ADC SAN ANTONIO TX 780
NEWS FILES PERM ADC RUN TO
SNYDER TEXAS

020100*FIRM*ALL FOR ADC 780
SOUTHWEST MICRO
9627 E YANDELL
EL PASO TX 79903

INSIDE

Lady Tigers Fall To Andrews 6A
Possible Espionage Probed 9A
Patch For Shingles Approved 13A
Scurry County Folks 1B
Public Records 4B

WT-Int. Crude - $15.00
WTIC Posted - $12.50

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

WEEKEND

March 20-21, 1999
Vol. 50 No. 274
40 Pages 75¢

Home Of Kenny Hancock



AIR FORCE REPORT — Linda Jones, left, and Precinct 4 Commissioner Chloanne Lindsey look over two volumes of information released by the Air Force Friday in respect to a proposed low-level flight training area over Scurry and seven other counties. A public meeting will be held April 7 at Snyder High School to discuss the report. The report is available for inspection at the Scurry County Library. (SDN Staff Photo)

Filed by Counts, Duncan...

Finance bill would aid ag-related industries

A bill to provide low-cost loans for companies to create jobs in West Texas was filed last week in the Texas House of Representatives by Rep. David Counts.

An identical bill was filed in the Texas Senate by Sen. Robert Duncan of Lubbock.

H.B. 3050 would change the way the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority (TAFA) does business and one of the key changes being proposed would broaden the scope of businesses eligible for assistance through the authority's Loan Guaranty Program.

The bill is being touted as one more step the Texas Department of Agriculture — under the leadership of TDA Commissioner Susan Combs — is taking to enhance rural economic development efforts.

"This is a win, win bill for everyone in rural Texas," said Rep. Counts. "It will add value to the products that are grown in our area now."

Commissioner Combs is a strong advocate of value-added products, a sentiment she expressed when she visited Snyder in January.

While in Snyder, Commissioner Combs toured the Western Texas College Workforce Center facility, met with the Development Corporation of Snyder, and toured Lorber Industries.

Counts said his bill would affect Lorber in a very positive way.

"It would allow Lorber Industries in Snyder to have access to some very low cost money via loans to create much-needed jobs," said Counts.

"It would provide seed money for Lorber to expand," added Counts.

Counts said Lorber could get benefits from the bill as soon as it is passed.

"This would make money immediately available for Lorber to expand," said Counts.

Counts said the bill would be good for all of rural Texas in order to attract industry.

"The previous bill did not provide for the agency to look at good loans. It was basically the lender of last resort."

Counts said the new bill will allow TAFA to look at some good, strong job-creating loans for businesses.

"This bill would remove some present limitations in order for the department to make better loans," said Counts.

The bill would also provide some financing for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

Harmony Family Services...

Community service program designed to help at-risk youth

It's for the runaway or homeless teen out on the streets. It's for the child caught in the crossfire of a family conflict and for the one who has been abused or neglected. It's even for the troubled youth acting up in school or experimenting with drugs or alcohol.

It's Harmony Family Services, located at 909 25th Street in the Diamond M building, and they have a STAR program of their own.

Not to be confused with the S.T.A.R. bootcamp program, Harmony Family Services STAR program stands for "Services to At-Risk Youth" and is funded by a state grant.

The program is aimed at youth who have one or more of the following need for service indicators:

—runaway and/or homeless.
—family conflict.
—at-risk of abuse or neglect.
—delinquent conduct.
—truancy.
—school behavior problems.
—minor drug/alcohol abuse.
—first time criminal offenders.

In order for a youth to be eligible for services, he or she must be between the ages of 7 and 17 and be willing to participate in the services offered.

Harmony's Abilene office has served the Snyder area for a number of years until a satellite office was opened locally in September.

"We petitioned the state to put a satellite office here in Snyder," said Becky Otto, local caseworker. "Lt. Steve Warren with the Snyder Police Department and County Judge Ricky Fritz were the main ones who pushed for us. It passed last spring and the STAR grant went into effect in September."

The local office serves both Scurry and Mitchell counties.

Otto works with a caseload of about 30 to 35 kids a month, which is an unusually high number.

"It is odd. On a monthly basis we are running 30 to 35 kids and they are all different kids, unless I have reopened a case."

The time Otto works with a child or teen varies.

"As a general rule, we work with the kid for at least a month and a half, sometimes up to three months. We are limited to six months out of a year."

Youth are usually referred to Harmony by school counselors, juvenile officers and the medical field.

"Schools are our number one referral. There have also been instances when parents take their children to the doctor because they think they are depressed and the doctors will send them our way," Otto said.

As a caseworker, Otto's job is to make contact with the family after a referral has been made.

"I see if they are interested in our services and nine out of 10

See Harmony, Page 14A



Becky Otto

Open forum set Monday

Scurry County citizens are invited to an open forum on community issues at 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Senior Citizen building at 2605 Ave. M.

Sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas Community Futures Forum will focus on a better future for people in the communities of Texas.

"Everyone interested in a better future for themselves, their family and their community is invited to the meeting," said Kathryn Roberts, county extension agent.

The extension service is conducting the meetings in each county in Texas in an effort to bring together a diverse group of individuals, groups and organizations to identify issues and concerns.

The forum will help the Extension Service develop its long-range plan for the next four years, 2000-2003, Roberts said.

By Judge Armstrong...

Divorced parents are required to attend class

In an effort to educate parents about the effects of a divorce on their children, parties will now be required to attend classes.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong has signed a standing order requiring those parents to attend "Parenting Through Divorce" classes.

The order was effective March 1, and also includes persons involved in a post-divorce dispite that comes before the court.

"Anyone who is filing a suit that affects parent-child relationships, including divorces, on or after March 1 will be required to take the class," the 132nd District Court judge said.

Such filings include motions to modify or change child custody or visitations and motions to enforce child support.

Purpose of the "Parenting Through Divorce" program is education, Judge Armstrong said.

"It is an education program to try to make it less painful for children whose parents have experienced a divorce."

The classes are being offered through Harmony Family Services of Abilene which has satellite offices in Snyder and Sweetwater.

Locally, the office is located at 909 25th Street and Becky Otto is the caseworker.

The classes are helpful, Otto said, because of the traumatic experience divorce can be for children — almost as traumatic as the death of a parent.

"Divorce is one of the most traumatic things a child can go through. The difference between a death and a divorce is when a parent dies, everyone rallies around the kid. But when there is a divorce, the kid is pulled in all different directions."

The 2½-hour course is offered once a month in both Snyder and Sweetwater, and persons required to take the course may do so either place.

"The focus of the class is not to reconcile the divorce," Otto explained, "But to educate the parents on how their actions affect the kids. It is also to educate them on the stages kids go through."

The class is also open to grandparents, parents who are already divorced, and anyone else who wishes to attend.

"It is open to anybody in the public who wants to attend for a minimal fee," Otto said. The class fee for those who are mandated by court to attend is on a sliding scale.

Funding for the program is channelled through the Family Violence Community Response Committee.

Otto said it is recommended that divorcing parties not attend the same class.

For more information or to obtain a schedule, call the local office at 573-3997.

Forgery trial set Monday

A 31-year-old Snyder man charged with forgery will stand trial beginning Monday in 132nd District Court.

Geronimo Garcia Costilla, who has been in the Scurry County Jail since his arrest last July, is charged with forgery of a check on the account of E.L. Farmer and Company, a May 6, 1998 offense.

Forgery is a state jail felony. Costilla was indicted last July by a Scurry County grand jury and bond was set at $5,000.

District Attorney Dana Cooley will prosecute the case and Dena Reecer of Snyder is Costilla's court-appointed attorney.

A jury panel of 154 has been called to report at 8:30 Monday. District Judge Ernie Armstrong will preside.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Sometimes silence is the best answer."

We've seen them before — and were impressed. They are street signs in the City of Irving.

The signs read: "Be Kind."

The lone exception to the "Be Kind" admonition of course is when the Cowboys are playing at home in Texas Stadium in Irving.

We suspect that neighboring Dallas may have gotten its billboard idea from Irving.

They are called God billboards and are financed by a secular organization — aimed at making drivers and others in the metroplex slow down, be friendly and more patient.

The billboards were revealed last week, and are all portrayed as a message from God. Here's a sample of the large, eye-cathing billboards on Big D's main throughfares:

--Let's meet at my house Sunday before the game.

--C'mon over and bring the kids.

--What part of 'Thou Shalt Not...' didn't you understand?

--We need to talk.

--Keep using my name in vain and I'll make rush hour longer.

--Loved the wedding, invite me to the marriage.

--That 'Love Thy Neighbor' thing, I meant it.

--I Love You, I Love You, I Love you.

--Will the road you're on get you to my place?

--Follow me.

--Big Bang Theory, you've got to be kidding.

--My Way is the highway.

--Need directions?

--You think it's hot here?

--Tell the kids I love them.

--Need a marriage counselor? I'm available.

--Have you read my No. 1 Best Seller? There will be a test.

--Do you have any idea where you're going?

--Don't make me come down there.

Talking about stealing ideas, we like this little item.

The Coalition to Advance the Protection of Sports Logos represents major sports leagues and teams.

The organization scours flea markets for counterfeit goods in an initiative that it calls "Operation Flea Collar."

And a science Museum in San Francisco, the Exploratorium, celebrated Pi Day on March 14 in honor of the ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter.

Pie was served.

ASK US

Q-How often does the health department inspect school cafeterias. Could the results be published?

A—Snyder ISD cafeterias are inspected three times per year, and consistently score in the high 90s. Routine publication likely would not be newsworthy.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 53 degrees; low, 33; 7 a.m. Saturday, 34; no precipitation; total for 1999, 1.96 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, fair. Low, lower 30s. Light, variable wind. Sunday, mostly sunny. High, lower 70s. SE wind 10-20 mph.

Destinee Naegele
Warm

Sunset:
6:55 p.m.
Sunrise:
6:47 a.m.
Of 78 days in 1999, the sun has shone 73 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Great deeds are usually wrought at great risk."

Herodotus

Opponents say...

Voucher program would cost schools $2.8 billion

AUSTIN (AP) — Public schools in six urban counties could lose as much as $2.8 billion over five years under a legislative proposal to allow thousands of students to get taxpayer-funded vouchers for private school tuition, opponents of the idea said Friday.

"Public school budgets would have to be cut at every neighborhood school to make up for the money spent to send a select few children to private and religious schools," said Carolyn Boyle of the Coalition for Public Schools.

The coalition's members include teacher, parent, school board, school administrator and some religious groups.

Voucher supporters immediately disputed the projection, which assumes all 143,888 children eligible for vouchers in Bexar, El Paso, Dallas, Harris, Tarrant and Travis counties would take advantage of the program. It's estimated that vouchers would be worth about $4,000 per student.

"In no place in the United States have more than 10 percent of eligible students ever participated" in a voucher program, said Chuck McDonald, consultant to the pro-voucher group Putting Children First.

"There is a reality check here, and the reality is the financial impact is almost nothing on the public schools," he said, given the assumption that 10 percent will participate. "We have a $20 billion budget for education in the state."

Under a bill written by Senate Education Committee Chairman Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, the voucher program would be a five-year trial that he says would test whether the idea improves education.

The program would be restricted to students in the six counties who didn't perform satisfactorily on the most recent Texas Assessment of Academic Skills reading, writing or math sections.

The students would have to be participants in the free and reduced-price lunch program that targets low-income students, and they couldn't have been enrolled in a private school during the current or preceding school year.

The voucher would be 80 percent of the state and local public school funding for the student's education. The school district the student otherwise would attend would get the rest of the public education money.

Bivins said even using the coalition's numbers, public schools would keep more than $715 million to spend on other students because an average of $1,000 per voucher student would stay with each school.

"I think the assumption that every child would take advantage of this borders on impossible," he added. "But that's one of the things we're trying to learn — will parents be interested in doing this?

"The main reason to try it, of course, as I've said all along, is there could possibly be an improvement in student performance," he said.

Gov. George W. Bush and Lt. Gov. Rick Perry, both Republicans, are among supporters of trying a pilot voucher program as part of a larger focus on education.

Groups backing vouchers say such a program would help children by giving parents a choice and injecting competition in the public school system.

"What we'd like is for those students and those parents who want an opportunity to choose a more suitable education setting to be able to do that," McDonald said.

House Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, has said he's not in favor of spending public school dollars in the private sector.

Voucher opponents say the program would drain badly needed money from public schools that would be better spent on such things as proven reading and math programs.

According to the Coalition for Public Schools, the maximum state and local tax revenue lost to districts in each county under the measure would be in Bexar, $628 million; Dallas, $611 million; El Paso, $334 million; Harris, $802 million; Tarrant, $311 million; and Travis, $186 million.

Bivins' voucher bill is SB10.

SUNDAY SERVICE!
Any 2 Regular Foot Long Sandwiches
$6
SUBWAY
3903 College Ave.
573-9782

The "3 Bears" of Galatians 6
HERALD OF TRUTH
His Needs, Her Needs
TCA Cable TV - Channel #2
Mon., Mar. 15, 1999, 7:00 p.m.

Postal worker gets 15 months sentence

LAREDO (AP) — A postal worker who told a co-worker by e-mail he might "go postal" and set off a "shootout at the OK Corral" has been sentenced to 15 months in federal prison.

In sentencing John Murillo on Thursday, U.S. District Judge George Kazen said, "People can no longer laugh off things like this from postal workers."

Murillo, 48, was convicted in December of transporting a threat across state lines. He was visibly shaken as he staggered out of the courtroom after the sentencing and was taken into custody by U.S. marshals, The Laredo Morning Times reported.

Weeks earlier, Murillo vowed he would not go to prison.

"For what?" he said. "Writing e-mail?"

Although the e-mail was sent to a friend who lived in Laredo, prosecutors said the Internet message actually passed through Tennessee, Georgia and New Jersey before reaching its destination.

"They are trying everything to make me go postal," the message read. "This Mexican can only take so much. You kick a dog so much and sooner or later that chain will snap. I have been very patient with them but I am tired and making plans. ... judgment day will come. It will be a shootout at the OK Corral."

William Espinoza, who received the message, turned it over to postal inspectors. Espinoza testified that he was shocked when he received the message, but admitted under cross-examination that he laughed when he read the e-mail.

Kazen said federal guidelines required him to sentence Murillo to 15-20 months in prison. Murillo suffers from epilepsy and other health problems, and was twice removed from the courtroom on a stretcher during his trial.

"I can't pass a magic wand over all this because you have medical problems," said Kazen, who recommended Murillo serve at least part of his sentence in a medical facility for federal prisoners.

During the five-day trial, prosecutor Mary Lou Castillo portrayed Murillo as an enraged alcoholic loner, dangerously close to a psychological collapse.

Murillo and his attorney, public defender Juan R. Flores, had tried to convince jurors that the case was about freedom of speech. Murillo said he did not plan to take action against the postal service or co-workers.

"I don't even have a gun," Murillo said the day he was convicted. "But governments have been brought down just by words alone and I was putting out a lot of words."

Third DWI nets probated sentence

A 23-year-old Snyder man will serve a five-year probated sentence for a Dec. 17 felony driving while intoxiciated offense.

Blas Suarez of 2810 Ave. J pleaded guilty Friday in 132nd District Court. Suarez has two previous DWI convictions, in 1994 and 1997.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong sentenced Suarez to five years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for five years. Suarez was also fined $1,000, ordered to spend 240 hours in the Scurry County Jail and participate in a court-approved substance abuse program.

Police believe man killed in pipe bomb explosion was going to bomb clinic

LUBBOCK (AP) — A man who died when he accidentally detonated a pipe bomb in his lap was planning to use the device to destroy an abortion clinic to keep an acquaintance from having an abortion, police said Friday.

Robert Keith Hill, 24, suffered massive injuries when the bomb detonated Wednesday as he apparently was finishing constructing it. A second, dormant bomb was found in his home along with a container of gunpowder.

Police and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents said Friday that Hill, who had made comments to friends about his plans to blow up the clinic, was not part of "a group or larger political conspiracy."

"This did not seem to be an attack aimed at a person, but towards the facility," said Bob Dowlen, an ATF agent involved with the case. "From the very beginning, everything indicated that he was acting alone. His family didn't seem to know anything about this. They feel very badly about losing their son."

Police would not release the name of the clinic Hill planned to bomb, but officials did say that the clinic had received a threat on March 4.

Police records show the clinic that received the threat had the same address as Aaron's Women's Clinic of Lubbock, which also operates as Planned Family Clinic.

The director of the Aaron's Women's Clinic of Lubbock, the only abortion provider in the city that several women's doctors were aware of, said she knew nothing of the alleged bombing plot.

"We have no confirmation and ... we know nothing about that," the director said, refusing to give her name.

Police spokesman Bill Morgan said Hill had been seen near the clinic on at least two occasions.

"He came to the clinic irate, demanding entrance and he was seen near the clinic during a protest," Morgan said.

Police refused to reveal the connection between Hill and the woman he may have been trying to keep from having an abortion.

Records show that Hill has an extensive criminal history, with several convictions for aggravated assault in 1991, 1992 and 1993.

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Published each Sunday morning and each evening, except Saturday, by Snyder Publishing Co., Inc., 3600 College Ave., Snyder, Texas 79549.

Periodicals postage paid at the post office at Snyder, Texas, Publication Number USPS611-520.

POSTMASTER send change of address to P.O. Box 949, Snyder, Texas, 79550.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES: By carrier in Snyder, $9.00 per month.

By mail in Scurry and adjoining counties, one year $85.80 balance of Texas and out of state $113.85.

Roy McQueen, Publisher
Wade Warren, Managing Editor
MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Associated Press is exclusively entitled to use for republication all news dispatches in this newspaper and also local news published for republication of special dispatches.

We've got that hometown spirit and we're passing it around!

There's Still Time To Reduce Your Taxes!

There's One That's Right For You

Traditional Individual Retirement Account

A Husband And Wife Can Defer Taxes On As Much As $4,000

IRA

New Roth Individual Retirement Account

Withdraw Contributions Along With All Earned Interest Of The Age 59 1/2, All Tax Free!

A Great Way To Reduce Your 1998 Taxes And Save For Retirement After Age 59 1/2.

Individual Retirement Account

Ask Us About An Educational IRA

SNYDER NATIONAL BANK
SERVING SCURRY COUNTY SINCE 1905

Substantial Penalty For Early Withdrawn

FDIC

EQUAL HOUSING LENDER

Lobby Hours 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MEMBER FDIC

Motor Bank Hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Water Problems?



• Your Culligan Man has a quick, easy, affordable solution for almost any water problem.
• Get rid of bad taste and unpleasant odors.
• You may not have cloudy or "rusty" water, but if you do, Culligan can help take care of that, too.

HEY CULLIGAN MAN!

Spring Special $6.90 A Month For First 3 Months

Culligan. THE WATER EXPERTS.
3805 COLLEGE AVE.
573-6642

©1995 Culligan International Company
Since Culligan Dealers are independently operated, offers and participation may vary.

School scraps slavery lesson after protests

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — For six years, Amy Fowler has tied her students' hands and ankles and lined them up side-by-side on the floor at John Adams Middle School to teach them about slavery.

That will change.

School officials will revise the lesson after parents said it trivialized the journey of African slaves across the Atlantic and was demeaning to blacks.

"I just felt emotions can be stirred," said Rhonda Younger of the John Adams African-American Parent Support Group. She refused to let her daughter participate in the program last week.

"And you never know how a child will be affected. These were their ancestors, after all," she said Friday.

During the hour-long lecture and slide show, the eighth-grade students lay on the floor and were bound to each other by tying their wrists and ankles with rubber bands to simulate the journey of slaves from Africa to America.

This year was the first that Fowler received complaints.

"We wanted to avoid controversy by sending home permission slips this time, just to be safe, but it seems like the opposite happened," she said.

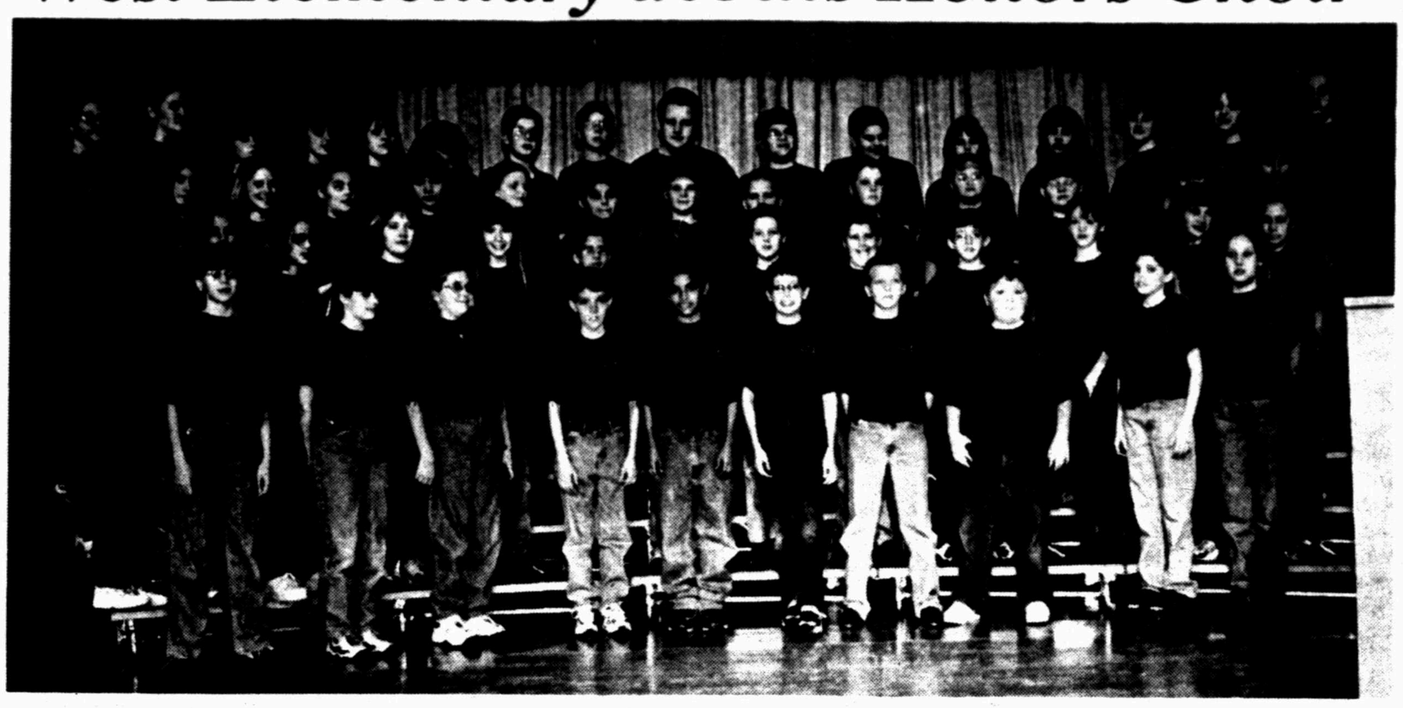
The program will be changed next year after discussions with parents, principal Jerry Kantor said.

The lesson was devised by the Teachers' Curriculum Institute in Mountain View. Program author Bert Bower, who has received complaints from two other schools, said he would change it so that students are not bound.

"We find it is inappropriate to bind students during the slavery exercise," he said. "We made a mistake."

Most of the 300 students who took part said they enjoyed the class. Only five complained about the program, Kantor said.

West Elementary debuts Honors Choir



West Elementary School's honors choir made its debut last Friday during a special pre-spring break assembly at the school.

Special entertainment was provided by Heather Zajicek, Glyn Wright and Danish Akins who performed a piano trio, and Paul Haines and Sarah Carpenter, who performed a tap dance duet.

Music teacher Judy Brown has directed the choir since January. Choir members auditioned for their part, and all 55 students practice before school begins on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

They are currently preparing for a May 14 trip to Dallas's Sandy Lake Amusement Park where they will compete in what Judy calls a "fun contest."

She said they hope the choir will be able to perform one more time before then.

Choir members include Austin Hatfield, Nathaniel Clarady, Cole Robertson, Patrick Jones, Joshua Hernandez, Brent Tyler, Paul Jackson, Paul Haines, Leon Triggs, Cody Smith, Lance Turner, David Martin, Logan Martin, Thomas Henderson, Ricky Early, Devin Gutierrez, Casey Crain, Max Cormack, Brad Richardson, Tyler Thompson, Marisa Muniz, Lacey Kincaid, Bethany Burleson, Hope Cole, Leslie Jackson, Erin Hackfeld, Jacy Beccue.

Others are Traci Jordan, Stacey Williamson, Blake Robertson, Amanda Covington, Heather Polk, Devin Chandler, Stephanie Parmer, October Wells, Kalli Wesson, Briana Burk, Sarah Carpenter, Courtney Cox, Heather Holmes, Danisha Akins, Michelle Miller, Kirisa Torres, Nikki Alvarez, Abby Foree, Jessica Gutierrez, Nikki Timora, Sheila Hicks, Chelsea Wood, Courtney Stanley, Elizabeth Arellano, Meggan Minor, Kelsi Shaw, Heather Zajicek, Lacee Early. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

FBI: Two bodies found in trunk of car

SIERRA VILLAGE, Calif. (AP) — Authorities searching for three women who vanished last month after a visit to Yosemite National Park found two bodies in the trunk of their badly burned rental car.

The bodies were not immediately identified, and the cause of death was not released, James Maddock, the FBI agent in charge of the investigation, said Friday. There was no sign of a third victim.

The FBI believes Carole Sund, 42, her daughter Julie Sund, 15, and their Argentine friend Silvina Pelosso, 16, were either kidnapped or carjacked late Feb. 15 or 16.

The red Pontiac Grand Prix they rented was found burned Thursday in a remote area about 100 yards off a highway. The bodies were discovered Friday morning, the FBI said.

Mrs. Sund's father, Francis Carrington, said in a brief and tearful statement Friday that he wants justice served so that no other family must face the same tragedy.

"We need to find the animals that did this. They're terrible people. We don't want them to do this to anyone else's daughter or granddaughter," Mrs. Sund's mother, Carole Carrington, said.

Carrington, whose family made millions in Northern California real estate and now mostly lives in Eureka, had offered a $300,000 reward for information leading to their safe return.

Jens Sund, Carole's husband and Julie's father, was with his other children in Eureka on Friday when he got the news, said family friend Lee Ulansey.

"It's just a horrifying situation," Ulansey said. "We hoped for the best, but expected the worst."

The FBI believes whoever torched and abandoned the car knew the area, which is accessible only by narrow, muddy, logging roads hidden by dense woods. It's often used by locals as a dumping ground.

The spot where the victims were found is nearly three hours away from Cedar Lodge in El Portal, at the western entrance to Yosemite. The last confirmed sighting of the women was at the lodge's restaurant, on Feb. 15.

Shopkeepers in the town of Twain Harte, near where the car was found and just west of Yosemite, said they had called the FBI to report seeing the women a day later on Feb. 16, but initially didn't get a response.

Penny Mann, owner of the Cedar Cottage gift shop, said she believes the three visited her shop that day.

"I've gone over this so many times," Mrs. Mann said Friday. "I'm sure it was them."

She said she called the FBI hotline about three days later but couldn't get through. After talking to friends and family, she called again about a week ago and passed her information on to authorities.

Part of Mrs. Sund's wallet was found along the side of a road in Modesto, two hours west of Yosemite, on Feb. 19.

Louise Guthmiller, who owns a gas station about a mile from where the car was found, believes she sold the women a small amount of gas. She said Friday that she didn't know what day that happened.

Guthmiller told the Stockton Record she asked the group if they were on their way home, and one of the women — she believes it was Silvina — said, "No, I'm from Argentina."

Guthmiller said she called the FBI more than a dozen times to report the information but never got through.

Maddock wouldn't comment today on the additional sightings in the area where the car was found. "There is not much more information, frankly, that we can or will release," he said.

Jesus sign taken down

AMARILLO (AP) — A sign company has taken down a controversial billboard proclaiming that "Jesus was a vegetarian," an animal rights group said Friday.

The billboard, erected Tuesday, was sponsored by People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, based in Dulles, Va.

"Christians should extend the message that 'God is love' to animals — by not eating them," said Bruce Friedrich, coordinator of PETA's vegetarian campaign.

"We are acknowledging the extreme sensitive nature of this billboard, and we have elected to remove the copy from the billboard," said Patrick Barnes, general manager of Chancellor's Amarillo division.

PETA had planned to post a sign that said "Eating meat causes impotence," but the billboard company decided that that message was a bit risque for the area.

Both the "impotence" billboard, which featured a woman in a bikini, and the "Jesus" billboard had been planned for a 30-day run.

After the "Jesus" billboard went up, the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals received a threat in which a telephone caller said he would burn one cat per day until the sign came down.

There was no indication any cats were harmed, authorities said.

The advertising campaign also generated numerous letters and angry calls to the Amarillo Globe-News. Most complainants, including local clergymen, disputed the claim that Jesus didn't eat meat.

On a website, PETA details that Jesus belonged to a Jewish sect known as the Essenes, who were believed to abstain from animal sacrifices.

'Food loaf' served

EASTON, Pa. (AP) — It's safe to assume that Julia Child didn't have a hand in the latest menu addition at the Northampton County Prison.

As a punishment for bad behavior in the dining hall, disruptive inmates soon will be served "food loaf," an unusual blend of leftovers that is mixed with flour and baked.

Cooks at the prison practiced the culinary concoction last week, creating a breakfast loaf consisting of prunes, eggs, toast, butter, hash browns, bacon and orange juice.

Bush names Tech regents

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush named three new members to the Texas Tech University Board of Regents on Friday.

Carin Marcy Barth of Houston, E.R Brooks of Dallas and Brian Newby of Austin will serve terms ending Jan. 31, 2005. Their appointments must be confirmed by the Senate.

Ms. Barth, president of the investments management firm LB Capitol, Inc., will replace Bernard Harris, Jr., whose term expired.

Brooks, chairman and chief executive officer of the utility company Central and Southwest Corporation, replaces Carl Noe, whose term expired.

Newby, a partner in the law firm Roan & Autrey, P.C., replaces Edward Whitacre, Jr., whose term expired.

Appeals court issues ruling

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A federal appeals court ruled that water pollution can be punishable by a year in jail if caused by simple negligence or carelessness, setting a broad standard for prosecutors.

The 3-0 ruling by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals was issued Friday and applies to prosecutions under the Clean Water Act in nine Western states.

Most crimes involving unintentional acts require proof of gross negligence or a failure to use even slight care. The court, however, said criminal prosecution under the water law can be based on ordinary negligence or a failure to use reasonable care.

In the case, Edward Hanousek Jr. of the Pacific & Arctic Railway and Navigation Co. was convicted of negligently discharging 1,000 to 5,000 gallons of oil into Alaska's Skagway River in October 1994.

The oil came from a pipeline ruptured by a backhoe operator working on a project overseen by Hanousek. He was sentenced to six months in jail, six months in a halfway house and fined $5,000.

In upholding his conviction, the appeals court said Hanousek was held responsible for his own negligence, not that of the backhoe operator. The court cited prosecution evidence that Hanousek was in charge and knew of the dangers of operating heavy machinery near the pipeline.

Albert Einstein was offered the presidency of Israel but refused it.

WORD LADDER

Go from **horse** to **goose** by changing only one letter at a time.

horse

goose

Answers: horse, house, mouse, moose, goose

Life Insurance Annuities and Mutual Funds

Take advantage of **Tax Free Accumulations.** Call Ernest for information on IRA, SEP or TSA products.



Ernie Sears
1816 26th Street
573-3858

THURSDAY EVENING ONLY
from 4:30 to closing
FAJITAS FOR 2 FOR $12.49
Or Your Choice Of:
SINGLE FAJITAS (BEEF OR CHICKEN) $6.29
DAILY SPECIALS $3.99
Come out and try us... you'll be glad you did
WINTER HOURS:
Monday - Thursday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.-8 p.m.
Friday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. & 4:30-8:30
Sat. 11 a.m. - 8:30
Closed Sunday
102A E. Coliseum
Most Major Credit Cards Accepted
Jaramillo's Mexican Food
573-9253

Confused? Stressed? Anxious? Seek professional help.

Doing taxes yourself can send you through a range of emotions. Relax and let a professional help. At H&R Block, we're familiar with the 824 tax code changes. And we're ready to talk when you are.

2512 Ave. R
573-9002
Rapid Refund

Snyder Multi-Specialty Clinic
1805 27th Street
574-1300

Mara DeLaVega, MD	Family Practice
Anna Rosinska, MD	Internal Medicine
Micheal Stephens, MD	Family Practice
Gene Stokes, MD	Internal Medicine
Guido Toscano, MD	Internal Medicine

All physicians are accepting new patients

First Care, BCBS, Medicare, Medicaid, HealthSmart, HealthSelect & ProNet accepted.
se habla Español

Anger over will apparently drove Tennessee man to kill

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. (AP) — A single word apparently cost 81-year-old lawyer John D. Goodin his life.

Goodin left out the word "stock" from a woman's will, and her ex-husband, Walter Shell, believed that omission cost him up to $100,000.

On Thursday, police say, an enraged Shell went to Goodin's law office and shot him to death along with an insurance agent who happened to be there at the time. Shell was charged with murder and jailed without bail.

Shell, 71, was known as a strange character around his neighborhood, where he had two surveillance cameras around his modest home and was often seen muttering to himself. The shooting was not the first time he had confronted Goodin over the will.

"He'd been in there a number of times, acting upset and belligerent," said Fred Lance, a lawyer who sometimes worked with Goodin. Goodin "always tried to calm him down."

Shell and his ex-wife, Katie Roselle Shell, had been divorced about a decade but remained friendly. They lived close to each other, and he helped care for her after she was stricken with cancer.

Five days before Mrs. Shell died last November, Goodin visited her in the hospital and revised her will, removing Shell as executor and replacing him with a neighbor designated by Mrs. Shell.

Mrs. Shell apparently wanted a third party to handle her estate because of problems between her ex-husband and their two daughters, Lance said.

Shell and his daughters equally divided $12,000 from an insurance policy. Mrs. Shell also left him a car and lawn mower.

The revised will also stipulated Shell was to receive "all monies" after the legal costs for the estate were paid. His daughters challenged the will, claiming that since the word "stock" was not included, Shell was not entitled to any of the $100,000 in shares their mother owned.

A judge agreed and gave the stock to the daughters.

On Thursday afternoon, Shell got into his pickup and drove slowly down the street, smiling and waving at neighbor Ricky Clouse's son, who was playing basketball in the driveway.

Authorities say that about an hour later, Shell walked into Goodin's office in nearby Johnson City and fired five shots. Goodin was shot in the head, and the insurance agent, Paul S. Keyser III, 35, was shot in the chest. Shell later turned himself in.

