won the world figure-skating championship.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Hew not too high lest the chips fall in thine eye." — English proverb

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (March 9) and last quarter (March 16).

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TOP GS NUT SELLERS — Kayla Liccardi, Junior Scout; Tressie Martin, Senior Scout; and Ashley Browning, Brownie, (from left) sold the most nuts in their age groups. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Scurry County top Girl Scout sellers honored by S.U. #46

Junior Scout Kayla Liccardi was the top seller in the annual fall nut sale for Scurry County Girl Scouts. She sold $321 worth of nuts. In the Brownie level, Ashley Browning was the top seller with $303. Senior Girl Scout Division winner was Tressie Martin, selling $71 worth.

Each year Service Unit #46 honors the top sellers in the product sales and this year gave special recognition to Courtney Tyrrell, second place in the Junior Scouts, selling $307 worth of nuts.

Girls selling over $200 included Brownies — LeTasha Steel, $208; Amber Steelman, $288; Taylor Presley, $295; Taylor Tyrrell, $265; Juniors — Yoci Arellano, $297; and Cassie Mhoon, $253.

National Girl Scout Week is being celebrated this week.

West Texas Girl Scouts, Scurry County Service Unit #46, is a participating agency of United Way of Scurry County.

Tasty, colorful treats for Easter holiday

Adding fun to the Easter holidays can be as easy as a hop, skip and a jump with crispy, chocolatey pops that look like bunnies. This recipe from Creative Cook's Kitchen requires no baking, so children can take part in the preparation and decoration.

EASTER-BUNNY POPS

Makes 1 dozen pops

For the Pops:

¼ cup (½ stick) butter or margarine

1 bag (10 ounces) marshmallows

6 cups crisp rice cereal

For the Decorations:

1 package (12 ounces) white chocolate chips

1 tablespoon vegetable oil

Mini candy-coated chocolates

2 lengths red licorice laces (from a 4-ounce package), cut into 1½ -inch pieces.

Assorted small candies

1 cup prepared vanilla frosting

Blue, green, red and yellow food colorings

Special aids:

Jelly-roll pan

3" oval cookie cutter

3" bunny-shaped cookie cutter

12 wooden craft sticks or lollipop sticks

Small offset spatula

Small resealable plastic bags

12 lengths (3" each) narrow ribbon

1. Spray a jelly-roll pan with vegetable cooking spray. In a large saucepan, heat butter and marshmallows over medium-low heat, stirring until melted, about 4 minutes. Remove the pan from heat; stir in cereal.

2. Spoon mixture into the prepared pan. Using your hands, press to make level; cool completely. Using an oval cookie cutter, cut out six ovals. Using a bunny-shaped cookie cutter, cut out six bunny shapes.

3. Place cutouts on sheets of waxed paper. Holding the cutout firmly against the paper, insert a craft stick 2 inches into the bottom of each cutout.

4. In a medium microwave-safe bowl, heat white chocolate chips and oil on Medium, stirring at 1-minute intervals, until smooth, about 3 minutes. Using a small offset spatula, spread 1 side of each pop with melted chocolate.

5. For Easter-bunny pops, press mini candy-coated chocolates into pops for eyes and nose. Press 6 red licorice lace pieces into each pop for whiskers.

6. For Easter-egg pops, press assorted small candies into pops as desired. Set aside pops until chocolate is set, about 30 minutes.

7. Divide frosting among 4 small bowls. Using food colorings, tint frostings blue, green, pink and yellow. Spoon frostings into separate resealable plastic bags; snip off one corner of each bag. Pipe pink frosting onto Easter-bunny pops for ears and mouths. Pipe remaining frostings onto Easter-egg pops as desired.

8. Tie ribbons around sticks; let stand until frosting is set, several hours. Wrap pops in plastic wrap until ready to serve.

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Hop to it! The easy-to-assemble recipe for Easter fun can be found online at www.creativecookskitchen.com.

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Atheneum Study Club; MAWC; program, "Benefits of Marital Arts," by Gregg and Donna Gafford; hostesses, Margaret Roach and Doris Spikes; 4 p.m.

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

Overeaters Anonymous, Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 574-1254, 573-8322 or 573-3733; 6:30 p.m.

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

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

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-4048,; 8 p.m.

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

Altrurian Daughters Club; 11:30 a.m.

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

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-8018; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary; board room; all members are urged to attend; 10 a.m.

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

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

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

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

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th Street.

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

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626; 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.

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night; 6:30 p.m.

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

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

SATURDAY

Just For Today NA open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

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

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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♣ Q J 10 9 8 7 6

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
??		5 ♠	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ A

Tuesday, March 13, 2001

Down from six to five

By Phillip Alder

First, look only at the South hand in the diagram. Partner opens five spades. What would you respond, if anything?

So that you cannot see the answer immediately, here is a quotation: "There are only two or three in the world, five or six at most. We ride them like treadmills." What was Janette Turner Hospital, an Australian author, talking about?

Yesterday, we looked at a six-level opening bid. Now let's come down one step: What does it mean if you open five hearts or five spades? (If partner did it, we would assume he'd had another rush of blood to his big toe! And five clubs or five diamonds is a speculative opening bid with a lloonngg suit.)

Traditionally, five of a major announces 11 winners missing both the ace and king of trumps. Partner raises one level for each of those cards he holds. However, now look at today's South hand. What must North hold for his five-spade opening? He must be void in both red suits. So, he must have 11 spades and the ace-king of clubs. That should make it clear for South to jump to seven clubs!

As you can see, even I could make seven clubs on any lead.

Yes, with that North hand, we would like to open six spades because even if partner is void, the missing honors might be 1-1. However, if partner knows a six-spade opening requests a raise to seven with the trump king, there could be a serious accident lurking in the background.

As the Bridge Encyclopedia says, five of a major is probably the rarest opening bid.

Janette Hospital was discussing story plots.

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Dennis Hopper hooked on golf

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hollywood rebel Dennis Hopper is hooked again — this time on golf.

"Golf is addictive. It replaces the drugs. It replaces the alcohol. I see it as a natural progression. I suppose that if you survive your drug days, you have golf ahead of you. That is, if you have any brain left at all," Hopper told Maximum Golf for the magazine's April issue.

The "Easy Rider" and "Apocalypse Now" star said golf became his drug of choice 18 years ago, and candidly discussed his addictions.

"At the time I thought they were a great help to my acting," Hopper said. "They were really crutches. They make you schizo and paranoid and out of control.

"Even though I thought I was doing great work, I was really doing OK work. I had to return to the basics of acting, to what I learned from (acting coach Lee) Strasberg, and to create out of that rather than out of some nose powder or martini."

Deposit routine, withdrawal wasn't

ABERDEEN, Wash. (AP) — The deposit was routine. The withdrawal was anything but.

It took a welder, a locksmith and two fiery incisions to free a 7-Eleven clerk who got her hand stuck in a safe.

Elizabeth Mefford, 27, told rescuers she had been dropping rolls of coins in the safe, but the rolls kept falling out. She pushed her fingers farther into the deposit chute, trying to get them to stay put.

A short time later, she was on a gurney with the 3-foot-tall, 600-pound safe latched onto her hand.

Paramedics drove her straight past a hospital to an industrial shop where workers used a small crane to lift Mefford and the safe onto a makeshift operating table.

Brian Oszman, owner of Oszman Service Co., removed the locking mechanism. The door opened and Mefford, who had been slightly sedated, was freed.

