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Snyder Chamber of Commerce...

Citizens honored at annual banquet

The community honored its own Tuesday evening during the annual Snyder Chamber of Commerce awards banquet.

Over 500 attendees, including several office holders, were treated to a trip to Hawaii via the banquet's luau theme.

U.S. Rep Charlie Stenholm, State Rep. David Counts, State Sen. Tom Haywood and his son, Tom Haywood Jr., Appeals Court Justice Terry McCall and Chief Judge of the Appeals Court Bud Arnott attended the banquet, as did keynote speaker Pete Laney, speaker of the house.

Also present were officials from area communities representing their local governments and chambers of commerce.

Snyder Mayor Dayton Robertson revealed retired educator Ollie Peak as the recipient of the Vestal Award, also known as the Mayor's Award.

Robertson spoke fondly of Peak as a teacher and one who works quietly behind the scenes to better his community.

Helen Hatter, granddaughter of the award's namesake, presented rancher Ralph Miller with the Winston Award which recognizes achievement in agriculture.

Miller has agriculture interests in both Scurry and Borden Counties, and he is a long-time director of Snyder National Bank.

Snyder ISD Supt. Gayle Lomax presented former Stanfield teacher Carole Haynes with the Education Excellence Award. Hayes recently retired from the local system after teaching for 23 years in Snyder. Haynes also served as a trustee of the Hermleigh Independent School District.

Pete Hagist, production superintendent for Devon Energy Corp. at SACROC, was presented the McLaughlin Award for his leadership in stabilizing production at the unit.

In accepting the award, Hagist was quick to point out the contributions his fellow workers at Devon (formerly Pennzoil and then, PennzEnergy) has played in the success of the unit.

Lawrence IGA was presented the Business of the Year Award, repeat winners since the business won the award in 1997. C.R. Perez, manager, and Sid Medina, assistant manager, accepted the award.

The special "Chamber Choice Award" was presented to Betty House. House was recognized for her work throughout the years for the chamber, and especially during the Legends of Western Swing Music Festival.

Donna Gray, a past chamber president, was presented the Sizemore Award for her work with the Goldcoaters in promoting various events around the community.

This is Gray's third time to win the award as she was honored in 1994 and 1997.

Rep. Counts also made two special presentations.

Counts presented Aline Parks the Texas House resolution honoring her late husband, G.A. Parks Jr., and presented Jack McGlaun a similar resolution from the House.

An emotional Counts told of Parks' work as Chevron production foreman at SACROC, and his love for history and his participation in the Scurry County Historical Commission.

McGlaun was honored for his long-time work with the Snyder Boys and Girls Club.

Counts and Stenholm also presented certificates to several youngsters who had attended the first Junior Leadership Program in Snyder during the summer.

In the keynote speech, Speaker Laney said it is important for West Texans to work together in light of re-districting following the 2000 census.

"We know the census will show a tremendous amount of growth in the larger cities of Texas," Laney said. "Rural Texas will lose representation while the suburban areas will gain.

But Laney said that is nothing new to this area.

"Every 10 years we lose population. We can't do anything about the numbers, but we can make certain the candidates elected in 2000 will be the ones to draw the lines favorably in rural areas."

"There will be a battle over redistricting and that makes it even more important rural Texans elect the most capable legislators."

Laney had praise for Rep. Counts' work in several areas, including revamping the agriculture loan program.

"I know the future in West Texas is brighter than the immediate past," said Laney, making note of low agriculture and oil prices, and the drought.

Entertainment at the banquet was by the Snyder Junior High Show Choir, under the direction of Marci Dennis, that performed several numbers from "South Pacific."

David Holt, former Snyder mayor, served as master of ceremonies, and Tom Holcomb, minister of the East Side Church of Christ, delivered the invocation and benediction.

PRE-BANQUET VISIT — Speaker of the House Pete Laney (left) visits with other guests before Tuesday night's annual Chamber of Commerce banquet. Laney was guest speaker at the event. He is pictured with Patsy Williams, Dorothy Rosson, Rep. David Counts and wife, Mary Counts. (SDN Staff Photo)

New state law touted to head off Y2K bug

AUSTIN (AP) — With four months left before the year 2000, Texas lawmakers are touting a new law meant to head off potential Y2K mishaps.

Computer manufacturers and vendors that identify potential Y2K problems and offer free or low cost solutions are now immune from lawsuits.

"As the new millennium nears, it is imperative that businesses and consumers take the appropriate measures to properly protect themselves from potential glitches that may arise," said bill sponsor Rep. Brian McCall, R-Plano.

The law is one of 924 that go into effect today, including a measure lowering the blood alcohol limit from .10 to .08.

Some provisions in the Y2K law already are in effect.

The state has established a Web site and a toll-free number to help consumers link to manufacturers and find ways to check the readiness of their computer systems to ensure they can handle the date change from 1999 to 2000.

Computer scientists say computers might read only the last two digits of 2000, causing some systems to freeze and, in some cases, shut down at midnight on Jan. 1.

"Lawmakers said fix the problem, work out your differences informally, and if at all possible, don't tie up the courts by fixing blame on one another," said Jon Opelt, director of Citizens of Lawsuit Abuse.

The law also creates a two-year statute of limitations for filing Y2K claims from the time a problem starts. It requires that parties try to resolve their disputes informally — without litigation — if problems aren't fixed early.

Among the other laws going into effect today is one making it illegal to drive with a blood alcohol concentration of .08 or higher. Authorities began enforcing the law at midnight.

"It will save lives, said Lt. Gov. Rick Perry. "Drunk driving must not be tolerated in Texas."

The law means a 170-pound man could consume one less drink an hour — four instead of five — before being considered drunk, according to Perry. For a 137-pound woman, it's three instead of four drinks in an hour.

The lower limit "means fewer drinks before drivers can be arrested for drunk driving. Fewer drinks means fewer drunk drivers, and fewer deaths on Texas roads and highways," Perry said.

Texas joins 16 other states that have adopted the stricter limit. Passage of the law qualifies the states for federal grants totaling $57.4 million this year and more money later.

Also taking effect today is a law that allows people trained to use automated external defibrillators to use the machines without the risk of being sued.

"The number of deaths from cardiac arrest do not need to be as high as they are," said bill sponsor Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound. "This device is a true lifesaver and those good Samaritans who use it to help others should be applauded, not penalized with a lawsuit."

The toll-free number is 1-888-33-TEXAS. The Web site is www.dir.state.tx.us/y2k.

Snyder's SACROC unit may be put up for sale

A spokesman for Devon Energy Corporation in Oklahoma City stopped short this morning of saying its newly-acquired SACROC unit is on the market, but did say it is under review.

Vince White, director of investor relations with Devon, said the company prefers to operate property with high operating margins and SACROC does not fit that mold.

"It's my understanding that the operating costs there are fairly high," said White.

"It's just possible that SACROC is not a fit for us," concluded White.

Pete Hagist, field superintendent with Devon at the SACROC Unit, said that if the field does sell, it would probably be to a company that is familiar with CO2 flooding and it would be dedicated to the CO2 project that has been implemented at the unit at the cost of millions of dollars.

"There is no question Devon recognizes the progress that has been made at the unit in the past four years," Hagist said.

"The unit has made a profit over the past three months and this is the first time in four years that has happened."

Hagist added that he is even recommending that the company implement a small drilling program at the unit next year.

"Basically, I think the unit is under review by Devon," said Hagist, noting that it had recently announced that some of its East Coast production is definitely on the market.

"The company has not come out and actually said the unit is for sale," said Hagist.

The completion of Devon's purchase of PennzEnergy was announced on Aug. 17.

District court jury expected to begin deliberations today

The civil suit resulting from a 1996 vehicle accident is continuing in 132nd District Court, but is expected to go to the jury this afternoon.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong is presiding and a six-man, six-woman jury has been hearing testimony since court convened Monday afternoon.

Sandra K. Nowell of Mitchell County is seeking damages from the accident which occurred on March 29, 1996 at 30th Street and College Avenue.

Attorney for Nowell is Frank W. Conard of Sweetwater. Representing the defendant, Jill Mullen, is Gordon Asbury and William M. Uchereck, both of Abilene.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Some people with the reputation of being cheerful may only be proud of their teeth."

You gotta be tough to be in politics. That wide smile may be a forced effort to keep from crying.

And not only are campaigns tough, they're long.

We noticed that Hillary, interested in running for the U.S. Senate in New York, was in Texas last month campaigning and raising money. We have a hard time making that Texas visit compute, but we did pick up a humorous story related to the swing.

If you happen be a Democrat, don't be offended, just change the character to fit your political leaning.

The story evolves a group of guys in a bar watching TV.

The President's picture appeared on the screen and one patron bellowed, "There's a real horse's rear."

No sooner than the word came out of the mouth, a burly fellow leaped off his stool, waltzed down to the speaker and landed a roundhouse to his kisser, knocking him to the floor.

The patron got up, dusted himself off and sit back down on his stool.

About then, a picture of Hillary appeared on the TV news.

The patron exclaimed, "Now, there's a horse's rear if I ever saw one."

About that time, a fellow from the opposite end of the bar jumped off his stool, calmly walked down and planted a haymaker on the patron's chin, putting him on the floor.

The patron stood up, dusted himself off and rubbed his chin. He decided it was time to apologize.

"I'm sorry," he said. "I just didn't realize I was in Democratic and Clinton Country."

To which one of the other patrons responded, "You're not. This is horse country."

It reminds us of another story about a guy who walked into a saloon, fired his gun into the ceiling and demanded to know, "Who stole my horse?"

Nobody answered.

"Alright, I'm gonna have another drink, and if my hoss ain't back outside by the time I finish, I'm gonna do what I done in Texas. And I don't like to have to do what I done in Texas."

Some of the locals shifted restlessly.

The cowpoke had another beer, walked outside and found his horse tied to the rail. He saddled up and started to ride off when one of the locals ran out and asked out of curiosity, "Say pardner, before you go, what happened in Texas?"

The cowboy grinned and said, "I had to walk home."

