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PREPARATION FOR FESTIVAL — Joe Hernandez, Cliff Shiller, Pete Rios and Glenn Clarady, from left, moved grills Saturday morning in preparation for the annual St. Elizabeth Catholic Church sausage festival set for 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Sunday in the Parish Center. Tickets are $6 at the door, $3 for carry-outs and $3 for children 12 and under. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Continues through Friday...

City to begin clean-up campaign on Tuesday

Sparkle City will get a touch-up this week as the city, along with the Snyder Beautification Committee and the chamber of commerce sponsors the annual "Make Snyder Brighter Campaign".

City homeowners and businesses are urged to clean up around property, including the alleyways, mow, pick up trash, get rid of weeds and remove old appliances.

Businesses are especially urged to clean up parking areas by removing weeds from around utility poles and landscaped areas.

The clean-up push is scheduled for Tuesday through Friday.

City dump trucks and drivers will be available those four days from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. to pick up tree limbs, lumber, appliances and any other items that can be manually picked up and placed over the sides of the city's dump truck.

No tires will be picked up, however.

The dump truck will be available to haul off one load per residence or business.

On Tuesday, the truck will be available in the area west of College Ave. and south of 30th Street. On Wednesday, the truck will haul from the area east of College Ave. and south of 30th Street.

Thursday's trucks will operate west of College Ave. and north of 30th Street, and on Friday, the trucks will be east of College Ave. and north of 30th Street.

Persons are urged to call the city utility department at 573-4960, or 573-4969 for this free service.

When calling the city, please indicate the type of items you are wanting picked up and have it scheduled for the day the trucks will be in your area.

Items must be placed near the curb, driveway or alley — leaving access to traffic.

Small items must be placed in bags and placed in the same areas.

City personnel will not be allowed to go onto private property or into any structure to retreive objects to be hauled away.

Brush is to be kept separate from other items, and appliances and other metal objects should be separate, also.

Any appliance that uses Freon coolant must have the coolant removed and tagged by a licensed recoverer.

Tree limbs, lumber, etc., will be need to be cut into pieces that can easily be handled by one person.

Persons wanting pick ups are asked to be available at their scheduled time to help load the items if at all possible.

If you can't be available, please notify the city when scheduling a pick up.

Action expected Monday...

County courthouse to get new roof work

A new roof for the county courthouse is one of the items Scurry County Commissioners will consider when they meet Monday at 10 a.m.

The court will open bids for repairs on the roof which the commissioners began accepting bids on three weeks ago.

At that time, Scurry County Judge Ricky Fritz said, "We have patched and patched and patched. There is not much gravel, felt or tar left. It's pretty cracked."

Fritz also said the roof is almost as old as that of the coliseum roof that has just been repaired.

Commissioners will also open bids on a truck sleeper that has been removed from a Precinct 3 Peterbilt truck.

In other business, James Cain with the Texas Association of Counties will present a "Makes a Difference" award.

Also placed on the agenda is a public announcement notifying the public that the commissioners will be attending the annual luncheon at the Scurry County Museum at noon on Tuesday.

"We are just letting people know we will be together as a quorum," Fritz said.

He explained that there is legislation in the works that would require elected officials to notify the public anytime they are gathered as a quorum, even in a social setting.

"We are just ahead of the curve," said Fritz."

Sweetwater resident is new postmaster for Hermleigh

By Shirley A. Gorman
News Editor

Delbert Davis' new assignment doesn't take him very far from home and that's just the way he likes it.

Davis, a native and current resident of Sweetwater, is the new postmaster at Hermleigh. His first official day on the job was last Saturday.

He had hoped for an appointment in the area, and that's just what he received. For the time being, he said he plans to commute.

He's glad to be in Hermleigh for other reasons too. "It's nice to come to a post office where the employees have a good reputation. I've never heard anything but good about them."

Adelpha Sauceda is the postmaster relief. Leon Ward and Kathy Gannaway are the rural carriers. Part-time rural carriers are James Rinehart and Rex Reynolds.

Prior to his Hermleigh appointment, Davis had worked for the Sweetwater Post Office for 16 years and nine months. He also served as the Officer In Charge (OCI) in Roscoe for three months in 1997.

As a boy growing up in Sweetwater, Davis shined shoes and one of the stops on his route was the post office. He liked what he saw and decided that it was an organization he wanted to be a part of.

His chance came several years later. But first he served four years in the U.S. Army, from 1974-1978, including six months in Germany.

In 1981, he passed the required test and was hired as a part-time carrier for Sweetwater's post office the following year. He became a regular clerk around 1985 and held that position until his present appointment.

Davis enjoys his job because he "likes working with the public."

In the years since he was first hired, Davis said the biggest changes in the postal service have involved automation and organizational changes which included a new logo design.

"We have also made good strides in customer relations. When I started I saw that as a problem. The postal service is more customer friendly now; but, there is still room for more improvement," he said.

"We have three voices," he continued. "Customer, business and employee. When all three interact, we raise our level of knowledge about what is going on all over."

Another change implemented two years ago is Delivery Point Sequence which means that about 60 pecent of the mail goes straight from the tray to the route without being handled by anyone else in the post office.

Davis' wife, Janie, works at United States Gypsum in Sweetwater. They have one son, Scott, who is a freshman at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

Davis has served nine years on Sweetwater ISD's School Board and presently serves as the president.

His main hobbies include summer league baseball and golf.



NEW POSTMASTER — Delbert Davis is the new postmaster at Hermleigh Post Office. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Western Texas College to name Mr. and Miss during spring formal

Western Texas College will name the 1998-1999 Mr. and Miss WTC during the Spring Formal slated Wednesday from 9 p.m. to midnight at Towle Park Armory.

See photo page 2A)

Miss WTC candidates include:

—Jill Childers freshman from Calera, Okla. She is the daughter of Jimmy and Sandy Childers of Calera.

—Genieva Gaona, freshman majoring in radiology. She is the daughter of Abel and Eva Gaona of Lubbock.

—Jessica Hernandez, fresnman, majoring in business. She is the daughter of Isidro and Yolanda Hernandez of Sunray.

Amy Lester, sophomore, majoring in English. She is the daughter of Bill and Bobbie Lester of McCamey.

—Nikki Paige, freshman majoring in kinesiology. She is the daughter of Norman and Belinda Paige of Aspermont.

—Kara Wood, sophomore majoring in elementary education. She is the daughter of David and Ricki Webb of Hermleigh.

Mr. WTC candidates include:

—C.J. Chaney, freshmen majoring in basic studies. He is the son of Ivan and Lyn Chaney of Snyder.

—Brad Easter, freshman majoring in golf and landscape technology. He is the son of Jimmy and Phyllis Easter of Lubbock.

—Chris Holt, sophomore majoring in golf and landscape technology. He is the son of Terry and Leeann Holt of Tulia.

—Jason Kerby, sophomore majoring in golf and landscape technology. He is the son of Al and Susan Kerby of Bovina.

—Todd Lancaster, sophomore majoring in landscape architecture. He is the son of Polly and Steve Lancaster of Big Spring.

—Jason Tyler, sophomore business major. He is the son of Doug and Joanne Tyler of Pullman, Wash.

THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "When the weatherman predicts tomorrow in the upper 70s, we're never sure if he means the temperature or the wind."

Blowing wind and sand causes folks to be grumpy. But one thing everybody could agree on was that last Wednesday was a nasty day.

Yep, there have been worse. Unfortunately, there will be again.

Even the most hearty of West Texans never get around to admitting that we can adapt to such conditions.

One farmer said he knew it was bad when a hen laid the same egg 12 times.

That gal that wrote the poem about having never seen the wind didn't live just east of the New Mexico border. That's the place where weather spotters, while surveying wind damage, spotted a parachutist making a clumsy landing. They rushed over to help, untangling the man's arms and legs from a maze of ropes and lines.

They praised him for being brave, coming down in a wind storm like that. "How high were you when you jumped out of your plane?"

The man feebly stood up and explained, "I'm not a parachutist. I'm a camper. An hour or so ago, I was tucked in my tent near Ruidoso."

Those who recall the Dirty 30s claim they didn't have the luxury of pointing to a single day of bad weather, but multiple days and nights of wind and grit.

Amarillo newsman Gene Howe tried his darndest to turn the liability of the Dirty 30s into a promotional plus.

He claimed that West Texans were healthier people in those dark and windy days, due to a newly discovered vitamin carried aloft into the windy and dirty skies.

Howe dubbed the new health restorative "Vitamin K" and said it was generously dispersed throughout the dust in the air and blown freely around for everyone's robust use in West Texas.

Come to think of it, we all do feel better — after the wind calms and the dust settles.

ASK US

Q—Why do the pickups and other trucks used by the Boll-weevil Eradication Program have federal government license plates on them?

A—Because they are owned by the United States Department of Agriculture.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 57 degrees; low, 39; 7 a.m. Saturday, 39; no precipitation; total for 3.42 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, fair. Low mid 30s. Sunday, mostly sunny. High in the mid 70s.



Myra Estrada
Sunny

Sunset: 8:13 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:12 a.m.
Of 106 days in 1999, the sun has shone 99 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Surround yourself with challenging people and ideas."

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'Fiesta' kicks off

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — With shouts of "Viva Fiesta!" and a shower of colorful confetti, the city kicked off its 10-day, food-filled party Friday in front of the Alamo.

"I call it Christmas in April. Please, please, enjoy," said Carlos Montemayor, president of the Fiesta San Antonio Commission.

"It's always a time to party in San Antonio," added Mayor Howard Peak, before hundreds of Fiesta enthusiasts cracked their cascarones, brightly painted eggshells filled with confetti.

Initially intended as a remembrance for heroes of the war for Texas independence, Fiesta originated in 1891.

It has evolved into a citywide celebration of the cultures of San Antonio featuring parades, carnivals and festivals offering thousands of revelers plenty of music, food and drink. Some events are free and others have admissions charges.

"My favorite one? The Oyster Bake," said Rudy Garcia, referring to a Fiesta event this weekend at St. Mary's University. "There's a lot of music and dancing."

Josephine Pinguelo, who said participating in Fiesta has been a long tradition in her family, especially likes the music children's groups perform at Fiesta events.

"There's always places to go, places to see, all kinds of people, good food," she said.

Depending on the event, Fiesta-goers indulge in tacos, fajitas, gorditas, enchiladas, chalupas, sausages, potato pancakes, hamburgers, corn dogs, frog legs, oysters, shrimp, gumbo, red beans and rice, escargot, egg rolls, grilled corn, fried cactus and fried ravioli.

Then, of course, there's the beer.

To crack down on underage drinking, the San Antonio Conservation Society, which sponsors the popular "Night In Old San Antonio," is serving beer in smaller cups for slightly higher prices and hiring more police officers to keep an eye on alcohol sales.

The big parades of Fiesta begin Monday night with a water parade along the San Antonio River Walk.

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WTC CANDIDATES — Western Texas Candidates for the 1998-1999 Mr. and Miss WTC are from left, back row, C.J. Chaney, Todd Lancaster, Jason Kerby, Jason Tyler, Chris Holt and Brad Easter; front row, Amy Lester, Nikki Paige, Genieva Gaona, Jessica Hernandez and Kara Wood. Jill Childrers is not pictured. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Senate passes Telecom bill

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Senate unanimously passed a telecommunications bill Friday that continues a freeze on the price of basic local phone service until 2005 and gradually reduces the cost of making in-state long distance calls.

The bill, by Sens. David Sibley, R-Waco and Troy Fraser, D-Horseshoe Bay, would also ease limits on Southwestern Bell, eventually allowing the state's largest local phone company more flexibility in setting prices for caller identification and call waiting.

"This bill did not come easily. All parties have given some and I'll represent to you all would like a different bill," said Sibley.

Under the bill, the nearly 12 cents-a-minute access fee that Southwestern Bell charges long-distance companies to connect in-state long distance calls would be cut about in half. Long-distance companies tack on the cost of the fee to customer's monthly phone bills.

The bill cuts 3 cents from access charges but the Public Utility Commission plans to move that amount to another fee callers pay.

Another penny would automatically be cut from the access charge in September and an additional 2 cents when Southwestern Bell is allowed to enter the long-distance market, which will ultimately be determined by the Federal Communication Commission. A final half-cent reduction would occur one year after that.

The PUC would ensure that long-distance companies pass on the cut in access fees to its customers, the bill says.

"All consumers will benefit by this legislation," said Sibley. "Those who make in-state long distance calls will see their bill drop significantly."

Janee Briesemeister, a Consumers Union senior policy analyst, said the bill doesn't do enough to ensure that consumers benefit equally from the drop in access fees. The long-distance companies could pass on the most savings to their preferred customers, while others could see less savings, she said.

"It's very disappointing because we know that a lot of residential customers don't make a lot of long-distance calls," Ms. Briesemeister said. They will not being seeing an equal amount of the savings, she said.

The bill also extends a cap lawmakers first set in 1995 on the price of local, basic phone rates charged by Bell and GTE for another six years. That price fluctuates depending on customers locations and provider.

Southwestern Bell also would gain the freedom to sell its services in new ways, including creating new packages that bundle caller identification and call waiting with basic local service.

Judges nix counseling program

BEAUMONT (AP) — A three-judge federal appeals court panel has ruled unconstitutional a counseling program in the Beaumont schools called "Clergy in the Schools.

By a 2-1 vote, the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals overturned a federal district court and sided with seven unnamed students and their parents.

The students and their parents argued that operating the program in the Beaumont Independent School District violated the Constitutional separation of church and state.

The appeals court agreed the plaintiffs had legal standing to challenge the program and were correct in challenging its constitutionality.

The appeals court sent the case back to the district court in the Eastern District of Texas to issue any orders "that may be necessary or desirable to prohibit BISD from conducting the Program."

It also instructed the lower court to determine how much the district should pay the plaintiffs for attorneys fees.

Judges Jacques Wiener and Fortunato P. Benavides sided with the plaintiffs. Circuit Judge Emilio M. Garza dissented.

Beaumont schools superintendent Carrol Thomas Jr. started the Clergy in the Schools program soon after he was hired in 1996.

The district invited local religious leaders to provide counseling to elementary and secondary students at the schools during school hours. The district said the program was designed to increase communication between the clergy and students about morality, to increase school safety and to give another local group an interest in the schools.

"BISD's creation of a special program that recruits only clergymen to render volunteer counseling makes a clear statement that it favors religion over nonreligion, at least in the context of those deemed suitable to participate in student counseling on matters of morality and virtue," the majority ruling said.

The judges also said the clergy selected were disproportionately Protestants.

School officials train the clergy for the program, whose guidelines say they are not to discuss religion, sex or abortion and are not to pray with students.

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Psi Zeta wins Top Chapter, other awards

Western Texas College Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the International Honor Society for junior colleges, has won Top Chapter recognition, one of 22 out of 80 chapters in Texas, to win such an award.

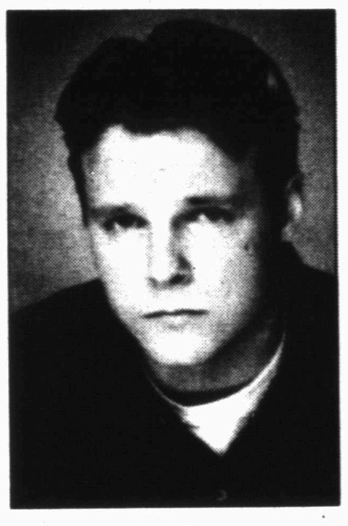
The chapter received a plaque at the regional conference in Austin last weekend. The seven members who attended include Jessica Garmer, Mandy Heaton, Loni Coots, and Jamie Ellis, all of Snyder; Genieva Gaona of Lubbock; Andrea Hernandez of Sweetwater; and Matt Pond of McCaulley. They were accompanied by advisors Carolyn Osborn and Jennifer Beard.

The chapter also received the Five-Star designation for excellent participation in the 1998-1999 Texas Regional Service Projects to assist local animal shelters and to increase awareness of the need for organ donors.

Jessica Garmer, Psi Zeta chapter president, was recognized for her leadership in those same projects.



TOP AWARDS GO TO WTC CHAPTER — Members of Western Texas College's Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Thata Kappa are shown with the awards they earned at the regional conference in Austin. From left are Andrea Hernandez, Mandy Heaton, Jessica Garmer, and Carolyn Osborn, sponsor. Those not pictured include PTK members Matt Pond, Loni Coots, Jamie Ellis and Genieva Gaona; and Jennifer Beard, advisor Jennifer Beard. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



Sam Cain

SHS grad appears in commercials

Sam Cain, a 1993 Snyder High School graduate, has just completed a commercial for Speedzone with NASCAR drivers Mark Martin and Jeff Burton.

Other commercials he has appeared in include Coca Cola with Troy Aikman and Justin Boots with Randy White.

In February, Sam finished work on "Off Season," an independent film shot in Denton. Cain also received second place honors at the Pazzomente Showcase for "Lovers and Strangers."

Sam is currently represented by Marquee Talent in Dallas and K-Hall in Austin.

He studied drama under Jerry Worsham, SHS drama instructor, and is the son of James and Ramona Cain of Snyder.

Rap singer has been charged

NEW YORK (AP) — Sean "Puffy" Combs has been charged with beating a record executive in an alleged dispute over a rap music video.

The 29-year-old rapper and producer surrendered to police Friday on charges of second-degree assault and criminal mischief. He could face up to seven years in prison.

American Cancer Society announces Relay For Life

Walkers and runners will soon go around the clock in the battle against cancer during the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life.

The event kicks off at 7 p.m. April 30 at Tiger Stadium and will conclude at 10:30 a.m. May 1. Local participants will gather at Tiger Stadium at 7 p.m. for the Survivors' Lap.

Local ACS volunteers are seeking the names of cancer survivors' who may want to participate. Call Bonnie Hodge at 573-8285 or Janet Wesson at 573-9914 if you know anyone who has survived cancer.

A Luminary Service is set for 10 p.m. on April 30. White sacks with candles either in honor of someone who has cancer or in memory of someone who has died will be placed around the track. They may be obtained from Helen Mock for a $5 donation. She may be reached at 573-8332.

Entertainment and games will also be provided. To be included, entertainment acts may contact Mark Cypert at 573-5714.

All participants are encouraged to bring sleeping bags, tents and lawn chairs. The gates at Tiger Stadium will open at noon on April 30 so tents may be set up. However, no tents can be placed on the field.

Teams of walking and running enthusiasts from all walks of life wil gather at Tiger Stadium for the 24-hour relay. Relay For Life is a family-oriented team event where participants can walk or run a track style relay for 24 hours.

Participants can camp out around the track and when they aren't taking their turn on the track, take part in family fun activities.

Inmate whose '73 conviction was overturned is set free

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — A man who spent 26 years behind bars was released from prison after a judge overturned his murder conviction due to suppressed evidence.

However, John Duval's legal troubles may not be over. After he was released Friday, prosecutors said they may retry him for the 1973 killing of a businessman.

"Our position is that he was certainly properly convicted of these crimes and guilty of these crimes," said Assistant District Attorney Robert Mastrocola. "That's still our position. But that doesn't necessarily mean we're ... going to re-try him. There's a lot of other things that go into this, more practical concerns."

Duval was greeted by an exultant knot of family, friends and supporters following his release.

"I'm glad to be home, and that's all I've got to say," Duval said.

His mother, Betty Duval-Rutley, said she had already dropped by a supermarket to prepare him a special meal.

Duval's conviction was overturned April 5. A judge ruled that a one-page report of a police interview in which a teen-ager accuser initially claimed he never saw Duval and co-defendant Betty Tyson with the victim was never turned over to the defense.

Tyson had her conviction dismissed last May for the same reason. The 50-year-old had spent half her life in prison and became New York's longest-serving female inmate.

Duval and Tyson, both former prostitutes, maintained they signed confessions only after being severely beaten by the police, who had no physical evidence linking them to the killing of Timothy Haworth.

A Philadelphia businessman and consultant to Eastman Kodak Co., Haworth was apparently soliciting a prostitute on the night he was strangled on May 25, 1973. In separate trials, Duval and Tyson were sentenced to 25 years to life in prison.

In recent years, he twice told the state Parole Board that he killed Haworth. He says now he believed he would remain behind bars unless he admitted guilt. "I wanted to go home, so I lied," he said in an affidavit.

Mastrocola said prosecutors would make their decision on whether to seek a retrial in the next few weeks. A hearing was set for May 14.

192,000 cans of Slim Fast recalled

WASHINGTON (AP) — A batch of ready-to-drink diet shakes are being recalled by Slim Fast Foods because some of the cans may be filled with a diluted cleaning solution.

About 192,000 cans of Ultra Slim Fast's creamy milk chocolate-flavored shakes are being pulled off the shelves, said Dr. Harry Greene, medical director of the West Palm Beach, Fla., company.

The company believes only a few cans were filled with the cleaning liquid, a diluted solution used to clear the filling machines in between batches. Some of the liquid was accidentally canned and packaged with a group of milkshakes.

The recall was prompted by a complaint in Utah, where a customer reported buying a can filled with water. Another customer from the same store called a week later with the same complaint. The second customer was seen by a doctor after complaining about tingling in her mouth. Greene, who spoke with that doctor, said there was no major injury.

An FDA official said "there isn't any immediate health hazard" from the products being recalled.

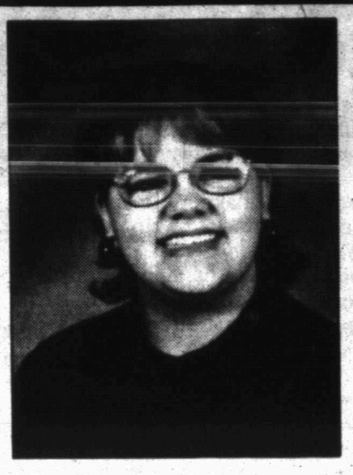
The cans being pulled off the shelves come from batch No. ETMC9053B02. In addition to Utah, they were distributed to stores in Arizona, California, Colorado, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Virginia and Wisconsin.

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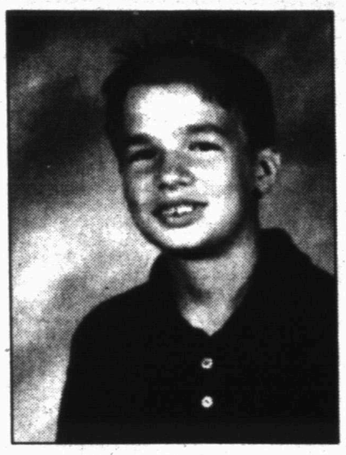
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Kristen Early



Dustin Whitson

Two at SHS win awards

Two Snyder High School students have been recognized by the United States Achievement Academy.

Kristen Early and Dustin Whitson have both received national awards in history and government.

Kristen is the daughter of Tommy and Debbie Early of Snyder. Grandparents, also of Snyder, include Joe and Nita Brown and T.V. and Joy Early.

Dustin is the son of Vickie Whitson of Dunn. Arles and Joy Cotton of Colorado City are his grandparents.

Organ donation up 5.6 percent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Organ donations rose 5.6 percent last year, aided by recruitment of more older donors and closer cooperation between hospitals and transplant coordinators, the government reports.

The increase to 5,479 donors enabled about 600 more transplants in 1998 than in 1997, the Department of Health and Human Services said.

"Organ donation saves lives, but the need for organs is still greater than the supply," HHS Secretary Donna Shalala said Friday in a statement.

About 4,000 people die each year waiting for a transplant. At the end of 1998, there were 64,423 people waiting, a number that has been growing much faster than donation has.

The increase was most dramatic among donors age 60 and older, jumping 10.8 percent to 782 donors. Older patients have traditionally been passed over by organ banks and hospitals because their hearts, kidneys and livers tend to be less healthy than organs from younger patients.

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Ousted judge to appeal

HOUSTON (AP) -- A three-judge appeals court panel that ousted state District Judge Jim Barr of Houston has refused the judge's request for a rehearing, and the judge's attorney says he'll appeal to the Texas Supreme Court.