The mini-mart's owner gave her Saturday night off.

School site occupied by nesting eagles

WESTMINSTER, Colo. (AP) — Jefferson County has found the perfect site for its new middle school. The problem is that it's already occupied by two nesting eagles.

Lee Carlson, a field supervisor for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, said he is worried that the site, which is a quarter of a mile away from the nest, is too close.

The eagles have been living near Standley Lake for years, and their young seem to have become comfortable in the urban setting.

After federal wildlife experts raised the possibility of unacceptable levels of disturbance, school and city officials started considering other sites.

John Carpenter, Westminster's director of community development, said the city is willing to compromise.

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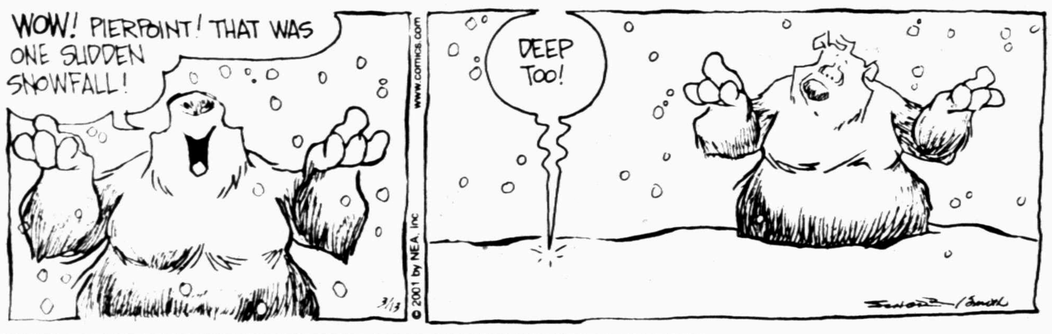

NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Refrain from noticing
7 Set on fire
13 San Francisco players
14 — up (got ready for an upcoming event).
15 Spots
16 Office assistant who runs errands
17 Not this
18 Trouble
20 — Lee baked goods
21 Church council
23 Overhead
27 Broken
32 Irritated
33 Crystal-containing stone
34 1869 novel "— Doone"
35 Made of cereal
36 Killed a fly
39 Topple
40 Decree
42 Capri, e.g.
46 Tiny
47 "No man — — island"
51 Type of pig
53 Carry tales
55 Teacher, at test time
56 Dislodge from a chair
57 Affirmed
58 Utah and Ohio

DOWN

1 "By the time — — to Phoenix"
2 Actress Lillian —
3 California valley
4 "— ap — —!"
5 AAA info
6 Literary work
7 Ice houses
8 "Golly!"
9 Acts like a shrew
10 "— La Douce"
11 Rip
12 Miss Ferber
19 Genetic abbr.
21 Put out, prior to surgery
22 Area for baseball players
23 Is sick
24 It's often mopped
25 Gumbo veggie
26 Small aperture
28 Tide type
29 — on (spoil)
30 Home of Adam
31 Pull to pieces
37 — G. Robinson
38 Stop working, like a battery
41 Constellation near Aquarius
42 — Pop (musician)
43 Positive
44 Geological division
45 Tackles' teammates
47 "— — Wonderful Life"
48 Editor's word
49 Wings
50 Earns after taxes
52 Wide shoe size
54 Picnic pest

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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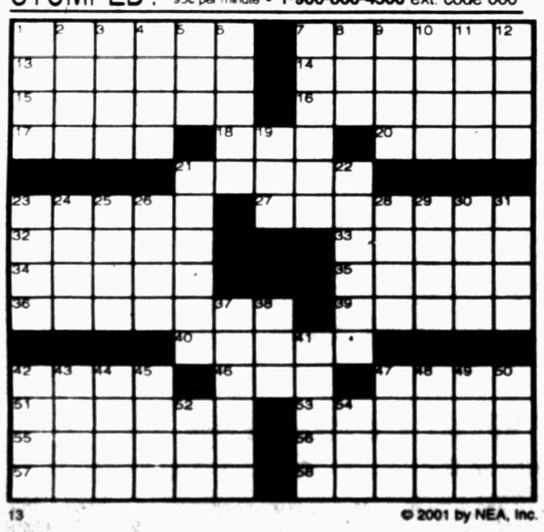

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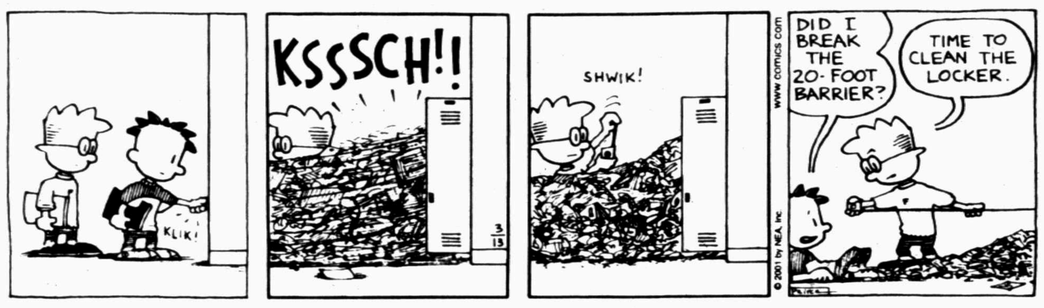

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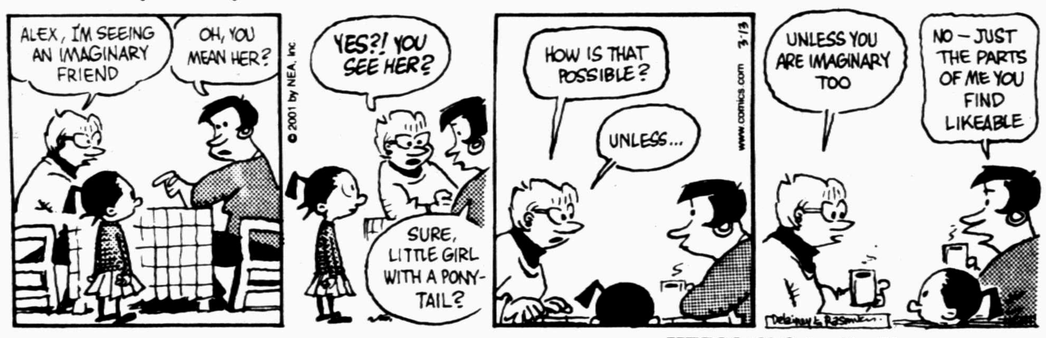

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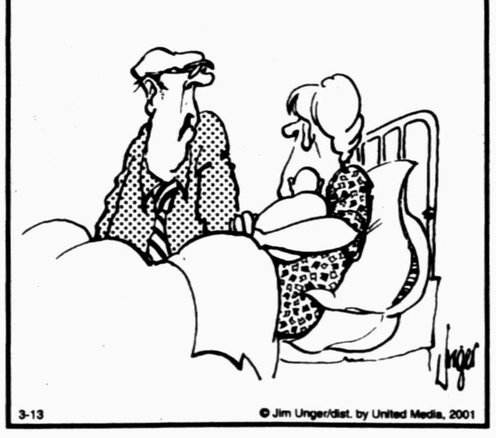

"If he can't talk, how do you know his name is Kevin?"

