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THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Y2 alert. Beware of computer programmers who carry screwdrivers."

Thanks to WTC's Mike Thornton, who pulled it off the internet, we have multiple answers to an age-old question:

"Why did the chicken cross the road?" The answer varies, depending on the well-known individual.

--Moses: And God came down from the Heavens, and He said unto the chicken. "Though shalt cross the road." And the chicken crossed the road, and there was much rejoicing.

--Fox Mulder: You saw it cross the road with your own eyes. How many more chickens have to cross the road before you believe it?

--Richard M. Nixon: The chicken did not cross the road. I repeat, the chicken did not cross the road.

--Jerry Seinfield: Why does anyone cross a road? I mean, why doesn't anyone ever think to ask, "What the heck was this chicken doing walking around all over the place, anyway?"

--Freud: The fact that you are at all concerned that the chicken crossed the road reveals your underlying sexual insecurity.

--Bill Gates: I have just released the new Chicken Office 2000, which will not only cross roads, but will lay eggs, file your important documents, and balance your chequebook.

--Oliver Stone: The question is not why did the chicken cross the road, but rather who was crossing the road at the same time, whom we overlooked in our haste to observe the chicken crossing.

--Darwin: Chickens, over great periods of time, have been naturally selected in such a way that they are not genetically dispositioned to cross roads.

Martin Luther King Jr.: I envision a world where all chickens will be free to cross roads without having their motives called into question.

--Grandpa: In my day, we didn't ask why the chicken crossed the road. Someone told us that the chicken had crossed the road, and that was good enough for us.

--Einstein: Where the chicken crossed the road or the road moved beneath the chicken depends on your frame of reference.

--Hillary Clinton: I don't remember a chicken and I certainly have no recollection of it crossing anywhere.

--Kenneth Starr: It's not a question of why the chicken crossed the road, but did the chicken try to cover up the fact and when did the scratching begin and who knew it and when.

--Ernest Hemingway: To die. In the rain.

--Colonel Sanders: I missed one?

Portion of CR2126 closed on Friday

A portion of CR 2126 will be closed all day Friday as railroad crews will be making repairs at the railway crossing.

Precinct 2 Commissioner Roy Idom said about one mile of the road will be closed.

The railway crossing is north of Dermott.

Parade at 5 o'clock today...

It's time to rodeo

It's rodeo time again as the 63rd Annual Scurry County Rodeo gets underway at 8 o'clock tonight at the rodeo arena on Gary Brewer Road.

The rodeo will also be held Friday and Saturday nights with events getting underway each night at 8.

A parade, led by present Scurry County Rodeo Queen Shelley York, will be held today with the route scheduled around the Courthouse beginning at 5 p.m.

Riding in today's parade on a float will be this year's queen candidates, Allison Canon, Amanda Johnson, Randi Herrington and Darcee Purcell.

Junior Miss Scurry County Rodeo candidates will also be on the float and they include Kassey Burney, Meggan Minor and Whitney Parks.

Little Miss Scurry County Rodeo Queen contestants scheduled to ride on the float are Bailey Minor and Emma Nunley.

Parade line-up begins at 4:30 p.m. at 26th Street and Avenue X.

Saturday's rodeo will feature the crowning of the queens.

Nightly events include bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, bull riding, calf roping, barrel racing, girl's breakaway roping and team roping.

In addition, there will be a calf scramble nightly with the winners awarded bicycles.

Tickets to the rodeo are $5 at the gate, or $4 from the queen candidates.

The stock contractor is T-N-T Rodeo Company of Anson.

The public is invited to a nightly dance following the rodeo performances. Terry Sneed and Up the Creek will be playing.



TOP ROPER — Mark Mueller, right, was the winner of the saddle for the top time turned in during the annual Stockholder's Roping event held during rodeo week in Snyder. Mueller was presented the saddle by Daryl Drain, representing Big Country Autoland which donated the top prize. (SDN Staff Photo)

Mark Mueller wins saddle for roping

Mark Mueller took top honors in the Stockholder's Roping held in conjunction with the annual Scurry County Rodeo this week.

Mueller was presented a saddle for winning which was donated by Big Country Autoland.

First in the average was Mueller and Bob May. They received belt buckles donated by B&F Well Service, Larry Bills and Bill and Mary Eiland.

Second in the average was Jess Stone and Jack Himes. They received breast collars donated by Darby Scott.

Third place winners were Mueller and Becky Hale and they were winners of horse blankets donated by Sweetwater Steel.

Himes and Eddie Thornburg were the winners of gift certificates donated by Walls Industries. The two ropers recorded the fastest times of the night.



SCURRY COUNTY RODEO QUEEN — Shelley York has served as the queen of the Scurry County Rodeo for the past year. She will crown the new queen Saturday night during the final night of this year's rodeo. (Contributed Photo)

Shelley York ends year as rodeo queen

Shelley York, 18, Scurry County Rodeo Queen, has been rodeoing since she was around six years old.

The daughter of Keta and Larry York, Shelley competes in several rodeo events, including breakaway roping, ribbon roping and team roping.

She is in her second year at Western Texas College and she plans to continue her education at Texas Tech.

She was selected as queen last year, and has ridden in several rodeo parades representing Scurry County.

"It's a real honor representing my home town rodeo," said the 1997 graduate of Snyder High School. "This has been a year that I will never forget."

Shelley stays busy rodeoing as she competes just about every weekend.

She is on the rodeo team at WTC and has competed in college rodeos across the country.

Besides rodeoing, she also enjoys spending time with her family.

Her brother Jason, also rodeos and he, too, was on the WTC rodeo team.

Shelley will crown the new rodeo queen during ceremonies Saturday night.

Shell pulls out of rain forest project

LIMA, Peru (AP) — Royal Dutch-Shell plans to pull out of the massive Camisea gas fields project in the Amazon rain forest, rocking one of the pillars of Peru's planned economic development.

The company said Wednesday night it would not continue with the $3 billion project, the largest natural resource investment in Peru's history, because it wanted greater control over the sale and marketing of the natural gas.

The Anglo-Dutch company was the operator in a partnership with Mobil Oil Corp. of Fairfax, Va.

"In spite of efforts by Shell and Mobil to overcome differences with authorities over the introduction of gas into the Peruvian market, a solution could not be found," Shell said in a brief statement. It did not give further reasons for the pullout.

The three Camisea gas fields, 350 miles southeast of Lima in some of the world's most biodiverse jungle, are the largest gas reserves in the Americas, containing an estimated 11 trillion cubic feet of natural gas and 600 million barrels of condensates, a liquid form of the fuel.

Shell estimated it would have started producing gas in 2001 and earned more than $8 billion over the next 10 years in tax revenues, wages and investment for Peru. It was to have produced gas for 40 years.

President Alberto Fujimori had called the Camisea deal "the project of the century" that would power Peru's economy in the 21st century, ending this impoverished Andean nation's dependence on imported energy.

Large investments in fishing, cement and petrochemicals were expected to pour into Peru on the back of Camisea.

"This is a major blow to Peru's economy," said Daniel Saba, an oil and gas analyst. "The anticipated income from Camisea formed a part of how Peruvian authorities planned to meet their foreign debt obligations."

Prison terms total 64 years for seven

Seven persons have been sentenced to serve a total of 64 years in the state's prison system following guilty pleas and revocation hearings in 132nd District Court.

Earnest James, 66, of 1912 Coleman, Apt. 4, pleaded guilty to two counts of felony driving while intoxicated, offenses that occurred on March 14 and April 3.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong sentenced James to 10 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. The two sentences will be served concurrently, along with a two-year state jail term for possession of a controlled substance.

James had been serving a two-year state jail term, probated for five years, for the March 19, 1996 offense of possession of a controlled substance.

Gary Free, 42, of 1500 27th Street also pleaded guilty to a June 20 charge of DWI. Free has been serving a five-year probated sentence for a 1994 DWI conviction. Free was ordered to serve eight years in prison.

John Elton Burns, 34, of Monahans pleaded guilty to possession of less than one ounce of heroin, a May 5 offense for which Judge Armstrong assessed a two-year state jail term.

The court also revoked a 10-year probated sentence for a 1991 aggravated assault. Burns will now serve the 10 years in TDCJ.

A motion to revoke the probation of Perry Greathouse, 28, of Lubbock was granted. Greathouse has been on probation since 1995 for delivery of a controlled substance. Because of probation violations, Greathouse must now serve two years in a state jail facility.

The five-year probated sentence of David Michael Whiteley was revoked and Whitely, 45, of Odessa must now serve five years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Whiteley had been convicted of DWI in 1996.

Also revoked was the six-year probated term being served by Felix Martinez Gutierrez Jr. of 600 34th Street. Martinez, 31, had pleaded guilty in 1992 to burglary of a habitation. Martinez must now serve six years in the state prison system.

Michael Hugh McKerns, 35, of Colorado City, pleaded guilty to a June 27 offense of felony DWI. Judge Armstrong assessed a five-year probated prison sentence and fined the defendant $1,000.

Two probated sentences being served by Andrew Williams, 31, of Abilene were revoked by Senior District Judge Gene Dulaney.

Williams was on probation for five years for a 1994 theft of a firearm and and another theft in 1995.

Williams will now serve concurrent two-year terms in a state jail facility.



George W. Bush

Gov. Bush due here Monday

Gov. George Bush will be here Monday at 12:55 p.m. at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

The time is different from the original announced time of noon.

Gov. Bush's office emphasizes that everyone in the community is invited to meet with the governor.

"This is a community reception with Gov. Bush available to answer any question a citizen of Snyder might have," said David McArthur of the Governor Bush Committee in Austin.

Bush, who is seeking his second term as governor, is being touted by national Republicans as a possible candidate for President.

Bush has not been in Scurry County since becoming governor, but his wife, Laura, was speaker at the Snyder Chamber of Commerce banquet last March.

