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You'll get a real kick out of this tournament

LITTLE KICKERS — Four-year-old Brock Bethel, left, and Seth Jaramillo, 3, practice their moves Thursday evening in preparation for Saturday's West Texas Invitational TaeKwonDo Championships at Scurry County Coliseum. Brock is the son of Charles Bethel and Kayla Barbee. Seth is the son of Larry and Lucinda Jaramillo. (SDN Staff Photo)

Taekwando competition attracts some 400 contestants from as far away as Mexico City

For the past 15 years, the West Texas Invitational TaeKwonDo Championships have drawn some of the top competitors in the nation. This weekend should be no exception.

The 16th installment of the annual tournament gets underway at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Scurry County Coliseum, with more than 400 competitors expected to be on hand.

"It should be another great tournament," said Greg Gafford whose West Texas TaeKwonDo Academy sponsors the event. "We always have a big turnout, and the biggest reason is because everybody here is so nice.

"The people who come from Dallas and Houston are always talking about how friendly everybody is here in Snyder. That's what keeps them coming back."

Athletes from two cities in Mexico will join the American delegation on hand.

Competitors are broken down by age and ability levels, and take part in forms and sparring competitions. Age groups range from 5-under to 41-up.

Athletes compete for individual honors, as well as a team title. Gafford's group brought home the Top School award from the Fort Worth tourney in October, and hopes for another crown on Saturday.

"There will probably be 25-30 teams competing, and you can never predict who'll win it," said Gafford. "But it's a lot of fun, and it gives the competitors a chance to root for each other."

The forms event is slated for 10:30 a.m. Saturday, followed by the sparring competition at 12:30.

Tickets are $5 for adults, and $3 for children aged 6-12. Kids 5 and under get in free.

Enron suffers one more mishap here

Even with all the publicity Houston-based energy giant Enron is getting in the national media these days, most people around the country will probably never know about the bankrupt company's mishap Thursday in Snyder.

A pipeline owned by the controversy-riddled company ruptured late Thursday morning, prompting the brief closing of Texas Highway 180 west of town.

The Snyder Fire Department responded to a call at 11:40 a.m. Thursday, reporting a gas leak near Bridge Lane.

A thick white plume could be seen more than a mile away blowing north across Hwy 180 near Patterson-UTI Energy's office building.

Snyder police officers directed westbound traffic off the highway onto El Paso Ave and eastbound travelers were diverted to FM 1611.

Fire Chief Perry Westmoreland tested the gas and determined it was a mixture of compressed air and nitrogen and posed no threat.

"The pipeline belongs to Enron Transportation and they were purging the line in an attempt to clean it when it apparently ruptured," Westmoreland said. "The company was contacted and the leak was contained and now the pipeline is being cleaned."

Westmoreland said the pipeline rupture occurred on land owned by Jim Shearer of Snyder.

Highway 180 was quickly reopened after a change in wind direction began to blow the cloud away from the roadway.

THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "An onion is a vegetable that speaks for itself."

Guess the request got lost in the mail.

Back before Christmas, we expressed to Congressman Charles Stenholm our concern about the congested and equally dangerous parking lot at the new Snyder post office.

The congressman said he would make an inquiry to the U.S. Postal Service in Washington and promised to report their response so we could pass it along to SDN readers.

After several weeks of waiting, we called Billy Peche in the congressman's Washington office who was assigned to the project.

Peche said he had not heard anything, but said he would make a few calls and report back.

He did and revealed the that U.S. Postal Service had no record of a congressional inquiry about the Snyder Post Office parking lot situation.

The congressional aide re-sent the material. Stay tuned.

More government nonsense:

The Infernal Revenue Service has changed they way that withholding taxes are sent to the federal government.

Companies now not only have to deposit the withholding funds in the bank, but then make a telephone call to the IRS to alert them that the funds are ready for transfer.

If a company forgets to make the call, late charges are applied. We forgot once last fall, so we received a notice of penalty and interest.

The calculation didn't match IRS instructions, so we wrote a letter on Dec. 29 asking for clarification and confirmation that the amount that needed to be sent is correct.

The IRS has a firm deadline, but in trying to get information from the feds, we find they can take all the time necessary.

It's a double standard – one for the taxpayer and one for the tax eater.

More action in the Scurry County Coliseum this weekend, as the annual West Texas TaeKwonDo Championship returns to Snyder.

Some 400 competitors, plus parents and family, grow the local population this weekend.

Welcome to Snyder!

President Bush says...

All clues will be used in search for reporter

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — President Bush vowed today to pursue any clue that could lead to the rescue of kidnapped reporter Daniel Pearl, a day after a deadline for killing the journalist was extended.

"We are working with the Pakistan government to chase down any leads possible — for example, trying to follow the trail of the e-mails that have been sent, with the sole purpose of saving this man, of finding him and rescuing" him, Bush said during a White House appearance with Jordan's King Abdullah II.

It was impossible to determine whether Thursday's unsigned e-mail, received by Western and Pakistani media, was actually sent by the kidnappers. The 38-year-old Wall Street Journal reporter was abducted Jan. 23 in Karachi while working to secure an interview with the founder of an obscure militant Muslim sect.

"We will give you one more day. If America will not meet our demands, we will kill Daniel. Then this cycle will continue and no American journalist could enter Pakistan," the message said.

It warned that unless the demands are met, "the Amrikans (Americans) will get what they deserve. Don't think this is will be the end. It is the beginning and it is a real war on Amrikans."

"Amrikans will get the taste of death and destructions what we had got" in Afghanistan and Pakistan, the e-mail said.

The first e-mail, sent over the weekend, demanded Pakistanis captured in fighting in Afghanistan and now held by the U.S. military at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, be returned for trial. It said Pearl would be held in the same "inhuman" conditions as the Guantanamo prisoners.

Secretary of State Colin Powell said Thursday that the U.S. and Pakistani governments are working to free Pearl, but he ruled out bending to the group's demands that Pakistani prisoners from the Afghan campaign be returned.

In Washington, Powell told reporters he has spoken with Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf, "and I know that he is doing everything he can."

Daniel Pearl

Manhunt for four rekindles painful memories of Lucas

MONTAGUE (AP) — The grandmother of a convicted killer who escaped from a North Texas jail says the hunt for him has rekindled painful memories of Henry Lee Lucas.

Lucas killed Reda Robbins' mother in 1982.

Robbins is the grandmother of Curtis Allen Gambill, one of four escapees still on the loose after breaking out of the Montague County Jail on Monday.

"It's like something you see in a talk show," Robbins of Terral, Okla., told The Dallas Morning News on Thursday. "You can't believe it's possible. It's hard to believe it would happen to a family. Your mother, then your grandson."

Gambill, 24, and Joshua Luke Bagwell, 23, are serving life prison sentences for killing Heather Rose Rich, a 16-year-old Waurika, Okla., cheerleader, in 1996.

Gambill and Bagwell escaped late Monday night with Chrystal Gale Soto, 22, and Charles William Jordan, 30, both of Bowie. Soto and Jordan were awaiting trial on capital murder charges stemming from the death of an elderly Montague County couple over the Thanksgiving holiday last year.

Robbins said Lucas, a one-eyed drifter and mental patient who at one time confessed to more than 150 murders in 16 states, admitted killing her mother, Kate Rich, in 1982, when Gambill was 5 years old.

Lucas was sentenced to die for one of the murders, but just four days before his execution date in June 1998, then-Gov. George W. Bush commuted his sentence to life in prison, making Lucas the only death row inmate spared by Bush.

The Montague County Jail is 11 miles east of where the bones of Gambill's 80-year-old great-grandmother were found in 1983 in a wood-burning fireplace in the ramshackle house at Stoneburg where Lucas lived with his 15-year-old traveling companion and girlfriend, Freita Loraine "Becky" Powell.

ASK US

Q—Is there a web site where I can find out more about Canadian lottery scams?

A—Go to www.phonebusters.com.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Thursday, 43 degrees; low, 23; 7 a.m. Friday, 23; no precipitation; total for 2002, .39 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy, low lower 20s, SE winds 5-10 mph. Saturday, mostly cloudy, high 45-50; SE winds 5-15 mph. Saturday night, mostly cloudy, lows 30-35.