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SPORTS

HOOPS CHAMPS — The Timberwolves posted a 16-0 record to win the Major Division of Snyder Little Dribblers. Members of the team are, front row from left, Jamie Arnold and Brent Bollinger. On the back row are Willie Bob Greene, Coach Temi Matthies, Dillon Matthies, Cody Reed, Tyler Driggers, Coach Trent Driggers and Casey Arnold. (Contributed Photo)

March Madness begins today

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — They ate breakfast on the team bus, had lunch at the airport and got their ankles taped on yet another bus while heading to practice.

By the time they arrived for the NCAA tournament play-in game, Winthrop and Northwestern State had enough experience with the new 65-team format to know it needs to be changed.

Their suggestions? Give the play-in teams an extra day to get to the site. Most important, let someone else play in it.

Winthrop and Northwestern State, which got the two bottom rungs in the NCAA bracket, tip off the tournament Tuesday with a game that neither particularly cared to play.

"Coach told us at our last practice that we were probably going to be in it," Winthrop forward Derrick Knox said. "It's a little disappointing, being a player."

It was more than disappointing. It was exhausting.

Winthrop, the three-time Big South champ, and Northwestern State, the Southland Conference representative, lost sleep and preparation time getting to the University of Dayton Arena for their practices Monday night.

Northwestern State left Natchitoches, La. — the backdrop for "Steel Magnolias" — on a pre-dawn bus ride through a thunderstorm. Sleepy players and coaches munched on breakfast sandwiches as rain pelted the windows on the way to Shreveport.

A one-hour delay in Dallas resulted in an airport lunch and a late arrival in Dayton. The team went straight to the arena for its workout, knowing next to nothing about its opponent.

Coach Mike McConathy still hadn't gotten any tape on Winthrop when his team took the court.

"We're hoping there's some at the counter at the hotel," he said.

Travel arrangements forced Winthrop to show up late for its news conference. Players didn't have time to find the dressing room and get ready.

"It was a big rush," Knox said. "We had to get taped on the bus. It was a little crazy."

SHS diamond squads face key 4-4A contests

The Snyder Tigers want to erase the memory of their last game. The Lady Tigers want to keep everything going just like it is.

The Snyder Tigers host Lake View in the District 4-4A opener at 7 tonight at Moffett Field, while the Lady Tigers travel to Big Spring for a first-place showdown with the Lady Steers. The girls game gets underway at 4 o'clock.

The Tigers enter the league opener with a mark of 7-4, but are coming off an 8-0 setback to Odessa Permian on Saturday in which they failed to get a hit. Snyder coach Roland Herrera hopes tonight's contest will help his squad forget about the Panthers.

"We're ready to get going in district. We want to put the Permian game behind us and move on," said Herrera. "It was a disappointing loss, but it doesn't mean anything in the long run. The games only count, from here on out."

Snyder and Lake View have staged some tough battles over the past few seasons, but the Chiefs have struggled in the early going this year. Lake View enters district play with a record of 2-7.

Herrera will send junior left-hander Tito Alaniz to the mound. Alaniz is 2-1 on the year with a 0.291 ERA.

At the plate, junior Brooks Nunley has been the Tigers' leader. Nunley's .469 batting average and 12 RBIs are tops on the team.

While the Tigers come into tonight on the heels of a setback, the Lady Tigers are riding a wave of momentum from their first two district games.

The Snyder girls knocked off Lake View in the opener, before pounding Levelland on Saturday, and Coach Shelly Hayes doesn't want to change a thing.

"We're happy with how we're playing right now," said Hayes. "You want to be a little better each time you step on the field, and that's really what we've been doing. We've been hitting the ball extremely well, and our pitching is holding up."

Snyder and Big Spring are both 2-0 in the 4-4A standings, as are the Andrews Lady Mustangs. Andrews takes on Lake View today.

SJHS tracksters nab top spots

SWEETWATER — Snyder's seventh grade boys raced to a runner-up finish, while the eighth grade notched fourth place at the Rattlesnake Relays over the weekend.

The seventh grade Tigers were paced by Garrett Pinson who won the 110-meter hurdles, 300 hurdles and triple jump, and took third in the long jump.

Also in the hurdles, Cade Simpson was fourth in the 110 event, and fifth in the 300. Chris Thompson was third in the triple jump.

In the 200, Alejo Gutierrez grabbed fourth place, while Eric Martinez took third. Gutierrez came in second in the 100, with Johnny Vasquez finishing fourth.

Barrett Bowlin was fifth in the 400, and Steven Martinez took fifth in the 800.

The Tigers placed three competitors in the high jump, with Eric Martinez winning the event. Jay Weaver was fifth, followed by Chris Smith.

Smith won the pole vault, while Simpson notched fourth place, and Blake Scott was third in the discus.

In eighth grade competition, Urbano Hernandez raced to a first-place finish in the 400, while Joedy Costilla took fourth in the 200. Hernandez also secured third in the 100.

Manuel DePaz was runner-up in the 800, and Brandon Bragg captured third in the mile.

In the shot put, Israel Torrez was runner-up. Zach Garcia finished fifth, followed by Ricky McNatt.

McNatt and Garcia finished third and fourth in the discus. DePaz grabbed fifth place in the long jump, and D'Angelo Davis was fifth in the high jump.

Local Schedule

TODAY
Baseball
Lake View at Snyder, 7 p.m.
Softball
Snyder at Big Spring, 4 p.m.
THURSDAY
Baseball
Snyder JV Black at Sweetwater tourney
Snyder JV Gold at Grape Creek tourney
FRIDAY
Baseball
Snyder at Levelland, 4:30
Snyder JV Black at Sweetwater tourney
Snyder JV Gold at Grape Creek tourney
Softball
Frenship at Snyder, 7 p.m.

NCAA Basketball Tournament

All Tines EST
OPENING ROUND
Tuesday, March 13
At University of Dayton Arena
Dayton, Ohio
Northwestern State (18-12) vs. Winthrop (18-12), 8 p.m.
EAST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 15
At Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum
Uniondale, N.Y.
Kentucky (22-9) vs. Holy Cross (22-7), 12:20 p.m.
Iowa (22-11) vs. Creighton (24-7), 30 minutes after previous game
Boston College (26-4) vs. Southern Utah (25-5), 7:40 p.m.
Southern California (21-9) vs. Oklahoma State (20-9), 30 minutes after previous game
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.
Ohio State (20-10) vs. Utah State (27-5), 12:25 p.m.
UCLA (21-8) vs. Hofstra (26-4), 30 minutes after previous game
Duke (29-4) vs. Monmouth, N.J. (21-9), 7:40 p.m.
Georgia (16-14) vs. Missouri (19-12), 30 minutes after previous game
SOUTH REGIONAL
First Round
Friday, March 16
At The Pyramid
Memphis, Tenn.
Virginia (20-8) vs. Gonzaga (24-6), 12:25 p.m.
Oklahoma (26-6) vs. Indiana State (21-11), 30 minutes after previous game
Michigan State (24-4) vs. Alabama State (22-8), 7:40 p.m.
California (20-10) vs. Fresno State (25-6), 30 minutes after previous game
At The Louisiana Superdome
New Orleans
Texas (25-8) vs. Temple (21-12), 12:30 p.m.
Florida (23-6) vs. Western Kentucky (24-6), 30 minutes after previous game
Penn State (19-11) vs. Providence (21-9), 7:50 p.m.
North Carolina (25-6) vs. Princeton (16-10), 30 minutes after previous game
MIDWEST REGIONAL
First Round
Friday, March 16
At University of Dayton Arena
Dayton, Ohio
Illinois (24-7) vs. Northwestern State-Winthrop winner, 12:15 p.m.
Tennessee (22-10) vs. Charlotte (21-10), 30 minutes after previous game
Kansas (24-6) vs. Cal State Northridge (22-9), 7:40 p.m.
Syracuse (24-8) vs. Hawaii (17-13), 30 minutes after previous game
At Kemper Arena
Kansas City, Mo.
Wake Forest (19-10) vs. Butler (23-7), 12:30 p.m.
Arizona (23-7) vs. Eastern Illinois (21-9), 30 minutes after previous game
Mississippi (25-7) vs. Iona (22-10), 7:55 p.m.
Notre Dame (19-9) vs. Xavier (21-7), 30 minutes after previous game
WEST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 15
At Cox Arena at Aztec Bowl
San Diego
Georgia Tech (17-12) vs. St. Joseph's (25-6), 2:42 p.m.
Stanford (28-2) vs. North Carolina-Greensboro (19-11), 30 minutes after previous game
Indiana (21-12) vs. Kent State (23-9), 7:55 p.m.
Cincinnati (23-9) vs. Brigham Young (24-8), 30 minutes after previous game
At BSU Pavilion
Boise, Idaho
Wisconsin (18-10) vs. Georgia State (28-4), 12:40 p.m.
Maryland (21-10) vs. George Mason (18-11), 30 minutes after previous game
Arkansas (20-10) vs. Geprgetown (23-7), 7:50 p.m.
Iowa State (25-5) vs. Hampton (24-6), 30 minutes after previous game