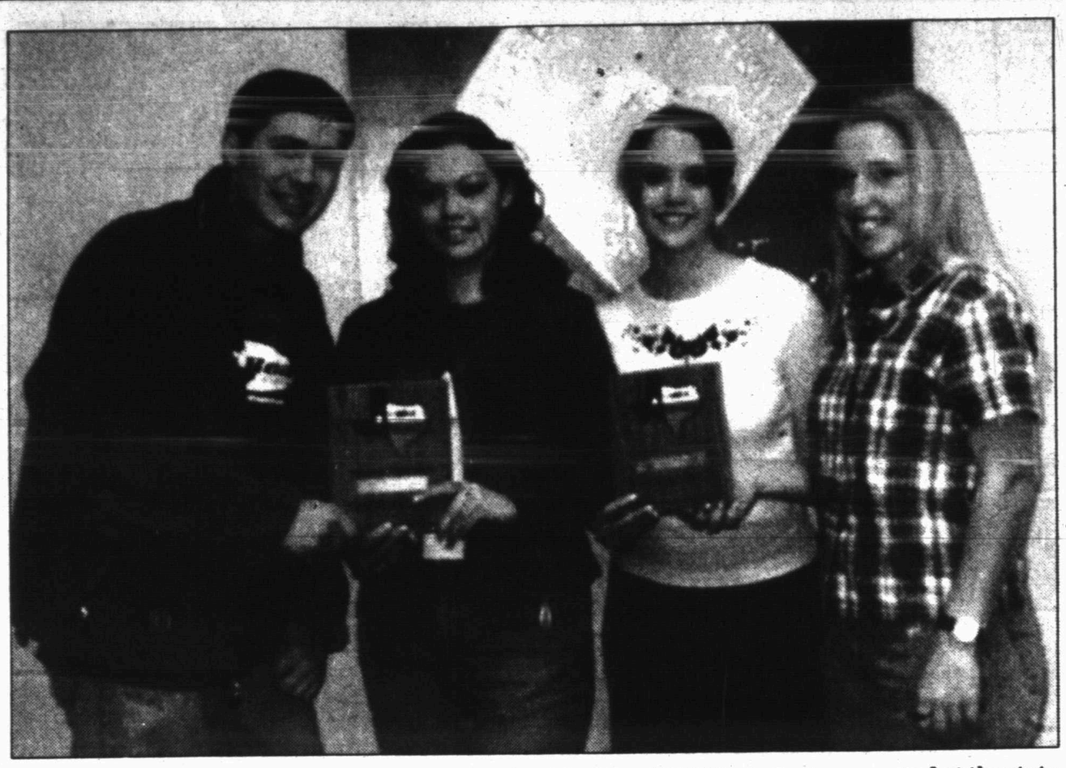
Barr was removed from the bench for making "inappropriate sexual comments" to women prosecutors and for ordering the arrest of a deputy for failing to respond to a defense subpoena.

The judge continues to receive his pay while the appeals process continues. He was forced from office when the tribunal upheld a decision by the State Commission on Judicial Conduct in February 1998 to remove him with about two years left in his term. Before that, he had been suspended.

George Parnham, Barr's attorney, said he will argue, as he did before the tribunal, that Barr had been re-elected by voters who knew the charges against him. Any new appeal must be filed by next month.

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DECA STUDENTS COMPETE — These Snyder High School DECA students competed at the state Career Development Conference in Fort Worth last month. From left are Kaleb Herrley, Catrina Lopez, Tabitha Gilbreth, Angie Reynolds. Jason Almquist and Brad Grimmett are not pictured. (Contributed Photo)

DECA...

Students compete at state meet

Six Snyder High School DECA students attended the DECA State Career Development (CDC) in Fort Worth, March 11-13. They competed with approximately 600 other district CDC winners from across the state.

Kaleb Herrley and Brad Grimmett competed in the Team Management Decision Making event in sports entertainment.

Tabitha Gilbreth and Angie Reynolds competed in the Team Management Decision Making event in hospitality services.

Catrina Lopez competed in the Business Services Marketing series event.

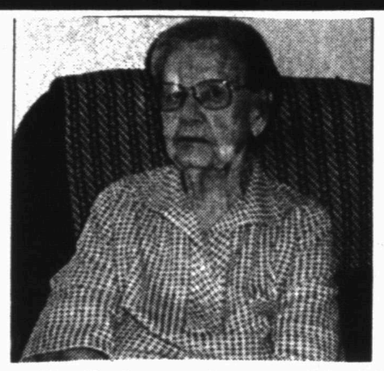
Jason Almquist competed in the Marketing Management Series event.

All competitors had to complete a 100-question test over basic economic and marketing principles and do an impromptu role-play event before a judge.

The students were district winners at the District CDC which was held on Feb. 1-2 in Midland. Other SHS students who competed in district were Lucas Wood, Nicky Jones, Rebecca West, Keisha Gafford, Amanda Compton, Joni Hembree, K.K. McClain, Joe Squires, Holli Rose and Kristin Kuhl.

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Bush pushes for voucher vote

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush said Friday he's pushing for a Senate vote on a pilot program of public funding for private school tuition. Democratic senators said they have the votes to block it — including that of a lawmaker who would leave his hospital bed to oppose the bill.

"I believe that the voucher bill ought to be given a chance to get to the Senate floor. ... I'm making calls to that effect," said the Republican governor. "I think it's necessary for Texas. I think it's a good bill. I support it strongly."

Also strong in their beliefs are voucher opponents such as Sens. Gregory Luna, D-San Antonio, and John Carona, R-Dallas.

Luna is in Methodist Hospital in San Antonio, recovering from surgery to bypass a blocked artery in one leg, according to his staff.

But the 66-year-old senator wrote to ask Lt. Gov. Rick Perry and senators for 24 hours' notice before allowing the voucher bill to be considered so he could cast his vote against it.

"This is to notify you that although presently hospitalized, I intend to make whatever arrangements are necessary to be in the Senate and to vote against this legislation," wrote Luna, vice chairman of the Senate Education Committee.

Luna said some have cautioned against him traveling so soon after surgery, which was performed Wednesday, and that many have said the bill would be blocked even without him.

"Frankly, that is not the point. The point is that I am committed to fighting vouchers at all costs, for I passionately believe that they are destructive to public education," he wrote.

Perry said he and Senate Education Committee Chairman Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, sponsor of the pilot voucher proposal, will honor Luna's request for advance notice "out of deep respect" for him.

Like Bush, the Republican lieutenant governor has supported a pilot voucher program as part of a larger focus on education.

Bivins' bill would create a five-year voucher program targeting public school students in six counties — Bexar, Dallas, El Paso, Harris, Tarrant and Travis — who have failed a state standardized test and qualify for the free- or reduced-lunch program targeting low-income students.

Bivins said he wants to test the voucher idea, which is touted by supporters as a way to improve education and give parents a choice. Opponents say vouchers would drain badly needed money from public schools.

A two-thirds vote is required to bring up a bill for debate under the rules of the 31-member Senate, which includes 16 Republicans and 15 Democrats.

At least one Republican — Carona — said he will vote against consideration of the voucher measure.

"I have certainly been involved in easier issues," he said when asked whether it were difficult to oppose the governor. "I feel very strongly about this."

Carona said most of the public schools in his senatorial district "operate very well and are providing quality education for their students."

For a school district with problems, he said, "I'm not convinced at all that providing less money to address the complex needs of those inner-city kids will do anything positive."

In addition, 11 Democratic senators are pledging to vote against bringing up Bivins' measure or any other voucher bill that would divert funds from public schools. Eleven is the number needed to block a bill from consideration.

Besides Luna, those who signed the pledge are Sens. Gonzalo Barrientos of Austin, David Bernsen of Beaumont, David Cain of Dallas, Rodney Ellis of Houston, Mario Gallegos Jr. of Galena Park, Eliot Shapleigh of El Paso, Carlos Truan of Corpus Christi, Royce West of Dallas, John Whitmire of Houston and Judith Zaffirini of Laredo.

A 12th Democrat, Sen. Mike Moncrief of Fort Worth, originally signed the pledge but said he has changed his mind. He said he remains "philosophically opposed" to vouchers and still might vote against approving the bill.

Under Senate procedure, senators first vote whether to debate a bill, then vote on the measure itself.

"I represent citizens from both sides of the issue, and I think that the narrowly drawn proposal that is being offered for consideration deserves to be debated," Moncrief said.

Bivins' voucher bill is SB10.

New tests are being previewed

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Natalie Young, an accountant 19 years removed from high school, felt a few test-day jitters again, but mostly curiosity.

Like hundreds of others in eight cities around Kentucky on Friday, she spent the morning getting a sample of what the state's schoolchildren will be experiencing next week — a new series of skills tests.

"It did require a lot of thought. I feel a little dumb," said Mrs. Young, the mother of a fifth-grader. "I'm really encouraged by the level of critical thinking that's required ... rather than regurgitating facts."

"Take the Test Day" drew parents, employers, policy makers and the simply interested to sites across the state.

Angela Aguilar on Dean's List

Angela A. Aguilar has been named to McMurry University's Dean's List for the fall semester.

To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must earn at least a 3.5 GPA and be enrolled for 12 or more credit hours.

Aguilar graduated from Snyder High School and attended Western Texas College before enlisting in the U.S. Air Force in 1988.

She is the daughter of Fred and Mary Castillo of Snyder and is married to Luis Aguilar of Abilene.

Author called shy

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Best-selling author Danielle Steel, who describes herself as "agonizingly shy," says the media reduces celebrities to mere objects.

Steel, who has written 75 books, wrote in an op-ed piece solicited by the San Francisco Chronicle that she cherishes her quiet life "and never signed on for celebrity."

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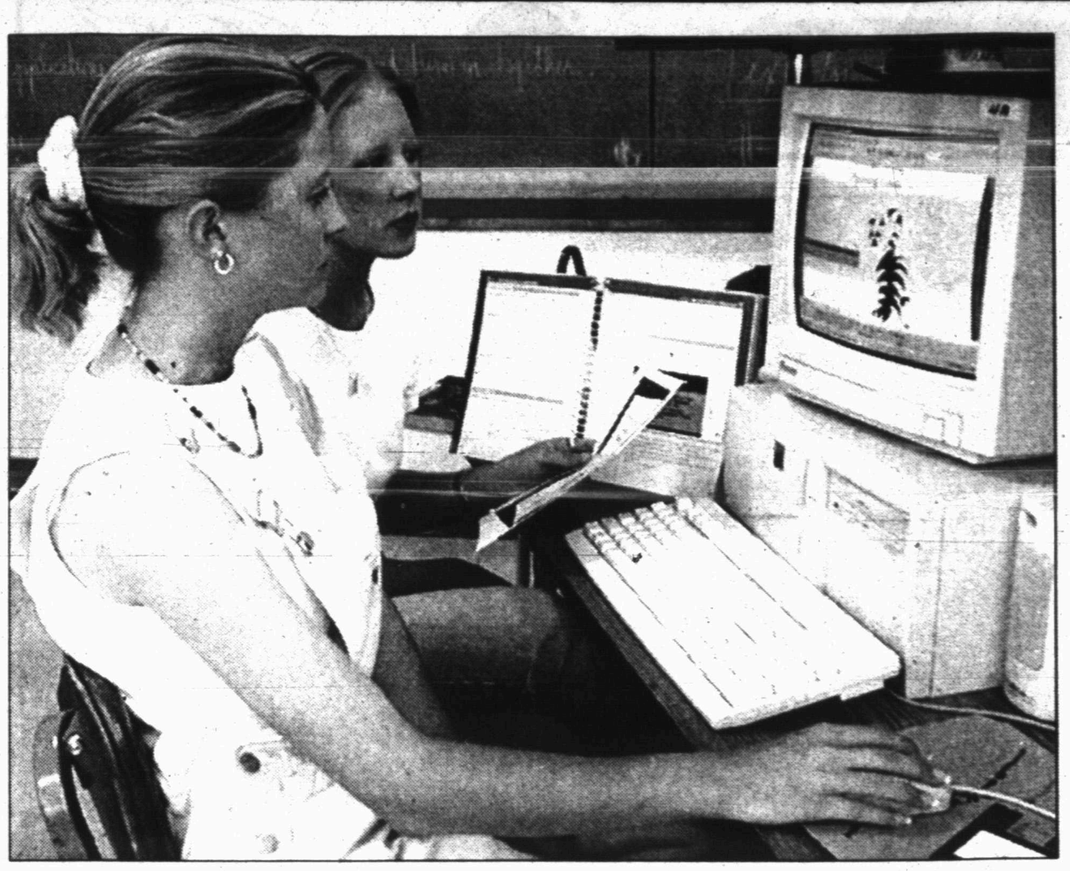
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COVER DESIGN — Students in Lynda Patterson's Business Computer Information Systems II class recently completed Snyder High School's Course/Career Planning Guide. Randi Reed, front, and D'Ann Hager, juniors, designed the front cover for the project. (SDN Staff Photo)

Course/Career Planning Guide...

Teamwork allow students to complete high school booklet

By Joyce May
Staff Writer

After six weeks of working together on a sometimes tedious project, students in Lynda Patterson's Business Computer Information Systems II class have not only produced a product they can take pride in, but they've learned a lesson in the value of teamwork.

The 12 students in Patterson's class have recently completed Snyder High School's Course/Career Planning Guide — an 83-page booklet outlining not only classes available at SHS, but also giving students sample career major plans.

"Teamwork" was the most common answer students gave to the question "What did you learn?"

"I learned that we all had to work together. It took a lot of work and we all had to put in an effort," senior Ashley Grimmett said.

Senior Blake Bell, who put together the section describing each course, concurred.

"I learned how to work together as a group," said Bell, who also said he would be able to take the skills he learned and apply them elsewhere.

Senior Vanessa Jones served as editor-in-chief of the project.

"I helped design the layout and typed most of the introduction part. I decided on the fonts and where to use special characters like bullets," Jones said.

She added that the project was an enjoyable learning experience.

"I learned a lot about cooperating. I also learned how to lay out and format a large amount of information instead of just a letter. I enjoyed it a lot."

Jones said she most enjoyed the authority she was given.

"It was a lot more work than I thought it would be," senior Starla Davis said.

"We worked very hard," senior Tamra Anderson said.

Senior Holly Goebel had the chore of formatting the career majors section onto one disk.

"Everybody had all their (typed copy) on their own disk and I had to put them together and make them look similiar," Goebel explained.

"It was a big pain!", Anderson chipped in.

"Yes it was!" Goebel agreed.

"There was a deadline so it felt like it was a job," Jones said. "When we moved from certain computers, the fonts would change, so we would have to go in and change each of them again. It was rather challenging."

Jones said she too learned skills she could apply in other areas.

"Recently there were National Honor Society programs to do. I got to apply skills there. It wasn't as challenging, but I got to use the skills. Also, I will definitely use it in college."

Patterson admitted the project was challenging for her students.

"It was quite an undertaking to maintain continuity and togetherness. It was quite a challenge for them."

Patterson said the students had to work closely with the counselors on the project. Learning people skills was another advantage.

"I believe the students learned as much from their experience with people as with their experience with the software," Patterson said.

The finished product exemplifies the skills the students have learned in their study of integrating word processing, spreadsheets and desktop publishing.

"We all got it done because we worked as a team," junior Greg McAnaw said. "No one tried to do it all on their own. It was a lot of fun."

SHS counselor Charlene Light said she was very pleased with the students' work.

"They have done a fantastic job."

Students who worked on the project include Tamra Anderson, Blake Bell, Sonny Cumbie, Starla Davis, Holly Goebel, Ashley Grimmett, D'Ann Hager, Vanessa Jones, Greg McAnaw, Adrienne McJimsey, Randi Reed and April Whittenburg.

The booklet contains information to assist students in planning their high school program, and all courses offered at Snyder High School are described.

Charts listing the curriculum for various graduation plans and a career majors section are also included.

The career majors section lists high school courses, related activities, college majors and other ways to train for post-secondary careers.

Light said students and parents are encouraged to keep the booklet for future reference throughout high school as it is the only one that will be issued to them.

The 10 most common Spanish names in the United States are Garcia, Martinez, Gonzalez, Lopez, Hernandez, Rodriguez, Sanches, Perez, Ramirez and Flores.

Thirty-nine percent of Americans say they never go to the movies.

Snyder High School helping students learn about careers

To identify the skills that workers in the future need to bring to the workplace, a joint project conducted by the U.S. Department of Labor and the U.S. Department of education has produced several reports.

The first report produced by this joint project in 1991, "What Work Requires of Schools," identified what students and workers need to know and be able to do in order to succeed in the workplace.

To assist students in this area, Snyder High School has identified five career clusters with broad career fields.

The clusters are arts and communications, business and marketing, health and medicine, science, engineering and technology, and social, personal and public services.

Several majors for most of the clusters are listed in SHS's Course/Career Planning Guide. Students are to use the majors as a guide as they choose high school courses.

The career planning guide is a new addition to the booklet, which in the past has been produced yearly to be presented to students when registering for classes.

"Choosing a Career Major" can help students focus on future careers when selecting the courses they take in high school, SHS counselor Charlene Light said.

"It helps them see the relevance of what they are doing in high school so they can transfer that to post-secondary education or training," Light said. "It just helps them see the connection."

The majors provide information for students about high school courses to take which provides a good background for specific college majors as well as related activites the students can participate in.

It also identifies the training students will need and how to get the training — vocational/technical school, college or apprenticeship.

Below are the foundation skills and the workplace competencies identified by the Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills (SCANS) that competent workers will need as they cope with numerous technological and other changes during their adult lives.

Foundation skills workers will need include basic skills such as reading, writing, arithmetic, speaking and listening.

In addition, thinking skills such as the ability to learn, to reason, to think creatively, to make decisions and to solve problems are needed.

Other foundation skills the report outlined include personal qualities. Examples include individual responsibility, self-esteem, self-management, sociability and integrity.

Workplace competencies identified by the report include resources — that workers know how to allocate time, money, materials, space and staff.

Interpersonal skills are also important. The report indicates that workers should be able to work on teams, teach others, serve customers, lead and work well with people from culturally diverse backgrounds.

Other necessary skills inculude the ability to acquire and evaluate data, interpret and communicate, and use computers to process information.

Telescope launch could be delayed

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA's $1.5 billion Chandra X-ray telescope may have to remain on earth a while longer due to an investigation into a stranded military satellite.

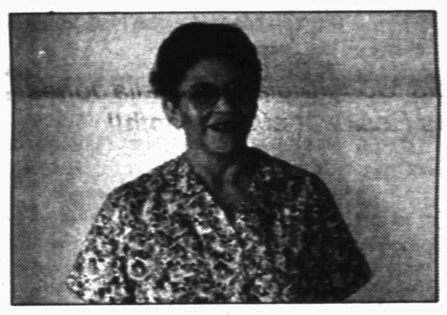
The Air Force has impounded an upper-stage motor intended for the telescope, to be launched in July aboard space shuttle Columbia. It's the same kind of motor that apparently malfunctioned April 9 and left the Defense Department's newest Defense Support Program satellite in a useless orbit.

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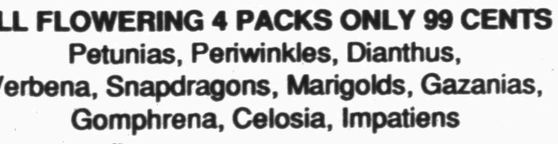
Nellie Medrano

Nellie has eight children and has worked for Snyder Oaks for the last nine years. Prior to that she worked for the Country Club for twenty-three years. Nellie is a very good worker that does her job and many other things well. She is always on time and will work anytime she is needed. Congratulations Nellie Medrano on being chosen as Employee of the Month!

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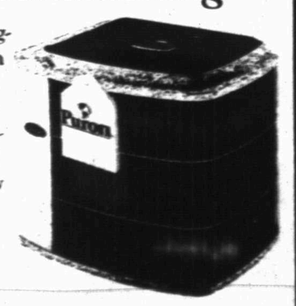


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SPORTS

SHS athletes perform well, earn spots at regional meet

BIG SPRING — After not qualifying a single team member for the regional meet last year, Snyder High School turned some heads on Friday.

The Tigers came within one point of taking the runner-up spot overall at the District 5-4A track meet, while earning spots in the regional meet in six events.

Lake View won the title of the boys division, garnering 181 points. Big Spring was second with 87 points, while Snyder came in third 86 points.

For the Lady Tigers, Amy Brooks grabbed the district title in the discus with a throw of 112 feet, 7 inches. Brooks also nabbed second place in the shot put. However, Brooks is academically ineligible and will be unable to compete in the regional meet.

The Snyder boys were paced by the effort of Rudy Martinez. The freshman distance runner won both the 1,600 and 3,200-meter events. Martinez crossed the line five seconds ahead of his nearest competitor in the two-mile run, before posting a time 4:40.97 to win the mile. Also competing in the long-distance events for Snyder was Dusty Asby, who finished seventh.

Martinez will be the Tigers' only entry in the running events at regionals, as Snyder's four other qualifiers will compete in the field events.

Brady Cobb and Jared Thornhill both posted winning efforts, while Wade Pinson and Mark Medley secured runner-up spots.

Cobb soared 44 feet to claim the crown in the triple jump competition, while Thornhill cleared 11-6 to win the pole vault.

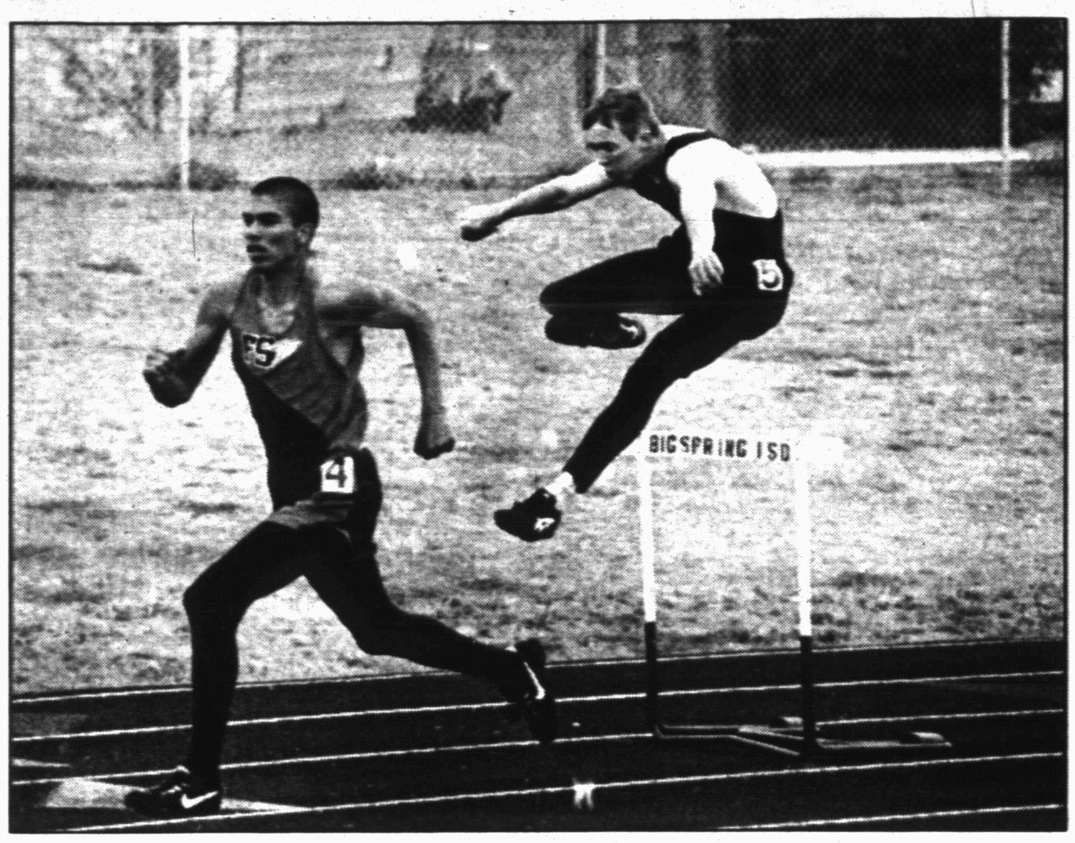
Pinson cleared the high-jump bar at a height of 5-10 to take second place, with Medley seizing second in the discus after a hurl of 153-9.

Medley narrowly missed qualifying in the shot put, after being edged out of second place by less than an inch. Joe Esparza will be the alternate in the discus. Esparza grabbed third place with an effort of 146-6.

In other action around the track, as expected, Tory Mitchell won the 100 and 200-meter dashes in impressive form.

The Big Spring senior set a district record in the 200, posting a time of 20.50 in the finals. Mitchell's first-place effort in the 100-meter finals was 10.22

The Region I meet will be May 1 at San Angelo Stadium. Snyder will participate in a regional qualifiers meet in Lamesa next Saturday.



UP AND OVER — Snyder senior Andy Parker clears a hurdle while making up ground on a Ft. Stockton runner during the 300-meter hurdles on Friday. Snyder notched eight top-two finishes at the District 5-4A track meet in Big Spring. (SDN Staff Photo)

Callaway earns spot at regional meet

ABILENE — For Hermleigh's Caleb Callaway, track season will continue.

Callaway posted a time of 53.55 seconds Friday to win the 400-meter dash at the area track meet at Abilene Wylie.

With the win, Callaway earns a spot in the regional meet May 1 at Abilene Christain University.

Also competing in the area meet on Friday were Randi Herrington, Joey Garza and Chasity Perales.