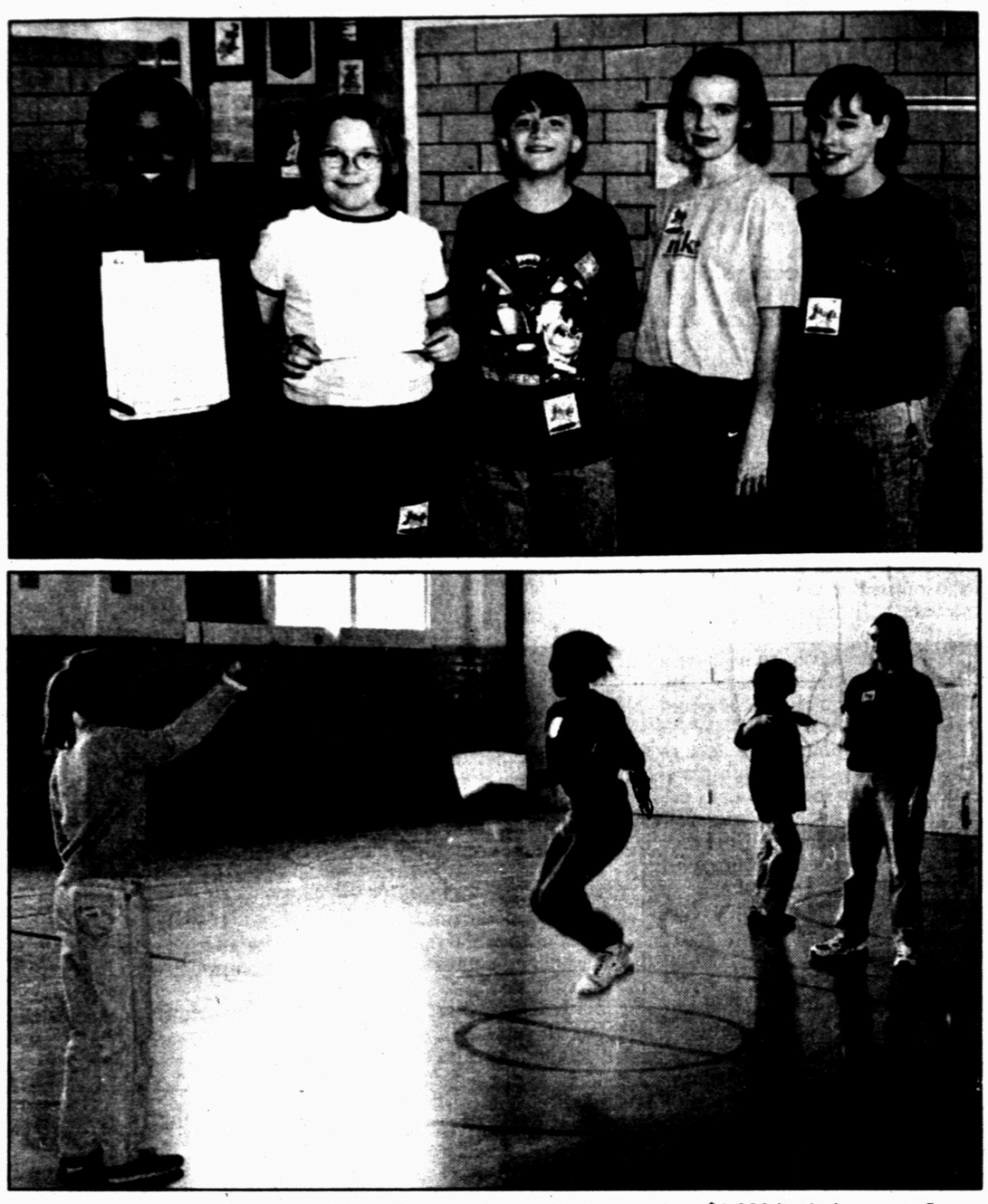
"I always thought he was a little bit on the looney side," Clouse said. "But as far as him doing anything like this, it's really hard to believe."

Shell placed an electric fence around his yard after his ex-wife died. And though he lived in a modest, one-story brick home in a rural part of Jonesborough where most people don't lock their doors, he was extremely worried about being robbed, said Clouse, who lived near Shell for almost 20 years.

Shell installed two surveillance cameras on his property and often walked around his yard muttering to himself, Clouse said.

Shell's daughters did not return calls for comment Friday. Police said they did not know whether Shell has a lawyer.

Goodin was well-known in Johnson City. He opened his law firm here in 1939, was a judge from 1980 to 1985 and was a past president of the Washington County Bar Association. He specialized in probate cases.



WEST JUMP ROPE FOR HEART — West students raised more than $1,000 in their recent Jump Rope for Heart fund-raiser. The top five collectors (top photo) are from left, October Wells with $117; Alicia Wagner, $99.18; Terri McGough, $75; Jessica Davis, $74; and Danisha Akins, $72. Students are shown jumping rope in the bottom photo. (Staff Photos By Shirley A. Gorman)

West earns over $1,000 in 'Heart' event

West students raised a total of $1,007.18 in recent Jump Rope for Heart events. The top collectors were October Wells with $117; Alicia Wagner, $99.18; Terri McGough, $75; Jessica Davis, $74; and Danisha Akins, $72.

Also participating were Lacee Early, Briana Burk, Blake Robertson, Cody Pechacek, Amanda Covington, Leslie Jackson, Matthew Kerr, Lance Turner, Charley Taylor, Chelsea Wood, Connor Johnson, Michelle Renfro, Jacinto Ponce, Thomas Henderson.

Also, Cassie Gordon, Heather Holmes, Krista Chaidez, Amanda Ballard, Jason Hook, Marissa Alvarez, Paul Jackson, Martin Martinez, Brad Richardson, Ashley Villegas, Nathaniel Clarady, Abel Martinez, Carol Tavarez.

Prizes donated by local and area businesses were drawn for during the event. They include Abilene Prairie Dogs, Dairy Queen, Midland Angels/Jackalopes; Sonic, Taco Bell, Wilson Motors, Big Country Chevrolet, Lawrence IGA, Pizza Inn, Subway, Wal-Mart.

Venerable cars could be dropped by car makers

DETROIT (AP) — The makers of Plymouth and Mercury insist they've made no plans to scrap their venerable marques. Yet analysts say both car brands may be facing the proverbial end of the road.

Such speculation comes amid signs that DaimlerChrysler AG will jettison the Plymouth brand and that Ford Motor Co. is mulling a similar move for Mercury in coming years.

Countered Mercury spokesman Jim Trainer: "The reports of our demise are greatly exaggerated."

"We've got some things down the road," he said Friday.

Even so, both Plymouth and Mercury recently announced plans to discontinue selling most of their cars in Canada, fueling speculation that their days also are numbered in the United States.

The biggest sign of their pending demise: a lack of new, unique models planned to replenish already thin product lines — especially at Plymouth.

Both Plymouth and Mercury sell slightly different versions of cars already sold by their bigger sister divisions. As marketing costs increase, the industry is moving away from the costly and often counterproductive practice of trying to market the same car under two different brands.

For Results Use Snyder Daily News Classified Ads 573-5486

Oscar telecast to look back on history

LOS ANGELES (AP) — This weekend's Academy Awards ceremony will offer a history lesson and a lesson from history.

There will be plenty about World War II, with "Saving Private Ryan," "The Thin Red Line" and "Life is Beautiful." And there is the Elizabethan era, as represented by "Shakespeare in Love" and "Elizabeth." All five films are best picture nominees.

The 71st awards ceremony is also haunted by Hollywood's own history, with an uproar over the lifetime achievement award for director Elia Kazan, whom many have never forgiven for naming names before the House Un-American Activities Committee a half-century ago.

It all sets the stage for an intriguing Oscar ceremony. The suspense over who's going to win in many close races is matched by the question of what will happen when the 89-year-old Kazan takes the stage in front of thousands at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion on Sunday night.

This was the year the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences was trying hard to bring more attention to the awards, though the Kazan flap was clearly not what it had in mind. It scheduled the ceremony on a Sunday for the first time, instead of Monday.

The ceremony caps months of fierce Oscar campaigning by studios in the Hollywood trade papers — a dramatic change from last year's onslaught by "Titanic," which amassed 11 awards to tie "Ben-Hur" for the record.

The marquee matchup is the best-picture duel between "Shakespeare in Love," with a leading 13 nominations, and "Saving Private Ryan," with 11.

"If a film is in the past and has a historical feel to it, it seems to have more weight and substance than modern-day stories for the Academy, and I think Academy voters look for films that have a certain amount of substance," said Oscar historian Robert Osborne.

Based on earlier peer awards, Steven Spielberg has the inside track for best director (for "Saving Private Ryan") and the writers of "Shakespeare in Love" and "Out of Sight" were the front-runners for the original and adapted screenplay honors. Gwyneth Paltrow was a favorite for best actress for "Shakespeare in Love."

But the other races were tossups.

The best-actor category looked like Tom Hanks' to lose (for "Saving Private Ryan"), but then Roberto Benigni picked up a Screen Actors Guild award for "Life is Beautiful." The supporting actor and actress races also were question marks.

Girl wins car

ALCOA, Tenn. (AP) — Eleven-year-old Caitlin Hedberg probably will never, ever look at an Oreo cookie the same way again.

The Alcoa Elementary School fifth-grader found a one-in-8 million Oreo cookie stamped with the word "CAR" as she was packing her lunch a few weeks ago. On Thursday, she reaped the reward.

Nabisco delivered a 1999 navy blue Volkswagen Beetle with a big blue bow on top and 43,600 Oreos inside to her school.

Is your IRA an underachiever?

We offer a free service that can closely estimate what your IRA could be worth at retirement. If it's not achieving the results you want, I'll show you all of our available IRA choices.



Call or stop by today.
TIM RIGGAN
4204 College Ave.
Snyder, Texas 79550
1-800-441-3096
915-573-4055
www.edwardjones.com
Member SIPC

Edward Jones
Serving Individual Investors Since 1871



SNYDER HEALTHCARE CENTER

Resident of the Month of March

Nina Doty was selected as resident of the month at Snyder Healthcare Center by her fellow residents. Ms. Doty is always ready with a warm smile and a pleasant word to those people that are lucky enough to know her. Congratulations Nina, on being selected as resident of the month from the staff and residents of Snyder Healthcare.



Nina Fay Doty

5311 Big Spring Hwy. 573-6332

Hanks Chiropractic Center

Complete Family Care
•Back Pain •Whiplash •Headaches •Pinched Nerves
•Work & Sports Related Injury

Dr. Gordon Ryan has joined the staff and is now seeing patients.

Also Acupuncture Certified Registered Massage Therapist
Most Insurance Accepted

915-573-2913

4203 College Ave.
Snyder, Texas
79549



OUTSTANDING SOCIAL WORKER — Jim Rhodes, left, accepts his award for the VistaCare Family Hospice's outstanding social worker from Brian Payne of Lubbock, area manager of professional relation. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Jim Rhodes receives award

VistaCare Family Hospice named Jim Rhodes as Hospice Worker of the Year Wednesday at the Snyder Healthcare Center. He was honored with a reception and presented a plaque by Brian Payne, area manager of professional relations.

Payne said Rhodes was chosen as the outstanding hospice worker because he is a caring, deligent, and conscientious worker and will always go beyond the call of duty for his patients.

Rhodes, who resides in Sweetwater, works to insure that residents rights and needs are met.

VistaCare Foundation, a nonprofit organization serving 15 states, recognizes a volunteer each year.

There are 50 hospice across 15 states and the nearest office to Snyder is Big Spring, 1-800-505-4265. They are available to help patients with limited life expectancy.

There are several hospice volunteers in Snyder and the contact person is Doyle Chandler at 573-0030, or Brian Payne at 1-800-499-3464.

Feds investigate gas leaks on some minivans and pickups

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal safety agency is investigating DaimlerChrysler's popular minivans and some General Motors pickups because of the possibility that side-impact crashes could cause gas tank leaks that would sparkfires.

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration investigators are lookinginto the fuel tank construction of minivans from model years 1996-1999, agency documents show. About 2 million of the minivans are on the road, the safety agency estimates.

Agency officials also are investigating the tanks on some Chevrolet S-10 pickups to determine whether they may be punctured in side-impact crashes, leak fuel and cause fires.

During a federal crash test of a 1999 Dodge Caravan minivan, the hose that channels gasoline from the gas pump into the minivan's fuel tank pulled loose, and half the tank's fuel spilled out, an agency report said. The crash test simulates a vehicle crashing into the side of the minivan at 30 mph.

The agency believes the same tank system is on the later model Town and Country minivans, the Dodge Caravan and Grand Caravan minivans and the Plymouth Voyager and Grand Voyager minivans.

DaimlerChrysler spokeswoman Sheia Gruber McLean said Friday that the company was "carefully reviewing" the Jan. 5 crash test and cooperating with federal investigators. She said the company had discovered no similar complaints of fuel leakage or fires attributed to hoses' coming loose in crashes on the road.

The General Motors investigation involves the model year 1999 S-10 pickups with four-cylinder engines, but agency officials said it could be expanded to other model years.

The agency conducted a side-impact crash test on one of the pickups in November, and the fuel tank was pushed into the drive shaft. The drive shaft punctured the gas tank, leaking gasoline. The drive shaft is connected to the axle that turns the wheels.

After the test, GM introduced a production change that added a shield to the tank, according to agency documents. Trucks with six-cylinder engines already have shields.

Neither agency officials or the company had an immediate estimate of how many of the four-cylinder vehicles without the shield are on the road.

"We are cooperating fully with the investigation," said GM spokesman Terry Rhadigan.

NHTSA opens any safety investigation with a preliminary inquiry in which the government and manufacturer exchange paperwork including complaints, as in the DaimlerChrysler and GM cases.

Report: California GOP out of touch

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — In a bluntly worded report, a Republican consultant says the California GOP is deteriorating as it clings to messages that are unappealing to the party's newest power groups.

"The California Republican Party is no longer a competitive statewide party; at best it is a regional party," according to the report, "The Emerging Republican Minority."

The report was written by GOP consultant Bernd Schwieren, a researcher for the Assembly Republican Caucus. He declined to say who commissioned the study, a copy of which was obtained by The Associated Press.

"California is being transformed by major demographic, economic and cultural changes," the report says. "They have led to the emergence of a new electorate whose most dynamic elements — women, Latinos, new economy workers — are the most hostile to the Republican Party."

The result is that GOP influence has shrunk to scattered pockets around the state — but does not include voter-rich Los Angeles and the San Francisco Bay area. Schwieren said that makes it difficult for the GOP to win elections; all but two Republican statewide candidates lost last year.

The report, based largely on recent information from exit polls commissioned by the Los Angeles Times and the Voter News Service, notes that Republican registration has dropped by more than 10 percent this decade, to about one in three voters. And while there are more wealthy people in California, they voted more Democratic in November.

Republicans here are still operating under strategies developed more than 30 years ago by Richard Nixon and Ronald Reagan, the report says, even though many of those messages are no longer viable.

Many voters now find the GOP's strategy ineffective and even offensive, the report says. More than half of last fall's voters held college degrees, which is part of the reason why "GOP character/moral-based attacks failed in 1998."

"These voters have a more tolerant view on social issues — abortion, gay rights, school prayer — and are not receptive to a moralistic message," Schwieren writes.

The 53-page report describes an electorate that is less conservative than four years ago, less white and more tolerant of racial minorities.

Hispanics and Asian Americans also are enjoying more clout in California politics, and the report says the GOP is losing its share of these groups — as well as baby boomers, the largest demographic bloc in the California electorate.

"Baby boomers tend to be hostile to what they perceive to be the narrow cultural message of the Republican Party. They view cultural diversity as a strength, not a weakness," Schwieren writes. "And they are willing to vote against politicians running on platforms of cultural conformity."

Senate OKs aid for U.S. hog farmers

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate approved giving hog farmers an extra $250 million in assistance to help them weather a sharp downturn in pork prices.

The money was added late Thursday to a $1.9 billion emergency spending bill that includes aid for Jordan and hurricane-battered Central America. The House is to take up its version of the legislation next week. President Clinton has threatened to veto both versions in a dispute with Congress over state tobacco settlements.

The Agriculture Department already is distributing $50 million to hog farmers on its own at a rate of $5 per pig. The department said Friday the payments average $1,100 for each of 45,293 farms.

Producers said the payments won't go far enough and appealed to Congress for as much as $500 million more.

"This is a crisis and it demands action," Sen. John Ashcroft, R-Mo., said Friday. "The immediate, short-term economic assistance approved by the Senate can help producers survive the current crisis."

Hogs are selling for about 25 cents a pound, up from a low at the end of 1998 of 8 cents but well below the break-even point of almost 40 cents.

It would be up to the Agriculture Department to decide how to distribute the $250 million. The money could go for direct payments as well as loans or purchases of surplus pork. The National Pork Producers Council wanted $25 for every hog sold after the price collapse, up to a limit of $50,000 per farmer.

"This is a very significant step," said Steve Cohen, a spokesman for the producers group. "If this goes through, we can bring some financial relief to some of these farmers who are really teetering on the edge."

While the White House opposes the overall bill, the Agriculture Department "would certainly be open to moves by Congress to be of additional help to hog farmers," spokesman Andy Solomon said.

Rainy Day Designs
Custom Embroidery
Monogramming and Digitizing
Caps, Jackets, T-Shirts, Team Uniforms
Personalize a gift for your graduate from our selection by Toppers!
•Luggage •Hanging Baskets •Duffles
•Carry Ons • Cosmetic Bags
•Shave Kits • Jewelry Bags
Nightshirts are also available for your gift giving
10986 FM 1613, Roscoe, Texas
766-3399

WILSON MOTORS
STAMPEDE FOR SAVINGS

99 Ranger

$171.49 Mo.1
1 Based on MSRP of $15,695 RCO .75% APR. 36 mos., 44% Residual, Final Balloon of $6,905.80. Based on 12,000 mi. yr. $0 cash down +TT&L, rebate to dealer. WAC. (St. #90206)

99 Taurus SE

$291.00 Mo.2
2 Based on MSRP of $20,745 RCO1.25% APR. 36 mos., 43% Residual, Final Balloon of $8,920.35. Based on 12,000 mi. yr. $0 cash down +TT&L, rebate to dealer. WAC. (St. #9046)

99 ExplorerXLT

$377.00 Mo.3
3 Based on MSRP of $29,125 RCO 4% APR. 36 mos., 52% Residual, Final Balloon of $15,145.00. Based on 12,000 mi. yr. $0 cash down +TT&L, rebate to dealer. WAC. (St. #90300)

99 Expedition XLT

$399.00 Mo.4
4 Based on MSRP of $34,190 RCO 8% APR. 24 mos., 69% Residual, Final Balloon of $23,591.10. Based on 12,000 mi. yr. $$1306.35 cash down +TT&L, rebate to dealer. WAC. (St. #90305)

99 Windstar SE

$379.00 Mo.5
5 Based on MSRP of $29,835 RCO 3.5% APR. 36 mos., 48% Residual, Final Balloon of $14,320.80. Based on 12,000 mi. yr. $0 cash down +TT&L, rebate to dealer. WAC. (St. #90375)

99 Escort ZX2

$216.00 Mo.6
6 Based on MSRP of $15,860 RCO 4% APR. 36 mos., 45% Residual, Final Balloon of $7,137.00. Based on 12,000 mi. yr. $0 cash down +TT&L, rebate to dealer. WAC. (St. #9053)

99 Escort SE

$235.00 Mo.7
7 Based on MSRP of $15,060 RCO 6% APR. 36 mos., 41% Residual, Final Balloon of $6,174.60. Based on 12,000 mi. yr. $0 cash down +TT&L, rebate to dealer. WAC. (St. #9015)


1995 Buick Century 4 Door, Low miles, power win/locks, New Tires ..... WAC & TT&L $7,995

REDUCED 1995 Ford F150 XLT Reg. Cab, 351 automatic, only 71,000 miles, 1 owner, elec red ..... WAC & TT&L $9,995

1996 Ford Crown Victoria LX. 1 Owner, only 57,000 miles, excellent cond., must see ..... WAC & TT&L $12,995

1993 Buick Regal Gran Sport, 4 Door, Leather interior, alloy wheels, must see ..... WAC & TT&L $6,995

1998 Ford 1/2 T. Supercab Lariat 1 Owner, V8, Leather Int., only 15,000 mi., 2 tone paint ..... WAC & TT&L $21,500

1998 Ford Taurus 3 to choose from, Pow. Win & Locks ..... WAC & TT&L $12,995

1997 Ford 1/2 T. Supercab Teal and Black, One Owner, 44,000 miles ..... WAC & TT&L $17,995

1992 Buick Park Avenue one owner, leather interior, extra clean ..... WAC & TT&L $6,495

1996 Mercury Cougar XR7, V8, Electric Red, Tan leather, only 36,000 miles ..... WAC & TT&L $11,695

WILSON MOTORS
"Where service after the sale is just as important as selling you a vehicle"
East Highway 180, Snyder, Tex.
Across from Coliseum
915-573-6352
Full Service Body Shop With Free Estimates
FORD
LINCOLN
MERCURY

Cinema I & II
1907 Snyder Shopping Center
573-7519

THE KING AND I
Rated G
Rated PG 13
WING COMMANDER,
Call For Showtimes
Matinee Sat. & Sun. $3.00

SNYDER HEALTHCARE CENTER
Employee of the Month

Mary Ann Molinar, LVN
Mary Ann Molinar LVN has been selected as Employee of the Month for Snyder Healthcare Center. Mary Ann has been with Snyder Healthcare for approximately one year. She has a fast pace and seemingly untiring attitude. Mary Ann is very compassionate and possesses an extremely high level of nursing skills!
Respect from the staff and peers at Snyder Healthcare has earned Mary Ann Molinar Employee of the Month.
5311 Big Spring Hwy. 573-6332

SPORTS

Bulldogs rally past Rotan, 4-3

ROTAN — The Ira High School baseball team is only 1-1 on the season.

But thanks to some last-inning heroics on Friday, the Bulldogs notched a victory when it counted most.

Jerek Brown's double in the top of the seventh brought home the winning run, as Ira slipped past the defending state semifinalist Rotan, 4-3.

The victory leaves the Bulldogs with an even ledger for the year, but a perfect 1-0 in District 5-A.

"I'm really proud of the way our kids played today," Ira coach Bubba Edwards said. "With it being only our second game of the year, we made our share of mistakes. But in crunch time, when the plays needed to be made, the kids made them."

With the score knotted at 3-3 entering the top of the final frame, Drew Wall led off with a single for Ira.

Next up, Jerek Brown belted a double to drive in Wall and propel the Bulldogs to victory.

Brown went the distance on the mound for Ira, giving up three hits while striking out 11 Yellowhammers.

After the Bulldogs opened the scoring with a run in the top of the first, Rotan jumped on top with three runs in the bottom of the inning.

Ira evened the tally with a pair of runs in the third. Neither squad could mount a rally until Wall scored the game-winner in the seventh.

Seth Sterling paced the Bulldogs at the plate, going 3-for-4 with a double and three RBIs. Wall slapped a pair of singles for the 'dogs, with Jase Olvera also posting a base hit.

Despite five errors on the night, Ira's defense kept the ballgame close through the late innings. Twice down the stretch, Rotan left runners stranded at third.

The Bulldogs now take a week off, before returning to action March 29 against Lubbock Christian High School in a non-district match-up.

Ira resumes league play April 5 at Loraine.



BULLDOG BACKSTOP — Ira catcher Jenson Gainer waits on the incoming throw, while a Rotan runner slides home during district action Friday at Rotan. The Bulldogs rallied in the seventh to top the Yellowhammers, 4-3. (SDN Staff Photo)

Lady Mustangs 6, Lady Tigers 1...

Andrews trips SHS to keep league lead

ANDREWS — The Lady Tigers found out the secret to Andrews' softball success.

It's Lisa Lopez.

Lopez limited Snyder to only three hits and rang up 14 strikeouts in a 6-1 Andrews victory Friday in a District 5-4A contest.

A four-run first inning and Lopez' pitching was all the Lady Mustangs needed to improve to 2-0 in league play.

"Lopez is a good pitcher," Snyder coach Carmen Bohannon said. "She probably throws harder than anyone we've faced all year. She was the difference, because when it came right down to it, we just couldn't put the bat on the ball."

Whitney Webb, Starla Davis and Amy Ricks all singled to tally the Lady Tigers' three hits on the night.

Pitching for Snyder, Kristin Martinez surrendered only one earned run off 10 hits, two walks and six strikeouts.

The Lady Tigers committed only three errors, but two of them came in the opening frame, allowing Andrews to jump out to a 4-0 lead.

Snyder's only run of the contest came in the seventh inning.

The Lady Mustangs remain atop the district standings at 11-6, 2-0, while the Lady Tigers slip into second place with a mark of 12-7, 1-1.

Snyder returns home for its next two contests. The Lady Tigers host Ft. Stockton on Tuesday, before squaring off with Big Spring on Friday at Cates Field.

Streaking Blazers knock off Spurs

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — The Portland Trail Blazers are taking turns carrying the team late in games. After Isaiah Rider took himself out of the rotation, it was up to Arvydas Sabonis to step in.

Sabonis outplayed San Antonio big men Tim Duncan and David Robinson in the fourth quarter Friday night, scoring 13 of his season-high 28 points to lead the Blazers past the Spurs 90-85.

"Coming into the game, I figured his legs would be dead," Portland coach Mike Dunleavy said of Sabonis. "I tried to keep subbing for him. But he was playing so well. I just let him go, and he kept coming through for us. His line of 28 points and 11 boards was incredible."

His hook shot around Robinson gave the Blazers an 82-76 lead. A running hook off the glass and two free throws made it 86-79 with 1:16 left, and the lead was too much for the Spurs to overcome. In the last 15:31, Sabonis scored 18 points.

"Down the stretch, Sabonis was big," said Robinson, whose team had won an NBA-best nine straight. "Normally, I feel like we can stop somebody down there. But man, with that sweeping hook, I can't get to that, and he did a great job."

The Spurs almost came back. Trailing by six after a free throw by Robinson, the Spurs closed to 86-85 when Mario Elie hit a 3-pointer, Duncan blocked a shot by Jim Jackson and Elie dunked.

Damon Stoudamire was fouled and made both free throws for an 88-85 lead with 19 seconds left. Steve Kerr and Sean Elliott both missed 3-point attempts for San Antonio, and Stoudamire made two more free throws to seal it with three seconds to go.

"Down the stretch, we made a couple of big mistakes with turnovers, and they kept pounding us," said Duncan, who had 29 points and 15 rebounds, but had only two points in the fourth quarter.

Portland was without Rider, who was suspended for one game and fined $7,500 by the NBA for kneeing the Kings' Jon Barry and shoving him in the face Thursday night.

Jackson started in Rider's place and scored 12 points. Stoudamire added 13, and Grant had 12 rebounds.

Mavericks stumble again, 94-87

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) — Jud Buechler had three 3-pointers and a key steal in the final five minutes to help the Detroit Pistons pull out a 94-87 victory against the Dallas Mavericks.

Detroit led by 18 points in the third quarter, but blew the lead and needed Buechler's shooting to end their three-game losing streak.

Jerry Stackhouse led Detroit with 15 points, while Bison Dele added 13 and nine rebounds and Grant Hill had 14 points and nine assists.

Michael Finley led Dallas with 18 points and eight assists. The Mavericks have lost three in a row.

Detroit led for most of the first half, and expanded the margin to 57-41 when Stackhouse hit a 40-foot jumper at the buzzer. Stackhouse had 13 points off the bench in the half, while Hill had 10.

The Pistons, though, couldn't keep it up in the second half. Dallas went on a 19-2 early in the third quarter to pull within 61-60, led by two 3-pointers from Steve Nash.

Dallas took a 74-73 lead on Dirk Nowitzki's driving layup with 9:55 to play, and the Pistons struggled to get the defensive stops they needed.

Buechler hit a 3-pointer to tie the game at 82, and after Gary Trent hit one of two free throws, Buechler hit another 3 to put Detroit up by two with 2:43 to go.

NBA GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	18	5	.783	-
Orlando	18	7	.720	1
Philadelphia	14	9	.609	4
NewYork	14	10	.583	4½
Washington	9	14	.391	9
Boston	8	13	.381	9
NewJersey	4	19	.174	14
Central Division				
Indiana	16	7	.696	-
Milwaukee	13	9	.591	2½
Atlanta	14	10	.583	2½
Detroit	13	11	.542	3½
Cleveland	11	10	.524	4
Toronto	10	12	.455	5½
Charlotte	8	14	.364	7½
Chicago	7	17	.292	9½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	19	5	.792	-
Houston	15	9	.625	4
SanAntonio	15	9	.625	4
Minnesota	14	11	.560	5½
Dallas	8	17	.320	11½
Denver	6	18	.250	13
Vancouver	5	19	.208	14
Pacific Division				
Portland	19	5	.792	-
L.A.Lakers	17	9	.654	3
Seattle	12	10	.546	6
Phoenix	12	12	.500	7
Sacramento	11	14	.440	8½
GoldenState	10	14	.417	9
L.A.Clippers	1	22	.043	17½

Friday's Games

Indiana 96, Chicago 87
Philadelphia 105, L.A. Lakers 90
Toronto 93, L.A. Clippers 82
Charlotte 83, Utah 82, OT
Atlanta 93, Phoenix 85
Detroit 94, Dallas 87
Minnesota 105, Denver 101
Portland 90, San Antonio 85
Golden State 90, Seattle 78

Saturday's Games

Boston at New York, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Washington, 7 p.m.
Indiana at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games

L.A. Lakers at Orlando, 12:30 p.m.
Utah at Detroit, 12:30 p.m.
Chicago at Boston, 3 p.m.
New York at Toronto, 3 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Minnesota, 3:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
Charlotte at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Seattle at Denver, 9 p.m.
Philadelphia at Portland, 9 p.m.

Sports Briefs

Rider suspended and fined

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Trail Blazers guard Isaiah Rider was suspended one game and fined $7,500 for kneeing and shoving Sacramento's Jon Barry in Thursday's victory. The suspension cost him more than $29,000 in salary.

Rider did not start because he was late for the shootaround. He also was suspended earlier this season and fined for leaving the bench during an altercation at Charlotte on Feb. 26.

Love, Herron share Bay Hill lead

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Davis Love III shot a 6-under 66 for a share of the second-round lead with Tim Herron at the Bay Hill Invitational.

Herron's 69 left him at 9-under 135, one stroke ahead of Andrew Magee (67). Resurgent Tom Lehman got into contention for the first time since a shoulder injury with a 68 for a 137 total.

Among those within five shots are Vijay Singh and Lee Westwood at 139, and Colin Montgomerie, Payne Stewart and Justin Leonard at 140.

Defending champion Ernie Els was at 141, along with 1997 winner Phil Mickelson. Tiger Woods was at 146.

Jets' Foley traded to Seahawks

SEATTLE (AP) — Jets quarterback Glenn Foley, who lost his job last season to Vinny Testaverde, was traded to the Seahawks for a seventh-round pick.

Foley, 28, a seventh-round choice out of Boston College in 1994, will back up and perhaps challenge Seattle's starting quarterback, Jon Kitna. In New York, he was 1-7 as a starter over five seasons.

For his career, he was 192-for-349 for 2,186 yards, 10 touchdowns and 16 interceptions.

Bono signs deal with Panthers

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Free-agent quarterback Steve Bono signed a two-year, $1.4 million contract with the Carolina Panthers.

Bono, 36, is a 14-year NFL veteran. Last year, he played six games with St. Louis, completing 69-of-136 passes for 807 yards with five touchdowns and four interceptions.

Bono also played for Minnesota, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, Kansas City and Green Bay. For his career, Bono has thrown for 10,439 yards and 62 touchdowns with 42 interceptions.

MGA to hold meeting

The Men's Golf Association of Western Texas College will hold a meeting Monday at 7 p.m. at Snyder Lanes. All members and prospective members should attend.

SCC schedules golf tourney

Snyder Country Club will host a three-man scramble April 17.

Teams must have a minimum combined handicap of 30, with a maximum of 15 strokes difference between the first and third player.

For more information, contact the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

Senior league registration

Snyder Senior Little League is now taking applications for managers. Senior-aged players will be divided into a 13/14-year-old league and a 15/16-year-old league.

Managers should indicate on the application which age division they would prefer. Applications can be picked up at Caprock Securities located at 2517 College Ave.

Player registration will begin March 29 and run through April 1, with late sign-ups April 5-6. Registration fee for players has dropped to $35 this season, and competition could be extended to include games against Sweetwater and Colorado City.

For more information, contact Mickey Nunley at 573-5883, Tommy Green at 573-2646 or Kaprece Bedell at 573-8169.

Pitching clinics scheduled

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

Snyder Country Club
Extends A Great Big Texas
WELCOME!

Golf Course - Public Welcome
Monday - All Day
Tuesday - 2:00 pm to close
Wednesday - Closed all day
Thursday - 8 am to 4 pm
Friday - 8 am to 4 pm
Saturday - Members Only
Sunday - Members Only
Call 573-7101
FOR TEE TIMES

Restaurant - Public Welcome
Monday 6 pm to 9 pm
Tuesday 6 pm to 9 pm
Wednesday - Closed All Day
Thursday 6 pm to 9 pm
Friday 6 pm to 9 pm
Saturday 11-2 and 6-9
Sunday 11:30-1:30 Buffet Only
Reservations Requested & Recommended
Call 573-0165

We Welcome Mastercard, Visa, American Express, Discover, Personal Checks for exact amount & Cash Sales
For More Information Call:
573-0165

The Name Of The Game Is SOCCER!
Snyder Soccer Association Registration
March 22nd & 23rd
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
@ Snyder Lanes
Fee: $25 + $5 Coke Money
Additional Family Members is $20
All Players must be 4 by Dec. 31, 1998
Bring Parent & Birth Certificate
For More Info Call:
Freddy Castillo 573-1895
Angela Fields 573-7847
Register For The Spring Season

BUSINESS TELEPHONE SYSTEMS
SALES/SERVICE/INSTALLATION
ATS Telcom
COMPUTER NETWORK INSTALLATIONS
COAXIAL/TWISTED PAIR/FIBER OPTIC
"Serving West Texas since 1978"
504 East 3rd Street, Big Spring, TX 79720
Voice: 915-263-8433 Fax: 915-263-0813 1-800-299-2992

SPORTS

At spring training...

Teams see number of injuries rise

By The Associated Press

With the start of the season just more than two weeks away, those annoying spring training injuries that won't go away are getting troublesome.

Boston Red Sox shortstop Nomar Garciaparra said Friday that he has had "sharp pain" in his arm and has been unable to throw a baseball for the past nine days.

Garciaparra, runner-up in the AL MVP race last year, injured a tendon in his right biceps last Thursday against Toronto. He has been limited to designated hitter duty since then with what the Red Sox called tendinitis in his arm.