Boys' Little Dribblers Results

MINOR DIVISION
Wolfpack 26, Trailblazers 12
Wolfpack: Jordan Gafford, 8; Kylor Fine and Doug Brunson, 6; Josh Sorrells, 4, Zack Ball, 2. **Trailblazers:** T.J. Wright, 4; Seth Cotton, Dakota Carroll, Bryan Allred and Taylor Carroll, 2.
Nuggets 35, Bulls 26
Nuggets: Rey Juarez, 20; Bubba Perales, 7; Kasey Young, 4; Shade Roemisch and Nathan Rose, 2. **Bulls:** Caleb Harrison, 10; Dominic Cabrera and Anthony Taylor, 6; Will Stewart, 4.
Bulls 28, Kings 15
Bulls: Caleb Harrison, 12; Dominic Cabrera, 10; Eric Trammel, Nick Zajicek and Will Stewart, 2. **Kings:** Colton Curry, 7; Brandon Lunsford, 4; Kaden Seale, 3; Brandon Medrano, 1.
Lakers 22, Trailblazers 12
Lakers: Brandon Ramirez, 16; Toby Lopez, Quinton Bass and Isaac Martin, 2. **Trailblazers:** T.J. Wright, 5; Brian Allred, 4; Kellner Odom, 2; Seth Cotton, 1.
Nuggets 39, Pistons 31
Nuggets: Rey Juarez, 33; Bubba Perales, 6. **Pistons:** Jared Cave, 16; LaShondrick Richardson, 7; Riley Davis, 4; Gage West and Matthew Rios, 2.
MAJOR DIVISION
T-Wolves 46, Spurs 22
T-Wolves: Brent Bollinger and Jamie Arnold, 14; Tyler Driggers, 8; Cody Reed, 6; Dillon Matthies and Casey Arnold, 2. **Spurs:** Jesse Conner, 8; Cord Welsh, 6; Brandon Hagins and Quintin Shafer, 4.
Magic 55, Rockets 35
Magic: Ryan Mitchell, 20; Ricky Sanchez, 18; Cody Burney, 10; Charone Hill, 4; Allen Jones, 2; Matt Schoolcraft, 1. **Rockets:** Pete Villa, 20; Travis Hatfield, 6; Terrance Wells, 4; Brandon Robbins, 3; Ryan Gonzales, 2.
Rockets 30, Tarheels 27
Rockets: Pete Villa, 18; Brandon Robbins, 8; Terrance Wells and Ryan Gonzales, 2. **Tarheels:** Donald Jeffery, 10; Ryan Claxton, 8; Michael Martinez, 7; Craig Robertson, 2.
Raptors 39, Warriors 32
Raptors: Brandon Jones, 17; Brooks Gafford, 14; Bryce Westmoreland, 6; Joel Rocha, 2. **Warriors:** Corbin Clements, 16; Chase Medina, 10; Colton Brewster, 6.
T-Wolves: 28, Raptors 26
T-Wolves: Brent Bollinger, 10; Tyler Driggers, 8; Jamie Arnold, 6; Dillon Matthies and Casey Arnold, 2. **Raptors:** Brooks Gafford, 12; Brandon Jones, 10; Joel Rocha and Bryce Westmoreland, 2.
Celtics 44, Blue Devils 38
Celtics: Dustin Murdock, 25; Andy Garvin, 12; Rudy Martinez, 4; J.W. Wesson, 3. **Blue Devils:** Michael Mann, 4; Lance Day, Austin Calley, Wes Richardson and Kade Kruger, 2.
Tarheels 39, Spurs 28
Tarheels: Donald Jeffery, 16; Ryan Claxton, 9; Michael Martinez and Josh Ornelas, 4; Craig Robertson, Nolan Grady and Jacob McFatridge, 2. **Spurs:** Jesse Conner, 9; Quintin Shafer, 6; Jacob Scifres, 5; Chad Franks, 4; James Simmons and Josh Hoover, 2.

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Orlando	34	28	.548	12½
Boston	27	36	.429	20
New Jersey	22	43	.338	26
Washington	15	48	.238	32

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	38	24	.613	—
Charlotte	37	27	.578	2
Toronto	35	29	.547	4
Indiana	27	34	.443	10½
Detroit	24	39	.381	14½
Cleveland	23	39	.371	15
Atlanta	19	45	.297	20
Chicago	11	51	.177	27

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	44	19	.698	—
Utah	43	19	.694	½
Dallas	40	23	.635	4
Minnesota	38	26	.594	6½
Houston	35	29	.547	9½
Denver	31	34	.477	14
Vancouver	20	44	.313	24½

Pacific Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Sacramento	42	19	.689	—
Portland	42	21	.667	1
L.A. Lakers	41	21	.661	1½
Phoenix	37	25	.597	5½
Seattle	32	33	.492	12
L.A. Clippers	22	44	.333	22½
Golden State	16	48	.250	27½

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Monday's Games
Charlotte 102, Chicago 94
Minnesota 94, Miami 77
San Antonio 99, L.A. Clippers 81
Denver 84, Golden State 79
Tuesday's Games
Milwaukee at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Vancouver at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at New York, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at Orlando, 8 p.m.
Indiana at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Portland at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Boston at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
Detroit at Washington, 7 p.m.
Orlando at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at San Antonio, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Indiana at Denver, 9 p.m.
Phoenix at Portland, 10 p.m.
Utah at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

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New generation of educational toys aimed at toddlers

NEW YORK (AP)— Forget the blocks that helped Jane count to ten or Johnny learn his ABC's.

In an age when parents want their preschoolers on a fast track to Harvard, toy makers are trumpeting a new generation of educational toys that can help toddlers learn foreign languages or recognize classical music scores.

The trend toward increased sophistication in educational toys has been gaining notable momentum over the last three years while targeting ever-younger children, with toy makers now designing products for infants and toddlers under age 3.