Herrington turned in an effort of 15-6½ to take sixth place in the long jump, while Garza's throw of 121-0 in the discus was good enough for sixth place. Perales participated in the 1,600.

Couch expected to be first pick by Cleveland

CLEVELAND (AP) — Kentucky quarterback Tim Couch reached agreement with the Cleveland Browns hours before the draft was to begin, assuring he would be the No. 1 pick.

The Browns and Couch's agent, Tom Condon of IMG, finalized the deal at about 9 a.m., NFL sources told The Associated Press, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

Broadcast reports said the deal was for seven years and worth $48 million with a $12.25 million signing bonus. That was a slight increase on the deal Condon got for Indianapolis quarterback Peyton Manning, the No. 1 pick in last year's draft.

The Browns are returning to the league as an expansion team after a three-year hiatus, and will usher in a new era with the 21-year-old Couch as their quarterback of the future.

Condon began face-to-face contract negotiations with Lal Heneghan, Cleveland's contract expert, in New York on Friday night. The two met for three hours before breaking for dinner and said they were willing to talk all night if necessary.

Another report said the Browns had also reached agreement in principle with Oregon quarterback Akili Smith, and would have chosen him if they had been unable to close a deal with Condon.

The 6-foot-4, 227-pound Couch decided to skip his senior season at Kentucky when he knew he would have a chance to be the No. 1 pick in the draft. He openly courted the Browns and appeared to be the frontrunner before Smith blew away Browns coach Chris Palmer with a private workout.

However, Couch answered whatever questions the Browns still had about him during a 90-minute workout last weekend that was attended by Browns president Carmen Policy and owner Al Lerner.

Couch was a first-team All-American at Kentucky last season after passing for 4,275 yards and 36 touchdowns. He passed for at least 300 yards and one TD in each game, and finished his career by throwing for 336 yards and two TDs in the Outback Bowl against Penn State.

Gretzky hangs up his skates

NEW YORK (AP) — Wayne Gretzky announced his retirement from hockey Friday after two magnificent decades, perhaps no longer at the top of his game but certainly still its greatest player ever.

Despite pleas from family and friends not to go, the 38-year-old Great One said his "gut" told him it was time. Left behind are scores of fans still asking for more and lists of records for generations to chase.

He will play one last game, between his New York Rangers and the Pittsburgh Penguins in Madison Square Garden, a game now not only to close a frustrating season but to end an era.

Even Gretzky admits the composure he displayed in explaining his decision likely will desert him when he takes the ice for the last time.

"The emotional time will be Sunday when I take my skates off. I've been encouraging people to smile and be upbeat," he said. "That will be the tough time."

No one could change his mind.

Not his wife, not the prime minister of his native Canada, not even his idol Gordie Howe, who advised No. 99 to wait at least a few more months.

"The last couple of weeks, a lot of people have been asking me why this is the time," a composed Gretzky said. "It's a gut feeling, something I believe is right."

His head told him, too.

"I started to feel fatigue — mentally and physically — that I never felt before."

Accompanied by his wife, Janet, and sons Ty and Trevor, Gretzky watched a video tribute of his career and was introduced by former player John Davidson as "the greatest player who ever played."

Classy and fair-haired with a charismatic smile, if Gretzky was a superstar in the United States, he was a virtual demigod in his home country.

Canadians have been aware of Gretzky since he was a peewee, and can recite such minutiae as the 104 goals he scored in 62 games at age 8, or the 378 goals in 82 games when he was all of 10.

With his magnificent skills and a humble, gentlemanly manner, Gretzky was a perfect goodwill ambassador for hockey. He has been the NHL's biggest box-office draw for most of his 20 years in the league, and never has been shy about that responsibility.

Jaha, Giambi lead A's past Rangers, 8-2

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — John Jaha went 4-for-4 with two doubles, a home run and four RBIs Friday night, leading the Oakland Athletics over the Texas Rangers 8-2.

Jason Giambi was 4-for-5 for his first multihit game of the year, driving in a run and scoring three times as part a 17-hit attack.

Tom Candiotti (1-2) made his 400th career start and allowed two runs and three hits in 6 2-3 innings against a team that scored 28 runs a three-game sweep at Seattle earlier this week.

Aaron Sele (2-1), who allowed one earned run in winning his first two starts, was tagged for six runs and nine hits in four innings.

Jaha, who matched a career high for hits, doubled home the A's first run in the first and then started a four-run third with his third homer of the season. Scott Spiezio's first homer of the year made it 5-1.

Giambi hit an RBI single in the fourth, and Jaha hit a run-scoring single in the seventh.

Lee Stevens homered off Candiotti to start the third and Juan Gonzalez singled and scored on a wild pitch in the seventh.

NBA GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	28	12	.700	-
Miami	25	13	.658	2
Philadelphia	21	18	.538	6½
NewYork	21	19	.525	7
Washington	16	23	.410	11½
Boston	15	24	.384	12½
NewJersey	11	28	.282	16½
Central Division				
Indiana	26	14	.650	-
Atlanta	24	17	.585	2½
Detroit	23	17	.575	3
Milwaukee	22	17	.564	3½
Cleveland	21	18	.538	4½
Charlotte	18	20	.474	7
Toronto	18	20	.474	7
Chicago	10	30	.250	16

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Utah	30	8	.789	-
SanAntonio	27	12	.692	3½
Houston	26	13	.667	4½
Minnesota	22	19	.537	9½
Dallas	13	26	.333	17½
Denver	12	28	.300	19
Vancouver	7	33	.175	24
Pacific Division				
x-Portland	29	10	.744	-
L.A.Lakers	25	15	.625	4½
Phoenix	20	20	.500	9½
Seattle	19	20	.487	10
GoldenState	17	22	.436	12
Sacramento	17	22	.436	12
L.A.Clippers	7	32	.179	22

x-clinched playoff berth

Friday's Games

Washington 87, Chicago 70
Cleveland 91, Toronto 90, OT
Atlanta 91, Orlando 79
Philadelphia 93, Indiana 83
Detroit 80, New York 71
Boston 82, Miami 81
Minnesota 89, Vancouver 75
Charlotte 95, Milwaukee 94
San Antonio 81, Portland 80
Phoenix 92, Dallas 85
L.A. Clippers 86, Golden State 83
New Jersey 121, Seattle 91

Saturday's Games

Charlotte at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
Toronto at New York, 6 p.m.
Portland at Dallas, 8 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Utah, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Boston at Washington, 12:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at New Jersey, 12:30 p.m.
Detroit at Orlando, 3 p.m.
Golden State at Vancouver, 3 p.m.
Seattle at Phoenix, 3 p.m.
Indiana at Miami, 5:30 p.m.
Houston at San Antonio, 5:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Chicago, 8 p.m.

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SPORTS



DISTRICT CHAMPS — The Snyder Lady Tigers won the district golf crown Friday. Members of the squad are, from left, coach Primo Gonzalez, Lacey Kidd, Sally Barham, Stephanie Alderete, Keisha Gafford, Randi Reed and coach Matt Glenn. (Contributed Photo)

Lady Tigers rally past Andrews to capture District 5-4A golf crown

SAN ANGELO — Entering Friday's final round of district golf competition, the Lady Tigers were in an unaccustomed position, second place.

But following a round of 325 at San Angelo's Riverside GC, Snyder was back on familiar ground — on top.

The Lady Tigers made up a one-stroke difference in the district standings by taking a 12-shot victory over Andrews to lock up another league title for Snyder.

Snyder and Andrews both advance to regional tournament which will be back at Riverside on April 26-27.

The Lady Tigers got the job done Friday with consistent play from top to bottom. Kaisha Gafford's 80 led Snyder, with Randi Reed and Sally Barham carding an 81. Lacey Kidd fired an 83 and Stephanie Alderete came in with a 84.

Gafford's 80 secured second place for the Snyder senior in the medalist race. Kidd finished third in the medalist standings, with Barham, ninth and Alderete, 10th.

Snyder II finished fifth overall. Kara Harrison led the squad with an 87, while Andra Lancaster carded an 89. Leslie Mitchell came in with a 91, with Adrienne McJimsey and Casey Blackard turning in a 93.

At the regional tournament, the Lady Tigers will be compteing for a return trip to the state tourney. Snyder won the title two years ago, before finishing second last season.

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American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
NewYork	7	3	.700	-
Boston	6	3	.667	½
Toronto	7	4	.636	½
TampaBay	5	6	.455	2½
Baltimore	3	7	.300	4

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	7	1	.875	-
KansasCity	4	5	.444	3½
Minnesota	4	5	.444	3½
Chicago	3	6	.333	4½
Detroit	3	7	.300	5

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Anaheim	6	5	.545	-
Texas	6	5	.545	-
Oakland	5	6	.455	1
Seattle	4	7	.364	2

Friday's Games

Tampa Bay 6, Boston 2
Toronto 7, Baltimore 6
Minnesota at Cleveland, ppd., rain
Detroit 8, New York 1
Kansas City 7, Chicago 2
Anaheim 9, Seattle 5
Oakland 8, Texas 2

Saturday's Games

Tampa Bay at Boston, 1:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Cleveland, 1:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.
New York at Detroit, 1:05 p.m.
Chicago at Kansas City, 2:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Toronto, 4:05 p.m.
Texas at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Seattle at Anaheim, 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Tampa Bay (Witt 1-0) at Boston (Rapp 0-0), 1:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Guzman 0-1) at Toronto (Hamilton 0-2), 1:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Lincoln 0-2) at Cleveland (Burba 1-0), 1:05 p.m.
New York (Mendoza 1-0) at Detroit (Graterol 0-1), 1:05 p.m.
Chicago (Baldwin 1-1) at Kansas City (Barber 1-0), 2:05 p.m.
Texas (Morgan 2-0) at Oakland (Oquist 1-0), 4:05 p.m.
Seattle (Hinchliffe 0-0) at Anaheim (Sparks 0-2), 8:05 p.m.

Monday's Games

Tampa Bay at Boston, 11:05 a.m.
Minnesota at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	6	3	.667	-
NewYork	7	4	.636	-
Philadelphia	5	5	.500	1½
Montreal	5	6	.455	2
Florida	3	7	.300	3½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
St.Louis	6	3	.667	-
Houston	5	5	.500	1½
Chicago	4	5	.444	2
Cincinnati	4	5	.444	2
Pittsburgh	4	5	.444	2
Milwaukee	4	6	.400	2½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
SanFrancisco	7	4	.636	-
LosAngeles	6	5	.545	1
SanDiego	5	5	.500	1½
Arizona	5	6	.455	2
Colorado	3	5	.375	2½

Friday's Games

Chicago 9, Milwaukee 4
Philadelphia 17, Florida 3
Cincinnati 6, Pittsburgh 5
Montreal 6, New York 4
St. Louis 5, Houston 3
Atlanta at Colorado, ppd., snow
Arizona 10, San Francisco 4
San Diego 3, Los Angeles 0

Saturday's Games

Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 1:15 p.m.
Montreal at New York, 1:40 p.m.
Chicago at Milwaukee, 2:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Colorado, 3:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Florida at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Pittsburgh (Schourek 0-1) at Cincinnati (Avery 1-1), 1:15 p.m.
Florida (Ojala 0-0) at Philadelphia (Loewer 0-1), 1:35 p.m.
Montreal (Vasquez 0-1) at New York (Watson 1-0), 1:40 p.m.
Chicago (Mulholland 0-0) at Milwaukee (Woodard 1-1), 2:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Osborne 0-1) at Houston (Hampton 1-1), 2:35 p.m.
Atlanta (Maddux 1-0) at Colorado (Astacio 0-1), 3:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Ortiz 1-1) at Arizona (Reyoso 0-0), 4:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Valdes 1-0) at San Diego (Williams 0-0), 4:05 p.m.

Sports Briefs

Elway's future still unknown

DENVER (AP) — The Denver Broncos still don't know the intentions of 38-year-old, Hall of Fame-bound quarterback John Elway and apparently, neither does he. Of four Broncos players interviewed, two said they believe Elway will retire this year. Another said he was surprised Elway came back for the 1998 season.

Strawberry in seclusion

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Darryl Strawberry was in seclusion, two days after he was charged with cocaine possession and soliciting a prostitute.

The eight-time All-Star was charged with possession of 0.3 grams of cocaine and offering an undercover female officer $50 for sex. No court date was scheduled for the latest charges, the prosecutor's office said.

Braves trade Wohlers to Reds

ATLANTA (AP) — Unable to find the strike zone in Atlanta, Mark Wohlers wanted a fresh start with a new team. He got his wish when the Braves traded their former closer and at least $4.4 million to the Cincinnati Reds for reliever John Hudek.

SCC scramble and MGA

A members' scramble is held each Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at Snyder Country Club. At 5:30 each Thursday, the Men's Golf Association hosts a 9-hole event. Thursday's format varies.

Lions Club golf tourney

The Snyder Lions Club golf tournament will be held next Saturday at Western Texas College.

The format will be a four-man scramble, with each team having a minimum combined handicap of 50. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top five finshers, with $800 going to the winning team.

Registration fee is $50 per person and includes green fee, cart rental and a hamburger lunch. The field will be limited to 20 teams. Entry forms can be picked up at the WTC and Snyder Country Club pro shops.

Pitching clinics scheduled

Pitching clinics for girls' fast-pitch softball are held every Wednesday. Classes are limited. For more information, contact Herman Martinez at 573-0390.

Men's softball tourney

Snyder's Spring Slam men's softball tournament will be held beginning next Saturday at Winston Field. Entry fee is $100, with team trophies and T-shirts awarded to the top three finishers.

For more information, contact Chris Maxfield at 573-6862 (day) or 573-4332 (night).

WGA weekly play day

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold its Tuesday play day, beginning at 9 a.m. Format will be queen of the hill.

Basketball tryouts

Tryouts for a girls AAU traveling squad will be held Sunday at 3 p.m. at Western Texas College.

Players must be 13-14 years old and must not turn 15 before Sept. 1.

For more information, call 573-7985 (weekdays) or 573-7970 (weekend).

Horns edge Red Raiders

AUSTIN (AP) — Ben Emond tied the game in the bottom of the ninth with a two-run triple, then scored the winning run as Texas rallied to beat Texas Tech 5-4 Friday night.

Emond's triple was followed by a game-winning single by Jason Cox.

It marked the eighth time that the Longhorns (28-15, 13-6 Big 12 Conference) have won in their final at-bat.

Tech starter Shane Wright was cruising into the ninth with a 4-2 lead, but could retire only one man and surrendered a run.

Sports Week

SATURDAY

Baseball: Snyder Tigers at Ft. Stockton, 1 p.m.

Tennis: Snyder boys and girls at Midland.

Golf: Snyder Tigers at Sweetwater.

Softball: Snyder Lady Tigers host Sweetwater, 10 a.m.

Track: Class 1A area meet at Tiger Stadium.



LIFTING IT UP — Snyder's Clark Humphrey leaves the line during racing action recently at Wall Dragway. Humphrey took fourth in the super-pro class. Snyder's Travis Massingill was fourth in street money and Tod Stinson was fourth in the motorcycle division. (Contributed Photo)

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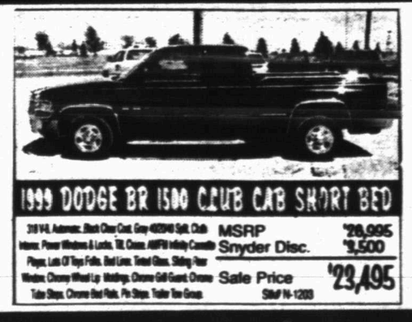
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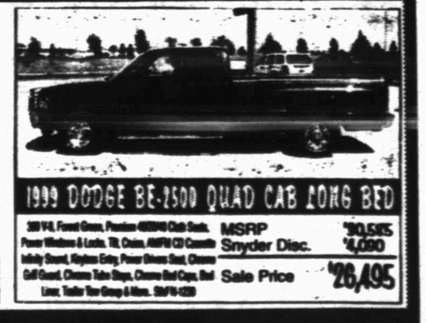
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
A Public Hearing to seek input for the use of funds provided by the Carl Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act of 1997 will be held at 12:00 noon on the 23rd day of April, 1999, in the Board Room located in the Administration Building of Western Texas College.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
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3-1-2-Detached+Storage 2.56 A's $42.5T.
3-2-cp 2 Acres IRA ..... $45T.
2-1-1 3009 39th St. ..... $35,000.
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3-2½-2 3014 Denison ..... $79,900.
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Shop-Gameroom-Fpl.... $115,000.
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3-2-2 Great Area ..... $60,000.
W. Hwy. 180 ....2.13 A's 3-2-cp $39,500.
2-1-1 CH/A 310 34th $22T
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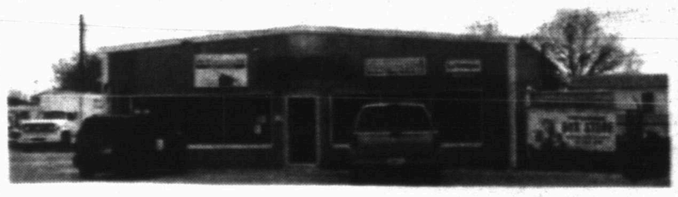
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3803 Galveston 3-1 W/DEN CH/A $34T.
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Nice 4-2-2 Many Extras..... $100's.
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Nice Area 4-2-2 + Fireplace & Patio $90's.
1926 Sante Fe..... Large Home w/Extras.
5 Acres..... 3-3-cp Pool & Shop-Large.
4008 Jacksboro 3-2-2 Nice.... Low $60's.
3-1½ + 2 Living Areas..... 2206 42nd!
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United Hiring Update

The Interview schedule for positions at the new United Supermarkets location in Snyder has changed.

Interviews for employment will be held May 17 through May 19. We will schedule interviews through phone calls to all applicants. Thank you to everyone who submitted an application. If you have not yet submitted an application, please do so quickly. Applications are available at the Chamber of Commerce or the Texas Workforce Commission office at Western College. We look forward to meeting with all of our new team members and opening our new store. Thanks to everyone for the tremendous response and enthusiasm.

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Soil, Water Stewardship Week

(Editor's Note: Texas Gov. George W. Bush signed the following proclamation about Soil and Water Stewardship which is celebrated April 25-May 2.)

"Spring is the season of renewal and reminds us of our many blessings, especially the priceless gifts of palette-splashed wildflower meadows, vast forests, flowing streams and teeming wildlife.

"Using our natural resources and resolve, Texans have been blessed with sufficient supplies of food, fiber and other life-enhancing products.

"With these blessings, we recognize our responsibility to care for these resources, especially the life-supplying soil and water. As we near the end of one century and prepare to enter a new one, we must remember the obligation of stewardship of our natural resources.

"Texas soil and water conservation districts offer assistance and encouragement to local landowners on land and water use. Under the direction of the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board, these regional organizations sponsor public awareness activities to promote the importance of stewardship of our renewable resources to benefit all Texans.

"The state board, in cooperation with the National Association of Conservation Districts, traditionally designates a special week to heighten awareness of the need to conserve our natural resources.

"I encourage Texans to take personal responsibility in caring for our soil and water so future generations can also enjoy the natural beauty and resources of our state."



LOCAL PROCLAMATION — Scurry County Judge Ricky Fritz signed a proclamation Thursday declaring April 25-May 2 as Soil and Water Stewardship Week in Snyder. Shown in back are members of the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District. From left are, Ted Crenwelge, Max Jones, Myron Calley, Jimmy McMillian and Kevin Wright. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



GOVERNOR SIGNS PROCLAMATION — As an important part of preserving our natural resources, Gov. George W. Bush declares April 25-May 2 as Soil and Water Stewardship Week in Texas. Members of the Soil and Water Stewardship Committee and representatives of the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB) and Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts (ATSWCD) witnessed and received the signed proclamation from the governor in Austin. Gov. Bush is seated. Standing from left to right are: Robert Buckley of Temple, executive director TSSWCB; Bobbie Stephens of Temple, assistant executive director, TSSWCB; Wayne Register of New Waverly, president ATSWCD; Kenneth Brandenberger of Llano, member of Soil and Water Stewardship Committee; Bob Pearson of Fairfield, member of SWS Committee; Paul Robertson of Hale Center, member of TSSWCB; Aurelio Medina of Crystal City, chairman SWS Committee; Jimmy McMillian of Snyder, member of SWS Committee; Roy Freeman of Kenedy, program specialist, TSSWCB. (Contributed Photo)

Weekend gets off to a busy start

The weekend was off to a busy start as 10 subjects were arrested Friday and early Saturday.

Department of Public Safety troopers took two subjects into custody at 10:06 p.m. Friday two miles north of Ira on Hwy. 350. Arrested were a 25-year-old male for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and a 26-year-old male for public intoxication.

At 11:45 p.m. Friday, officers arrested a 22-year-old male in the 1700 block of Avenue T on outstanding warrants for three counts of failure to appear, violating promise to appear and failure to wear safety belt.

A 20-year-old male was taken into custody at 12:25 a.m. Saturday in the 400 block of 28th Street for driving under the influence of alcohol and minor in possession of drug paraphernalia. Officers also arrested a 20-year-old male for public intoxication and possession of marijuana, less than two ounces.

Following a report of five subjects breaking into a house in the 2600 block of Avenue U, officers took five subjects into custody. A 17-year-old male as well as four juveniles were arrested for criminal trespassing. The juveniles were later released to their parents.

In other activity, a woman requested an officer at 7:31 a.m. Friday in reference to her 15-year-old daughter running away. An offense report for runaway was filed. The woman called back at 10:19 a.m. advising that she had located the girl.

Shelia Kemp requested an officer at 8:25 a.m. Friday in reference to her dog being stolen from her residence in the 2800 block of 38th Street. An offense report for Class B theft was filed.

An offense report for assault/family violence was filed at 4:16 p.m. Friday.

Officers filed an offense report for Class C assault at 5:06 p.m. Friday.

At 7:20 p.m. Friday, an offense report for dog bite was filed in the 4000 block of Austin.

An offense report for assault/family violence was submitted at 8:08 p.m. Friday.

Deputies filed an offense report for possession of marijuana at 12:03 a.m. Saturday at 43rd Street and Avenue V.

Mom, state fight over baby's care

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — An HIV-infected woman who insists on her right to breast-feed is taking a life-or-death chance with her child, a state attorney said during a custody hearing.

Kathleen Tyson is "playing Russian roulette with the virus," said Robert Nagler, the state lawyer who is representing 4-month-old Felix Tyson in court proceedings that began Friday. "The parents were blessed with a robust, healthy child, but they also chose to adopt a cause."

Mrs. Tyson and her husband, David, have physical custody of the child, but the state has retained legal custody pending the outcome of the hearing.

Attorneys for the couple promised Friday to call witnesses who believe there is no evidence that the HIV virus can be contracted by drinking breast milk, and who do not believe the HIV virus causes AIDS.

The Tysons ascribe to both theories and argue that they have the right to raise Felix as they see fit.

Births

Don and Becky Hurt announce the birth of their daughter, Alanna Maria Hurt, at 7 p.m. on April 5 in Rolling Plains Hospital in Sweetwater. She weighed eight pounds, six ounces.

Grandparents are Guadalupe and Blandina Morales of Snyder, Jack and Donna Starr of Colorado City, and Paul Hurt of Abilene.

Cards Of Thanks

Thank You

The family of Ben E. Sims wishes to thank all for the calls, cards, food, prayers and memorials due to the recent loss of our father and brother. Your concern and thoughtfulness are greatly appreciated.

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Stewart & Leia Sims
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Bob & Fay Sims
Beth & Sam McDaniel
Ginny & Dave Griffith

Thanks!

The family of Janie Sullenger would like to express our appreciation for all of the prayers and words of encouragement and also for the cards and flowers while she was a patient in Convenant Hospital in Lubbock. She is improving on a daily basis and all of the prayers from all of you was very instrumental in her recovery. Before long she will be back to her old self and be after me with a broom! Thanks very much to everyone.

Janie & Rodger Sullenger
Stephen Sullenger
Kyra Lynne Sullenger

Thanks!

Thank you so much to this community for your overwhelming response to our family. The prayers got us through each day, the phone calls were reminders of just how important friends really are and the cards were bright spots in our day.

God always listens and He does answer prayer - Daryl is a shining example of this.