"When it comes to a player of his caliber we tend to be cautious on how we handle these things," manager Jimy Williams said from Fort Myers, Fla.

The news comes to a Boston camp that is still dealing with injuries to second baseman Jeff Frye, first baseman Reggie Jefferson and outfielder Midre Cummings.

At Port St. Lucie, Fla., New York Mets outfielder Bobby Bonilla will miss at least 10-14 days with a partial tear in the posterior cruciate ligament.

"It's worse now than what I thought when I came to the park," Mets manager Bobby Valentine said. "But it's better than I thought after I heard he (Bonilla) was going to get the MRI."

Bonilla injured his right knee in a collision while running the bases against the Montreal Expos on March 8. He reaggravated the injury Thursday. The Mets said it was unsure if he would be healthy by opening day April 5 against Florida.

"Ten days isn't bad, more than 10 is probably too much, seven days is good," Valentine said. "We're not looking at the calendar as to when he's coming back, we'll just let doctors and nature take its course."

At Sarasota, Fla., Reds GM Jim Bowden said ace Denny Neagle will likely start the season on the disabled list.

"We acquired Denny Neagle to win 15 to 20 games and pitch 200 innings. We need to make sure that his arm is built up and strong enough to be able to accomplish that," Reds general manager Jim Bowden said. "So there's no point in our rushing when the season starts."

At St. Louis, Cardinals right-hander Matt Morris has a sprained elbow on his throwing arm, and team officials aren't sure if he'll be ready for the start of the season.

Though more tests are needed to confirm the diagnosis, team physician George Paletta said Friday the exam revealed the sprain, along with strain on the muscle around the elbow.

Morris, 24, is being counted on as the Cardinals' top pitcher this season. In two major league seasons, Morris is 19-14 with a 2.97 ERA.



SOUTHPAW — Ira hurler Jerek Brown delivers a pitch during district play Friday at Rotan. Brown went the distance in the Bulldogs' 4-3 victory. (SDN Staff Photo)

Lady Raiders to battle defensive Rutgers team

By CHUCK SCHOFFNER
AP Sports Writer

When it comes to guard play, North Carolina believes it measures up with anyone. Even No. 1-ranked Purdue.

Who says? A North Carolina guard, of course.

The focus will be on the backcourts tonight when Purdue (30-1) plays North Carolina (28-7) in the women's NCAA Midwest Regional at Normal, Ill. — one of four doubleheaders in the round of 16.

Purdue, which has won 28 straight, features All-American Stephanie White-McCarty, steady senior Ukari Figgs and sophomore Katie Douglas, a slashing lefthander. North Carolina brings Nikki Teasley and Juana Brown, a couple of quick, explosive sophomores.

"It's said they have the best backcourt in the nation, but there's some contradiction about that," Teasley said. "Because we feel like we have a good backcourt with Juana and myself. It's going to be a great matchup."

But not the only matchup, Teasley was quick to add.

"It's not Juana and myself against Ukari Figgs and Stephanie White," she said. "It's Carolina against Purdue. Lord willing, we'll come up with a victory. It's going to be an exciting game. Don't miss it."

The second game at Normal is worth watching for the coaching acumen alone. Rutgers coach Vivian Stringer and Texas Tech's Marsha Sharp have won exactly 1,000 games between them and both have talented, multidimensional teams.

"It will be a chess match from the beginning, I'm sure," Sharp said.

The West Regional games in Los Angeles also are tonight. Louisiana Tech (28-2), seeking a return to the national championship game after losing to Tennessee last year, plays Louisiana State (22-7) and Colorado State (33-2) takes on UCLA (25-7).

In games today, Tennessee played Virginia Tech and Duke met Old Dominion in the East at Greensboro, N.C., and Connecticut faced Iowa State and Georgia played Clemson in the Mideast at Cincinnati.

Texas Tech (30-3) faces the challenge of cracking one of the nation's best defensive teams. Rutgers (28-5) is giving up only 54 points a game and is coming off a 90-47 second-round thrashing of Arizona.

Stringer is known for the matchup zone she developed during her friendship with John Chaney. But the Scarlet Knights can play a tough man-to-man as well.

"The thing we have to be concerned about is how physical they are on the perimeter," Sharp said. "They are really strong. They can bounce you around a little bit, but still run up and down the floor."

Blue Devils, Wildcats roll on; Sooners, Redhawks bow out

By The Associated Press

Duke and Kentucky, the two most successful NCAA tournament teams of the 1990s, are both one win away from another Final Four.

Top-ranked Duke beat Southwest Missouri State 78-61 Friday night to reach the East Regional final, while defending national champion Kentucky defeated Miami of Ohio 58-43 to advance to the Midwest title game.

Scott Padgett scored 14 of his 17 points in the second half and Kentucky dominated the boards 37-18 against Miami, which got 23 points from star Wally Szczerbiak but almost nothing from his teammates.

"You're not going to stop Wally Szczerbiak from scoring, he's too good a player," Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said. "What you want to do is make sure the other guys don't beat you. It's just an unbelievable performance by our team."

Trajan Langdon scored 24 points as Duke won its 30th straight game. The Blue Devils, who won their first two NCAA tournament games by an average of 41 points, weren't quite as dominant against 12th-seeded Southwest Missouri.

"Anything would have been a letdown," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "We've been playing great basketball, actually unusually great basketball."

Duke's opponent in Sunday's East Regional final will be sixth-seeded Temple, which beat Purdue 77-55.

The Owls broke the game open after Purdue picked up two early technical fouls. Temple then scored eight straight points to start the decisive 30-7 run.

Kentucky will play top-seeded Michigan State on Sunday for the Midwest Regional title. The Spartans held Oklahoma to 33 percent shooting in a physical 54-46 victory Friday night.

Midway through the second half, Michigan State All-American Mateen Cleaves collided with Oklahoma star Eduardo Najera, and both players crumbled to the court. Najera was unconscious for several minutes and came away with a concussion, bruised breast bone, chipped tooth and a cut on his chin that required six stitches. Cleaves also lay nearly motionless for several minutes but, like Najera, later returned to the game.

"It was an ugly game," Cleaves said. "But the guys are coming through. We've come together as a team and we're in the Great Eight."

Duke and Kentucky each have won two national championships and made four trips to the Final Four this decade.

If they make it to the Final Four this year, they would meet in the national semifinals in St. Petersburg on March 27. That would be a rematch of last year's memorable South Regional final in which Kentucky overcame an 18-point deficit to beat Duke 86-84.

The schools have met five times in the NCAA tournament, including the Wildcats' 94-88 victory in the 1978 national title game and the Blue Devils' 104-103 overtime win in the 1992 East Regional final.

EAST
At East Rutherford, N.J.
Duke 78, SW Missouri St. 61

Elton Brand had 14 points, eight rebounds and five blocked shots as Duke improved to 14-1 at Continental Airlines Arena.

Allen Phillips scored 16 points for Southwest Missouri State, which upset Wisconsin and Tennessee to reach the regional semis for the first time.

Temple 77, Purdue 55

Pepe Sanchez had 17 points, nine assists and six steals, and Temple coach John Chaney moved within one victory of the first Final Four in his 27-year career.

Cornell scored 14 points for Purdue, which made 13 3-pointers.

MIDWEST
At St. Louis
Michigan St. 54, Oklahoma 46

Michigan State shot only 40 percent, but won its 21st straight game with tremendous defense.

Oklahoma, seeded 13th, was only 4-of-15 from 3-point range after making 23 from beyond the arc in its first two tournament games.

Kentucky 58, Miami 43

Szczerbiak was 8-for-16 from the field and finished the tournament with a 30-point average in three games, but his teammates were a collective 6-for-28 against Kentucky.

Miami matched its lowest point total of the season and lost to Kentucky for the 18th straight time.

THE ROAD TO THE FINAL FOUR

EAST REGIONAL
At Continental Airlines Arena
East Rutherford, N.J.
Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 19
Duke 78, Southwest Missouri State 61
Temple 77, Purdue 55
Regional Championship
Sunday, March 21
Duke (35-1) vs. Temple (24-10), 2:40 p.m.

SOUTH REGIONAL
At Thompson-Boling Arena
Knoxville, Tenn.
Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 18
St. John's 76, Maryland 62
Ohio State 72, Auburn 64
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 20
Ohio State (26-8) vs. St. John's (28-8), 6 p.m.

MIDWEST REGIONAL
At Trans World Dome
St. Louis
Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 19
Michigan State 54, Oklahoma 46
Kentucky 58, Miami, Ohio 43
Regional Championship
Sunday, March 21
Michigan State (32-4) vs. Kentucky (28-8), 5 p.m.

WEST REGIONAL
At America West Arena
Phoenix
Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 18
Gonzaga 73, Florida 72
Connecticut 78, Iowa 68
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 20
Connecticut (31-2) vs. Gonzaga (28-6), 3:40 p.m.

THE FINAL FOUR
At Tropicana Field
St. Petersburg, Fla.
National Semifinals
Saturday, March 27
East champion vs. Midwest champion, 5:42 p.m.
South champion vs. West champion, 30 minutes after first game
National Championship
Monday, March 29
Semifinal winners, 9:18 p.m.

Women's NCAA Tournament

EAST REGIONAL
Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 20
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.
Old Dominion (28-3) vs. Duke (26-6), 11:30 a.m.
Tennessee (30-2) vs. Virginia Tech (28-2), 30 minutes after
Regional Championship
Monday, March 22
Tennessee-Virginia Tech winner vs. Old Dominion-Duke winner, TBA

MIDEAST REGIONAL
Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 20
At Shoemaker Center
Cincinnati
Connecticut (29-4) vs. Iowa St. (24-7), Noon
Clemson (26-5) vs. Georgia (25-6), 30 minutes after
Regional Championship
Monday, March 22
Connecticut-Iowa St. winner vs. Clemson-Georgia winner, TBA

MIDWEST REGIONAL
Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 20
At Redbird Arena
Normal, Ill.
North Carolina (28-7) vs. Purdue (30-1), 8 p.m.
Rutgers (28-5) vs. Texas Tech (30-3), 30 minutes after
Regional Championship
Monday, March 22
North Carolina-Purdue winner vs. Rutgers-Texas Tech winner, TBA

WEST REGIONAL
Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 20
At Los Angeles Sports Arena
Los Angeles
Louisiana Tech (28-2) vs. LSU (25-7), 10 p.m.
Colorado St. (33-2) vs. UCLA (25-7), 30 minutes after
Regional Championship
Monday, March 22
Louisiana Tech-LSU winner vs. Colorado St.-UCLA winner, 11:59 p.m.

THE FINAL FOUR
At San Jose Arena
San Jose, Calif.
National Semifinals
Friday, March 26
East champion vs. Mideast champion, 7 or 9:30 p.m.
Midwest champion vs. West champion, 7 or 9:30 p.m.
National Championship
Sunday, March 28
Semifinal winners, 9 p.m.

CRANES

AMERICAN
Equipment & Trailer
3707 M.L.K. Jr. Blvd. Lubbock, Tx.
806-747-2991

snyder
INSURANCE AGENCY
1820 26th Street
(915) 573-3163
Business Insurance
Auto * Home * Life * Health

"Making Insurance Work For You"

INTRODUCING
Todd Owens - Body Shop Manager
Todd is a Snyder native with 10 years experience in automotive body repair.
Todd invites you to contact him about all your body shop needs.
•Rental Car Avail.
•Repair all makes & models
•Free Estimates
• Newly renovated paint booth

WILSON MOTORS
East Hwy. 180 Across from Coliseum, Snyder
915-573-6351

INDOOR WEATHER UPDATE
"Introducing Puron™–the secret to ozone-friendly air conditioning."
Puron, the environmentally sound refrigerant, is the key to being comfortable in the age of environmental responsibility. And Puron is already pumping through the heart of Carrier's newest energy-efficient cooling systems. When you need new air conditioning, consider the new standard for the new millennium. Ask your Carrier Dealer about Puron.


Carrier
CUSTOM MADE INDOOR WEATHER
A-1 AIR CONDITIONING, INC.
HEAT PUMP SPECIALIST TACLA 006144C
24 Hour Pager 776-3471
Garlan Williams
573-7635 712 College Ave.

Poll: Americans uncertain about using nuclear power

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fewer than half of Americans say they support using nuclear power to produce electricity and an increasing number of people admit they don't know what they think about it, according to an Associated Press poll.

The poll, taken 20 years after a serious accident at the Three Mile Island nuclear plant near Harrisburg, Pa., found 45 percent of adults saying they support the use of nuclear energy. That is down 10 percentage points from a 1989 AP poll.

Sixty percent in the latest poll say they believe nuclear plants are safer now, but half the respondents believe a serious nuclear accident is likely at a U.S. power plant. Those numbers are about the same as in the 1989 poll.

The nuclear power industry supplies about 20 percent of the nation's energy. No new plants are being built in this country and many existing facilities are seeking relicensing.

About one in three people surveyed said they oppose the use of nuclear power, while one in four said they didn't know. The percentage in opposition was the same a decade ago, but the number who said they didn't know where they stood on the issue was twice as high as it was in 1989.

Men were more likely than women to support nuclear power, according to the poll, conducted by ICR of Media, Pa.

"I still think it will work," said 73-year-old Jim Bissey, a cashier from Springfield, Ohio. "We have nuclear submarines and other nuclear devices that seem to work OK. I'm hoping that technology has moved forward so that whatever happened at Three Mile Island they can control or eliminate."

On March 28, 1979, a series of failures cut off the flow of cooling water to the reactor, which caused the top half of the reactor's radioactive core to collapse and melt. Contaminated coolant water escaped into a nearby building, releasing radioactive gases.

The telephone survey of 1,015 people was taken Friday through Tuesday. The margin of error is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Even a majority of those who support the use of nuclear power said they wouldn't want to live within 10 miles of a plant.

"I have not seen enough evidence to be anti-nuclear power," said Kirsten Hoffman, 33, of Corpus Christi, Texas. "But it's the old NIMBY syndrome — not in my back yard."

Industry officials say the 1990s are good times for nuclear power, even though no orders for new plants have been placed in more than two decades.

The storage of radioactive waste continues to be an environmental concern, with almost half in the poll saying they believe it cannot be safely stored for many years. One-third said they thought it could be safely stored.

For Results Use Snyder Daily News Classified Ads 573-5486

First Presbyterian Church

28th St. & Ave. R

"The Possibility of Hope"
Ez. 37:1-11

"Over 100 Years in Snyder"

Pastor: Nan Crawford Swanson
Worship Sundays 11 a.m. Visitors Welcome
OPEN DAILY FOR PRAYER 12-12:30 P.M.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Comparing CT scan, myelogram and MRI

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What is the difference between a CT scan, a myelogram and MRI? My mother has sciatica and is facing a spinal operation. We wonder which diagnostic test would be most informative.

DEAR READER: Because your question is complicated, I'll attempt to answer it simply, at the risk of being less technical than the response deserves.

Computed topography (CT or CAT scan) is a technique by which radiologists coordinate a series of X-ray images into a group of pictures. An X-ray beam is aimed at a portion of the body, from different angles, and the images are fed into a computer. The machine arranges the images into identifiable patterns of lightness and darkness, which the radiologists interpret much the same way that they analyze standard X-ray films. Because the images are "shot" from so many positions, the reconstituted pictures show enormous precision and detail. CT scanning is both painless and safe.

A myelogram is a test by which specialists examine the spinal column and surrounding structures. In much the same way that a spinal tap is performed to remove fluid for analysis, the doctor introduces a hollow needle into the fluid-containing space surrounding the spinal cord. An oily liquid, called dye or contrast medium, is then injected into the space, following which conventional X-ray pictures are obtained. The dye outlines non-bony tissues, such as discs, permitting the doctor to determine whether the tissues are pressing on nerves or the spinal cord itself. The myelogram enables a neurosurgeon to pinpoint the source of back problems, such as sciatica, before surgery is performed. At the conclusion of the test, the dye is removed. Some people experience headaches after the procedure, and a few patients may have temporary leg pain and weakness if the dye irritates lower spinal nerves.

Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) is the newest of the hi-tech methods of examining the body's interior. When placed in a strong magnetic field and bombarded by high frequency radio waves, the hydrogen atoms in the body resonate (or line up) in ordered sequences. Once the external forces are stopped, however, the hydrogen atoms resume their random patterns — but, in the process, they give off energy. This energy can be measured and fed into a computer, which then spits out pictures. Tissues that are dense and contain more hydrogen appear darker than less-dense, hydrogen-poor structures. By this method, an X-ray-like series of pictures can be obtained without the hazards of radiation. MRI gives astounding resolution of detail and has become an invaluable diagnostic tool.

Today, the skilled doctor must carefully pick and choose which diagnostic method is most appropriate. CT scans, myelography and MRI are all useful in specific ways, for particular problems.

Because your mother may need back surgery, a neurosurgeon may be content with an MRI. Alternatively, he or she may believe a myelogram will give important information not readily available through other means. Ask the doctor which test would be most useful in your mother's case.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm interested in having a "bandaid" tubal ligation reversed. Is this possible?

DEAR READER: At the time of your surgery, the doctor cut and tied off your Fallopian tubes through two small abdominal incisions (hence the term "bandaid"). This operation prevents fertilization of the eggs from your ovaries.

By using microsurgical techniques, modern gynecologists can repair tied tubes and sew the ends back together, enabling you to conceive. Although there is no guarantee that such surgery will make you fertile again, many women have been helped by this method.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Although I have always favored high-necked clothes and turtlenecks, I find that the pressure on my throat is uncomfortable. Do you have any suggestions?

DEAR READER: Good grief! Give me a break. To give you down in the country: You buy the bridle, you buy the bit. If the high-necked garments bother you, for heaven's sake, change to a different style. Or stretch the neckbands.

I wonder why you would choose to write me this question when common sense dictates that you solve the problem on your own!

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 70-year-old husband has had double vision for six months. All the tests are normal. His speech is slightly slurred. I think that he had a stroke, but the doctors say it's a nerve palsy. I'm very puzzled.

DEAR READER: So am I. A nerve palsy or weakness will usually affect just the eyes. When speech is impaired, the prudent physician should consider other causes, such as a stroke or brain disorder. I think that your husband should see a neurologist before permanent damage results.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Stroke." 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: I suffer from gout, for which my doctor prescribed colchicine to use for pain. I know it's caused by uric acid, but would like to know how I can control my uric acid so this intense pain won't return. Will a special diet help?

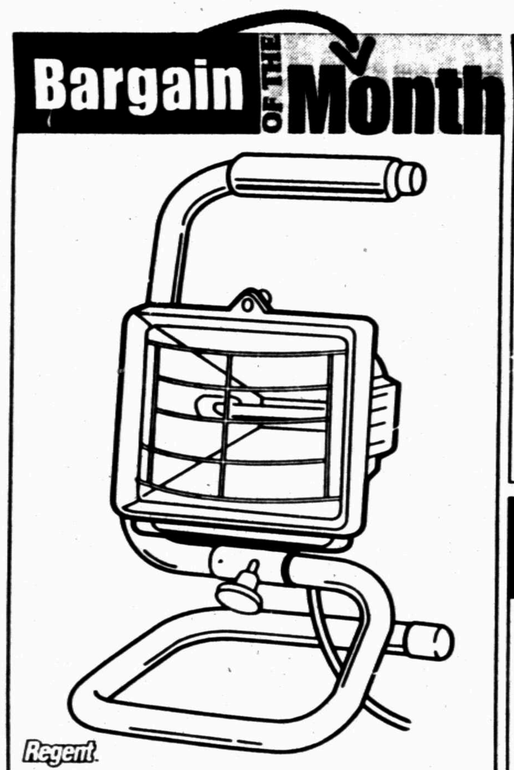
DEAR READER: Long ago, before the availability of anti-gout medication, diet was the mainstay of therapy. Although uric acid, the cause of gout, is normally manufactured in the body as a byproduct of protein metabolism, dietary sources of uric acid could certainly trigger attacks of painful gouty arthritis when combined with the body's own production. Consequently, gout sufferers were advised to eliminate alcohol and uric acid-containing foods — notably organ meats, such as sweetbreads, liver and kidneys.

Today, fortunately, such dietary prohibitions are largely unnecessary — although some restrictions are reasonable. (For example, liver not only contains uric acid but large quantities of cholesterol as well. Do I get free brownie points from all you adults who, as children, were told to eat your liver?) Modern drugs can effectively treat, as well as prevent, gout. Ask your doctor if allopurinol, a gout preventive, would be appropriate for you to use.

© 1999 NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

True Value
Anything To Help.

Bargain of the Month



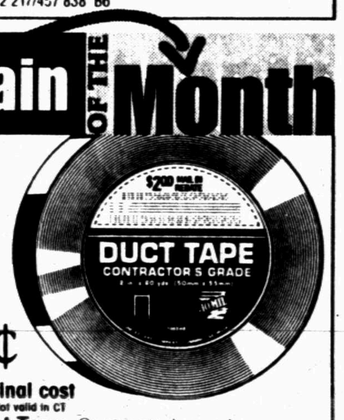
Regent
788
500W Portable Halogen Work Light lights up to 9000 sq. ft. Bulb included. X 790 923 B6

Bargain of the Month



3.99 Your choice
Drawstring Trash Bags. Choose 80-Ct. 13-Gal. Tall Kitchen or 40-Ct. 33-Gal. Lawn & Trash Bags. W 622 217/457 838 B6

Bargain of the Month



2.99 sale price
-2.00 mail-in rebate
99¢ final cost
Not valid in CT
2" x 60-Yd. Duct Tape. Contractor's grade. Use it to hold it all together! P 639 674 24

Southern True Value
900 College Ave
573-4903

OPEN:
Mon.-Fri
7 a.m. to
5:30 p.m.
Saturday
7 a.m.
to Noon

Investigators try to wrap up work at site of train accident

BOURBONNAIS, Ill. (AP) — Tiffany and Robert Munson wanted the world to know how much they loved their mom.

"I loved her so much. She was my best friend," said Miss Munson, her voice choking with emotion as she and her brother stood in a field Friday, not far from where Marie Munson and 10 others died in the fiery crash of Amtrak's City of New Orleans.

The Kankakee County coroner finally was able to identify all of the victims and release a list of the dead Friday evening.

Mrs. Munson, 64, of Mount Prospect was traveling to visit relatives in New Orleans when the train slammed into a truck loaded with steel Monday night at a crossing in this community about 50 miles south of Chicago.

"My mom loved to ride on trains," said Munson, 31. "Ever since she was a little girl, that's what she loved to do."

"She was scared to death of flying," added his 28-year-old sister.

More than 100 people were injured in the crash. Fifteen were still being treated at area hospitals, with one person in critical condition.

Federal investigators began wrapping up their work at the site of the accident Friday, and the question of when truck driver John Stokes pulled onto the tracks remained unanswered.

A statement released by National Transportation Safety Board investigator J.S. Dunn said "a number of people" claiming to have witnessed the crash had come forward and that their stories would be checked.

Federal sources told The Associated Press on Thursday that the first witness to come forward said he saw the truck enter the crossing despite flashing warning lights.

However, language problems made it unclear if the Spanish-speaking witness said the crossing gates were down at the time. NTSB investigators are waiting to formally interview the train's engineer, who is hospitalized.

Stokes, 58, reportedly said after the crash that he couldn't see the 14-car train coming and the gates were up when he entered the crossing.

Leonard Sacks, an attorney representing Stokes, told WGN-TV in Chicago that Stokes was "very distressed."

"It's affected him. It will affect him forever," Sacks said.

In the past 31 years, Stokes had 13 driving-related convictions in Illinois and was involved in nine accidents before Monday, secretary of state spokeswoman Anne Dybek said.

The records include five Indiana speeding tickets he received while driving a commercial vehicle. Among Stokes' convictions was one in 1978 for disregarding a traffic light in Cook County and one for reckless driving in Kankakee County in 1989.

Lawmaker trumpets GOP budget plan in radio talk

WASHINGTON (AP) — As budget season opens in the capital, Republican Rep. Lincoln Diaz-Balart of Florida said Saturday his party will work to bring Washington's priorities in line with those of the American people.

The GOP budget gives precedence to such concerns as improving public schools and maintaining a strong national defense, Diaz-Balart said in the weekly Republican radio address.

Topping the list is a commitment to shore up Social Security and make sure that money set aside for the program is not diverted for other federal spending, he said.

"For the first time ever, Washington will no longer raid Social Security to pay for other government programs," Diaz-Balart said.

He added that the GOP plan also guarantees more resources for Social Security than President Clinton does in the administration's budget proposal.

Republicans also want to return money to taxpayers through such means as eliminating the "marriage penalty" tax, cutting federal estate taxes and reducing taxes on retirement savings, Diaz-Balart said.

On national security, Diaz-Balart said the nation has a "moral obligation" to ensure that men and women in uniform are equipped properly and have the necessary training.

We make Home Loans!

Owning your own home is truly an American dream that can come true - and now is a great time to make your move. Our experienced staff assists with all types of loan programs at competitive rates.

American State Bank
"Right Size to be Friendly"

3610 College Avenue www.asbonline.com 573-4041



Welcome Home From Heart Surgery Devont'a

Love, Mom, Dad, Shanice & Scott

Datebook

March 20, 1999



Today is the 79th day of 1999 and the first day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1865, an attempt to kidnap President Abraham Lincoln failed when the president missed an event at which he was scheduled to appear.

On this day in 1969, John Lennon and Yoko Ono were married in Gibraltar.

On this day in 1985, Libby Riddles of Teller, Alaska, became the first woman to win the Iditarod dog-sled race.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Ovid (43 B.C.-A.D. 17), poet; Henrik Ibsen (1828-1906), dramatist; Fred Rogers (1928-), children's TV personality, is 71; Hal Linden (1931-), actor, is 68; Pat Riley (1945-), basketball coach, is 54; Bobby Orr (1948-), hockey great, is 51; William Hurt (1950-), actor, is 49; Holly Hunter (1958-), actress, is 41.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1973, pitcher Roberto Clemente was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "To be loved, be lovable." — Ovid

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (March 17) and first quarter (March 24).

March 21, 1999



Today is the 80th day of 1999 and the second day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1871, Henry M. Stanley embarked on his famous expedition to Africa to find the missing Scottish missionary David Livingstone.

On this day in 1963, San Francisco's Alcatraz Prison was closed by order of Attorney General Robert Kennedy.

On this day in 1989, Dick Clark resigned as host of "American Bandstand."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750), composer; Benito Juarez (1806-1872), Mexican revolutionary leader; Florenz Ziegfeld (1869-1932), producer; Phyllis McGinley (1905-1978), poet; Peter Brook (1925-), director, is 74; Timothy Dalton (1946-), actor, is 53; Matthew Broderick (1962-), actor, is 37.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1934, Davey Moore was knocked out in the 10th round by Sugar Ramos. Moore died two days later.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "By the work one knows the workman." — Jean de La Fontaine

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (March 17) and first quarter (March 24).

©1999 NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

Possible espionage at other labs probed

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton says he knows of no alleged espionage at U.S. nuclear weapons labs during his administration, but government officials are looking into at least two cases that may involve security breaches on his watch.

At a news conference Friday, Clinton said his administration responded quickly to close security gaps after it learned of alleged espionage that occurred in the late 1980s. He has repeatedly emphasized that those incidents — if they indeed occurred — date to the Reagan administration.

"To the best of my knowledge, no one has said anything to me about any espionage which occurred by the Chinese against the labs during my presidency," Clinton said.

The main focus is on a case involving a Taiwanese-born scientist who worked at Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico and was suspected of leaking information about the W-88 nuclear warhead to China during the Reagan administration. He was fired this month but has not been charged with any crime.

Now, the Energy Department is reviewing whether scientists at other U.S nuclear weapons labs may have disclosed sensitive neutron bomb and electromagnetic pulse technology to China, several government officials said Friday.

The officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, cautioned that many of the incidents being examined may never result in criminal charges and many allegations have already been dismissed.

In closed-door briefings on Capitol Hill over the past week, key lawmakers were told of the expanding investigations, including one case of suspected espionage at the Argonne National Laboratory, which has facilities in Illinois and Idaho, the officials said.

Congressional sources said the Argonne probe involves the possible disclosure to China of neutron bomb technology by an Asian-American scientist.

The Argonne case involves a nuclear lab safety expert who does not work on weapons technology, and federal law enforcement investigators found no evidence of espionage, according to two senior law enforcement officials.

The separate allegation that electromagnetic pulse technology was given to China also collapsed when investigated, a senior law enforcement official said Friday.

Inside the law enforcement community there is sharp skepticism about the seriousness of the emerging cases. Officials said the only serious case to arise from a welter of allegations was the Los Alamos matter.

One senior law enforcement official said the Energy Department has referred dozens of tips to the FBI about possible security lapses, but "99.9 percent of them turn out not to be criminal."

The congressional officials said the Argonne case is believed to have begun before Clinton took office, but investigators are checking into whether the loss of sensitive data may have continued into his presidency.

Republicans, sharply critical of Clinton's response to the Los Alamos case from the 1980s, are eager to find examples of alleged espionage during his tenure.

At the news conference, Clinton also rejected accusations by GOP critics that he was slow to respond to the Chinese espionage allegations because of campaign contributions allegedly flowing from Asian sources to the Democratic Party.

China has repeatedly denied any spying at the nuclear labs.

One senior congressional official said the unidentified Argonne employee has been under clandestine monitoring as counterintelligence officials try to develop their suspicions into a solid case.

The Argonne lab, oldest of the nation's nuclear research facilities, is primarily devoted to pure scientific research.

Congress prepared for airstrikes

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton suggests Slobodan Milosevic has already crossed the threshold for triggering airstrikes by the United States and its NATO allies. Barring a last-minute change of heart by the Yugoslav president, "We are prepared, and so are they, to carry it out," he says.

At a White House news conference and a briefing for congressional leaders Friday, Clinton suggested that an air bombardment of Serb positions may be close.

He said he knew this could put American and allied pilots at risk. "The Serbs have a strong air-defense system. But we must weigh those risks against the risks of inaction," he said.

In advance of a possible air attack, the State Department began evacuating most of its staffers from the U.S. Embassy in Belgrade, the Pentagon announced it was sending more warplanes to the area and international monitors were withdrawn from Kosovo.

NATO threatened airstrikes if the Serbian side in the Kosovo dispute, led by Milosevic, refused to sign a three-year peace agreement to give the southern Serbian province of Kosovo self-rule. Negotiators for Kosovo's ethnic Albanian population signed the accord in Paris earlier this week.

Clinton refused to say whether Milosevic was under any deadline for complying to avoid airstikes. One hindrance might be next week's visit of Russian Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov, whose government adamantly opposes military action against the Serbs. He will be in the United States until Friday.

Members of Congress voiced general support for Clinton, but considerable skepticism also was voiced.

"We're going to send planes in there," Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., said as the Senate debated the crisis. "Some of those planes may be shot down. Americans may be held hostage. Americans may be killed."

The Senate will resume debate on the crisis Monday. It is considering legislation by Sens. Bob Smith, R-N.H., and Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, that would prohibit Clinton from acting militarily without first obtaining congressional approval.

A vote to bring the issue to a head has been scheduled for Tuesday by Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss.

"We have a role in the Congress," Lott said. "Anytime a military action occurs or one that has been or could be described as an act of war, we need to know what the plans are and how they're going to be undertaken and we need the president to hear about our concerns."

Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota said he hoped "we can resolve this matter peacefully. But if we can't, I do believe that it's important for the president to articulate our objectives and our course of action. And in the end, I believe the American people and the Congress will support him."

At the news conference, Clinton noted that 40,000 of Serbian troops and police had massed threateningly on the Kosovo border. Asked if an offensive into Kosovo by these forces would trigger airstrikes, he replied: "I think whatever threshold they need to cross has already been crossed."

"Make no mistake: If we and our allies do not have the will to act, there will be more massacres," the president said.

"I do not believe that we ought to have to have thousands more people slaughtered and buried in open soccer fields before we do something," he added.

Many Republican lawmakers continued to criticize Clinton.

"Americans are going to be killed, they're going to come home in body bags," said Sen. Robert Bennett, R-Utah. "And they will be killed in a war that Congress has not declared."

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a 2000 GOP presidential aspirant, criticized Clinton for failing to articulate the role of American forces in Kosovo.

"Clearly, he's prepared to use military force, but do American troops go in to enforce a peace agreement or to go in between two warring parties?" McCain said.

Defense Secretary William Cohen ordered three more EA-6B Prowler electronic warfare planes and four KC-135 refueling aircraft to Europe to join the approximately 200 other American warplanes standing by for possible use.

The State Department, meanwhile, started pulling dependents and nonessential employees out of the Belgrade embassy, and other governments also were evacuating staffers from the Yugoslav capital. A few workers were to remain in the U.S. Embassy to serve as a communication link, if needed, with the Yugoslav government.

Woman sentenced to 11-year term

BEAUMONT (AP) — A Port Arthur woman was sentenced Friday to 11 years in prison for talking her lover into killing her husband, from whom she was separated.

Tami Reed Cohen, 36, pleaded no contest last week to conspiracy to murder. The bullet-riddled body of her husband, Robert Reed, 44, an attorney, was found 12½ years ago in his office.

Reed's body was found in the back room of his littered office on Sept. 30, 1986. He had been shot four times.

The Cohens met through a personal ad and married in 1985. At her trial, Ms. Cohen testified she was devastated when she discovered on her wedding night that Reed was impotent. She described the marriage as a "daughter-father relationship."

Ms. Cohen, who remarried and moved to Pennsylvania, was 23 and separated from her husband when he was killed.

Strong quake hits near Alaska

PALMER, Alaska (AP) — A strong earthquake of magnitude 6.8 was reported early Saturday near Adak, in the Aleutian Islands, according to the Tsunami Warning Center in Palmer.

The center of the earthquake at 1:48 a.m. was 50 miles southwest of Adak, more than 1,000 miles southwest of Anchorage.

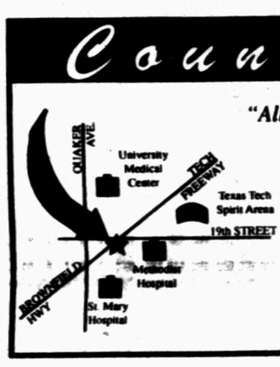
The warning center said the quake was felt strongly in Adak and Amchitka but there were no reports of damage and no tsunami.

A magnitude 7 quake is considered a "major" earthquake, capable of widespread, heavy damage; 8 and above are capable of tremendous damage.

The 1964 "Good Friday" earthquake in Alaska that killed 131 people measured 8.5 on the Richter scale and was centered in Prince William Sound near Anchorage.

Country Inn

"Almost Like Home!"