ASK US

Q—Why is the football games with Littlefield and Seminole set at 8 p.m., and all others at 7:30 p.m.?

A—Traditionally, 3-A teams have played at the later time, and Snyder also agreed to it this year.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 96 degrees; low, 71; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 71; no precipitation; total for 1999, 19.31 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy. Low mid 60s. Thursday, partly cloudy; slight chance of storms. High, lower 90s.

Shawn Thompson
Partly Cloudy

Sunset: 8:08 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:20 a.m.
Of 243 days in 1999, the sun has shone 236 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Don't always follow the crowd, because nobody goes there anymore."

—Yogi Berra

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More workers fighting English-only policies

CHICAGO (AP) — Carlos Solero couldn't believe his ears when his bosses started reprimanding him for speaking Spanish.

"Even if I was singing to myself or just mumbling, I would get a warning," the 31-year-old said of the "English only" policy his bosses instituted at a suburban Chicago manufacturing plant two years ago.

The company said the policy was needed to improve communication on its assembly line. Eventually, Solero was asked to sign a work agreement that included the policy — but he refused.

"I told them, 'You cannot shut me up,'" said Solero, who was fired three days later.

Now he and seven other Spanish-speakers — and the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission — have filed lawsuits against Watlow Batavia, a metal-casting and assembly plant in Batavia, Ill.

Legal experts say it's part of a growing movement against employers who try to force workers to speak English on the job.

"I think we're going to see more and more of these types of lawsuits, especially as the population of immigrants grows and more languages are spoken in the workplace," said Jose Behar, an EEOC attorney handling the agency's lawsuit against Watlow.

Complaints filed by the EEOC against companies with English-only polices have nearly tripled in the last three years, according to the agency. Ninety-one were filed nationwide last year, compared with 32 in 1996.

Companies may have English-only policies as long as they can prove they are a "business necessity" — say, in an air-traffic control tower.

Trouble is, say Behar and others, some companies are taking it too far — and instituting policies simply because they want to know what their employees are talking about.

"When there's some type of health and safety at stake, those are situations where English-only should be required. But in the vast majority of jobs, there really is no justification," said Donya Fernandez, an attorney with Language Rights Project in San Francisco.

This summer, the group helped work out an agreement at an Emeryville, Calif., casino where kitchen cooks were told they had to speak English, even though they all spoke Cantonese.

Jeff Hawn, a computer industry headhunter for Cleveland, Ohio-based Management Recruiters, said he has seen a language backlash. He said a hiring manager at a Fortune 100 company recently asked him not to send any more candidates with strong accents for an Internet sales position.

"She was really pushing the envelope of EEOC laws. I was really uncomfortable," said Hawn, who complained to the manager's supervisor.

Officials at Watlow defend their English-only policy, which they say was temporary and part of an overall plan to improve an assembly department in crisis.

"We have nothing against speaking any other language as long as the customer's needs are being met," said Diana Rader, the human resources manager for the company. "But the department was experiencing problems where we thought communication was only one of many issues."

The cases against Watlow Batavia are expected to be heard in U.S. District Court in Chicago early next year.

Historically, rulings have been mixed. The U.S. Supreme Court upheld a 1994 decision that allowed a South San Francisco, Calif., meatpacker to continue using its English-only policy — a ruling President Clinton opposed.

Gator attacks woman

KISSIMMEE, Fla. (AP) — A woman was nearly dragged underwater by a 7-foot alligator before her boyfriend kicked the gator and managed to pull her out of a pond.

Deirdre Dozois, and her boyfriend, Stuart Chandler, were cooling themselves off in their favorite pond behind the Jolly Time Bar early Tuesday.

"We were sitting in about 2 feet of water being real quiet, and then I felt her body jerk," said Chandler, 41.

Ms. Dozois, 45, tried to leap into the air with the gator's jaws locked on her right calf.

"It felt like a Rottweiler had grabbed me and wouldn't let go," she said. "It started to twist me into the water."

Chandler began kicking it, and the gator released its grip. He pulled her out and tied a shirt around her thigh to slow the bleeding.

Ms. Dozois, who received 75 stitches on her leg, said they should have been more careful.

"We had been sitting near the water talking before it got dark and saw the gator stick its head out of the water a couple of times," she said.

New law lowers legal drinking level in state

AUSTIN — Representative David Counts (D-Knox City) reminds residents of House District 70 that beginning today a new Texas law will make it illegal to drive with a blood-alcohol level of .08 or above as opposed to .10.

In making this change, the Texas Legislature hopes to reduce the number of accidents, especially fatalities, caused by drinking drivers.

"I hope this legislation raises the awareness of all Texas drivers and sends a strong message that safety on our roads should be our number one concern," Rep. Counts said.

In 1999, Texas led all other states in the number of alcohol-related traffic fatalities with 1,745. In comparison, California, a state with a larger population, reported 1,314 deaths related to traffic accidents involving alcohol. Statistics have shown, both in the laboratory and on the test track, that drivers experience impairment of critical driving skills such as reaction time, speed control, braking, steering, lane tracking, judgment and attention as their blood-alcohol content exceeds .08.

Currently, 16 states have .08 laws, including California and Maine. Both of these states have experienced significant reduction in alcohol-related fatalities since lowering the legal blood-alcohol level. In addition to the safety benefits, Texas will also qualify for National Highway Safety Administration grant money of up to $12.4 million for lowering its legal blood-alcohol level. These funds can be used for highway safety or construction projects.

"The Labor Day holiday is approaching and we all need to remember to be safer behind the wheel with a long three day weekend and many folks being on the highway for family events or community gatherings," Rep. Counts said.

Rep. Counts noted that the law is not meant to completely stop alcohol consumption. On average, it would take more than four drinks consumed in one hour on an empty stomach for a 170-pound man to reach the .08 blood-alcohol level.

Taylor is released from the hospital

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Elizabeth Taylor has been released from a hospital where she was treated for a back injury following a fall.

The 67-year-old actress went home from Cedars-Sinai Medical Center on Sunday, spokesman Warren Cowan said Monday.

Miss Taylor was recovering well from a compression fracture of a vertebra and undergoing physical therapy at home, Cowan said. Her recovery was expected to take several weeks.

The actress suffered the injury in a fall at her Bel Air home.

Gulseth completes basic Navy course

(FHTNC) — Navy Airman Apprentice Sharon D. Gulseth, daughter of Dennis J. and Carolyn A. Gulseth of Snyder, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Gulseth completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis is also placed on physical fitness.

She is a 1996 graduate of Snyder High School.

Foster graduates from ASU

Pamela Foster of Snyder graduated Aug. 13 magna cum laude with a BA in English from Angelo State University.

Foster is a member of Sigma Tau Delta, an English honor society.

She previously attended Western Texas College, graduating with a fine arts degree in 1997. Named outstanding female student of 1997, Foster also participated as a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

Pamela Foster

She wrote for the WTC newspaper, The Western Texas, for the two years she attended WTC and maintained a movie review column for the fall of 1996 and spring of 1997.

Foster received honors for academic writing including a first place at TIPA for her short story, "The Day The Rains Came," and a third place in the critical review category for "Lone Star."

During Foster's university career, she has had several essays and poems published.

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Last Week's Photos: 1. Sheila Cox 2. Nora Beckham 3. Ann Pitts 4. Connie Reynolds 5. Leslie Brown 6. Barbara Sshiebel 7. Janie McBeth 8. Bill Parker 9. Jeanie Minton 10. Judy Moore

Ovary removal may lower breast cancer risk

WASHINGTON (AP) — For women with a type of gene mutation that puts them at high risk of breast cancer, surgical removal of both ovaries can reduce their chances of breast cancer by about 70 percent.

That's the conclusion of a study published today in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute.

Timothy Rebbeck of the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, the lead author of the study, said such findings could eventually help medicine find the best therapy for women at high risk of breast cancer because of a mutation of the BRCA1 gene.

In the study, 47 women with the gene mutation had undergone surgery to remove both ovaries, and another 79 had the gene mutation but not the surgery. The women were patients at five different institutions or hospitals.

Rebbeck said that among those who had ovarian surgery, there was a 67 percent reduction in the incidence of breast cancer after 10 years. For women whose progress was followed for between five and 10 years, the risk reduction was even greater — about 72 percent.

"This is helpful, but it is a small study," said Dr. Lynn Hartmann, a cancer specialist at the Mayo Clinic. "It clearly needs to be taken with some caution."

The BRCA1 gene mutation is thought to be a factor in only a small percentage of both breast and ovarian cancer cases nationally. But for women with the mutation, the chances are very high of developing the disease, Rebbeck said.

Women with the mutation and a family history of breast cancer have up to an 80 percent chance of developing the disease over a lifetime, while the mutation carries an ovarian cancer risk of 40 to 50 percent, he said.

Medical science has been struggling to find the best way to treat such women and to determine who should be tested for the BRCA gene mutation.

Among options being studied and practiced are preventative mastectomy and the use of drugs that appear to lower the incidence of breast cancer among women at high risk. Removing the ovaries has been used to reduce the ovarian cancer risk, but some experts believed the surgery also could reduce the risk of developing breast cancer by limiting hormones that encourage tumor growth. That is the issue addressed in the study.

"This is the first study demonstrating a surgical approach to breast cancer risk reduction among BRCA1 mutation carriers," Rebbeck said. Although only a small percentage of women have the mutation, he said, the findings may help doctors and patients make decisions about how to deal with risks posed by the mutation.

Dr. Kathy Helzlsouer of Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health said in a journal editorial that although the findings are reassuring, the results do not represent the final answer.

"This study ... is only a first step in determining what are the best management options for women who carry BRCA1 mutations and needs to be interpreted with caution," Helzlsouer wrote.

MIT junior found dead

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — An MIT junior was found dead in his dorm room early Tuesday after using a plastic bag to inhale laughing gas, campus officials said.

The body of Richard Guy, 22, was discovered shortly after midnight Monday. Guy, of Mission Viejo, Calif., was a physics major.