ASK US

Q—When is the final decision on the proposed low-level flight training in and around Scurry County expected to be released by the Air Force?

A—November, 1999.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 104 degrees; low, 75; reading at 78 a.m. Thursday, 76 degrees; no precipitation; total for 1998 to date, 5.65 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight a 20% chance of thunderstorms. Friday, partly cloudy. Less than 20% chance of thunderstorms. High near 100. SE wind 5-15 mph.



Jesse Martinez
Partly cloudy

Sunset: 8:49 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:51 a.m.
Of 196 days in 1998, the sun has shone 194 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Love means to love that which is unlovable; or it is no virtue at all.

G.K. Chesterton

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Mauro losing to Bush in polls and in cash

AUSTIN (AP) — With just over three months to go before the Nov. 3 election, Gov. George W. Bush has about 65 times more campaign cash than Democratic challenger Garry Mauro.

In campaign finance reports filed Wednesday with the Texas Ethics Commission, Bush said he had raised $4.3 million from March 1 to June 30, bringing his total raised for the campaign to $13.7 million.

Bush had $7 million on hand befote starting the 1998 campaign and had $14.5 million on hand as of June 30, his campaign reported.

"Governor Bush's leadership continues to receive strong support from across Texas and from Republicans, Democrats and independents," said Don Evans, chairman of the Governor Bush Committee. "The broadbased financial support for the governor has received shows that Texans have clearly embraced his positive vision for the future."

Mauro announced that he has raised $1.56 million over the first six months of 1998, bringing his total raised to $3.87 million.

Mauro, who in recent polls has been shown to be anywhere from 35 to 53 points behind Bush, said he had $221,659 on hand.

"The fact that we've raised almost $4 million clearly demonstrates that my campaign will have the resources necessary to mount a serious challenge for the Governor's Mansion," Mauro said. "We have built a solid foundation to raise an additional $4 million in the closing months of this campaign."

In the lieutenant governor's race, Democratic candidate John Sharp reported raising $2.59 million over the first six months of the year, raising his overall total to $7 million.

Sharp, who noted in a press release that $1.4 million of his total raised has come from Texans who also are giving to Bush, said he had $5.4 million on hand.

Republican lieutenant governor candidate Rick Perry announced that he had raised $3.5 million over the first six months of 1998 and $6.65 million overall. Perry's campaign declined to say how much cash it had on hand.

In the attorney general's race, Republican John Cornyn announced raising $1.1 million since April 4 for a total of $2.75 million overall. Cornyn said he had $673,000 in cash on hand.

Democratic attorney general candidate Jim Mattox announced raising $703,235 in contributions and $121,055 in pledges that are already in the bank from March 1 and June 30.

Mattox's campaign spokeswoman Audrey Duff said Mattox had roughly $800,000 in cash on hand.

In the comptroller's race, Republican candidate Carole Keeton Rylander announced raising $1.12 million over the first six months of the year for an overall total of $2.2 million.

Ms. Rylander's campaign said she has $1.5 million on hand.

Trio arrested in Clinton death plot

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — Three men accused of plotting to kill President Clinton and other government officials by using poisoned cactus thorns will be held pending federal grand jury review, a magistrate decided Wednesday.

U.S. Magistrate John William Black found there was enough evidence to hold Johnnie Wise, 72, Jack Abbott Grebe Jr., 43 and Oliver Dean Emigh, 63. The three have been jailed without bond since their arrest two weeks ago on charges of conspiracy to use weapons of mass destruction.

An affidavit unsealed Monday said the men were self-proclaimed members of the Republic of Texas who had a hit list of government officials that included President Clinton, the U.S. and Texas attorneys general, and directors of the FBI and the CIA.

According to an FBI informant, the three men drafted a "Declaration of War" message that was e-mailed to the targeted officials.

"Your FBI employees and their families have been targeted for destruction by revenge," read the message sent to FBI Director Louis Freeh. The message was later modified and sent to other officials:

At the Wednesday hearing, Grebe's attorney, Dan Herink, called the scheme "fanciful" and "cockamamie."

"They're accused of doing something they had no capability of doing," Herink said.

Herink and Keith Uhles, Wise's lawyer, repeatedly questioned whether arresting the men for an e-mail message was a violation of the First Amendment.

Uhles added that the text of the message seems to be more of an admonition than a threat.

"It's really worded more as a warning," Uhles said. "I think really, your Honor, it's saying there's a threat out there."

Wise and Grebe allegedly told an FBI informant that they were trying to modify a Bic lighter that would propel air instead of propane, put a hypodermic needle in the opening of the lighter and insert a cactus thorn covered with a biological agent like anthrax, botulism, HIV or rabies.

The men were planning to produce botulism with chicken livers, chicken hearts, and green beans with a little dirt, the affidavit said.

By Secret Service...

White House loses another round to block testimony

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department lost another round in its effort to stop Secret Service testimony and President Clinton's lawyers set up another line of defense — declaring prosecutor Kenneth Starr's subpoenas are a "back-door attempt" to find out about Clinton's confidential conversations with his lawyers.

Starr is moving toward a new and sensitive area of his investigation — questioning the head of Clinton's Secret Service detail and eight uniformed officers about what they saw or heard about the president and former White House intern Monica Lewinsky.

U.S. District Judge Norma Holloway Johnson, who oversees Starr's grand jury probe, refused to quash Starr's subpoenas and didn't immediately issue a stay Wednesday, which would have stymied Starr in getting testimony from Special Agent Larry Cockell and the uniformed officers.

The judge's decision left the Justice Department with few options except to bow to the subpoenas or seek an emergency order from a higher court. It remained unclear how the drama would unfold early today, specifically whether Cockell would actually show up at the grand jury room for the start of the panel's 9:15 a.m., EDT, session.

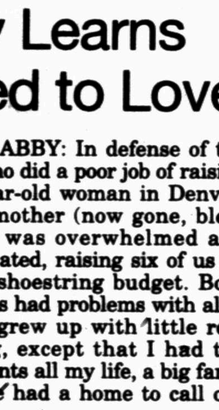
The New York Times reported in today's editions that the administration asked Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist late Wednesday to step in and block the testimony today. But Supreme Court spokeswoman Toni House said no such request was filed Wednesday.

Starr subpoenaed the Secret Service personnel to appear today before the grand jury probing possible suborning of perjury, witness tampering and obstruction in an alleged sexual relationship between Clinton and the former White House intern.

"Our position has always been to use all available legal means to gather full and truthful testimony for the grand jury as expeditiously as possible," said Starr's spokesman, Charles Bakaly. Bakaly said he would not comment on any sealed court proceeding.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Fearful Mom Finally Learns It Takes Being Loved to Love

DEAR ABBY: I had to write after reading the letter from "Mom in Denver," who asked for input from other mothers on how to be a good mother:

When I married at 17, I swore I would never have children for fear of abusing them as my mother had abused me. I love my mother, but I may never understand why there had to be so much hurt and pain while I was growing up.

Then I received the greatest gift of all from my mother-in-law: her unconditional love. Abby, she is my angel here on Earth. She has given me all the things I never received from my own mother: patience, understanding, confidence in myself. Without her, I would not be half the person or parent that I am. My mother-in-law is not only one of my best friends, but also the most wonderful "Grammie" to my daughter. I could not love her more if she had given birth to me.

I was 29 before I finally felt secure enough in myself to have a child. Then I realized that I am my own person with an abundance of love in my heart. I now have a beautiful 2-year-old daughter, and my only regret is that I waited so long to have her.

I know I am not perfect, but I believe that if you know love, you can show love. After all, isn't love the most important ingredient in raising a child? After that, the rest will fall into place.

MOM IN DENVER, TOO

DEAR MOM IN DENVER, TOO: If anyone ever doubted the healing power of love, your relationship with your angel of a mother-in-law should dispel it. What a wonderful testimonial you have written to a remarkable woman. Your letter proves that, although children may be scarred by the bad examples set for them in childhood, the situation is never hopeless, and it's never too late to learn. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: In defense of the mother who did a poor job of raising the 32-year-old woman in Denver: My own mother (now gone, bless her soul) was overwhelmed and undereducated, raising six of us on a skinny shoestring budget. Both my parents had problems with alcohol. So I grew up with little real parenting, except that I had the same parents all my life, a big family, and we had a home to call our own.

I married, had three children, and then faced raising them alone, for I was one of the early single moms. My three are remarkably loving human beings. Looking back, we had our share of challenges, most of which related to dysfunction, substance abuse and fear of intimacy. My three always tell me they know I did my best. They also tell me when they feel I'm "off the mark," but we all know we have each other and are family.

Kids are remarkably forgiving when they know you're trying to be the best parent you can be. Probably the most important thing is to always say "I'm sorry" and "I love you." It seems to me that those little words go a long way.

DARBY, MONT., MOM

DEAR MONTANA MOM: I couldn't agree more. No one is infallible. May I add to your generous comments the importance of teaching young children, by one's own example, to respect authority figures such as teachers and police? Children learn volumes not only from what parents say and do — but from what they don't say and do.

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Datebook

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Today is the 197th day of 1998 and the 26th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1769, the Mission San Diego de Alcala was founded in California by Father Junipero Serra.

On this day in 1969, Apollo Eleven took off from Cape Kennedy on the first manned mission to the surface of the moon.

On this day in 1986, Dolly Parton's Dollywood amusement park opened in Tennessee.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Joshua Reynolds (1723-1792), artist; Mary Baker Eddy (1821-1910), Christian Science founder; Roald Amundsen (1872-1928), polar explorer; "Shoeless" Joe Jackson (1889-1951), baseball great; Barbara Stanwyck (1907-1990), actress; Ginger Rogers (1911-1995), dancer-actress; Margaret Smith Court (1942-), tennis great, is 56; Barry Sanders (1968-), football star, is 30.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1974, Nate Colbert, Willie McCovey and Dave Winfield hit consecutive home runs in the bottom of the ninth inning, giving the San Diego Padres a 5-4 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Life was meant to be lived, and curiosity must be kept alive. One must never, for whatever reason, turn one's back on life." — Eleanor Roosevelt

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1980, winds up to 150 mph caused extensive damage in Michigan.