$39.90 One Person Economy Room

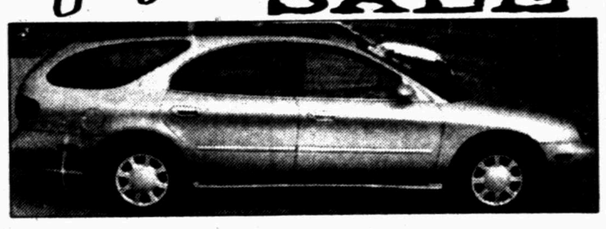
4105 19th Street
Lubbock, Texas
(806) 795-5271

Toll Free Reservations
877-795-5271

Dr. Bryan Cave
"Optometrist"
•Computer Assisted Examination
•Same Day Service On Most Single Vision Lenses
•Provider for Blue Cross -Blue Shield of Texas
(Includes Health Select, Blue Choice, Health Care Benefits)
Cogdell Center
Snyder, Texas
(915) 573-5571
Mon., Wed., Fri., 9-5
Tues., Thurs., 9-6

MARCH MARKDOWN Madness SALE

1997 Mercury Sable GS Wagon
Automatic, AM/FM/Cass, power windows/locks, tilt, cruise, 7 passenger, like new, must see this one.
$12,995
With This Ad U1451

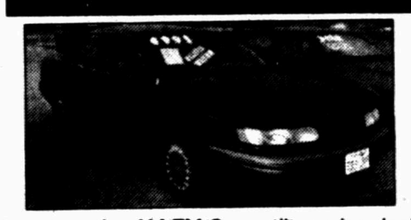


1995 Ford Taurus



V-6, automatic, blue with blue cloth split bench interior, power windows/locks, tilt, cruise, AM/FM/Cass, alloy wheels, great 4 door sedan, only $7,995 U1452

1992 Ford Taurus



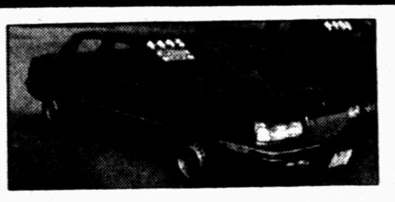
V-6, automatic, AM/FM/Cass, tilt, cruise, looks and runs great, financing available $4,995 U1445

1997 Ford Aspire



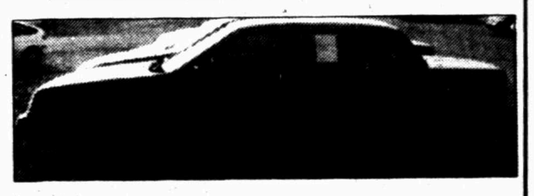
Automatic, 4 cylinder, AM/FM/Cass, ar condition, 2 door coupe, still under factory warranty,
only $6,995 U1450

1991 Buick Skylark



4 cylinder, automatic, tilt, cruise, AM/FM/Cass, air condition and more, financing available
$3,995 With This Ad U1449

1989 Mercury Topaz



Automatic, AM/FM/Cass, tilt, cruise, 71,000 miles, runs great, don't miss this one. Financing available.
$3,488 With This Ad U1448

1996 Dodge Stratus

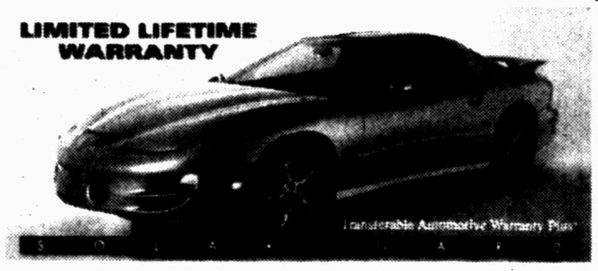


Automatic, power windows/locks, tilt, cruise, AM/FM/Cass, grat condition, must see
only $6,995 U1395

"Home Of Low Prices!"
SNYDER
Chrysler, Plymouth, Dodge, Jeep, Inc.
3925 Colorado City Hwy. Snyder, TX. 915-574-6886

Mr. TINT Man
The best "guarantee" in the country.

Great Prices On Window Tinting



•2 Door Cars $99 • Single Cab Trucks $69
WILL NOT...BUBBLE, FADE, CRACK OR PEEL
IMPROVES APPEARANCE • 1 PIECE BACK GLASS AVAILABLE
Hours: Mon. - Sat. 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Solar Gard WINDOW FILMS
1629 E. 3rd Street Big Spring, Texas
(915) 268-TINT
8468
• Pick-up & Delivery Available •
www.solargard.com
• Complete Line Of Vehicle Accessories
• Racing Stripes

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS CLASSIFIEDS
ALWAYS A WINNER

020 ANNOUNCEMENTS

TAMELA S. BRUNS IS NO LONGER ASSOCIATED WITH DOUGLAS O. WILKINSON. TAMELA IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DEBTS OR INDISCRETIONS INCURRED BY DOUG!
(S) TAMELA BRUNS

090 VEHICLES

1981 CHEVROLET CAPRICE, Fully Loaded, Good Tires, High Mileage, Runs Excellent. Good Work Car. $640. Call 573-5308.

1984 FORD 150 XLT Pickup, great shape, $4,400. 915-863-2280.

1986 HONDA ACCORD LXI * 4 DOOR * SUN ROOF * $1500. 573-1994.

1993 Chevrolet Silverado Ex. Cab Pick-up, 85K, 6 cyl., 5 speed, tool box, other accessories, $8.300. 573-1301.

1996 Dodge Mark III Conversion Van, ¾T, 34K, like new, TV, VCR, Dual AM/FM Cassette, Dual Air, Loaded. $17,900. 573-4469 after 8 p.m., 573-2423 daytime/Melissa.

FOR SALE: 1993 Eagle Talon ES. Automatic! Sporty! $5,850. 573-2878.

FOR SALE: 1990 Chevrolet Pick-up. Clean. Excellent Condition. 78,900K. Call 573-8444.

BARGAIN BULLPEN

93 FORD F150 REG. CAB
6 cyl., 5 spd.,
good work truck..... $3,995

93 FORD 350 CREW CAB DUALLY Diesel, 5 spd., tint,
good ranch truck. $9,995

92 BUICK PARK AVENUE
One owner, leather, pw/pl, auto, climate control, nice $6,495

90 CHEV. SUBURBAN
Conversion, package, 350 V-8, running boards, wood trimmed interior, runs and drives. $5,900

92 F250 RED. CAB 4X4
Diesel, auto,
great ranch truck $7,995

90 LINCOLN TOWN CAR
Leather Int., exc. cond.. $6,695

3 PICKUP CAMPER SHELLS
2 Long Bed, 1 Short Bed

WILSON MOTORS
East Highway 180
Across From Coliseum
Snyder, Texas 79549
(915)573-6352
(800) 545-5019

140 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

ESTABLISHED Electrical Business For Sale! Owner retiring. Call Elizabeth Potts Realtors 573-8505. Rita Knox/Agent 573-7082.

FOR SALE: Westerner Golfland — 19 Holes * All Equipment * Batting Cages * Arcade w/Video Games. 915-573-0231.

WELL ESTABLISHED Embrodiery & Monograming Business For Sale. Contact: 915-573-1639.

GREETING CARD ROUTE
Potential **$100K** annual income restocking local stores. **NO Selling!** Accts Included. Great way to own a fun & profitable biz. $9850 Invest.
1-888-740-3456 24 hrs.

PLAY IT SMART... GET INTO
THE CLASSIFIEDS
573-5486

Business Directory of Services

Farmers Mutual Protective Association
RVOS
Insuring Your Home Whether Inside Or Outside City Limits.
Marilyn Graves, Agent
Call For Quotes 573-8647

Bullard's Computer Solutions, Inc.
INTERNET SERVICE FOR ONLY $24.95 PER MONTH
Call 573-4801

COOPER APPLIANCE
Service & Parts For All Appliances & Air Conditioning Systems
Whirlpool Dealer
36 Years Experience
573-6269
606 Coliseum Drive

Waterwell Services
Windmills & Domestic Pumps
Move, Repair, Replace
TOMMY MARRICLE 573-2493
BENNIE MARRICLE 573-8710
Before 8 a.m. & after 6 p.m.

PRODUCTION BUILDERS
915-573-1741
800-221-8672
FAX 915-573-3471
www.snydertex.com/PRODPUMP/
*BONDED *INSURED
PRODUCTION BUILDERS
of Snyder, TX
Specializes In All Sizes Welded Constructions, Pre Engineered Portable or On-Site Buildings
Call PRODUCTION BUILDERS Today For All Your Commercial And Industrial Building Needs.

Plumbing Repair Service
Telephone (915) 573-3085
Coventry Plumbing
M-19955
1311 College Ave. Snyder, Texas 79549
Jim Coventry Owner

•Painting •Remodeling
•Experience •References
Call Ken Cruse
573-0271

SPARLIN CONSTRUCTION
Welding *Metal Buildings*
Fabrication *Carpentry*
Fencing *Painting*
Bud Sparlin Mobile-575-4182 or 573-4766
1945 Santa Fe Ave. Snyder, Texas 79549

BELCHER CEMENT CONSTRUCTION
•House Slabs • Porches
•Patios •Driveways
•10 Years Experience & Reasonable Rates
CLINT BELCHER
915-573-5602

WILLIAMS WOODSHOP
Handmade Crafts For Sale
Call Or Come By
218 N. Hwy. 84
573-7777
All Types Of Wood Work & Finishing
Roscie & Ricky Williams

GONZALEZ MASONARY
Brick Block
Sidewalks Driveways
NO JOB TOO SMALL
573-7069
863-9028
Oh, and Custom Rock Work

ABOVE & INGROUND POOLS
FULL LINE OF CHEMICALS
COMPLETE SERVICE & MAINTENANCE
WEST TEXAS DOLPHIN POOLS
SPAS • SALES AND SERVICE
AVAILABLE IN ALL SIZES
267-8426
1001 EAST 3RD ST.
BIG SPRING, TX 79720
RES. 267-8451

BUSINESS DIRECTORY ADS ONLY $58 PER MONTH
~RUN 6 DAYS A WEEK~

Business Hours:
Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
CLASSIFIED DEADLINE
Tuesday thru Friday 4:00 p.m. prior day
Sunday & Monday 3:00 p.m. Friday
Snyder Daily News
3600 College Ave.
P.O. Box 949 Snyder, Texas 79550

CLASSIFIED ADS...
$15.90 for 5 days, get 6th day FREE!
15 word minimum
915-573-5486
Fax: 915-573-0044

ERROR
Advertisers Should Check Their Ad On The First Day Of Insertion!
The Snyder Daily News cannot be responsible for more than one incorrect insertion. Claims cannot be considered unless made within 5 days from date of first publication. No allowance can be made when errors do not materially affect the value of the advertisement. All ads are cash unless customer has an established advertising account with the Snyder Daily News.
The Publisher is not responsible for copy ommissions, typographical errors, or any unintentional error that may occur further than to correct it in the next issue after it is brought to his attention.

150 BUSINESS SERVICES

CARPENTRY SERVICES. Building Remodeling and Repairs. Call James Mills 573-0081 or Junior Ingram 573-1432.

FLOOR COVERING SERVICE
* Carpet * Ceramic Tile *
* Wood * Vinyl *
Installation ** Repairs
Restretching
I Didn't Retire!!! 573-2324

JOHN W. SMITH Computax, computerized tax service, 2001 21st St., phone and fax 573-4956.

NEED YOUR HOME CLEANED? I CAN DO IT! Call Diana at Lulu's Beauty Shop, 573-4131 or 573-0075.

R & J CONSTRUCTION
Metal Buildings, Roofs, Carports & Fences.
John Green 573-3976

SPECIALIZING in Estate Garage Sales. We Do It All! Malcolm & JoAnn Brown. 915-235-5057.

THE CARPET STORE & MORE, 1105 E. Broadway, Sweetwater. We will be in Snyder every Thursday to measure your home. Call 915-235-8180 for an appointment.

TILLING: Walk-behind tiller, tractor tiller, front-end loader. Small Acreage Plowed. 573-8264.

WILL KEEP CHILDREN in my home, ages 2 to 5 years, Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m.-5 p.m. 573-4736.

News Classified Ads 573-5486
For Results Use Snyder Daily

160 EMPLOYMENT

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR CLERICAL POSITION. Modern, fast-paced office requires attention to detail and ability to meet the public. Computer word processing skills preferred. Competitive salary and benefits. Send resume detailing qualifications, past work experience and salary requirements to: Clerical, P.O. Box 949 S, Snyder, Texas 79550 EOE.

THE CITY OF COLORADO CITY is currently accepting applications for a Public Works Director. The person will be a supervisor over the Landfill, Cemetery, Parks, Streets, Swimming Pool, and Sanitation departments. The person will supervise 10-15 men. QUALIFICATIONS will need to include knowledge in supervisory skills: operating and maintaining equipment, street repair and maintenance: money management within the City's budget; and willing to obtain certifications as required by the State. Salary is negotiable based on experience. All applications may be picked up and received at City Hall: 180 West 3rd Street: Colorado City, Texas. Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 16, 1999. The City of Colorado City is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

COMPUTER USERS NEEDED. Work own hrs. $25K-$80K/yr. 1-800-476-8653 x8516. www.1cwp.com

DRIVERS! If you have $300, I can help you get your CDL. 1-800-634-0065.

DRIVERS! Tired of being laid off? If you have a CDL, I have year round work. Free Insurance, Good Equipment. 1-800-634-0065.

EXPERIENCED dry wall & metal stud workers needed. Tape & bed experience a plus. Competitive pay. 806-777-4260, 806-794-4803.

GENERAL MACHINIST NEEDED! Apply in person at Browne Brothers, Colorado City.

TRUCK Drivers wanted, CDL, HAZMAT, mostly Texas runs. 915-735-2266.

COORDINATOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM Arrange school year homestays in this community for teenagers from around the world. Work with high schools, recruit host families, match students, plan activities. Outstanding students from 25 countries. Earn generous commission for each student placed. Part-time and fun. PAX-Program of Academic Exchange. Call Abby at (800) 555-6211 M-F 9-5 EST>

LOOKING FOR OUTGOING PERSON TO REPRESENT AVON in this area. Only $20 start-up fee. 573-1271.

LOSE WEIGHT & EARN MONEY! I Lost 30 lbs. & made $400. 915-574-1294.

MEDICAL PROCESSOR, FT/PT. No Experience Necessary. Will Train. PC Required. Earn 40K Call (800)663-7440.

NEEDED: COOK/WAITRESS. APPLY IN PERSON AT SNYDER LANES & THE GRILL.

PANTHER INDUSTRIES, INC., a solid 75-year old Fort Worth, TX manufacturer needs responsible people in the Snyder area. Regardless of training call R.D. Richardson Dept. BF-79549, 800-433-7664, Fax 817-831-0028 or write P.O. Box 961001, Fort Worth, TX 76161-0001.

PART-TIME Animal Shelter Keeper needed. Must be able to lift at least 50 lbs., feed, water, accept, release, adopt out, assist with euthanasia of animals, handle money and clean pens. Approximately 22 hours per week including some hours on Saturday or Sunday. Apply in person at TWC, Career Stop, c/o WTC, 6200 S. College Ave., Snyder, EOE Employer paid ad.

PLAY IT SMART... GET INTO
THE CLASSIFIEDS
573-5486

NURSES AIDES NEEDED
From 3-11 & 11-7 Shift. Certification Classes will be offered. Apply in person at:
Snyder Oaks Care Center
to Debbie Collier, DON

COME EXPERIENCE THE TOWN & COUNTRY DIFFERENCE

We are accepting applications for SALES ASSOCIATES for our new store location soon to open in Snyder. We are looking for persons who are energetic, dependable, ambitious, have outgoing personalities and have personal integrity. Must have an ability to work in a fast paced work environment and know what it means to give outstanding customer service.

We will be conducting interviews on Tuesday, March 23, 1999, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at American State Bank in the Boardroom of the DCOS office. Applications available at the Town & Country store located at 1900 Kings Hwy. Pl. Please have your application filled out and with you at the time of interview.

We offer an excellent variety of benefits including health-life-dental insurance, prescription drug card, paid sick-leave, paid vacations, retirement plan, employee stock option, credit union, and COLLEGE TUITION REIMBURSTMENT PROGRAM.

Drug Testing Required
Applications are available at all Town & Country Food Stores
EOE

Scenic Mountain Medical Center

Skilled Nurse Unit Director
Director will be responsible for developing and implementing patient care policies. Must be knowledgeable of HCFA and TDH standards. Also, excellent oral and written communications skills are a must.

Scrub Tech
Minimum one-year General Surgery/Orthopedics scrub necessary. Certification is preferable, and CPR certification required.

Women's Health Services RN
RNC preferred, but not required. Minimum 2 years experience in Labor & Delivery necessary.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center offers competitive wages and excellent benefits package. To apply, please mail, fax, or e-mail your resume, or call for an application to be sent to you.

SCENIC MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CENTER
1601 West 11th Place
Big Spring, Texas 79720
Phone: (915) 268-4833, Fax: (915) 263-0151
E-Mail: rebecca@smmccares.com

United is Coming to Snyder!

We Will be Interviewing for all Positions the Second Week in April.

A representative from United Supermarkets will be calling current applicants the first week of April to schedule an interview.

If you are interested in employment with United Supermarkets but have not applied yet, be sure to do so as soon as possible so you can be included in the interview process.

Apply today so you do not miss out on a great opportunity!

United Supermarkets offers excellent benefits including:
Our College Savings Plan
A friendly, exciting work environment
Flexible scheduling

Please mail the completed application to:

United Supermarkets • Attention: Doug Porter
7830 Orlando, Avenue • Lubbock, TX 79423

Equal Opportunity Employer

Join a United Winning Team

www.unitedtexas.com

ALWAYS A WINNER Snyder Daily News Classifieds

JOB TITLE: Summer Engineer Technician I
SALARY: $6.33 - $7.85 Per Hour
LOCATION: US 84 Snyder, Texas
JOB VACANCY NUMBER: 9 08 E001 548
CLOSING DATE: 04-09-99

Application and a copy of the Job Vacancy Notice may be picked up at the District Office at 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas or any other TXDOT office. Completed applications may be mailed to TXDOT, P.O. Box 150, Abilene, Texas 79604 or returned to any TXDOT Office.

"An applicant needing an accommodation in order to apply for this job may call the phone number of the Human Resources Office (915) 676-6817. You may also call the telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (512) 416-2977."
AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER

JOB TITLE: Summer Maintenance Technician
SALARY: 6.33 - $7.85 Per Hour
LOCATION: US 84 Snyder, Texas
JOB VACANCY NUMBER: 9 08 K503 553
CLOSING DATE: 04-09-99

Application and a copy of the Job Vacancy Notice may be picked up at the District Office at 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas or any other TXDOT office. Completed applications may be mailed to TXDOT, P.O. Box 150, Abilene, Texas 79604 or returned to any TXDOT Office.

"An applicant needing an accommodation in order to apply for this job may call the phone number of the Human Resources Office (915) 676-6817. You may also call the telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (512) 416-2977."
AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER

JOB VACANCY
WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE
SNYDER, TEXAS 79549

POSITION: **Proposed Position: DEAN OF VOCATIONAL INSTRUCTION** DEPARTMENT: Vocational Ed Division EMPLOYMENT: Full-time SALARY: College Scale; contingent on budget for 1999-2000 QUALIFICATIONS: Master's degree, preferred; bachelor's degree required. DUTIES: Supervise, develop, and evaluate all areas of the vocation education for credit and certification. Keep abreast of business and industry needs. Coordinate budget preparation, recruitment efforts, and courses in the vocation area. DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATION: April 26, 1999. SEND RESUMES TO: Ms Terry Busby, Director of Human Resources, Western Texas College, 6200 College Avenue, Snyder, TX 79549-9502. DATE OF EMPLOYMENT: August 1, 1999.

WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY INSTITUTION AND IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED AND CONSIDERED WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOR, CREED, SEX, AGE, NATIONAL ORIGIN, VETERANS STATUS, OR DISABILITY.

JOB VACANCY
WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE
SNYDER, TEXAS 79549

POSITIONS: **Mathematics Instructor** DEPARTMENT: Science/Math Division EMPLOYMENT: Full time, 9 month contract SALARY: Faculty Scale QUALIFICATIONS: Master's Degree with eighteen (18) graduate hours in mathematics preferred.; bachelor's degree with relevant experience considered for instruction limited to college preparatory courses. DUTIES: Instruct day, night, and prison unit college preparatory and/or college transfer mathematics courses. DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS: March 26, 1999. SEND RESUME TO: Ms. Terry Busby, Director of Human Resources, Western Texas College, 6200 College Avenue, Snyder, TX 79549-9502. DATE OF EMPLOYMENT: August 16, 1999.

WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY INSTITUTION AND IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED AND CONSIDERED WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOR, CREED, SEX, AGE, NATIONAL ORIGIN, VETERANS STATUS, OR DISABILITY.

Wilson Motors
is now accepting applications for immediate employment for sales consultant

FORD MERCURY LINCOLN

Ford Certified +
- Guaranteed Salary
- Great Benefits Including Insurance
- Commission

Ask For Elliott or Joann

WILSON MOTORS

East Hwy. 180 Across from Coliseum Snyder Texas

FORD MERCURY LINCOLN

(915) 573-6352

DON'T MISS THE DEADLINE!

Get Your Classified Ad in by 4:00 p.m.
the Day BEFORE You
Want It in the Paper!
(4:00 p.m. Friday for Sun. & Mon.)

ALL ADS ARE CASH in advance unless you have an established advertising account with The Snyder Daily News. ALL GARAGE SALES must be paid in advance.

180 INSTRUCTIONS

GREAT NEWS!!! Now in Snyder! Guitar Lessons for All Ages. Call 574-8144 Robin Roberts.

190 FINANCIAL

1000 NEW CUSTOMERS NEEDED! No Credit — No Problem! Loans $100 to $446. Apply by phone at 573-1761 or come by Security Finance, 511 Coliseum Dr., Snyder, Tx.

210 WOMAN'S COLUMN

MARY KAY COSMETICS. Complimentary Facial or Reorders! Call Geraldine Thames, 915-573-9433, 1812 38th St. Snyder.

MARY KAY COSMETICS * 50% OFF * CALL LORA AT 573-4788 OR 573-1700.

220 FARMER'S COLUMN

ALFALFA HAY. Small squares (65 lbs) Large squares (1500 lbs) 573-8911 or Pager 1-800-508-4212.

COASTAL HAY * SQUARE BALES * $5.75 EACH * 728-3939.

FOR SALE: Coastal hay. 1-915-728-5550 (Colorado City).

HAY FOR SALE! HEAVILY FERTILIZED. $50-$60 A ROLL DELIVERED. LIMITED QUANITY. 254-965-5901.

PURINA 24% PROTEIN TUBS, 200 LBS. Snyder Farm & Ranch 573-0767.

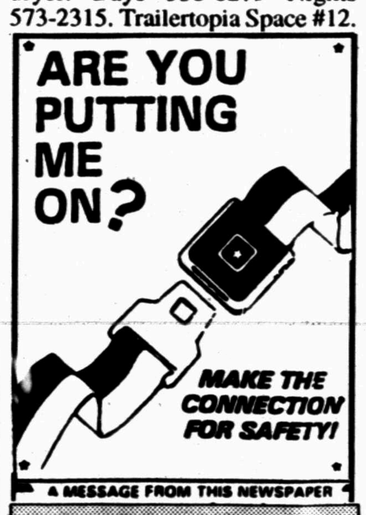
240 SPORTING GOODS

14' ALUMINUM Jon Boat w/6hp motor and grailer. 10' Pon Toon Boat w/Trailer. LWB Cab-over camper shell. 573-8073.

250 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

FOR SALE: 15' Glastron Boat — Lake Ready! '97 Polaris SLT 700 Jet Ski. Call 574-8004.

FOR SALE: 40 ft. Kountry Aire Fifth Wheel w/slide out & washer/dryer. Days 338-0279 Nights 573-2315. Trailertopia Space #12.



260 MERCHANDISE

CONVALESCENT NEEDS
Wheel Chairs, Walkers, Canes, Home Blood Pressure Kits, Etc.
Sales & Rentals
3706 College 573-7582

EXCELLENT Speaker System, 2-12" MTX 5000 Subwoofers with box, MTX 2160 AMP & 1.0 Lightning cap. $600 573-3938.

GUARANTEED USED APPLIANCES: Washers, Dryers, Refrigerators, Ranges & Freezers. WESTERN AUTO 2510 AVE. R.

PALLETS for sale. Call 573-5486 Snyder Daily News.

Weslo Cardio Glider-$75. Queen Size Water Bed-$25. Baldwin Electric Organ-$400. (1) Fire Proof Safe-$50. (1) Fire Proof Safe-$300. RESTAURANT: Building, Land, Equipment-$25,000, Small Town, Open—Good Business. 915-573-9700.

FINALLY!
Health Insurance for the self employed and small business owners at affordable rates.
1-800-692-8299



Before you see the weeds
ferti·lome
SNYDER FARM & RANCH SUPPLY
800 37th Street 573-0767
Snyder, Texas 79549

290 DOGS, PETS, ETC.

FOR SALE: AKC registered Pomeranian puppies, ready to take home. Call 573-0258.

FREE PUPPIES! Part Chihuahua/Part Cocker Spaniel. Need Good Home! 573-5200.

FREE puppies (5). For sale or trade: Goats. 800 35th 573-3718.

READY FOR EASTER Angora Rabbits $25. Call after five 863-2415.

325 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Western Crest Apartments
3901 Ave. O
•1 or 2 Bedroom
•Washer/Dryer Connections
•Covered Parking • Sparkling Pool
•Playground •Satellite TV Available
•Corporate Housing Upon Request

Windridge Village Apartments
5400 College Ave.
•1 or 2 Bedroom
• Sparkling Pool • Clothes Care Facility
•Great Location •Satellite TV Available
•Corporate Housing Upon Request
Office Located At 3901 Ave. O
573-1488

KINGSWOOD & EASTRIDGE APARTMENTS

100 37th Street
Snyder, Texas
915-573-5261

- One Bedroom From $240
- Two Bedroom From $286
- Cent. A/C & Heat
- Carpet
- Playground
- Laundry Rooms
- Resident Manager

Equal Housing Opportunity

2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS FOR RENT: $275/MONTH. All Bills Paid, including cable. No Pets. Call 573-5773.

2 bedroom Apartment for rent. Good location. Reasonable. 573-0996.

FOR RENT: 1 Bedroom Furnished Apartment. All Bills & Cable Paid. Deposit Required. Will rent by ½ month + deposit. 573-5879 * 573-3279 * No Answer 915-728-8482.

FOR RENT: 1 Bedroom, 1½ Bath, Batchelor Apartment, furnished. Carpeted, Covered Parking, Nice Area, Bills Paid. 573-7891.

NICE Furnished Efficiency Apartment. Water & Gas Paid. No Pets. 1 or 2 People Only. Senior Citizen Discount. 2805½ W. 23rd. 573-7150.

ONE BEDROOM furnished apartments, deposit required, no utilities paid. 573-9047 or 728-3929.

330 HOUSES FOR RENT

2-1 HOUSE, CH/A, storage bldg. in back, 3766 Dalton Dr., $350/mo., w/$175 deposit. 573-9567, leave message.

2 BEDROOM house, CH/A. femced yard. 213 36th Street. Available 4-1-99, $325/mo., $100 deposit. 573-4441 or 573-6427.

COUNTRY HOME....1 mile North. 3bd-1bth-2cp. Small acreage. Good water. Lease, Sell or Owner Finance. 573-2251.

COUNTRY HOME.....near Fluvanna. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, living room & den. $450/month $150/deposit. 573-8571 or 573-1550 evenings.

FOR RENT: BRICK 2-1-1 CH/RA W/MINI BLINDS & CARPETED. 573-2598.

HOUSE FOR RENT: Available April 1st — 3781 Sunset, 3-1-1. $375/month $150/deposit. 573-9001.

HOUSES FOR RENT:
3601 Ave U 3-2-2 $450.
313 32nd Street 3-2-1 $450.
Elizabeth Potts Realtors 573-8505
Sarah Jamison/Agent 573-4028

HOUSE: RENT TO OWN OR LEASE. 2-1-Den. 107 Milburn. Deposit required. 573-6760 after 6 p.m.

LEASE: 3-1-1, CH/A, New Carpet, Paint, Extremely Nice! Fenced. 2317 42nd. 573-0712 or 573-0088.

NICE 2 bedroom house, corner lot. $225/mo., plus deposit. 573-6118.

UNFURNISHED 2 bedroom, 4015 Eastridge Dr. $300/month, must have very good credit. 573-2649.

GREAT PLACE TO BUY... SELL TRADE OR RENT
573-5486

335 MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT

2 BEDROOM, 2 bath, 2 carports, new carpet, nice deck, lease or rent/own. $500 down payment, $300 month. 2404 Merrill, 573-2251.

3 BEDROOM MOBILE HOME FOR RENT. $250/month. 573-1711.

340 MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE

FACTORY REBATE
$1400 TO $1800 ON SELECT FLEETWOOD HOMES. CALL J. HITE HOMES, ABILENE, 800-378-0998 OR 793-9999.

MUST SELL!! 14 X 80 Mobile Home, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, wood siding, CH/A, with or without large lot, w/double carport & porch. 208 E. 24th. No Owner Finance. 573-4469 or 915-893-2267.

PLAY IT SMART... GET INTO THE CLASSIFIEDS 573-5486

355 COMMERCIAL BLDGS. FOR SALE OR LEASE

BUILDING FOR SALE BY OWNER. 3407 Snyder Shopping Center. Days 573-3403 or 573-2781 after 6 p.m.

MISS YOUR PAPER?
Please Call
573-5486
Before 6:30 p.m.
Monday through Saturday

360 REAL ESTATE

(2) HOUSES FOR SALE. Both 2 bedrooms. Low Price. 2204 26th-$6,000. 1202 20th-$5,300. Cash Only! 573-1512.

4 BEDROOM, 2 bath brick house, low down payment, low monthly payments. 107 Elm, 915-520-3649.

!!4 IMMEDIATE DISPOSAL!! Repossessed/Must Sell. Brand New R30 Insulated Pre-Fab Panel Homes. Highest Quality. Never Erected. Fast, Easy Assembly. 1 is 4 bedroom. 1-800-874-6032 SACRIFICE!

5 ACRES, fenced, barn, corrals, 16x20 shop, 28x76 DW, 4-2-2 Cp, water well, excellent water. 573-4153.

COUNTRY IT IS! Brick, 1717 sq ft, Fireplace, CH/A, Kitchen w/Storage & 2 Ovens. Approx. 3.5 Acres. McCauley, TX. Call Ron, Century 21, Hogan Warner Realtors 915-672-4288 or 692-8311.

COUNTRY LIVING 3 bedroom, about ½ acre, $12,500. 11898 Hwy. 208, South Dunn. Call 573-5067.

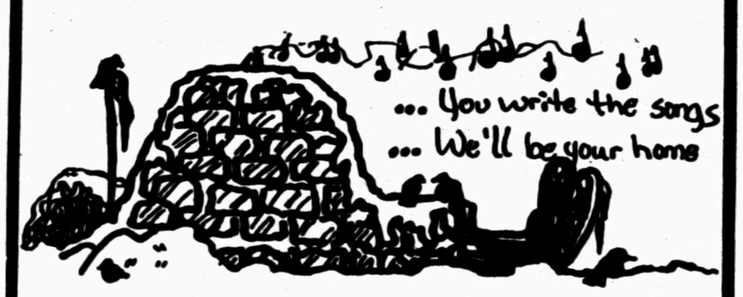
HERE IS A STEAL!! By Owner: 3-2-2 Bassridge addition. 2 LA's, Remodeled. SACRIFICE $68,000. 2808 47th. Call for Appointment 573-4941.

OWNER FINANCE! Sharp 3-1-1, w/CH/A. Low Down Payment & $475 total monthly payments. 3600 Irving. 573-3304, Carolyn.

NEW: Central Heat & Air, Carpet, Hot Water Heater, House Paint, Roof. A Must See....Corner Lot near West Elem., 3-1-1, 3608 Irving, $39,000. Call 573-5056 ask for Joan.

MUST SELL!!! 2313 42nd Street. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, Den, Formal Livingroom, Huge Kitchen/Dining Area. CH/A, New Roof. Call Days: (915) 573-5441 ext. 243. Nights: (915) 573-0625.