May God keep each of you,
Daryl and Cindy Drain & Girls

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, April 18, 1999

Your instincts regarding your commercial affairs could be especially keen in the year ahead, so it behooves you to listen carefully to your inner voice of wisdom.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Steer clear of people who are argumentative today, because they'll only put you in a bad mood. Instead, surround yourself with pals who are light and breezy. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope 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.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Any financial situation that does not meet your standards or are in accord with the way you do business should be shunned today. No amount of money is worth lowering yourself.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Being overly protective of your self-interests can invite discord, but when you let your nobler qualities prevail, you attract cooperation. Hone in on the latter.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Chances are you'll actually feel better about yourself today if you take a back seat in involvements and let others do the driving. It'll keep you in a good mood.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Just as reason needs information in order to understand, the will needs boundaries, or else you could make bad choices. Remember, the choices you make today do have consequences.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) We all need praise and recognition for even the little things we do in life, but don't carry that too far today by making yourself all important over others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Seek inspirational satisfaction today from searching out positive sources or quietly deliberating on ways you can become the person you desire to be.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Immerse yourself in life's lighter side today and put away your worries over resources. Sometimes answers or openings come to us when we calm ourselves long enough to listen.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Too much concern over your self-interests today could betray your thinking for the respect and responsibilities you owe others. Keep everything in good balance.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If there are a few chores that need to be taken care of today before you can comfortably relax, get them out of the way early for your own peace of mind.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Any speculation you engage in today should be over something you feel strongly about, and not with a frivolous encounter where the wrong consequences could be sobering.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your home is your castle and you need to be able to relax in it, so don't invite anyone where you run the risk of their bringing along undesirable company today.

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Your Birthday

Monday, April 19, 1999

Expand your communication base in the year ahead, and you'll be better able to enlarge your inventory of facts and knowledge necessary in accomplishing important interests.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Quick thinking on your part can help extricate yourself from a financial situation today. There might be persons you feel obligated to attempting to entice you. Use your wits. Major changes are ahead for Aries in the coming year. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope 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.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Being flexible and willing to make adjustments will go a long way in helping you avoid getting into a heated, testy confrontation with another today. Keep things civil.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't betray a fact entrusted to you in confidence by a friend today. No matter how juicy the information is or how tempted you are to reveal what you know, keep quiet.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A great opportunity of a financial nature might be brought to your attention that sounds exceptionally enticing today. Do plenty of investigating first.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you're aiming for a big goal today, be prepared to go all out. Nothing but an enormous amount of fortitude will turn your desires to reality.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be willing to admit you were wrong if someone gives you a sound argument about something you had taken a firm stance on. Honest facts can only be discovered with a flexible mind.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) The quickest way to go broke is by foolish spending on nonessentials simply for instant gratification. You're especially vulnerable today for satisfying momentary whims.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Focus on the positive aspects of situations today, and avoid negative thinking when confronted with any problems. It's easier to find a solution when your mind-set is constructive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Although you're usually able to handle multiple chores at the same time, you may need to schedule your tasks in order of priority today, or things could pile up on you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Rather than go through the day being uneasy about what your able to spend on recreational activities, select only those that aren't too costly. Don't put a damper on your fun.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) By getting yourself involved in situations that are way beyond your capabilities, you could be making unnecessary and unreasonable demands on yourself. Be realistic.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) It can be helpful to ventilate your quandaries or dilemmas with trusted friends today, but be sure you select those who are optimistic and upbeat. Negative or harsh types will drag you down.

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Astronaut's family opposes search

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The widow of Mercury astronaut Gus Grissom hopes that an expedition being launched this weekend in search of her husband's sunken space capsule comes up empty-handed.

Betty Grissom said Friday she finds it "disgusting" that the family wasn't consulted from the beginning about the underwater salvage effort for the 38-year-old spacecraft, Liberty 7.

"I hope that they do not find it," Mrs. Grissom said in a telephone interview from her Houston home, just two hours after expedition leader Curt Newport met with the press at his chartered ship. "I'm keeping my fingers crossed that something happens that they don't."

Liberty Bell 7 is the only U.S. manned spacecraft lost after a successful mission. It sank to the bottom of the Atlantic after splashing down with Grissom on July 21, 1961. The explosive bolts that blow open the hatch detonated prematurely. Grissom was rescued by helicopter.

Newport plans to leave Sunday from nearby Port Canaveral on a two-week expedition financed by the Discovery Channel.

Doctor not told about mixup in embryo procedure

NEW YORK (AP) — An embryologist who assisted in the in vitro fertilization of a woman who gave birth to two babies — one white, one black — knew his error caused the wrong embryo to be implanted in the woman but remained silent, according to a state inquiry.

Michael Obasaju was aware he had given Dr. Lillian Nash the wrong embryos for implantation but prepared a second batch with correct embryos rather than stop the procedure immediately, according to the report, which was obtained under the Freedom of Information Act and detailed in today's New York Times.

The case that became public last month when Robert Rogers and Deborah Perry-Rogers, a black couple from Teaneck, N.J., claimed Richard and Donna Fasano, who are both white, were given an embryo that the Rogers stored at the IVF New York clinic in Manhattan.

Mrs. Fasano gave birth to two boys in December 1998. One child, who is white, was her biological child; the black baby is no relation.

The mix-up occurred on April 24, 1998, when Mrs. Fasano and Mrs. Perry-Rogers were in the office for embryo implantation after in vitro fertilization of their eggs.

In preparing the embryos, Obasaju separated four of Mrs. Perry-Rogers' fertilized embryos, which he determined to be lower grade, to be discarded. But he accidentally placed those embryos into a catheter used for Mrs. Fasano's procedure, the report said.

Datebook

April 17, 1999

Today is the 107th day of 1999 and the 29th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1929, baseball great Babe Ruth married Ziegfeld Follies performer Claire Hodgeson.

On this day in 1964, Geraldine Mock completed her solo airplane flight around the world, landing in Columbus, Ohio.

On this day in 1994, the album "Dark Side of the Moon" by Pink Floyd became the fourth biggest selling album ever to be released in the United States.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: J.P. Morgan (1837-1913), financier; Walter Camp (1859-1925), football player-coach; Isak Dinesen (Karen Blixen) (1885-1962), writer; Thornton Wilder (1897-1975), writer; William Holden (1918-1981), actor; Cynthia Ozick (1928-), author, is 71; Norman "Boomer" Esiason (1961-), football player, is 38.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1976, the Philadelphia Phillies defeated the Chicago Cubs 18-16. The Phillies came back from being 11 runs behind, and Phillie Mike Schmidt hit four home runs.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Man and woman are two locked caskets, of which each contains the key to the other." — Isak Dinesen (Karen Blixen)

TODAY'S MOON: Day after new moon (April 16).

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April 18, 1999

Today is the 108th day of 1999 and the 30th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1906, an earthquake measuring 8.25 on the Richter scale struck San Francisco, causing the deaths of 500 people. Fires raged for three days after the quake, killing 200 more.

On this day in 1934, the first laundromat opened in the United States, in Fort Wayne, Ind. It was called a "Washateria."

On this day in 1956, Prince Rainier and actress Grace Kelly were wed in a civil ceremony in Monaco. Their church wedding took place the next day.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Clarence Darrow (1857-1938), lawyer; Leopold Stokowski (1882-1977), conductor; Hayley Mills (1946-), actress, is 53; James Woods (1947-), actor, is 52; Nate Archibald (1948-), basketball great, is 51; Rick Moranis (1953-), actor, is 46; Eric Roberts (1956-), actor, is 43.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1981, a game between Pawtucket, R.I., and Rochester, N.Y., began. It was to be the longest professional baseball game ever, lasting three days, eight hours and 25 minutes. Pawtucket won, 3-2.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "A painter paints his pictures on canvas. But musicians paint their pictures on silence. We provide the music, and you provide the silence." — Leopold Stokowski

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (April 16) and first quarter (April 22).

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New Mexico man must stand trial on charges

TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES, N.M. (AP) — A former state park employee accused of sodomizing two women and shackling them in padlocked collars has been ordered to stand trial on kidnapping and sexual torture charges.

Prosecutors say David Parker Ray, 59, held the women as sex slaves in separate days-long episodes of abuse earlier this year.

During a preliminary hearing, the women said they were abducted, chained, tortured sexually with objects and given electric shocks. One woman was allegedly attacked last month, and the other came forward at that time with the story of a similar ordeal in February.

District Judge Neil Mertz said Friday the evidence was sufficient to show Ray may have committed the crimes outlined in the 25 counts against him. Bond was set at $1 million. No trial date has been scheduled.

Ray's co-defendant, Cynthia Lea Hendy, had the charges against her reduced from 25 to five counts of conspiracy and being an accessory. A proposed plea agreement was pending for her that would put her in prison for at least 12 years.

"She is also a victim," said her attorney, Xavier Acosta. "At sentencing time, we will present a truer picture of her victimization in this."

Another defendant, Dennis Roy Yancy, is charged with murdering a woman who vanished from an Elephant Butte bar two years ago. FBI agent Doug Beldon has said that Yancy, whose preliminary hearing is to be held separately, is a known associate of Ray and Ms. Hendy. The couple lived together in Ray's Elephant Butte home.

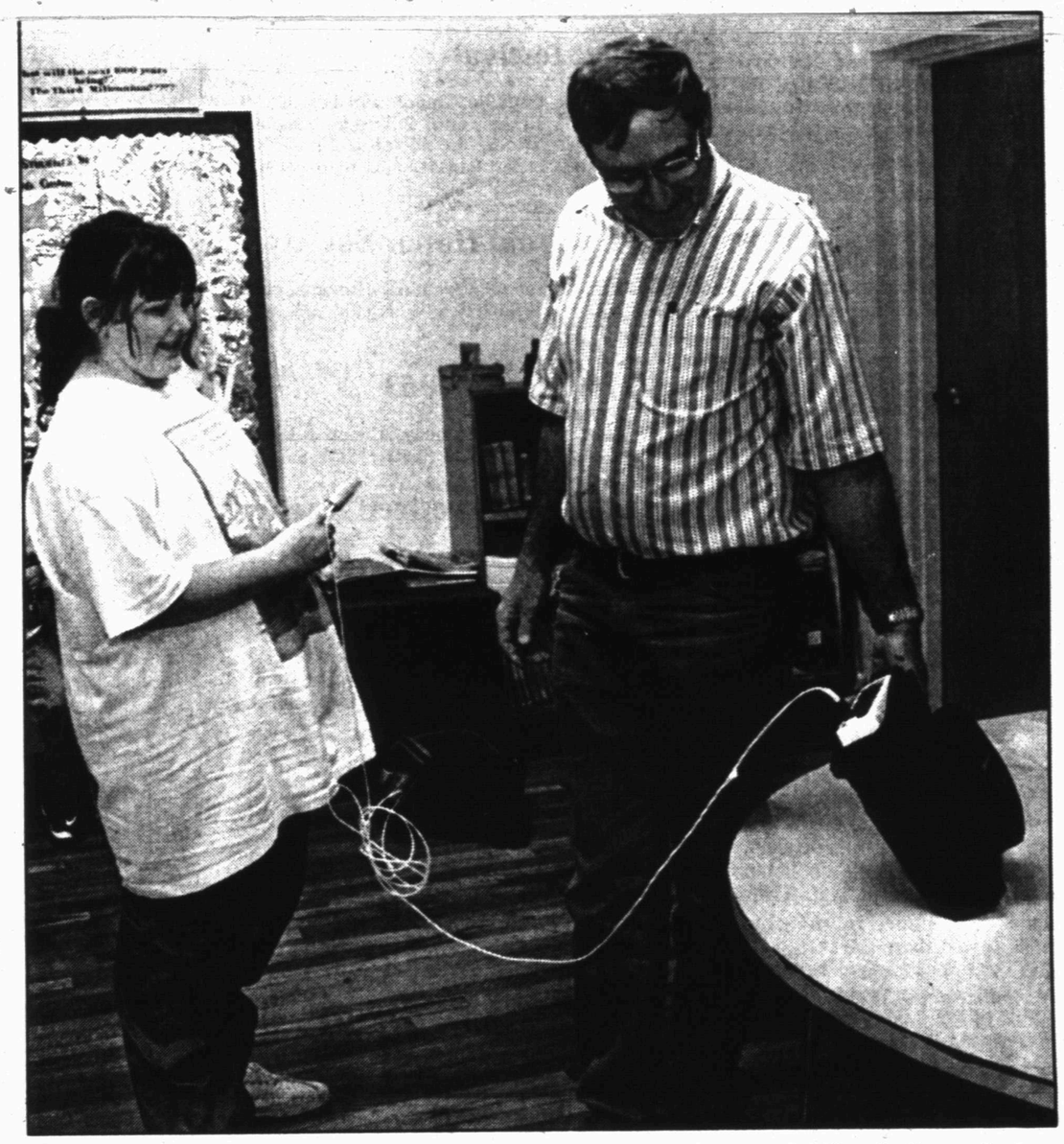
District Attorney Ron Lopez said there were other victims who have not yet been identified.

One alleged victim, a 22-year-old Albuquerque woman, screamed at Ray and wept on the witness stand as she testified Thursday, describing how she broke free after three days.

The woman said she fought back with an ice pick and fled Ray's lakeside mobile home. Except for the padlocked metal collar and chain on her neck, she was naked as she ran down the street seeking help.

Ray also is accused of abducting and torturing a Truth or Consequences woman a month earlier. In her testimony, the woman said she managed to persuade Ray and Ms. Hendy to release her after five days.

The Truth or Consequences woman said she called police after hearing about the Albuquerque woman's ordeal. She said she had been afraid to report it earlier.



TESTING OXYGEN LEVEL — Carl Burleson, head of Cogdell Memorial Hospital's respiratory department, used pulse oximetry to test the level of oxygen in Samantha Berry's blood during a recent visit to Hermleigh's third and fifth graders. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Two singers duel with wits

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Luciano Pavarotti and Jose Carreras dueled with wits instead of song as they prepared for the next Three Tenors concert.

Answering questions from journalists on Friday, Pavarotti praised his two colleagues.

"When I hear the two of them singing ... I think I should be paying for that. They should not pay me," Pavarotti said of Placido Domingo and Carreras.

Carreras retorted: "I agree, you should pay."

Students learn about healthy lungs

For many years third graders have been given a tour of Cogdell Memorial Hospital. However, tours were not available this school year.

Instead, Carl Burleson, director of the respiratory department, visited Hermleigh on Thursday, and showed third and fifth grade students his "raccoon lungs."

Besides telling students how important healthy lungs are, he also used pulse oximetry to test each student's oxygen level.

Joyce Lionberger is the third grade teacher and Cathy Beckman teaches the fifth grade.

Wyoming is the 44th state.

The state bird of New Mexico is the roadrunner.

"In God We Trust" became the national motto in 1956.

Many of us look back on our childhood as a time when we didn't have a worry in the world. Unfortunately, an increasing number of Texas children are not having it so easy because they are the victims of child abuse.

Last year in Texas, more than 29,000 children were victims of abuse and neglect. In our own county, Child Protective Services investigated 66 reports of child abuse and neglect and 97 children were alleged victims.

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. It is a time to reflect on what we are doing as a community to support children and families. Children don't come with instructions and too many parents face raising their children without the knowledge and support they need and deserve. We all have opportunities to reach out to parents in our families, neighborhoods, places of worship, and places of employment.

This April, let's make sure all parents know that their hard work is valued. Think of what it will mean for the future of children and the future of our community.

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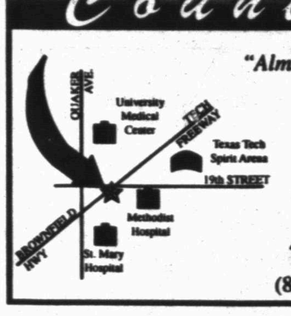
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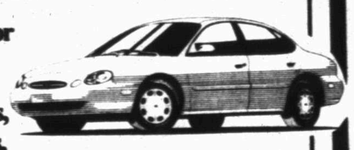
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Cost of Kosovo operation rises...

U.S. cites new Serb atrocities

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration worked out details of an emergency $5.9 billion budget request to pay for military and humanitarian operations in Yugoslavia as it cited new, compelling evidence of mass killings of civilians there.

The spending package will cover the cost of U.S. participation in the NATO airstrikes and humanitarian relief for refugees from the besieged province of Kosovo, said a senior administration official who spoke on the condition of anonymity. The administration will formally present the request to Congress early next week, the official said Friday.

At the same time, Defense Secretary William Cohen is expected to ask President Clinton to approve the call-up of some 33,000 military reservists, including up to 25,000 Air National Guard members in units that fly aerial refueling missions.

Some civil affairs specialists from the Army Reserve also are likely to be activated, military officials said.

Meanwhile, State Department spokesman Jamie Rubin said evidence of fresh atrocities inside Kosovo might explain in part an increase in the exodus from the besieged Serbian province.

"There is ... evidence of mass killings and graves associated with those mass killings," wes[illegible] Kosovo's capital, Pristina, Rubin said.

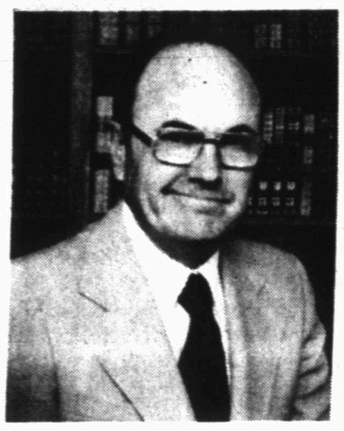
He did not have precise information on the number killed but said it was more than a few dozen. The location is different from one where mass graves were reported last week, he said.

The new information, which Rubin called compelling, comes from refugee accounts and independent sources he would not identify. It was turned over to the international War Crimes Tribunal, where investigators are compiling records that could lead to prosecution of Serbian officers.

At the Pentagon, officials disclosed that a Yugoslav Army officer was captured by troops of the Kosovo Liberation Army on Tuesday night or early Wednesday and turned over to U.S. custody in Albania on Friday.

The officer, said to be about 21 years old, is the first member of the Yugoslav military to become a prisoner of war during the campaign. Yugoslav forces two weeks ago captured three American soldiers near the border between Yugoslavia and Macedonia and are holding them as POWs.

Obituaries



Loy Botsford

Loy Botsford

1924-1999

Service for Loy U. Botsford, 74, of Snyder is set for 2 p.m. Thursday at Wright Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Jerry Webb, a nephew from Brownfield, will officiate and burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Botsford died Saturday, April 17, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Born on Nov. 29, 1924 in Hereford, he married Wanda R. Webb on May 4, 1946 in Pampa. He had worked for Enron Pipeline and was a veteran of the Army Air Corp serving with the 98th Bomber Group in World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda Botsford of Snyder; two daughters, Charlotte Shepperd of Seguin and Brenda Clem of Snyder; two brothers, Irvin Botsford of Waxahachie and Thomas Botsford of Torrance, Calif.; two sisters, Aldyth Harrison of Hugoton, Kan., and June Neel of Amarillo; two grandsons, Shannon Clem and Christopher Shepperd, three granddaughters, Misty Haley, Cheryl Shepperd and Dawn Clem; and several nieces and nephews.

Family visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

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Adel Holdren

1913-1999

Adel Alma Holdren of Snyder died Friday, April 16, in Snyder Healthcare Center after a lengthy illness.

Service for Mrs. Holdren, 85, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in the Ira Cemetery.

Dr. Marty Akins, pastor of Snyder's First Baptist Church, will officiate.

Born on April 18, 1913, in Big Spring, she married Delmer Holdren on Dec. 23, 1936 in Scurry County. He died Aug. 4, 1968. Mrs. Holdren was a homemaker and a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by one brother and one sister.

Survivors include four sisters, Evelene Davis of Midland, Patsy Williams of Austin, and Bea Trevey and Nell Walker, both of Snyder; and one brother, Elton Tamplin of Monahans.

Charles Patterson

1925-1999

LARUE.— Charles Patterson of LaRue died Thursday, April 15, at his residence.

Service for Mr. Larue, 73, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday at McNett Funeral Home Chapel in Andrews. Dr. H.A. Hanks, pastor of Andrews' First Baptist Church, will officiate. Burial will follow in Andrews West Cemetery under the direction of McNett Funeral Home.

Born on Oct. 19, 1925 in Chico, he married Martha Dunlap on Jan. 1, 1950 in Snyder. He had worked for Sun Sine Oil, H&H Drilling, L&L Trucking and Lunga Oil before retiring. He moved to LaRue from Andrews in 1990.

Mr. Patterson was a member of the VFW in Odessa and he was a past member of the Moose Lodge in Andrews.

Survivors include his wife, Martha Patterson of LaRue; four daughters, Martha Jenkins of North Richland Hills, Charlene Pollet and Glenda Ivy, both of Andrews, and LouElla Goff of Forney; three brothers, Paul Patterson of Wichita Falls; Bobby Patterson of Lawton, Okla., and Raymond Patterson of Philadelphia, Pa; a sister, Bertha Manning of Chico; 10 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Virginia Johnson

1931-1999

MIDLAND — Beloved Mother, Grandmother, and Great-grandmother, age 68, died Friday, April 16, in Midland after a lengthy illness.



Born in Deport, Texas, Jan. 26, 1931, she moved with her family to Cooper where she helped run the family grocery store.

She married Robert Dale and had two daughters, Lisa (Murphy) of Snyder and Susan (Barnes) of Dallas. Later she married Gary Johnson and had a daughter, Garilynn (Thomason) of Midland.

Mrs. Johnson was bookkeeper for Johnson Tire and Supply in Midland for many years and later became bookkeeper for Permian Enterprises in Midland where she worked until her retirement.

She moved to Snyder in 1994. She enjoyed reading, gardening, crocheting and baking.

Mrs. Johnson was a member of St. Paul's Anglican Church in Midland until her retirement to Snyder. Mrs. Johnson was preceded in death by her mother, father, brother and sister.

Our mother will be sadly missed by her three daughters, two sons-in-law, six grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and many friends.

Two special friends she shared many happy hours with are Teresa Williams and Mary Braziel of Snyder.

Service is pending at Ellis Funeral Home. Mrs. Johnson will be buried at Resthaven Cemetery in Midland.

Paid Obituary

Restrictions added

WASHINGTON (AP) — Further limits are being placed on low-altitude U.S. military test flights over Italy following a high-level review of the ski gondola accident that killed 20 people more than a year ago.

The review approved by Defense Secretary William Cohen and Italian Defense Minister Carlo Scognamiglio establishes new procedures and requires the approval of a newly designated U.S. official as well as an Italian base commander for all such flights. It also limits flights lower than 2,000 feet above the ground to 25 percent of U.S. military training sorties from Aviano Air Base in Italy.

Special approval will be required for low-altitude flights from aircraft carriers or from units not permanently based in Italy.

The U.S.-Italian review represents the highest level conclusion on the Feb. 3, 1998, accident in which a Marine EA-6B Prowler jet on a low-altitude training mission out of Aviano severed a ski gondola cable near Cavalese, killing all 20 people on the gondola as it plunged to the ground.

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Chamber to meet at Price Daniel

Snyder Chamber of Commerce board members will meet at 11:30 a.m. Monday at the Price Daniel Unit for its regular monthly meeting.

Hotel/Motel requests will be considered from Snyder Chamber of Commerce and the Snyder High School drama department.

April, May and June coliseum upcoming events will be discussed to include Snyder Craft Show, April 24-25; Lions Club District Convention, April 29-30 and May 1; Senior Citizens' May Day; Snyder Spring Gymnastics, May 15; SHS graduation, May 28; Jr. Leadership Classes, June 1-7; and Western Swing Festival, June 16-19.

Also, the group will discuss the Texas/Mexico/Asian Corridor meeting to be held Friday at 12 noon in the Sweetwater Coliseum Annex.

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Revival

Primera Iglesia Bautista, 2007 Ave. R, will hold revival services through Sunday. Evangelists will be Martin Ortege and Gorge Torres.

Sausage festival

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church will host an all-you-can-eat sausage dinner from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Parish Center. Tickets sold at the door are $6 for adults and all carryouts and $3 for children 12 and under. Sausage sold by the pound is $3.75 cooked and $2.75 uncooked.

SHS National Honor Society

Snyder High School's National Honor Society will hold its annual induction at 3 p.m. Sunday in Worsham Auditorium. Family and friends are invited.

AARP Chapter 2063

The group will meet Monday at noon at the Senior Center. Rhonda Ward will be speaking on the Snyder ISD's Safe Child Program.

Scurry County retired teachers

The Scurry County retired teachers will meet at noon Monday at The Shack. Walter Bryan, president of district 14, will present the program.

SHS choir boosters

The SHS choir boosters will meet Monday at 5:30 p.m. in the high school choir room to finalize plans for the awards banquet.

VFW Post #8231

The local VFW post will elect officers at 7 p.m. Monday.

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air weekly on cable TV channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 p.m. Monday are "How the First Christian Converts Became Christians," followed by "God, I Accept But Don't Understand."

Talent show

The SHS journalism department will host a talent show at 7 p.m. Monday in Worsham Auditorium. Admission is $2 and eight Beanie Babies will be given as door prizes.