Angelica Kamos
Cloudy

Sunset: 6:19 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:36 a.m.
Of 31 days in 2002, the sun has shone 30 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Where we stand is not as important as the direction in which we are moving.
—Oliver Wendell Holmes

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Refinery strike called off, negotiations will continue

TEXAS CITY (AP) — Just hours before 930 BP Refinery union workers were set to picket, a strike notice was withdrawn and contract negotiations with oil industry officials resumed.

The notice called for employees to strike at 12:01 a.m. Friday. Now negotiations will continue and the current agreement will be extended on a day-to-day basis.

It was the closest Texas City workers have come to a walkout since 1980, when union workers at Amoco went on strike for six months.

Strike notices were issued to several refineries nationwide at noon Thursday after some companies, possibly including BP, did not approve of some agreements in the pattern contract being negotiated between the union and Royal Dutch/Shell, which is the lead industry negotiating with the union.

Members of the Paper, Allied-Industrial, Chemical and Energy union, known as PACE, began implementing a strike plan Thursday afternoon, as soon as the strike targets were identified.

Locally, members gathered to receive strike assignments. Assignments would continue throughout the night despite the decision to call the event off, said Sonny Sanders, local union spokesperson.

"We will remain manned 24 hours because we initiated the strike plan," he told the Texas City Sun for Friday's editions. "We had the picket signs ready and people had their assignments."

Moments after the strike notice was lifted, Sanders said the union would not strike as long as significant progress continued to be made.

"We're pleased," he said. "BP is obviously following the meetings and appears to be committed to following the pattern contract."

Meanwhile, BP was prepared to operate the refinery with salaried workers, said Marti Synder, BP spokesperson.

After the strike was called off, she said company representatives would continue negotiations Friday. She said BP does agree with the proposed pattern contract.

"I expect a settlement rather quickly," she said. "We have a good relationship locally."

The deal-stopping issues included a successorship clause that not only covers the sale, merger or joint venture involving an entire facility, but any portion of it and the hiring of additional workers whenever excessive overtime occurs and continues for two calendar quarters.

Also, union workers called for a no retrogression clause on agreements made regarding such issues as no layoffs, rate retention, plant closure and health and safety clauses.

In addition to the Texas City site, strike notices were issued at the Chevron-Texaco refinery in Richmond, Calif. A statewide notice was issued for Phillips-Tosco in California. Notices were also issued at the Chevron chemical plant in Pasadena and the Exxon-Mobil plant in Beaumont.

The plants were chosen because the union considers them to be key refineries, said Lynn Baker, national PACE spokesperson.

PACE represents over 320,000 workers in the oil, chemical, pulp and paper, pharmaceutical, atomic, kaolin, auto parts and corn milling industries.

Late Thursday, a new offer from Royal Dutch/Shell had not been presented to PACE union workers. Negotiations between the union and oil industry officials stopped at noon Thursday. Shell's latest offer was rejected on Wednesday. At that time, national union leaders said a strike could be called if an agreement wasn't reached.

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RESULTS

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery:
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Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
6-6-0

West: Davidson top speller

The 2002 spelling bee season kicked off Thursday morning with the first spell down staged at West Elementary.

After 90 minutes of fierce spelling action, Devin Davidson, daughter of Eddie and Joann Davidson, claimed the top speller honors.

The runner-up is Adam Calvert, son of David and Millisa Calvert.

In all 37 sixth graders took part in the annual campus bee. Besides the top winners, other spellers included Tanner Butler, Brooks Gafford, Alayna Alexander, Erin Hogan, Preston Munson, Chad Franks, Kayla Pitmanm, Layton Westmoreland, Santiago Jaimes, Kirstie Davis, Joe Garza, Kelby Seale, Marc Hestard, Kristen Miller, Stephen Davidson, Robert Martinez, B.J. Witte, Michael Medrano, Ashlei Lopez, Corey Jaramillo, Morgan Moffett, Greg Resendiz, Fabian Contreras, Robert Coble, James Castro, Dylan Bunch, Roy Rivera, Christina Villa, Zachery Key, Wes Richardson, Raquel Ruiz, James Simmons, Mark Aguilar, Anthony White, and Zane Green.

Danita Covey coordinated the bee. Helpers included Dorothy Petersen and Becky Hale.

Northeast Elementary was to hold its spelling bee at 2 p.m. this afternoon.

Ira School's fourth through eighth grade spellers will face off at 8 a.m. Tuesday in the Roy Sallee Gymnasium.

Three spelling bees are set Wednesday. East Elementary's will kick off at 8:45 a.m. Hermleigh School's fourth through sixth graders will compete at 12:30 p.m. Snyder Junior High School will determine its spelling bee winners at 2:10 p.m. Wednesday.

Hermleigh seventh and eighth graders' spell down is set for 12:30 p.m. Thursday.

The Scurry County Spelling Bee is set for 9 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 13, at Western Texas College's Fine Arts Theatre.

TOP SPELLERS — Devin Davidson won West Elementary's spelling bee Thursday morning. Adam Calvert is the runner-up.

Tax Facts

Taxes: If you can't pay

By Curt Anderson
AP Tax Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Figure to owe the Internal Revenue Service a big tax bill this year but wonder where the money will come from? There is a wide array of options for those who can't pay all at once.

Taxpayers who are unable to file their tax return by midnight April 15 also can ask for an automatic four-month extension. Any taxes owed, however, must be paid on time to avoid interest and late penalties.

Taxpayers can call the IRS to request on automatic extension by calling 1 (888) 796-1074 beginning March 1, or they can use IRS Form 4868. For an additional two months — the IRS doesn't automatically grant these — use form 2688.

Now, about that tax bill. Here are some ways to pay:

— Credit Card. For a fee, taxpayers can use American Express, MasterCard or Discover to charge taxes due by calling either Official Payments Corp. at 1 (800) 2PAY-TAX (272-9829) or PhoneCharge Inc. at 1 (888) ALLTAXX (255-8299).

About 284,800 taxpayers used the service last year, even though Visa does not participate. Some tax preparation software integrates filing and credit card payments into a single data transmission.

One thing to consider, tax experts say, is whether it is worth using a credit card that charges a high interest rate. An IRS installment agreement currently charges 6 percent interest — the lowest rate since 1994 — plus a monthly late penalty of one-quarter percent for taxpayers who filed returns on time, one-half percent for those who didn't.

— Electronic funds withdrawal. Taxpayers who file returns electronically can have their taxes due debited by the IRS from a checking or savings account. Taxpayers can specify the date for the debit, meaning they can file their return early and then wait as late as April 15 to pay the bill. About 363,600 taxpayers took this route last year.

— Installment agreement. IRS Form 9465 is used to request such a payment plan, which is guaranteed for taxpayers whose total liability doesn't exceed $10,000, haven't had an installment plan in the last five years and agree to pay the bill within three years or less, among other requirements. Interest, late payment penalties and a processing fee also apply.

— Offer in compromise. For large unpaid tax liabilities, the IRS may accept a lesser amount if the taxpayer can't pay. Form 656 is used to make such an offer, and the debt can often be paid off over time with fixed monthly payments. If a taxpayer defaults, the entire original tax liability plus interest and penalties will be reinstated.

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By Abigail

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Arab network cuts ties with CNN after interview with bin Laden is broadcast

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — An influential Arab satellite station that chose not to air its own interview with Osama bin Laden was angered by CNN's broadcast of excerpts, in which bin Laden declared himself a terrorist.

Al-Jazeera, which earlier denied it had such an interview, also accused CNN of obtaining the tape illegally.

"Al-Jazeera will sever its relationship with CNN and will take the necessary action to punish the organizations and individuals who stole this video and distributed it illegally," CNN quoted the Qatar-based station as saying Thursday after airing a story about the videotape.

CNN said it had done nothing illegal and its agreement with Al-Jazeera gave it the right to broadcast all Al-Jazeera material.

CNN added that it obtained the interview "from a non-governmental source." It did not elaborate.

In the interview, believed to have occurred in October, bin Laden said the United States' war on terrorism was leading the American people "into an unbearable hell and a choking life."

Many details about the interview are unclear, including where and exactly when bin Laden spoke to Al-Jazeera correspondent Tasir Alouni, how CNN obtained the tape and why Al-Jazeera chose not to air it since it would have answered the question of whether bin Laden had survived a U.S. bombing campaign.