Field Crest Apartments



Furnished or Unfurnished
700 E. 37th Street 573-3519

PUBLIC AUCTION

PUBLIC AUCTION

Sale Time 10 a.m. **Sat., March 27, 1999**
CONTENTS OF A CERAMIC, FLORIST & GIFT SHOP
318 E. Main **Lasting Impressions** **Post, Texas**
DIRECTIONS: Post is located approx. 45 miles SE of Lubbock. From the intersection of Hwy. 84 & 380 East go East on 380 approx. 2 1/2 Blocks to Auction Site.
PARIAL LISTING ONLY
2 Kilns (Paragon Model LT-3 w/Added Ring, Duncan Model DA 820-2), 12 Ft. Pouring Table, Studio Star Mixer, Work Tables, Free Standing Wood & Metal Shelving, Approx. 3000 Molds (Southwest, Wildlife, Nativity & Indian Molds, Finished Product, Greenware, Paint, Glazes, Brushes, Cleaning Tools & Etc., folding & Stacking Chairs, Florist Supplies includes Silk Flowers, Baskets, Greenery, Ribbons & Supplies, Lots of Gift Items, Keepsake Balloon Stuffer, Impulse Sealer, Display of Mylar Balloons, Panasonic Shredder, Casio PCR 250 Cash Register, Check Out Counter, Brass, Glass & Wood Store & Displays, Baldwin Fun Machine, 1/2 Inch Sheetrock Plus 100s More Items. CALL 1-915-728-8292 For More Info. Inspection Time 8:30 A.M. Sale Day. FOOD ON SITE.
AUCTIONEER: GRADY W. MORRIS TXS 6785

Snyder Daily News Classifieds
ALWAYS A WINNER

STEVENSON REAL ESTATE
2405 25th Street
573-5612 or 573-1755
Bill Dryden, Broker/Owner

2211 44th St. Brick 3-1-1 $42T.
Lovely 4-3-2cp Study Office 3001 Crockett.....$112,500.
New Homes! Ready For Occupancy!.....See Today!
2905 Denison, 3-2-2. Lg. family room-pool-lovely yard $130T.
4505 Fredonia 3-2-2 Nice $70's.
3404 43rd 3-2-2-fpl..... $65T.
NW 5 A's 4-2 Doublewide $50T.
3103 Ave W 3-2-1 ..... $39.5T.
South Edge 4-2 on 4 A's $58.5T.
3610 40th 3-2-liv-den-Reduced!
Country 3-2-2 Sm/Ac. $79.5T.
4300 Ave U 3-2-den-fpl $58.5T.
4505 Denison 3-2-1.... $68.5T.
Santa Fe 4 or 5-3cp.....Nice!
3781 Avondale 3-1-1 CH/A.
2803 47th 3-2-Shop+Apt$80's.
3108 39th Brick-3-1-cp $31.5T.
2210 33rd 3-3-2-Lovely view!
2811 Ave. U 3-2-1 ..... $56.5T.
3005 Ave U 3-2-4cp Red. $65T.
3404 Jacksboro 3-2-2 ... $60T.
3724 Ave U 3-1-1cp... $29.5T.
2103 37th 3-2-2cp.....$65,000.
Com. Bldg. W.25th/Lub. Hwy.
Acreage-14 to 650 acres avail.
Commercial Prop. Good Loc.
Close to Ira * 168 Acres.
Wenona Evans 573-8165
Doris Beard 573-8480
Bill Dryden 573-9739

JACK & JACK
Realtors
611 Coliseum Dr.
Ford Spikes, Owner/Broker
573-8571 573-3452

Corner—Nice 3-2-2..... Reduced. $40T.
Cozy Home 2-1-1 2400 Ave. N $36,000.
2-1-1 3009 39th St. ..... $35,000.
3-1-1 Plus Apt. 3300 Cherry $52,500.
3-2½-2 3014 Denison..... $79,900.
Beauty Shop 1008 24th..... $35,500.
117 A's Near Ira 3-1½-1..... $95T.
3-1½-2 100 Acres Close In..... $75,000.
3 Acres 3-1½-2 Barns & Stalls..$78,000.
Fresh & Ready 3-1-cp..... $29,000.
Nice Mobile Home Lot 209 25th..$6,000.
Reduced-Neat 3-1-Det. Gar..... $30,500.
2-1-2+2cp 911 17th Street..... $55,000.
3-2-2cp Nice & Large Hermleigh $52,500.
Updated...3-3-2 Private..... $114T.
A-Frame 3-2-1 Shop 11 Acres....$65,000.
Office, Shop + additional lot..... $25,000.
Reduced! Neat 2-1-1..... $22,000.
Country Dream Home!..... 4-1½-2
20 A's Pool-Several Out Bldgs $185T.
Immaculate..... 3-2½-3-2cp
Shop-Gameroom-Fpl. $115,000.
New! 3-2-2 3309 Irving..... $115,000.
New! 4-2-2 2700 47th..... $138,500.
Transferred Great Area..... $122,600
Great Location 3-2-2..... $84,500.
3-1½-1cp 3718 Sunset..... $58,000.
Extra Nice 3-2-2 4106 Midland Ave $70T.
Newly Decorated 3-2-2 3203 40th $42,000.
3-2-2 4113 Eastridge Fireplace.....$39,000.
4.45 A's 3-1¾ Barns/Arena..... $52,500.
587 A's Approx 8 Mi. W. of Ira $95,000.
3-2-2 Great Area..... $60,000.
W. Hwy. 180... 2.13 A's 3-2-cp $39,500.
2-1-1 CH/A 310 34th..... $22T.
2-1-1cp Fenced 510 28th St..... $15,000.
20 Acres 3-1-2-Cp. Sheds..... $50,000.
Small Starter Home 2-1½ ..... $20,000.
107 Elm St. 4 Bdrm..... $23,320.
14.49 Ac. 3-2 Hot Tub/Sprk. Syst. $105T.
Shirley Drum..... 573-1550
Doris S. Spikes..... 573-6602

Russian police looking for 2 suspects

VLADIKAVKAZ, Russia (AP) — Police were searching Saturday for a man and woman they suspected of carrying out a devastating bomb attack that killed at least 53 people and wounded more than 100 in an outdoor food market in a southern Russia town.

The blast shortly before noon on Friday in the North Ossetian capital Vladikavkaz was the worst violence to hit the small southern republic since a 1992 ethnic war in which hundreds were killed.

Republic president Alexander Dzasokhov called it a crime "against the whole multinational people of the republic," the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

Police could not offer any motive for the bombing. Possible reasons for the attack included local ethnic tension, an attack by extremists from nearby Chechnya or a turf war between rival criminal gangs.

Local television stations aired composite drawings of a man and a woman whom police suspect of carrying out the attack, the Interfax news agency reported. No one had been arrested.

The government had said that 62 people were killed in the blast, but revised the death toll Saturday to 53. Police said there had been confusion about the number of dead because many of the bodies had been torn apart by the blast and emergency workers had to reassemble the shattered corpses.

Police said only 21 of the dead had been identified, according to Interfax.

President Boris Yeltsin's envoy to the region said late Friday that a group had claimed responsibility for the blast in a long-distance phone call to Vladikavkaz, ITAR-Tass reported.

Vladimir Kalamanov said the group had not identified itself, but that its message suggested the motive behind the blast was "religious fanaticism."

The majority religion in Northern Ossetia is Russian Orthodox Christian, and several of its neighbors are predominantly Muslim. The North Ossetians are also still involved in a bitter dispute with ethnic Ingush people that flared into war in 1992.

Nigeria's president-elect eyes ending corruption and fraud

PARIS (AP) — Olusegun Obasanjo had the men in gray suits clapping and beaming at his premiere performance as earnest president-elect, determined to wipe dirt off Nigeria's name even before taking office.

"What is my recipe for changing our image as a pariah nation?" he said, echoing a question asked in a hall packed with French executives. "Part of my recipe is my presence here."

Obasanjo, the general who handed power to civilians in 1979 and then retired to his farm, made no bones about the current state of Nigeria: corrupt, mismanaged, crippled with poverty and life-threatening crime.

The president who succeeded him was soon overthrown by a string of military governments, including the dark reign of Gen. Sani Abacha, who kept Obasanjo in prison until a fatal heart attack ended his regime.

But, Obasanjo added, Nigeria's vast oil reserves, its fertile soil, and its huge population offer great potential to a continent badly in need of a strong cornerstone.

"The all-mighty God is no fool, and when he put a quarter of Africa's population in such a small area, he had his reasons," he said. "We feel responsible and cannot shirk that responsibility."

After his election on Feb. 27, Obasanjo toured Africa and then came to France on Wednesday to start barnstorming Europe and the United States before his inauguration on May 29.

He outlined a series of steps, from relaxing visa controls and streamlining bureaucracy to assuring that foreign businesses could operate in safety and take home reasonable profits.

Early reactions showed a wary international community that was nonetheless prepared to act at the first concrete signs of good news.

Michel Roussin, who was host at Obasanjo's meeting with MEDEF, the Movement of French Enterprises, declared himself thrilled at the encounter.

Two arrested for marijuana

Possession of marijuana sent two subjects to jail Friday night.

Department of Public Safety troopers arrested a 20-year-old male on U.S. 84 near Dermott at 10:50 p.m. for misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

At 10:54 p.m., DPS troopers took a male juvenile into custody on South Hwy. 208 for misdemeanor possession of marijuana. He was transported to the Law Enforcement Center and later released to his parents.

Officers were called to Cogdell Memorial Hospital at 1:05 a.m. Saturday in reference to someone finding marijuana in a restroom. The small amount of marijuana was picked up by officers and logged into the evidence locker at the police department to be destroyed.

Two offense reports were also filed Friday.

Nathan Bevins requested an officer at 8:29 a.m. in the 1000 block of 30th Street in reference to criminal mischief to his Mustang GT. An offense report was filed.

At 10:51 p.m., officers filed an offense report for Class B theft in reference to amplifiers being taken out of Jason Dennis' pickup while it was parked at Sonic.

Births

Trey and Kara Wilson of Snyder announce the birth of their daughter, Larissa Danielle Wilson at 1:01 p.m. on March 3 in Lubbock Covenant Hospital. She weighed eight pounds, three ounces.

She was welcomed home by a brother, J.P. Wilson. She was also welcomed by their paternal grandparents, Jimmy and Donna Wilson of Snyder, and maternal grandparents, Tommy and Randa Sterling of Ira.

Seven-pound, 10-ounce Madeline Moriah Mullen was born to Dieter and Amanda Mullen at 2:45 p.m. on March 19 in Lubbock Covenant Hospital.

Maternal grandparents are Benito C. Jr. and Heidi Olibas of Snyder and paternal grandparents are Ingrid Mullen of Snyder and Sid Mullen of New Orleans.

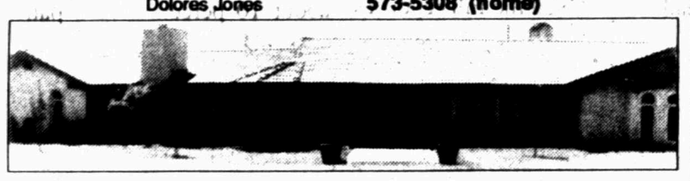
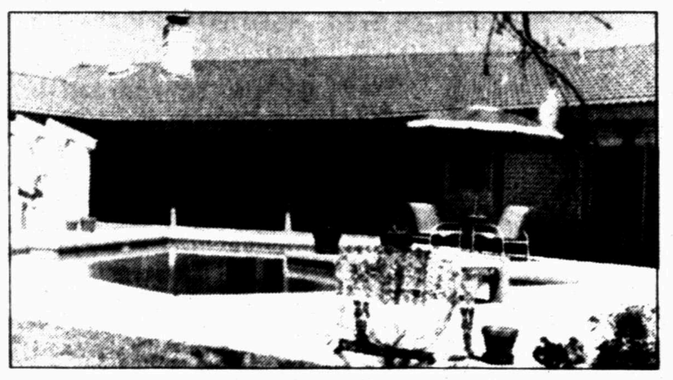
Her maternal great-grandparents are Alma Klein of Colorado City and Benito Sr. and Guadelupe Olibas, all of Colorado City. Paternal great-grandparents are Gunther and Hildegard Graichen of Dumas, Ark.

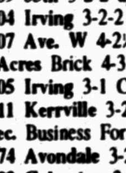
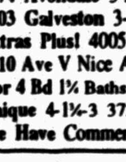
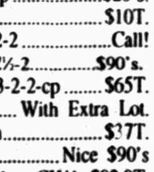
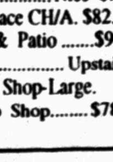

2905 DENISON Are you looking for a well maintained home in a settled area? This is the one! 3/2 1/2/2 with office, craftroom, Jacuzzi, Sunroom and enclosed heated pool. Huge family room with fireplace. Mature landscaping with large yard. $130,000.
Stevenson Real Eatate 573-5612 Bill Dryden Owner/Broker


WENONA EVANS
573-8165
Stevenson Real Estate
2405 25th Street
573-5612
Bill Dryden Owner/Broker

4505 FREDONIA You'll love the layout of this 3/2/2 home with personality. Roomy family/den with fireplace! Isolated Master! Gorgeous front and back yards! Updated and Looking Good! $79,500


2211 44TH STREET Quiet street, near schools. NICE and neat Brick with CH/RA. 3/1/1 home located in NICE area at a NICE price. $42,000.
Stevenson Real Eatate 573-5612 Wenona Evans 573-8165
Bill Dryden Owner/Broker


Heritage Homes
Realtors
573-5056 (office)
573-5308 (home)
Dolores Jones


IRA... 2 bedrooms, 2 dining rooms, formal living and oversized den, 3 bathrooms, 3 fireplaces, swimming pool, hot tub, plus 24 acres. Large shop building, dog kennel, water well and city water. $139,000.
Visit our web site: http://www.snydertex.com/heritage_homes


Dolores Jones
573-5308

Debby Miller
573-2075
HERITAGE HOMES
REALTORS
3405 Snyder Shopping Center, Suite B
(915)573-5056
ASK US ABOUT THE PROGRAM FOR FIRST TIME BUYERS

Faye Blackledge
573-1223

Joan Tate
573-8773

Like New 3-2-2 $70's
More For Your $$ 3-1½-2. $60's.
ADORABLE 3-1 $30's.
3-1-Den Redone $30's.
3-1 Fireplace $20's.
CLEAN 3-1-cp $29T.
CHARMING! 2-1-2cp $30's.
Cute & Clean 2-1-1 $20's.
Close To West 3-1-1 $40's.
Close To Park 3-2-1 $40's.
Motivated Seller 4-2 $30's.
Brick 4-1-cp $40's.
Eastridge 4-2-2 $30's.
West 30th 3-2-cp $40's.
West 37th 3-2-1 $40's.

Ira Double Wide 3-2-18 A's.
3101 Ave. W $60's.
2211 33rd $114,000.
2803 34th $100's.
2501 33rd $100's.
3403 Irving $70's.
4202 El Paso $80's.
4113 Jacksboro $80's.
3303 Irving $100's.
4104 Jacksboro $60's.
3309 Houston $100's.
New! 4002 Midland $90's.
New! 3309 Irving.
3613 41st Pool $90's.
New! 2700 47th $100's.

Visit our web site: http://www.snydertex.com/heritage_homes


Sarah Jamison
573-4028

Rita Knox
573-7082
Temi Matthies Owner/Broker
Elizabeth Potts
Realtors
1707 30th Street 573-8505
Temi Matthies 573-3465
Jackie Buckland 573-8193
Annette Waller 573-9467

3009 35th 3-2-2 appx 2036 sq ft....$70's.
3204 Irving 3-2-2 Say Yes!.....$60's.
2807 Ave. W 4-2½-2..... Very Special!
3 Acres Brick 4-3 Close to Town..$60's.
3605 Irving 3-1 Close to Schools.....30's.
4111 Kerrville 3-2-2 Must See!.....$60's.
Elec. Business For Sale-You be the Boss.
3774 Avondale 3-2-1 Brick.....$40's.
3803 Galveston 3-1 W/DEN CH/A $34T.
Extras Plus! 4005 Midland 4-3-2..$105T.
3310 Ave V Nice Amenities! Red. to $65T.
3 or 4 Bd 1¾ Baths Near H.S. Only $39.5T
Unique 4-1¾-3 3733 Avondale....$49.5T.
We Have Commercial Buildings & Land.

Close To Town 2-1-2cp.....$20's.
2607 Ave V 3-1-CH/A.....$10T.
Ira School District 3-2-2.....Call!
Parkview Addition 3-2½-2.....$90's.
Older Home on 37th 3-2-2-cp.....$65T.
217 36th 3-1..... With Extra Lot.
Corner 3-2-1 with Den.....$37T.
1892 Sante Fe 3-2-2..... Nice $90's
4704 El Paso 3-2-2 Fireplace CH/A. $82.9T.
2708 48th 4-2-2 + Fp & Patio.....$90's.
1926 Sante Fe 3-2½-2..... Upstairs.
5 Acres 3-3-cp Pool & Shop-Large.
12.7 Acres Ira 3-2½-2cp Shop.....$78T.

PLAY IT SMART... GET INTO
THE CLASSIFIEDS
573-5486

010 LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Scurry County Commissioners' Court will open bids for Replacement of Computer Cable on Monday, March 15, 1999, at 10:00 a.m., during Regular Session of the Commissioners' Court. Specifications may be obtained at the County Judge's Office, Scurry County Courthouse, Snyder, Texas 79549.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF TAA PETITION CERTIFICATION

All Workers of the Weaver Services, Inc. dba WSI Cased Hole Specialist, in Snyder, Texas, who became totally or partially seperated from employment due to a lack of work on or after January 6, 1998, are elegible under petition number-TA-W-35,531, apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance. The petition was certified February 2, 1999, and will expire February 2, 2001. Workers should contact the nearest Texas Workforce Commission office for assistance in filing for the following services: weekly trade readjustment allowance, job placement, employment counseling, vocational training, and financial assistance for job search and job relocation.

PUBLIC NOTICE

D.M. COGDELL HOSPITAL WILL ACCEPT PROPOSALS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Purchase of a Dictation/Transcription System.
Y2K Complaint.
Minimum of 35 hours of voice storage (100 hours desired).
8 Ports (Expandable Desired).
Voice Manager Console.
Voice Manager Application Software.
Voice/Data Server Software:
Voice Server and Application Software (desired).
Database Server and Application Software (desired).
4 Transcribe Stations with Large Displays.
3 Telephone Call-in Accesses (desired).
Laser Printer.
Installation.
On-site Training.
Premier Discount Requested.

Additional information, if necessary, can be obtained from Betty Woodard, Admitting and Hospital Information Management Manager at D.M. Cogdell Memorial Hospital, Snyder, Texas. Proposals will be accepted in the Administration Office of Cogdell Memorial Hospital, 1700 Cogdell Blvd., Snyder, Texas 79549 through Friday, March 29, 1999 at 12:00 Noon. D.M. Cogdell Memorial Hospital reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals

Cards Of Thanks

Thank You

Our family would like to express our deepest thanks to our many caring friends and relatives in Ira and Snyder for the out pouring of love, support and prayers.

Thank you to the Ira Baptist Church for the delicious meals. Thank you for the flowers, cards and memorials, the visit from our pastor Bro. Larry and the fine tribute from our friend Bro. Jim Hill, to the Amco employees for their great helping hand and the professional care from the nurses at Cogdell Hospital. Also, thank you for the dedicated services from Dr. Thomas Kerr, Dr. Mark Weaver and Dr. Robert Pierce. Last but not least to Cindy Nix and Patsy Groves for their beautiful music and Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for their kindness.

The family of Gus Sterling:
Jean Sterling
Tommy, Randa & Seth Sterling
Randy Sterling & children
Kara & Trey Wilson & children
Julie McMullen & Children
Allison & Whitney Sterling

Thank You

The family of W.N. Stone would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their kindness during the long illness and the loss of our loved one. We really appreciate all the acts of kindness shown to us. A special thank you to Lanny Covey for the beautiful tribute he wrote in memory of our loved one. May God bless each of you.

Viola Stone,
Charley & Dana Stone & family
Mike & Ann Roberts & family

Thank You

Words cannot express how grateful we are to our friends and loved ones in the many wonderful acts of love shown during Grandad's brief illness and death. The prayers, visits, cards, flowers and food were much appreciated. We would especially like to thank Dr. Marcia Odal, Stacy Haley, Billy Keith Evans, and all the others that assisted in the Emergency Room at Cogdell Hospital. They did an outstanding job with Grandad and had great compassion and concern for us. Also, a big thanks to Don Farmer and Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home, Marty Akins, Cleck Smith, Kim Gorman, Wayne Knox, David Brown, Matt Cross, Marvin Morrell and Judy Brown. Grandad's service was a beautiful celebration and will be a cherished memory forever. Grandad was a friend to many, but he was also a man BLESSED with many friends. Thanks again.

The family of Avis Minton
Cathy Reed & family
Sherry Haden
Teri McDonald & Shea
David Minton & family
Dorris Martin

Astro-graph



By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Sunday, March 21, 1999

In the year ahead, extremely rewarding events could occur through dealings you'll have with large, commercial organizations. The ability to penetrate these industries might come through a friend opening doors for you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If there is something meaningful you need to accomplish today, don't delegate the job to anyone else. You're the one who will get it done right. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Don't be too proud to accept a favor today. Besides friends need opportunities to repay you for past favors you may have done for them.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) The secret to getting what you want today is to first focus on what you can give to others. Things have a way of falling into place when we don't concentrate on ourselves.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Although you may be the primary reason why something important is pulled off today, let companions who only have a small hand in the effort share the limelight.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Although you'll especially enjoy competitive involvements with friends today, keep everything in a light vain. Don't take yourself too seriously.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) In order to achieve a specific objective today, you might have to be brave enough to take the bold measures called for to pull it off. You'll be up to the task.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Negotiations that you enter into today should work out as well as all parties involved anticipate. Shake hands on agreements as soon as they are reached.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your day will lack fulfillment today if you do things that don't give you feelings of being industrious and productive. Formulate purpose and direction.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Today is supposed to be a day of rest, so do something you find enjoyable and relaxing. You'll discover you will be able to complete jobs more efficiently tomorrow.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Help others without being asked today, even if it may be a little inconvenient at the time. By doing so for them, it will make you feel good about yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Something important you're contemplating might actually come about today through someone you know on a purely social basis. She or he will be the person you need to swing it into action.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Through an arrangement you make today with someone you have strong emotional ties with, something fortunate materially might happen for you. You'll make a profitable combination.

1999 by NEA, Inc.

Your Birthday

Monday, March 22, 1999

This may be the year that you've been looking for! Great strides can be made in furthering your special innovations and projects. Success will come with greater rewards than you've ever anticipated.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) In order to gain support from associates today, showing the feasibility and proper initiative for your project are all that will be required. The first moves are up to you. Major changes are ahead for Aries in the coming year. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Since conditions are both extremely lucky and successful for you in regards to your material well-being, you might even see a profit today that won't be of your own making.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Although the entire day may not go exactly as you planned, things will work out quite favorably for you wherever you go or whatever you do.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Unless you feel challenged today, you're not likely to push yourself too hard. Once something forces you into action, however, you won't settle for second best.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) When it comes to something you've been hoping for, don't take your eyes off your objective today. Keep moving in its direction, for it's a lot closer than you think.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Should a commercial or business opportunity develop unexpectedly for you today, you may have to think and act quickly to take advantage of what it has to offer. Be alert!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) In this present cycle, teamwork could yield larger rewards for you than usual today. You could be especially fortunate in arrangements where there is a partner involved.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your chances for personal accumulation are especially good today, so strive to be industrious and productive. Direct your efforts toward objectives that offer material rewards.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) The impression you make on others is generally a favorable one, but you're likely to be even more charismatic than usual today, especially with persons you meet for the first time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Simply by viewing the outcome of events ahead of time and in a postive fashion, you'll considerably enhance your chances for success. The mind has greater powers than you may realize.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Find some cohorts today who are as restless as you, then collectively go where the action is, whether it's for work or fun. You'll strive on enthusiasm and spontaneity.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Two possible sources for financial gains could be available to you today. Keep your eyes and ears open to any unusual opportunities that might pop up.

©1999 by NEA, Inc.

FDA OKs new patch for shingles pain

WASHINGTON (AP) — Diana Hind was bedridden with pain from shingles. Even narcotic painkillers didn't help.

So her husband, a retired pharmaceutical chemist, mixed a different painkiller in his laboratory. Now the LidoDerm patch not only has 80-year-old Mrs. Hind back on her feet; on Friday, the Food and Drug Administration approved its sale for up to 200,000 sufferers of shingles-caused pain.

The hand-sized, drug-filled patch has evolved a bit since Harry W. Hind stuck his homemade salve onto his wife's back with Saran Wrap and tape.

"We had to make a more elegant way of doing this," Hind, 83, explained.

Mrs. Hind added: "You know, socially you can't go out with Saran Wrap around you."

But at the time, she didn't mind the mess. "I could not have gone on with that pain. There's no question about that," the San Jose, Calif., woman said.

Shingles is a risk to anyone who has ever had chickenpox. The chickenpox virus, called herpes zoster, hibernates inside the body. As people age, the immune system wanes and herpes zoster can reactivate, causing painful shingles. Most people recover in a few months.

But for up to 20 percent of patients, shingles can damage nerves in the skin and cause severe, unrelenting pain for months or even years. Narcotic painkillers and a few other drugs offer some relief for this "postherpatic neuralgia," but they all cause serious side effects.

When Mrs. Hind was stricken in 1989, a University of California, San Francisco, doctor gave her just-under-the-skin injections once a week of the anesthetic lidocaine. The series of shots, every half-inch across her back, took 45 minutes and provided about six hours of pain relief. The injections had to be performed carefully, because lidocaine that penetrates to the bloodstream also can cause serious side effects.

Weaker versions of topical lidocaine numb the skin's surface, but they don't penetrate to the nerves and so don't help postherpatic neuralgia, said Dr. Bradley Galer of Beth Israel Medical Center in New York.

So Hind, who had run a company for years that developed eye and skin drugs, revamped lidocaine to penetrate into the skin, just to the nerves, without all those injections. He slathered his new solution onto his wife's back and taped Saran Wrap over it to keep the goop in place overnight. The next morning, Mrs. Hind says, she was without pain.

The FDA approved Hind's 5 percent lidocaine solution in a less-messy form Friday, the LidoDerm patch. In studies, 60 to 70 percent of patients got pain relief from LidoDerm, said Galer, who helped study the patch. Some patients need new patches daily. With others, a single patch lasts a few days or a week.

Researchers: Both old and new anti-depression drugs work well

WASHINGTON (AP) — New drugs such as Prozac and old standbys such as Elavil are about equally effective in treating many types of depression, although patients on the newer drugs may have slightly fewer side effects, according to a study.

An analysis of 264 studies of 32 different anti-depression compounds found "no significant differences" in efficacy among adult patients when new drugs were compared with those that have been around for many years, according to researchers at the Evidence-Based Practice Center in San Antonio.

However, there is not enough information to draw final conclusions about using the drugs for treatment of children, patients with special health needs and for treating some less common forms of depression, the researchers said.

The researchers did the study to help the Health and Human Service Department's Agency for Health Care Policy and Research develop clinical guidelines for doctors.

The study used a technique called "meta-analysis," which combines the results of hundreds of different studies to arrive at a statistical conclusion more powerful than is possible by any of the individual studies alone.

Included in the analyzed studies were older drugs called tricyclic agents such as Elavil, and the newer serotonin uptake inhibitors such as Prozac and monoamine oxidase inhibitors such as Nardil.

In treatment of adults with major depression, the study found that the old and new drugs were equally effective. The drugs produced a favorable response in about half the patients, compared with only 32 percent taking a placebo. Some studies found that the risk of major depression relapse was decreased by 70 percent with six months of treatment with the newer drugs.

All of the drugs had side effects, the study found, but the type and rates of the adverse reactions varied from drug to drug.

Diarrhea and nausea affected about 10 percent of the patients taking the Prozac class of drugs. Among patients taking the older drugs, 30 percent reported dry mouth, 12 percent had constipation and 11 percent had dizziness.

"Fewer patients taking (the new drugs) discontinued treatment due to adverse effects compared" with the older drugs, the study found. But the dropout difference was slight: 4 percent vs. 5 percent.

The researchers found several gaps in what is known about anti-depressants. For instance, there is not enough data to draw conclusions about the long-term use of anti-depressants by children and adolescents.

Also, the study said not enough is known to evaluate the use of the anti-depressants by patients with added health conditions such as HIV, renal failure, heart disease or stroke.

The study recommended that doctors making treatment decisions for major or chronic depression should consider both the old and the new drugs, taking into account such issues as cost, a patient's preferences and tolerance for particular types of side effects.

For other forms of depression, and for children and adolescents, the data on the new drugs "are insufficient to guide treatment decisions," the report said.

Mollusks are the second-most numerous creatures on earth after insects.

Arson charges won't be filed

ALICE (AP) — A fire that burned down several utility poles on the property of a state district judge probably won't result in arson charges, the Alice Echo-News reported Friday.

Jim Wells County District Attorney Joe Frank Garza told the newspaper after talking with the state fire marshal's office that the fire "does not look like a criminal case, but a civil case."

"I told them, based on what they told me, that I would not pursue a charge of arson," he said.

Garza told the Echo-News he had not received the full report as of Thursday, but had met with officials from the state fire marshal's office.

On Feb. 19, several Central Power & Light utility poles on a ranch near Premont owned by District Judge Terry Canales burned to the ground, causing a power outage for several hours.

Texas Lawyer, a weekly statewide legal newspaper, reported earlier this week that according to an affidavit by CP&L business manager Milton Menking, Canales told the power company on Feb. 16 that if it did not disconnect services to the facilities on his land by Feb. 19, he "intended to burn down CPL lines and poles."

Menking said he arrived at Canales' ranch on Feb. 19 and "found five poles on fire with Canales watching," Texas Lawyer reported.

Canales did not return a phone call to The Associated Press Friday.

Knockers' former owners sentenced

LUBBOCK (AP) — The former owners of the now-defunct Knockers Bar and Grill were sentenced Friday to federal prison for stealing from other restaurants, ending the history of the controversial Abilene eatery.

U.S. District Judge Sam Cummings sentenced Roy Sanders, 37, to 14 months in prison and Thomas Moran, 30, to 27 months. The two were convicted in January on charges of conspiracy, interstate transportation of stolen property and receipt of stolen property for taking equipment from Shoney's restaurants in Tennessee.

The men also must pay $66,059 in restitution and compensation.

Prosecutors alleged that Moran and Sanders, both employed by Shoney's restaurants, ordered nearly $40,000 worth of equipment from a Shoney's in Tennessee but used it at Knockers.

Moran contended that there was no Shoney's policy against using the outdoor lighting, salt and pepper shakers and silverware for personal use.

Sanders pleaded guilty in January to the charges. Moran was convicted by a jury.

Prosecutor Denise Williams asked for more prison time for Moran because he "attempted to contact witnesses in the case and influence their testimony."

"Quite frankly, Mr. Moran, his actions and his attitude deserves it," Ms. Williams said.

Moran refused to comment but Sanders said: "I respectfully accept all responsibility for any wrongdoings and apologize."

During the sentencing, defense attorneys contested the amount that Sanders and Moran should pay Shoney's.

Along with paying for the stolen property, the $66,059 included private investigators that Shoney's hired and traveling expenses for all involved with the case.

Knockers closed in September after opening to raised eyebrows in conservative Abilene and a brief but lively two-year run.

Bullard's Computer Solutions to add 40 56K V.90 modems

Bullard's Computer Solutions, Inc. is installing 40 56K V.90 modems to meet the growth of its Internet service. Twenty-four of these are in the process of being activated at present.

"We have been steadily growing," said Drew Bullard, president, "and usually add about ten modems at a time when we're sure that they are needed. This time we are going to bite the bullet and put out a substantial investment all at once."

"We've found that our customers want two things from an ISP (Internet Service Provider). One is reliable busy free service and the other is help every once in a while if things go wrong. They like talking to someone they know. During certain periods of rapid growth due to snags in getting the equipment installed, our customers might get a busy signal for a short period of time, but we always add modems to keep up with demand. We started out with 29 modems and now have well over a hundred," added Bullard.

"When the Internet doesn't work, sometimes it is not the ISP's equipment but rather the user's computer or software or a noisy telephone line. Since we're a local computer store as well as an ISP we can figure out the problem and either walk you through it or physically check your computer out. This is a big advantage over talking to someone you don't know at a distant location. We handle 98% of the questions brought to us. For the other 2% we can refer the customer to specialists. One way or the other we get the problem solved," said Bullard.

Computer Solutions is a locally owned computer store that sells new computers, software and supplies and can upgrade older computers as well as provide computer related advice. Their courteous staff invites you to come by at 3405 College Ave. or call at 573-4801.

Doing business without advertising is like winking at someone in the dark; you know what you're doing, but nobody else does.

-anonymous

Tuesday $25 Specials!

On Tuesday you can run a two column by 4" ad for only $25.

Snyder Daily News

3600 College Ave. 573-5486

2ND FRONT PAGE

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

2 men circle world in hot-air balloon

GENEVA (AP) — A Swiss doctor and British pilot, riding friendly winds and their own dogged spirit, crossed an invisible line on Africa's map Saturday and drifted on into immortality, the first to realize man's century-old dream of circling the world in that fickle, fragile craft called a hot-air balloon.

After 19 days aloft, Bertrand Piccard, Brian Jones and their silvery Breitling Orbiter 3 floated past longitude 9 degrees west at 4:54 EST to complete the 26,500-mile, nonstop circumnavigation, a feat that had challenged and eluded dozens of balloonists before them.

"I am with the angels and just completely happy," said Piccard by satellite relay, as he and Jones continued toward a probable touchdown early Sunday in Egypt. "We are eternally grateful to the invisible hand that has guided us through this fantastic voyage."

Jones said he had yet to have time to celebrate, but first, "I am going to phone to the control room and tell my wife I love her. And then I am going to have a cup of tea, like any good Englishman."

British businessman Richard Branson, who made four failed attempts to circle the globe, told SKY television in London: "It is a magnificent achievement, and two delightful people have achieved it."

Branson, who admitted he felt disappointed that he wasn't the one to claim the record, commented earlier that luck was a big factor once the technological problems were solved.

"Then it was down to being fortunate with the weather. One needs the gods to be kind to you," he said.

But for all the dangers and difficulties of long-distance ballooning, the historic voyage was relatively uneventful for Piccard, 41, grandson and son of famed explorers of the air and sea, and Jones, a 51-year-old balloon instructor and grandfather.

They lifted off among the snowy Swiss Alps on March 1, drifted down to the sands of North Africa, caught a jet stream and headed on across the Arabian Desert, over India and on to the lush green of southeast Asia.

The treacherous Pacific Ocean crossing proved relatively smooth, accomplished in six days. East of Central America, seven miles high, the balloonists were trapped in a lazy spiral and developed temporary breathing problems in the deeply frigid air. But the 180-foot-high balloon soon caught a favorable jet stream that propelled them on their last leg, at 90 mph, across the Atlantic.

Since U.S. publisher James Gordon Bennett established a trophy for long-distance ballooning in 1906, sportsmen have striven to fly the farthest

Peace monitors pulling out as crises in Kosovo escalates

DJENERAL JANKOVIC, Yugoslavia (AP) — Five months after they were sent to verify a peace that failed, international monitors left Kosovo Saturday as Serbs and ethnic Albanians geared up for a possible escalation of bloodshed.

The American head of the mission, William Walker, was the last of the 1,380 verifiers to cross the border into Macedonia. Walker said he hoped to return soon, but Serb police canceled their visas, indicating it could take protracted negotiations for the mission to go back.

"I am obviously relieved that we got out with no trouble," Walker said. "We hope that we can go back in quickly."

Walker said the mission would continue efforts "to keep this peace movement ... and get it going again."

But the departure of the monitors — the world's eyes and ears on the ground — raised fears that the two sides might step up the conflict.

In an ominous sign of what may lie ahead, the departing monitors passed a Yugoslav convoy of about 30 vehicles, including tanks, armored vehicles, and trucks carrying anti-aircraft guns, heading westward from the Pristina area. Far bigger military convoys of hundreds of vehicles were spotted later north of Kosovo, moving south and apparently headed for the province.

Ethnic Albanian sources said Serb forces had launched a major offensive in central Kosovo and in five northern municipalities — Podujevo, Vucitrn, Kosovska Mitrovica, Srbica and Glogovac.

The Serb-run Media Center said Serb forces were retaliating for rebel attacks on police stations in Srbica and Luzani. Reporters said shelling was heard from the area.

Walker, speaking later in Skopje, Macedonia, said the monitors were receiving reports of "greatly increased violence in Kosovo."

He said the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe had received reports of heavy movement by government forces and armored vehicles and "considerable encounters," especially in the north around Podujevo.

The dramatic deterioration of the situation in Kosovo came on the heels of the failure of peace talks that ended Friday in Paris. Both the monitors in Kosovo and Western diplomats and their families in the Yugoslav capital, Belgrade, were evacuating for a second day Saturday.

In Washington, President Clinton warned Friday that the talks' collapse had raised the stakes and "if we and our allies don't have the will to act, there will be more massacres."