SOURCE: 1998 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Last quarter.

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MOST IMPROVED BUSINESS — The local garden club and the Snyder Beautification committee chose the Snyder Chamber of Commerce for the Most Improved Business yard of the month. From left are Jo Ann Nunley and LaVerne Hood, Snyder Garden Club members, chamber executive director Donna Fowler, and staff members Mary Westmoreland and Sandra Barbosa. (SDN Staff Photo by Joyce May)

Falls most serious for over age 65

ROSEMONT, Ill. (AP) — Falls can be bad for anyone, but they're most serious for older people.

They're the leading cause of fatal and nonfatal injuries for people 65 and older, says the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, which estimates that about a third of all senior citizens has fallen in the past year. And falls most often (60 percent of the time) occur in that friendliest of environments, the home.

The organization has launched a campaign, "Don't Let a Fall Be Your Last Trip," to help older people recognize the risks and learn to prevent falls.

Keeping physically fit is one of the ways to cut the chances of a serious fall. Eliminating hazards at home and adding safety devices is another.

Among those at greatest risk are older women, especially Caucasians and Asians, says the AAOS. They also are seniors unable to stand on one leg for more than five seconds; they are users of multiple prescription and over-the-counter drugs; and they are elderly people who live alone.

For the older person, a fall can be a life-changing event, leading to decreased mobility and independence, hospitalization, or nursing home admission. AAOS estimates that in the United States, the annual cost is $20.2 billion annually.

Inactivity is a risk factor, because it weakens your muscles, the organization says. Regular exercise can help you maintain or improve your gait, balance, agility and posture.

Thirty minutes a day for physical activity is achievable for most seniors. It doesn't have to be gung-ho: try walking, dancing, housework, biking, gardening, and similar activities. The Chinese martial art, Tai Chi — taught at many community organizations — can help you gain self-confidence and balance.

When you wake, sit on the edge of the bed to make sure you're not dizzy before rising. Once up, eat breakfast; skipping meals can make you dizzy. Use a cane or walker if you're unsteady.

Get a physical and eye exam every year, too.

Now, take an analytical look at your home.

Don't leave clutter or objects on stairs or floors. Keep electrical and telephone cords out of your walking pathways (but don't put them under a rug). Pathways should be clear of obstructions like low coffee tables, planters, magazine racks, and similar furnishings. Arrange your furniture to create clear pathways between rooms. Keep drawers and cabinet doors closed when not in use.

Floors and coverings are a major concern. Avoid patterned, dark, or deep-pile carpeting on stairs; solid colors show the edges of the steps better. Don't put loose area rugs at the bottom or top of the stairs. If the risers are bare wood, install nonslip treads. If you use area rugs, they should be secured with double-faced tape or slip-resistant backings. Keep throw rugs out of the kitchen. Loose floorboards or tiles should be repaired immediately.

Additions that will help you (and younger people, too) are handrails on both sides of stairs, light switches at both ends of the stairwell, grab bars in the bath (both bathing and toilet areas), a plastic seat in the tub if you're unsteady or can't lower yourself to the floor of the tub, nightlights along the route between bedroom and bathroom, and a step-stool with handrails to reach shelf items in the kitchen or at storage areas.

Your clothes are important, too. Make sure they fit; you could trip on skirts, trousers, bathrobes, or coats that are too long. Select comfortable, low-heeled shoes, preferably with non-skid soles. If new shoes have slippery soles, take them to a shoe repair shop to have them roughed or have non-skid strips added. Avoid shoes with heavy soles. And keep your laces tied.

For a free copy of the AAOS brochure, "Don't Let a Fall Be Your Last Trip," call 1 (800) 824-BONES.

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BRIDAL SHOWER — Mrs. Brad Harmon, nee Kelli Lockhart, was given a bridal shower on June 7 in the community room of Snyder National Bank. The couple married June 20 in Colonial Hill Baptist Church. From left are Bobbie Lockhart, grandmother of the bride; the honoree; and Marilyn Lockhart, mother of the bride. (Contributed Photo)

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Al-Anon brown bag, open meeting; 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; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 7 p.m.

Just for Today NA; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

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

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912-35th ; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizons AA; closed meeting; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 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 appointments; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

Just for Today NA; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 07-16-98
♠ Q J 8
♥ 8 5 4 2
♦ K J 9
♣ 9 7 6

West
♠ A 4 3 2
♥ A K Q 10 7
♦ 6 2
♣ 10 3

East
♠ 7
♥ 9 3
♦ 10 8 7 5 3
♣ J 8 5 4 2

South
♠ K 10 9 6 5
♥ J 6
♦ A Q 4
♣ A K Q

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	2 ♥	2 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ A

Play them on a string

Mark Twain claimed, "Principles have no real force except when one is well-fed."

Well, whether you are sated or hungry, it is fun at the bridge table to force an opponent to do your bidding — in the play! When you have four trumps, the guiding principle is to find a forcing defense. That means leading a side suit, forcing declarer to ruff and — it is almost redundant to add — reducing his trump length. The first ruff might leave him equal with you, but if you can make him ruff again, he will be shorter than you. At that point, you have assumed trump control and are well on your way to defeating the contract — as in this deal.

Against four spades, West starts with three top hearts. (Yes, perhaps East should ruff the third heart with his only trump, but let's assume he doesn't.)

Thinking everything is rosy, South ruffs — down to four trumps — and plays a spade. West rushes in with his ace to lead another heart. South ruffs — down to two trumps, while West still has three. Declarer continues with another spade because he is home if the suit splits 3-2. But East discards a minor-suit card.

Now South cannot do better than turn to his minor-suit tricks. Suppose he cashes two diamonds and two clubs, bringing his total up to seven tricks. West ruffs the next minor, then leads his fifth heart. Whichever way declarer turns, he must lose another trick to West's remaining trump for two down.

True, South can save a trick by leaving one minor untouched, but he is still booked for defeat. He was forced to death.

Painter selected parade marshal

MOUNT JULIET, Tenn. (AP) — Even at 109, John Painter shows the fire that led him to once enlist in the Army — for World War I.

"He gets around quite well," said his daughter, Doris Potts. "He's on doctor's orders to use a walker, and he usually winds up carrying that around the house!"

Painter, the oldest of Tennessee's 27 surviving World War I veterans, has been asked to be one of the grand marshals in a parade this November marking the 80th anniversary of the Armistice, which ended World War I in 1918.

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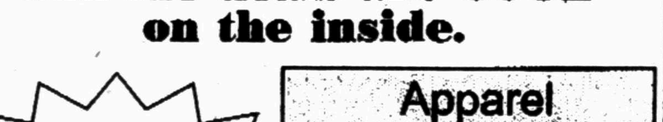
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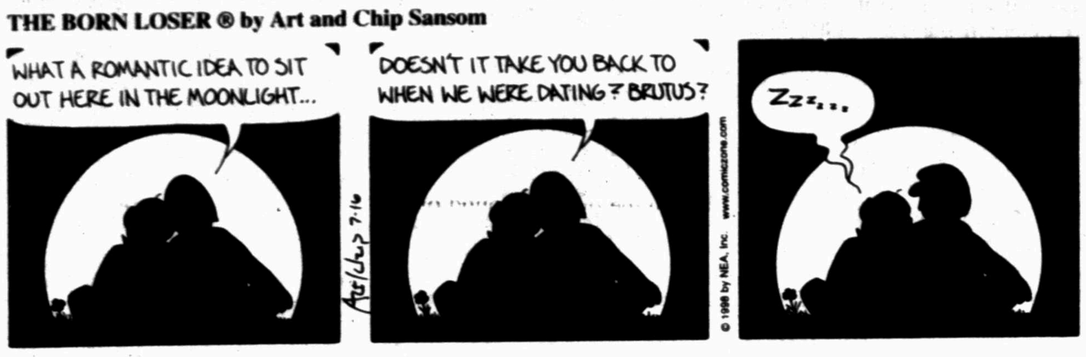


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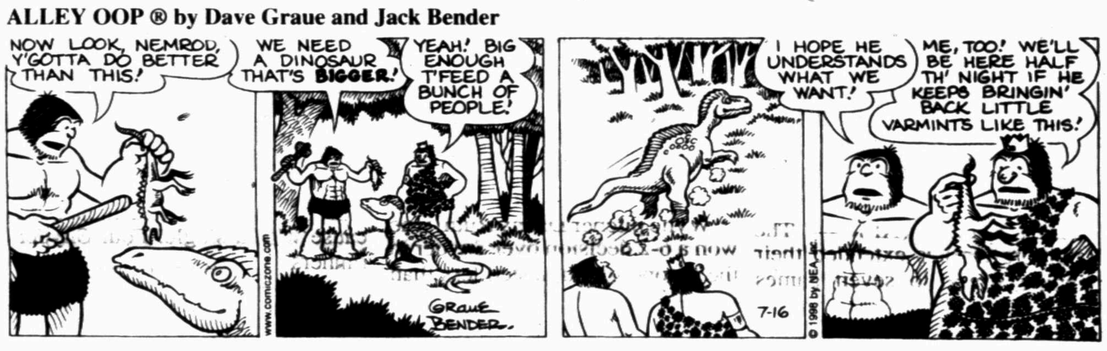
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7 Bell-shaped hat
13 Stew ingredient
14 Lots and lots
15 Bring into existence
16 Rat or mouse
17 Rower's need
18 WWII area
20 Gravel ridge
21 Found by searching
25 Revolved
28 Laundry units
32 Puppeteer Lewis
33 Follow
34 Zodiac sign
35 Canadian peninsula
36 Acts like a model
37 Clamped (teeth) together
39 Change the driving plan
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44 Likely
45 First degrees (abbr.)
48 Of the eyes
51 Leisure garment
54 Manufactured again
55 Empower
56 Chalkboard necessity
57 Purple plum