Bin Laden's whereabouts remain unknown, months after the bombing helped topple his Taliban hosts from power in Afghanistan and scatter his al-Qaida fighters.

The interview was believed to have occurred about two weeks before the Afghan capital of Kabul fell to U.S.-backed Afghan alliance fighters and more than a month before the Taliban abandoned their southern headquarters in Kandahar.

That also would have been about the time American officials were criticizing Al-Jazeera's coverage of the bombing campaign as inflammatory propaganda.

U.S. officials had urged American networks to be careful in airing Al-Jazeera's bin Laden videos, saying he could use them to send coded messages to his fighters. Al-Jazeera frequently has aired exclusive footage of bin Laden, usually at length and unedited.

CNN on Thursday aired only brief excerpts of what it said was a 60-minute tape.

Bin Laden wore camouflage fatigues and spoke without emotion as he told his interviewer that killing innocent civilians "is permissible in Islamic law."

And he painted a grim future for Americans.

"I tell you, freedom and human rights in America are doomed. The U.S. government will lead the American people in and the West in general into an unbearable hell and a choking life."

Al-Jazeera is a 24-hour station owned by Qatar's government but known for a fairly independent editorial line. It reaches more than 35 million Arabs, including 150,000 in the United States.

Recognizing its influence, National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and others have appeared on the station.

Rumors of the interview CNN broadcast have been circulating for months.

Al-Jazeera initially denied such a tape existed but last month station editor-in-chief Ibrahim Helal said he had several videos of bin Laden that were not broadcast because they were deemed not newsworthy or of poor technical quality.

Helal said then the collection could include a videotaped interview. Helal could not immediately be reached following CNN's broadcast.

In the CNN excerpts, Al-Jazeera interviewer Alouni pressed bin Laden on his responsibility for the Sept. 11 attacks but got ambiguous answers.

"America has made many accusations against us and many other Muslims around the world. Its charge that we are carrying out acts of terrorism is unwarranted," bin Laden said.

But moments later, he said: "If inciting people to do that is terrorism, and if killing those who kill our sons is terrorism, then let history be witness that we are terrorists."

Bin Laden also made threats against the United States similar to those he made in an interview Al-Jazeera aired Oct. 7, the day the U.S. bombing campaign began.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Teen who had miscarriage feels depressed and alone

DEAR ABBY: You help so many people. Please help me. I am a 14-year-old girl who has been through a lot this past year. Just a little over a month ago, I had a miscarriage. It was really sad, because I wanted my baby really bad. The father — I'll call him Bob — didn't want anything to do with it because he claimed it wasn't his. I was very hurt by his reaction because I was so happy about the baby.

After that, everything changed between me and Bob. He told the whole school I was a whore. When I told him about the loss of the baby, he was very happy, but now he hates me more than ever.

I am so depressed and alone. Some mornings I don't even want to wake up because the pain is so bad. Sometimes I just want to end my life. I can't go to my mother about this because I never told her about anything. If she found out that her baby girl was even thinking about having sex, she would kill me.

I have nowhere to turn. Abby, if you can help me, please do. — ALL ALONE IN TUCSON, ARIZ.

DEAR ALL ALONE: I am sorry that your relationship with your mother is so poor that you experienced a pregnancy and miscarriage right under her nose and she never knew the difference. It is important that you be examined by a doctor to make sure you are all right, physically and emotionally.

A giant step in that direction would be for you to tell your mother what has been going on this past year. She needs to wake up to reality, and although she won't be pleased to hear how out of touch you have kept her, she won't "kill" you.

No one should have to go through what you have been through alone. You need more help than I can give you in a letter. An adult in whom you can confide will make the process much easier. If you cannot bring yourself to confide in your mother, I urge you to find someone you can trust — a school nurse, a teacher, the mother of one of your friends. You have a lot of growing up to do before you become a mother with all the responsibility it entails — and you need to slow down.

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DEAR ABBY: Thank you for printing the letter from Alan I. Leshner, director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse. It made me realize that I am not the only person who has returned to old habits after the Sept. 11 attacks. I have a history of drug abuse and self-mutilation. (I cut my arms.) Sadly, I now combine them to relieve my anxiety.

Why didn't I receive treatment as soon as these habits surfaced? Because I am only 16, and adults (and some of my peers) dismiss my behavior as "just one of those stages teens go through."

Can you tell me, Abby, why is it that right now I can walk outside and within minutes get an ounce of heroin — but it would take two weeks to convince anyone I need help to stop my self-destruction? — RECOVERING TEEN IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

DEAR RECOVERING TEEN: I'm sad to say this, but it may be because the illegal drug trade is better funded than our mental health system.

However, that's no excuse for continuing the self-destructive behavior. If your parents won't accept the fact that you need help to break the cycle, please talk to another trusted adult about your need to get some professional counseling. The longer you put it off, the more difficult the habits will be to break.

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Pauline Phillips and her daughter Jeanne Phillips share the pseudonym Abigail Van Buren. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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Woman pleads innocent to charge

CHICAGO (AP) — A woman accused of taking a toddler from a Chicago bus station on Christmas Eve pleaded innocent Thursday to a federal kidnapping charge.

Sheila Matthews made a brief appearance before U.S. District Judge Matthew Kennelly, who set her next court date for March 29.

Authorities say Matthews, 35, kidnapped the 16-month-old girl because she had falsely told her boyfriend that she had his baby while he was in prison.

Matthews was arrested in West Virginia on Dec. 27, three days after the baby's mother, Marcella Anderson, reported the child missing. The child was unharmed.

Date Book

Friday, Feb. 1, 2002

Today is the 32nd day of 2002 and the 43rd day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1793, Ralph Hodgson of Lansingburg, N.Y., was granted a patent on his method of manufacturing oiled silk and linen.

On this day in 1865, John S. Rock became the first African-American attorney admitted to practice before the Supreme Court.

On this day in 1979, the Ayatollah Khomeini returned to Iran after spending 15 years in exile in France.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Victor Herbert (1859-1924), cellist-conductor; John Ford (1895-1973), director; Clark Gable (1901-1960), actor; Langston Hughes (1902-1967), poet; S.J. Perelman (1904-1979), humorist; Renata Tibaldi (1922-), singer, is 80; Don Everly (1937-), singer, is 65; Sherman Hemsley (1938-), actor, is 64; Brandon Lee (1965-1993), actor; Laura Dern (1967-), actress, is 35.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1956, Hayes Jenkins won the gold medal for figure skating at the Winter Olympics in Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The only reason they come to see me is that I know that life is great — and they know I know it." — Clark Gable

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Jan. 28) and last quarter (Feb. 4).

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California eyes regulating carbon dioxide emissions

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — California could become the first state to try easing global warming by limiting carbon dioxide emissions from cars if a bill approved this week by the state Assembly becomes law.

The bill would give the Air Resources Board until January 2004 to adopt regulations that achieve the "maximum feasible and cost-effective reduction" of carbon dioxide from cars and light trucks.

Critics called it an exercise in environmental extremism and warned that the law might inconvenience some state motorists by forcing cars off the road.

"This bill gives the Air Resources Board — a group of unelected bureaucrats — the ability to create sweeping regulations in less than two years," said Minority Leader Dave Cox.

Supporters said the Legislature would have a year to review, and possibly revise, the regulations before they took effect — or scrap them altogether.

Carbon dioxide is an odorless gas that is not considered a direct threat to human health. But scientists say it is the biggest culprit in an increase in global temperatures.

Russell Long, executive director of the Bluewater Network, a San Francisco-based environmental group that proposed the bill, said some states are regulating carbon dioxide emissions from power plants. But no other state has tried to control carbon dioxide from autos, he said.

"This is a chance for us to be a leader again, on an issue that will continue to confront us and our children and their children in the future," said Assemblyman Dario Frommer.

California creates nearly 7 percent of global carbon dioxide emissions and motor vehicles generate 57 percent of the carbon dioxide the state produces.