The market is clearly there.

"I told my husband, 'Enough with the dinosaurs.' I want educational toys for my child," said Elizabeth Rubin, whose son, 3-year-old Alexander, recently was enrolled at a prestigious nursery school in Manhattan.

"I want my child to be introduced to everything at home before his school teaches it," she said. "I am definitely feeling the pressure."

Among the toys Alexander has received: Mazes of the type Rubin has learned are used as tests for admission to private kindergartens.

Both fueling and paralleling the phenomenon are general advancements in toy electronics and interactivity.

LeapPad, a $54.99 interactive book that teaches geography and numbers, was last holiday season's hottest-selling toy. The manufacturer, LeapFrog Inc., now is coming out with a smaller, more portable $39.99 LeapPad Traveler aimed at 3-year-olds.

Mattel Inc.'s Fisher-Price brand saw overwhelming success for its Intella-Table, a plastic table with interchangeable rings designed to help children's counting, music and logic skills. It's coming out with the High-Flying Language Learner, a $19.99 toy that exposes preschoolers to Spanish and French words.

It is also expanding its Sparkling Symphony line of toys which exposes infants and toddlers to Bach and Beethoven. It retails from $9.99 to $34.99.

Hasbro Inc. has teamed up with Baby Einstein Co. to produce toys that, employing an array of videos, DVDs and CDs, expose infants to Shakespeare, Van Gogh and Mozart.

Jakks-Pacific, known for action figure dolls, is diving in with a collection of musical toys under the brand Baby Genius, including a $39.99 music table that plays, among other classic scores, Mozart's "Marriage of Figaro" overture.

So much for teaching toys being a somewhat limited niche.

"It used to be that educational toys was a bad word in the industry," Jim Silver, publisher of The Toy Book, an industry monthly, said.

Now, he said, the sector has skyrocketed to a $1 billion business, twice what it was just a few years ago. Silver estimates it could reach $2 billion within the next three years.

But the new generation of educational toys, evident at last month's annual International Toy Fair in New York, isn't receiving universal applause.

Stephanie Oppenheim, co-president of the Oppenheim Toy Portfolio Guide, a New York-based annual toy review, said some of the new offerings aren't well-conceived.

"In the end, it could actually harm the child, because some of these toys are too frustrating. They are developmentally off the mark," she said.

Oppenheim believes the best type of educational toys are puzzles or building blocks.

She's wary of toys that instruct infants in foreign language, and believes that many companies are making too much of research, which is now questioned by some quarters, that exposure to classical music will increase infants' certain cognitive skills.

"Some toys have cows that moo Mozart. They're probably having composers turning in their graves," she said.

Frankel, U.S. financier, pleads innocent

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Martin Frankel, the U.S. financier who was captured in Germany after four months on the run, pleaded innocent Monday to stealing more than $200 million from insurance companies in five states.

Frankel, 46, formerly of Greenwich, faces federal charges of racketeering, fraud and conspiracy.

He is accused of looting insurance companies in Arkansas, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma and Tennessee. Regulators in those states are seeking more than $600 million in damages from Frankel in civil cases.

Three associates have pleaded guilty to related charges.

Frankel fled the United States in 1999. Four months later, he was found at a hotel in Hamburg, Germany, with nine fake passports and 547 diamonds.

He was returned to the United States earlier this month.

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AmEl Pw	46.30	45.70	45.85	—.61
AndarkPtr	66.92	64.75	65.30	—1.26
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SouthernCo	30.80	30.44	30.57	—.23
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SprintFON	21.86	21.50	21.63	+ .14
SprintPCS	21.00	20.00	20.34	+ .29
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TXU Corp	40.70	39.84	40.03	—.63
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Texaco	68.90	67.60	67.78	—1.53
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Recruit's parents ask payment, accuse Air Force of shirking its responsibility

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The parents of an Air Force recruit who died during a 1999 training exercise at Lackland Air Force Base are seeking $1.5 million from the government out of frustration by what they see as the military's reluctance to discipline its own.

Micah Schindler, 18, died on Sept. 12, 1999, two days after collapsing at the end of a 5.6-mile march at Lackland AFB. The march capped a 36-hour field training exercise known as Warrior Week that exposes fledgling airmen to the field.

The Ohio Air National Guard recruit, just a week from basic training graduation, never regained consciousness after being admitted to a base hospital. He couldn't breathe on his own and suffered brain damage.

An Air Force autopsy found he died of heatstroke and water intoxication played a role in his death.

Two officers and three enlistees were reprimanded in his death. A fourth airman faced charges of dereliction of duty and a possible court-martial.

But Julie and Michael Schindler believe someone should have gone to jail and asked Rep. Steve Chabot, R-Ohio, to seek $1.5 million from the government.

Chabot told the San Antonio Express-News in Tuesday's editions that he doubts the Air Force has told all it knows about the events leading to Schindler's collapse and wants to ensure an incident like it doesn't happen again.

Michael Schindler says that given the "senseless nature of Micah's death, I believe it is appropriate for Congress to provide assistance and send a message to the Air Force that they must be more diligent in their efforts to protect the lives of the men and women serving our country."

Two investigations found shortcomings in the Air Force's handling of the exercise.

One report found Schindler had consumed 12 canteens of water, or 3 gallons, before making the march on a day when temperatures rose from 93 to 100 degrees.

A second report into "personal accountability" issues found no breach of duty during the march by its trainers. But the letters of reprimand were given for lapses in duty performance that contributed to Schindler's death.

"The only thing that would make me happy is to have my son back, and no amount of money is going to make that happen," Julie Schindler said. "But you know, in every other facet of society when there is a grievous injustice, it's a constitutional right to pursue monetary damages."

Changes have been made in Air Force training because of the incident and tens of thousands of recruits have emerged relatively unscathed from Warrior Week.

Hunter UHV to ape 'Shadow' during American war games

SIERRA VISTA, Ariz. (AP) — An unmanned aircraft controlled from the ground will be flown during next month's desert war games as if it were a tactical pilotless plane still under development.

A group of 30 Fort Huachuca soldiers and three civilians will be responsible for maintaining and operating the twin-engine Hunter that will keep an eye on a force of about 10,000 during the exercise that begins on April 1 at Fort Irwin, Calif.

The Hunter is to be limited in its flights to function as if it were a Shadow, a single-engine unmanned aerial vehicle still undergoing tests for the Army.

In reality, the Hunter, which was tested at Fort Huachuca over the Arizona desert, can fly farther, longer and higher than the Shadow, which also will be tested at the Department of Defense's Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Center at the fort. The Hunter also can gather more data.

However, the military discovered limitations in the "one size fits all" approach, and the Hunters ultimately are to be replaced.

The exercise is being conducted by the Training and Doctrine Command, headquartered at Fort Monroe, Va. The main part of the exercise force will come from the 4th Infantry Division at Fort Hood, Texas, and will include armored, infantry, artillery, aviation, intelligence and Signal Corps operations.

It's part of the Army's effort to be ready for a "digital environment" by the year 2015.

The four Hunters that will be used will come from Fort Hood, but they will be handled by members of Company E, 305th Military Intelligence Battalion, at Fort Huachuca, along with the civilians. Soldiers from the Fort Hood intelligence battalion have another assignment.

The Arizona crews were to begin preparations at Fort Irwin this week.