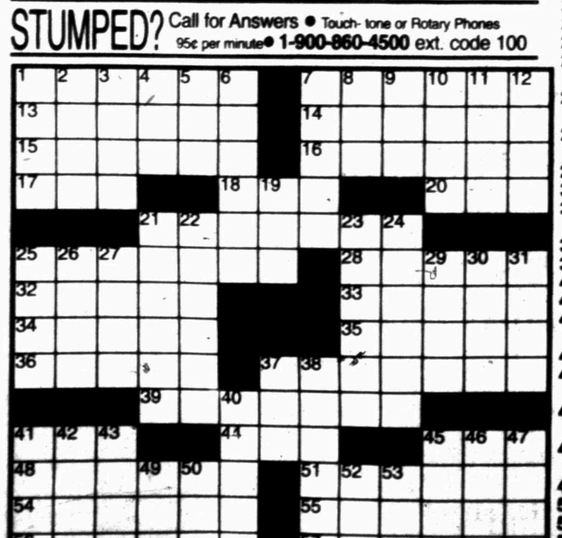
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2 Northern constellation
3 Customer
4 Give — — whirl
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6 Athens is here
7 French landscape painter
8 Old card game
9 Not even
10 Singer Laine
11 Female birds
12 This (Sp.)
19 Little child
21 Bigger
22 Ineffective
23 Legal writ
24 Contribute
25 Invitation inits.
26 Toledo's place
27 Paving substances
29 Aide (abbr.)
30 Deceive
31 Farmer's purchase
37 Rep.'s org.
38 Furrowed
40 Harder to find
41 Apple center
42 Genus of maples
43 Mountain lion
45 Lobster-eaters' wear
46 Folksinger Guthrie
47 Transcriber (abbr.)
49 — Vegas
50 Lemony drink
52 Nahoor sheep
53 — and cheese

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SPORTS

Gailey likes extended pre-season schedule

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — A slow start to the regular NFL season may be just what new Cowboys coach Chan Gailey needs to fine-tune his team.

Dallas has training camp and five exhibitions before actions on the field begin to count.

"I feel fortunate this year, and I may not say that every year, that we do have five games," Gailey said Wednesday after his team began practice. "We have the opportunity to see five times in game situations our offense, defense and special teams."

Gailey pledged to forge a playoff team in his first season at the helm, although he admitted it wouldn't be easy.

"I didn't beat around the bush. I fully expect that to happen," Gailey said. "I got a job to do. A lot of work to do. I can't get distracted."

Topping his list could be the Cowboys' offense that was 22nd in scoring last year.

"As coaches, we expect perfection in the first game. I realize that's tough to achieve," he said. "I can expect perfect execution and then work on what needs to be done."

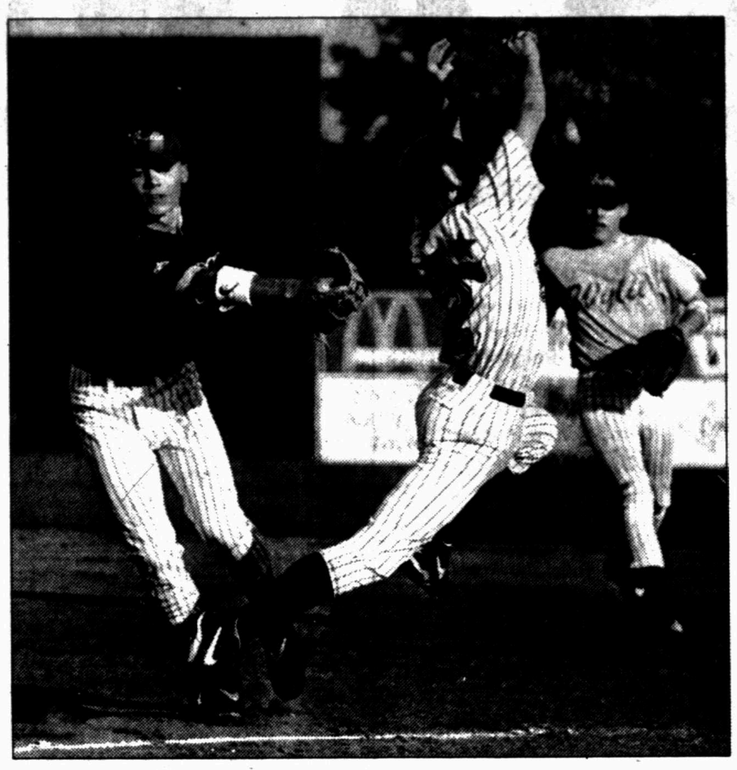
The former Pittsburgh offensive coordinator is happy to have veterans like Troy Aikman, Emmitt Smith, Michael Irvin and Leon Lett to serve as the nucleus for a winning squad.

'We are trying to take new players, younger players and mold them in with these more experienced players and build ourselves a championship team," Gailey said. "And it will be done here (in Wichita Falls)."

The Cowboys won only six games last year and the collapse prompted owner Jerry Jones' search for a successor to Barry Switzer, his good friend who had become a liability.

Also Wednesday, owner Jerry Jones announced special teams star Bill Bates would be an assistant coach.

"Bill will be a full-time coach, not a player coach," Jones said of the 36-year-old Bates who became a salary cap liability because of the raise to a $375,000 minimum for veterans. "He will stay in shape and be available to play if we need him."



BASELINE DANCE — Snyder's Jessie Haines avoids the tag of Wylie's Brent Gailey during fifth inning action Wednesday at Moffett Field. Haines was called out on the play, but Snyder nabbed the 11-3 win. Snyder Senior will play again tonight at 7:30, while Snyder's 10-year-olds will be in action at 8 in Sweetwater.

Snyder eliminates Wylie, 11-3

Snyder Senior All-Stars got a little bit of redemption, some for themselves and some for Cross Plains.

After watching Wylie humiliate Cross Plains on Tuesday, 41-11, Snyder returned the favor Wednesday night with a 11-3 thumping of Wylie at Moffett Field, in a ballgame dominated by the home squad.

Snyder pounded out 15 hits while allowing only four, earning a semifinal match-up at 7:30 tonight against Abilene Southwest.

Wylie pitcher Danny Ruth, who won a 6-2 decision over Snyder in the second round, lasted less than two innings.

Snyder's first five hitters of the opening frame knocked base hits, with Matthew Grimmett blasting double. Three batters later, Brooks Nunley slapped a two-RBI single to give the locals a 5-0 lead.

Snyder hurler Josh Arizmendi and his defensive mates took care of the rest.

Arizmendi finished the night with seven strikeouts, while walking only one.

Snyder kept the pressure on in the second. Ralph Ramon led off with another single, folowed two batters later by a Grimmett base hit.

Next up, Max Blackwell busted a double and Arizmendi helped his cause with a single. Four Snyder runners crossed the plate, upping the margin to 9-0.

Snyder capped its scoring in the sixth. Blackwell began the inning with a base hit, followed by a Ryan Braziel double. Brandon McGuire then belted the squad's 14th hit, knocking in Braziel.

Blackwell his squad's effort at the plate, going 4 for 4 with a double.

A victory tonight over Southwest, a 16-15 winner Wednesday over Abilene Senior, would advance Snyder into the championship round.

The title contest is slated for Friday at 5 p.m. Should another game be neccessary to crown a champion, it would be played Friday night at 8 o'clock.

SENIOR ALL-STARS
at Moffett Field

Wylie	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	3	4	3
Snyder	5	4	0	0	0	2	x	11	14	3

Snyder: Max Blackwell, double and three singles; Matthew Grimmett and Ryan Braziel, double and two singles; Ralph Ramon, two singles; Jessie Haines, Josh Arizmendi, Brandon McGuire and Brooks Nunley, single.

Top Gun edged by Clyde in Marshall

MARSHALL — Snyder Top Gun began state tournament play with a rout and ended it with a heartbreaker.

Top Gun trounced Kilgore, 14-2, in the opening round of the ASA 14-under State Tournament, before being eliminated by Clyde 8-7, in the third round.

Sandwiched in between was a second-round loss to Rockwall, 9-1.

Snyder jumped on Kilgore early, posting three runs in the opening frame on base hits by Sabrina Terry, Amber Alexander and Kallie Billingsley.

The local squad added to its lead in the second. Alexander and Lacy Doggett blasted doubles in the inning, as Snyder extended the margin to 13-1.

Chaelyn Robinson had two base hits in the contest, including a triple, while Chasity Perales slapped three singles.

Terry picked up the win on the mound, allowing only one Kilgore in the first inning and one in the third.

After notching the opening victory, Snyder ran into a stellar pitcher from Rockwall.

Only Terry, Robinson and Shelley Fisk could muster hits off the hurler, with Fisk scoring Snyder's lone run in the second inning.

Facing elimination, Snyder once again took the early lead against Clyde.

Perales began the game by drawing a base on balls and later scored the first run for a 1-0 Snyder advantage.

Snyder widened the gap in the third, after Vanessa Freeman led off with a triple. Fisk and Terry followed with singles and Alexander with a double for a 4-0 tally.

But Clyde answered, knotting the ballgame in the bottom of the frame before taking a 5-4 lead in the fifth.

Trailing for the first time in the contest, Snyder rallied in the fifth.

A single by Doggett and doubles by Fisk and Terry netted three runs to put Snyder back on top, 7-5.

But in the bottom of the inning, managed to scratch out three runs of its own. Clyde scored all three runs on only one hit, four walks and two hit batters.

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Snyder 14, Kilgore 2

Snyder: Chaelyn Robinson, triple and single; Amber Alexander, double and single; Lacy Doggett, double; Chasity Perales, three singles; Sabrina Terry, two singles; Shelley Fisk and Kallie Billingsley and Melissa Jones, single.