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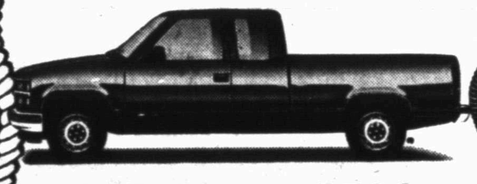

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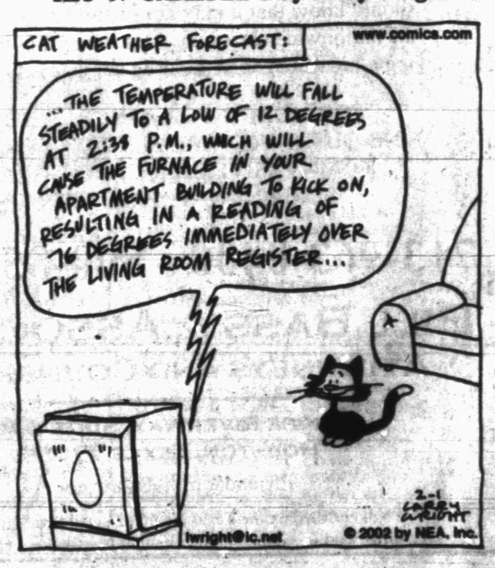

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1 Type of sock
5 Female whale
8 Wine cask
11 WWII sub
13 Lincoln nickname
14 Vanity
15 Dangerous
16 French wine
17 —, de plume
18 Dueler's weapon
20 Leap aside
22 Calf-length skirts
24 Writer Rand
25 Slice
26 Wound covering
28 Fed. inspectors
32 Before now
33 Caesar's garment
34 Erupt
35 Peerees
37 Viking letter
39 Bullring shout
40 Hostess Maxwell
41 Nugent and Turner
42 Prehistoric
43 Hosp. workers
45 Gems
47 Telegraph code
50 Oklahoma town
51 Actress Thurman
52 Tax-form ID
54 Assuaged
58 Relay race portion
59 Quaker word
60 Digging tool
61 Naval off.
62 Mermaid's domain
63 Kid TV fare

DOWN

1 Stray dog
2 Slugger's stat
3 Aurora, to Socrates
4 Roused up
5 Geologic feature
6 "Shogun" apparel
7 "Peter Pan" girl
8 Paddle
9 All excited
10 Volume
12 Office worker
19 Ushers
21 Unwelcome obligation
22 Wall painting
23 Things on a list
24 Maroon
25 Give up
27 Grandma's malady
29 Thread purchase
30 Vales
31 Overcome
36 Pitcher handles
38 Catches a glimpse of
44 Wrens' dwellings
46 Transform
47 Wagon train puller
48 Bad or good sign
49 Cloth scrape
50 "Orinoco Flow" singer
53 That ship
55 — Paulo, Brazil
56 Ancient Tokyo
57 Bear's abode

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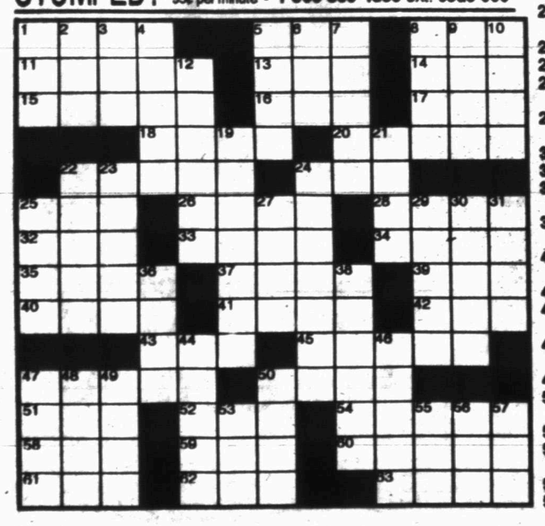

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SPORTS

SHS lifters begin season Saturday

Armando Martinez

Snyder High School shows its muscle Saturday when the power lifting season gets underway at Fort Stockton.

The SHS squad is headed by Coach Armando Martinez who believes this weekend's event will be a good test for his youthful lifters.

"We have a bunch of young guys out for the team," said Martinez who is in his first year at SHS. "The toughest thing to teach them is self-motivation. I can motivate them all day during practice. But if they don't push themselves, then they won't reach their full potential in the meet."

Martinez is taking 14 competitors to the first meet, including returning letterman Josh Knox.

In addition to Knox, a junior, Martinez has high expectations for freshmen Tony Pena and Isaac Sanchez.

Three girls are also scheduled to compete for Snyder. Vanessa Hernandez, CeCe Lara and Maritza Aguirre will take part in the girls division.

The primary goal of the SHS lifters is to qualify for the regional meet. Competitors earn a spot in the event by finishing in the top-10 of the regional rankings, or by meeting designated weight criteria.

"Everybody wants to make it to regionals, and then get a shot at going to state," Martinez said. "This first meet will be a good test for these young kids. They'll see what it's all about this weekend."

The SHS squad will also compete at Levelland and Lubbock High. The regional meet is scheduled for March 2 at Lubbock, with the state meet slated for March 23 at TCU.

Tigers, Mats square off tonight

When Snyder and Estacado square off on the hardwood for the second time this season, both SHS squads would like to see a repeat performance of their first meetings, plus a few more points.

Snyder travels to Lubbock for a pair of District 4-4A contests against Estacado. The girls match-up tips off at 6 o'clock, followed by the boys at 7:30.

The Lady Tigers (3-9, 8-18) were edged by the Lady Mats (9-3, 22-7), 42-41, in their first meeting.

The Snyder girls had shown vast improvement over the past two weeks before suffering an 88-18 loss Tuesday at top-ranked Plainview. Coach Mike Martin knows his squad must show the determination it displayed prior to the Plainview game to have a chance tonight.

"We have to get back to playing with the same kind of effort we were before Plainview," said Martin. "We need to get back to that intensity level and play with that kind of effort."

The Snyder boys (3-7, 7-18) also pushed Estacado (10-0, 25-5) in their first match-up. The Tigers trailed by only four points in the fourth quarter before falling, 41-31.

"We played outstanding defense that night, and that's what we'll need to do again," said Tiger coach Bud Birks. "We have to keep them off the boards, and stop their dribble penetration."

In Class A action, Ira and Hermleigh hit the road for their regular season finales.

Ira wraps up District 11 competition at Grady, while Hermleigh concludes the District 12 season at Trent.

The Ira boys are assured of a playoff berth, and can claim the outright district title with a victory tonight.

District 4-4A Girls Basketball

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Plainview	12	0	26	1
Levelland	10	2	24	6
Estacado	9	3	22	7
Andrews	6	6	17	9
Frenship	5	7	16	13
Snyder	3	9	8	18
Big Spring	3	9	12	15
Lake View	0	12	2	24

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

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End of regular season

District 4-4A Boys Basketball

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Estacado	10	0	25	5
Levelland	8	2	17	13
Plainview	6	4	14	11
Frenship	5	5	17	10
Andrews	5	5	14	11
Snyder	3	7	7	18
Big Spring	3	7	11	15
Lake View	0	10	6	20

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Mavs hold off Rockets

DALLAS (AP) — Steve Nash took care of the start and the finish for the Dallas Mavericks.

Nash scored 15 of his 33 points in the last eight minutes Thursday night as the Mavericks — after blowing a 17-point lead — came back to beat the Houston Rockets 95-91.

"When they were up a couple of points in the fourth quarter, Steve took over and made a lot of shots," said Dirk Nowitzki, who will join Nash on the Western Conference team at the All-Star game Feb. 10.

At the beginning of the game, Nash played a part in the first 11 Dallas points — scoring seven and getting two of his eight assists on baskets by Juwan Howard and Nowitzki, whose slam dunk five minutes in made it 10-8 and put the Mavericks ahead until the end of the third quarter.

"Nash is the kind of point guard that can dribble, dribble, dribble. They let him keep it and see if he can make a play," Rockets guard Cuttino Mobley said.

The Mavericks trailed 73-69 before Nash began his game-ending run with five straight points. After a 3-pointer and a Houston miss, Nash made a layup.

There were two ties and two lead changes before Adrian Griffin's jumper with 4:26 left gave Dallas an 81-79 lead. Nowitzki, just 4-of-18 shooting at the time, scored after a Houston miss a half-minute later.

Nash stretched the lead to 85-79 after a Houston turnover. He made a layup, losing the handle with one hand but scooping the ball in with the other.

"We were struggling a little bit there for a while, but then I was able to make some shots," Nash said.