But reiterating the Yugoslav government's refusal to back down, the official Tanjug news agency blasted Clinton as a liar looking for an excuse to intervene in the Serbian province.

NATO has threatened airstrikes against Serb-led Yugoslavia if President Slobodan Milosevic does not accept a peace plan.

Obituaries



Roy Hanson

Roy Hanson

1920-1999

Funeral service for Roy Malcolm Hanson, a lifelong resident of Scurry County, is set for 10 a.m. Monday in the Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

The Rev. Miller Robinson, retired minister, will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Hanson, 78, died Friday, March 19, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Born Sept. 6, 1920 in Colorado City, Mr. Hanson was a graduate of Dunn High School and was an Army Air Corps veteran of World War II, flying B-24 Bombers.

He married Juanita McGrath on Dec. 16, 1944 in Boise, Idaho. They lived in Boise until returning to Scurry County in 1951. Mr. Hanson was employed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for 30 years and served as the ASCS executive director for Scurry County.

He was a former member of the Snyder Rotary Club and was a member of the Dunn Baptist Church and the Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Marvin and Carrie Hanson; and by a sister and a brother.

Survivors include his wife, Juanita Hanson of Snyder; a daughter, Sandy Baker of Snyder; son and daughter-in-law, Mackie and Debbie Hanson of Roseville, Calif.; a brother and sister-in-law, Marvin and Mary Evelyn Hanson of Snyder; a brother and sister-in-law, George and Shirlene McClellan of Peoria, Ill.; and four grandchildren, Mandy and April Baker of Snyder and Mark and Angie Hanson of Roseville, Calif.



Kyleen Anne "Kay" Pavlovsky

'Kay' Pavlovsky

1941-1999

Service for Kyleen Anne "Kay" Pavlovsky, 57, is set for 2 p.m. Monday at Wright Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. Wayne Horton will officiate and cremation will follow at a later date.

She died on Friday, March 19, at Cogdell Memorial Hospital, following a brief illness.

Mrs. Pavlovsky was born on July 6, 1941 in Kirksville, Mo. She married R.C. Pavlovsky on March 23, 1957 in Fort Worth. He died in August of 1998.

She was a receptionist for Dr. Jay Kidd at the time of her death.

She is survived by two sons, Ronald Conway Pavlovsky of Lubbock, Donald Ray Pavlovsky of Snyder; two daughters, Tammy Lynn Kennedy and Carla Rose Pavlovsky, both of Big Spring; one brother, James Lepford of Fort Worth; 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Family visitation at the funeral home is set from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday.

Roberta Stewart

1911-1999

Service for Roberta Stewart, 88, is pending at Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

She died Saturday, March 20, at Cogdell Memorial Hospital, following a long illness.

She was born on Jan. 17, 1911.

Harmony Family Services

Continued From Page 1

times they say yes."

An initial "intake" meeting is then set up to assess the problem, gather family history and set goals for the youth.

"After that I check with them on how they are doing on their goals. I meet with the at a minimum of every other week. I like to do it weekly."

Otto works on skills based training with the youth in areas such as anger management and decision making processes.

Parental involvement is encouraged.

A licensed professional counselor is also available to work with kids with more serious problems.

Crisis counseling is also available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"We have an 800 number for families or youth to call in a crisis. We usually try to de-escalate by phone if we can. Then we meet with them as soon as possible."

A mentoring program is also offered through Harmony Family Services.

Currently, the office is looking for mentors.

"We are offering it on a limited basis. A few kids are doing it, but there are not enough mentors," Otto said.

Anyone interested in becoming a mentor for a child should contact Otto. A criminal history check is required.

"We ask for an hour a week with the kid. We seek parental permission for that."

A runaway shelter is also available. It serves Scurry, Nolan and Taylor counties.

"We shelter the youth for 24 hours or until the conflict settles down. In the meantime, the caseworker's job is to get with the family and work out the conditions to get the child home and then work with the kid to meet those conditions."

At this point, children or teens who are reported to the police as runaways are not automatically referred to Harmony.

"It's normally if the schools know they are having problems, they'll call."

Otto said Harmony generally has a high success rate.

"Parents are almost always happy with the services. We have a client satisfaction form for them to fill out. I also do a follow up in 90 days to make sure everything is going alright."

For more information, call 573-3997. The 24-hour helpline is 1-800-777-0228.

Personal, Professional Service
BELL CYPERT-SEALE FUNERAL HOME
3101 College Ave. 573-5454

Save Up to 50%
Apple Casket Stores
1-888-680-2329
1925 Vine • Colorado City, Tx.
Helen & Charles Ezell
Memorial Monuments

WCFH
WRIGHT COLONIAL FUNERAL HOME
200 East 37th Street
Snyder, Texas
915-573-6200
Independently Owned & Operated

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

First Presbyterian sets speakers

Drs. Jerry and Judy Horton, directors of Down Home Ranch, will speak at the First Presbyterian Church at 12:30 p.m. Sunday.

Boy Scout car wash

Boy Scout Troop 27 will hold a car wash fund-raiser for new tents Sunday at Wal-Mart from 1 until 5 p.m. The cost will be a $5 donation for cars, and $10 for larger vehicles.

Baseball Tiger Moms

SHS baseball Tiger Moms will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday at the former Lone Star Gas building. For more information, call Lea Ann Shields at 573-9862.

SHS tennis boosters

SHS Tennis Booster Club will meet at 4:30 p.m. Sunday at Snyder Savings and Loan. For more information, call 573-2400.

Soccer registration

Registration for the Snyder Soccer Association will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at Snyder Lanes.

Choir booster club

The SHS Choir Booster Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday in the choir room to discuss the choir banquet. All parents are encouraged to attend.

Library book sale

Scurry County Library book sale will begin Wednesday and continue through Saturday during regular library hours. A variety of books, including children's, will be available.

MAWC game day/luncheon

The monthly Martha Ann Woman's Club game day/luncheon will be at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday. Cost is $7.50 and reservations are needed by 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Free tax aid service

Free tax help will be available Wednesday at the Senior Center. Help is also available for shut-ins. Call 573-3822 or 573-4035.

Garage sale items needed

Lighthouse Assembly of God, 1900 Trinity Blvd., is accepting items for their garage sale to benefit the church building fund. Funiture, appliances and other items are appreciated. Clothes are not needed at this time. Call 573-5124 or 573-2947 for pickup.

Holy Week Services

The Scurry County Ministerial Alliance will sponsor Holy Week Services at First Presbyterian Church beginning Monday, March 29 through Thursday, April 1. Services will be at noon with a community luncheon following each service. Good Friday services and breakfast will be at 7 a.m. April 2 at First United Methodist Church.

Reception for warden

A reception to welcome Warden Wilhelmenia Howard and her husband, Tony, to Snyder will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, March 29, at the Snyder Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Howard is the new warden at the Price Daniel Unit, and Tony is TDCJ regional supervisor for internal affairs.

Aggie scholarships

The Rolling Plains Texas A&M Mothers' Club will award two scholarships to a high school senior and a current A&M student. Students in Fisher, Mitchell, Nolan and Scurry counties are eligible. Applications are available at the high schools and postmark deadline for applications is April 1.

Townhall meeting

State Rep. David Counts, along with Mayor David Holt, will conduct a townhall meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 1, at Snyder City Hall.

Public hearing for bomber training

The Air Force will hold a public hearing on the proposed Realistic Bomber Training Initative (RBTI) on Wednesday, April 7, from 5-9 p.m. at Snyder High School.

Golden K fish fry

Golden K Wiwanis Club fish fry will be held from 11 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 11, at the Senior Citizens Center. Cost is $6 and take-out plates will be available.

Class of '89 reunion

The SHS Class of 1989 is planning a reunion and addresses are needed. Contact Christy Smith at 573-8392 or Lena Garcia at 573-1420.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
5-20-23-27-36

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
8-8-4

Texas Million

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Million numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
14-24-81-87

Local churches provide services at Cogdell

Attendance growing for Sunday afternoon sessions

Scurry County Folks

by Shirley A. Gorman

When they can't attend church services, the services come to them.

Sundays can be long days for Cogdell Memorial Hospital employees whose 12-hour shifts prevent them from going to church.

The same can also be true of patients and their family members. However, that isn't the case anymore, not since three longtime Cogdell employees pooled their ideas, drive and determination to arrange for two 30-minute non-denominational services to be conducted at the hospital every Sunday afternoon: the first at 1 p.m. and the second at 1:45 p.m.

The project was spearheaded by three registered nurses: Shelley Smith, Lisa Cross and Laurie Stark, who had felt for sometime that the services were needed.

They knew from personal experience as well as observance. When she works on Sunday, Shelley said, she misses going to church. She also thought services would benefit hospital staff, patients and their family members who sometimes find themselves "stuck in the hospital," but she had never followed through with any of her ideas.

After participating in a Walk to Emmaus, she said she devoted more time to prayer and worship. She believes that there is a real need for people to be able to come together in fellowship at the hospital and that prayer could be a good way for family members to deal with the chaos and stress of having a loved one in the hospital.

When Lisa and Laurie shared similar sentiments with Shelley last May, she said that "was the motivation we needed to get the ball rolling."

First, they contacted hospital administrators who approved their plans, including allowing staff members to use one half hour of their shift to attend the services.

However, Shelley noted that when the hospital has a lot of patients, nurses aren't always able to attend church with her family. "It's easy to get out of the habit of going," she added.

There is no set standard for the non-denominational services, and all churches in Snyder are welcome to participate, Lisa said.

The response has "been a blessing for us," Shelley said. Some churches also provide music and sometimes members of the congregation accompany the pastor or minister. That helps the hospital patients to feel less isolated, Lisa said.

Doctors encourage the services as well and even write orders for acute care patients, allowing them to attend if they want to.

The non-denominational services have been well-received and attendance has been growing. Besides hospital staff, patients and their families, the services are also open to anyone in the community who's willing to come and worship, Laurie said.

"We encourage the support of the community," Lisa said. She noted that sometimes nurses even attend on their Sundays off.

Every three months, the nurses contact local churches to arrange a new schedule. Pastors or ordained ministers may conduct services and, Shelley said, they encourage them to "do whatever they normally do in their church."

Shelley said they want to include all of the churches, but any that they have missed who would like to conduct services are welcome to contact them.

Music ministers often take part in the services and local Gospel groups such as 4-Giv'n and His Song have also participated.

Their first goal, Shelley said, is to build the ministry, but the trio also have long-range goals, that will require "stepping out in faith."

While services are now held in the front lobby, their dream is to have a "chapel or a large, easily accessible area that is dedicated for praise and worship."

They believe there is a great need for such a place, especially for family members of sick patients who may be under a great deal of stress and need spiritual support.

Shelley said groups have already contacted them about helping to set up a worship area, and Cogdell's Foundation has received donations for a chapel.

However, no definite plans can be made until the hospital's restructuring and remodeling study is complete.

Shelley, who is in her 10th year at the hospital, is a nursing supervisor. Born in New York and raised in Cincinnati, she earned her bachelor of science degree at Ohio State University.

Noting that cardiology has always been her "first love," she said she moved to Houston when noted cardiologists like Michael Ellis DeBakey were pioneering bypass surgery.

She moved to Snyder when her husband, J.D., was transferred here. They have two sons, Martin, 9, and Nicholas, 7.

Lisa is married to Matt Cross who heads the Heart Gym. They have one son, Samuel, who is two years old.

While Matt is a Snyder native, Lisa grew up in West Texas. She has a bachelor of science degree from Hardin-Simmons-University and is pursuing her master's at HSU.

She has worked at Cogdell for seven years, the first two as a nurse's aide and as a nursing supervisor for the past five years.

Laurie, originally from Crane, is a Howard College graduate. She has worked at Cogdell for five years and currently works in the emergency room.

She and her husband, Wayne, an Exxon employee, have two sons, Jason, 21, and Jeremy, 17.



THREE NURSES — These three registered nurses have helped establish church services at the hospital on Sunday afternoons. From left are, Lisa Cross, Shelley Smith and Laurie Stark. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Farm dogs lose their half-million inheritance

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — Two farm dogs have missed out on $530,000 inheritance left to them by their eccentric owner.

High Court Judge Silvia Cartwright ruled Thursday that the sum set aside for the dogs in the will was totally unjustifiable "even for the most aristocratically raised dogs."

The dogs were named in the will of a farmer who died in 1996.

HE WAS ON TIME. TWICE.

Hallmark
warm wishes

99¢

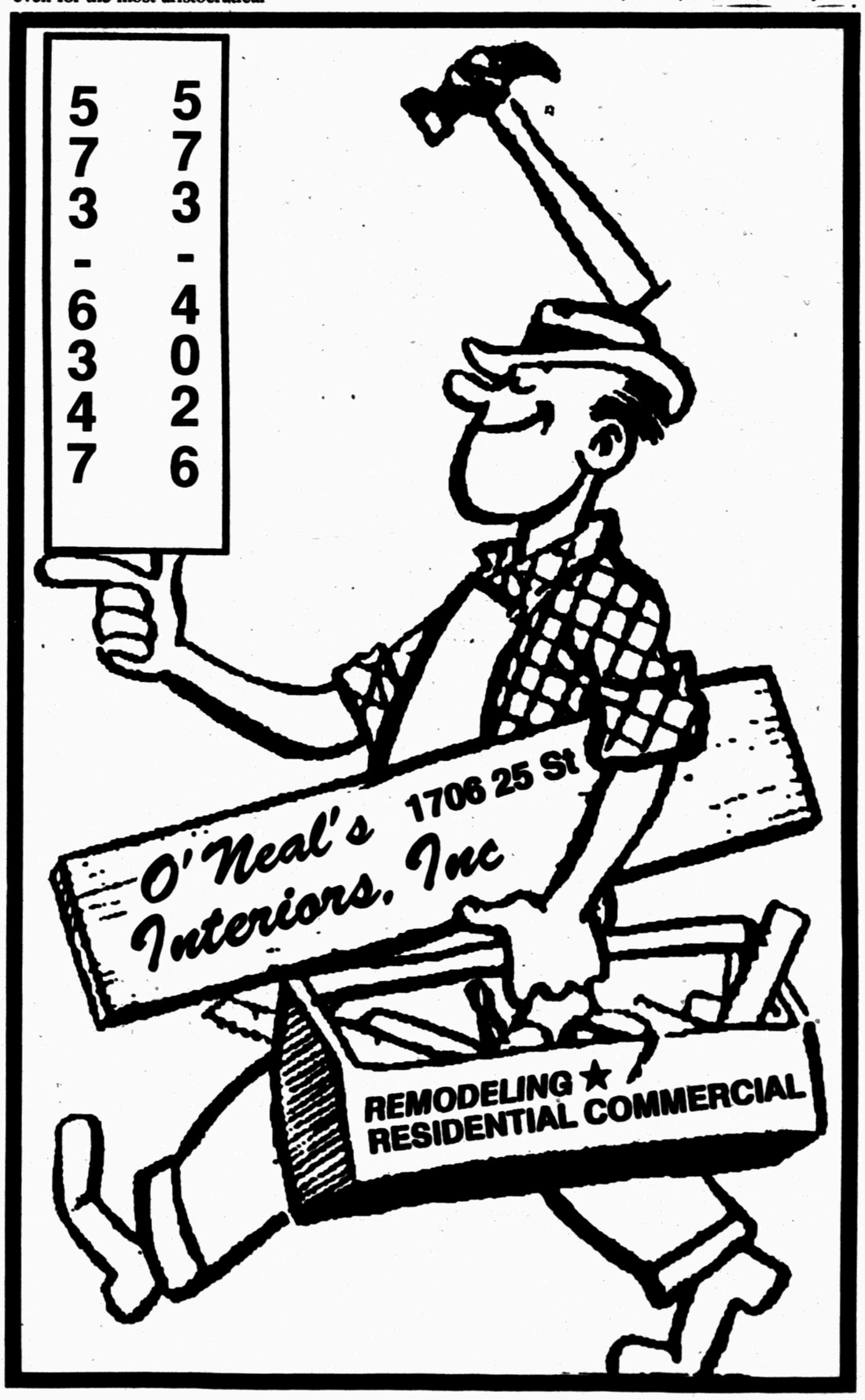
With hundreds of new Hallmarks for 99¢ everything's a Hallmark occasion.

WHY NOT?

The Pleasure's Mine

2502 Ave. R
573-6536

Virginia Bloom
Owner





MARRIED 50 YEARS — John and Juanita Roddy of Snyder celebrated 50 years of marriage on March 16. Mrs. Roddy is the former Juanita Lindsey of Fluvanna. Mr. Roddy is a retired farmer. Also retired from the military, he is an active member of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association. They have lived mostly in Fluvanna and Snyder and celebrated their anniversary with friends and relatives. (Contributed Photo)

Snyder Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

FRIDAY
March 12

Jane Hinton directed at the Snyder Country Club.

A Group

1. Louise Thompson, Monte West.
2. Jane Hinton, Maribeth Vestal.
3. Margaret Birdwell, Tizzy Hall.

B Group

1. Susie Reed, Anita Talbott.
2. TIED: Nona Morrison, Nina Nesbit and Durelle Gorman, Billisue Stuard.

SUNDAY
March 14

Jane Hinton directed.

1. Dorothy Rosson, Frances Stevenson.
2. TIE: Dot Casey, Louise Thompson and Margaret Birdwell, Jane Hinton.

TUESDAY
March 16

Dot Casey directed.

1. Tizzy Hall, Dot Casey.
2. Margaret Birdwell, LaVerne Hood.
3. Barbara Yorgesen, Dora Blakey.

Bridal Registry

Monica Rosson and Scott Squiers
Denise Thompson and Leddy Lewis
Keely Willmon and Nathan Williams
Rosie Kerry Tovar and Richard Tovar
Shelly Englert and Whitley Bradberry
Haley Boaz and Steven Ratliff
Brea Hensley and Rick Post
Samatha Boyd and Jimmy Campbell
Susan Gauntt and Alexander Brice
Jennifer Barnes and Michael Rodriquez
Kaly Cooper and Shane Beauchamp
Kimberly Loeffler and David Krenek
Tamara Byrd and Brian Crawford

Infant Registry

Wedding Invitations
Tuxedo Rentals

Phone In Orders Welcome
Free Delivery
To Bridal Shower

Classic Interiors
Open Mon. - Fri, 9:30 - 5:30
Sat. 10:00-4:00

Stinky sneakers win owner $500

By The Associated Press

MARTINSBURG, W.Va. (AP) — An 11-year-old girl is enjoying the sweet smell of success thanks to her stinky sneakers.

Chelsea Ours of Martinsburg won the Odor-Eaters International Rotten Sneaker Contest in Montpelier, Vt.

She went nose-to-toes with smelly shoes from as far away as Alaska and Italy to win a $500 savings bond, a golden sneakers trophy and a year's supply of Odor-Eaters.

"My mom makes me keep my sneakers in a plastic bag on top of the closet," Chelsea said.

Chelsea says she plans to spend her loot on compact discs and a telephone.

District VIII garden clubs to convene in Breckenridge

The spring convention of District VIII of Texas Garden Clubs Inc. will gather in Breckenridge on Friday and Saturday.

The Breckenridge Garden Club will host the meeting and Mona Craig and Nelda Carter are co-chairpersons.

Pre-convention activities on Friday include registration, dinner and entertainment at the First National Bank Tower Room at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday's activities begin with registration and a "lite morning coffee brunch" at Elks Lodge, 2231 FM Road, from 8:30 to 10. An executive committee meeting will begin at 8:30 and a business session is set for 10. This will be followed by a luncheon and program. Speaker for the program is Mr. Bobby Teiser, president of the Native Plant Society in San Angelo.

Registration chairman is Mrs. Wayne Huestis, 3007 CR 318, Breckenridge, 76424-9782.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 03-20-99
♠ A 4
♥ J 8
♦ A 6 3
♣ Q J 10 9 7 2

West
♠ J 9 8 7 6
♥ 9 3 2
♦ K J 7
♣ 5 4

East
♠ K Q 10 5 2
♥ Q 10 6 4
♦ Q 10 5
♣ 3

South
♠ 3
♥ A K 7 5
♦ 9 8 4 2
♣ A K 8 6

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	2 ♣	Dbl.
2 ♥	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	4 ♦	Pass
5 ♣	Pass	6 ♣	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 7

No seven, no slam

By Phillip Alder

You don't make most contracts by cashing aces and kings. Usually you must also turn low cards into winners.

Today's deal is an example. Taken in isolation, how would you play this heart suit for three tricks? Then, decide on your line of play in the ambitious six-club contract, given the stated bidding; West leads a low spade.

North's two-club raise was forcing, showing 10-plus points with five or more clubs — an inverted minor-suit raise. After that, South bid out his shape, showing hearts before diamonds in the hope that his partner would read the strength disparity. But my guess is that North expected a stronger hand.

The declarer was Mark Feldman, one of America's best players. Having nine tricks via six clubs, one diamond, one spade and a spade ruff in hand, Feldman needed three heart tricks. The normal approach is to lead toward the jack, hoping West has the queen. However, given East's (ridiculous) double, that wasn't going to work. Instead, after winning with dummy's spade ace, Feldman played a trump to his ace, then a heart to dummy's eight. East won with the 10 and tried to cash the spade king, but Feldman ruffed, played a club to dummy's queen, and called for the heart jack.

If East had played low, Feldman was going to do likewise. But when East covered, Feldman won with the king and cashed the ace, discarding a diamond from the dummy.

Have you been keeping track? South's seven was now a winner, on which dummy's second diamond loser evaporated.

©1999 by NEA, Inc.

For Results Use Snyder Daily News Classified Ads 573-5486

Moment of silence for world peace planned Dec. 31

STRATFORD, Conn. (AP) — If Joan Bershefsky gets her way, the final moment of 1999 will be a quiet one.

Bershefsky is promoting a moment of silence for world peace at 11:59 p.m. on Dec. 31, just before the year 2000 is ushered in with much louder celebrations.

"How awesome it will be if Times Square is quiet when the crystal ball drops during those last few seconds?" she wondered.

The Stratford Town Council passed a special resolution favoring the idea. Bershefsky said she would like to talk the plan over with New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani. To give the campaign a global impact, she also plans to ask the United Nations to support the proposal.

Luis Torres of Bridgeport said he spent last New Year's Eve in Times Square and plans to return this year.

"It would take a lot to quiet that mob," he said.

Scurry County Library News & Views

Scurry County Library staff reminds everyone of the annual book sale to be held Wednesday through Saturday during regular library hours.

There will be a selection of children's books, paperbacks, National Geographic magazines, hardback books and assorted items.

NEW NON-FICTION

"Seasons of Aromatherapy," by Judith Fitzsimmons.

"Our Love is Too Good to Feel So Bad," by Mira Kirschenbaum.

"Clone: The Road to Dolly and the Path Ahead," by Gina Kolata.

NEW FICTION

"The Last Resort," by Alison Lurie.

"The Big, Bad City," by Ed McBain.

"A Light in the Window," by Jan Karon.

LIBRARY HOURS

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. — Mon., Wed., Fri. & Sat.

10 a.m. to 9 p.m. — Tues. & Thurs.

Books may be placed in the book drop in front of the library. Please remember to return your books promptly.



BRIDAL TEA HELD — Melissa Bagwell, bride-elect of Jerome Marshall Pratt, was honored with a bridal tea on March 6 in Amarillo. Melissa is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Bagwell of Amarillo and Jerome is the son of Christy Pratt of Snyder and Larry Pratt of Amarillo. Jerome is also the grandson of Frances Suttle of Snyder and the late Walter Suttle. The couple plan to marry April 17 in the Amarillo First Baptist Church. From left are Becky Bagwell, the future bride's mother; the honoree; and Christy Pratt, mother of the prospective groom. (Contributed Photo)

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Al-Anon, Snyder Park Club; noon.

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

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

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

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

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

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers; Trinity United Methodist Church, 5200 Trinity Blvd.; 5 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal bldg.; Hugh Campbell of San Angelo will give a demonstration in oils; Virginia Lowrance, hostess; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with an hour lunch break.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information, call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center; 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd., Suite B; 1-2 p.m.

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-9742.

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA, open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information, call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 10 a.m.

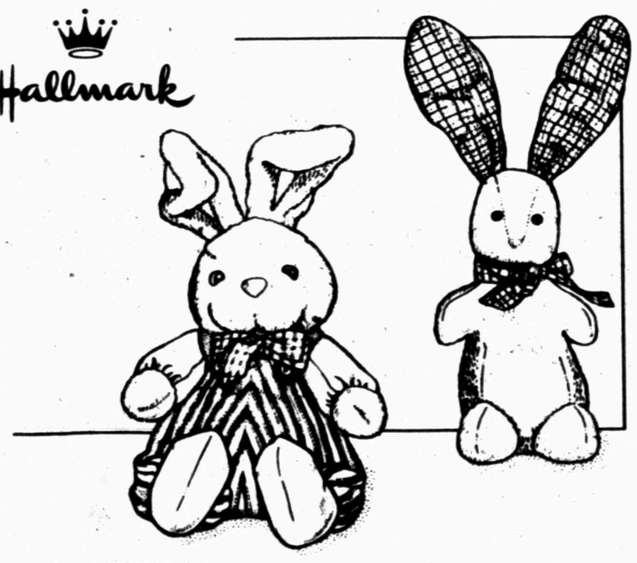
ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

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

Now Hare This!

Save on soft, huggable Easter bunnies. Only ~~$9.99~~ each! $7.50

Hallmark



McWilliams Pharmacy
3708 College Ave. 573-7582

We Lost 71 lbs. & Feel GREAT!
--We Have More Energy
--We Still Eat Whatever We Want
--It's SAFE --It's EASY
--It's NATURAL & IT WORKS!
HELP WANTED
CALL 573-7967



"I was a professional dieter! I tried everything there was for years and gained. I knew I was going to die of a heart attack from being overweight because it runs in my family. Now, not only have I lost the weight, but I am healthier than I've ever been. My knees and back don't ache all the time, my hiatel hernia doesn't flare up and for the first time, I'M IN CONTROL!" --Jim Sartor of Snyder

"I tried other programs, lost *some* weight, but never reached my goal. Now, I went from a size 12 to a 3/4 in 7 weeks and have kept it off for over 1 year! Also, my chronic sinus/allergy problems are under control. The severe headaches and mood swings are gone! I have as much *energy* as my pre-school class and feel better than ever!" --Sharon Sartor of Snyder

CARPET AND MORE...
CARPET · VINYL · WOOD
CERAMIC · MINI BLINDS
WALL COVERING
KITCHEN & BATH CABINETS



Will match any competitor's price
AVAILABLE FOR NEXT DAY INSTALLATION
The Decorator's Center
267-8310
410 E. FM 700 · Big Spring

March Specials
CERAMIC TILE
99¢ sq. ft.
FINANCING AVAILABLE
OPEN MON.-SAT.

Scurry County Service Men & Women

Editor's Note: Citizens are invited to write their servicemen and servicewomen stationed stateside and overseas. Anyone having additions, changes or corrections to the list should submit them in writing to Snyder Daily News, P.O. Box 949, Snyder TX, 79550 or bring them by the office at 3600 College Ave. Sorry, no addresses will be accepted over the telephone.

Marisa Barrera
PFC Barrera, Marisa
263 Mt. Co.
Box 78
Ft. Hood, TX 76544

Joe Bilano Jr.
Lcpl Bilano Jr. Joe USMC
1/1 A Co. Wpns. Plt.
U.I.C. 39712
FPO AP 96609-9712

Scott M. Cole
RM3 Scott M. Cole
USS Safeguard ARS 50
FPO AP 96678-3221

Cole Drum
Delton C. Drum II
2969 Atlantic Blvd
463-29-0621
Apt. 712
Ingleside, TX 78362

Tony & Robin (Rogers) Ferard
Tony & Robin Ferard
1925 D AMA R.D.
AMR
Honolulu, HI 96818

Cory & Jamie Fisher
Cory & Jamie Fisher
9210-S-Hosmer
Apt. B-10
Tacoma, WA 98444

Amadeo Garza
Capt. Amadeo B. Garza
CJSOTF/ILIZDA Complex
Operation
Joint Endeavor
APO AE 09780

Scott & Amy Graham
Scott & Amy Graham
29 Ridgecrest Dr.
Hope Mills, NC 28348

Kenneth Zane Greenwood
Sgt. Kenneth Zane Greenwood
C.Co.-1-72 A.R.
Unit #15074
A.P.O.-A.P.-96224-0338
Korea

Justin Herrington
SR Herrington, Justin C.
456-39-8525
First Division
USS Dubque LPD-8
FPO AP 96663-1711

Ross Hill
Pvt. Hill, Michael R.
ALPHA Co. 10th Signal BT.
10640 South Riva Ridge Loop
Ft. Drum, NY 13602

Quintin L. Kasparek
LCPL Kasparek, Quintin L.
47-016 C Hui Iwa Place
Kanohe, HI 96744

Clinton Albert Lewis
Clinton Albert Lewis
VMAQ4...OOPL

Cherry Point, N.C. 28533-0061
Phone: 252-223-0435
Michael D. Long
Sgt. Michael D. Long
C-Trp 1/4 Cav.
CMR464 Bx. 306
APO AE 09226

Chase Minter
Chase Minter
2821 Saville Garden Way
Virginia Beach, VA 23456

Ed Neeley
St. A Neeley, Edwin
51 MXS
PSC 3 Box 2689
APO AP 96266

Melchor Parra
Melchor Parra
2d Weapons CO. 81 PLT
Camp Pendleton, CA 92055

Greg Pavlik (Air Force)
Lt. Col. Greg Pavlik
15015 Preston Court Drive
San Antonio, Tx. 78247

Michael A. Perez
Michael A. Perez
HHC 2-35 INF. 25 ID
Schofield Barracks, HI 96857

Brad Pilgrim
SRA Brad Pilgrim
40 AS (Det. 1)
Unit 70414 Box 14
APO AE 09882

Mark & Stacy (Wright) Pilgrim
Mark & Stacy Pilgrim
#72 Baer Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89115

Angie Ramirez
Angie Ramirez
Avi Dept. b-4 Div.
USS-Wasp (LHD-1)
FPO AE 90 556-1660

Freddie & Christy Rocha
Lance Cpl. Freddie & Christy Rocha
6675-B Larkspur Ct.
29 Palms, Calif. 92278

Johnathan A. Scott
Scott, Johnathan A. (Adams)
5509 B Langley Way
Bolling AFB DC 20336

Holloman AFB
NM 88330-2657

Roy Tavarez
Roy Tavarez
WPNS Co. 3/3 DRAGONS
MCBH
Kanoehe Bay, HI 96863

W.S. Warren
SSgt. W.S. Warren
PSE 559 PO BX 5530
FPO AP 96377-5530

Daniel Wells
Pvt. E-1 Wells, Daniel A.
B Co. 73d Ord. ETL 1st PLT
Fort Gordon, Ga. 30905

Joe Dan Wilson
Col. Joe Dan Wilson
1302 Pepperidge
O'Fallon, IL 62269

The basic monetary unit of Chad is the franc, and its chief fractional unit is the centime.

Hawaii is the 50th state.

The state bird of Michigan is the robin.

Q&A

What does alcohol do to the mind and body?

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

What does alcohol do to the mind and body?

Some of these effects are immediate; others are created over time. Some of the effects are temporary; others are permanent.

Brain:
- Slows brain activity.
- Causes aggression.
- Difficult to remember or concentrate.
- Reactions are slow.

Lungs:
- Respiratory arrest from Alcohol poisoning.

Heart:
- Heavy drinkers have a higher risk of Heart diseases.

Reproductive System:
- ***Alcohol has devastating effects on unborn children.***

Muscles:
- Throws off coordination.
- Loss of muscle tone due to lack of nutrition.
- Trembling of the muscles is a symptom of a hangover.

Eyes:
- Blurred vision, red, and dry eyes.

Head:
- Dizziness, headache and fatigue are symptoms of a hangover.

Mouth:
- Slurred speech.
- Bad Breath, dry mouth, and excessive thirst.
- Higher risk of developing cancer of the mouth.

Digestive System:
- Nausea and stomachache.
- Stomach bleeding and ulcers.

Physique:
- Gain weight.

Skin:
- Pale and Blotchy.

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

Prom Special
Full Set Acrylic Nails
$25
FOUR DAYS ONLY!
March 24, 25, 26 & 27
Call Kathy at The Hair Station
573-0885 For Appointment
Special Applies To Prom Ladies Only
THE HAIR STATION
Regular Prices
Full Set $35.00, Fills - $25
2005 26th Street
573-0885

In Ashland, Ore.

The play's the thing

ASHLAND, Ore. (AP) — This town was in love with Shakespeare long before there was "Shakespeare in Love."

Ashland is the home of the world-renowned Oregon Shakespeare Festival, which draws lovers of the Bard from all across the land.

What's good for Shakespeare is good for Ashland, and when the Oscars are handed out Sunday night, many of this town's 18,500 residents will be pulling with a passion for "Shakespeare in Love."

"If any town is in love with Shakespeare, it's this town," said Les Jensen, standing at the counter of his Shakespeare & Company bookstore. "We've got over 300 Shakespeare volumes. You have to, in this town."

In Ashland, all the town's a stage, and the play's the thing.

Around this former logging town in the Siskiyou Mountains, strollers on Main Street can look up to see red and gold banners with Shakespeare's name and heraldic lions. Visitors can stay at the Bard's Inn, stop by Puck's Doughnuts for a snack, or get a boost from the All's Well Herb & Vitamin Shop. And at the Varsity Theater on Main, "Shakespeare in Love" — the box-office smash with 13 Academy Award nominations — is playing.

Ashland's love affair with all things Shakespeare began 64 years ago, when college teacher Angus Bowmer staged the first Oregon Shakespeare Festival with productions of "Twelfth Night" and "The Merchant of Venice."

City fathers were so worried no one would show up for plays nearly 400 years old that they demanded boxing matches between performances to guarantee their $400 investment.

All's well that ends well: People showed up — to see the plays, not the boxing — and the crowds have been coming ever since — 354,147 last year, the highest in the nation for a nonprofit professional theater.

Now, every year, from February to November, people flock to 762 performances of 11 plays — four of them Shakespeare and seven contemporary — at the festival's three theaters, including the first Elizabethan-style outdoor theater in the country.

Such names as William Hurt, Stacy Keach and Dick Cavett have passed through the casts over the years, and the festival was honored with a Tony Award for outstanding achievement in regional theater in 1983.

This year, members of the festival company have been trooping up Main Street for screenings of "Shakespeare In Love."

"I saw it four times," beamed Barry Kraft, who has appeared in every one of Shakespeare's plays, a rare feat known as completing the canon. "And I have had no disillusionment. It is able to weave that spell."

The tale of how the Bard came to write "Romeo and Juliet" employs many of Shakespeare's dramatic themes and techniques: first love, mistaken identities, children going against the wishes of their parents, the play within a play, and the deus ex machina, the character who drops in out of nowhere to solve a problem.