Rockwall 9, Snyder 1

Snyder: Sabrina Terry, double; Shelley Fisk and Chaelyn Robinson, single.

Clyde 8, Snyder 7

Snyder: Vanessa Freeman, triple; Sabrina Terry, double and three singles; Shelley Fisk, double and two singles; Amber Alexander, double and single; Lacy Doggett, two singles; Chaelyn Robinson, single.

Astro hurler hospitalized by line drive

PHOENIX (AP) — Houston reliever Billy Wagner was hit in the head by a line drive and taken off the field on a stretcher in the bottom of the ninth Wednesday night in the Astros' 9-8 loss in 11 innings to Arizona.

Wagner never lost consciousness and his vital signs were OK when he left the ballpark, Diamondbacks doctors said. Wagner was taken to a neurological center for further tests.

Wagner barely had time to react to Kelly Stinnett's liner and was knocked flat. The ball caromed on the fly nearly to the third-base dugout as Wagner sprawled on the mound, his legs flopping.

The 26-year-old left-hander was talking to the trainers that rushed to him. More than a dozen players on both teams, along with an umpire, watched over Wagner as the crowd of 42,229 quieted at the Bank One Ballpark.

A medical team immobilized Wagner's head and placed him on a stretcher before driving him off the field on a cart. The bruise on the left side of Wagner's head had already swelled.

Orioles 14, Rangers 3...

Rangers' losing skid continues

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Baltimore Orioles extended their winning streak to seven games Wednesday night and won for the first time on the road in 11 games with a 14-3 rout of the Texas Rangers.

Mike Bordick and Lenny Webster both went 3-for-5 and drove in two runs, and Rafael Palmeiro homered for the Orioles.

Roberto Alomar, Rich Becker, Eric Davis and Brady Anderson also had two RBIs each for Baltimore, which hadn't won away from home since June 12 at Toronto.

Tom Goodwin and Juan Gonzalez had two hits each for the Rangers, who dropped their fourth straight. Gonzalez failed to drive in a run for the seventh straight game and remained stuck at 101 RBIs.

Rookie Sidney Ponson (3-6) took advantage of Baltimore's season-high 19 hits to win for the first time on the road this season. The 21-year-old allowed three runs and eight hits in five innings.

Trailing 1-0, the Orioles scored five runs in the second off Rick Helling (12-5). Webster and Alomar hit two-run singles and Bordick added an RBI double. Becker's run-scoring single in the third pushed the Orioles' lead to 6-1.

Texas got within 6-3 in the third on Will Clark's RBI single and Luis Alicea's sacrifice fly.

In the fifth, Palmeiro's 28th homer and Bordick's run-scoring single made it 8-3.

Helling gave up eight runs in 4 1-3 innings, the most runs since giving up nine to the Angels in 1994.

Lowrance nabs match play win



Brooke Lowrance

FRESNO, Calif. — With a chance to play 36 holes today, Brooke Lowrance conserved her energy Wednesday by taking care of business early.

Lowrance knocked off Sally Krueger of San Fransico, Calif., 6 and 4, advancing into the second round of the Women's Trans National Golf Championship.

Lowrance, a Texas Tech senior and Snyder High graduate, had secured a spot in the Championship Flight during two rounds of qualifying play.

The Lady Raider was to have faced Stefanie Mitchell of Columbia, Mo., a 6 and 5 winner on Wednesday, in the second round this morning. A victory over Mitchell would propel Lowrance into an afternoon match.

Six match play rounds are scheduled with the title round slated for Saturday.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
NewYork	67	21	.761	-
Boston	54	38	.587	15
Toronto	47	49	.490	24
Baltimore	45	50	.474	25½
TampaBay	35	58	.376	34½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	53	39	.576	-
KansasCity	42	51	.452	11½
Minnesota	42	51	.452	11½
Chicago	41	53	.436	13
Detroit	38	53	.418	14½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Anaheim	52	41	.559	-
Texas	51	43	.543	1½
Oakland	44	49	.473	8
Seattle	42	53	.442	11

Wednesday's Games

Chicago White Sox 9, Toronto 3, 1st game
Chicago White Sox 5, Toronto 2, 2nd game
Boston 1, Cleveland 0
N.Y. Yankees 11, Detroit 0
Baltimore 14, Texas 3
Seattle 4, Minnesota 1
Kansas City 5, Oakland 1
Anaheim 4, Tampa Bay 2

Thursday's Games

Toronto (Carpenter 5-4) at Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 4-3), 2:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Rapp 8-8) at Oakland (Stein 3-5), 3:15 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Cone 13-2) at Detroit (Moehler 9-6), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Gooden 3-3) at Boston (Wakefield 10-4), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Erickson 9-7) at Texas (Sele 12-5), 8:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 9-7) at Seattle (Johnson 8-8), 10:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Arrojo 10-6) at Anaheim (Sparks 3-1), 10:05 p.m.

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	62	32	.660	-
NewYork	46	43	.517	13¼
Philadelphia	47	44	.516	13¼
Montreal	38	55	.409	23¼
Florida	36	58	.383	26

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	55	39	.585	-
Chicago	51	43	.543	4
Milwaukee	47	45	.511	7
Cincinnati	45	50	.474	10½
St.Louis	43	50	.462	11½
Pittsburgh	42	52	.447	13

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
SanDiego	61	34	.642	-
SanFrancisco	53	42	.558	8
LosAngeles	47	47	.500	13½
Colorado	41	54	.432	20
Arizona	32	62	.340	28½

Wednesday's Games

Atlanta 12, N.Y. Mets 1
Milwaukee 3, Philadelphia 2
Montreal 9, Florida 5
Pittsburgh 3, Chicago Cubs 0
San Francisco 5, Los Angeles 3
Cincinnati 4, St. Louis 2, 11 innings
San Diego 6, Colorado 2
Arizona 9, Houston 8, 11 innings

Thursday's Games

Pittsburgh (Schmidt 8-5) at Montreal (Pavano 2-3), 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Portugal 4-2) at N.Y. Mets (Reed 10-5), 7:40 p.m.
Milwaukee (Eldred 4-7) at Atlanta (Maddux 12-3), 7:40 p.m.
Los Angeles (Valdez 6-9) at St. Louis (Mercker 5-6), 8:10 p.m.

Sports Briefs

Tennis tourney

The Black/Gold Tennis Tournament will be held July 24-26 at the SJHS tennis complex. There will be singles and doubles play in four different age groups, ranging from 12-under up to men's/women's.

Entry fee is $8 for one event, $15 for two and $20 for three. Registration deadline is Thursday. For more information contact Chad Redwine at 573-9064.

Tennis camp

The Competitive Edge Tennis Camp will be held July 27-31. Sessions will run from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. each day. Cost is $125.

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Junior Club Championship

The Junior Championship of Snyder Country Club will be July 24. Entry fee is $10. For more information, call the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

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Tuesday: Snyder 5, Colorado City 4; Wylie 41, Cross Plains 11
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Tonight: Snyder vs. Southwest, 7:30

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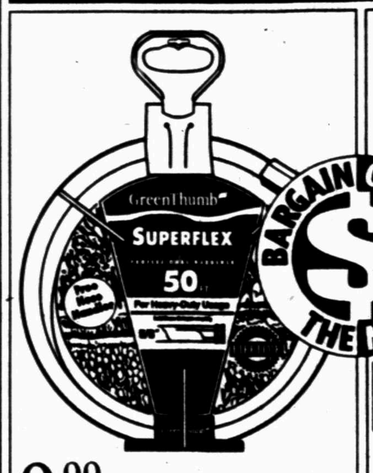
Monday: Sweetwater 18, Colorado City 1; Snyder 8, Western 7
Tuesday: Breckenridge 14, Merkel 1; Clyde 7, Albany 6
Wednesday: Western vs. Clyde; Colorado City vs. Breckenridge
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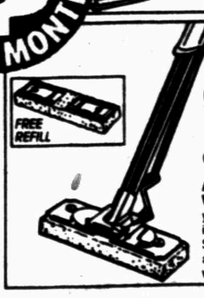
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Cadet says he wasn't at scene when girl was killed

NEW BRAUNFELS (AP) — Former Air Force Academy cadet David Graham had telephoned 16-year-old Adrianne Jones late the night she was killed and talked to her so long her mother became annoyed.

The call was intended to deceive Miss Jones, his cross-country runner teammate at Mansfield High School, into driving with Graham to the spot where he intended to kill her, prosecutors contend.

Graham's lawyers insist he phoned to warn Miss Jones that his fiancee, Diane Zamora, was jealous and angry and vengeful.

"He was worried that Diane might do something terrible, or at least confront Adrianne Jones," attorney Dan Cogdell told jurors as Graham's trial began Wednesday. The defense contends Miss Zamora acted alone and that Graham falsely confessed to helping her in the slaying.

Prosecutors allege Graham and Miss Zamora murdered Miss Jones together on Dec. 4, 1995, because Miss Zamora was infuriated that Graham said he'd had a one-night sexual encounter with Miss Jones.

"Diane ... goes into a blind, violent rage. She demands the death of Adrianne Jones," prosecutor Mike Parrish told the jury.

The crime occurred while Miss Zamora and Graham attended different high schools in the Fort Worth area and months before they went to their respective military academies — Graham to the Air Force Academy and Miss Zamora to the Naval Academy.

They were arrested after Miss Zamora confessed to a Naval Academy friend during a late-night dorm-room chat.

Miss Zamora was convicted in February and is serving a life prison sentence.

Graham, 20, also could face a life sentence if convicted of capital murder. Attorneys for the state are not seeking the death penalty.

Parrish told jurors of evidence he said would point to Graham's guilt — much of it contained in a confession Graham typed for police and Air Force investigators in September 1996.