The late heroics by Nash were necessary after Steve Francis, who will start for the Western Conference All-Stars, rallied the Rockets by scoring 21 of his 30 points in the second half.

Houston trailed 57-40 just after halftime, but tied it at 63 on Francis' 3-pointer. That capped a 14-2 Rockets run to end the third and was the last of Francis' 13 points in the quarter.

The Rockets went ahead 69-67 with 9:45 left — their first lead since the opening minutes — when Moochie Norris fed Kelvin Cato for a second dunk in just more than a minute.

Mobley's 22-footer after two straight misses by Nowitzki gave the Rockets a 71-67 lead. The teams then traded baskets before Nash took over.

Brady's ankle still a Super Bowl problem

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Tom Brady admits the ankle is sore.

"It's a little tender. But I think there's a lot of body parts of mine that are sore," he said.

The New England quarterback doesn't expect to be fully healed from his AFC championship game sprain when he faces the St. Louis Rams in Sunday's Super Bowl. Still, he isn't about to take himself out of the lineup.

"As a football player, especially this time of year, I don't think a lot of guys are 100 percent," Brady said, adding that he expects to wear a brace on his left ankle for the game.

Pool reports said Brady appeared to have no problems during practice. But former San Francisco quarterback and current ESPN analyst Steve Young saw pool video provided by NFL Films and said he thought Brady was "definitely hurting."

"I just saw him drop back," Young said. "I think he's hurting."

New England coach Bill Belichick was not available to respond to Young's comments, and Patriots spokesman Stacey James declined to do so.

"I don't think the ankle will be an issue," Belichick was quoted as saying in Thursday's pool report, which said Brady rolled out "without any sign of a limp" and stayed after practice for five minutes with No. 3 quarterback Damon Huard.

The Patriots have won eight consecutive games with Brady as the starter and have gone 13-3 since he took over for Drew Bledsoe, who this summer signed the richest contract in NFL history.

Young, appearing at a youth center the NFL is helping to renovate, endorsed Belichick's decision to start Brady over Bledsoe.

But Young, who developed a frosty relationship with Joe Montana while waiting to succeed the future Hall of Famer with the San Francisco 49ers, said he thought the Patriots should keep both quarterbacks.

"I worked through it for five years. It's a tough situation, but you've got to work through it," Young said. "Those are their two biggest assets ... They've already needed both of them."

Bledsoe was the starter for eight years, breaking virtually every one of the Patriots' passing records. But after he was injured in Week 2, Brady replaced him, held the starting job when Bledsoe recovered and led New England to the AFC East title.

Brady starred in a 16-13 overtime victory over the Oakland Raiders in the Patriots' first playoff game, but he was hurt in the second quarter of the conference championship. This time it was Bledsoe coming off the bench to rescue the team.

That forced Belichick to pick one to start in the Super Bowl, and he chose Brady.

Good move, according to Young and fellow Super Bowl MVPs Montana and Joe Namath.

"I liked him from the first day I saw him," Namath said. "He's tough and his teammates love him and he's got a great future. I think it's a great luxury to have Bledsoe, too. I know the team has confidence in both of those guys."

Namath, the architect of one of the greatest Super Bowl upsets when the Jets beat the Colts 16-7, said he wouldn't count out the Patriots, who are 14-point underdogs. That's one of the biggest spreads since the Jets entered the 1969 game getting 18 points.

"They can do it and I hope they do," Namath said. "It's not just because they're underdogs. But I enjoy seeing underdogs win. Maybe people around the country see that and think they can win, too."

One former Super Bowl MVP doesn't share that view.

"I'm hoping his Cinderella story stops one game short," Rams quarterback Kurt Warner said.

Kentucky hammered by NCAA

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Kentucky's football team was banned from a bowl game next season and forced to slash scholarships for the next three years in a case the NCAA called one of the most serious it has seen in years.

With national signing day for recruits less than a week away, the punishment coach Guy Morriss and his staff dreaded for months was even more devastating.

"I don't know how much damage is going to be done to the program," a subdued Morriss said following the NCAA's announcement Thursday.

Kentucky was cited for more than three dozen violations committed during the tenure of former coach Hal Mumme.

In addition to the postseason ban, the school was placed on three years' probation, forced to reduce its total number of football scholarships to 80 instead of 85 for the same period and cited for a lack of institutional control over the program.

The bowl ban was the first the NCAA's committee on infractions has levied against a Division I program since Miami was kept from the postseason seven years ago, said Thomas Yeager, the committee's chairman.

In its 41-page report, the NCAA said it was "troubled by the widespread nature of the undetected violations in time, frequency and the number of individuals who would have some knowledge that the activities were improper and failed to report them to the proper authorities."

According to the report, Kentucky can sign only 16 of a possible 25 recruits for next season, 18 the following season and 22 in 2004.

"This is an embarrassment to the university, it's an embarrassment to our fans and it's an embarrassment to the athletic department," Kentucky athletics director Larry Ivy said. "It's something we wish hadn't happened and something we hope never happens again."

NCAA Basketball

MEN
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EAST
Maine 80, Binghamton 69
Saint Joseph's 71, Rhode Island 58
SOUTH
Austin Peay 69, Tenn.-Martin 68, OT
Duke 87, North Carolina 58
Louisiana-Lafayette 73, South Alabama 68
Louisiana-Monroe 72, Northwestern St. 64
Maryland 91, Virginia 87
New Mexico St. 64, New Orleans 62
Tennessee St. 72, SE Missouri 65
Tennessee Tech 97, E. Illinois 92
W. Kentucky 66, Fla. International 64
Winthrop 68, Coastal Carolina 49
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Bradley 60, Indiana St. 57
Cleveland St. 81, Loyola of Chicago 60
Detroit 74, Ill.-Chicago 67
Ind.-Pur.-Indpls. 92, Chicago St. 59
Indiana 66, Purdue 52
Middle Tennessee 90, Ind.-Pur.-Ft. Wayne 80
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Atlantic Division				
New Jersey	30	14	.682	—
Boston	26	19	.578	4½
Washington	22	21	.512	7½
Philadelphia	23	22	.511	7½
Orlando	23	23	.500	8
New York	18	25	.419	11½
Miami	16	28	.364	14
Central Division				
Milwaukee	27	17	.614	—
Toronto	27	19	.587	1
Detroit	23	20	.535	3½
Indiana	24	23	.511	4½
Charlotte	21	23	.477	6
Atlanta	14	31	.311	13½
Cleveland	14	31	.311	13½
Chicago	9	35	.205	18
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Dallas	33	13	.717	—
Minnesota	31	14	.689	1½
San Antonio	29	15	.659	3
Utah	24	22	.522	9
Houston	15	31	.326	18
Denver	13	30	.302	18½
Memphis	13	32	.289	19½
Pacific Division				
Sacramento	34	10	.773	—
L.A. Lakers	31	12	.721	2½
Portland	24	20	.545	10
Seattle	23	22	.511	11½
L.A. Clippers	24	23	.511	11½
Phoenix	22	23	.489	12½
Golden State	14	29	.326	19½

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L.A. Lakers at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Orlando at Detroit, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Denver at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
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Toronto at New Jersey, 12:30 p.m.
Portland at Utah, 3 p.m.
Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m.
Chicago at Seattle, 8 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Atlanta, 8 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Indiana at Washington, Noon
Miami at New York, Noon
San Antonio at Orlando, Noon
Sacramento at Minnesota, 2:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Dallas, 2:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Memphis, 3 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Boston, 3 p.m.
Chicago at Portland, 10 p.m.
Phoenix at Golden State, 10 p.m.

Sports Briefs

Saints hire Chargers coach

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Former San Diego Chargers head coach Mike Riley will join the Saints as assistant head coach and secondary coach.

Dillon will replace Bettis in Pro Bowl

CINCINNATI (AP) — Cincinnati Bengals running back Corey Dillon replaced Pittsburgh's injured Jerome Bettis on the Pro Bowl roster.

Cuban buys out Mavs minority stake holder

DALLAS (AP) — Belo Corp. has sold its minority stake in the Dallas Mavericks and their new downtown arena to team controlling owner Mark Cuban.

Belo will receive $27 million for its 12.38 percent share of the team and its 6.19 percent stake in the American Airlines Center, where the Mavericks and Dallas Stars play.