The medical examiner said Guy died from asphyxiation as a result of nitrous oxide intoxication.

Pure nitrous oxide dissolves in the bloodstream, pushing oxygen out from the blood into the lungs, depriving the brain and other organs of oxygen. Dentists frequently use it as a painkiller.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology officials released few other details and did not return phone calls seeking comment.

Classes aren't scheduled to begin at MIT until Sept. 7, but freshmen and some upperclassmen had already moved into their rooms.

In September 1997, 18-year-old freshman Scott Krueger died three days after he was found in an alcohol-induced coma on a fraternity floor.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Lackadaisical Parents Unaware Of Their Daughters' Close Call

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I am absolutely outraged. I am a young woman of 23 who was brought up by parents who knew my whereabouts every minute of the day until I was married. Now, as the manager of a suburban fast-food restaurant, I am the supervisor and confidante to a number of fine teen-agers.

These kids come from well-to-do homes, but their parents are totally irresponsible. My current pique stems from a robbery 10 days ago. I and two workers, both 17-year-old girls, were closing up late Friday night when we were confronted by several armed men. The rules are strict: Don't resist. We didn't. The three of us were taken into the back room, bound hand and foot with duct tape, gagged and left hog-tied on the floor. When the men left, we struggled but it was evident that we wouldn't be able to break loose or go for help.

My husband was working night shift and would not miss me — but surely, I thought, the girls' parents would come looking for them. As we huddled together, unable to do much more than mumble through the tape on our mouths, I listened for the sound of cars and the girls' worried parents. I figured it would be an hour at worst. Abby, *They never came!* The phone never even rang. Workers arriving at 6 a.m. found us still bound and huddling. We had spent the entire night tied up on the floor, and the girls were apparently not missed.

At this point, I actually feel more anger toward the parents of these girls than for the men who robbed us. We were not hurt, and I can understand why it was necessary to tie us up. But what kind of parents are unaware when their teen-aged daughters are gone all night? I am ...

BOUND AND BOILING
IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR BOUND AND BOILING: You have written a letter that is sure to generate comments, and I don't blame you for being outraged. As long as children live under their parents' roof, they are the responsibility of the parent. Because children come from well-to-do homes does not automatically guarantee that they have caring, involved, concerned parents. In this case, I would say that the parents weren't doing an adequate job — and that everyone concerned is fortunate this episode didn't end in a tragedy.

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DEAR ABBY: Thank you for your recent acknowledgment of jurors. I, too, have been called for jury duty, and I griped and grumbled during the process. I will never gripe again.

Last year my father was murdered. The perpetrator was tried in April. The jury did an incredible job of deliberating for 14 hours after a three-day trial. They are to be commended for doing one of the hardest things a human being has to do — to sit in judgment of another person.

I would like to thank the men and women who are willing to go through such an ordeal.

ELIZABETH
IN WINTER PARK, FLA.

DEAR ELIZABETH: I would like to thank them, too. As your traumatic experience illustrates, it's vital that our juries be composed of dedicated and conscientious citizens who are willing to make the sacrifice and do their duty.

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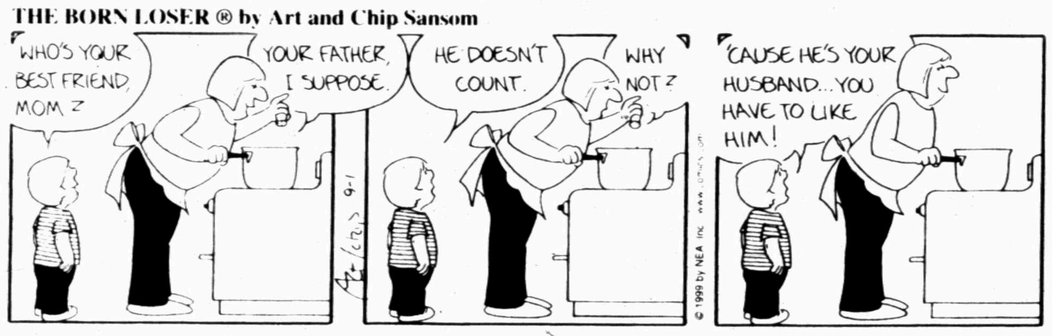

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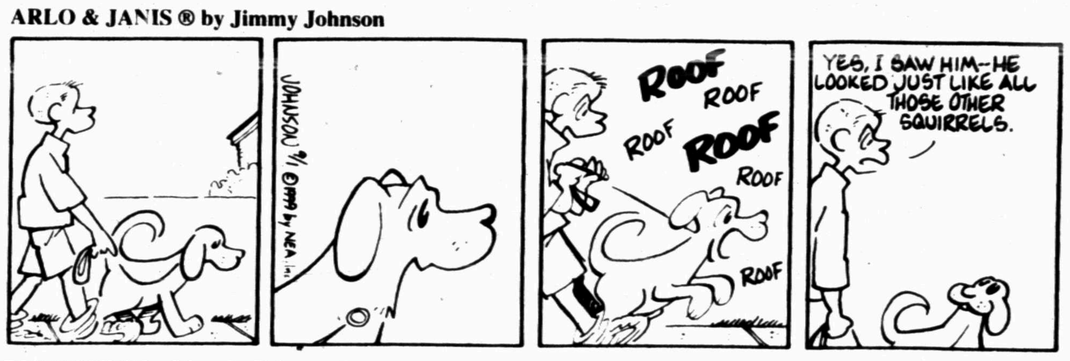

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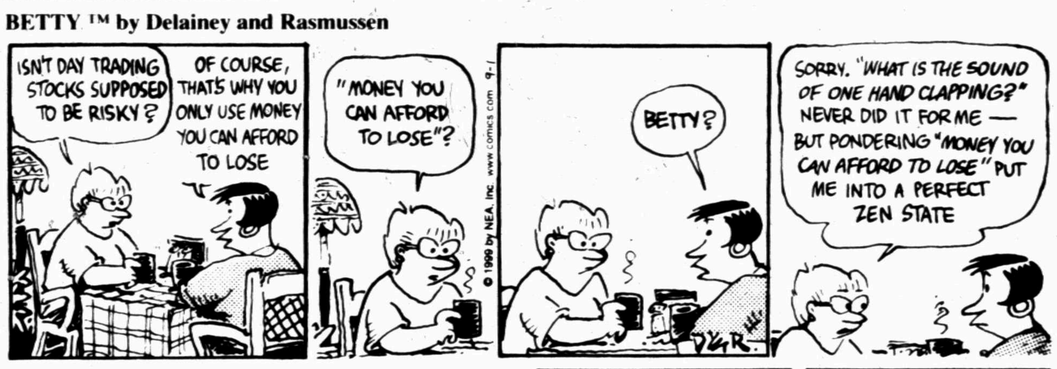

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1 Rare gas
6 "— Breckenridge"
10 Nearsighted
12 Collects, bit by bit
14 Of an artery
15 Boundaries
16 RR depot
17 Gums
19 Fix text
20 Ship's girder
23 Central
26 Aug. hours
27 Unit of mass
30 Kampala's land
32 One or the other
34 Tidier
35 Becomes serious
36 Cozy room
37 Malaga Mrs.
39 Where Margaret Mead worked
40 — and Meara
42 Fable's kin
45 Victory sign
46 Neither Rep. nor Dem.
49 Act of pulling a car
51 Type of pig
54 Playground sights
55 Holy
56 Type of jerk
57 Unwanted plants

DOWN

1 Dec. holiday
2 Small island (var.)
3 Writer Ephron
4 Choose
5 Ms. Peeples
6 Roman 1,051
7 Neighbor of Saudi Arabia
8 Invasion
9 One opposed
11 Detective's need
12 Spectacles
13 Fast plane
18 Atty.'s deg.
20 Philosopher Immanuel —
21 Earliest born
22 Ineffective
23 Provide money for
24 Curved molding
25 Actor James —
27 Polite cough
28 Type of fish
29 — Major (constellation)
31 Gets there
33 Construction beam
38 Frothy brew
40 Type of tree
41 Lower limbs
42 Alps and Rockies (abbr.)
43 Yellow of an egg
44 Identical sibling
46 Concerning (2 wds.)
47 Have to have
48 Fathers
50 "Golly!"
52 Car assemblers' assn.
53 Frost

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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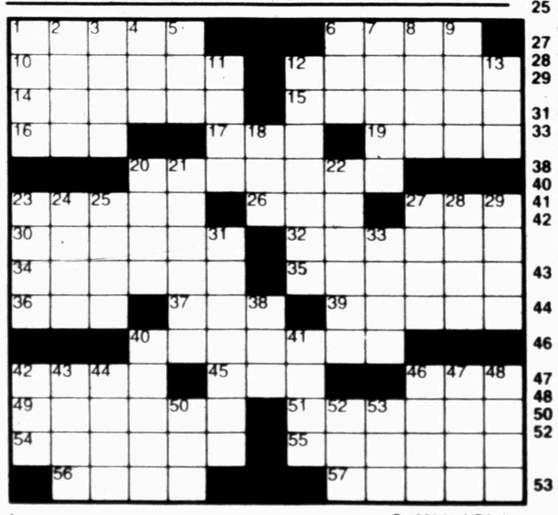

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SPORTS

Stellar play at the net powers Lady Tigers to eighth victory

MIDLAND — The Lady Tigers have played two matches each of the previous two Tuesdays, both times walking away with a split.

This Tuesday would be no different.

Snyder used strong net play and an effective service attack to knock off Seminole, but failed to get its offense on track in Game 3 against Midland High, earning it another Tuesday split.

The Lady Tigers, who move to 8-7 on the season, showed their prowess at the net most of the night, registering 29 blocks in the two-match span. And if not for eight consecutive hitting errors in Game 3 against Midland, the Lady Tigers would have strolled home with a pair of victories.

"We're doing a lot things really well right now," Snyder coach Patty Grimmett said. "We're blocking well, and picking up blocks well. Our serving is good, and so is our serve receive. It just seems like we tend to have a little lapse sometimes, like tonight against Midland, and it ends up costing the match."