Graham drove Miss Jones on a Sunday night to a lake with Miss Zamora hiding in the hatchback of the small car, Parrish said. When they arrived, Miss Zamora popped out, he said.

As Miss Jones tried to flee, Miss Zamora hit her with a weight in the forehead — a blow that could have killed — before Miss Jones stumbled to a field and into a barbed wire fence, Parrish said.

At that point, he said, Miss Zamora said, "She's not dead. Shoot her, kill her, shoot her."

"David Graham does exactly that," Parrish said. " David Graham puts two bullets — not one — but two bullets in her head."

Cogdell contends Miss Jones got into a car with only Miss Zamora and that Miss Zamora is the sole killer.

Linda Jones, the mother of Adrianne Jones, testified Wednesday her daughter received a phone call after 10:30 p.m. the night she was killed from "David from cross-country."

Mrs. Jones said she told her daughter to hang up because it was so late and that she last saw her ironing clothes and studying about 11 p.m.

Her family discovered her missing the next morning and later that day learned she had been killed.

Parrish's opening statements were the first time prosecutors have publicly questioned Graham's confession statement that he had sex with Miss Jones.

Wendy Bartlett, a schoolmate of Miss Jones, testified Wednesday she drove Miss Jones home one night following an out-of-town track meet. That was same night Graham had claimed to Miss Zamora he drove Miss Jones home and had the sexual encounter, prosecutors contend.

Police make four arrests

Four subjects were taken into custody Wednesday, including one on felony charges.

At 6:33 p.m., officers arrested 58-year-old Frank Alarcon of 2806 Ave. Y in the 2400 block of 29th Street for felony driving while intoxicated.

Officers arrested a 20-year-old female at 12:07 p.m. in the 2800 block of Avenue X on a Nolan County Warrant for theft by check.

Officers took two subjects into custody at 8:06 p.m. at the intersection of 14th Street and College Avenue. A 17-year-old female was arrested for Class C misdemeanor driving under the influence by minor and a second 17-year-old female was arrested for Class C public intoxication.

At 9 a.m., an offense report for a forged check was filed at American State Bank.

Victor Rios requested to speak to an officer at 12:23 p.m. in reference to a burglary at 1500 27th Street. An offense report for Class B theft was filed.

An offense report for runaway was filed at 6:16 Thursday morning following a report from a woman in the 2100 block of 27th stating that she was having problems with her 15-year-old daughter.

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HarteHanks s	25	24¾	24¾	— ⅛
HomeDepot	47¼	46¾	46 11-16	— ⅛
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ADMISSIONS: David Reed of Hermleigh and Helen Martin.
DISMISSALS: None.

Births

Jared and Marisa Bailey are parents of a girl, Rebekah Brianne, born at 4:46 a.m. Tuesday, July 14, in Abilene Regional Medical Center. She weighed six pounds, 6½ ounces.

Paternal grandparents are Robert and Reba Bailey of Snyder and maternal great-grandparents are Horace and Betty Carter of Rotan.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday
Friday, July 17, 1998

Relatives and friends could turn out to be luckier for you than usual in the year ahead. You're a catalyst who could bring factions together for everyone's benefit.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Don't take anything for granted when performing important tasks today. Be optimistic, and rely on common sense as a back-up. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that'll govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 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.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) An old friend may request a loan from you today. If you can help, do so, but let your pal know you expect to be paid back.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be realistic about your present goals. If they aren't well-defined, they'll be of little value.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Guard against the temptation to excuse yourself from responsibilities requiring immediate attention today. You need results, not rationalizations.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Be reasonable about what you expect from a loved one today. S/he shouldn't be required to do things you wouldn't do.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) It's best not to be the arbitrator standing between friends with serious differences today. They could turn their guns on you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Don't attempt to do too much today. Focus on top priorities, and temporarily shelve the others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You are vulnerable to flattery today, and a sharp acquaintance may use this to get what s/he wants from you.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) With your clever and imaginative personality, it isn't difficult to get others to do your bidding. However, today it's best not to be insistent on having your way.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If a close friend comes to you for advice or an earnest evaluation, be frank and forthright instead of saying what you think will appease your pal.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) It behooves you to determine the extent of your spending today. Without a budget, you could run amuck.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your imagination could play tricks on you today if you're careless. Don't let self-delusion determine your course of action.

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Lucas thinks he'll get out of prison

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Convicted killer Henry Lee Lucas, rescued from death row and almost certain execution by Gov. George W. Bush's commutation last month, said Wednesday he's confident he'll eventually walk out of prison.

"There's an 80 percent chance I will — some day," Lucas said Wednesday in his first conversation with reporters since Bush on June 26 commuted the one-eyed drifter's death sentence.

"He stood up for what he believes in the law and the law says no innocent person should be executed," added Lucas, who had been set for lethal injection June 30 for the 1979 slaying in Williamson County of an unidentified woman known only as "Orange Socks."

Bush, who said Lucas never would be released from prison, said questions raised by Lucas and others about the Orange Socks case convinced him to commute the death sentence.

"It shocked me, to be honest," Lucas said. "I didn't think he was going to do it. Everybody was against it. He stood up for what he believed in.

"I gave up, yeah. Anybody would, with the kind of record I've got."

Lucas, who turns 62 next month, once confessed to as many as 600 slayings around the country, then recanted all of them. He now insists he committed just one, killing his mother in Michigan in 1960 — a crime for which he served time in prison and a Michigan mental hospital.

Besides the life term for the Orange Socks killing, Lucas has six other life sentences and 210 years in prison for three other murders. The new life sentence would begin after all of Lucas' other life sentences are served.

"I still have a life sentence," Lucas said. "I don't understand that part. I'm glad he did what he did. It gives me a chance now to go on with my life and file these petitions and stuff that I need to file."

Lucas, who can't vote, said he wasn't certain he would vote for Bush in November even if he could.

"I've never voted in my life," he said.

And he said he didn't consider thanking the governor or the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles, which recommended Bush commute the sentence.

"They've done what they were supposed to do," he said. "I don't think I should put them on a pedestal because they've done what they were supposed to."

On June 30, Lucas was taken from death row to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Diagnostic Center in Huntsville, then was returned about a week later to the Ellis Unit about 15 miles northeast of town. But instead of returning to death row at Ellis, he was put in the general prison population.

And for the first time since arriving on death row 13 years ago, he was not behind reinforced glass or in a cage as he spoke with reporters Wednesday.

"It feels funny," he said, seated at a table, sipping a cup of ice water in an air-conditioned visiting room. "It's like walking out of a dungeon and into a different world. The rest of my life I plan on fighting these cases and working, and being a Christian."

His life in general population is not without adjustments. He said he still walks the corridors with his hands behind his back, a routine procedure on death row where inmates are handcuffed. He also has a new prison number, trading his three-digit death row ID for a six-digit regular number.

"Down there, it's something different completely," he said of death row. "It's a tight feeling. Once you get to population, it's not that way."

He said when he arrived at his new cell, his new cellmate requested an immediate transfer when he learned Lucas would be his partner.

"One little kid, what I call a kid, he was scared and he wanted out of the cell before I got in," Lucas said. "He was a young guy. He was upset. He didn't know what kind of guy I was. He was afraid I would beat him up. He wanted out of there. We went down to the captain and worked it out."

Lucas now is alone in his cell.

At the diagnostic center, Lucas underwent medical and psychiatric tests. His conversation with psychiatrists lasted about a minute, he said.

"I'm just a person trying to do their time, trying to clear these false cases and get back to my own life," he said. "That's all I'm trying to do."

News Briefs

Parents found slain

DALLAS, Ore. (AP) — Deputies saw two teen-age brothers driving erratically, so they chased the boys down and captured them. Then authorities went to notify their parents.

That was when police found the bodies of Stanley and Elizabeth Sexton, shot to death.

Matthew Ryan Sexton, 17, is accused of killing his parents and Brian Sexton, 13, of helping to cover up the crime.

Matthew, a student at Dallas High School, was arraigned on two counts of aggravated murder and will be tried as an adult, though he will not face the death penalty if convicted.

Brian was charged with hindering prosecution and eluding a police officer, and was held in a juvenile facility.

The boys were arrested early Wednesday. Matthew was driving a pickup and his brother a sport utility vehicle, traveling together, and they tried to elude a deputy who chased them, said Sgt. Richard Manning of the Polk County sheriff's office.

Authorities found their parents' bodies about a mile from their secluded mobile home on the top of a hill in this rural community 55 miles southwest of Portland.

Investigators were tight-lipped about a possible motive, where the slayings occurred and where the boys were headed when they were stopped.

Manning said both the parents had been at work on Tuesday. Stanley Sexton, 43, worked in maintenance; Elizabeth Sexton, 42, was with an accounting firm.

Warns of missle threats

WASHINGTON (AP) — A report to Congress warning ballistic missiles from rogue nations could strike U.S. cities with "little or no warning" has lawmakers pressing for a review of intelligence assessments that conclude there is no immediate danger.

"The missile threat is not 15 years away — it is here and now," said House National Security Committee Chairman Floyd Spence, R-S.C., who sponsored legislation asking for the report.

Spence's committee was holding a hearing today on the report.

An unclassified executive summary of the report, written by a bipartisan panel of defense and security experts, was released Wednesday, a day after lawmakers received a classified version that runs more than 300 pages.

Former Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, chairman of the commission, said his panel concluded that nations such as North Korea and Iran are developing long-range missiles — partly thanks to technology from Russia and China — that have intercontinental weapons. He said Iraq also has aspirations, although they're stymied by U.N. oversight.

Retirement age increase

WASHINGTON (AP) — Proposed moves to help save the Social Security system by raising the retirement age would hurt blue-collar workers more than other Americans, according to a congressional report released Wednesday.

"Blue-collar workers will likely experience more difficulties in extending their careers than will white-collar workers," said Barbara D. Bovbjerg of the General Accounting Office.