Parkinson's support group

The Parkinson's Disease community support group will meet from 10-11:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Cogdell Hospital board room. Harry Hoyt, registered pharmacist, will present the program, "Medication Storage for Home, Travel."

TCTA reception

A reception for Mrs. Sue Barker, state president of Texas Classroom Teachers Association, will be held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Snyder Junior High Library. All teachers and interested persons are invited.

Diabetes support group to meet

The Diabetes support group will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at Cogdell Memorial Hospital's cafeteria. The speaker will be Dr. Bryan Cave.

Warriors men's conference

A Warrior's for Jesus men's conference will be held at 7 p.m. April 23-24 in the Word Is Life Church, 602 30th St. Paul Baskin of Big Spring will lead the music and the speakers are David Fees of Plano and Keith Miller of Amarillo. For more informatiion or to pre-register, call 573-8401 or 573-9812.

1989 class reunion

The SHS 1989 class reunion committee is seeking addresses of former classmates for the 10-year reunion. Information is needed ASAP so it can be mailed out. Contact Christy Smith at 573-8392, or 573-1420 for additional information.

Ira School homecoming

Plans are underway for Ira School's Sept. 18 homecoming. The first planning meeting will be April 29 at 6 p.m. in the Ira Community Center. For more information, call Linda Dunn at 573-6997 or Loritta Keller at 573-3825.

Garage sale items needed

Lighthouse Assembly of God, 1900 Trinity Blvd., is accepting items for their garage sale to benefit the church building fund. Furniture, clothes, appliances and other items are appreciated. Call 573-5124 or 573-2947 for pickup.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery:
4-16-3-15-22
(four, sixteen, three, fifteen, twenty-two)

Texas Million

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Million numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
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(four, sixty-three, eighty-six, sixty-two)

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order:
9-9-7
(nine, nine, seven)

Educator enjoys job as fifth grade principal

Lee Presswood assigned to Northeast Elementary 10 years ago

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Profiles in Education

by Shirley A. Gorman

If Lee Presswood did not enjoy his job so much, he might have retired long ago.

Of his 39 years in education, Presswood has served 20 at Snyder ISD, including the past 10 years as principal at Northeast Elementary. Presswood enjoys working with fifth graders because they are the "ideal age — still young enough to appreciate their teachers and principal, and "old enough to be ready to learn."

A decade ago, he transferred from the high school where he had served as assistant principal for 10 years. He has enjoyed the switch and recently reflected on some of the changes that have occurred at Northeast.

One of the biggest changes, he noted, was when Northeast became an all fifth grade campus seven years ago.

For his first three years, Northeast had all of the elementary grades. One reason he likes the one-grade campus concept is because teachers can share their strengths. One example: The ancient Egypt unit which four teachers — Paige Shaw, Laurie Grinslade, Rebekah Thornton and Vanessa Taylor — recently collaborated on.

Another significant change is that students are no longer grouped academically as high, medium or low. The classes are self-contained which means that except for PE, music and library, students have the same teacher throughout the day.

Presswood explained that students benefit from the stability of having "one set of rules, one philosophy, one personality" to deal with."

Education concepts and philosophies change periodically, he noted. Grouping was once a popular concept, but from one workshop Presswood attended he learned that "research does not support grouping."

He said Northeast has always had strong TAAS scores, but two years ago, it was the first elementary campus in Snyder to receive the "recognized" distinction.

Northeast has also excelled in technology and was the first elementary campus to develop a total Internet lab which became a reality during the 1997-1998 school year. Previously, the school had a CAI or Computer Assisted Instruction program.

"We had a very efficient program and were very good at pointing and clicking," Presswood said. "We needed to make some changes so we could utilize computers better. We learned keyboarding so we could go "online" and do research."

By the start of the fall term, he said each classroom may be connected to the Internet. The infracture and wiring is already in place and Southwestern Bell will run a 50 or 100 pair telephone line to the campus.

Presswood said the transition has been easier because several teachers were already familiar with the Internet.

Another change occurred last school year when kindergarten and first grade students began to use the computer lab for the first time. Though each classroom has a computer, Presswood noted, that a lab is needed so that all students in a class can work on computers at the same time.

The fifth grade campus also has a strong Accelerated Reader Program. The proceeds from the annual Book Fair support the AR Store where students can spend the points they earn from reading AR books and passing tests.

When Presswood first assumed the principal post at Northeast, he said he began the practice of carrying fourth through sixth graders who earned honor roll recognition to eat pizza at a local restaurant. He provided some funds himself and West Texas State Bank also participated in the program.

"The kids really look forward to this. We rotate restaurants each time and we went to the Bowling Alley the last time," he said.

Today, some 45-55 fifth graders qualify each six weeks.

Presswood is also very proud of the Saxton Phonics Program which Northeast adopted last school year. It provides a good foundation and teachers have had a lot of success with it at the kindergarten and first grade reading levels.

He noted that when he graduated from college, education emphasized the importance of teaching students the basics. That philosophy has come full circle and now reading, especially the phonetic approach, is being emphasized again.

At the time he graduated, the sixth grade also had its own athletic program.

He added that all first through sixth grades in Snyder will be changing to the Saxton Math Program for 1999-2000. It is the same program used by Snyder Junior High School. "We are making the change because we are looking for ways to reach students through greater continuity of instruction. We'll all be on the same page and build continuity one year after the other."

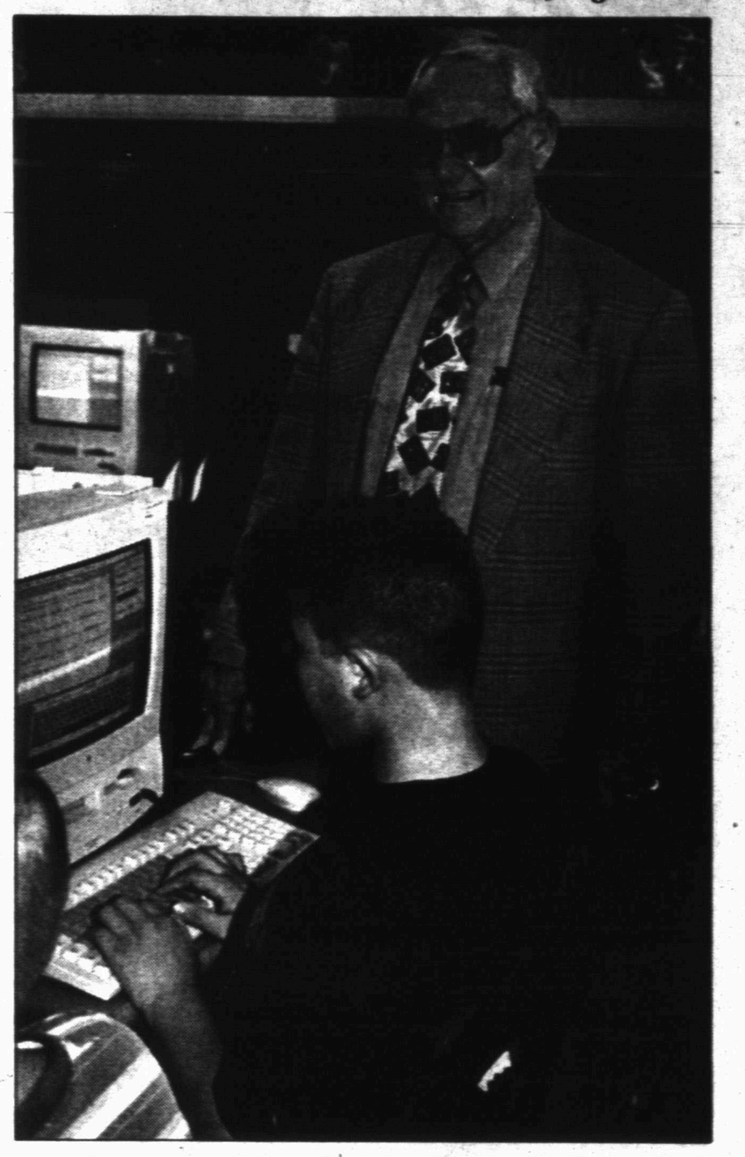
One of the biggest changes, not just Northeast but for the rest of the district as well, is that there is less money available. He had hoped a bond issue would pass because Northeast is still using some portable classrooms which are 35 years old. Since the school has no other vacant rooms, he said they are needed for music, resource reading and English Second Language (ESL) classes.

"Before I moved here, Snyder schools had a good reputation and that will continue even through the hard times," Presswood said. "New families recognize that we have a good system, even if we are a little leaner."

A future goal, he said, will be improving the playground. More equipment is needed as well as a grass or softer playing surface. The ashphalt has already been removed because "when kids fall, dirt is more forgiving."

He said they have accomplished that since Gayle Lomax became superintendent. Presswood added that Lomax encouraged the schools to plant grass and even

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VETERAN EDUCATOR — Lee Presswood, longtime principal at Northeast, observes Jonathan Vasquez as he works in the computer lab. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

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April 18-24



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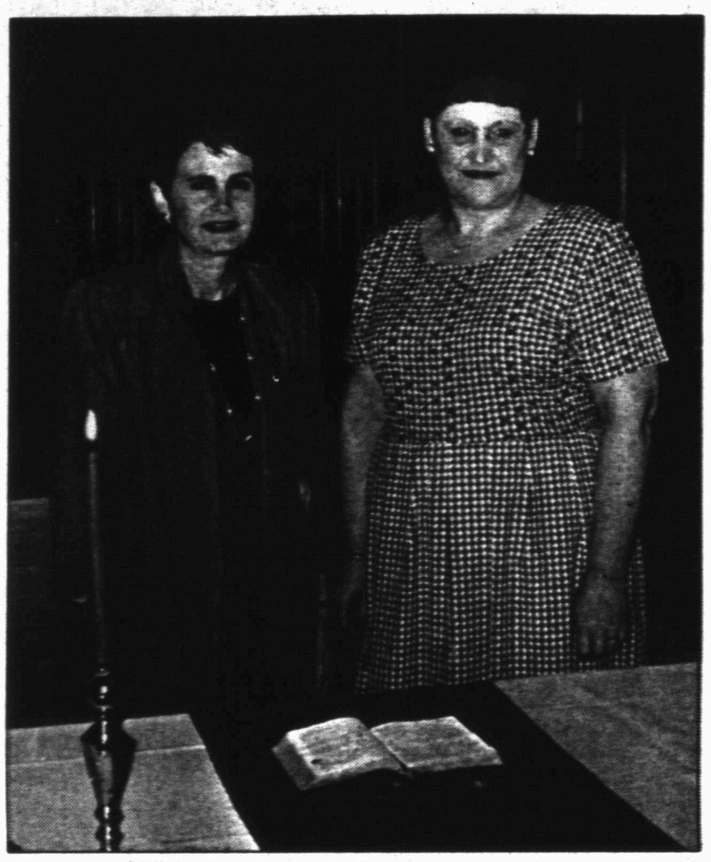
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MAY NUPTIALS SET — Ronnie and Rosanna Wade of Andrews, formerly of Snyder, announce the engagement of their daughter, Shanna Lee Wade of Lubbock, to Robbie J. Wright of North Richland Hills. He is the son of Robbie L. and Debbie Wright of North Richland Hills. Shanna is the granddaughter of Lester and Joyce Hopper of Snyder and J.B. and Dorothy Wade of Roscoe. The wedding ceremony is set for 2 p.m., May 22, at Broadview Baptist Church in Lubbock. (Contributed Photo)



INITIATED INTO DKG — Melissa Rosson and Kem Fogleman, from left, were initiated into Zeta Lambda Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International. (Contributed Photo)

Rosson, Fogleman join women teachers' society

Delta Kappa Gamma president Helen Mock installed officers and initiated two new members at a meeting held at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

New member Melissa Rosson was escorted by Carol Haynes and Kem Fogleman was escorted by Lois Boles.

Delta Kappa Gamma Society's purposes are to unite women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship; to honor women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in the field of education; to advance the professional interest and position of women in education; to initiate, endorse and support desirable legislation in the interest of education and of women educators; and to endow scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowship to women educators from other countries.

A choir of Zeta Lambda members, directed by Dorothy Kayser, entertained the group.

Members voted to help the American Cancer Society Relay for Life on April 30 and May 1 at the Snyder High School Track and Field and a candle lighting ceremony.

Mrs. Carolyn Whitten, mother of Melissa Rosson, was a guest. She is a member of Beta Epsilon Chapter of Delta Kappa in Colorado City.

Hostesses were JoAlyce McMullan, Billie Hartsfield, Kay Hopper, Betty Richardson, Carolyn Limmer and Pam Hart.

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Al-Anon, Snyder Park Club; noon.

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Just For Today NA, closed meeting; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

Stargazers Family Community Education Club; 7 p.m.

Manic Depression (Bipolar) support group; Family Life Community Church, 904 26th Street; 7 p.m.

Scurry County AA; closed meeting; Park Club; for more information, call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Vueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Art Guild Study Club; MAWC; 5 p.m.

Weight Watchers; Trinity United Methodist Church, 5200 Trinity Blvd.; for more information call for Nathalie at 573-0015; 5 p.m. weigh-in.

Just For Today NA, closed meeting; for information, call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

New Horizons 12 & 12, closed meeting; Park Club; 7 p.m.

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information, call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 6 to 7 p.m.; 2501 35th. For more information, call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

WEDNESDAY

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

Cosmorama Study Club; MAWC; 4:15 p.m.

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal; Rachel Martin, watercolor; Lila Guinn, hostess; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with one hour lunch break.

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

Al-Anon brown bag; Park Club in Winston Park; for information, call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; noon to 1 p.m.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; houseshoe courts, located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information, call 573-9762; 3 p.m.

Just For Today NA; Park Club; for information, call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

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

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information, call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information, call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 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 573-9742.

Just For Today NA; Snyder Park Club; for information, call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

Scurry County AA, closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information, call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

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

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

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 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 10 a.m.

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

Just For Today, closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information, call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 5 p.m.

Keeping an eye on Texas

Breast cancer claims lives

Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death among women in Texas. It claimed the lives of 2,396 Texas women in 1996.

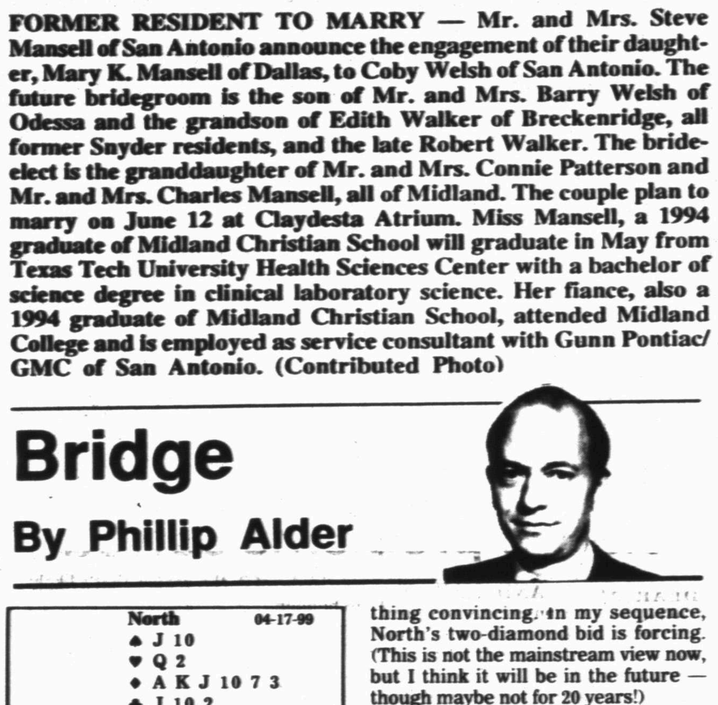
The American Cancer Society (ACS) recommends the following guidelines for breast cancer screening of women without symptoms:

1. Clinical Breast Exam by a health care professional every 3 years for women aged 20 to 39, and annually for women age 40 and over.
2. Breast Self-Exam monthly for all women age 20 or over.
3. A mammogram every year for all women age 40 or over (screening may begin earlier if clinically indicated).



For more information call toll free 1-800-ACS-2345

SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, *Texas Cancer Reporting News*, Texas 1996 Cancer Mortality Statistics, American Cancer Society, National Cancer Institute and National Breast Cancer Coalition.



FORMER RESIDENT TO MARRY — Mr. and Mrs. Steve Mansell of San Antonio announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary K. Mansell of Dallas, to Coby Welsh of San Antonio. The future bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Welsh of Odessa and the grandson of Edith Walker of Breckenridge, all former Snyder residents, and the late Robert Walker. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Connie Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mansell, all of Midland. The couple plan to marry on June 12 at Claydesta Atrium. Miss Mansell, a 1994 graduate of Midland Christian School will graduate in May from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center with a bachelor of science degree in clinical laboratory science. Her fiance, also a 1994 graduate of Midland Christian School, attended Midland College and is employed as service consultant with Gunn Pontiac/GMC of San Antonio. (Contributed Photo)

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North	04-17-99
♠ J 10	
♥ Q 2	
♦ A K J 10 7 3	
♣ J 10 2	
West	**East**
♠ 8 7 6 4 3 2	♠ Q 9 5
♥ 5	♥ K 10 9 3
♦ 6 5 2	♦ Q 9 4
♣ 9 8 4	♣ K Q 7
South	
♠ A K	
♥ A J 8 7 6 4	
♦ 8	
♣ A 6 5 3	

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
			1 ♣
1 ♥	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♣ 4

Endplayed in all suits

By Phillip Alder

It is well-known that if an opponent bids, you enjoy a considerable edge when the play begins. His bid marks the location of the missing high-card points. This deal is a textbook example. After East opens one club, you storm into three no-trump. West leads the club four: 10, queen, ace. How would you continue? Would you have opened that East hand?

To answer the second question first, my view is that opening with 12 high-card points is fine if you are going to bid a decent suit, one you would be happy for partner to lead. Also, you need to have an easy rebid whatever partner responds. So, I would open with this hand. I would prefer to have four clubs, but the suit does contain two top honors. And there are no rebid problems.

The deal, which occurred in Portugal, was declared by Miguel Goncalves. Unfortunately, no auction was given, and I couldn't think of anything convincing. In my sequence, North's two-diamond bid is forcing. (This is not the mainstream view now, but I think it will be in the future — though maybe not for 20 years!)

Move into the South seat. You are missing only 12 high-card points, so East must have them all. After winning with the club ace, play three rounds of diamonds (ace, king and jack), discarding the ace and king of spades! What can East do? He may cash the spade queen and club king, but whatever he leads next puts you back into the dummy for access to those three diamond winners. And note that East, if he had a fourth diamond, would be endplayed in all four suits. I never saw that before.

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Snyder Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

Jane Hinton directed all games at the Snyder Country Club.

FRIDAY
April 9

1. Durelle Gorman, Billisue Stuard.
2. Margaret Birdwell, Tizzy Hall.
3. Martha Fagin, Dorothy Rosson.

SUNDAY
April 11

1. Dot Casey, Louise Thompson.
2. Jane Hinton, Margaret Birdwell.
3. Dora Blakey, Barbara Yorgesen.

TUESDAY
April 13

1. Dora Blakey, Barbara Yorgesen.
2. Margaret Birdwell, Tizzy Hall.
3. LaVerne Hood, Shirley Stewart.

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DULANEY GIVES PROGRAM — Senior District Judge Gene Dulaney gave a program to Alpha Study Club members at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Pictured with Dulaney are Rae Adams, left, and Vondell King. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



DISTRICT OFFICERS — Two Snyder Garden Club members are serving as District VIII officers for 1999-2001, and one as an appointed office. Pictured at the installation in Breckenridge are, from left, Lela Midkiff of Big Lake, retiring District VIII director and installing officer; LaVerne Hood of Snyder, district director; Alma Fecher of San Angelo, first assistant director; Joyce Poage of Big Lake, second assistant director; Doris Purcell of Abilene, third assistant director; Sonya Vinson of Snyder, appointed historian, standing in for Joann Denson of Stamford, treasurer; June Kohlman of Del Rio, recording secretary; and Sandra Browning of Snyder, corresponding secretary. (Contributed Photo)

Ask Anne & Nan

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Cash-Cummings

Moisture problems solved

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: We moved to the Oregon coast a year ago and can't find answers to our moisture problems! First, how do we keep condensation off of the windows of our mobile home? Also, my car sat unused for approximately one month. Since we live in a mobile-home park, there are no garages. After a really wet period, green algae started to grow on my cloth seats and seat belts! HELP! — **MARSHA P., Reedsport, Ore.**

DEAR MARSHA: Problem No. 1: If the condensation is on the outside of your windows, we've heard that wiping the exterior glass with a damp washcloth and small amount of shampoo will keep it fog-free. The glass will look a little cloudy at first, but will clear as it dries. The best solution is to install some type of storm window to create an air barrier between the outside and inside of your trailer windows. However, we don't know how practical that would be. Any trailer owners out there with ideas for Marsha?

If the condensation is on the inside of the window, the answer is to buy a small dehumidifier or install a couple of vent fans. When moisture, in the form of invisible vapor in the warm air of your trailer, meets with the cold surface of the windows, condensation results.

Problem No. 2: If you aren't going to use your car for a while, place a container of Damp-Rid in the wells of both front and back seats and put a third container in the trunk. Close all the windows tightly. Damp-Rid is a GREAT moisture absorber; Anne puts it in her Florida car when she stores it for the summer, and has never had mold, mildew or green algae problems. If you can't find Damp-Rid in your neck of the woods, it is item number 18104 in the Home Tends catalog, 1450 Lyell Ave., Rochester, NY 14606-2184 (800 810-2340).

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I was wondering if you could tell me where I could find "Stop Bite." It helps to stop thumb-sucking. If not, could you give me some ideas on how to get my daughter to stop sucking her thumb? — **CARRIE BROWN, Monmouth, Ill.**

DEAR CARRIE: Thumb-sucking is what psychologists call a "comfort habit." If your daughter is feeling anxious, lonely, bored or just downright tired, she'll pop the thumb in to comfort and/or distract herself from the discomfort she's feeling.

Instead of Stop Bite, try some behavior modification. When you notice that thumb moving mouthward, distract your daughter with a hug or a "comfort" substitute, such as a cozy plush toy or a small soft pillow. Suggest a game or activity (a crayon and a piece of paper can be magic!), or read a book together.

Of course, the best solution is to let her suck her thumb and not allow it to bother you. Eventually, as your daughter matures and finds other ways to deal with tension, she'll stop by herself ... and the less of an issue you make of it, the sooner that's likely to happen.

HINT OF THE WEEK: Mary Sundberg of Iron Mountain, Mich., writes: "I get so many mailing labels from charities that when I write to friends, I enclose a few for them to use when writing back to me." What a great idea!

STUMPED: Does anyone know where to find the green visors used in the "olden days" to diffuse glare from overhead lights? We've searched everywhere and can't find them.

Write to "Ask Anne & Nan" at P.O. Box 240, Hartland, VT 05048. Questions of general interest will appear in the column. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

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ASK ANNE & NAN



Time-saving idea: Cut up vegetables such as carrots, celery, or cauliflower and put in a plastic bag or bowl with a couple of ice cubes. Store in the refrigerator and use as a snack or a quick vegetable at mealtime.

3 active in District VIII

Snyder Garden Club has three members active in District VIII which involves 20 garden clubs.

Initiated at a district meeting in Breckenridge by Lela Midkiff of Big Lake, retiring District VIII director, were LaVerne Hood of Snyder, district director; Alma Fecher of San Angelo, first assistant director; Joyce Poage of Big Lake, second assistant director; Doris Purcell of Abilene, third assistant director; Joann Denson of Stamford, treasurer; June Kohlman of Del Rio, recording secretary; and Sandra Browning of Snyder, corresponding secretary. Sonya Vinson of Snyder was appointed historian.

Local garden club members to attend the state convention in Arlington on April 25-29 are past state president Patsy Huckabee, Mrs. Hood and Mrs. Browning. The convention will be held at the Dallas Mariott Arlington Hotel and hosting will be members of District II with Kay Warmerdam as director.

The local garden club will meet at B.B. Boren's home in Justiceburg on May 6 for a salad luncheon and installation of officers.

Over half of all edible peanuts go into the production of peanut butter. An estimated 25% is used for candy, 19% for salted products and 3% for other peanut products.

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School Menus

Snyder

All meals are served with milk; the breakfast menu offers a choice of assorted cereal and juice.

BREAKFAST

MONDAY
Breakfast Pizza

TUESDAY
Cinnamon Roll

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast Burrito w/Salsa

THURSDAY
Biscuits w/Cream Gravy

FRIDAY
Teachers' Workday

LUNCH

MONDAY
Hamburger on a Bun
or Soft Tacos
Lettuce & Tomato
Spanish Rice
Chilled Fruit

TUESDAY
Hot Dog on a Bun or Oven Fried Chicken w/Roll

WEDNESDAY
Pizza or
Barbecued Beef on a Bun
Potato Salad
Baked Beans
Apple Crisp

THURSDAY
Burrito or
Lasagna
Green Beans
Salad
Chocolate Pudding

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All meals are served with milk.