There was no such lapse against Seminole, however. With the match square at one game apiece, the Lady Tigers dominated the action down the stretch.

Tessa Hildebrand served up nine consecutive points, as Snyder blew open a 13-1 lead, before cruising to a 15-3 win.

"We came out a lot better against Seminole," stated Grimmett. "That's what we need to do. I think sometimes we get off to a bad start and don't recover."

Junior Ashley Delce led the Lady Tigers at the net, accounting for eight of the team's 13 blocks against Seminole. Delce had registered five more in the opening match with Midland High.

Against the Lady Bulldogs, Snyder dropped the first game, before knotting the match with a 15-10 decision in Game 2. But it was a slow start by Snyder that set the tone for Game 3. Nine of Midland's first 11 points came off Snyder errors, as the Lady Bulldogs raced to a 15-1 win.

"We know what we need to work on, and we'll continue to work hard in practice," Grimmett remarked. "But I think the girls are coming along good. For this part of the season, I'm pretty pleased with where we're at."

Snyder will be back in tournament action, beginning Friday at the Wayland Baptist event in Plainview.

The Lady Tigers open pool play Friday morning at 9 against Lubbock Monterey. Snyder squares off with Sanford-Fritch at 1 p.m. and with Levelland at 4 o'clock. Bracket play begins Saturday morning at 9.

Midland def. Snyder 15-8, 10-15, 15-1

Snyder service points: Kameron Kallemeyn, 10; Christina Holder, 4; Kristin Martinez, Tessa Hildebrand and T'Leah Eicke, 3. **Kills:** Kallemeyn, Hildebrand and Holder, 2; Ashley Delce and Cara Best, 1. **Blocks:** Delce, 5; Rina Geiger and Courtney Rinehart, 3; Holder and Kallemeyn, 2; Hildebrand, 1.

Snyder def. Seminole 15-7, 8-15, 15-3

Snyder service points: Hildebrand, 15; Kallemeyn, 10; Martinez, 5; Holder, 4; Eicke, 3; Christy Tomlinson, 1. **Kills:** Kallemeyn and Delce, 4; Holder, 3; Hildebrand and Geiger, 2; Best, 1. **Blocks:** Delce, 8; Kallemeyn and Geiger, 2; Holder, 1.

STRETCH — Snyder's Tessa Hildebrand dives to come up with the ball Tuesday evening, while teammate T'Leah Eicke looks on during action against Seminole in Midland. The Lady Tigers split Tuesday's matches, knocking off Seminole, after falling to Midland High. (SDN Staff Photo)

Weekly Sports Schedule

THURSDAY

Football: Snyder JV at Littlefield, 6 p.m.

Football: Midland Christian at Snyder 9th B, Travis Field, 4:30.

Football: Littlefield at Snyder 9th A, Tiger Stadium, 6:30.

Tennis: Snyder JV at Abilene High.

FRIDAY

Football: Littlefield at Snyder, 8 p.m.

Football: Ira at Loop, 7:30.

Football: Hermleigh at Highland, 7:30.

Football: Borden County at Wilson, 7:30.

Volleyball: Snyder varsity at Wayland Baptist tourney.

SATURDAY

Volleyball: Snyder varsity at Wayland Baptist tourney.

Volleyball: Snyder 9th and JV at Snyder tourney.

Tigers knock off Texas

DETROIT (AP) — Tony Clark broke a tie with a two-run double to spark an eight-run seventh inning as the Detroit Tigers beat the Texas Rangers 14-6 Tuesday night.

Ivan Rodriguez, Rusty Greer and Juan Gonzalez homered for the Rangers, who lost for just the fifth time in 16 games.

Bobby Higginson hit a two-run homer for Detroit, which beat Texas for the second straight night.

Detroit rookie Francisco Cordero (1-0) got his first big league win, giving up one hit in his one inning. Cordero has not allowed an earned run in 10 innings.

Danny Kolb (1-1), the second of four Texas pitchers, gave up two runs, despite not giving up a hit over 2 2-3 innings, and took the loss.

Kolb walked Brad Ausmus and Dean Palmer to start the Detroit seventh and was relieved by Jeff Zimmerman.

With Clay injured, Ekuban steps in

IRVING (AP) — Troy Aikman saw a big guy catch the kickoff and was impressed. Whoever it was showed good hands in picking up the squib kick and he seemed to know what he was doing when he ran with the ball.

Once the New England defenders were peeled off, Aikman was surprised to see rookie defensive end Ebenezer Ekuban get up from the bottom of the pile.

Ekuban's smooth handling of that play reminded Dallas Cowboys coaches that he had been a tight end for two years at North Carolina before switching to defense.

That knowledge came in handy a week later when injuries thinned Dallas' depth at tight end.

On Tuesday, Ekuban received an offensive playbook and was to begin attending offensive meetings as the Cowboys start to break him in as a short-yardage tight end, primarily in their goal-line package.

Ekuban will begin practicing at tight end next week and coach Chan Gailey plans to give him a few minutes there every week to learn his assignments.

"He won't be running any post routes," Gailey said. "It'll just be in an emergency situation."

Hayward Clay was supposed to be Dallas' blocking tight end, but he went on injured reserve Tuesday with a hurt knee. The next option, rookie Mike Lucky, is recovering from a foot injury that could be stress fracture. That leaves only rookie free agent Brian Waters, who is listed as a fullback but played tight end during his junior and sophomore years at North Texas.

The 6-foot-3, 281-pound Ekuban ran the fastest times in the 10-yard and 40-yard dashes.

SDN Sports Briefs

Slingin' Sammy Baugh Snyder tourney

The eighth annual Slingin' Sammy Baugh Snyder Golf Tournament will be held Sept. 11 at Western Texas College. Shotgun starts will be at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Format will be a four-person scramble and cost is $140 per team. All proceeds benefit Snyder I.S.D. golf programs.

Prizes will be $600 for first place, $400 for second, $350 for third, $300 for fourth and $250 for fifth. A hole-in-one on No. 15 will win a golf cart.

To register, go by the WTC pro shop. Deadline for entry is Sept. 10.

SISD sports tickets

Season passes for all Snyder volleyball and basketball games are on sale now at the SISD business administration office. Passes are $30 for each sport, or $50 for a combined volleyball/basketball pass. The passes are good for all home games, from the varsity level through seventh grade. If purchased individually, adult tickets to home games are $2 each.

Bowling league news

The Men's Commercial Bowling League will hold its meeting Thursday at 7 p.m. at Snyder Lanes. League play begins Sept. 9.

Also, other fall bowling leagues are forming, to include women's, men's, mixed, couples and youth leagues. Beginners are welcome. For more information, call Snyder Lanes at 573-2811.

Major League Baseball

American League
All Times EDT
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	81	50	.618	—
Boston	74	58	.561	7½
Toronto	70	64	.522	12½
Tampa Bay	59	73	.447	22½
Baltimore	58	73	.443	23

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	81	50	.618	—
Chicago	62	71	.466	20
Minnesota	56	74	.431	24½
Detroit	53	78	.405	28
Kansas City	51	81	.386	30½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	79	54	.594	—
Oakland	72	60	.545	6½
Seattle	66	66	.500	12½
Anaheim	51	80	.389	27

Tuesday's Games

Boston 6, Kansas City 3
Minnesota 14, Toronto 3
Cleveland 14, Anaheim 12
Detroit 14, Texas 6
Tampa Bay 3, Baltimore 0
Oakland 3, New York 2, 11 innings
Seattle 11, Chicago 4

Wednesday's Games

Kansas City (Rosado 7-12) at Boston (Mercker 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Wheeler 0-0) at Baltimore (Johns 3-2), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Milton 6-10) at Toronto (Escobar 10-9), 7:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Washburn 0-2) at Cleveland (Burba 11-7), 7:05 p.m.
Texas (Helling 11-7) at Detroit (Weaver 8-9), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Olivares 12-9) at New York (Clemens 12-6), 7:35 p.m.
Seattle (Meche 4-4) at Chicago (Sirotka 8-11), 8:05 p.m.

National League
All Times EDT
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	84	50	.627	—
New York	80	53	.602	3½
Philadelphia	67	64	.511	15½
Montreal	56	76	.424	27
Florida	53	79	.402	30

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	79	55	.590	—
Cincinnati	76	55	.580	1½
Pittsburgh	66	67	.496	12½
St. Louis	64	69	.481	14½
Milwaukee	57	74	.435	20½
Chicago	54	77	.412	23½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	79	54	.594	—
San Francisco	71	61	.538	7½
Los Angeles	62	70	.470	16½
San Diego	61	72	.459	18
Colorado	60	74	.448	19½

Tuesday's Games

Atlanta 8, Cincinnati 2
Houston 6, New York 2
St. Louis 8, Florida 1
Pittsburgh 9, Colorado 8, 10 innings
Montreal 2, Arizona 1
San Diego 7, Chicago 3
San Francisco 8, Philadelphia 1
Los Angeles 5, Milwaukee 3

Wednesday's Games

Philadelphia (Grace 1-1) at San Francisco (L.Hernandez 7-11), 4:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Schmidt 11-9) at Colorado (Hackman 0-0), 5:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Mulholland 7-7) at Cincinnati (Villone 7-4), 7:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Eldred 1-7) at Los Angeles (Valdes 9-11), 7:35 p.m.
New York (Dotel 5-1) at Houston (Holt 3-12), 8:05 p.m.
Florida (Dempster 6-6) at St. Louis (Stephenson 4-0), 8:10 p.m.
Montreal (Hermanson 5-12) at Arizona (Daal 13-7), 10:35 p.m.
Chicago (Trachsel 4-16) at San Diego (Hitchcock 11-9), 10:35 p.m.