She told a hearing of the Senate Special Aging Committee that blue-collar workers, 40 percent of the labor force of people aged 53 to 63, have more health problems that may inhibit their ability to work and reduce the demand for their labor."

She said many workers in poor health who might have kept working until they could qualify for Social Security retirement benefits might opt instead to quit and receive disability insurance, increasing the costs of that and other welfare programs.

It is now estimated that the Social Security program will become insolvent in 2032 because Americans are living longer and the ratio of working Americans paying into the system compared with retirees receiving benefits is growing steadily smaller.

Battle begins on budget surpluses

WASHINGTON (AP) — New projections of budget surpluses totaling $1.55 trillion over the next decade are fueling a battle between Republicans and President Clinton over whether to devote the windfall to tax cuts, Social Security, reducing the federal debt or more government spending.

The Congressional Budget Office released its new projections Wednesday, supplying numbers that GOP lawmakers had eagerly awaited to bolster their assertion that it's taxpayers who should get first dibs.

The nonpartisan budget office's last official estimate in March envisioned surpluses from 1999 through 2008 totaling just $671 billion. The new projections brought CBO closer to the White House Office of Management and Budget, which has estimated surpluses of nearly $1.8 trillion during the period.

"With a whopping $1.5 trillion surplus over 10 years, we can preserve, protect and strengthen Social Security while also passing significant tax relief for hard-working Americans," said House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga.

"To stop the politicians from spending the money, I want to use the surplus to pay down the debt, save Social Security and we should use a portion of it to cut taxes this year," added Rep. Bill Archer, R-Texas, chairman of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee.

But Clinton is standing by his call to use surpluses — no matter how huge — to buttress Social Security, not for tax cuts.

"Whether the surplus this year is $63 or $63 billion, the fiscally prudent stance is to preserve and protect the surplus until we've come forward with bipartisan Social Security reform," said Gene Sperling, a top economic adviser to the president.

In his State of the Union address, Clinton said surpluses should not be used for tax cuts or more spending until a long-term cure is found for the ill's of Social Security, which faces major fiscal strains when Baby Boomers begin retiring in a decade.

But the president also asked Congress for money to hire more teachers, build new classrooms, fund more health insurance for poor children and expand child care for working families.

Until now, many lawmakers have been reluctant to propose using surpluses for anything other than bolstering Social Security as Gingrich and other House GOP leaders, in their pursuit of tax cuts, criticized CBO for overly conservative projections.

For the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, CBO now projects a $63 billion surplus. That was the upper range of what it had informally forecast in recent months, and would mark the first federal black ink since the government ran a $3 billion surplus in 1969.

The surplus would grow to $80 billion next year, dip to $79 billion in 2000, and then balloon steadily to $251 billion in 2008, the last year for which CBO made projections.

CBO now expects such a healthy fiscal picture that in 2002 — and from 2005 on — it envisions surpluses even when Social Security's enormous annual surpluses are removed from the equation. That could reduce the political clout of Clinton's call to devote surpluses to helping Social Security.

The new CBO figures may help end a bitter standoff between House and Senate Republicans over how deeply to cut taxes this year. House Republicans want tax cuts totaling $101 billion over the next five years, while the Senate GOP wants those reductions limited to about $30 billion.

In one measure of that dynamic, Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici, R-N.M., the longtime deficit fighter who has been reluctant to support big tax cuts, issued a statement citing the expected non-Social Security surpluses.

He said that money should be used for "a significant tax cut that will send this money back to the American people so they, rather than government, can spend it."

Though the bigger surplus figures will likely make it tempting for some Democrats in Congress to call for more spending, they said little about that in response to the new projections.

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Curbing blood sugar in diabetics

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: After reading your column in which you identified Life Savers as the culprit that caused high blood sugar in a diabetic reader, I thought that you might benefit from a personal observation.

Although diabetes was in my family, I have never had high blood sugar. Nonetheless, my triglyceride level was very high (over 400). I had regularly enjoyed sucking on breath mints.

After seeing your comments, I decided to experiment. For two months, I gave up my breath mints. Then I had a blood test that showed triglycerides of under 200. This level has stabilized — as long as I forego the mints. I had no idea that dietary sugar reduction would have such a profound effect on the triglyceride fat. Perhaps my experience will help others, although it is a mystery to me.

DEAR READER: Diabetics usually have high triglyceride levels. In fact, so do people who have a diabetic tendency, without the full-blown disease. I suspect that you are a mild diabetic and, by disdaining sugar in the form of breath mints, you lowered your blood glucose as well as your triglycerides. Such a pattern is not a mystery and is far from being unusual. You should continue your present strategy because, by eliminating dietary sugar, you may be able to avoid eventual treatment for diabetes. Conversely, eating sugar will undoubtedly stress your system and bring on frank diabetes as you age.

Because elevated triglyceride levels increase the risk of heart and vascular disease, you were fortunate to have found an easy method to keep your levels in a more normal range (about 150 milligrams per deciliter).

Thank you for sharing your experience.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Diabetes Mellitus." 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: In a recent column, you stated that Laci Le Beau Super Dieter's Tea is completely safe to consume on a daily basis. This is incorrect. There has been at least one death attributable to this tea.

DEAR READER: To a large degree, the ingredients in dieter's teas vary; however, many contain senna, a natural laxative. Chronic use of senna can lead to diarrhea and heavy losses of the mineral potassium, which in turn can cause heart irregularities and loss of bowel function.

Among other ingredients, Laci Le Beau Super Dieter's Tea contains locust plant, wymote, ginseng, honeysuckle and chaparral, many of which can cause diarrhea and mineral deficiency, too.

Obviously, the danger from dieter's teas is related to the strength of the brew, the amount consumed and the frequency of consumption. You're probably correct that daily use of these products is, at the very least, unhealthful. Moderation is the key. Appearance of diarrhea should be a warning flag indicating that the consumer should stop drinking the dieter's tea.

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Relief sought for farmers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Armed with a presidential endorsement, Senate Democrats are trying to get reluctant Republicans to pass $500 million in emergency assistance for farmers suffering most from the slump in crop prices.

"That cash can make the difference between making it and not making it," said Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D.

After a meeting Wednesday night with congressional Democrats, Clinton endorsed legislation sponsored by Dorgan and Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., providing emergency aid for farmers who have suffered repeated crop losses due to weather or disease and steep cuts in income — like those in the northern Plains.

"I am very concerned about the financial stress facing farmers and ranchers in many regions of the country," Clinton said in a letter to Democratic leaders. "I urge Congress to take emergency action to address specific stresses now afflicting sectors of the farm economy."

The Senate was likely to vote on some version of the amendment today during consideration of the annual agriculture spending bill. Republicans remained skeptical, questioning how the money would be spent and contending that improved crop insurance might be a better solution.

Senators today voted 71-28 for a nonbinding resolution by Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, stating that agriculture most needs such items as presidential fast-track trade negotiating authority, tax relief and replenishment of International Monetary Fund accounts to address the Asian financial crisis.

"It is time we pledged our solidarity with the American farmer and pledge we give them long-term assistance instead of so-called emergency assistance," Grassley said.

That brought a rebuke from Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, who proclaimed the resolution a feel-good document with no practical effect.

"This resolution doesn't do a thing to get the price up for our farmers," Harkin said.

Separately, Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman told reporters he would shortly announce government purchases of grain and other commodities for use in humanitarian aid programs, as well as some adjustments to crop insurance.

"We believe these farmers are in desperate need. They need help now — right now," said House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo.

Flagging exports triggered by the Asian economic crisis and huge worldwide crop production have driven prices down across the board for American farmers since Republicans won approval in 1996 of their "Freedom to Farm" law, which removed much of the safety net that once smoothed out downturns.

Although Democrats lost an effort Wednesday to provide farmers with $1.6 billion in new price supports, they did win on two amendments aimed at shoring up prices paid to cattle ranchers and feedlot owners.

Senators approved on a voice vote a proposal by Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb., to create a three-year pilot program requiring meat packers and processors to report terms of private cattle sales to the Agriculture Department. Many ranchers and feedlot owners say these contract sales are controlled by three major packers and are unfairly distorting the open auction markets.

"This means producers and feedlots will know that the market price accurately reflects the prices being paid in private transactions," said Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. "This is the way the free market is supposed to work."

In addition, senators approved a measure sponsored by Sen. Tim Johnson, D-S.D., requiring beef and lamb products to be labeled as foreign or domestic, which could entice more consumers to purchase American-produced meat.

On a 56-43 vote, the Senate killed a proposal by Daschle that would have removed caps imposed in 1996 on marketing loans, which act as a floor price for grains and soybeans.

Republicans said the proposal would do nothing to improve export demand for U.S. crops and would distort markets by encouraging large supplies in storage.

Obituaries

Mrs. Greenfield

1914-1998

Funeral service for Laura Gertrude Greenfield, 84, is set for 10 a.m. Friday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel.

The Rev. Miller Robinson, retired Baptist minister, will officiate. Burial will follow at 4 p.m. Friday in the Mahomet Cemetery near Bertram. Max Copeland of Marble Falls will officiate.

Mrs. Greenfield died Monday, July 13, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Born March 16, 1914 in Briggs, she married Clyde Leslie Fraley on June 16, 1932 Briggs. He died on Feb. 11, 1970.

She married Harvey O. Greenfield on Sept. 19, 1975 in Snyder, and he died on Oct. 1, 1992.

Mrs. Greenfield was a homemaker, a member of the Eastern Star and a member of Snyder's First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Gayle and Carl Burleson of Snyder; seven sons and four daughters-in-law, Norman and Joy Fraley of Hermleigh, Neil Fraley of Odessa, Morris and Bonnie Fraley of Big Spring, Harold Fraley of Midland, Dean Fraley of Hobbs, N.M., David and Kathy Fraley of Odessa and Mackey and Melinda Fraley of Mullin; three brothers, Olen "Pete" Shell of Bertram, George Shell of Florida and Fred Shell of Buchanan Dam; two sisters, Judy Naceda of Temple and Mattie Roe of Bertram; 17 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Carl McFaul

1929-1998

AMARILLO — Carl C. McFaul, 69, died Monday, July 13, in Abilene.