BREAKFAST

MONDAY
Juice
Breakfast Pizza

TUESDAY
Fruit
Toast & Jelly

WEDNESDAY
Juice
Buttered Oatmeal
Toast

THURSDAY
Fruit
French Toast Sticks

FRIDAY
Juice
Donuts

LUNCH

MONDAY
Glazed Ham
Sweet Potatoes
Black-eyed Peas
Hot Rolls
Pineapple Cake

TUESDAY
Pepper Steak
Steamed Rice
Pickled Beets
Hot Rolls
Fruit Cocktail

WEDNESDAY
Steak Fingers/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Carrot Sticks
Hot Rolls
Chilled Pears

THURSDAY
Beef Stroganoff
Parsley Potatoes
Hot Rolls
Lemon Pudding

FRIDAY
Chicken Fajitas/Salsa Sauce
Refried Beans
Tossed Salad
Tortilla Chips
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MONDAY
Corn Dogs
French Fries
Pork & Beans
Bread
Peaches

TUESDAY
Pinto Beans
Broccoli
Corn
Corn Bread
Apricot Cobbler

WEDNESDAY
Chicken Chunks
Oriental Vegetables
Green Beans
Rolls
Sheath Cake

THURSDAY
Burritos w/Chili & Cheese
Vegetable Salad
Pears
Plain Cookies

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Addresses are sought for class of '74

The Snyder High School Class of 1974 is having its 25th-year reunion on June 12 at the Snyder Country Club and several addresses are still needed by the planning committee.

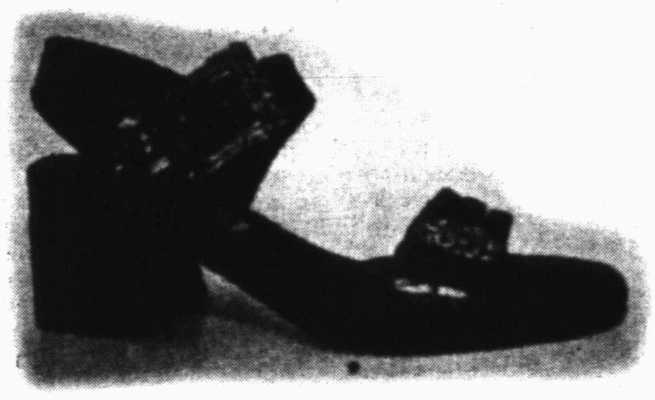
Anyone having addresses or information concerning the following classmates are asked to call 573-7014 — Jo Ann Alvarez, Emma Benitez Dela Garza, Moirae Michelle Derringer, Connie Dominques Rodgers, Ann Dowdy Martin, D'Ann Fisher, Darla Hackfield, Olga Herrera Gutierrez, Debra Hiroms Franklin, Darlene Lee Kriewald, Raleen Martin Sloan, Brenda McNaulty Walton, Kathie Menges Boulware, Joanna Powell, Mary Louise Rios, Debra Stephens Stills, Brenda Thompson Lee, Bonnie Tullis, Jan Way and Beth Wheeler Bowles.

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The film that received the most Academy Award nominations was Joseph L. Mankiewicz's *All About Eve* (1950), with 14—including two for Best Actress and two for Best Supporting Actress. It won six.

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KA internal report highlights problems

WASHINGTON (AP) — During an airport approach, a co-pilot responded to air traffic instructions intended for another plane and veered off course. The captain responded by hitting him on the back of the hand.

While planning an airline flight, a crew did not discuss the expected weather or the amount of fuel necessary. Such decisions, they said, should be made by the captain alone.

When a cockpit warning light indicated a door remained unlocked, a flight crew broke off its taxi and returned to the gate. Ground engineers came on board and castigated them for not continuing the trip.

Those incidents were in a report written last year by two of 19 Korean Air Lines pilots who had been picked by the carrier to participate in an internal safety review.

The review stemmed from the carrier's troublesome track record: More than 700 people killed in 20 years, among them 228 who died when a Korean Air 747 flew into a hill on Guam in August 1997 and 269 killed when the Soviet Union shot down KAL Flight 007 after the 747 strayed into Soviet airspace in September 1983.

United Airlines, the world's biggest carrier, has had 140 passenger deaths in the same two decades.

Just Thursday, a Korean Air MD-11 cargo jet crashed shortly after takeoff from Shanghai, China, killing the three-member crew and at least five people on the ground. The cause is under investigation, but the airline said explosives may have been involved.

Besides detailing a number of safety-related incidents, last year's pilot report included a litany of other problems: In-flight newspaper reading by flight crews. Alternate landing sites not approved for the size of plane flown. Arguments between a pilot and a dispatcher about how much fuel to load for an ocean crossing.

The report surfaced recently on the Internet. While the airline confirmed its authenticity, Korean Air officials said the findings were exaggerated and out of line with observations made by the other 17 pilots in the safety review.

"They found some issues, but nowhere near the degree of these two pilots," said airline spokeswoman Penny Pfaelzer.

Bill Hardy, a captain and Korean Air's deputy director of flight operations, said: "What they ended up reporting in that document, they ended up pumping out, a lot of that is like barroom talk."

Hardy said Korean Air has had problems, but the Guam crash marked a turning point for the airline.

The accident prompted senior management to begin a $114 million safety overhaul, including a top-to-bottom review of Korean Air's flight operations. The carrier also hired safety consultants from Delta Air Lines and recruited more experienced pilots from Western carriers.

Korean Air is rewriting its flight manuals and standardizing its operations, including giving pilots training in English, the language of international aviation.

"What's being done here is to take this airline and this flight operations department and make it state-of-the-art," Hardy said.

Delta said it retains confidence in Korean Air despite Thursday's crash. The two carriers have a code-share arrangement, meaning that Delta passengers traveling to Asia on a Delta ticket may make some legs of their trip on planes operated by Korean Air.

"Delta would not code-share with any carrier it did not believe to be safe," said Delta spokesman Clay McConnell.

Korean Air's problems may stem in part from its rapid growth. Thirty years ago, it was an eight-plane local carrier. Using former pilots from South Korea's air force, it has exploded into the world's 13th-largest passenger airline.

In their report, the two pilots, whom Korean Air refused to name, said some problems are rooted in a culture in which pilots defer to their seniors, even when they make mistakes. They said former military pilots can be prone to take risks, such as exceeding an airplane's approved operating ceiling in an attempt to climb over a thunderstorm.

"Currently, in some Korean cockpits, there is a volatile cocktail of complacency, arrogance, apathy and a lack of self-discipline," the pilots wrote. "These attitudes must be removed from the flight deck at all costs."

The Federal Aviation Administration, which oversees safety of U.S. skies, said Korean officials are responsible for the safety of the airline. The agency could ground an individual plane for safety problems, but under international aviation treaties, South Korea's government has responsibility for maintaining the carrier's safety record.

While the cause of the Shanghai crash is unclear, there are signs of lingering problems at Korean Air.

Last month, a company jet skidded off a runway while landing in Pohang, South Korea and split in two. Nineteen passengers were injured.

To Latin America...

INS plans to make Houston main place for deportations

HOUSTON (AP) — In an effort to save money, the federal immigration agency plans to use Texas's largest city as a hub for deporting Latin American and Caribbean detainees, officials said Thursday.

A draft of the Immigration and Naturalization's hub plan claims that deportation time and effort would be reduced because Houston and Chicago — which would serve as a hub for European, Asian and African immigrants — both have international airports and foreign consulates.

"We all agree that we need to be as efficient as we can be," said Houston INS district director Richard Cravener. "And we agree it is beneficial for all to reduce time waiting in jail."

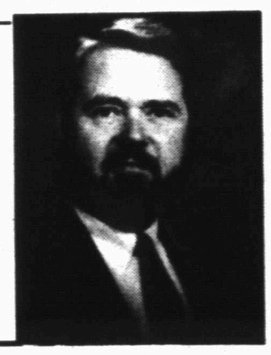
The Houston Chronicle reported in Friday's editions that most immigrants are currently detained in the cities where they arrived or live. About 4,300 are currently in detention in the INS' 18-state central region — stretching from Texas to New Mexico to Wisconsin and the Dakotas.

Houston and surrounding counties have about 860 detainees facing deportation, most of them in a Houston jail near Bush Intercontinental Airport and the rest in nearby county jails.

Regional INS spokeswoman Mariela Melero in Dallas said the agency would ultimately cut costs by detaining illegal immigrants in INS facilities than in jails, which charge $50 to $70 per day per immigrant.

Minding Your Own Business

By Don Taylor



Protecting original property
(Patents, trademarks and copyrights)
(Last of a two-part series)

Last week, in part one, I discussed utility, design and plant patents. I included some street-smart tips for protecting your ideas as you investigate the patent process.

This week we'll look at trademarks and copyrights. None of these concepts are new to the American business economy.

More than two hundred years ago the framers of the Constitution of the United States of America guaranteed certain rights to the owners and creators of intellectual property. In Article One, Section Eight, the writers of that great document articulated the need to "promote the progress of science and useful arts, by securing for limited times to authors and inventors the exclusive right to their respective writing and discoveries..."

This grand beginning led to the patent, trademark and copyright laws we use today to protect individual effort and innovation. Truly our forefathers saw the protection of intellectual property as a part of guaranteeing the establishment of justice and promotion of the general welfare.

Trademarks

Today, U.S. Trademark law is based on the concept of first usage. While you are not required to register a trademark or service mark in order to establish your right to use it, there are advantages in following trademark procedures.

Before registering your trademark, you should search existing files and find any conflicting marks before you spend any money developing your trademark. I know one company that developed an expensive marketing campaign only to discover that the name they picked was already in use and was protected. The company had to start over with a new name.

Remember, if you're sued for trademark infringement, the fact that your mark is registered will strengthen your case and entitle you to additional protection. Many small firms have received settlements from larger companies simply because they protect their products beyond common law usage.

With trademarks, often a little extra effort can provide strong protection. Do your homework and take the trademark procedure seriously.

Copyrights

Copyrights apply to original expression, regardless of officiating filing status. If you create an original work — a poem, book, essay, sculpture, song, etc. — the copyright is considered as a part of the work and therefore affords automatic protection. Your work does not require publication to be protected.

There are three criteria used in determining if your work is legal to copyright. It must be original, use a tangible medium of expression (paper, audio or video tape, fabric or computer disk, ext.) and it must have been produced by some form of creative activity such as your brain power or physical abilities.

The easier way to establish copyright protection is to place the copyright symbol, the date and your name on the document. This gives you basic copyright protection, but you can strengthen your defense if you register your work with the U.S. Copyright office.

To obtain more information about patents, trademarks or copyrights, use the resources. For information on patents, patent disclosure, depository libraries and trademarks call 800-786-9199 and follow the instructions given. Note you must have a touch-tone phone to utilize this automatic service. I'd recommend these brochures: "Basic Facts about Patents," "The Disclosure Document Program" and the "Current Free Schedule."

For trademark information, request "Basic Facts about Trademarks." It usually takes about tow weeks to receive the information. There is a "Help Line" which can be reached during the normal business hours of the Patent and Trademark office.

For information on obtaining copyright protection call 202-7077-3000 and follow directions for obtaining information. "Circular Number One — Copyright Basics" is a good place to start.

Don Taylor is the co-author of *Up Against the Wal-Marts*. You may write to him in care of *Minding Your Own Business*, P.O. Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.

Presswood enjoys his job

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flowers in some areas.

Presswood said Northeast's Parent Club has always supported the school. The organization raised the money for basketball goals, erected this year, through its yearly fund-raiser. The organization has also provided the funds so that each classroom has a TV, cart and VCR.

When asked how he would describe this school year, Presswood noted, "I think it has been a real good year. We have had a few discipline problems, but nothing major."

They can usually be solved by moving a few students around, he explained.

With that in mind, Presswood said that each summer he consults with fourth grade teachers and counselors before drawing up class rosters.

As much as possible, he wants each classroom to have an "even mix" of students according to gender, academic ability, and those with ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder). He also tries to avoid having more than one student with the same first name in each classroom.

The classes are "pretty balanced" when the school year kicks off in August, but students moving away or into the school district can change the ratio as the school year progresses.

Before moving to Snyder, Presswood was the principal at Merkel for three years. Prior to that, he was the principal at Comanche High School and Middle School.

His first teaching assignment was drivers education at Odessa Junior High School. He earned his bachelor of science degree at Hardin Simmons University. He received his master's degree at Sul Ross University.

Through Texas Tech University, he has also earned 30 hours beyond his master's.

Early in his career, after Presswood had taught for six years, he said he took two years off to become a wholesale gasoline distributor. When he returned to teaching, he said he began to work on his master's and chose to focus on administration.

He and his wife, Margaret, moved to Snyder 20 years ago so they could both work for the same school district. She was changing from teaching to reading specialist at the time.

He noted that she has been "happily retired" since 1994.

Presswood is from Abilene originally. He said he chose education mainly because of a college professor.

While he isn't ready to retire yet, Presswood said that when he does he and Margaret will remain in Snyder. He also won't lack for something to do. His part-time interests include owning and maintaining two car washes, one located at 4700 College Ave. and the other in Rotan. He also owns a cotton farm northeast of town, but doesn't farm the land, as well as several other farm properties located in Hockley, Knox and Taylor counties.

Presswood enjoys working at the car washes because they are not stressful jobs.

The Presswoods have a daughter, a son and three grandchildren, including an 8-year-old granddaughter who lives in Germany. Margie Virchis is a bilingual education teacher for the Socorro School District but lives in El Paso. She has two children.

Vernon Lee works on a ranch in Del Rio.

The Presswoods attend First Baptist Church. He is serving his first term as a trustee for Western Texas College.

He was elected on his third attempt. Presswood chose to run because "education has provided me with major opportunities and has supported me all my life, I felt obligated to give something back to the community."

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Dred Roy Levy, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Vanessa and C. Kimmell, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

J.I. McIntire, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Thomas Oneal, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

George Andrew Inman, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Chris Deberry, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Orvis K. Burr, 1999 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

Lester and Milie Huffine, 1999 Dodge pickup from Snyder Chrysler.

Jennifer Pate, 1999 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

Bobby C. Cathey, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Christopher Scott Northcutt and Angela Marie Northcutt, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Asencion Rodriguez Luna and Maria Crecencia Luna, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Alice D. Guerrero and Jose Ramirez Guerrero, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Charlotte Rena Springer and Marshall Thad Springer, divorce granted.

Scurry County vs. Nieves Joseph Morin, et al, order of dismissal.

Scurry County vs. Troy D. Botts, et al, order of dismissal as to the United States of America only.

Deed Records

Eddie Nettles, independent executor of the estate of Jewel Ward Nettles, to Eula Pearl Nettles, a 400 x 210-foot tract out of the southeast one-quarter of Section 133, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Eula Pearl Nettles to Eddie W. Nettles, a 400 x 210-foot tract out of the southeast one-quarter of Section 133, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Glendal Ray Garvin to Donna Jean Garvin, all of Lot 1 in Block F of the Towle Place Addition.

J.B. and Mamie Patterson to Renee' Floyd, the east one-half of the northwest one-quarter of Section 156, Block 97, H&TC survey.

J.B. and Mamie Patterson to Retha Cannon, the east one-half of the southeast one-quarter of Section 169, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Mark D. and Angela H. Strickland to Fast Oil Change, Lot 3 in Block 4 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition.

Woodard Leatherwood to Henry and Maria Hernandez, the west 50 feet of Lot 1 and the east 50 feet of Lot 2 in Block 11 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition.

Teresa Brown to Billy Ray Browning, all of Lot 7 in Block D of the Towle Place Addition.

Patricia Jo Carmichael, independent executrix of the estate of William T. Erwin, to William A. and Opal Faye Cooper, all of Lot 1 in Block 3 of the Cedar Creek Addition, Section 1.

Charlotte Rena Springer to Marshall Thad Springer, the east 75 feet of Lot 1 in Block 6 of the Adams Addition.

Marshall Thad Springer to Charlotte Rena Springer, tract one being 5 acres out of the northeast one-quarter of Section 4, Block 1, J.P. Smith survey; tract two being Lot 5 and the south 4 feet of Lots 3 and 4 in Block 4 of the A.D. Dodson Addition.

Delia Franco to Maria Hidalgo, the south 95 feet of the east 90 feet of Lot 4 in Block 27 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition.

Scurry County USDA Joint Venture to Scurry County USDA Ltd., an 0.560-acre tract in Section 183, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Q&A

What are the facts about alcohol?

(In response to a growing concern among parents, educators and other members of the community, Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with Al-Anon support groups and the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, is devoting this column to your questions about the increasing threat of substance abuse.)

Alcohol Facts

April is Alcohol Awareness Month; the following are just some quick facts about alcohol use among teens and adults.

- In a survey of 140 colleges, frequent binge drinkers were 7-10 more likely to, have unplanned sex, get into trouble with campus police, damage property, or be injured
- An estimated 10 million adults and 3 million teenagers in the U.S. are alcoholics.
- On sample college campuses in 1994, alcohol was involved in 2/3 of student suicides, 90% of rapes, and 95% of violent crimes.
- 54% of people in state prisons who were convicted of violent crimes had used alcohol just before the offense.
- Women develop complications of alcoholism, such as liver damage, hypertension, anemia and malnutrition, faster and after less alcohol intake than men.
- More than 100,000 people die each year from alcohol-related causes.
- The only thing that can get alcohol out of the system is time, about 1 hour for each drink. Nothing else works.
- The top 25% of adult drinkers drink 87% of the alcohol consumed in the U.S.
- 87% of teens have used alcohol by the time they reach 12th grade.
- $118 billion! The estimated annual cost of alcohol addiction, according to the National Institute of Drug Abuse.
- In a national survey of 140 colleges, 44% of the students (50% of men and 39% of women) were binge drinkers (drank 4-5 drinks in a row during the previous two weeks).
- Alcohol abuse contributes to almost half of all motor vehicle fatalities, the most frequent cause of death (28%) among young Americans ages 5-24.
- Alcohol poisoning can result in unconsciousness and death if not treated.
- Women who drink during pregnancy may have babies born with fetal alcohol syndrome, a leading cause of mental retardation.
- Slang names for alcohol include booze, juice, brew, vino and hooch.

The common misconception of alcohol is that it can solve all your problems. The truth is we only escape them for a little while, and when we come to back to reality not only do we have to deal with those problems, but with others that have come up due to the drinking. No one ever promised that life would be easy, but it can be made easier if we deal with our problems as they come instead of camouflaging them with alcohol.

Please send your questions on drugs or addiction to P.O. Box 695, Snyder, Texas 79550. All questions and personal inquires may be submitted anonymously. Twenty-four-hour confidential information is available by calling (915) 573-1141 or 1-800-658-6722. Information on help groups and individual's phone numbers may be found in the SDN Community Calendar.

State lotteries are caught in economic, political squeeze

WASHINGTON (AP) — After decades of remarkable growth, lottery sales are slipping because of competition from video gambling and casinos. For all the publicity surrounding winners of the biggest jackpots, 15 states recorded lower sales last year than in 1996.

Lotteries have been around longer than the American flag. In fact, the Virginia Company of London launched raffles in 1612 to raise money for the English colony in Jamestown. But King James I banned them nine years later.

For the most part, lotteries have flourished in this country since the late 1960s; 37 states and the District of Columbia now have them. Just last week, a Massachusetts babysitter won $197 million in the Big Game, the largest undivided pot ever.

But 17 of the lotteries reported decreased sales in 1997, and 10 were down last year.

Hailed as a pain-free alternative to taxes and derided as government-sponsored vice, lotteries are feeling the squeeze of market and political forces. Overall ticket sales grew by only 0.4 percent last year, the smallest increase since states introduced which commonly takes the form of video poker or slot machines. And scratch-off games are getting new themes and creative prizes.

Further efforts to boost slumping sales could be hindered by the National Gambling Impact Study Commission, which is to release a report in June.

Commission members say they were struck by the findings of Duke University professors Charles Clotfelter and Philip Cook, authors of a 1989 book on lotteries called "Selling Hope." Their study found that 5 percent of lottery players account for 51 percent of sales and spend an average of $3,500 a year on tickets.

The commission may discourage lotteries from offering "casino-type activities" such as video poker and urge them to tone down advertising pitches.

"My greatest concern about the lottery is that it preys on the desperation of the poor, maybe more than any other form of gambling," said commission member James Dobson, president of Focus on the Family.

States and their lotteries are taking steps to polish their image.

Responding to complaints about overly aggressive marketing, Connecticut lawmakers lotteries three decades ago, according to LaFleur's Lottery World, which tracks such statistics.

A national panel on gambling appears poised to call for restrictions on the types of innovation and promotion that states can use to pull their lotteries out of the doldrums.

"It is a difficult time," said Terri LaFleur, who publishes the magazine that carries her name. "Sales are beginning to mature in a number of states, but many lotteries are not allowed to expand. As a result of other gambling opportunities out there — casinos, video gaming machines at racetracks — there is a lot of competition for gambling dollars."

Nonexistent in the United States as recently as 1963, state lotteries had mushroomed into a $36 billion business by last year. The states and the nation's capital netted $12 billion last year and new lotteries are under consideration in Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee.

There are signs that public interest is waning as states try to squeeze more profit out of the games.

In Louisiana, for instance, lottery sales dropped for four straight years before rebounding in 1998. In Texas, sales dropped from $3.76 billion in 1997 to $3.1 billion in 1998. Lottery officials blame a 1997 legislative change that cut the prize payout on scratch-off games to increase the state's profit.

David B. Gale, executive director of the North American Association of State and Provincial Lotteries, attributes slumping sales in part to "jackpot fatigue."

In 1984, when he was marketing director for the Ohio Lottery, "everybody went crazy for a $1 million jackpot, including the media," he said. "Friday, it seems there is a threshold out there of about $20-25 million when the players become interested in the games and the media gets interested in covering it."

Lotteries have responded by joining forces to create multistate games like Powerball.

Removes cards

NEW YORK (AP) — Charlie Sheen is taking his baseball cards and going home.

The actor is removing his collection from the All-Star Cafe, where three former employees have been charged in the theft of some of the valuable cards.

Among the 27 cards stolen last year were a rare Honus Wagner card, a sheet of 25 unseparated 1934 cards and a 1933 card of Hall-of-Famer Napoleon LaJoie, the FBI said Thursday. All but two cards have been recovered.

"While I'm pleased that the investigation is a success thus far, I am deeply saddened that such precious artifacts have been mutilated in the hands of amateurs for the pursuit of greed," Sheen said.

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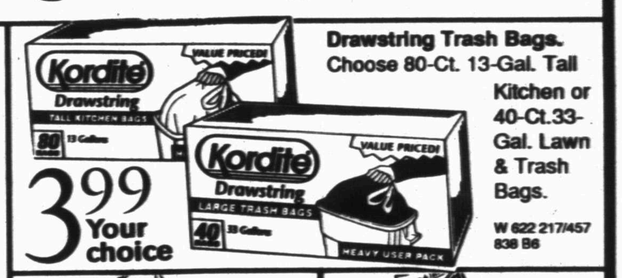
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Secrets of life



Deanie Francis Mills

Have you ever had the experience where you are reading along in a book or magazine or maybe some sort of professional publication related to your work, and all of a sudden, you hit upon something that makes you sit straight up and say, Yes, *that is absolutely right*, and perhaps you even look around for someone to share it with?

In a recent special issue of "Time" magazine on the greatest minds of our century, I came upon a piece written by Robert Wright on world-famous molecular biologists Francis Crick and James Watson. If their names don't ring a bell for you, don't feel stupid — I couldn't have told you who they were either, but I had definietly heard of DNA.

Almost 50 years ago, these two eccentric and driven scientists cracked the secret code of life's hereditary information, the famous "double helix" of genetic structure, and showed the world how the spiraling double helix actually works a bit like a zipper, and can "unzip" to make copies of itself.

Crick, in fact, waltzed into a pub soon after and announced to the bemused patrons that he and his partner had discovered "the secret of life."

What makes the story of Watson and Crick so fascinating, even if science doesn't interest you, is the story of how they met, bonded and worked together, each bringing his own complementary skills and strengths to the table to offset the weaknesses of the other. Sometimes they quarrelled like two brothers, but they persisted.

Meanwhile, at another lab across town in London, two other young scientists were also working feverishly on the DNA question. Unlike Watson and Crick, however, the two scientists were bitter enemies. Why? Because one was a woman.