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The undersigned, having been duly appointed Independent Executor of the Estate of ETTIE E. LEE, deceased, late of Scurry County, Texas, by Ricky Fritz, Judge of the County Court of said county, on the 30th day of August, 1999, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said Estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said Estate to present them to ROY NEIL LEE, 3544 Montreal Circle, Fort Worth, Texas 76117, within the time prescribed by law.
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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

MRI can explain hip pain

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am a 63-year-old woman who developed severe left hip pain about four months ago. An orthopedic surgeon X-rayed the hip (normal), diagnosed bursitis, prescribed Indocin (no help), administered two cortisone shots (temporary relief only), and checked my hip for osteoporosis with a bone density test (normal). Now he wants to perform an MRI, which I do not believe will show anything. I need help badly. What should I do?

DEAR READER: By all means, have the MRI. This is a safe and painless test that will show the interior of your hip joint in vivid detail. I'd be especially interested in seeing the condition of the joint cartilage. Cartilaginous damage does not usually show up on standard X-rays. If your cartilage is too thin or crinkled, you may have to consider surgery, such as a hip replacement. On the other hand, if the MRI is normal, your doctor will have to hunt for another cause of your hip pain. For example, low back ailments — particularly sciatica — can sometimes start off as hip pain. Let me know the results of the MRI.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: What are the possible physical consequences of eating sushi?

DEAR READER: Most sushi is perfectly safe to eat. However, it is raw fish, and any uncooked flesh has the potential for causing major health problems. One of the reported consequences of a raw-fish diet is tapeworm. While the fish are alive and free-ranging, they can become infected with this parasite. As the tapeworm progresses through its life cycle, the female lays eggs in the flesh of the fish. These eggs cannot be seen with the naked eye. However, once the fish is eaten uncooked, the eggs hatch in the human intestine, anchor themselves to the bowel lining and mature into adults that can sometimes reach prodigious lengths of up to 30 feet. Fish tapeworm often causes anemia, weight loss, abdominal pain, and anal irritation. The diagnosis depends on a stool analysis. Treatment is universally successful.

The other consequence of eating sushi — and, indeed, raw pork, beef, chicken or eggs — is bacterial infection, such as caused by E. Coli and other microorganisms. Bacteria readily multiply on uncooked flesh, and if the raw fish is not handled properly, refrigerated and cleaned before consumption, it can cause food poisoning that can be quite troublesome to treat, because it may be associated with severe nausea, vomiting and diarrhea, leading to dangerous dehydration.

Again, let me emphasize that, by and large, sushi is safe to eat and causes no health problems. But consumers must be alert to the potential harm that can be caused by this delicacy — and, in the commercial world, must pick their fish stores and restaurants carefully.

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Datebook

Today is the 244th day of 1999 and the 73rd day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1682, William Penn and 100 Quakers began their voyage to the New World.

On this day in 1864, Union General William Sherman took Atlanta.

On this day in 1939, German forces invaded Poland, marking the beginning of World War II.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: "Gentleman" Jim Corbett (1866-1933), boxing great; Edgar Rice Burroughs (1875-1950), writer; Walter P. Reuther (1907-1970), labor leader; Yvonne DeCarlo (1922-), actress, is 77; Rocky Marciano (1923-1969), boxing great; Conway Twitty (1933-1993), singer; Lily Tomlin (1939-), actress-comedian, is 60.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1972, Bobby Fischer defeated Boris Spassky at Reykjavik, Iceland, becoming chess champion of the world.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "A verse may find him who a sermon flies." — George Herbert

TODAY'S MOON: Day before last quarter (Sept. 2).

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Convicted killer set for execution

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — What former prosecutor Paul McWilliams remembers about the death of Vietnamese immigrant Su Van Dang nearly a dozen years ago is the bloody carnage at the victim's Port Arthur home.

"(The attack) lasted for a pretty long time and at one time the victim was able to escape his house and got as far as almost the curb," said McWilliams, a former Jefferson County district attorney who prosecuted Raymond James Jones.

"But Jones got him and dragged him back in," McWilliams said.

Jones, 39, a convicted burglar who on parole after serving 2½ years of a 10-year prison term, was set to die tonight for the 1988 killing during a robbery.

"Evidence showed he initiated the attack with a knife and a meat cleaver," McWilliams said. "He ended up using a second meat cleaver because the first one wasn't getting the job done."

The U.S. Supreme Court refused Tuesday to halt the execution, clearing the way for Jones to become the 22nd Texas inmate to receive lethal injection this year.

He also would be the 100th condemned killer in the state to go to the death chamber during Gov. George W. Bush's more than 4½ years in office.

Investigators determined Dang's killer tried to drown him in a bathtub, then tied him with an electrical cord, poured kerosene on him and set him ablaze in a closet.

That's where Dang's body was found.

According to court documents, Jones and Dang were among a group of people playing dominoes the night before the June 17, 1988 murder. When police began questioning Jones after the discovery of Dang's body, he told them, "Yeah, I did it."

Then he took investigators to his sister's house where he had taken a stereo he stole from the home where Dang lived alone.

Besides confessions from Jones, police found Jones' hat at the murder scene and linked cigarettes discovered at the house to him.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

High	Low	Last	Chg
AMR Corp	59 3-16	58½ 58	11-16+ 1-16
AT&T Corp s	45¾	45⅝ 45	9-16+ 9-16
Albertsons	48 1-16	47½ 47⅝	— 1-16
AlldSignal	61⅞ 61 7-16	61 13-16	+ ⅜
Alltel	68¼ 67 13-16	68 3-16	+ 9-16
AmOnline s	93¾	90⅞ 92⅛	+15-16
Ameritech	63 1-16	62 7-16	63 1-16 — 1-16
AndarkPtr	34⅛	33⅜ 33⅜	— ⅛
Armcolnc		6⅛	6⅛ 6⅛
AtlRichfld	88 5-16	87⅞ 88	5-16+ ⅜
ATMOS Egy	25 3-16	25 1-16	25⅛+ 1-16
Avialll	11 3-16	11	11 3-16+ 1-16
BP Amoco	112⅜	111⅞ 112⅝	+135-256
BakerHughes	34 3-16	33⅛ 33	9-16— 9-16
Bank of Amer	60⅛ 59 9-16	59 13-16	— 3-16
BellAtl	61 5-16	60⅛ 60⅛	—13-16
BellSouth s	45 5-16	44⅞ 45	1-16— 3-16
BethSteel	7 13-16	7 11-16	7⅝+ 1-16
BurlNoSFe	29 7-16	28⅞ 29⅛	+ ⅛
CBS Corp	47⅞	47 1-16	47⅛+ ⅛
Caterpillar	57⅞	57 3-16	57⅛+ 1⅛
CenSoWst	22 15-16	22 9-16	22⅝+ ⅛
Chevron	93	92⅛ 92	7-16+ ⅛
Citigroup s	45⅛	43⅞ 44½	+ 1-16
Coastal	43 13-16	42⅞ 43	11-16+ 3-16
CocaCola	60 7-16	59 3-16	60 7-16+ ⅜
ColgatePal s	54⅛	53⅛ 53	15-16+ 7-16
ComclMetals	30⅞	30 11-16	30⅞+ ⅛
CooperIn	52⅛	51 13-16	51⅞
CyprusAmax	17⅝	16 15-16	17⅛+ 9-16
DaimlrChry n	76 3-16	75⅝ 75	15-16+ ⅛
DallSemicn		51 9-16	51 51⅛+ ⅛
DeltaAirl s	51 5-16	50⅛ 50⅝	— 3-16
Dillards Inc		23½	23⅛ 23½
DowChem	115⅛ 112 13-16	114 9-16	+15-16
DuPont		65	63 9-16 65 + 1⅛
EastmanChem	47½	46 7-16	47 7-16+ 1
EstKodak	73 15-16	73 9-16	73 15-16+ ½
EDS Corp	57½	56⅞ 57	7-16+1 5-16
Entergy	30 1-16	29 13-16	30 1-16+ ⅛
Exxon	79⅛	78 11-16	79 + ⅛
Flowers	16 3-16	14⅞ 16	3-16+ 7-16
FordMotor	52⅛	51⅜ 51	11-16— 7-16
GTE Cp	68 13-16	68⅛ 68	7-16— ⅛
GenDynam	64⅞	63⅛ 63⅜	+ ⅜
GenElec	113⅜	112⅞ 113	+11-16
GenMills	83⅜	82⅞ 83⅛	— ½
GenMotors	66⅛	65⅞ 66⅛	+ ⅛
GaPacGP s	43⅛	42⅞ 43	+ 1⅛
GlobalMar		18 1-16	17⅞ 17⅞
Goodrich	37⅞	36⅞ 37	+ 1-16
Goodyear s	57⅞	56⅞ 57⅛	+ 1⅛
GtAtlPac	35	34⅛ 34	7-16—11-16
Halliburtn	46 11-16	45⅛ 45½	— ⅛
Hanson ADS	42⅛ 42 7-16	42 9-16	+53-256
HarteHanks	23⅛	22⅞ 22⅞	+ 5-16
HomeDepot	61 11-16	60 13-16	61 3-16— 5-16
IBM s	128⅛	125⅛ 128⅛	+3 11-16
IntlPaper	49⅛	47 13-16	49 3-16+ 2⅛
JohnsonJn	102 7-16	101⅛ 101⅛	— ⅜
K mart	12 15-16	12⅛ 12⅞	+ 5-16
Kroger Co s	23 5-16	22⅞ 22	7-16—11-16
Litton	64⅞	63⅛ 63	7-16—13-16
LockheedM s	36 15-16	36⅛ 36	15-16— 1-16
Lowes Cos		45⅛ 44	3-16 44½— ⅛
Lubys	13 11-16	13⅛ 13	9-16+ 3-16
LucentTech s	65 3-16	63 13-16	64⅛+ 7-16
MayDeptStr s		39	38⅜ 38⅜— 5-16
MediaOne		66 3-16	65⅞ 66 + ⅛
Medtronic	78⅛	77⅛ 77	13-16—13-32
Mobil	103	102⅛ 102	15-16+ 9-16
Monsanto		41⅛	40⅞ 41⅛
MorganJP	130 9-16	129⅝ 130⅛	+1 1-16
Motorola	92 13-16	90 5-16	90 9-16—1 11-16
NCR Corp	43⅜	43⅛ 43	9-16— 3-16
Navistar		49⅛	49 49⅛+ ⅛
Penney JC	38 7-16	36 3-16	38⅜+ 2⅛
PepBoys	14⅞	14⅛ 14	11-16+ 3-16
PepsiCo		34⅛ 33	15-16 34⅛
PhelpDodge	56⅞	56 5-16	56⅛+ 9-16
PhilipPet	51⅞	51 1-16	51 3-16+ 3-16
PilgrmPrd B	10 11-16	10 11-16	10 11-16+ 1-16
Polaroid		28 3-16	27⅞ 28⅛+ 1
Praxair	47⅞	47	47 7-16+ 7-16
ProctGamb		99⅞	98⅞ 99 — ⅛
PubSNwMx	19⅛	18 15-16	18 15-16+ ⅛
ReliantEngy	27 13-16	27⅞	27⅝+ 1-16
RoyalDut		63⅛	62⅛ 63 + 1⅛
SBC Comm	48 7-16	47 13-16	48 7-16+ ⅜
SaraLee s		22⅝	22⅛ 22⅝+ ⅜
Scripps EW	48⅛	47 15-16	47 15-16— 1-16
SearsRoeb	37 11-16	37 3-16	37⅜— ⅛
SherwinW		25	24 9-16 25 + ⅜
SmithklBchm	63⅛	62 1-16	62⅛— ⅛
SouthernCo	27⅛	26 15-16	27⅛+ 1-16
SwstAirl s	16⅞	16 11-16	16⅝+ 1-16
SprintFON s		44⅜	42⅛ 44⅜
SprintPCS n		60⅞	59⅞ 60⅝+ ⅜
Sunoco Inc	32 15-16	32 5-16	32 15-16+ ⅜
TNP Ent		37 7-16	37⅛ 37⅛
Tandy s	47⅞	46⅞ 47	5-16+ 1-16
TempleInland		64 3-16	63 5-16 64 + 2
Tenneco	20 5-16	20 1-16	20 3-16+ 1-16
Texaco		64⅛	63⅜ 64 + ⅛
TexInd	31⅞ 31	11-16	31 11-16— 5-16
TexasInst s	83 3-16	81½	81⅞— 7-16
TexUtil		40⅛	39⅞ 40⅛+ 9-16
Textron	82⅛	80⅞	81 15-16+1 3-16
TriconGlbR		41	40 9-16 40⅞+ ⅛
TrinityInds		31⅞	31½ 31⅞
TritonEngy	12 11-16	12⅛	12⅛+ ⅛
TylerTech	5 15-16	5 15-16	5 15-16+ 3-16
US West Inc	53 7-16	52 15-16	52 15-16+11-16
USX-Marathn	31 7-16	31 1-16	31 7-16+ 5-16
USX-USS	27 7-16	26⅞	27 5-16+ 5-16
UnCarbde		57 15-16	56⅞ 57⅛+ ⅜
UnionPacif	49⅝	49 1-16	49⅝+15-16
UnitedTech s	67⅛	66⅛	67 1-16+15-16
Unocal	42⅛	41 13-16	42⅛+ ⅜
Venator Grp	7 7-16	7⅛	7⅛+ 5-32
WalMart s	44⅛	43⅞	44 3-16— ⅛
WellsFargo		40	39⅞ 39 13-16
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GTE	68 1/2	-13/16
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Notice of Public Hearing On Scurry County Appraisal District Budget