"Suddenly, the person of Shakespeare is accessible, instead of this old gray-headed guy on a bust," said festival artistic director Libby Appel, who is not above putting a Burger King crown on Henry V to reach younger audiences.

Playgoers streaming into the Angus Bowmer Theater for a weeknight performance of "Othello" had no trouble explaining the attraction.

"It's kind of boring to read, but when you see it acted out it comes to life," said Jan Smitzer.

COUNTRYPLACE
MERLE NORMAN
COSMETIC STUDIOS
573-1817
Florist
AFS Wire Service
Registry
Gifts
Collectables

'Bride & Groom'
Shawn Purcell & Jason Miller
Amber Duncan & Darrell Campbell
Keely Willmon & Nathan Williams
Shelly Englert & Whitney Bradberry
Amanda Berry & Tony Steelman
Machea Chaney & Gabriel Hernandez
Sunshine Johnston & Wesley Davis
Katy Cooper & Shane Beauchamp
Tamara Byrd & Brian Crawford
Brea Hensley & Ricky Post
Charlene Carnes & Blair Williams
Haley Boaz & Steven Ratliff
Olivia Madrid & Anthony Alvarez III
Denise Thompson & Leddie Lewis
Samantha Boyd & Jimmy Campbell
Susan Gauntt & Alexander Brice
Monica Rosson & Scott Squiers
Kimberley Loeffler & David Krenek

'Baby Shower'
Cliff & Sandi Price
Sofia Nuristani

Free Setups, Call In Orders Welcome, Decorated With Personal Touch
Full Service Floral - Fresh & Silk
•Tuxedo Rentals•
4213 College Ave 915-573-1817 Snyder Visa Discover MasterCard

Hanes®
HOSIERY
SALE
25% Off
Thru March 27th
-H-
Family Outfitters
Store Hours:
M-F 9-6; , Sat. 9-5:30
3219 College Ave.
Snyder, Texas
Phone 573-6763

Union loses to tobacco industry in Ohio suit

AKRON, Ohio (AP) — The embattled tobacco industry has picked up a big win in federal court, with jurors rejecting a $2 billion lawsuit accusing cigarette makers of unfairly targeting blue-collar workers.

The jury sifted through three weeks of testimony and thousands of documents before concluding Thursday that the tobacco industry hadn't concealed the dangers of smoking from the public since 1954.

"This jury's verdict should send a loud message that these lawsuits have no factual basis," said Gregory Little, a lawyer for Philip Morris.

The class-action lawsuit was brought by 114 Ohio union health funds in an attempt to recoup the costs of treating workers' smoking-related illnesses.

It was the first of at least 14 such lawsuits around the nation to go to trial. Two similar lawsuits are set to go to jury trials this year in Washington and New York, Little said.

Patrick Coughlin, attorney for the union health funds, said he was disappointed by the jury, which deliberated for two days before ruling for the tobacco industry on all counts.

"It's hard to understand how somebody could look at all that activity and then say that's all right or that didn't impact millions and millions of people," he said. "It's tough to lose this case, but there will be more."

Several similar cases have been thrown out around the country, with some judges saying the unions have no legal standing unless they file separate lawsuits on behalf of every smoker.

The tobacco industry came to a $206 billion legal settlement with states in November, but cigarette makers still face class-action lawsuits and individual lawsuits by smokers.

The industry has been ordered to pay damages in only four liability cases brought by smokers, and three verdicts were thrown out on appeal. The fourth, a $51.5 million award last month for a former three-pack-a-day smoker in California, is being appealed.

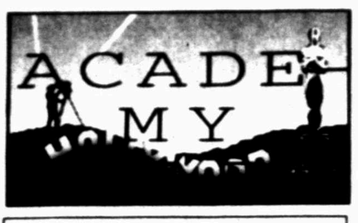
"Enough is enough. It's time to stop kicking the tobacco industry. Smokers make their own choices in the way they choose their lifestyles," said Robert Weber, a lawyer for R.J. Reynolds, another defendant in the Ohio case.

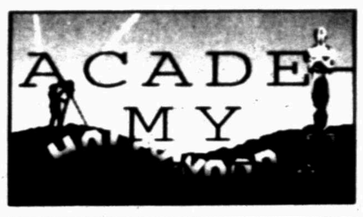
The health funds were led by Iron Workers Local Union No. 17 Insurance Fund, which brought the case in 1997.

The industry was accused by the health funds of using promotional gimmicks and images such as Joe Camel and the Marlboro Man, "aware that people with lower incomes and less education are more susceptible to the advertising," said Mike Withey, lead attorney for the plaintiffs.

The tobacco companies contended there was nothing illegal about their ad campaigns and disputed the idea that blue-workers were more likely to be swayed by them.

Liggett Group chief executive Bennett LeBow testified during that trial how he broke ranks with other companies by admitting publicly that nicotine is addictive, smoking causes cancer and cigarette makers target adolescents with their advertising.





BEST PICTURE
1983 "Terms of Endearment"
1984 "Amadeus"
1985 "Out of Africa"
1986 "Platoon"
1987 "The Last Emperor"
1988 "Rain Man"
1989 "Driving Miss Daisy"
1990 "Dances With Wolves"
1991 "The Silence of the Lambs"
1992 "Unforgiven"
1993 "Schindler's List"
1994 "Forrest Gump"
1995 "Braveheart"
1996 "The English Patient"
1997 "Titanic"

BEST PICTURE
- ☐ "Elizabeth"
- ☐ "Life Is Beautiful"
- ☐ "Saving Private Ryan"
- ☐ "Shakespeare in Love"
- ☐ "The Thin Red Line"

BEST ACTOR
1983 Robert Duvall, "Tender Mercies"
1984 F. Murray Abraham, "Amadeus"
1985 William Hurt, "Kiss of the Spider Woman"
1986 Paul Newman, "The Color of Money"
1987 Michael Douglas, "Wall Street"
1988 Dustin Hoffman, "Rain Man"
1989 Daniel Day-Lewis, "My Left Foot"
1990 Jeremy Irons, "Reversal of Fortune"
1991 Anthony Hopkins, "The Silence of the Lambs"
1992 Al Pacino, "Scent of a Woman"
1993 Tom Hanks, "Philadelphia"
1994 Tom Hanks, "Forrest Gump"
1995 Nicolas Cage, "Leaving Las Vegas"
1996 Geoffrey Rush, "Shine"
1997 Jack Nicholson, "As Good As It Gets"

BEST ACTOR
- ☐ Roberto Benigni, "Life Is Beautiful"
- ☐ Tom Hanks, "Saving Private Ryan"
- ☐ Ian McKellen, "Gods and Monsters"
- ☐ Nick Nolte, "Affliction"
- ☐ Edward Norton, "American History X"

BEST ACTRESS
1983 Shirley MacLaine, "Terms of Endearment"
1984 Sally Field, "Places in the Heart"
1985 Geraldine Page, "The Trip to Bountiful"
1986 Marlee Matlin, "Children of a Lesser God"
1987 Cher, "Moonstruck"
1988 Jodie Foster, "The Accused"
1989 Jessica Tandy, "Driving Miss Daisy"
1990 Kathy Bates, "Misery"
1991 Jodie Foster, "The Silence of the Lambs"
1992 Emma Thompson, "Howards End"
1993 Holly Hunter, "The Piano"
1994 Jessica Lange, "Blue Sky"
1995 Susan Sarandon, "Dead Man Walking"
1996 Frances McDormand, "Fargo"
1997 Helen Hunt, "As Good As It Gets"

BEST ACTRESS
- ☐ Cate Blanchett, "Elizabeth"
- ☐ Fernanda Montenegro, "Central Station"
- ☐ Gwyneth Paltrow, "Shakespeare in Love"
- ☐ Meryl Streep, "One True Thing"
- ☐ Emily Watson, "Hilary and Jackie"

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR
- ☐ James Coburn, "Affliction"
- ☐ Robert Duvall, "A Civil Action"
- ☐ Ed Harris, "The Truman Show"
- ☐ Geoffrey Rush, "Shakespeare in Love"
- ☐ Billy Bob Thornton, "A Simple Plan"

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS
- ☐ Kathy Bates, "Primary Colors"
- ☐ Brenda Blethyn, "Little Voice"
- ☐ Judi Dench, "Shakespeare in Love"
- ☐ Rachel Griffiths, "Hilary and Jackie"
- ☐ Lynn Redgrave, "Gods and Monsters"

BEST DIRECTOR
- ☐ Roberto Benigni, "Life Is Beautiful"
- ☐ Steven Spielberg, "Saving Private Ryan"
- ☐ John Madden, "Shakespeare in Love"
- ☐ Terrence Malick, "The Thin Red Line"
- ☐ Peter Weir, "The Truman Show"

Public Records

New Vehicle Registrations

Ron Martinez, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Chad Etheredge, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Sandi and P.C. Stokes, 1999 Ford van from Wilson Motors.

Delores Sharp, 1999 Lincoln from Wilson Motors.

Scott Morris, 1999 Lincoln Navigator from Wilson Motors.

Darrell and Becky Craig, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Steve Phillips, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Mike Crunk, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Altex Landscape, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Susie D. Flores, 1999 Dodge pickup from Snyder Chrysler.

Maurice Herridge, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Bill Melson, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Dennis Wyatt, 1999 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Marciano Morales Jr., 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

T.C. Herrera, 1998 Mercury from Wilson Motors.

Morris Chandler, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Rush and Virginia Neff, 1999 Cadillac from Big Country Autoland.

George Womack, 19899 GMC Yukon from Big Country Autoland.

Automotive Rentals, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Julie and Jeffery Barlett, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Richard Wright, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Bobby Morris, 1999 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Marriage License

Gregory Howard Jones and Courtney Caye Landon, both of Snyder.

Joel Vernon Nesmith and Isabel Hernandez Rios, both of Snyder.

Jose Juan Ruiz and Tina Michelle Tavarez, both of Snyder.

Action in District Court

Scurry County vs. Forrest W. Beavers, et al, order of dismissal.

Scurry County vs. Robyn Elaine Garrett Johnson, et al, order of dismissal.

In the marriage of Lori L. Bilbrey and Glenn D. Bilbrey, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Trevlyn Dane Pitner and Patti Ann Pitner, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Kathryn JoAnn Johnson and Kenneth Allen Johnson Jr., divorce granted.

In the marriage of Misty Dawn Collier and Roy Marvin Collier II, divorce granted.

Deed Records

Dorothy M. Browning to Wanda R. Turner, Cleone V. Stephens and Douglas L. Brunson, the west one-half of Lot 4 in Block 39 of the Blankenship Addition.

Bobby Day to All Saints Episcopal School of Lubbock Inc., Lots 14, 16, 18, 20, 22E, 23 and 6B of Round Top Acres, a sudivision of Sections 185 and 186 in Block 3, H&HN survey.

Opal Dee Rambo to Opal Dee Rambo, Trustee of the Opal Dee Rambo Family Revocable Trust, all of Lot 12 in Block 10 of the Highlands Addition.

William L. and Shari M. Cotton to Robert E. Fowler, tract one being Lot 1 and the west 35 feet of Lot 2 in Block 16 of the Wilmeth Addition; tract two being the east 15 feet of Lot 2 and the west 10 feet of Lot 3 in Block 16 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Jerry W. Hatfield to Vince Hatfield, all of the southeast one-quarter of Section 144, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Regina E. Rhodes to Mark S. Graham, all of Lot 3 of the Roundtop Acres Subdivision of Sections 185 and 186 in Block 3, H&GN survey.

Charles William Harrell, independent executor of the estate of Fay Harrell, to Kathy Harrell Voss and Becky Harrell Hale, tract one being Section 147 in Block 2, H&TC survey; tract two being Section 148, Block 2, H&TC survey.

Lynda Mize Tolleson and Vicki Mize Kallemeyn, individually and as co-independent executrices of the estate of Mary Sue Mize, to Jack W. and Libby Whitworth, all of Lot 2 in Block 4 of the Correction of the Bassridge Addition.

Minding Your Own Business

By Don Taylor



An "Etch a Sketch" Approach to Life

When I was a boy — sometime between the great flood and the Vietnam conflict — one of my favorite pastimes was a bright red plastic toy called an Etch a Sketch. It was a magic toy for a boy with a creative mind.

You could draw cars, tractors and houses. You could create intricate and complex patterns, mazes and shapes. Or, you could write your name in cursive.

The beauty of the Etch a Sketch was that if you didn't like what you created, you could simply turn it upside down and shake it and all the lines and squiggles would disappear. In an instant you had a clean screen with which to begin the process anew.

Not long ago, I heard someone mention getting a fresh start on life. "I wish I could just start over and erase all my mistakes," the person said. I remembered the Etch a Sketch.

The more I thought about the "if-only-life-were-like-an-Etch-a-Sketch" concept, the more I realized it can be just that way. You can turn your life upside down and shake it. We have the power to erase our past and create a new picture of our future.

Erase Your Past

•Erase past failures. Elbert Hubbard said, "There is no failure except in no longer trying." The very best way to eliminate past shortcomings and flops is to put all your energy and effort into a new quest for success. Draw a new picture of fullness and accomplishment. Draw that picture first in your mind, then in your actions.

•Erase past feelings. There is little you can do that will cause your own self-destruction any more surely than harboring hard feelings toward others. Hatred is self-punishment. You do little harm to those you hate. Draw a new picture of forgiveness. Forgiveness is not only Divine, it is also emotional freedom. When you erase negative feelings, you make room for happy and constructive thoughts.

•Erase past frustrations. One of life's best moments is to reach middle age and realize that you have had little effect on the world around you. We may reach for happiness only to find hurt. However, we can shake our frustrations from our Etch a Sketch life. Replace your frustrations by helping others. Don't knock it, just try it.

•Erase past friendships. Please read this very carefully. There are two kinds of friends: those who pull you down and those who lift you up. Erase only those friends who would drag you down. Erase those friends whose habits and actions distract you from achieving your goals. Draw a new picture by nurturing those friendships where both of you promote goodness and happiness in the other.

•Erase past fears. The words of Franklin D. Roosebelt often come to mind where we consider our fears. Roosevelt said: "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself — nameless, unreasoning, unjustified terror which paralyzes needed efforts to convert retreat into advance." Draw a new picture by facing your fears and turning those retreat areas in your life into advance. Once you conquer a fear, you'll have to deal with it again.

•Erase all falsehoods. The biggest problem with liars is this: No one believes them even if they are telling the truth. Thomas Jefferson said, "Truth is the first chapter in the book of wisdom." If you would be wise, draw a new picture of your life with truth. While this concept is too simple for some to grasp, telling the truth brings great comfort and peace. Truth brings confidence. Truth is always at ease.

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

Yasser Arafat to visit Canada

OTTAWA (AP) — Palestinian Leader Yasser Arafat will make his first trip to Canada next week.

Prime Minister Jean Chretien said Arafat will visit him Wednesday, accepting an invitation first extended in 1993.

Arafat is also scheduled to meet Trade Minister Sergio Marchi, Foreign Minister Lloyd Axworthy and International Cooperation Minister Diane Marleau.

For Results Use Snyder Daily News Classified Ads 573-5486

ASC T
Boutonniere Corsage

$39.95 & Up
PROM
Tuxedo RENTAL
COUNTRYPLACE
Florist 573-1817 Gifts
4213 College Ave. Snyder, Texas

Cash in on a Great Weekend.
Abilene VIP GETAWAY card
The savings are such a steal, you'll need a Getaway card.
Save big this weekend with the Abilene VIP Getaway card. The Getaway card opens your account to big discounts and fun in Abilene. From shopping to entertainment, hotels to restaurants, this card is money in the bank. Call 1(800)727-7704 and we'll send you a free card. Then get to Abilene and cash in on a great weekend.
ABILENE
Call 1(800)727-7704 and get away with savings!
Cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer or discount. Offer valid til December 1999.
Getaway Merchants
Cypress Street · Mall of Abilene · Abilene Aviators · Embassy Suites
Royal Inn · Holiday Inn Express · Budget Host Colonial Inn

CULLIFER'S COLORS
GREENHOUSE
Now Open For Spring Sales
Petunias * Dianthus * Verbena * Snapdragons
Impatiens * Marigolds * Periwinkles * Gazanias
Only 99 cents a 4 pack
PLUS OTHER GREAT BUYS ON
Geraniums * Begonias * Moss Rose * Alyssum
Perennials * Herbs * Tomato & Pepper Plants
Beautiful Hanging Baskets & Lots More
Located 3 Miles East of Ira on FM 1606 * 573-4479
Open Mon-Fri 1pm to 6pm, Sat 9am to 6pm, Sun 1pm to 6pm

City-county consolidation may save tax dollars

EL PASO (AP) — Why spend taxpayer money on separate training academies for police and sheriff's officers when you could just have one? Why have two purchasing departments, two road and bridge departments, two graffiti wipeout programs?

Those are the questions being raised by proponents of merging city and county governments in some of Texas' largest counties.

Some leaders in cities such as San Antonio, El Paso, Austin and Laredo favor city-county consolidation, saying the current system is inefficient and outdated.

"The reason is simple: It saves money by avoiding duplication of services," said El Paso businessman Larry Peterson, a member of a local commission studying the issue.

"We're a poor community," he said. "Our tax rates are maxed out to what this population can bear. So we're certainly looking for ways to save money."

Advocates say it's impossible to calculate the savings for an average taxpayer at this early stage, but they point to the results in other consolidated American communities such as Nashville, Tenn., which has had a metropolitan government since 1963.

Cecil D. Branstetter, a Nashville attorney who helped draft the metropolitan charter 36 years ago, estimates that taxes would be at least one-third higher today if the governments there had not been consolidated.

"One government is just so much more efficient," Branstetter said.

Metropolitan-government proponents in Texas have been seeking advice from Branstetter and his counterparts in other consolidated communities such as Jacksonville, Fla.

"We're not reinventing the wheel here. We have empirical evidence of how great this can be," said Bill Sinkin, a San Antonian who chairs the Citizens for the Right to Vote, a group pushing the issue.

Sinkin said consolidation supporters in San Antonio estimate savings of 3 percent to 5 percent of their consolidated budget of $1.3 billion.

The concept is a popular one in San Antonio and El Paso, where it's been bounced around for many years. In El Paso, both the City Council and Commissioners Court recently adopted resolutions supporting consolidated government.

And it's proved to be a nonpartisan issue — Democrats and Republicans are working together on it.

For any city and county to merge, the Texas Legislature and Texas voters first must approve a constitutional amendment. Then voters in that district would have to give the OK.

Legislation permitting such mergers in counties with at least 100,000 residents is pending. Still, previous efforts to allow consolidation have died in the Legislature.

"While most of the polls that have been taken show that the public is very interested in pursuing it, some of the politicians have not wanted to give the public that choice," said Bexar County Judge Cyndi Krier, who supports letting voters choose their type of local government.

Opposition has come from county auditors, clerks and constables who worry that restructuring the government could put them out of work.

Some employees on the front lines are skeptical about whether consolidation would really save money.

Piti Vasquez, director of the El Paso County purchasing department, said the only savings from merging his department with the city's would come from dumping one of the directors. He said a consolidated purchasing department would need the same number of employees.

"It might save some money, but I don't know the extent of the savings," Vasquez said. "It wouldn't be millions."

Others contend that merging governments is just not necessary, pointing out that many services could be consolidated through local agreements between city and county officials.

"If the cities are truly looking to save money, there are some measures they can take right now, but they haven't," said Harold Oliver, legislative assistant for Sen. Frank Madla, D-San Antonio.

For example, Oliver said, the police and sheriff's departments could work together on bids for squad cars, police radios and weapons and share a car maintenance shop.

Four years ago, a San Antonio commission devised a list of 35 areas which could be consolidated without a constitutional amendment. So far, only three departments have been merged.

"After these have been implemented for a year or two, let's see if we are saving money," Oliver said.

But Sinkin said the problem with the so-called "interlocal agreements" is that they are only temporary and nearly impossible to obtain because of power struggles between city and county officials.

He and other consolidation supporters remain hopeful, noting that for the first time, all of the interested cities have joined forces.

Advocates from several cities have had meetings and teleconferences to discuss the issue, and some helped draft legislation introduced in late February.

The proposed constitutional amendment sponsored by Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio, and Rep. Robert Puente, D-San Antonio, would allow local voters to decide what kind of local government they want. They could choose to merge the city and county governments or eliminate one or the other.

"I'm not pushing a specific form of local government, I just think they ought to be able to decide," Wentworth said.

Each community would decide how to assess taxes. One option would be to create two taxing districts, one for urban residents and one for rural residents.

To pass, the amendment must be approved by two-thirds of the Senate and House. Then it would be placed on the November ballot.

EOTT Energy names executive vice president

HOUSTON — EOTT Energy Partners, L.P. (EOTT) announced Friday that Dana R. Gibbs has been named executive vice president, commercial. His responsibilities will include seven newly formed regional business centers focusing on crude oil gathering and transportation east of the Rockies.

Gibbs previously served as vice president of global trading for Enron Capital & Trade Resources (ECT) and was responsible for crude oil, products, natural gas liquids, petrochemical and plastics trading activities worldwide, as well as Enron's fuel management activities.

Gibbs joined Enron in 1992 as vice president and controller for ECT. Over the past six years, he assumed roles in trading controls, risk management of commercial transaction structure activities, and domestic and international trading.

Berry's World



Cookin' the book

Plumber gets into trouble

SEATTLE (AP) — Nolan West knew he was breaking the rules. But immortality called.

After finishing his workday Monday installing beer lines at the Seattle Mariners' new stadium, Safeco Field, West grabbed his ball and bat and headed for the field.

There, he had a friend videotape him as he tossed the ball in the air, hit it and raced around the bases, sliding headfirst into home plate without ever losing his hard hat.

The 39-year-old plumber had apparently just made the first "hit" in the new baseball stadium. He dropped off the video at a local TV station, which aired his feat.

History notwithstanding, his employer was not amused. West was cut loose two days short of finishing the $30-an-hour, 10-day job.

"Everybody got really upset, telling me, 'This is not your playground,'" West said Thursday.

Only groundskeepers are allowed on the field.

Nutrition By Ed Blonz, PH.D.

How can I combat jet lag?

By Ed Blonz, Ph.D.

CORRECTION: In last week's column, the calcium requirement for adult men 65 and older was listed as 500 milligrams per day; it should have been listed as 1,500 milligrams of calcium per day. We apologize for any confusion this may have caused.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I will be traveling to visit family in Ireland, and I am concerned about jet lag. I've heard that melatonin gets rid of jet lag — is this true? Are there any risks or side effects to taking it? If I take it, can I still have a drink or two on the plane? Please let me know; I hate flying, and don't need anything else to worry about! Is there anything else I should do in preparation for my trip? — F.F., Chicago

DEAR F.F.: The body expects routine events — such as waking, eating and sleeping — to take place at about the same time every day. Even bodily events like blood pressure, body temperature, heart rate and urine excretion have distinct daily rhythms. Those that cycle on a 24-hour basis are called circadian rhythms ("circa" = about, "dian" = day), but there are those that occur at weekly, monthly, yearly and other intervals as well.

Whenever we travel eastward or westward across three or more time zones, these rhythms end up in disarray, and the resulting condition is called "jet lag." Aside from not being able to sleep when you want to, symptoms include a general malaise and lightheadedness — similar to what one might experience after pulling an all-nighter when studying for college exams. As Ireland is six time zones away from Chicago, jet lag is likely to be an unwelcome guest on your trip.

Will melatonin help? Melatonin, a hormone produced by the pea-sized pineal gland that is located in the center of the head, is thought to be a key player in the control of body rhythms. The release of melatonin is stimulated by darkness and inhibited by light. The rationale behind taking melatonin supplements for jet lag is that the hormone will cajole the body into a more rapid shift to the new time zone.

There is some research to support this, but it is inconsistent at best. For most people, there is little danger in trying melatonin; most studies note an absence in adverse effects, especially where small dosages (3 milligrams per day) and short-term use is involved. For those on medication, it is always best to touch base with a doctor to make sure there will be no problems.

The idea behind melatonin is to take it approximately 45 minutes prior to the desired sleep time at your destination the day before your departure (or during your flight) and the first few days after arrival. As melatonin can cause sleepiness, avoid taking it if you need to operate a motor vehicle.

Is there anything else you can do? Well, aside from the passage of time, there are no reliable methods to hasten adjustment to a new time zone. Although some adapt rapidly, it is said that it can take up to a day to shift body rhythms one hour. Some are able to hasten the process by remaining awake as long as possible, so that they will be totally exhausted when it is time to sleep at their destination's time zone.

Then there's the possibility of trying to retain the sleep-wake cycle of your home time zone. This works if you don't travel very far (four to six time zones), your visit is short and you have a flexible daytime schedule. Conversely, you can help tweak your system in the right direction by beginning to shift your waking, eating and sleeping cycles toward your destination's time zone in the days prior to your departure.

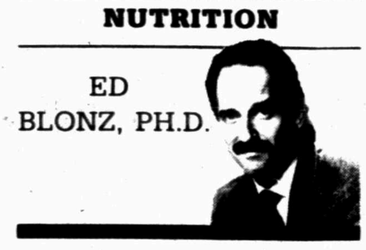
In regard to drinking during the flight, common wisdom says to avoid alcohol and caffeinated beverages when travelling. It's not that alcohol is harmful per se, but it can disrupt your sleep/wake cycles and slow your adaptation to the new time zone. If you are a morning coffee drinker, have your "morning" coffee at the hour that corresponds to morning at your destination. Drink plenty of water during your flight, and once you arrive, be sure to start the day with a high-protein breakfast, as the amino acids in protein can help stimulate alertness. Then get a good dose of sunshine and bright lights during the daytime to further convince your body that the times have changed. Have a great trip!

Send questions to: "On Nutrition," Ed Blonz, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. For e-mail, address inquiries to: ed@blonz.com. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

Ed Blonz, Ph.D., is a nutrition scientist and the author of "Power Nutrition" (Signet, 1998) and the "Your Personal Nutritionist" book series (Signet, 1996).

©1999 NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN

NUTRITION



Hop In And Save!

Big Spring Mall

1801 E. FM 700 • Big Spring, Texas 79720 • 915 / 267-3853

Welcomes Snyder
And The Surrounding
Community To Come
Shop With Us!

Do you know Dr. Stokes?

Gene Stokes, M.D.

Internal Medicine
& Gastroenterology Services

Dr. Stokes welcomes the opportunity to serve his patients in general health care as well as the following fields:

Abdominal Pain, Ulcers, Gallstones, Diarrhea, Constipation, Hepatitis, Pancreatitis, Endoscopy, Colon Cancer Screening, ERCP, Liver Biopsy, Removal of Intestinal Polyps, Asthma, Hypertension, Heart Disease, Bronchitis

Snyder Multi-Specialty Clinic
1805 27th Street
Call for appointment
574-1300



Deanie Francis Mills

I know something about happiness

After having endured the worst year in my career and one of the most difficult and stressful of my life, (which includes a crippling depression that lasted almost six months), I believe I've learned a thing or two about happiness.

It's not as elusive as we think.

In our fast-paced, achievement-oriented society, somehow or another the state of happiness became elevated to a condition for which one strives. We seem to think that it is a level to be reached, like a plateau or a peak one climbs to on the way to the top of Mount Everest. We rest on that plateau, so the mythology goes, and we think to ourselves that we are happy and that the only thing better would be Heaven.

And if our lives are particularly difficult for a time, we might look around us and think, "I'm not happy. I think I'll get a divorce." Or, "The kids aren't happy in this school. Perhaps we should move." Or, "I'm not happy in this job. It's time to quit."

Granted, there are definitely times when a divorce might be the best possible way to deal with an abusive spouse or some other dire problem. And there are certainly times when a particular work atmosphere has us so ground down that we must look elsewhere before our soul dies. We know, in our hearts, when such a time comes. In such situations, or when dealing with a very troubled child or elderly parent or any other unbearable delimma, it may be necessary to take a leap of faith and change our lives.

Obviously, I'm not talking about that.

What I'm talking about are life passages; times when we feel mostly dissatisfied with our lots in life, or times when an unexpected disaster (think drought or oilfield shut down), has us in a downward spiral of despair. We think to ourselves that we may never be happy again. Maybe we look back on a carefree time in our lives like college or high school, and think that happiness seems to be reserved for the very young or the very rich and fortunate.

But a cold-eyed look at the truth shows just the opposite. Suicide rates are very high for young people, who lack the maturity and ability to look beyond their present pain and know that it will pass. And for every Horatio Alger story of someone poor and downtrodden who over came all odds to see their dreams come true — there are ten stories of people born into privilege and wealth who never knew a happy day in their lives and die sick, bitter and alone in their palatial mansions — if they didn't fling themselves into an early death by reckless, addictive behaviors.

Although more can definitely make life easier — as anyone who's experienced a reversal in fortunes can tell us — it really has nothing at all to do with happiness. The late Linda McCartney once said, "It takes very little to make me happy. I guess that's why I've always had so much." She and her multi-millionaire rock star husband, Paul McCartney, raised their four childten in a small stone cottage out in the country, surrounded by animals, and sent them to public schools in the local village. Their 33-year marriage, before her death a year ago from breast cancer, was famous simply for being happy.

No, happiness is not some sort of state that we achieve through financial gain or career success or yoga and meditation. In fact, it's not a state of mind at all.

It's a moment.

A single moment that you recognize right then — not later when it has passed — as being happy. You think to yourself, "There is no place else I would rather be in the entire world than right here, right now."

Such a moment trembles on our consciousness like a precious dewdrop on a leaf, a perfect little globlet that reflects the entire world.

I like why my husband's dream-girl, the irrepresible, bubbly, and everlastingly beautiful actress Goldie Hawn, says: "You make a choice. You wake up in the morning and you make a choice. You either pack it in and decide that life is awful or you take your moments and invest in them, honor them, honor yourself; and live them to the fullest."

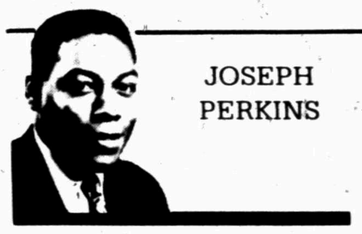
I take such moments and I imprint them into my mind like snapshots, to be taken out and savored during the bad times. I think to myself, "That was a perfect moment." I cherish them, I remember that I had them, and I trust that there will be more.

And when they happen, I am awaked and aware and I think, "THIS ... is a moment."

Last night my daughter, Jessica, and her great good friend from college, Amanda, drove up from Amanda's parent's home in Houston to spend a couple of days here during their spring break. My son was home too. We sat around the living room for hours (television off), and swapped funny stories, howling with laughter until it hurt.

We were all together again, in our home. The cats were curled up in welcome laps, and the talk and laughter and love rang out across the darkened pastures surrounding our little house like the warm toll of a church bell. I sat there gazing at the dear shining faces around me here at the tag-end of the worst year in my career and one of the most stressful and difficult years in my life, and I thought, "This is a moment. This is happiness."

Deanie Francis Mills' column appears each week in the Snyder Daily News



JOSEPH PERKINS

Chinese spies smuggling U.S. 'goods'

Yao Yi, a Chinese spy masquerading as a "businessman," was arrested in San Diego last week after buying militarily sensitive technology which he planned to ship to his Communist homeland. Yao is accused of attempting to smuggle fiber-optic gyroscopes out of the United States. While this technology has civilian applications, it can also be used to improve the aims of missiles, smart bombs and tank turrets.

Accordingly, gyroscopes appear on the State Department's munition list, requiring a license before export.

Yao claims that he purchased the gyroscopes on behalf of a Chinese university, which supposedly is working on some kind of railroad project. But that doesn't explain his request to federal undercover agents to help him falsify export documents.

It was against the backdrop of Yao's apprehension that Secretary of State Madeleine Albright was in Beijing.

To Albright's credit, she dispensed with the Clinton administration's usual rhetoric about how far Sino-American relations have come in recent years. About the best thing she could say about her Chinese visit was how pleased she was with the "depth and ease" of their discussions.

In other words, Chinese officials did not go ballistic as they usually do whenever the U.S. challenges Beijing on, say, its human-rights abuses or its unfair trade practices or its provocative missile buildup.

Maybe the Communists were "deep" and "easy" because they were sheepish about the arrest of one of their spies. Maybe they didn't want to get Albright so riled that she might actually encourage the administration to crack down on the network of Chinese spies operating in the United States.

Indeed, a coming report prepared by U.S. Rep. Christopher Cox, R-Newport Beach, says that the Chinese have set up a number of front companies — like Yao's firm, Lions Photonics — to acquire U.S. technology and export it back to China for use by the Red Army. The Cox report also offers persuasive evidence that Chinese spies actually operated out of federal laboratories during the 1980s, passing on to Beijing classified information about laser technology and nuclear warheads.

Despite this unsettling report, despite the recent arrest of the Chinese spy, a number of foreign policy "experts" in this country continue to apologize for China ("their history, their culture, their political system are different than ours"), continue to insist that the United States should do business no differently with China than it does with other, more friendly nations.

Indeed, these China accommodations actually blame the United States for the $60 billion trade surplus that Beijing has run up at American expense (by way of import tariffs, domestic-content requirements, licensing restrictions and other protectionist measures).

They say that the reason for the Chinese-American trade imbalance is that the United States doesn't want to sell the Chinese what they want to buy, like fiber-optic gyroscopes and satellites.

This is a facile argument, one that borders on the dangerous. Of all the goods and services that the United States produces, it is absurd to suggest the only ones of export value to China are those that happen to be on the State Department's munitions list. Unless, of course, the primary target of U.S. exporters is the Chinese military.

Now if U.S. exporters are targeting China's 1.2 billion consumers — which they should — there is all manner of goods and services they can proffer, from food to medicine to automobiles to cellular phones. And not one of these U.S. products is militarily sensitive.

The United States has talked tough, but done nothing about China's human-rights abuses. It has looked the other way as Beijing has run up the largest trade surplus (as a percentage of trade volume) of any of this country's trading partners (including Japan).

But the United States cannot continue to ignore China's attempts to acquire sensitive, military-applicable technology through its network of spies and smugglers. Otherwise, the Communists in Beijing will succeed where the Communists in the Soviet Union failed.

That is, to make true V.I. Lenin's prophecy: "The capitalists will sell us the rope with which to hang them."



Tell Them

WHAT'S UP?