The Hunters are to be flown 18 hours a day for three days of the exercise. Acting as if they were Shadows, they are to provide target acquisition information during some live-fire artillery missions.

Their scenario also calls for the soldiers and aircraft to register "hits" from opposing forces which will determine if a soldier is killed or wounded and whether a Hunter is brought down or merely was so damaged that it could not continue its mission.

The Hunters' flying and maintenance crews will receive some protection from other forces but as part of the scenario, they largely will have to protect themselves and their equipment, especially at forward launching areas.

Part of the intent is to provide information for improved instruction and training at Fort Huachuca.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Haldol is dangerous

DEAR DR. GOTT: My elderly grandmother, who is in a nursing home, became combative and uncooperative several weeks ago and was prescribed Haldol. Now she has involuntary twitching of her face and arms and complains of weakness. Could the drug be to blame?

DEAR READER: Absolutely. It should be stopped immediately. Haldol was, until recently, considered to be a useful drug for the treatment of certain emotional upsets associated with behavioral disturbances, such as dementia and psychotic disorders. Despite its benefits, the medicine has one serious drawback: It can cause tardive dyskinesia, a syndrome consisting of involuntary movements of the tongue, face, mouth and jaw; on occasion, the extremities may be involved. Haldol is no longer recommended because the dyskinesia may persist even after the drug is stopped.

I urge you to insist that your grandmother's Haldol be discontinued and that she be examined by a neurologist. Such a specialist will be able to determine whether her symptoms are caused by the Haldol or by some other condition, such as a primary nerve disorder. Also, the neurologist will be able to prescribe safer, more effective medicine to treat your grandmother's symptoms and her combative behavior.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "What You Should Know About Nursing Homes." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: How does a cardiac pacemaker work? Should I have one to control atrial fibrillation? I'd certainly like to get rid of the many drugs I take for this affliction.

DEAR READER: Cardiac pacemakers are electronic devices that trigger the heart to beat. In simple terms, the typical pacemaker consists of a battery pack, somewhat smaller then a cigarette package, that is surgically implanted under the skin of the chest.

The battery is connected to wires leading through the veins of the neck into the heart. A tiny computer next to the battery senses pauses in the pulse and instructs the battery when to fire a charge down the wires to stimulate a cardiac contraction. The computer is programmed to activate at a certain rate if the natural heartbeat slows or stops.

Modern pacemakers are engineering marvels. They can sense and fire in a variety of ways to stimulate normal cardiac action. For instance, some pacers will automatically speed up if a patient exercises; also, they can be programmed to ignore certain heart rhythms or override others. In choosing a pacemaker, the surgeon takes into account the patient's particular cardiac abnormality.

I do not believe that pacemakers are generally useful in treating atrial fibrillation — an irregular, rapid and usually harmless cardiac rhythm that can ordinarily be slowed by medication such as digoxin. (Remember, however, that most patients with AF are at high risk for stroke, so they should routinely use an anticoagulant drug, such as Coumadin, to prevent formation of blood clots.)

In view of your concern about your therapy, I suggest that you obtain an opinion from a cardiologist, who can advise you about medication or, if yours is an unusual case, suggest the kind of pacemaker that would best suit you.

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Henry Lee Lucas is dead at age 64

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Former self-confessed serial killer Henry Lee Lucas, who was rescued from death row by George W. Bush and predicted he would walk out of prison, has died in the cell block where he was serving a sentence hundreds of years in length for nine slayings.

Lucas, 64, who was best known for making bogus confessions that prompted law officers nationwide to clear hundreds of unsolved killings, was found dead in his bed at the Ellis I prison unit, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice said.

The one-eyed ex-drifter was narrowly saved from execution three years ago when then-Gov. Bush commuted a death sentence to life in prison because of flimsy evidence in his capital case. After the commutation, Lucas predicted an "80 percent chance" he would walk free someday.

Lucas' body was found at 10:15 p.m. Monday, said TDCJ spokesman Larry Fitzgerald.

He said the death appeared to be from natural causes.

TDCJ spokesman Larry Todd declined to be more specific on the cause of death, although Lucas had a history of heart problems and had been hospitalized in the last two months.

Fitzgerald said Lucas' body was taken to the Huntsville Funeral Home, where it will be determined whether there are relatives who want to claim the remains.

If Lucas' body is not claimed, the state will bury him at the Joe Byrd Cemetery, an inmates' facility in Huntsville.

Although physical evidence linked Lucas to only two murders, his confession spree prompted authorities to clear their books of more than 600 unsolved killings — but Lucas later recanted. Many murder cases were never re-opened.

Bush in 1998 commuted the death sentence of Lucas four days before the death row inmate was scheduled for lethal injection in the 1979 slaying in Williamson County of an unidentified woman known only as "Orange Socks."

The victim was so named because the socks were the only items of clothing she was wearing when her body was found in 1979 in a ditch off Interstate 35 near Georgetown, north of Austin.

Morton Downey Jr. dies in Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Before Jerry Springer and Jenny Jones, there was Morton Downey Jr., a growling and opinionated TV talk show host who shocked viewers from behind a haze of cigarette smoke.

America, he once told The Associated Press, saw him as "a loudmouth who gets in trouble just like they do, who's had problems just like they had, someone that they can identify with a lot more than someone who's squeaky clean."

Downey, who reigned over "Trash TV" in the 1980s and tried to clean up his act for a return, died of lung cancer and other respiratory problems, his family said Monday night. He was 67.

"The family is very grief stricken and very shocked right now," one of Downey's four daughters, Tracey Downey, told KABC-TV. "He was a wonderful, wonderful man, wonderful father. He will be deeply, deeply, deeply missed."

A chain smoker for years until losing a lung to cancer, Downey was known for deliberately blowing smoke into the faces of guests who annoyed him when he was host of one of the most popular talk shows on television in the 1980s.

After his cancer surgery in 1996, he became an anti-smoking crusader.

Downey, who was the son of popular singer Morton Downey and his dancer-wife, Barbara Bennett, pursued a number of professions including business, author, radio host, singer and songwriter, composing surf-rock songs.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Do-it-yourselfers offer ways to fix rear-end damage

DEAR ABBY: "Watching My Assets" put a dent in the door of his friend's pickup when he closed it by pushing it with his rear end. Please pass on this information: In newer cars, one can take off the door panel and pop the bent body back out. Only minor paint damage will remain to be repaired. Most repair persons won't tell you this because repairs are their bread and butter.

Another "fix-it" for such a problem is to put dry ice on the spot. Due to contraction, the dent will pop out. It doesn't work on all materials, but on many. This is an old science trick — hope it helps. — **SCIENCE TEACHER AND BACKYARD MECHANIC**

DEAR S.T. AND B.M.: Yours is not the only letter that arrived from helpful readers wanting to resolve "Asset's" problem. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Watching My Assets" reminded me of a similar incident that happened to me many years ago. My friend "Carmen" "rear-ended" my passenger door while trying to close the already locked door and she, too, left a large dent.

Without a moment's hesitation she asked if I had a toilet plunger (we had just pulled up to my home). Plunger in place, out popped the dent! Good as new, no insurance claim necessary. — **GENIE SAFFREN, LOS ANGELES**

DEAR GENIE: The longer I write this column, the more I learn from readers. Your letter is a hoot. I wonder if that solution would work today on cars that are made largely from plastic instead of metal. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Watching My Assets," who had a question about whether or not a claim should be filed under his friend's insurance policy, prompts my own.