The Scurry County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed appraisal budget for the 2000 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on September 13, 1999 @ 8:30 a.m. at the offices of the Scurry County Appraisal District located at 2612 College Avenue, Snyder, Texas.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget is $546,600.00

Salaries, Retirement, Insurance, Travel	$379,810.00
Registration	5,200.00
Liability Insurance & Bonds	4,600.00
Bldg Maint.,Utilities, Janitor Service	18,140.00
Equip & Computer-Purchase & Maint.	29,400.00
Programming	27,300.00
Appraisal Service	49,000.00
Appraisal Review Board & Board of Directors	7,500.00
Postage	8,250.00
Supplies, Furniture, Forms, Valuation Material, etc..,	10,600.00
Microfilming	2,000.00
Audit Fees	1,800.00
Attorney Fees	3,000.00

The total amount of decrease from the current year's budget will be $ 4,503.34

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget will be 12.

The number of employees compensated under the current budget is 13.

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities, and towns served by the appraisal district. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies.

The proposed budget is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

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1999 Chamber of Commerce Banquet

EDUCATION EXCELLENCE AWARD — Gayle Lomax, right, presented the Education Excellence Award to Carol Haynes who has taught many years and retired from Stanfield Elementary.

McLAUGHLIN AWARD — Pete Hagist, field superintendent for Devon Energy Corp., received the McLaughlin Award at the chamber banquet Tuesday evening. The award was presented by Sandra Barbosa, chamber assistant executive director.

CHAMBER'S CHOICE AWARD — Betty House, left, was recipient of the Chamber's Choice Award for Outstanding service. She received the award from Sandra Barbosa, chamber assistant executive director.

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR — Sandra Barboza presented the Business of the Year Award to Lawrence IGA. C.R. Perez, center and Sid Medina accepted.

WINSTON AWARD — Helen Hatter presented this year's Winston Award to rancher Ralph Miller.

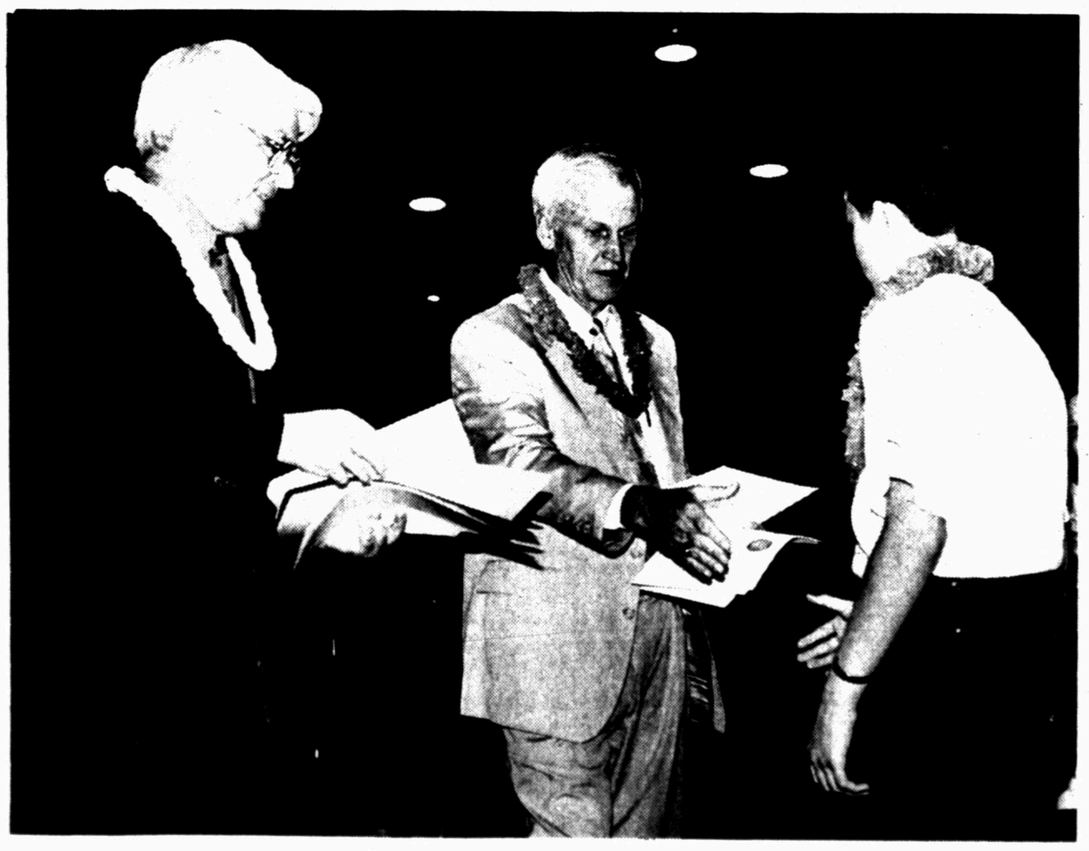
SIZEMORE AWARD — Daryl Thomas presented the Sizemore Award to Donna Gray, longtime active member of the chamber and a past president.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES RECOGNITION — Jack McGlaun, longtime civic leader, was presented a House of Representatives resolution that was read by Rep. David Counts.

HONORED — Aline Parks was presented a resolution from the House of Representatives honoring her late husband, G.A. Parks Jr. Rep. David Counts is shown making the presentation.

SDN Staff Photos by Jo Ann Nunley & Joyce May

VESTAL AWARD — The Vestal Award was received by Ollie Peek, retired math teacher, who was unable to attend the banquet. Mayor Dayton Robertson announced the award.



JUNIOR LEADERSHIP RECOGNITION — With some 25 youth who completed the junior chamber of commerce leadership course this summer, Tyler Driggers accepted his certificate from Congressman Charlie Stenholm, center, and Rep. David Counts.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Dennis begins backtracking

NAGS HEAD, N.C. (AP) — Dennis, downgraded to a tropical storm, was on a track back toward North Carolina's Outer Banks today and residents and vacationers were once again told to leave their homes and rental cottages.

The storm was stalled this morning on its landward course but was expected to resume plodding westward later in the day, forecasters said.

Mandatory evacuations were ordered Tuesday in the communities of Nags Head, Kitty Hawk and Kill Devil Hills, where Dare County officials expected gale force wind and extensive flooding over the next several days. Neighboring Hyde County also ordered an evacuation, even for residents who live on the mainland side of the Pamlico Sound.

As Dennis approached the first time, vacationers and residents were ordered to evacuate the Outer Banks on Sunday. By Monday night they began returning when Dennis headed into the Atlantic, only to have to leave again Tuesday night when the storm began backtracking.