Rosalind Franklin was one of the most brilliant minds in the field, but in the early 1950s, women in science were so scorned that they were not even allowed in the faculty coffee room. Her colleague, a man named Maurice Wilkins, was so jealous and threatened by Franklin that he actually stole some unpublished X-ray photographs of the DNA molecular structure that she had taken and showed them to Watson and Crick. This provides the key ingredient they needed to build their famous 3-D structure of the DNA molecule.

With sad irony, Rosalind Franklin died of cancer a few years later at only 38 years of age. Since the Nobel prize is not awarded posthumously, the prize was given two years after that to Watson and Crick — and Franklin's old arch-enemy, Wilkins. In his autobiography, "The Double Helix," James Watson said that had she lived, it "would have been impossible" not to award the Nobel prize to Franklin as well because her contribution to their work was absolutely key to unlocking the puzzle of life's building blocks.

In notebooks the scientists discovereed after her death, Franklin was found to have indeed been working steadily toward drawing the same conclusions as had Watson and Crick, but her work was slow and agonizing compared to theirs. Why? Because, unlike Watson and Crick, Franklin, the only woman in the field at the time was alone. She had no one to brainstorm with, or as the writer of the article put it, "no supportive critic whose knowledge matched her gaps, whose gaps her knowledge matched."

Think of the zipper. With only one working side, you can never close the gap.

It works that way in marriage, doesn't it? In the best marriages, the couple complement one another in just that way. Where one is gregarious, the other is quiet. Where one is impulsive, the other is careful. Where one is hot-tempered, the other is calm. And yet when the marriage comes first to each of them, the two points of view blend to become one united, powerful front.

This is also true in business. This past year, I've been collaborating on a book with a writing partner — something I've never attempted before. It's an amazing process. Sometimes we argue hotly over various aspects of the story, and other times we practically sizzle as our two ideas pop and crackle and zing across the electronic wires that connect us and provide the blackboard for our work. The important thing is always the book — that's where the true focus lies. When our ideas interconnect, the resulting work can only be stronger.

There are so many more examples of this particular synergy in science, politics, education, psychology, sports — practically every endeavor of humankind.

Where two or more minds collaborate and complement one another, each filling the other's gaps, the result can only be creative magic. But when they conflict, compete, and sabotage one another, we have not only disharmony and acrimony that results in no progress of any kind, but in its worst-case scenario, we have all-out war. President Clinton was right when he said that ethnic hatreds present the worst problems facing our world today.

I think the writer Robert Wright put it best in his concluding paragraph: "One truth seems likely to endure, universal and immutable. It emerges with equal clarity whether you examine the DNA molecule or the way it was revealed. The secret of life is complementarity.

The secret of life, in other words, whether in its most basic, molecule level or in its wider, social arena, is the ability of all of us to get along, to strengthen and uphold one another, and to pursue life's most troubling questions not as bitter competitors, but as a solidly-zipped team.



Letters to the editor

Special interest

Dear Editor:

While a number of reports were presented to the WTC Board of Trustees earlier this week, two of the reports might be of special interest to people in our community, prospective students, and others; and I would l ike to make your readers aware of the reports.

First, Mr. John Gibson, director of Workforce Education, gave a report on business and industries who have benefitted from funds received through this Skills Development Grant, a grant from the State of Texas obtained through the support of Sen. Tom Haywood and Rep. David Counts.

Since September of 1997, WTC has provided work training to 946 individuals from 20 companies in our community — including but not limited to — Amoco Pipeline, Cogdell Hospital, Grimmett Brothers, Lorber Industries and Pennzoil Exploration and Production.

It is encouraging to note that legislation has been introduced in Austin to increase the amount of money available through the Skills Development Fund, and we hope to continue and even expand this very successful program.

The second report I want to mention is a report presented by Mr. Britt Canada, our director of technology. Utilizing grant funds from the Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund, funds from the Scurry County Board of County Develolpment and funds within the WTC budget, Mr. Canada and Mr. Dave Hanes, who works with Mr. Canada, are moving WTC and our community forward by giant leaps in the field of communications technology.

As Mr. Canada pointed out, last year WTC had dreams of a distance learning facility — currently we have two fully functional distance learning facilities. Five WTC instructors are teaching courses via district learning and distance learning courses are available from other colleges in these distance learning labs. Students' access on campus to the Internet has increased from 20 work stations to 100s, and plans this summer call for expanding Interenet access to every dorm room.

I could go on, but this letter has become overly long. Suffice it to say, we at WTC are excited about the progress we have made in these two areas, and in others, and we wanted to share this excitement with our community and to say thank you to the BCD, the board of trustees, our state legislature and others who have played a role in making this possible.

Sincerely,
Harry L. Krenek
President

Toll-free calls

Dear Editor

It has been some time since the area had a vote on having toll-free access to surrounding towns. According to the commissioners court, we can petition and vote on whether or not we want such lines made available to us by Southwesern Bell and what larger town to include.

There is a petition being circulated that requests a vote to offer Abilene and surrounding towns as toll free calls. As of now, a call from Snyder to Colorado City costs 21 cents for the first minute, and 18 cents for each additional. With a (metro) line, that call would be free.

With the increase in need to do business with other cities around the area, it is becoming more and more important to use the phone to call these cities. Even more important is access to the Internet.

With schools, businesses and hundreds of home PCs now using the Internet daily for e-mail, chatting, keeping up with loved ones and surfing the Web, if we had metro lines to Abilene, we would gain access to some 20 ISPs (Internet Service Providers) that we do not have at this time. The three local ISPs stay overloaded much of the time.

Access to Abilene's ISPs would mean lower cost for Internet use as well as normal communication with businesses, friends and citizens of the surrounding towns.

As one who uses the Internet a lot, everyday, I want to urge the citizens of Scurry County to support and vote for the proposal to get metro lines to Scurry County. Rotan already has this service and Mitchell County is working on the same thing at this time.

The petition will be given to the commissioners court shortly and then we will have an opportunity to vote on it. Even if you don't use the Internet, your kids and grandkids will have to have access very shortly, to further their education. Already it is a great tool that can allow your children to advance much faster than without access.

Please consider all benefits of this proposition before voting so that you may make an informed and an intelligent decision as to how you will vote.

Thank you,
Ken Andrews

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Eliminating ceiling

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Congress has an opportunity to modernize some old thinking this session by eliminating the earnings test on Social Security benefits for people ages 65 to 69.

With more Americans enjoying longer, healthier lives, the government should be encouraging their continued participation in the work force, not discouraging it by hanging onto the antiquated and unnecessary restrictions on how much they can earn before risking a delay in the full collection of Social Security benefits.

Under the current system, for people 65 and older, retirement benefits are reduced by $1 for every $3 of income earned above $15,500 a year. That ceiling is scheduled to rise to $30,000 a year by 2002 because of action that Congress took four years ago.

Once a person stops earning above the limit (or reaches 70, when the penalty no longer applies), Social Security checks increase.

Congress should finish the journey it started four years ago and eliminate the earnings test completely. Once people reach 65, they should be entitled to draw on the benefits that they spent a lifetime paying into. And by encouraging them to stay a part of the work force, they continue to pay into the system.

The idea of eliminating the penalty on older working Americans has been debated before, but there has never been as much potential for this actually happening as now. A healthy economy and a supportive president give this commonsense idea a fighting chance. Republicans in Congress are backing the proposal; their Democratic counterparts need to join President Clinton in removing the Social Security earnings test from the books.

Y2K, Retro revolution

Texarkana Gazette

What once was the turf of the Amish and wilderness types has become a hot item for those who fear the worst from the Y2K "crisis": a return to nonelectric, noncomputerized appliances.

Yep, the days of the kerosene lantern may have come and gone for most folks. For some, though, this will be an initiation into the ways of the past-when you had to work at everything you had, not just trot down to the store at every whim to fill your needs.

It's going to be a big surprise to some people, we suspect, when they find that the good old days required a lot of work and a lot of time-the latter of which we already know is in short supply.

At least, though, these people are looking ahead and planning for the worst-whatever that may be. Predictions are that some electric supply systems will fail, leaving lots of folks without power — and without a means to heat their homes, cook their meals or provide light to live by.

Ever churned butter? Chopped wood for a stove? Ground your own grains to make bread?

Likely as not, most modern Americans haven't done many of the things that were staples of earlier times. We have become prisoners of a sort of our own technologies, and our busy lifestyles.

So it might be refreshing to see how things used to be done, if nothing more than to prove how comfortable and convenient our lives are today. Maybe it will give us a greater appreciation of the little things that we take for granted, and make us realize that the good old days really weren't that good.

And just how dependent we are on things that, for the most part, we could learn to live without. Not that we would want to, but at least we would know we could if we had to.

Responsibile for refugees

Amarillo Globe-News

The stark pictures are becoming all too commonplace: thousands of ethnic Albanians crammed into refugee camps fleeing from the genocidal atrocities committed by murderous thugs loyal to a dictator bent on destruction. One noticeable characteristic from the numerous refugee reports flowing from

Kosovo - there is a lack of young adult males among the near 500,000 ethnic Albanians who literally ran for their lives rather than face certain death. The grisly truth is young adult males are the first group to be executed.

These harrowing tales now emerging on a daily basis from Macedonia and Montenegro only confirm the responsibility of NATO and the United States to provide aid to the Kosovo refugees. The basic necessities are at a breaking point in the countries surrounding Kosovo.

Reports last week estimated almost the entire ethnic Albanian population, which at one time comprised 90 percent of Kosovo's population, could be eradicated by Milosevic's henchmen within 10 to 20 days.

NATO and Clinton administration officials should have predicted Milosevic would increase his genocidal tactics as a response to NATO bombing. NATO and Clinton administration officials also should assume a degree of responsibility for the welfare of the Kosovo refugees.

NATO recently announced an airlift of 100,000 refugees from Macedonia. A total of 40,000 refugees will be temporarily relocated to Germany, 20,000 each to the United States and Turkey, 15,000 to Sweden, 6,000 to Norway and 5,000 each to Greece and Canada. President Clinton has also earmarked $50 million for refugee aid.

NATO must ensure the refugees can return to Kosovo, otherwise Milosevic's goal of ethnic cleansing will be realized. These two vital social objectives must be NATO's primary responsibility.

Veggie-libel law

Austin American-Statesman

A food safety investigation by Cox Newspapers turned up a variety of health-threatening problems lurking in the national food supply including E. coli bacteria in some school lunchroom meat.

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While the majority of the food sold in the United States is wholesome, the public needs to be fully aware when contaminated, adulterated or otherwise suspect food is sold or served.

That's why the Texas Legislature should speedily repeal the state's "food-disparagement" law. Known as the "veggie libel law," the 1995 law was designed to quell public discourse on food safety by making it easy to sue those who speak out. In the first major test of the law, Texas cattlemen sued Oprah Winfrey. She won, but is facing continuing legal battles.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Gift Horse's Unusual Generosity Leaves Friend Feeling Beholden

DEAR ABBY: How do I deal with a close female friend who has the need to bestow gifts on me often for no reason?

I am a married woman, 65 years old and retired. About two years ago, I met and became friends with the gift-giver. She is a widow about my age. I don't want to ruin our friendship by seeming ungrateful for her generosity, but when I object to the gifts, she appears hurt and withdrawn. Since I don't want to hurt her, I've made a concerted effort to stop my objections.

However, Abby, I need to know why I am resisting her gifts. Is it because they threaten my independence? Even if I could afford to, I wouldn't try to reciprocate her gift-giving to such an extravagant degree. What is it that I do not understand here? Your advice would be welcome.

UNCOMFORTABLE IN ARIZONA

DEAR UNCOMFORTABLE: You may be uncomfortable about accepting your friend's gifts because they make you feel obligated, or locked into the friendship. Although your reaction is normal, it's important to be gracious about accepting gifts and favors. Since your friend derives pleasure from giving you gifts, try not to spoil her fun.

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DEAR ABBY: My wife and I, both in our 70s, feel patronized when waiters, clerks, medical personnel and others call us "young woman" or "young man."

When we tell them we don't like being addressed that way, they are often puzzled or offended, and reply, "We were paying you a compliment because you look young for your age."

We'd appreciate your advice about how we might handle this problem. It might help if you call this to the attention of your readers.

RETIRED IN L.A.

DEAR RETIRED: Although "young woman" or "young man" may be well-intentioned, it comes across as presumptuous and patronizing. The next time someone tells you it's intended as a compliment, tell the person you appreciate the thought, but you'd prefer to be addressed as Mr. and Mrs. (if that's your preference).

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DEAR ABBY: My wife has a friend who has been going to a therapist for her emotional problems for more than seven years. Some of our friends feel she is being taken for a ride, since no resolution has resulted.

Are there any guidelines on how long a patient should be treated by a therapist? Can a therapist suggest a switch to another professional counselor?

Please do not reveal my name or location. We want to remain friendly with this woman.

CURIOUS

DEAR CURIOUS: Yes, a therapist can suggest a switch to another professional counselor — and many of them do. If the patient is not showing progress, a consultation with another therapist would be indicated. If the therapist is legitimate, he or she would welcome the idea.

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Every Child Must Learn That Actions Have Consequences

DEAR ABBY: I would like to comment on the letter from "Victorious in Oregon," the woman whose young daughter and niece made adult entertainment telephone calls amounting to $260. She was fortunate that, by law, she was not obligated to pay for the calls, but there are other issues involved.

The girls were old enough to know they were doing something wrong, and I assume they were punished. But I still think the charges were legitimate. Parents should be financially responsible if their children break the law (i.e. commit vandalism).

Children must be taught that actions have consequences for which they must take responsibility. Years ago, when my daughter was a teen-ager, she was careless about guarding her telephone calling card PIN number, and a friend of hers used the calling card without permission to make $50 worth of calls.

Neither of us knew the source of these charges, and the telephone company was willing to remove them from our bill. When we figured out the identity of the caller, I asked the phone company not to deduct the charges, and my daughter paid them.

It was an expensive lesson for her, but an important one. Today she is a thoughtful, responsible adult — not that she wouldn't have been had I paid the charges or allowed them to be deducted.

LYNN B.,
FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CALIF.

DEAR LYNN: I agree that children should be taught the consequences of their actions — and I'd be surprised if the children involved in making those phone calls didn't receive a severe lecture and grounding for their mischief. Styles of discipline vary from family to family, and making the girls foot the bill seemed excessively strict to me since it was a first offense.

I am aware that there are more issues involved than whether the parents should have been liable for the phone bill the girls ran up. The children seem to have a lot of unsupervised time on their hands, which in this case they used to satisfy their curiosity about sex. "Victorious" is overdue for a frank discussion with the girls about sex. Now that the hassle with the phone company has been settled, she should turn her attention to enrolling the girls in after-school activities such as music, sports or special-interest clubs, so their minds will be occupied with more wholesome things than X-rated adult entertainment.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a bride-to-be who is in the midst of planning my wedding. I have several single guests on my wedding invitation list. Am I obligated to invite the single person with a guest if I know that they do not have a significant other? I did not find that point in your wedding booklet.

JUNE BRIDE

DEAR BRIDE: You are under no obligation to invite single guests to bring an escort to your wedding, but it would be very gracious of you to do so. Sometimes unattached people feel isolated at weddings because it may seem that everyone else is part of a couple.

Thank you for pointing out that this was omitted in my wedding booklet — I'll correct it in the next printing.

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CONFIDENTIAL TO "LOOKING FOR A BETTER FUTURE": "When things are bad, we take comfort in the thought that they could always be worse. And when they are, we find hope in the thought that things are so bad they have to get better." (Malcolm S. Forbes)

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Boy rescued from sinkhole

LUMBERTON (AP) — Rescuers in southeast Texas used shovels and their hands to free a boy who was buried up to his neck in a sinkhole.

It took about an hour Wednesday night to free Chase Burrows from the sinkhole near his home in Lumberton, about 20 miles north of Beaumont.

He was treated at a Beaumont hospital and released.

Chase said that he was worried while trapped that he might miss his birthday party. He turned 10 on Friday.

The boy had been playing with friends near the sinkhole when he fell in, and one of his friends ran for help.

The boy's father said the sinkhole was created last year by a seismic testing crew.

Hard work ahead...

Quiet budget celebration for GOP

By DAVID ESPO
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans skipped the intramural scrimmaging this time and passed their first on-time budget since gaining control of Congress five years ago. They are celebrating quietly, given the struggles ahead with Democrats and the White House.

"The good news is the budget ... will be done Friday," House Speaker Dennis Hastert told reporters on Thursday as the Senate was giving final approval on the GOP tax and spending plan. "The bad news is the budget is done Friday. We have a lot of hard work to do from this point forward."

Hastert, as methodical as former Speaker Newt Gingrich was mercurial, made sure the budget was wrapped up by the April 15 deadline set in law. Within GOP councils, he insisted on it as part of his effort to demonstrate that the Republican-controlled House can do its work on time.

The next budgetary challenge for Republicans will be to pass the government's regular spending bills in a House narrowly divided along party lines. At the same time, they must try and blunt Democratic claims that they are angling to cut taxes for the wealthy at the expense of Medicare.

Not surprisingly, Democrats miss no opportunity to attack the Republicans' efforts.

"This is a disaster," the Senate's top Democrat, Tom Daschle of South Dakota, said of the budget that nearly all lawmakers in his party opposed.

At a news conference with the House Democratic leader, Rep. Dick Gephardt of Missouri, Daschle complained the GOP budget did nothing to extend the solvency of Medicare or Social Security or help working families.

He said that "last year we complained that the Republicans couldn't pass a budget plan. Actually, not passing one is better than passing one that is this abhorrent."

In 1998, Republicans failed to produce a budget, a meltdown caused by a dispute between the House and Senate over whether to cut taxes. This year, a swelling budget surplus helped persuade virtually all Republicans the money could be found.

With a margin of only five seats in the House, Republicans will have little margin for error when they begin to bring routine spending bills to the floor. Under the 1997 balanced budget agreement, spending in the 13 bills combined cannot exceed $536 billion for the year, a figure that includes both defense and domestic programs.

Hastert, R-Ill., seemed to be paving the way for breaking the caps earlier in the year, after officials reported that the Appropriations Committee suggested it might take an additional $30 billion or so to write bills that could gain enough support to clear the House.

On second thought, according to GOP sources who spoke on condition of anonymity, Republicans decided against such a strategy. Their thinking was that sooner or later, Clinton and the Democrats will demand more money than the two-year-old balanced budget deal allows. In purely political terms, that would allow Republicans to chastise the Democrats — then acquiesce to the inevitable.

In the meantime, one strategy under discussion is to use the war in Kosovo to help ease the pressure on domestic spending. Under Congress' impenetrable accounting rules, "emergency" spending does not count toward the spending cap, and no cuts must be found to offset it.

Clinton has not submitted a formal request for the bombing campaign for the current fiscal year, but already Republicans are talking about adding billions to it. The plan is to label all of it as emergency spending, and forget about offsets.

Some lawmakers advocate adding a costly military pay and pension increase to the measure — a bill that otherwise would be certain to break the spending caps.

Much of the money Republicans want to add for this year would otherwise have been approved in fiscal year 2000 spending bills.

The shift from next year's routine bills to this years emergency legislation would create room under the spending caps. That money, in turn, would be allocated for domestic spending bills, which could then be easier to pass.

Spending bills aside, Republicans are eager to spend the next several months touting their plan to reserve the entire Social Security surplus for use in the future, to be available when it comes time to overhaul Medicare and Social Security for the next generation.

Those comprehensive bills may or may not come to the floor of the House or Senate this year. One that is likely to make it is a so-called "lock-box" legislation, the measure designed to make it impossible to tap into the surpluses for any other purposes.

EDITOR'S NOTE — David Espo is AP's chief congressional correspondent.

AP analysis

Regulators want telephone bills to become easier to read

(AP) — Americans' monthly telephone bills may become easier to understand because of action taken Thursday by federal regulators.

Phone companies generally will have to reorganize bills to spotlight new charges and service providers, give clear descriptions of all charges and explain how to contest them.

The plan, adopted 4-1 by the Federal Communications Commission, could take effect in a few months.

Local telephone and long-distance companies will have to abide by all the provisions, while cellular and other wireless companies must comply with just some. Violations could lead to fines or other penalties.

Many big phone companies have begun, or plan to make, changes in phone bills to make them easier to understand. Ameritech, BellSouth, AT&T, US West and MCI WorldCom believe their bills meet many of the FCC's requirements.

"We've got to restore Americans' confidence in the charges that they are paying every month," said Bill Kennard, FCC chairman.

The lone dissenter, Harold Furchtgott-Roth, said he believed the agency lacked the authority to take such action. He also wondered how the agency would judge whether companies' descriptions are clear.

FCC officials acknowledged that it would be subjective determination. Also, they could not offer examples of what might constitute a clear description for the line-item charges that have been appearing on some bills, under different names, for the past two years.

Those charges, which some consumers have said are confusing, come from a variety of sources: a FCC overhaul of phone fees; itemized charges for government-ordered subsidies once included in rates; and paying the costs of complying with other government requirements.

Companies can recover these costs however they choose. AT&T, MCI WorldCom, Sprint, the nation's Bell companies and others have decided to do it through line items. The FCC does not force companies to spell out the charges in bills.

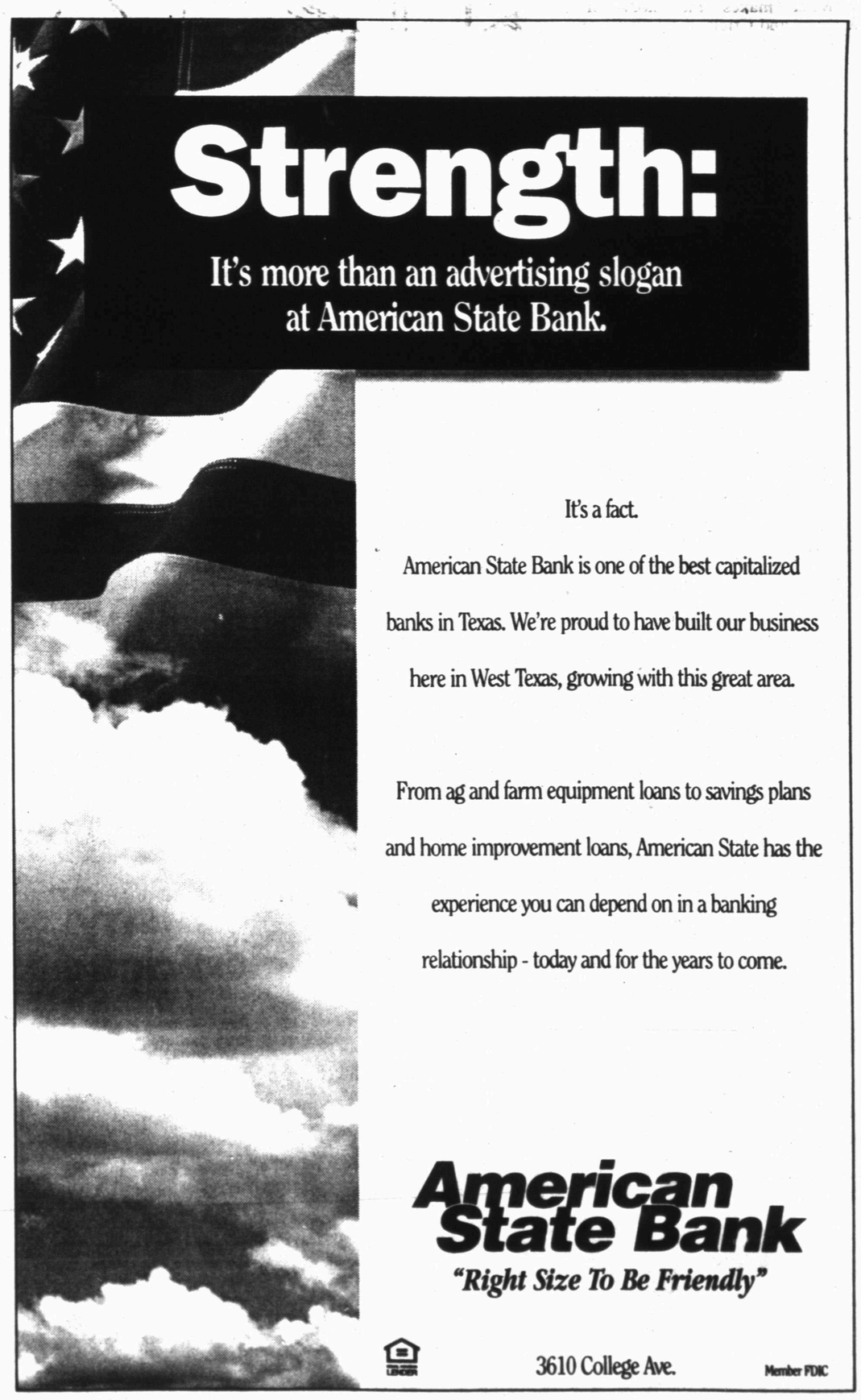
Under the FCC's new rules, descriptions of those line-item charges will have to be clear. Eventually, the labels will be standardized, with the wording determined later. If wireless companies include such line-items, they also would be subject to uniform labeling.