Your answer was wrong for a few reasons. Yes, his friend should file a claim. This was an accident. Granted, it was not your run-of-the-mill accident, but it was an accident. If the guilty party wants to help his friend, he should volunteer to pay the deductible.

Second, the only time an accident counts against you is if you are the majority at fault — in California, 51 percent or more at fault — for the accident. In this case, the person filing the claim would not have his rates go up or have his policy canceled.

Please advise your readers that if they are in an accident and have ANY questions, to refer the question to their insurance agent. After all, they are paying a premium for insurance, and if they get into an accident, the person who sold them the policy is obligated to help them out. — **ADJUSTING CLAIMS FOR AAA IN FRESNO, CALIF.**

DEAR CLAIMS ADJUSTER: Thank you for pointing that out. I'm grateful for the reminder. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: You were correct in advising "Watching" that although it was unintentional, he did, indeed, damage his friend's door by denting it with his posterior. Therefore, he is the one who should be responsible for the repair.

He should be able to put in a claim under his homeowner's or renter's liability coverage, since it covers damage to other people's property, as well as injury to others.

Hope this information is helpful, Abby. — **BEA IN NEW JERSEY**

DEAR BEA: You bet it is. Thank you for the golden nugget of information.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

House GOP wants to expand tax cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Even as they rush to pass the rest of President Bush's $1.6 trillion tax cut, House Republican leaders say the plan doesn't do enough to spur capital investment and encourage people to save more for retirement.

The biggest part of the package, a $958 billion cut in income tax rates, passed the House last week.

House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, says the House now will try to attach bills to cut capital gains taxes for investors, raise contribution limits for individual retirement accounts and 401(k)s and allow businesses to recoup computer expenses more quickly.

"We're going to continue to insist we can do more," Armey said in a speech Monday to the National Association of Broadcasters. "You have ample room for tax reductions that are larger."

House GOP leaders favor:

—Legislation that got 401 favorable votes in the House last year to raise the annual contribution limits for an individual retirement account from $2,000 to $5,000 and for a 401(k) from $10,500 to $15,000. This year's virtually identical version of the bill, which would make numerous other pension law changes, will be introduced this week by Reps. Rob Portman, R-Ohio, and Ben Cardin, D-Md.

—An unspecified cut in capital gains taxes on sale of stocks, bonds and most other investments. The current rates are 20 percent for most investments held over one year, except for people who pay income taxes in the lowest 15 percent bracket. Under long-term rules that took effect starting this year, investments held longer than five years qualify for lower rates of between 8 percent and 18 percent depending on income levels.

—A tax break allowing more businesses to write off computer expenses immediately, instead of gradually recouping the cost through depreciation — generally, hardware over five years, software over three years. Proponents note that computers, which are frequently an integral part of other machinery, become obsolete quickly. They say the tax break would spur greater investment and innovation.

More work finished on space station

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Shuttle Discovery astronauts early today prepped the international space station to receive a robotic arm and fixed a sticky solar-panel latch during a nearly 61/2-hour spacewalk.

Andrew Thomas and Paul Richards completed critical wire connections that will provide power, data and video links between space station Alpha and its robotic arm — set to be delivered in April.

"You all did an outstanding job," Mission Control said at the end of the spacewalk.

This was the second and final spacewalk of Discovery's mission. Besides continuing work on the space station, the shuttle is delivering Alpha's first replacement crew, made up of astronauts Jim Voss, Susan Helms and their Russian commander Yuri Usachev, and an Italian-made module filled with 5 tons of supplies.

The wiring was considered the most difficult task of the two spacewalks. The work was left undone during Sunday's record-breaking nine-hour spacewalk by Voss and Helms.

Thomas and Richards got a late start and did not exit the shuttle until well after midnight Monday.

The astronauts also climbed to the top of the station and fixed a latch on one of the station's giant solar wings that wasn't deployed when the electricity-producing wings were installed in early December. Thomas used a crowbar-like tool to tap the latch into place.

"Yup, that tap worked. You got it, Andy, good job," Richards said.

The wing had been secure without the latch.

Before Thomas went up to the solar wings, his safety tether line got tangled up and he had to be helped by Richards. He also had some trouble positioning himself to reach the latch.

Thomas and Richards also installed a platform on the U.S. science lab Destiny and a spare ammonia pump on the platform, and inspected a static-electricity monitor on the outside of Alpha. The monitor appeared not to be working. Engineers are still determining how to fix it.

Richards also inspected a condensate vent on the lab and determined it was securely in place.

Thomas, who is from Australia, took some time during the spacewalk to admire the view.

"I'm passing over South Australia and I can see the coastline, my hometown all very clearly. Quite extraordinary," Thomas said.

Richards was thrilled to use the power tool that he designed almost 10 years ago for a repair mission on the Hubble Space Telescope.

Obituaries

Dora Silva

1949-2001

Dora G. Hernandez Silva, a former resident of Snyder, died Sunday, March 11, at her home in Lubbock after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Silva, 51, is set for 10 a.m. Thursday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with Daniel G. Hernandez, a son-in-law from Snyder, officiating. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Dora Silva

Born July 1, 1949 in Harlingen, she married Guadalupe Silva Jr. on July 29, 2000.

A resident of Snyder for 16 years, she had moved to Lubbock last year. She was a member of the Primera Bautista in Snyder and the Iglesia Bautista Templo in Lubbock.

Survivors include her husband, Guadalupe Silva of Lubbock; a son, Kevin Alejandro of Los Angeles; two daughters, Tanya Hernandez of Snyder and Kimberly McGraw of Lubbock; two stepdaughters, Vicky Silva and Bianca Nicole Silva, both of Snyder; a stepmother, Juanita Alejandro of Combes, Tex.; four brothers, Misael Alejandro of Combes, Alex Alejandro, Ernie Alejandro and Joe Alejandro, all of Harlingen; a sister, Gloria Garcia of San Antonio; and one grandson, Joseph Hernandez of Snyder.

A prayer service will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Sue Kelley

1906-2001

Sue Kelley, 94, died Tuesday, March 13, in Snyder Oaks Care Center after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Kelly is set for 2 p.m. Thursday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. James Merrell, retired Methodist minister, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Jayton Cemetery.

Born Dec. 17, 1906, she was married to Claude Ray Kelly who preceded her in death. She was a Methodist.

She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Claudine Peebles; five brothers; and two sisters.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Jon and Pat Kelley of Snyder; two daughters and a son-in-law, Pat Watkins of Seguin and Rhoda and Lou Rehders of Bracketville; two sisters, Lucille Harrison of Llano and Katie Johnston of Colorado Springs, Colo.; 12 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

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Clifford Mitchell

1945-2001

ROTAN — Clifford Odiss Mitchell, a correctional officer at the Price Daniel unit, died Sunday, March 11, at his home in Rotan.

Funeral service for Mr. Mitchell, 56, is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Weathersbee Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. James Brigham officiating. Burial will be Friday in the Anson Cemetery.

Born Jan. 25, 1945 in Stamford, he married Cecilia Mitchell on Nov. 15, 1993 in Rotan.

A member of the First Baptist Church, Mr. Mitchell had worked for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for seven years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Mitchell; one brother, John Mitchell; and his first wife, Wanda Sue Thomas Mitchell, in 1983.