Some 5,000 people, mostly residents, opted to remain on the barrier islands. Provisions there were running low, and officials were considering a supply run by boat.

A convoy of three National Guard vehicles carrying diesel fuel, water and ready-to-eat packaged meals left at dawn today to push as far south as possible along Hatteras Island, where sand and water blocked sections of N.C. 12, the only highway along the island.

Tourists and residents who didn't evacuate earlier would be allowed to hitch a ride out on the military vehicles, state emergency response spokesman Mark Van Sciver said.

The highway was so clogged from the storm's first passing that it can't be cleared until Friday, officials said.

"There's just erosion of the whole beach line all up and down the coast," said Dare County Sheriff Bert Austin. "We've got a mess on our hands."

The road and the utilities built along it are indispensable to the island. About 5,000 customers were in the dark.

"That's our water line, our power line, our telephone line and our kids' access to the school," said motel owner John Hooper. "It's our whole way of life."

The National Hurricane Center downgraded Dennis from a hurricane to a tropical storm Tuesday night but warned that the unpredictable storm was only a few mph below hurricane strength.

Some forecast models show Dennis looping to the south or southwest, said Rod Ganski of the National Weather Service.

That would take it along the same path — but in reverse — that it followed when it crept along North Carolina's coast Monday without coming ashore.

A tropical storm warning and a hurricane watch were in effect for most of the North Carolina coast north through Virginia to near the Maryland border.

A heavy surf advisory was posted for the whole New Jersey coast, and most beaches banned swimming. Along the south shore of New York's Long Island, no swimming was allowed.

Correctional officer stabbed in private prison disturbance

SANTA ROSA, N.M. (AP) — A correctional officer was stabbed to death in a fiery inmate revolt that caused extensive damage to a private prison, authorities said.

The disturbance at the Guadalupe County Correctional Facility erupted Tuesday evening. Law officers regained control early today and imposed an inmate lockdown, said state Secretary of Public Safety Darren White. It was one of a rash of violent incidents recently at privately run prisons in the state.

White said the guard, Ralph Garcia, 42, of Tucumcari, was stabbed numerous times. He did not know how many inmates were involved in the uprising.

"Our goal is going to be to find whoever is responsible for the cold-blooded murder of this guard and hold them accountable," White said.

White said it was too early to determine the cause of the disturbance at the prison about 120 miles east of Albuquerque.

It at about 6:30 p.m. Tuesday as Garcia and other guards attempted to lock down the prison after an inmate was stabbed in a gymnasium, White said. Garcia was surrounded by a group of inmates and stabbed to death. The condition of the inmate wasn't immediately known.

White said inmates blocked the doors with soda machines so guards could not gain access, and set fires in four dormitory areas — known as pods — burning furniture and recreational equipment. "There was destruction of much of the property that was contained in and around the pods," he said. Each pod holds about 50 inmates.

A prison "special response team" re-established control of three of the pods shortly after 11 p.m. Tuesday, and took the fourth from prisoners' control early today, White said.

"As far as we know, no one escaped," state police Deputy Chief Herman Silva said.

"It's not uncommon for inmates to attack each other," White said. "It's a totally different set of circumstance when a guard is brutally attacked and murdered inside of a prison."

The prison is owned by Florida-based Wackenhut Corrections Corp. Wackenhut has a $25 million-a-year contract to hold about 1,500 inmates at two facilities in New Mexico.

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Notice of Public Meeting To Discuss Budget And Proposed Tax Rate

The Ira I.S.D. Board of Trustees will hold a public meeting at 7:30 p.m., September 14,1999 in the Administrative office Ira I.S.D., Ira, TX. **The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted.** Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	$ 1.420	$ 0.00*	$1.420	$5,894	$ 261
Less State-Funded Tax Relief	$ 0.762	$ 0.00	$0.762	$ N/A	$ N/A
Last Year's Rate Adjusted for Tax Relief	$ 2.182	$ 0.00	$2.182	$ N/A	$ N/A
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service**	$ 2.238	$ 0.00*	$2.238	$6,678	$ 272
Proposed Rate	$ 1.500	$ 0.00*	$1.500	$4,386	$ -0-

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

** The Rate to Maintain the Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service does not reflect revenue available to the district in the 1999-2000 school year for the pay raise for classroom teachers, full-time librarians, full-time counselors, and full-time school nurses enacted by the 76th Legislature. The estimated cost of the pay raise for the 1999-2000 school year is $60,000.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	$ 34,564.	$34,120.
Average Taxable Value of Residences	$ 23,382.	$22,940.
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per $100 Value	$ 1.42	$ 1.50
Taxes Due on Average Residence	$ 332.02	$ 344.10
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	$ 12.08	

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is $2.268. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of $2.268.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment: Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) $735,868; Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s) $ -0-

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Aug. 31-Martha Price, John Walker and Joseph Goolsby.

DISMISSALS: Thaba McMillan, Buna McCright and Corbyn Mills.

CENSUS: 40 (Med./Surg.-14, Long-term Care-25, OB-1)

Law enforcement sees light activity

Activity was light Tuesday for local law enforcement agencies as only one arrest was made and one report of theft filed.

Deputies booked a 34-year-old male into jail at 2:44 p.m. on a warrant for contempt of court/child support.

Roy Neves reported his lawnmower missing from the 2400 block of 32nd Street at 8:26 a.m. Officers submitted an offense report for Class B theft.

Other activity for law enforcement included assisting motorists who had locked keys in vehicles and assisting in getting livestock out of roadways.

Snyder Fire Department responded to a grass fire in the median on U.S. Hwy. 84 at 5:20 p.m. Damage was contained to grass.

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ONGOINGS

FFA Booster Club

The Snyder FFA Booster Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the SHS Ag building. All parents of FFA members are encouraged to attend.

Junior high pictures

School pictures for Snyder Junior High will be taken Friday. Students have received packets and the pictures must be pre-paid. Call 573-6356 for more information.

Mexican stack supper

Snyder High choir boosters will hold a Mexican stack supper from 5-7 p.m. Friday before the football game with Littlefield. Tickets for $5 each are available from choir members. Carryout orders will be available.

Church on the Rock revival

The church will have a revival Friday through Sunday at 7 p.m. each evening. Evangelist is Jimmy Edward of San Antonio. Call 573-for more information.

Crystal River coming to Snyder

The First Baptist Church will host Crystal River Sunday. The gospel singing trio will perform at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. at the church. A special service at Towle Park will begin at 6 p.m.

Gospel singer

Susie Luchsinger, Gospel recording artist, will be in concert at The Word is Life Deliverance Church, 602 30th Street, at 7 p.m. Sunday. For more information call 573-6763.

Inmate art show

The third annual Inmate Art show continues through Oct. 21 at the Scurry County Museum on the campus of Western Texas College.

Quilting Club

The Rock and Roll Quilting Club meets from 8 a.m. until noon each Monday at the Hermleigh Community Center. Everyone is invited for free quilting lessons. Call 863-2426 for more information.

Social Security rep

A representative of the Social Security office in Big Spring will be in Snyder Tuesday at the Senior Citizens Center.

Snyder Lions Club

The Snyder Lions Club will not meet Tuesday but instead will attend the United Way kickoff luncheon Thursday at noon at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Workforce reception

A reception honoring Dave Hanes, director of Workforce Education at WTC, and Terry Stephens, extension workforce coordinator, will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 9, in the Development Corporation of Snyder offices at American State Bank. The reception is sponsored by the City of Snyder, chamber of commerce, Scurry County and the DCOS.

United Way kickoff

The Scurry County United Way will have a kickoff luncheon at noon Thursday, Sept. 9, at Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Support groups

The Support Group Ministry of First Baptist Church's regular meeting will be a kick-off social (Dutch treat) Thursday, Sept. 9, at 6:30 p.m. at the Spanish Inn. Anyone interested in cancer, grief or divorce support groups is encouraged to attend this special time of fun and fellowship. Please R.S.V.P. by next Wednesday by calling 573-1822 and asking for Brenda or Dee. Nursery will be provided at the First Baptist Church.

Weigh-Down workshop

Weigh Down is a Bible-based weight-loss program. First class begins Sept. 13 and cost is $103 for 12 weeks. For more information, call 573-7044 or 573-3988.

Scurry County Fair

Food and vendor booths are available for the Scurry County Fair to be held Sept. 16-18 in the Scurry County Coliseum. Call 573-3558. Also, entries are needed by Sept. 15 for all divisions and categories. Call 573-3026.

Garage sale items needed

Snyder Healthcare is accepting donations for a garage sale benefiting pet cats and birds. The date of the sale will be announced later. Call 573-6332 for additional information.

Items needed

The First Church of Nazarene is accepting garage sale items for the church building fund for a new fellowship hall. Call Ethel Herrington at 574-1714 for more information.

Garage sale items needed

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

GED classes

GED classes will start Sept. 14 in library room 209 at Western Texas College. Both English as a second language and GED classes will be offered.

Millennium T-Shirts

East Elementary has student millennium T-Shirts for sale and the last day to place an order is Sept. 17. Youth sizes are $7, adult sizes are $8 and XX and XXX sizes are $10. Call Christy Smith at the school at 573-1769.Cash

Cash Five

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

2-14-20-22-24

(two, fourteen, twenty, twenty-two, twenty-four)

Pick 3

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

9-5-6

(nine, five, six)

17 enter guilty pleas in municipal court

A total of 17 people entered pleas in Snyder's Municipal Court Monday, while three people failed to be present for their court appearance.

Warrants have been issued for a 58-year-old male who has been charged with public intoxication and disorderly conduct, a 32-year-old female for Class C assault and failure to appear, and an 18-year-old male on two counts of failure to appear.

One person entered a not guilty plea to speeding, expired motor vehicle registration and failure to appear. The 32-year-old man had his case set on the jury docket.

Pleading guilty to charges were a 37-year-old male for driving with an expired drivers license. He received 12 hours of community service in lieu of payments totaling $74.

A 17-year-old male pleaded guilty to not wearing a seat belt. He received 12 hours of community service in lieu of payments totaling $77.