Funeral service was held this afternoon in the Memorial Park Funeral Home Chapel in Amarillo. The Rev. John Elser, Lutheran minister, officiated.

Born May 1, 1929 in Sweet Home, he married Teresa Kuss on Aug. 2, 1951 in Hermleigh.

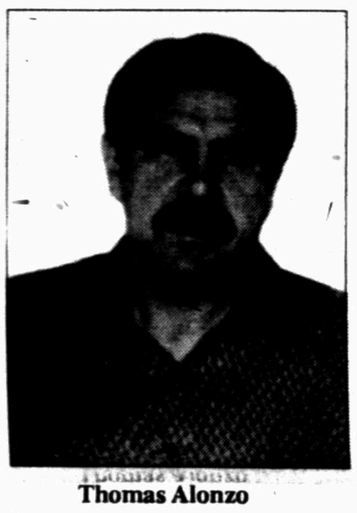
Mr. McFaul was a supervisor for AT&T and was a lifetime member of the Telephone Pioneers of America. He moved to Amarillo from Abilene in 1971.

Survivors include three sons, Daniel McFaul and Tim McFaul, both of Amarillo, and Jim McFaul of Brownwood; a daughter, Diana Hartman of Abilene; three sisters; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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Thomas Alonzo

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1947-1998

Thomas Alonzo, 50, of Austin and formerly of Snyder, died Wednesday, July 15, in Austin's St. David Hospital after a brief illness.

Rosary for Mr. Alonzo is set for 7 p.m. Friday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel.

Funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday in Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery.

Born Nov. 12, 1947 in Snyder, he had been a resident of Austin for the past 4½ years, he married Amelia Alvarada on Dec. 20, 1997 in Austin. Mr. Alonzo was employed by Celi's Brewery in Austin.

Survivors include his wife, Amalia Alonzo of Austin; three daughters, Maria Silva and Eva Alonzo of Snyder and Alice Astrada of Austin; four sons, Jesse Alonzo and B.J. Adam Alonzo of Snyder, and Joel Alonzo and Thomas Alonzo III, both of Austin; a sister, Amalia Benetiz of Snyder; and a brother, Lupe Alonzo of Luling; and eight grandchildren.

Mr. DeLaRosa

1941-1998

PLANO — Reymundo Penz DeLaRosa, a former resident of Snyder, died Saturday, July 11, at Columbia Hospital in Plano following a lengthy illness.



Graveside service for Mr. DeLaRosa, 57, is set for 10 a.m. Monday in the Tynan Cemetery in Tynan, Texas.

Born in September, 1941 in Tynan, his parents were Maria and Santos DeLaRosa. He was preceded in death by a sister, Christina Reyes, in 1977.

Survivors include four brothers, Antonio of Beeville, Jesse of Sinton and Ygnacio and Manuel, both of Snyder; two sisters, Mary Gutierrez and Mae Gutierrez, both of Snyder.

Mrs. Barrientez

1909-1998

Funeral service for Celia Garcia Barrientez is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow in the Snyder Cemetery.

Mrs. Barrientez, 88, died Tuesday, July 14, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Born Dec. 13, 1909 in Jaleco, Mexico, she married Abel Barrientez on Dec. 2, 1932 in Snyder. He died in 1981.

Mrs. Barrientez was a homemaker and a Jehovah's Witness.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Abel Barrientez in 1971.

Survivors include three daughters, Margarita Barrientez, Caroline Ybarra and Nellie Martinez, all of Snyder; six sons, Ernest Barrientez of Midland, Vicente Barrientez of Lubbock, and Manuel Barrientez, George Barrientez, Nicholas Barrientez and Samuel Barrientez, all of Snyder; 22 grandchildren; and 38 great-grand-children.

Dela Matejowsky

1911-1998

ROSCOE — Dela Marth Matejowsky, 84, died Tuesday, July 14, in the Holiday Retirement Center in Roscoe. Graveside service is set for 3 p.m. Friday in the Roscoe Cemetery. The Rev. Keith Krietzar will officiate and McCoy Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Born on Aug. 15, 1911 in Nolan County, she married Arthur J. Marth on Jan. 23, 1929 in Roscoe and later married Clarence Matejowsky in Roscoe. Mrs. Matejowsky was a homemaker and a cosmetologist, graduating from Brownlee School. She was a member of the First Salem Lutheran Church.

Mrs. Matejowsky was preceded in death by both husbands.

Survivors include a son, Garland Marth of Roscoe; one sister, Zelma Helmers of San Angelo; a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, W.D. and Maudene Marth of Ray Town, Tex.; three sisters-in-law, Iona Zinke of Hermleigh, Mrs. Jesse Marth and Mrs. Lucille Zinke, both of Roscoe, three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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Teen could get 40 years

FORT WORTH (AP) — A teen-ager could be sentenced to 40 years behind bars for an incident that started when a neighbor reported he stole a lingerie catalog from her mailbox.

Visiting State District Judge Maryellen Hicks denied prosecutors' petition to have the 15-year-old certified to stand trial as an adult on a charge of aggravated kidnapping.

Prosecutor Mitch Poe said he will seek to have the boy punished under determinate sentencing if convicted in juvenile court. That means he could be sentenced up to 40 years.

Robin Hurdle testified the boy took a Victoria's Secret catalog after rifling through her and other neighbors' mailboxes in her west Fort Worth neighborhood June 15.

She confronted the teen, who lives next door to her, and then called police and the postmaster, she testified. The police visited the boy's home that day and gave him a warning.

Hours later, the teen, knocked on Ms. Hurdle's door and said he was there to apologize.

But she said he "pulled up his shirt and pulled out the gun."

After holding Ms. Hurdle at gunpoint for about an hour, the boy left out the back door. He was arrested a short time later, according to testimony.

Ms. Hurdle, 41, said that she does not want the teen back in her neighborhood, but that she is hesitant to support sending him to an adult prison.

"I think putting him with adults might make him meaner," she said.

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Installation of officers

Scurry Lodge 706 will have installation of officers at 7:30 p.m. Friday. It will be a closed installation and all Master Masons are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Ira Baptist Church

Vacation Bible School continues through Friday at Ira Baptist Church for ages four years through the sixth grade. Time of VBS is 6- 9 p.m.

Picnic and cruise

Snyder Wheels is sponsoring its fourth annual picnic and cruise on Saturday at Towle Park. There is no admission fee to enter or view several different types of cars, including antique, street rods, classics, restored, customs, trucks and motorcycles. For more information call Larry Lee at 573-3188 or Gale Titus, 573-3579.

Car wash

Primera Iglesia Bauptista will be having a car wash on Saturday at Wal-Mart beginning at 8 a.m., and ending at 4 p.m. The price for cars will be $4 and the price for vans will be $7. Donations will be accepted.

Gov. Bush here Monday

Gov. George Bush will be in Snyder at 12:55 p.m. Monday for a public reception at Martha Ann's Womans Club. The stop is part of the Republican's campaign swing in West Texas.

AARP to meet

AARP Chapter 2063 will meet at noon Monday at the Senior Citizens Center. Jack Gorman Sr. will be the guest speaker.

VBS Star Quest

Vacation Bible School at Colonial Hill Baptist Church will be held July 20-24 for children ages kindergarten through 6th grade. Times are from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

VBS Space Mission

Vacation Bible School at 37th Street Church of Christ will be held at 7 p.m. June 20-22. There will be classes for all ages, including adults.

Through the Bible study

A Bible study with Les Feldick and hosted by Harlan and Darlene Amox will be held each Tuesday beginning next week from 7:30 until 9 p.m. Call 573-2699 for additional information.

Bible study tapes airing

Bible study video tapes air weekly on cable TV Channel 2. The next tapes to be shown, "Bear One Another's Burdens," followed by "When the Future Really Begins" will be shown at 7 p.m. Monday.

Parkinson's support group

An organizational meeting for a Parkinson's community support group will be held from 10:30 until noon Tuesday in the Cogdell Hospital board room. Information will be provided by the Neurology Research and Education Center in Lubbock. For more information, contact Tammy Tyler at 574-7277.

Ritz Variety Show

The Ritz Variety Show will be held July 24-26 at the Ritz Theatre on the south side of the square. Friday and Saturday performances will be at 8 p.m. and the Sunday matinee will be at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are $7 and season ticket holders may make reservations Thursday and Friday and again July 21-25 between the hours of 2 and 5 p.m. at the Ritz box office. Reservations may also be made by calling 573-8880.

Children's Day Out

Registration for the fall semester of Children's Day Out at First United Methodist Church will be held Thursday, July 30. Classes are for ages 1-4, and are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 573-4770 for more information.

FBC kids programs

First Baptist Church has two programs: King's Kids Preschool on Mondays and Wednesdays and Mother's Day Out on Fridays. Extended care is available. Register now for the 1998-99 school year. For more information, call 573-7401.

Road to Recovery program

Volunteers are needed to take patients to Abilene or Lubbock one day a week for cancer treatment. Following approval by the American Cancer Society, drivers will be provided liability insurance and can be reimbursed for fuel expenses incurred for the trip. For more information, contact ACS Road to Recovery volunteer coordinator Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 and leave a message, or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993.

Oil photographs needed

Old photographs of oil scenes or events in Scurry County are wanted by the Scurry County Museum in conjunction with an Oil Appreciation Day observance on Oct. 17. The photographs will be copied and returned.

Lotto

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game. The jackpot was worth an estimated $10 million.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 3, 12, 23, 32, 36 and 39.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $14 million.

Pick 3

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

0-2-2