He is survived by his wife, Cecelia Mitchell of Rotan; one daughter, Tonya L. Reynolds of Dyess AFB; two sons, Tim Mitchell and Bryant Mitchell, both of Snyder; three sisters, Martha Brockman of Stamford, Patsy Branch of Hamlin and Joyce May of Abilene; six grandchildren, Tara Offield of Hamlin, Kyrie Offield of Dyess AFB, Ryan, Brittany, Samantha and Bryana Mitchell, all of Snyder; five step-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Billie Lindsey

1943-2001

JACKSONVILLE – Billie Ruth Lindsey, a native of Scurry County, died Saturday, March 10, in a Jacksonville hospital.

Funeral service for Mrs. Lindsey, 58, is set for 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Thompson Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Larry Graham officiating. Burial will follow in the Jarratt Cemetery.

Born Feb. 28, 1943 in Hermleigh, she was a former licensed vocational nurse at Gardendale Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Jacksonville.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Louise Ervin.

Survivors include her father, Willard Ervin of Snyder; two sons, Michael Jason Way of Mansfield and Daniel Lee Way of Glendale, Ariz.; a daughter, Pamela Ronnell Graham of Conroe; a brother, Walter Jack Ervin of Abilene; one stepbrother; three step sisters; seven grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Elizabeth Elliott

1900-2001

COLORADO CITY – Elizabeth Elliott, a Mitchell County resident since 1920, died Monday, March 12, in a Colorado City care center.

Funeral service for Mrs. Elliott, 101, is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Kay Reed officiating. Burial will follow in the Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Born Feb. 12, 1900 in Landeersville, Ala., she married Lewis B. Elliott on June 22, 1919 in Loraine. He died Feb. 10, 2001.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Order of the Eastern Star, Brush and Palette Club and past president of the Social Order of the Beauceants. She was past queen of the Daughters of the Nile and held local and district offices in the United Methodist Women.

Survivors include three daughters, Frances Godwin and Ruth Cooper, both of Colorado City, and Esther Brewer of Carrollton; 11 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and 17 great-great-grandchildren.

Thiefs target coin operated machines

• ***Machines tampering***

A patron of the Oasis Carwash on 25th Street notified officers at 10:29 a.m. Monday that it appeared someone had tampered with or broken into one of the vending machines.

Officers met with the owner, Stanley Clark, who advised he could repair the boxes. He requested a close patrol of the area.

Police are investigating the burglary of two coin operated machines at the Fieldcrest Apartments.

At 3:28 a.m. today, officers were called to the complex in reference to a report that three or four males had gone into the laundry room and had broken into a machine.

According to the report, the doors were pried open on a pinball machine and a video game machine and the coins were taken from the boxes.

• ***House burglary***

Jo Ann Lindsey told police at 1:31 p.m. Monday that someone had broken into her house at 901 27th Street and removed some miscellaneous household items.

• ***Accident***

An accident report was taken at 3:48 p.m. Monday in the 2900 block of Avenue C involving a 1990 Yamaha motorcycle driven by Israel Franco, 15, of 2901 Avenue C and a 1997 Pontiac driven by Ester Zamarripa, 30, of 214 33rd Street.

At 10:50 p.m. Monday, a mishap occurred in the 600 block of 29th Street. Involved were a 1994 Ford Explorer driven by Ringo Garza, 19, of 2112 Avenue I and a parked, unoccupied, 1999 Nissan Sentra owned by Jose Acosta of 1301 23rd Street.

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Alzheimer support group

The Alzheimer family support group meets at 6 p.m. today at Snyder Oaks Care Center.

AARP board meeting

AARP Chapter 2063 board will meet at 9 a.m. Wednesday in the Senior Citizens Center.

Diabetes meeting

A meeting to discuss diabetes and your feet will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Guadalupe Center. Information on the diabetic Medicare shoe bill to obtain shoes without cost for those who qualify will be given. For more information, call Dr. Gloria Gertsner at 574-1581.

Income tax help

An IRS-approved program for elderly and low-income persons of any age is held from 9 a.m. until noon and from 1-3 p.m. every Wednesday at the Snyder Senior Citizens Center.

FBC worship service

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

Hermleigh one-act

Hermleigh High School will present its one-act entry, *Daddy's Dyin' (Who's Got the Will?)* at 6 p.m. Friday in the high school auditorium. Ice cream will also be sold. The zone one-act play contest will be Monday at Westbrook.

Ira sophomore fundraiser

Ira sophomore class will hold a fundraiser from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday at Western Golf Land. Miniature golf and batting cages will be $3 for kids and $3.50 for adults. The class will also conduct a car wash with donations accepted.

8th grade party planning

All parents of 8th graders are invited to a meeting at 2 p.m. Sunday at Tiger Health and Fitness to plan the 8th grade party. For more information, call 573-7205.

Community coalition meeting

A community coalition meeting, sponsored by the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, will be held at 6:30 p.m. next Tuesday in the First Baptist Church Family Life Center. The substance abuse problem in Scurry County will be discussed.

C.H.I.P. signup

Children's Health Insurance Program signup will be held from 2-6 p.m. Thursday, March 22, at Central Elementary. Another registration will be held from 2-7 p.m. Tuesday, March 27, at Northeast Elementary.

Parents meeting

Parents of all eighth grade students are urged to attend a meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 22, at the junior high auditorium. High school counselor Debbie Phillips will provide information and answer questions concerning high school registration procedures, course selection and requirements for the diploma programs.

Stress workshop

A stress survival skills workshop will be presented March 23-24 at Colonial Hill Baptist Church. Cost is $10 and includes lunch Saturday plus all conference material. Friday's sessions are from 7-10 p.m. and Saturday's sessions are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 573-8596 for reservations. Deadline is Wednesday, March 21.

Weigh Down Workshop

An orientation for a Weigh Down Workshop will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, March 26, at the Word is Life Church. For more information, call Donna Nehring at 573-7471

1961 SHS class reunion

The class of 1961 is seeking current e-mail and mailing addresses of class members for a summer reunion. To submit information call Ginny Sims Griffith, 573-0212, or e-mail griffdg@bigcountry.net, or Gilbert Merritt, 573-1921, or e-mail gmerritt@snydertex.com.

1986 class reunion

The SHS class of 1986 is seeking current addresses of class members for a reunion set for July 6-7. To submit names and addresses or for more information call Mike McWilliams, 573-6543 or Xalyn Harris Palacios, 574-3343 or 573-2148.

SHS '91 class reunion

The SHS class of 1991 reunion is set for July 20-21. Addresses are being sought for classmates. Send information to Robbie Braziel at 2303 Ave. H, or 573-6632, or Melissa Jones at 1045 CR 132 or call 574-8005.

Class of '56 seeks addresses

The SHS Class of 1956 is seeking addresses of class members for a June 30 reunion. Also, classes of 1954, 1955, 1957 and 1958 are invited. To submit names and addresses call 573-5021, 573-8987 or 573-7445.

Glory Room open

The Glory Room, a Christian library located at Trinity United Methodist Church, is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, and from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Everyone is asked to return materials so that others may check them out. If other hours are needed, contact the church at 573-3988.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients is available every day free of charge to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland. For more information, call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakely Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Discovery School registration

Registration for summer Discovery School at First United Methodist Church is underway. The session is for June and July. Registration will continue until classes are filled. Summer hours will be 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday for children ages six weeks through five years. For more information, call 573-4770.

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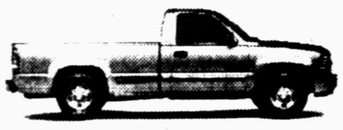

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