The company also withdrew the lawsuit it filed against Cuban. The company had alleged that Cuban reneged on an agreement to purchase the Belo stake under the same financial terms offered to former Mavericks owner Ross Perot Jr.

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Prophylactic antibodies may prevent heart valve infection

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have mitral valve prolapse, which I was led to believe is a common and harmless weakness of a cardiac valve. I never paid any attention to it before, but now my dentist insists on giving me a dose of antibiotics before he cleans my teeth. What's this all about?

DEAR READER: During procedures involving portions of the body that contain bacteria — such as the mouth, the upper respiratory tree and the intestinal tract — microorganisms leave the tissue and are shed into the bloodstream. Under normal circumstances, these bacteria are rapidly destroyed by white blood corpuscles, so no infection occurs.

However, in people with implanted prosthetic devices — artificial joints, valves and the like — or with certain types of heart disorders, the bacteria in the bloodstream attach to and grow upon the prosthetic material (or defective heart valves) and cause infection. In particular, patients with cardiac conditions (to be described below) may develop life-threatening valve infection (endocarditis).

To avoid this preventable complication, doctors routinely administer antibiotics to such patients shortly before (and sometimes immediately after) certain invasive procedures.

Guidelines from the American Heart Association include many types of surgery: tonsillectomy, bronchoscopy, gallbladder removal, esophageal operations, hysterectomy and prostate operations, to mention a few. Additionally, and of paramount importance to most patients, the AHA views most dental procedures as potentially hazardous: specifically, any manipulation — including professional cleaning — that causes bleeding. Thus, the AHA considers routine dental procedures dangerous for people with valvular diseases or prosthetic devices.

Patients needing prophylactic antibiotics are those with artificial heart valves, moderate/severe mitral valve prolapse, congenital cardiac malformation, rheumatic heart disease and a history of endocarditis.

Patients not needing prophylaxis are those with harmless heart murmurs, previous coronary artery bypass surgery, or implanted pacemakers.

Amoxicillin, ampicillin or penicillin are the recommended antibiotics. Erythromycin or clindamycin are the preferred substitutes in people allergic to penicillin and related drugs. The antibiotics are given in a single dose by mouth about one hour before (and sometimes an hour or two after) the procedure.

With respect to dental work, these recommendations can be summarized: If you have artificial or diseased heart valves, you should have antibiotics before dental cleaning, scaling, tooth extractions, capping, root canal or any procedure below the gum line.

Obviously, a patient with an implanted prosthesis should check with his or her physician before undergoing dental work or surgery. The doctor can then confirm the need for prophylaxis and prescribe proper doses of medicine. Some patients — for example, those who are facing surgery that could lead to endocarditis — may require injections of antibiotics or, in unusual cases, more prolonged courses of therapy.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Understanding Heart Disease." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: When my voice became husky, I was diagnosed with a paralyzed vocal cord. How did I get this condition?

DEAR READER: Each of the two vocal cords is activated by a nerve. When this nerve malfunctions, the cord becomes paralyzed. Therefore, your doctor — with the help of an ear-nose-and-throat specialist — must investigate the cause of the paralysis, which could be due to trauma (especially after neck surgery), a tumor (pressing on the nerve) or a neurological disorder (such as multiple sclerosis or stroke). Additional mechanical causes of vocal cord paralysis include aortic aneurysm (ballooning out of the upper aorta), lead poisoning and viral infection of the nerve.

I don't know how or why you developed this affliction, but I believe that your physician should do more than merely note the paralysis on examination. Additional tests to consider include CT or MRI scans to search for a growth or other correctable lesion. The vocal cord paralysis is simply a symptom; now you need a diagnosis.

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Alltel	56.45	55.48	55.53	+ .05
AmElPw	41.84	41.52	41.52	—.22
AnadarkPtr	50.10	48.00	48.01	—1.12
ATMOS Egy	21.25	21.05	21.16	+ .06
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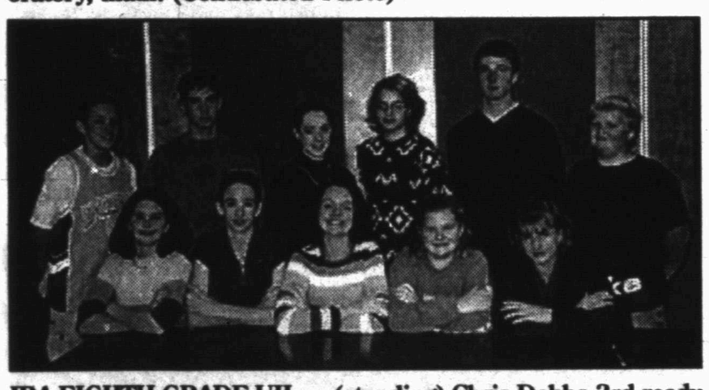

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Term limits repeal vetoed

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Idaho's governor has vetoed a measure that would repeal the state's term-limit law, setting up a potential showdown with a Legislature that appears to have the votes necessary for an override.

"Today I affirm the power vested in the people," Gov. Dirk Kempthorne wrote in his veto message Thursday, following through on a promise to protect what he interpreted as the people's will.

The veto ended, at least temporarily, Idaho's move to become the first state in the nation to vote to repeal term limits.

Floor sessions were scheduled for today to mount an override attempt. Both houses passed the bill with three votes more than the two-thirds majorities needed to nullify the governor's veto.

Kempthorne and other term-limit supporters accused their opponents of ignoring the electorate and called the attempted repeal of the 1994 term-limit law unconstitutional.

After passing it with nearly 60 percent of the vote eight years ago, the subsequent majorities have narrowed. A nonbinding vote on retention of term limits passed with 53 percent in 1998.

Currently 18 states limit the terms of state lawmakers.

FDA OKs anthrax vaccine shipments from one factory

OKEMOS, Mich. (AP) — Millions of anthrax vaccine doses could be available to the military by the end of the year following the federal government's decision to let the nation's sole manufacturer resume distribution.

Thursday's approval by the Food and Drug Administration was a relief for BioPort Corp., the beleaguered Lansing, Mich., lab that had been unable to pass the necessary FDA inspections for nearly four years.

"I think it's safe to say this is the biggest day in the company's history," BioPort President Bob Kramer said. Pressure to approve the firm's factory has grown since anthrax killed five people this fall.

BioPort will produce and ship 2 million vaccine doses for the military this year, and between 3 million and 8 million next year, Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson said. The vaccine is given in six shots over 18 months, plus an annual booster dose.

While the government does not recommend vaccinating the general public, having BioPort producing again is important if civilians need to share the military's supply in future bioterrorist attacks, Thompson said.

The government and the firm both said the Sept. 11 attacks and the subsequent fears over anthrax exposure had no impact on the decision to approve BioPort.

"Yes, there was an important public health need to move forward on this," said FDA vaccine chief Dr. Kathryn Zoon. But, "I can assure you the agency did no shortcuts."

Whether the Defense Department will use the doses for mass vaccinations is uncertain. A Pentagon statement Thursday said inoculations will continue for certain special-mission units but that it "is undertaking a thorough review of all factors to decide its future use of the vaccine."

Kramer said BioPort must meet the Pentagon's needs before making the vaccine available for civilians. But he added that BioPort will soon be discussing civilian use with federal health officials.

The anthrax vaccine itself has been FDA-approved since the 1970s, and used regularly to protect veterinarians and scientists working with anthrax.

But vaccinating soldiers has been on hold since 1998, when BioPort bought the vaccine-producing lab from the state — but found it could not ship a single dose.

BioPort's renovated laboratory repeatedly failed to pass FDA inspections, which found contamination, inadequate record-keeping and unapproved procedures.

Ultimately, BioPort hired another factory, Hollister-Stier Laboratories in Spokane, Wash., to fill the vaccine vials when its own procedures kept failing. BioPort finally got its lab approved a month ago and was waiting for Hollister-Stier to pass.

Now that BioPort has fulfilled FDA's requirements, it will be treated like all other vaccine manufacturers: The FDA must agree that each new batch meets potency and sterility standards before it can be shipped.

Kramer said three batches of vaccine produced in 2001 can be shipped immediately. Neither he nor the FDA would say how many doses are in each batch, citing national security. But Kramer said it was "a significant number."