"This is a mischievous notion," AT&T said in a statement, adding it is concerned the government "would seek to dictate how a company can describe to its own customers those government fees and charges."

Larry Strickling, chief of the FCC's Common Carrier Bureau, said any company that now describes these line-item charges as "federally imposed" or "federally mandated" will have to stop.

FCC officials said they were not acting to avoid being associated with the line-items.

The cost of a single Trident missile submarine could finance the United Nations for four years.



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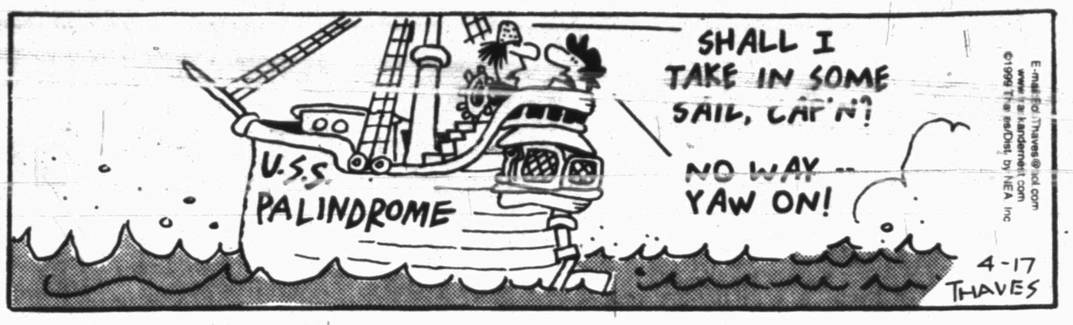
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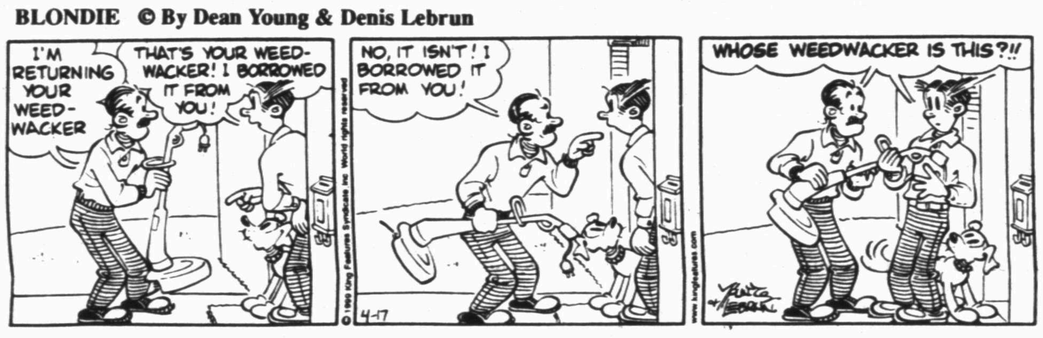


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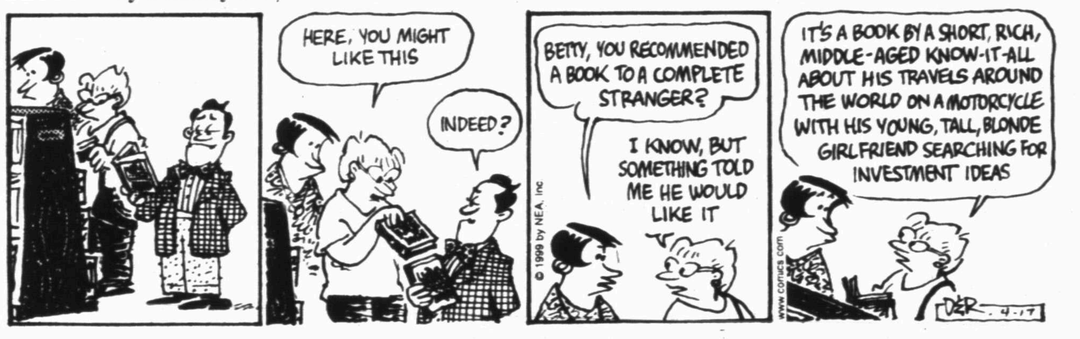
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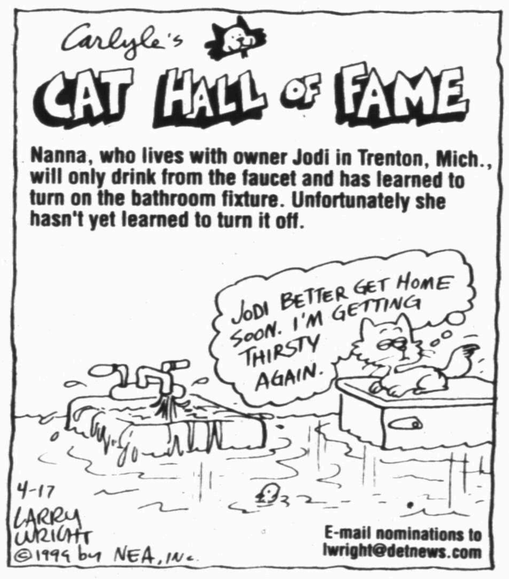


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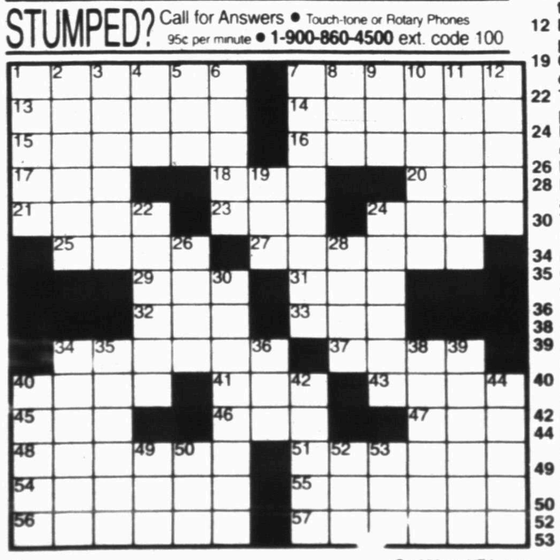
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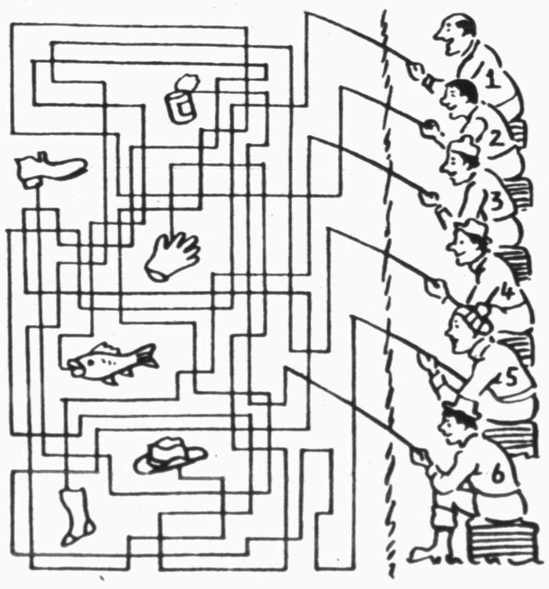


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Fishy Facts

Scientists estimate that more than two million birds and 100,000 sea animals die each year because of plastics that end up in the waters of the world. Animals that mistake plastic items for food often die of starvation when the plastic blocks their digestive system. Plastics aren't the only items that cause water pollution. It is estimated that the garbage we dump into the oceans each year outweighs the world's annual catch of fish.

Each fisherman caught something, but who has the fish?



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Senior Center Menu

MONDAY

Boneless BBQ rib, mashed potatoes, baked beans, tossed salad, baked apple

TUESDAY

Creole steak, stewed squash, lima beans, pear half w/cottage cheese, peanut butter cookie

WEDNESDAY

Chicken spoonbread w/giblet gravy, sweet potatoes, broccoli, fruit salad, spice cake w/cream cheese frosting

THURSDAY

Spaghetti w/meat sauce, whole kernel corn, spinach, tossed salad, apricot pizza

FRIDAY

Fried fish, parslied potatoes, green bean casserole, carrot raisin salad, pineapple upside down cake

Senior Center News

All seniors are encouraged to sell MayDay barbecue tickets. Tickets may be obtained from the office staff. The Mobil cooking team will be donating and preparing the brisket for MayDay. Tickets are $5 each.

MayDay is set May 8 with booths and entertainment beginning at 2 p.m. The barbecue will be from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. The quilt auction is set for 6:30 p.m.

All seniors are needed to help with the annual fund-raiser. Items needed include homemade crafts and baked goods such as cakes, breads, cookies and brownies, but no pies due to county health restrictions.

The silent auction has been a great success in past years due to the generosity of local businesses. Merchants will again be contacted this year.

All available seniors are needed. Call 573-4035 if you can help out.

MONDAY

Bridge play begins at 9:30 a.m., daily exercise is at 11 a.m. and AARP meets at noon.

TUESDAY

88 play begins at 10 a.m., the Hoss Clayton Band will entertain at 11 and the Golden K Kiwanis will meet at noon. Swimnastics at Western Texas College is held from 2:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

WEDNESDAY

Bingo will begin at 10 a.m., line dancers will practice at 1 p.m. and the cloggers met at 2 p.m.

THURSDAY

The Sunshine Choir members will entertain at Snyder Oaks at 10 a.m.

FRIDAY

The blood pressure clinic and bridge play begin at 9:30 a.m. 88 players can begin play at 1 a.m. and the sing-a-long begins at 11:30 a.m.

Over smaller bunks...

Delta pilot diverts flight amid uproar

ATLANTA (AP) — A Delta Air Lines pilot cut short an Atlanta-to-Tokyo flight this month, saying the plane's redesigned sleeping quarters for his crew were so cramped and noisy that they would never get enough rest to complete the flight safely.

The incident was the culmination of a months-long fight between pilots and Delta, which had shrunk the sleeping space on some long-haul planes to make more room for higher-paying business class passengers.

The airline has questioned Capt. Roscoe McMillan, a 30-year veteran, and his three-member crew, and the pilots' union fears he could be fired if the airline decides he acted out of rebellion rather than safety concerns.

Pilots call the new type of bunk "the coffin." Their union, the Air Line Pilots Association, has filed a grievance with the company.

"It's small. It lacks adequate privacy considerations and it's in a noisy area where the activities of the cabin and the cockpit make it difficult if not impossible to get sleep," said Capt. Andy Deane, spokesman for the union. "Simply being horizontal is not enough."

Delta says the bunks are safe and approved by the Federal Aviation Administration.

The aborted flight on April 7 was disclosed in a report in The Wall Street Journal on Thursday. McMillan landed the plane in Portland, Ore, four hours into a 14-hour trip. His action angered passengers, who were forced to wait for another flight to Japan. It was the first time the bunk bed battle disrupted any flights.

Delta spokesman Bill Berry said he didn't know precisely what passengers were told but they were aware it was a "crew rest" issue.

"The pilots said they had tried to use the sleep module and were unable to get to sleep because of outside noise. The captain, because of that, made his decision," Berry said Thursday. "He felt that his crew could not be sufficiently rested to complete the flight."

Berry wouldn't say if Delta is considering sanctioning the pilot, who is just 11 months away from retirement.

McMillan declined to comment when contacted at home Thursday.

The FAA requires airlines to provide onboard sleeping quarters for pilots on flights of 12 hours or more. A crew of four — two pilots, two co-pilots — take turns at the controls.

The only Delta flights exceeding 12 hours are nonstop from Atlanta to Tokyo. Three Delta MD-11s are equipped with the bunks.

Until this year, crew members used walled-off sleeping quarters — pilots called it "the condo" — located in the middle of the business-class section. Nearly 7 feet tall and 5 feet wide, it was spacious enough for changing clothes and far enough from the cockpit area's noisy hubbub.

The new bunks are located between the cockpit and the business class area and include a 2-inch-thick curtain to keep out noise.

Pilots have to assemble the bunks in front of the passengers, pulling them out from the wall in telescoping sections. That can be embarrassing for crew members fumbling with the pieces for the first time, said Delta First Officer Winford Speakman, who co-pilots MD-11s.

"It doesn't instill a lot of confidence in some of our passengers," he said.

The bunks are 30 inches wide at the shoulders and close to 7 feet long.

"You enter from the top and you literally have to tuck your knees up and insert your legs down into the tube," Deane said.

Crew members can hear the cockpit door opening and closing, toilets flushing from the lavatory at the foot of the bunk, and chatter from passengers who sometimes stand and lean against the sleeping quarters, Speakman said. Flight attendants sometimes bump into them with their serving carts.

Delta spokesman Berry said the captain can ask flight attendants to keep noise levels down when people are trying to sleep.

Berry said Delta is looking into making improvements to the sleeping quarters, such as giving crew members a bit more elbow room.

Employee posted bogus report

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A technology company employee was arrested Thursday on charges he fabricated an Internet news report that drove up the company's stock.

The April 7 hoax involving telecommunications manufacturer PairGain Technologies is believed to be the first stock manipulation scheme using a fraudulent Internet site, U.S. Attorney Alejandro N. Mayorkas said.

Gary Dale Hoke, 25, a low-level PairGain engineer, was arrested at his Raleigh, N.C., home after an FBI trace of Internet addresses led to him, according to the U.S. attorney's office in Los Angeles.

"We're disappointed and upset that the trail seemed to lead to one of our employees," said Charles McBrayer, PairGain's senior vice president.

Hoke was arraigned on securities fraud charges and released on $50,000 bail. The crime is punishable by up to 10 years in federal prison and a $1 million fine.

Hoke is an engineer at PairGain's Raleigh facility.

Sam Currin, Hoke's attorney, said he will be discussing the case with the U.S. Attorney's office in Los Angeles to set a time for Hoke to travel to California and enter a plea, The News & Observer of Raleigh reported Friday.

The newspaper said Hoke did not return phone calls and no one answered the door at his home.

The hoax included a phony story about a corporate takeover made up to look like it was posted on a Bloomberg News Service Web site. It caused a 31 percent increase in the stock value of PairGain, a Tustin, Calif., maker of telecommunications equipment.

The company's stock dropped after the report was debunked later in the day.

Prosecutors say Hoke also allegedly posted a bogus e-mail message about PairGain under the subject line "Buyout News" on a financial news message board operated by Yahoo Inc. The message contained a link to the bogus Bloomberg site.

Hoke has a history of online securities trading and had owned stock in the company as recently as January, according to a federal affidavit filed Thursday. But the complaint does not allege Hoke was holding PairGain stock during the hoax.

PairGain executives were not involved in the scheme and are cooperating with investigators, Assistant U.S. Attorney Christopher Painter said.

Clinton's boyhood home will get $500,000

HOPE, Ark. (AP) — Spring cleaning is coming, if a little late, to President Clinton's boyhood home.

A state legislator says the home will get $500,000 in state money after all, most of it when the new fiscal year starts July 1.

Rep. Sandra Rodgers, a Democrat from Hope, had tried unsuccessfully to get the Legislature to approve the funds from this year's budget so money would be in place when Clinton visited in March.

Rodgers said Wednesday the Clinton Center will receive $490,000 in July.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Ill man's wife should take care

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 69-year-old mother is in reasonably good health, but she has recently complained of a nagging ache in her left groin. My father is very sick with cancer and my mother refuses to seek medical attention for fear of upsetting him. Could her pain reflect something serious?

DEAR READER: No doctor could be expected to diagnose your mother's pain without examining her. She may have a small hernia, arthritis of the hip, a pulled muscle, or — as she probably fears — something more ominous. If her symptom lasts for more than a few days, she owes it to herself to see a doctor to obtain answers and treatment.

She als owes it to your father. If she becomes disabled, she will not be available to him when he really needs her.

For most people, going to the doctor is akin to being punished as a child. The anticipation is usually more fearsome than the event itself. As I'm sure you realize, many symptoms turn out to be less serious than they were originally perceived to be. In addition, those that are serious are almost always easier to treat before they become catastrophic.

What your mother may need most is some firm but supportive encouragement to look out for herself, so that she can continue to be healthy and useful. I am sure that your father wants this, too. Really sick patients are often comforted to see that loved ones continue to make a commitment to keeping themselves well. Your mother will need all the good health she can muster in order to meet the challenges that lie ahead.

DEAR DR. GOTT: A doctor has diagnosed my brother's urinary tract infection as "possible chlamydia." I've never heard of this disease. What is it? He has been on medication for a month and still experiences burning and frequency

DEAR READER: "Possible" chlamydia isn't good enough. Tests are available to make a precise diagnosis and your brother should have them. Chlamydia is a sexually transmitted disease that is entirely curable by several days of antibiotic therapy. Your brother's continuing symptoms, after a month, suggest another type of inflammation. In my opinion, he should be examined by a urologist.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Bladder and Urinary Tract Infections." 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: What causes a stiff neck or a crick in the neck, and what can be done to get rid of this annoyance?"

DEAR READER: A "crick" in the neck is usually the result of a muscle spasm. Sudden turning of the head, sleeping in an uncomfortable posture, injuries to the neck and holding the head in a constant position are factors that can trigger or aggravate sudden, painful contractions of the neck muscles.

Treatment usually consists of gentle massage, heat and stretching exercises; whatever movement or activity helps relieve the crick is O.K.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: Is there any correlation between climate, altitude and sexual libido? I am 44 and have remarried after living in both hot and cold climates. Hot and humid weather seems to deplete my energy, strength and sexual interest. Although my husband is a loving and caring partner, there is a fair amount of stress in the house, because our family is a "blended" one. I experience anxiety, hurt and resentment toward his older children. Do stress or climate influence a woman's sexuality?

DEAR READER: Despite numerous anecdotes to the contrary, climate and altitude do not play significant roles in decreasing or increasing sexual interest. "Blended" families, as you put it, are a much more likely cause of diminished libido because of the profound stresses and strains that may plague adults who are not accustomed to the frictions of divorce. Hurt, resentment, fear and anger can envelop both men and women, making sexual desire a low priority.

I believe that you and your husband could get back on track by temporarily removing yourselves from the tensions of the family. A vacation would enable you to renew your love and sensuality — and to discuss the issues that bother you. Leave the kids, all of them, at home — with appropriate supervision. His older children have their own lives and problems, you have yours. You married him, not his children and, in their eyes, you will never rate as high as their mother. So be it. What matters now is that you are starting a new life with someone about whom you care. Your future is bright and does not have to be needlessly tarnished by acrimony.

If you and your husband cannot openly resolve your stress, you might consider counseling. A good professional may be invaluable. A marriage encounter weekend, arranged by your church or synagogue, is another alternative. Marriage is tough enough without having to deal with antagonistic adult children. I wouldn't be surprised if your normal sexual interest returned as your stress-level declined.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Does having Osgood-Schlatter's disease as a child cause knee problems as an adult? Will biking aggravate it? Is surgery necessary?

DEAR READER: Osgood-Schlatter's disease is inflammation of the upper leg bone, near the knee. It is a common cause of pain in adolescents and almost always disappears by the late teens. Adults do not have symptoms from it. In general, bicycling is safe and appropriate exercise for youngsters with this problem. Surgery is never indicated, because children always outgrow this affliction.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have burning in my lips, tongue and vagina after a prolonged course of antibiotics for Lyme disease. What can I do?

DEAR READER: The use of antibiotics can allow yeasts to grow in various parts of the body. You may have a low-grade monilia infection that would respond to Mycostatin mouthwashes and vaginal tablets. Ask your doctor about this. In addition, some antibiotics can cause nerve damage, with resulting tingling and numbness. Ask your doctor about this, too.

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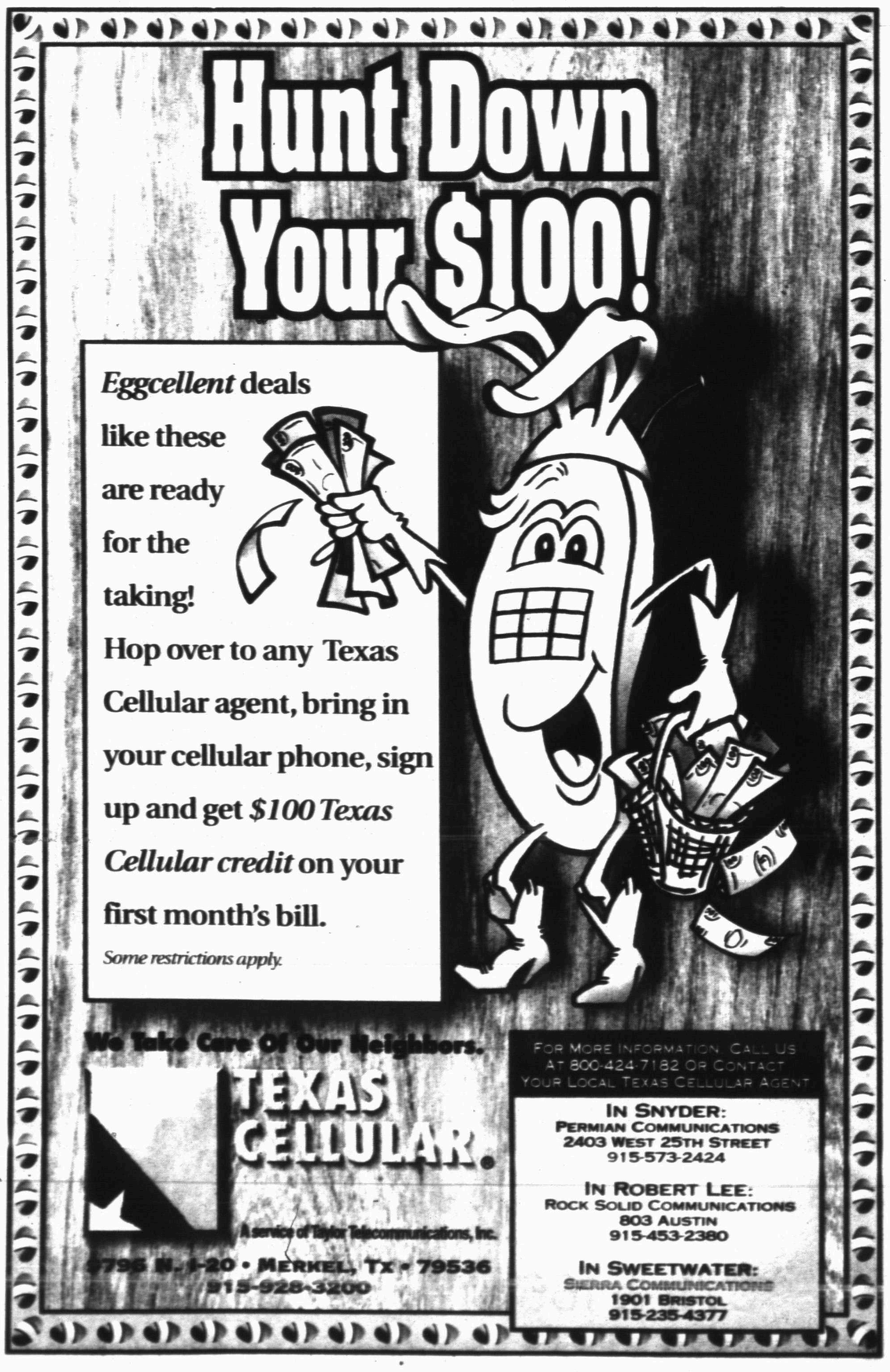
DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband, in his mid 40s, has a lot of gas that he passes constantly. How can he avoid this?

DEAR READER: He can alter his diet to avoid gas-producing foods (such as cabbage and beans), cut down on alcohol consumption, stop drinking carbonated beverages, and make sure that he is not swallowing air when he eats or drinks. In addition, anti-gas compounds, such as Gaviscon, may help.

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Halliburton Energy Services	506	7592
Jack's Roadboring	2	42
J.E. Carlson, Inc.	18	129
Jolley Well Service	1	48
Lorber Industries-Safety Training	65	2176
Mesquite Oil Tools	11	80
Pennzoil Exploration and Production	53	1115
Pool Well Servicing	1	32
Rice Construction	1	32
Richco	9	122
Torch Energy	13	104
Tuboscope Vetco International, Inc.	10	60
Williams Construction (Richter Construction	4	48
York Trucking	1	24
Y-Z Industries	1	24
TOTALS	927	15755
Lorber Industries-Textile Training (less 65 receiving safety training)	84 -65	29105
Grand Totals	946	44860

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