A 33-year-old man pleaded guilty to public intoxication and was given credit for time served in jail.

A 42-year-old male pleaded guilty to Class A assault/family violence. He paid $144 in fines and court costs.

A 33-year-old female pleaded guilty to Class C assault and was assessed $144 in fines and courts costs. She will do 23 hours of community service in lieu of payment.

A 23-year-old male pleaded guilty to public intoxication and was given credit for the time he had already served in jail.

An 18-year-old male pleaded guilty to public intoxication by a minor and minor in possession of alcohol. Fines and court costs in the amount of $288 were paid in full, and he was ordered to attend alcohol awareness class. His driver's license was also suspended for 30 days.

A 20-year-old female pleaded guilty to Class C assault and received credit for time she had spent in jail.

A 41-year-old male pleaded guilty to public intoxication. He was given time to pay his fine and court costs totaling $94 and given credit for one day of jail credit.

A 40 year-old male pleaded guilty to public intoxication and received credit for time served in jail.

Six people appeared on municipal court's night docket on Monday.

A 16-year-old male pleaded guilty to failing to yield right of way and requested to take a defensive driving course.

A 16-year-old male pleaded guilty to failing to wear a seat belt and requested to take a defensive driving course. He pleaded not guilty to the offense of minor in possession of alcohol and the case was set on the pre-trial docket.

A 16-year-old male pleaded guilty to minor in possession of tobacco and drug paraphernalia and received 62 hours of community service in lieu of payments totaling $388.

A 34-year-old female pleaded no contest to failure to wear a seat belt and was given time to pay costs of $77.

A 26-year-old female pleaded guilty of Class C assault/family violence. She was given 23 hours of community service in lieu of $144 in fines and court costs.

A 20-year-old male pleaded guilty to three counts of contributing tobacco to a minor. He requested to lay out the fines and court cost in jail in lieu of paying $297.75.

Powerful storms hit Houston; roofer dies

HOUSTON (AP) — A series of powerful thunderstorms packing winds of up to 60 mph slammed Houston late Tuesday afternoon, knocking down power lines, breaking windows and killing a roofer who was crushed when the building he was in collapsed.

The wooden frame of the Hawthorne Suites motel, which is under construction, pancaked when heavy winds struck it around 4:30 p.m. and killed the roofer, Houston Fire Department spokesman Rick Flanagan said.

Emergency workers had searched the motel wreckage with a thermal imaging camera, which can detect body heat, but found nothing, Flanagan said. Rescue workers searching the debris found the body around 8 p.m Tuesday, and heavy equipment was brought in to recover the body, he said.

The worker was trapped when he and three others ran down from the roof as the winds picked up. The three survivors left through the front of the building, Flanagan said.

Police were withholding the victim's name until they notified his family of his death.

The storms struck quickly, dumping 2-4 inches of rain in some areas and causing street flooding in the middle of rush hour.

Numerous trees and power lines were blown down by the winds, which ranged from 40-60 mph and possibly higher according to the National Weather Service. Several traffic signals also were knocked out, and more than 100 windows were blown out at the Red Lion Inn near the Galleria.

Ty Inc. won't make any more 'Beanies'

CHICAGO (AP) — The new millennium may be free of new Beanie Babies.

The maker of the beanbag creatures announced on the company's Internet site that its line of plush-covered, pellet-stuffed animals will be retired on New Year's Day.

Oak Brook-based Ty Inc. posted the announcement Tuesday afternoon after a listing of new Beanie Babies it will release next month. The message said: "VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE: On December 31, 1999-11:59 p.m. (CST) All Beanies will be retired... including the above!"

The news caused a frenzy on Internet chat rooms, and collectors' Web sites, but company owner Ty Warner and top executives remained mum on the subject.

Employees reached at Ty said they had only recently been informed about the Internet message and weren't able to elaborate.

"We were barely informed like a half-hour ago," a customer service representative, who would only identify herself as Laura, told The New York Times in today's editions.

Ty began selling the toys in 1993. The company has distributed more than 100 characters, from dinosaurs and teddy bears to birds and zoo animals. Discontinued models are the hottest sellers.

Toy industry experts attempted to interpret the announcement, saying it was unlikely that the company would stop producing the profitable toys completely.

"The backlash from Beanie collectors, people who really invested a lot to build their collections would be huge," said Chris Byrne, a consultant and editor of the Toy Report, a weekly newsletter.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Sept. 2, 1999

Pay little heed to how much longer it may take to achieve your ambitions as you begin your annual birthday year cycle. It's not how you open, but how you finish that counts, and yours will be great.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Little acts of kindness can go a long way today towards getting people who are disagreeable to become cooperative and harmonious. This can include simply not noticing their bad behavior. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) As the clock ticks on today, that reclusive, negative mood you might experience could turn into one of hope and joy when something lucky happens to you materially.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Communication can go a long way today towards giving you some answers you desperately need to accomplish a personal ambition. Talk to everyone in your field of endeavor.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Don't take for granted that a deal is in the bag when it comes to some type of agreement you seek. Keep the lines of dialogue for negotiation open until things are completed.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Some type of message you'll receive today concerning an important job you're undertaking could be distorted. Don't hesitate to listen to differing thoughts no matter where they come from.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Avoid getting into financial projects with somebody just because she or he is a good friend. That person might mean well, but seek expert advice first from those in the know.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Don't let anyone make small or large decisions for you today, because chances are what is good for them won't necessarily be right for you. Be your own person.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Treat everyone as a friend today, especially cohorts at work or service people who are working on a problem for you. They'll try harder to accommodate your desires.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Don't give in today to spending household funds on something frivolous for yourself. The mere thought of your family's needs will keep your budget in tact.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you find yourself starting off the day in a grumpy mood, insisting everything be done your way, quickly turn this attitude around and you will get the cooperation you want.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) The only way you can gain the collaboration you need from others today is to be up front about what your fears and apprehensions are concerning a joint effort. Don't hold anything back.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Although financial consideration is prevalent in all endeavors, it would be wiser today to put them out of your mind for the moment. Your lucky break will come through dealings with people.

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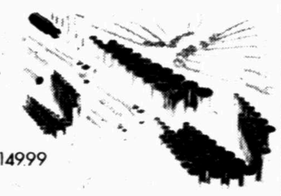

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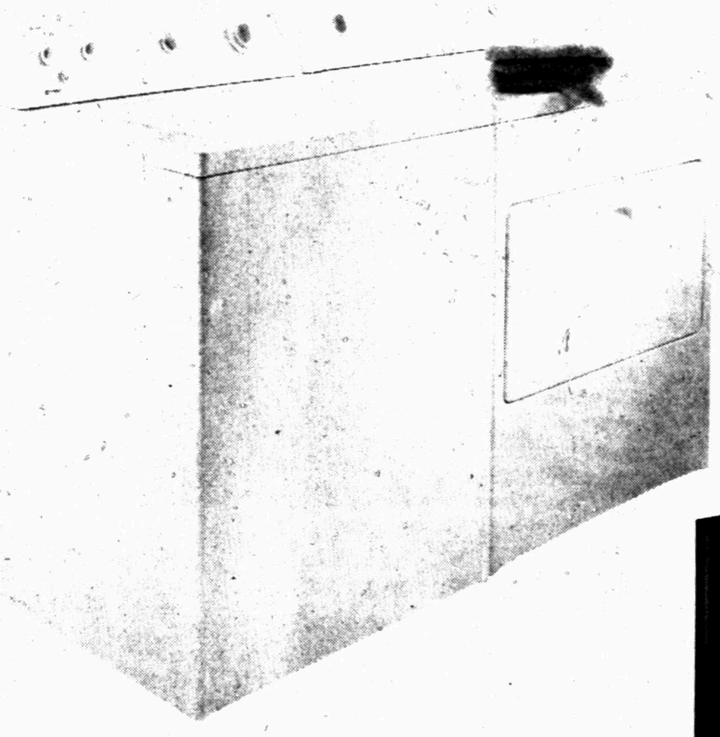

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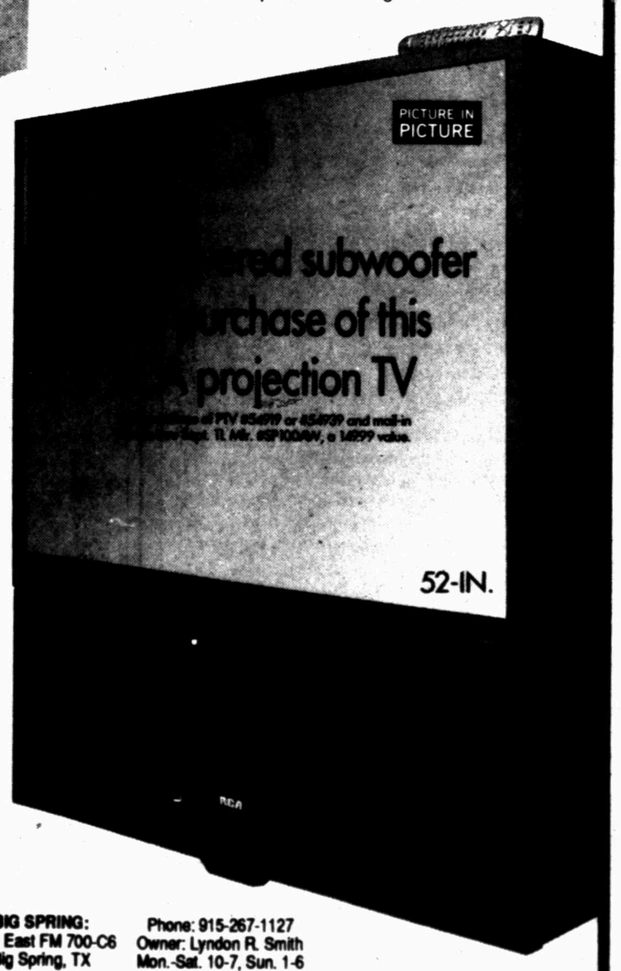

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