This fall, about 130 people were inoculated with vaccine from the Pentagon's supply after being exposed to anthrax in the mail attacks. The government wanted to see if it provides additional protection on top of antibiotic treatment.

Even with FDA approval, the controversy surrounding the vaccine isn't likely to go away. Hundreds of soldiers have refused the shots, worried they could be connected to complaints of chronic fatigue, memory loss and other problems.

The government says the vaccine is safe, with rare severe side effects such as dangerous allergic reactions. But in clearing BioPort, the FDA did change the vaccine's labeling to upgrade one warning and clarify some side-effect information.

Sisters killed by intruder buried

KIRBYVILLE (AP) — More than 500 people attended the funeral Thursday for two sisters killed when an intruder broke into their Southeast Texas home.

Law enforcement officers from Newton, Jasper, and surrounding counties searched the woods near Call until they arrested the suspect. Many of those same officers joined more than 150 colleagues at the funeral for Ashley Pearson, who would have turned 11 on Monday, and April Pearson, 14.

The man suspected of killing the sisters and another woman and wounding the sisters' mother and sibling in a multicounty shooting spree was captured by police Tuesday after being tracked down by a police dog.

April and Ashley's mother and sister are still in the hospital recovering from injuries. Gwen Pearson and her 5-year-old daughter Kaitlyn were both in stable condition early today at Christus St. Elizabeth Hospital in Beaumont, said administration supervisor Pam McMann.

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Because you won't measure what you do for others today by what you hope to gain in return, surprising compensation in way of accolades will be coming your way. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Someone you know, not necessarily through a friendship, will let you know that an endeavor in which you're involved needs to be successful.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — You could run into someone today who is as excited about an idea as you are. Collectively working together for this common goal, you both can realize success.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — The greatest counsel you can give another who asks for advice from you today is the truth. Tell it like it is without gilding the lily and surprisingly, this person will be very grateful.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Socializing with friends today could bring some kind of pleasant surprise with it. It might be in way of being introduced to someone new who you will instantly like.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Your judgment in dealing with your family today will be both generous and accurate. How well you handle whatever comes up will be appreciated by all.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — This is not a day for the timid or uninspired if you'd like to take advantage of the wonderful aspects today offers. Outstanding achievements are possible.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — One of your better assets today will be your ability to skillfully manage or reorganize any unproductive development that may pop up. You're a quick thinker.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Although something might come up today that may be totally out of your control, it will induce you to become more assertive in positive and effective ways. It could be a blessing in disguise.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — You are especially gifted today in quickly grasping situations others can't quite discern. Your ability to see the hidden aspects is what makes you so effective.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Try to be picky about your associations today, because whomever you mingle with can have a significant influence over you. You'll want it to be a good influence.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Owing to your ability today to discern between worthy objectives and those which have more sizzle than substance, greater rewards than usual are indicated for you at this time.

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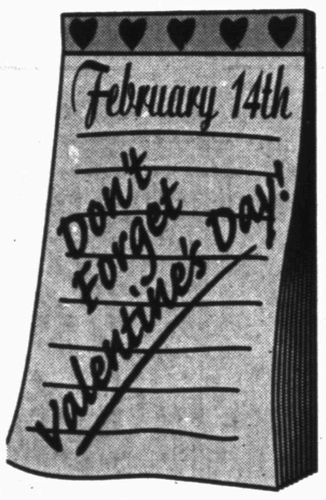
To announce nominees

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Marcia Gay Harden, who won the supporting-actress Oscar last year, will help announce nominees for the upcoming Academy Awards.

Harden and Frank Pierson, president of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, will unveil nominations Feb. 12 for the 74th awards show, the academy said Thursday.

Last year, Harden won an Oscar for "Pollock" as artist Lee Krasner, wife of abstract painter Jackson Pollock. The film's star and director, Ed Harris, was nominated for best actor.

This year's Oscars will be awarded March 24 at the ceremony's new home in Hollywood, the Kodak Theatre.



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King of Jordan meets with Bush

WASHINGTON (AP) — King Abdullah II of Jordan praised President Bush's campaign to counter terrorism today and said other countries "better make up their minds pretty quickly" to join.

Welcoming the endorsement in the Oval Office, the president cautioned that "all options are on the table on how to make our allies more secure."

Bush also admonished Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat for the attempt by the Palestinians to smuggle in 50 tons of weapons from Iran.

He said the rockets, mortar and explosives were intended "for terrorist purpose" and that the smuggling, which Israeli commandos aborted in the Red Sea on Jan. 3, was contrary to a promise by the Palestinian leader that he would fight against terror.

Calling on Bush at the White House, Abdullah supported the president's designation of three countries, Iran, Iraq and North Korea, as an "axis of evil."

It was a significant step for the Arab monarch. Jordan sits alongside Iraq in the restive Middle East and is inclined to be careful about irritating its larger neighbor. During the Persian Gulf war a decade ago, for instance, Jordan sided with Iraq while most Arab countries supported the U.S. campaign to liberate Kuwait from Iraqi annexation.

"It is very obvious that there are those on the side of good and those on the side of bad and some in the middle, who haven't made up their minds," the king said during an exchange with reporters in the Oval Office. "And those countries better make up their minds pretty quickly."

Bush at his side, Abdullah said there was a new expectation about what countries must do in the anti-terror campaign spearheaded by the United States.

The president agreed. "I hope nations make the right decision," Bush said. "A wrong decision would be to continue to export weapons of mass destruction."

However, Russian Prime Minister Mikhail Kasyanov, after meeting with Vice President Dick Cheney, questioned whether there was enough evidence to label the nations an "axis of evil."

Calm follows fighting in Afghan town

GARDEZ, Afghanistan (AP) — After a two-day battle that combatants said killed at least 61 people, an uneasy calm returned today to the capital of an eastern Afghan province where rival warlords are trying to exert control.

Town leaders said the artillery of Bacha Khan, a warlord who tried to take Gardez by force after being appointed governor of surrounding Paktia province, fell silent at dusk Thursday, and did not resume in the morning. They said Khan's forces had retreated into mountains outside of town.

Shops and markets reopened and streets filled with people, almost all of them men, many carrying assault rifles and machine guns. Townspeople who had fled returned to homes and businesses, although many were bitter that the feuding warlords had again brought war into their lives.

"Other provinces are quiet, why not ours? Why is brother killing brother?" said Mohammed Ibrahim, a 22-year-old vegetable seller.

The factional fighting, which erupted Wednesday when Khan's men moved in on the town of 40,000 people, was the heaviest in Afghanistan since the interim government of Hamid Karzai was installed Dec. 22.

Despite the fall of the Taliban militia, heavy fighting continues in parts of Afghanistan as competing factions jostle for power. Heavy gunfire was heard today in northern Afghanistan near the border with Tajikistan, which is patrolled by Russian troops. The shooting, near the Pyandzh border post, lasted about five hours, starting late Thursday, said a Russian border officer, Maj. Gen. Sergei Zhilkin.

The fighting, especially the battle in eastern Afghanistan, added urgency to Karzai's appeals — which he reiterated in London on Thursday — for a multinational peacekeeping force to expand its deployment to outside the Afghan capital, Kabul, to stop violent squabbling between powerful local warlords.

"It's a demand of the Afghan people as a measure of commitment by the international community, as a symbol of their commitment to Afghanistan to stay on," Karzai said after meeting Prime Minister Tony Blair.

Haji Saifullah, leader of the Gardez shura, the town's tribal council — which opposes Khan's appointment as governor — said the fighting killed 20 fighters on the shura side and 30 civilians. He claimed Khan's forces lost 50 men.

Man arrested Thursday for possession of drugs

•Arrests

Snyder officers arrested Andrew Lee Brown, 23, of Waelder in the 2900 block of Ave. K just before midnight Thursday on felony charges of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver in a drug free zone. Brown was booked into the Scurry County Jail.

Sheriff's deputies arrested a 39-year-old man on Business 84 Thursday afternoon for driving while intoxicated. He was transported to jail and his vehicle was towed.

Officers were dispatched to a family disturbance at 9:40 p.m. Thursday and advised that a 49-year-old man would be taken into custody for Class A assault and family violence.

•Prowlers

Officers initiated two close patrols during the night after receiving reports of possible prowlers.

A man reported several dogs barking in the area of 2200 44th Street at 1 a.m. Another report of barking dogs came from a residence on Elm Street at 3 a.m. Both close patrols were maintained through the night.

Obituaries

Bobbie McShan

1911-2002

Mattie Lenora "Bobbie" McShan, 90, of Snyder died Friday, Feb. 1, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Services are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born on June 10, 1911 in San Saba, she married James Richard Bailey McShan Sr. in 1934. He died in 1972.

Mrs. McShan was a homemaker and a member of First Presbyterian Church.

A brother and a sister also preceded her in death.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Bobbie and Mal Donalson of Snyder; one son, Jimmy McShan of Denton; two grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Otis Crumly

1925-2002

Otis Fulton Crumly, a native of Scurry County, died Tuesday, Jan. 29, in Snyder Oaks Care Center after a lengthy illness.

Otis Crumly

A memorial service for Mr. Crumly, 76, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Walter McCall, Community Care Hospice chaplain, will officiate. Mr. Crumly's body will be donated to medical science.

Born March 16, 1925 in Hermleigh, he was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, having served in the Philippines.

He married Patsy Patterson on July 1, 1950 in Las Vegas. Mr. Crumly worked as a bus and truck mechanic for Airport Transit in Los Angeles for 24 years and for System 99 for 10 years. He returned to Snyder from California in 1986 and worked in maintenance for Western Texas College for four years. He was a member of the Golden K Kiwanis Club.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Paul, Elby and Luke Crumly.

Survivors include his wife, Patsy Crumly of Snyder; a daughter and son-in-law, Tisha and Dean Reeise of McDonough, Ga.; and two sisters, Bertha Holdridge and Beulah Starnes, both of Snyder; a grandson, Chandler Reeise of McDonough; and several nieces and nephews, including Janet Spence and Raymond Holdridge, both of Snyder, and Diane Robbins of Lubbock.

The family suggests memorials to the Community Care Hospice, 1510 S. Gregg in Big Spring, 79720; or to the American Cancer Society at West Texas State Bank in Snyder.

Bertha Terry

1913-2002

GRAHAM – Bertha Zenobia Terry, the sister of Obed Wooldridge of Snyder, died Wednesday, Jan. 30, in Graham.

Funeral service for Mrs. Terry, 88, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the First United Methodist Church in Newcastle. The Rev. Marie Helm will officiate. Burial will follow in the Newcastle Cemetery under the direction of McMillan-Satterwhite Funeral Home.

She was a homemaker.

Survivors include a son, Edmond Wyatt of Newcastle; a daughter, Juerrine Routon of Newcastle; two other brothers, Joe Henry Wooldridge of Tyler and Q.F. Wooldridge of Graham; a sister, Wyonna Richardson of Jacksboro; seven grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. McDermett

1924-2002

RALLS — Mildred Walker McDermett, former Snyder business owner, died Thursday, Jan. 31, at her Lubbock home.

Service for Mrs. McDermett, 77, is set for 10 a.m. Monday in the Emma Church of Christ in Ralls. Pete Mimms will officiate, assisted by Billy Bob Wright and Mike McDermett. Burial will follow in Ralls Cemetery under the direction of Adams Funeral Home of Ralls.

McDermett

Born Nov. 21, 1924 in Omaha, Tex., she married Charles Perrin McDermett Jr. on June 20, 1943 in Crosbyton.

A 1943 graduate of Ralls High School, she was a homemaker and lived in Morton before moving to Snyder in 1976.

In Snyder she was a member of the East Side Church of Christ and was owner of Mildred's, a ladies boutique, for 12 years. After retirement, they moved to Lubbock.

Survivors include her husband, Charles McDermett Jr. of Lubbock; two sons, Mike McDermett of Austin and John Wayne McDermett of Fort Worth; one brother, Buddy Walker of Roswell, N.M.; one sister, Nancy Mize of Ralls; four grandchildren, Kelly "Suzy" McDermett of Washington, D.C., Jill Pardo of Austin, Betsy Coleman of Haskell and Lori McDermett of Haskell; two step-grandchildren, Kenneth Shores of Seattle, Wash., and Allison Holder of College Station.

Pallbearers will be Eddie Verett, Heath Verett, Bob Travis, Tommy DeBusk, James Blakey and Clay Travis.

The family suggests memorials to Vista Care Hospice Foundation, 7606 University Ave. Suite C, Lubbock, 79423.

Family visitation will be 5:30-7:30 p.m. Sunday at Adams Funeral Home in Ralls.

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Church of God revival

Church of God's final revival service is 7 tonight. Vernon Groce, a former Snyder resident and member of the church, is preaching. The church is located at 21st St. and Ave. O.

Scouting for Food drive

The Scouting for Food drive to benefit the community Food Cupboard will be Saturday. All non-perishable canned or boxed (no glass) donations should be put in a bag and placed by your front door or mailbox. Scouts will begin picking up donations at 10 a.m. within city limits, Eastridge, Alamo Heights and Ira. If your donation is not picked up by 1 p.m., call 338-1865 or 338-7462.

Relay rally

A rally in preparation for the 2002 Relay for Live will be held at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the SHS student center. The event is sponsored by the local American Cancer Society unit.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Overcoming Hardship" followed by "Holy and Reverend is His Name."

VFW auxiliary meeting

The VFW Auxiliary Post 8231 will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the post home. All members are urged to attend.

Snyder bass club

The Snyder bass club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Kinder Morgan offices on the Lamesa Highway. Anyone interested in joining the club is invited. Membership is $15 per year for individuals and $20 for families.

Eating well for less program

A new series, "Eating Well for Less" will be held from 2-3 p.m. each Tuesday at the Texas Department of Human Services. The series will be taught by Beth Dannheim, Scurry County extension agent. Topics will feature getting the most for your grocery dollar, meal planning and low-cost meals and is designed for food stamp recipients. For information, 573-5423.

Tennis booster club

The SHS tennis booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Texas Savings Bank. The club will discuss dressing rooms.

Video on channel 2

"America: Let the Righteous Arise!" will be shown on Channel 2 at 10 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday. For information, call Trinity United Methodist Church, 573-3988.

WTC pool hours:

Lap swim: M-F, 6:30-8 a.m. and noon to 1 p.m.; open swim, M-TH 7-9 p.m. Memberships for the semester: $50. The swimming pool is also available for rental, contact Lisa Christensen, ext. 290.

Sound of Music

SHS Fine Arts Division will present The Sound of Music at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 7-9 and 2 p.m. Feb. 10 in Worsham Auditorium. Tickets are $6 for adults, $5 for students and $8 reserved. To reserve tickets, call the high school at 573-6301. Brad Vincent, drama director; and Ronda Haire, choir director, are co-directing.

Snyder Oaks fundraiser

Snyder Oaks Care Center will have a fundraiser Saturday, Feb. 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Hamburger plates are $5 and there will be crafts for sale.

Video school

The Center for Biblical Counseling video school, sponsored by His Joy Ministries, begins Tuesday, Feb. 12. Supplies must be ordered now. Call 573-9799 for more information.

Last call for Ira annuals

For the last time this year, the Ira Bulldog annuals are on sale from now until Feb. 13. Cost is $26 with your name on cover or $22 without.

Adult basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at WTC have resumed. The classes are held from 8 a.m. until noon and from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Classes include E.S.L., GED and refresher courses. Certified teachers and Spanish-speaking aides teach these classes. Call 573-8511, ext. 322.

ESL, GED classes

Classes for E.S.L., GED and computers are held at 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Region 14 classroom at 4200 College Ave. For more information, call 574-6012.

Medical account

A special medical account has been set up at West Texas State Bank for Jenna Adams, two-month old daughter of Billy and Tosha Adams, and granddaughter of Bill and Barbara Adams. The infant is waiting on a heart transplant at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock.

Alzheimer information

To learn more about Alzheimer's disease, attend a meeting from 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, in the old fellowship hall at Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

St. Elizabeth fish fry

The annual St. Elizabeth fish fry is Friday, Feb. 15, from 5:30-8 p.m. Tickets are $6 for adults and $4 for children ages 6-12. Tickets will be sold at the door and proceeds go to the scholarship fund.

FBC support groups

Support groups dealing with divorce, death, cancer or caring for elderly parents meet at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church educational building. A special group for students facing these problems is held at the same time.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland is available free of charge. Call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakey Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.