State Representative
DAVID COUNTS
Call: (512) 463-0480 1-800-308-2769
Fax: (512) 482-9210
Write: P.O. Box 2910
Capitol Office EZ.904
Austin, Texas 78768-2910

State Senator
TOM HAYWOOD
Call: (512) 463-0130
Fax: (512) 463-0155
Write: P.O. Box 12068
Austin, Texas 78768-2910

U.S. Representative
CHARLIE STENHOLM
Call: (202) 225-6605
Fax: (202) 225-2234
Write: 1211 Longworth
Wash D.C., 20515

U.S. Senator
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON
Call: (202) 224-5922
Fax: (202) 224-0776
Write: Room 284
Russel Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C. 20510

U.S. Senator
PHIL GRAMM
Call: (202) 224-2934
Fax: (202) 228-2856
Write: Room 370
Russel Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C. 20510

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Making the grade

Houston Chronicle on making the grade with potential employers:

"Making Academics Count" is the theme of an intriguing national campaign launched by the National Alliance of Business. By July the campaign aims to have 10,000 employers across the nation asking for and using school records in making hiring decisions.

The ultimate goal, of course, is to send the message to all students that "yes, school counts."

In a recent report entitled "Reality Check," the organization Public Agenda surveyed high school students and found that 84 percent of them said they would work harder if they knew employers would look at their transcripts.

To date, more than 3,000 employers have begun asking for school records. The benefits have been shown to cut both ways — helping both the employers and the students.

In Kingsport, Tenn., for example, the Eastman Chemical Co. uses school records. The failure rate of entry-level employees is now at an industry low, according to the National Alliance of Business, and eighth-grade enrollment in higher-level math courses has doubled in the last three years.

An analysis of the program has been commissioned by the federal Equal Opportunity Employment Commission to ensure that it is conducted within the bounds of labor law and materials have been made available to help communities, employers and educators prepare for and implement the program.

The program results from a partnership among the Alliance, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the American Federation of Teachers, the Business Roundtable, the National Education Association and a number of other organizations. Information is available on line (www.makeacademicscount.org).

This seems to be another constructive way the business community can contribute to the task that should involve all of us -- making education better for the future work force of the nation.

Dangerous drivers

Amarillo Globe-News

A report released Monday by the Surface Transportation Project is not a report in which a city or state wants to earn a high ranking.

Unfortunately, Amarillo, Oklahoma and New Mexico earned top 20 rankings.

The nationwide study concerning traffic deaths related to aggressive driving revealed troubling statistics.

Amarillo ranks 14th in the state in the number of deaths related to aggressive driving with 15 such deaths in 1996, or 8.55 deaths per 100,000 residents. The troubling aspect of these numbers is Amarillo, which ranked 73rd in the nation for deaths per 100,000 residents, ranked higher than much larger cities such as San Antonio, Houston, El Paso and the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

Corpus Christi had the highest rate in the state at 11.38 deaths per 100,000.

On a state scale, Oklahoma ranked fifth in the nation with 448 deaths attributed to aggressive driving in 1996, which represented 13.6 deaths per 100,000 residents. South Carolina was ranked first with 15.1 deaths related to aggressive driving per 100,000 in 1996. New Mexico was sixth at 12.9 deaths per 100,000 people.

Aggressive driving is not limited to acts of road rage, which often result in violence. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration defines aggressive driving as speeding, tailgating, improper lane changes and running stop signals.

The reasoning behind the rates for Amarillo, Oklahoma and New Mexico include a lack of public transportation, an expanse of highways and smaller levels of congestion that can slow traffic speed.

Whatever the reasons, the numbers are alarming and represent a disturbing trend on the area's roads and highways.

Fortunately, there are positive aspects to the report. Possible solutions to the problem are not difficult to identify — obey existing traffic laws, drive defensively rather than aggressively and, perhaps most importantly, slow down.

Being a few minutes late to work is a much better alternative than ending up as another traffic fatality statistic.

Cable TV deregulation

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Trust us. We won't take advantage. Trust us, say the soon-to-be-unregulated monopolies. We won't get greedy and raise our rates through the roof. Trust us, say the cable television companies.

For the time being, at least, the 65 million households in this country that subscribe to cable TV will have no choice but to trust them. At the end of this month, the cable television industry will shed nearly all vestiges of federal regulation.

That means that cable companies will be free to raise their rates as they see fit. And in recent years, they have seen fit a lot. Since 1996, the year in which the Telecommunications Act was passed, cable rates nationwide have jumped 22 percent — i.e., more than four times the rate of inflation.

Yet, the cable companies say, trust us. They say that their rate increases have been justified because of heavy investment in upgrading their technology and providing expanded service. And it is true that the industry has invested about $4 billion in technology upgrading. But subscribers won't get the full benefit of much of that technological enhancement for years.

The industry was scheduled for deregulation this spring based on the assumption that there would be sufficient competition by now from satellite broadcasters and telephone companies to force the cable companies to exercise price restraint.

That hasn't happened. And in the words of Sen. John McCain of Arizona, chairman of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation: "We are now facing the worst of all worlds, which is an unregulated monopoly."

In view of the cable industry's past history with some regulation, it is difficult to believe that it can be trusted with virtually no regulation not to raise rates either to pay for investments in upgrading for digital TV and interactive services or just for naked profit.

Of course, Congress can always re-regulate the industry, if it proves untrustworthy. But allowing healthy competition would be a far superior alternative.

Patients sought for Alzheimer's test

WASHINGTON (AP) — Alzheimer's disease is one of the scariest threats of old age, particularly frightening because so far there's no way doctors can protect people at risk.

That may be about to change.

Scientists have just discovered that a memory problem called "mild cognitive impairment" can be an early warning sign of Alzheimer's — and they're beginning three huge studies to see if certain drugs could prevent those patients from ever getting Alzheimer's.

"It's very exciting," said Neil Buckholtz, chief of the dementia branch at the National Institute of Aging. But "I don't think people are really aware of this concept" of mild cognitive impairment.

So the NIA is trying to get the word to people over age 55 that if they're getting abnormally forgetful, they should see a doctor.

We all have occasional lapses where we forget where we parked the car or can't recall someone's name. That's normal, particularly as people age or experience stress.

Depression also can cause memory lapses, and forgetfulness is a side effect of some drugs. Doctors can offer immediate help for those problems.

Mild cognitive impairment is a more persistent memory problem. A golf lover makes a tee time on Tuesday but by Thursday, he leaves his golfing buddies waiting in vain on the links.

A pattern of such forgetfulness can mean mild cognitive impairment — as long as doctors rule out other dementia symptoms. The mildly cognitive impaired don't have such symptoms as difficulty completing normal daily activities, problems with reasoning or inability to communicate, Dr. Ronald Petersen of the Mayo Clinic reports this month in Archives of Neurology.

A final test is simple: Read a paragraph's worth of information and wait 30 minutes. Someone with healthy short-term memory usually can spout back the information, but the mildly cognitive impaired have trouble, Buckholtz explained.

Mild cognitive impairment doesn't mean you're definitely destined for Alzheimer's. Studies show that every year, 12 percent to 15 percent of those patients will progress to Alzheimer's — in other words, up to 45 percent will have Alzheimer's within three years. In contrast, only 1 percent of healthy people over age 65 get Alzheimer's each year.

The cause of Alzheimer's is not known. But 4 million Americans have it, a number expected to jump as the baby boomers age. So neurologists want a way to at least delay Alzheimer's onset.

Three new studies are hunting such a therapy in patients diagnosed with mild cognitive impairment:

—A National Institute on Aging-sponsored study will give 720 patients ages 55-90 either high-dose vitamin E, the current Alzheimer's medication Aricept or a dummy pill. Results are expected by 2003. For information, call 1-888-455-0655 or check the Internet at www.memorystudy.org. Study sites are in 28 states and Canada.

Why those choices?

NIA-funded scientists discovered in 1997 that high-dose vitamin E can slow by about six months the progression of moderately severe Alzheimer's. Vitamin E is an antioxidant thought to limit damage from "free radicals," molecular damage that has been found in Alzheimer's patients' brains.

Aricept inhibits the breakdown of acetylcholine, a brain chemical vital for nerve cells to communicate with each other.

—Novartis Pharmaceuticals is enrolling 900 patients ages 55-85 in a three-year study comparing its experimental drug Exelon to a placebo. Exelon, which also inhibits the breakdown of acetylcholine, is awaiting government permission to sell in the United States as an Alzheimer's treatment. The new prevention study will be conducted at 50 sites worldwide. For information, call 1-877-554-HOPE.

Hermleigh

All meals are served with milk.

BREAKFAST

MONDAY

Juice
Buttered Rice
Toast

TUESDAY

Fruit
Breakfast Taco

WEDNESDAY

Juice
Buttered Grits
Toast

THURSDAY

Fruit
Biscuits/Gravy

FRIDAY

Juice
Glazed Donuts

LUNCH

MONDAY

Fried Ham
New Potatoes
Carrot Sticks
Hot Rolls
Orange Cake

TUESDAY

Hamburger Patties/Brown Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Macaroni & Tomatoes
Hot Rolls
Chocolate Pudding

WEDNESDAY

Chicken & Dumplings
Mixed Vegetables
Hot Biscuits
Pineapple Tid Bits

THURSDAY

Sloppy Joes
Macaroni & Cheese
Fried Okra
Hot Rolls
Blonde Brownies

FRIDAY

Beef & Cheese Nachoes
Spanish Rice
Shredded Lettuce
Cherry Cobbler

Independent counsel...

Senate kills Democrats' effort to cut off funding

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate on Thursday killed a Democratic effort to cut off funding for most independent counsels by year's end, sparing Kenneth Starr's investigation of President Clinton for the time being.

The authors of the amendment, which lost on a voice vote, made their aims clear.

"It would be a mistake to let the Starr investigation continue indefinitely, without any ending date," said Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa. "Mr. Starr has had long enough to investigate Whitewater and Monica Lewinsky."

The Watergate-inspired independent counsel law is set to expire June 30 unless Congress renews it. But with three months left and no consensus for how to fix the law, there is little sentiment for saving it, especially after investigations of Republican and Democratic presidents have irritated lawmakers from both parties.

The Democratic proposal, which supporters tried to add to a spending bill, would have cut off federal money for Starr's investigation of Clinton and for four other independent counsels on Dec. 31.

The matters under investigation would have reverted to the Justice Department.

Letting the law lapse would allow the ongoing investigations to continue to their conclusion.

With no Republican co-sponsors, the measure had little chance of passing. Senate Governmental Affairs Chairman Fred Thompson, R-Tenn., called the amendment "a very very bad idea," and pointed out that even Attorney General Janet Reno opposed the Democratic proposal a day earlier. The attorney general, he said, can terminate investigations without direction from Congress.

"Congress should not be interjecting itself to terminate investigations in midstream when there is already a mechanism," to do that if warranted, Thompson told the Senate.

Opposition to the amendment crossed party lines. Sen. Joe Lieberman, the ranking Democrat on Thompson's committee, said the measure would set a bad precedent for congressional interference.

"This amendment is not just a preemptive attack on the statute...it's what might be called a personal attack on the most controversial independent counsels," said Lieberman, D-Conn

Snyder

All meals are served with a choice of milk. Breakfast alternative choices include assorted cereal and juice.

BREAKFAST

MONDAY

Cinnamon Toast

TUESDAY

Pancakes w/Syrup

WEDNESDAY

Donut

THURSDAY

French Toast Sticks

FRIDAY

Scrambled Eggs

LUNCH

MONDAY

Hamburger on a Bun
or Ravioli
Lettuce & Tomato
Broccoli w/Cheese
Chilled Fruit

TUESDAY

Hot Dog on a Bun or
Oven Fried Chicken w/Roll
Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy
Carrots
Chilled Fruit

WEDNESDAY

Pizza or
Sloppy Joe on a Bun
Potato Salad
Baked Beans
Apple Crisp

THURSDAY

Burrito or
Lasagna w/Tx Toast
Green Beans
Tossed Salad
Chilled Fruit

FRIDAY

Corn Dog or
Grilled Cheese Sandwich w/
Vegetable Soup
Potato Puffs
W.K. Corn
Brownie

Senate panel wants sale of N.Y. island to happen sooner

WASHINGTON (AP) — Farmers are looking to take Manhattan — or at least nearby Governors Island. At the prodding of some farm-state members, the Senate Budget Committee agreed to speed up the sale of Governors Island to subsidize improvements in federal crop insurance.

The 173-acre island off the tip of Manhattan was a military base for more than 300 years until the Coast Guard closed down operations in 1997.

"Turning that island over to the private sector would probably be a good thing, and heaven knows we need to scratch wherever we can to find some additional dollars," Sen. Tim Johnson, D-S.D., said today.

President Clinton has offered to give it to New York for $1, provided it is used for public purposes. But Congress two years ago ordered it to be auctioned in 2002 for $500 million as part of a plan to balance the budget.

New York officials have since been struggling to devise a plan for developing the island.

Mayor Rudolph Giuliani recently assigned a task force to pore over dozens of development ideas.

"If they can get $500 million, they should take it," said Giuliani spokesman Curt Ridder. "We don't think they can achieve anything near that."

New York lawmakers are certain to fight the 2000 deadline, said Tony Bullock, an aide to Sen. Daniel Moynihan, D-N.Y., and a member of Giuliani's task force.

"They have needs for the crop insurance program. We have no desire to stop them from getting it, but not over the body of Governors Island," Bullock said.

With the agricultural economy stuck in one of its worst downturns in a decade, farm-state lawmakers are working with the Clinton administration to expand crop-insurance coverage.

Senior Center Menu

MONDAY

Steak fingers w/cream gravy, mashed potatoes, savory peas, lettuce & tomato salad, red applesauce

TUESDAY

Goulash, cornbread, green beans, jelled vegetable salad, spice cake

WEDNESDAY

Braised pork chop, whole kernel corn, boiled okra, tomato wedges, banana pudding

THURSDAY

Creole steak, steamed rice, golden carrots, cottage cheese w/ peaches, oatmeal cookies

FRIDAY

Fried fish, steamed broccoli, crinkle cut fries, tossed salad, brownie

Senior Center News

MONDAY

Bridge play begins at 9:30 a.m. and daily exercise at 11 a.m.

TUESDAY

88 play begins at 10 a.m., the Local Yokels band will entertain at 11 a.m. and the Golden Kiwanis Club will meet at noon.

Western Texas College's spring break is over so seniors can return to their swimnastics on Tuesday and Thursday from 2:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. The building will open at 6:30 p.m. for the dance/game night. The dance begins at 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Birthday cake will be served at 10 a.m. and the Kitchen Band will entertain at 11 a.m. Line dancers will practice at 1 p.m. and the cloggers at 2 p.m.

Assistance in filing income tax returns is available at the Senior Center this Wednesday from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. The volunteer will not be here March 31, but will be available on April 6, 7 and 14.

THURSDAY

The Sunshine Choir will entertain the residents at Snyder Oaks.

FRIDAY

The bridge and blood pressure clinic will begin at 9:30 a.m. 88 play begins at 10 a.m. and the sing-a-long at 11:30 a.m.

The Senior Center newsletter for April-May will be mailed within the next two weeks. But, since Easter is early this year, seniors are reminded to get their bonnets ready for the Easter Bonnet contest. The traditional Easter egg hunt and sing-a-long with the Sunshine Choir will be on April 1.

Mark your calendars on April 11 for the Golden K Kiwanis fish fry. Tickets will be available beginning March 23 through April 11. The cost of the tickets will be $6. Take-out plates will also be available. Everyone is encouraged to support this organization.

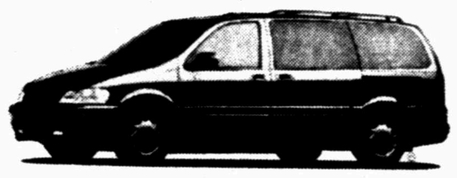
Several newcomers have joined the Senior Citizens Center. All seniors are encouraged to join. The center's goal is to add quality to the lives of senior citizens through nutrition and activities.

Doctor added as defendant

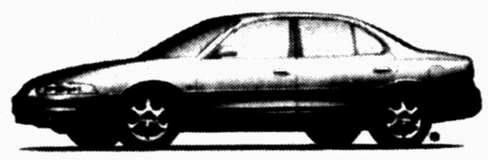
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Arnold Schwarzenegger has added a doctor as a defendant to his $50 million libel suit over a supermarket tabloid story claiming that the strong-man actor was suffering from heart disease.

U.S. District Judge Mariana R. Pfaelzer ruled Tuesday that Dr. Arnold Fox, who was quoted by the Globe, can be included in the suit.

CHECK US!
Your Oldsmobile Headquarters!



99 Oldsmobile Silhouette
Leather Captain Chairs
All the Amenities
Video Entertainment System
Must See!



99 Oldsmobile Intrigue GL
3800 Series II V6
Loaded
4 Wheel disc antilock
$20,995



99 Oldsmobile Eighty-Eight
#OL0383
Discounted $5,110
Sale Price after rebate
$19,295



99 Oldsmobile Cutlass GL
#OL0566 Demo
Sedan
Dealer assigned rebate
$16,686

BILL WILSON'S Big Country AUTOLAND

East Hwy.
Traffic Circle
Sales Hotlines
573-5456
1-800-573-5459

Formal Affair

PROM TUXEDO RENTAL
ALL MAJOR STYLES AVAILABLE
Accessories & Shoes

Open 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mon. - Fri.
10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sat.
Closed Wed. & Sun.

1714 E. FM 700
Big Spring, Texas
915-263-6942

We make Home Loans!

Owning your own home is truly an American dream that can come true - and now is a great time to make your move. Our experienced staff assists with all types of loan programs at competitive rates.

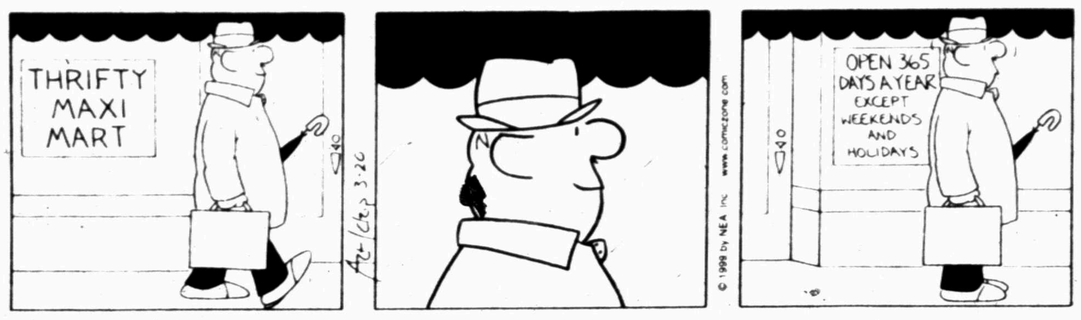
American State Bank
"Right Size to be Friendly"

3610 College Avenue www.asbonline.com 573-4041

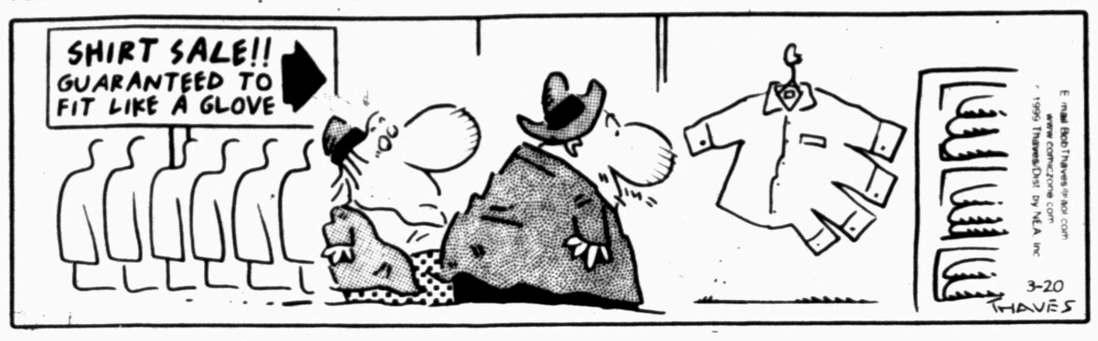
Comic Page

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

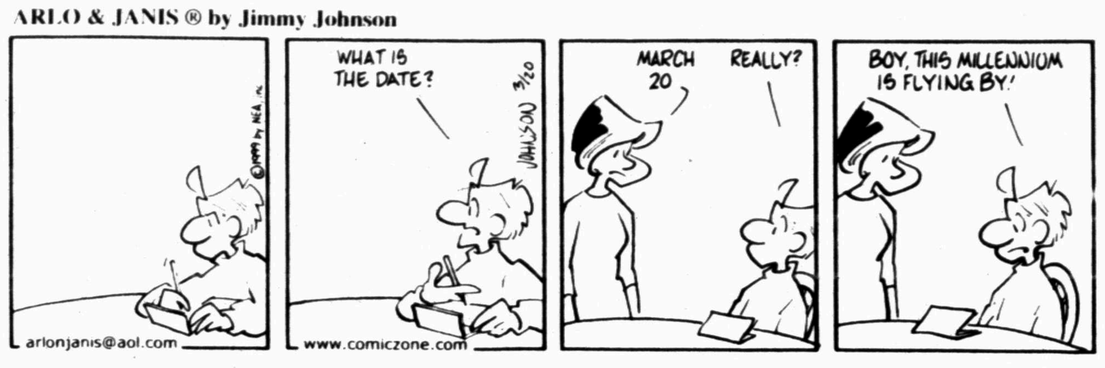
THE BORN LOSER ® by Art and Chip Sansom



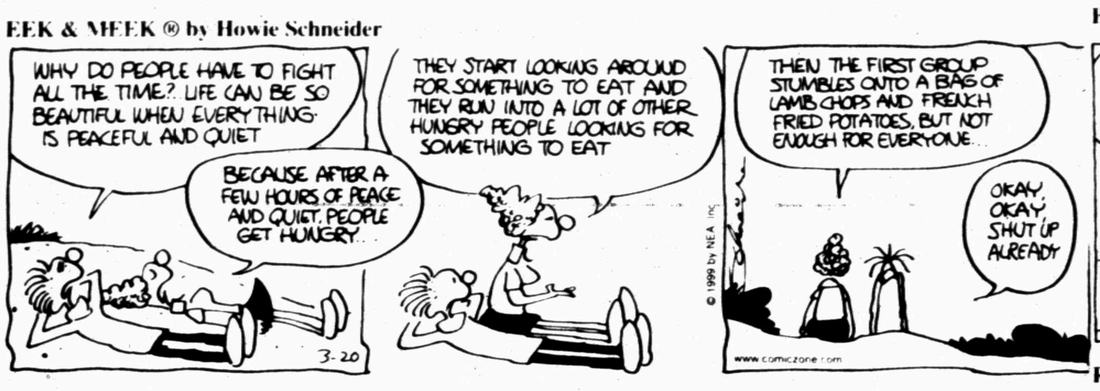
FRANK & ERNEST ® by Bob Thaves



ARLO & JANIS ® by Jimmy Johnson



EEK & MEEK ® by Howie Schneider



BIG NATE ® by Lincoln Peirce



BARNEY GOOGLE & SNUFFY SMITH © By Fred Laswell



ROBOTMAN ® by Jim Meddick

E-Mail:JimMeddick@aol.com



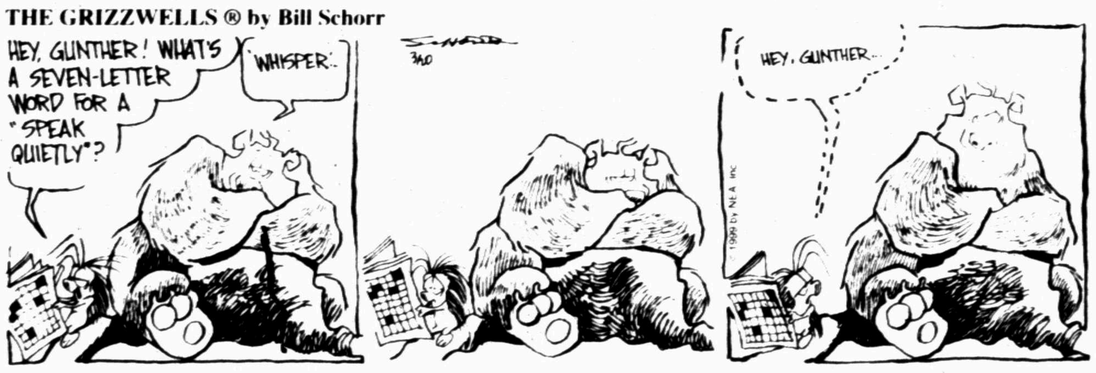
BLONDIE © By Dean Young & Denis Lebrun



ALLEY OOP ® by Dave Graue and Jack Bender



THE GRIZZWELLS ® by Bill Schorr



BETTY ™ by Delainey and Rasmussen



NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 African land
7 "The — Family"
13 Office worker
14 Oklahoman
15 Turns outward
16 Singer Brewer
17 Type of lily
18 Compass pt.
20 Greek vowels
21 Puppeteer Bil —
23 Biological divisions
27 Clairvoyant
32 Rescues
33 Not a soul
34 Arab potentate
35 In any way
36 Loafer attachments
39 Streep of "Out of Africa"
40 Sensuous dance
42 Applies frosting to
46 "— favor, señor"
47 Concerning
51 Walks on
53 Less attractive
55 Silent movie's successor
56 Hot-water tank
57 Preoccupy
58 Braces (oneself)

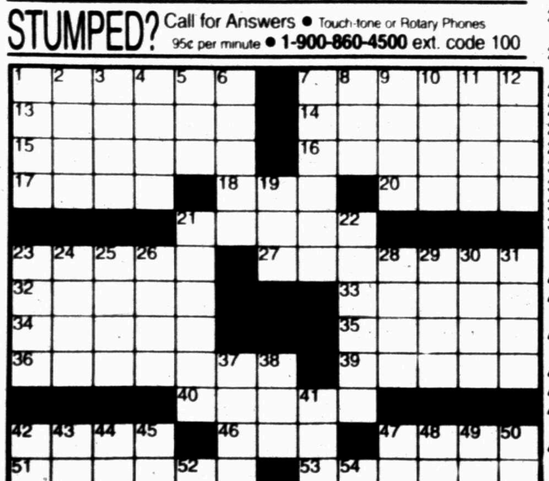
DOWN

1 Southwestern Indians
2 Shackle
3 Take down — — or two
4 Actor Robert De —
5 Aug. hours
6 Confused
7 Daisylike flowers
8 Bambi's ma, for one
9 Illustrator Gustave —
10 Dill plant
11 Arizona city
12 Mexican ladies: abbr.
19 Pinch
21 Red Riding Hood's tote
22 Forceful person
23 Attention-getting sound
24 Laughter syllables
25 — St. Laurent
26 Maui wreaths
28 Sheep shelter
29 White frost
30 Not outwardly
31 Room in a jail
37 Falls back
38 — -Cat (winter vehicle)
41 Small worms
42 "Leave — — Beaver"
43 Grouchy person
44 Lampreys
45 Benefit
47 Tennis player — Nastase
48 River in Africa
49 Spin
50 Makes a gaffe
52 Insult, in street talk
54 Obtained

Answer to Previous Puzzle

S	C	I	O	N				Y	A	W	L		
T	E	N	D	E	R		Z	E	P	H	Y	R	
E	R	R	A	T	A		A	S	H	O	R	E	
M	O	E			S	I	N		I	S	A	Y	
			I	M	P	L	I	E	D				
S	C	E	N	E		O	E	R		R	T	E	
T	A	L	O	N	S		S	M	E	A	R	S	
A	M	A	N	D	A		T	I	P	T	O	P	
T	E	N		E	L	I		N	E	E	D	Y	
			T	R	U	S	T	E	E				
P	A	T	E		T	O	A			I	A	M	
G	L	A	N	C	E		G	Y	R	A	T	E	
A	L	M	O	N	D		S	E	E	G	E	R	
	Y	A	R	N				A	T	O	N	E	

STUMPED? Call for Answers ● Touch-tone or Rotary Phones 95¢ per minute ● 1-900-860-4500 ext. code 100



20 © 1999 by NEA, Inc.

Word Ladder

Air is blown into a hot-air balloon by using a large fan. A flight burner is lit when the balloon begins to reach full inflation. The burner is mounted at the top of the basket and used to heat the air inside of the balloon. The air inside of the balloon must be heated to a temperature higher than the air outside so that the balloon will rise. Change the word **HOT** to **AIR** by changing only one letter at a time.

HOT

AIR

Answers Tuesday: HOT, HAT, HAIR, AIR

HERMAN® by Jim Unger



"Are you sure I'll be able to swim with it?"

A Little Bit Of Humor

Holly: Why was the cowboy always in trouble?
Hillary: Because he couldn't stop horsing around.

Hank: When does a horse have six legs?
Heather: When it's got a rider on its back.



KIT 'N' CARLYLE ® by Larry Wright





Dear Abby



By Abigail Van Buren

Husband's Closed Wallet Opens His Wife's Eyes

DEAR ABBY: Five years ago, I married a 40-year-old bachelor. It was his first marriage. Abby, he has given me only $10 (yes, $10!) in all the time we have been married, and he spends nothing on my children by my first marriage. I still pay all my own expenses, as I did when I was single — my car payments, insurance, clothing, gas, and everything we purchase for the house, such as furniture, drapes, carpeting, linens. He also expects me to pay for his clothes and all of the groceries. I do this on a minimum-wage salary! He makes good money, owns his car free and clear, and the house is also paid for. All he pays for is utilities.

He is rude and grouchy to my kids and has never bought them birthday or Christmas presents.

His mother lived with him before we were married, and he has bought her a brand-new car, paid her insurance, car payments and gas, and he lets her pick out her own presents for Mother's Day, birthdays, etc.

He will never change, and I'm not even sure I love him. Am I a fool to stay with this man?

NO CITY, NO STATE

DEAR NO CITY: Since you raised the question, the answer is, yes, you *are* a fool to stay with this man.

***

DEAR ABBY: May I please add my 2 cents to "Repented in Oregon," the young woman who had been promiscuous during high school and college? I was in the same situation, but unlike "Repented," I didn't wise up at 19. I was 24 when I began to turn my life around. By that time, I had slept with more than 50 men, had contracted herpes and flunked out of college — since I spent more time in bars drinking and picking up men than studying. Somewhere along the way, I had also managed to destroy my credit rating. My self-esteem and reputation were both in the Dumpster.

While in college, I had signed a contract with the Army Reserves and ROTC. At the time, I didn't expect to fulfill the contract since ROTC would make me an officer and the contract was just a formality. Without realizing it, I had made the best decision of my life. When I was suspended from college due to poor grades, I moved to another state. Eventually, with the help of the military, I graduated from nursing school.

I now have a wonderful career in the nursing profession, as well as a wonderful husband and two beautiful children. Yes, my husband knows about my past and my herpes. We are careful so he has never contracted it. He loves me for who I am now, not who I was at one time. My friends and co-workers know I was a "wild child" but, like my husband, they see who I am now.

Unfortunately, when I visit my parents, who still live in my hometown, there are those who still see the "wild child." They continue to ignore the 11 years of accomplishments and growth that make me who I am today. I choose to see this as their loss, not mine.

To "Repented": The choices I have made throughout my recovery may not work for you, but know that your true friends will see you for who you are becoming, not who you were. Good luck.

BEEN THERE AND RECOVERED IN OKLAHOMA

DEAR BEEN THERE: Thank you for the great letter. I'm sure that more readers than "Repented" will see it and be inspired by it.

***

Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing you on behalf of the children in this country who are in danger of losing their eyesight to amblyopia or "lazy eye." Parents are often completely unaware there is any problem with their child's vision. Because amblyopia usually affects only one eye, children can see — but have only monocular vision. Children don't realize they should be able to see through both eyes. One child was diagnosed after a bump to the eye. When he said, "I can't see the television; I hurt the eye I see with," his mom, a licensed optician, had the first indication that something was wrong!

Abby, 2 to 3 percent of the population has amblyopia. When this condition is detected before the age of 3, approximately 95 percent recover their vision. After the age of 6, it can be difficult to totally correct. Parents need to be sure their young children receive a comprehensive examination that checks the functioning of each eye.

For parents and children who are well aware of amblyopia, I am happy to report that there is a new support program for them. The Eye Patch Club offers suggestions and support for dealing with the challenges posed by amblyopia.

MARK RUTTUM, M.D.,
DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY, MEDICAL COLLEGE OF WISCONSIN

DEAR DR. RUTTUM: I was shocked to learn that one preschooler in 20 has a vision problem that could cause permanent loss of sight if left untreated. The Eye Patch Club, sponsored by Prevent Blindness America (also known as the National Society to Prevent Blindness), is a tool that parents of children with amblyopia can use to help them strengthen their "lazy eye." Patching or covering the stronger eye forces the weaker eye to work. The patient wears the patch for a few weeks (or longer), which helps to strengthen vision.

Of course, the child must regularly visit the eye doctor to measure improvement in the amblyopic eye. And, at first, a child may feel frustrated while wearing the patch over the stronger eye. That's where the Eye Patch Club lends support.

Prevent Blindness America not only offers The Eye Patch Club, it also provides information about the warning signs of eye trouble in children, ideas on how to make a trip to the eye doctor fun and easy for children, and more detailed information about amblyopia. For free information, call 1-800-331-2020. (What an appropriate telephone number!)

***

DEAR ABBY: A while ago I read a letter in your column about a 17-year-old named Brandon McCoy who, every year on his birthday, has a party and asks his friends to bring gifts for charity. It inspired me to model my own attitude after Brandon's giving spirit.

I too am 17. I love parties, so last Christmas I hosted a party and requested $5 donations. It was a huge success! I raised more than $100 for a local home for abused children and had a great time doing it.

I'd like to thank Brandon for the inspiration. Society tends to have a negative view of teen-agers, but he is living proof that we're not all bad.

MARYBETH BARTELT,
ST. LOUIS

DEAR MARYBETH: I'm pleased that Brandon's story touched and inspired you. Acts of generosity, especially on the part of activist teens like you and Brandon, enhance the quality of life for all of us and deserve to be acknowledged.

***

Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Schools pushed, pulled by Washington

WASHINGTON (AP) — The school district in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, had already overspent its special education budget by $1 million when the Supreme Court ruled it had to pay for one-on-one nursing for a student — adding $30,000 a year.

Garret Frey, the 16-year-old sophomore on a ventilator because of an accident that left him paralyzed, isn't the issue, said Superintendent Lew Finch.

The case is really about the federal government creating rules requiring schools to educate children with disabilities, but not sending enough money to ensure they can afford it.

If schools don't get more help, they may need to raise local taxes, Finch said. "This might be the case that opens a lot of eyes."

Special education is one of the most emotional issues schools face, and one of their fastest-growing costs. States have long fought with local schools and the Education Department over costs. Now Republicans and Democrats in Congress are debating how much the federal government should help.

Nearly 6 million children receive special education instruction and services costing $60 billion, about $5 billion of that from the federal government. About $55 billion comes from states and local districts, which follow strict rules stemming from the 1975 federal law covering special education.

States get anywhere from 7 percent to 12 percent of their special education money from the federal program. The law allows the federal government to contribute up to 40 percent — or about $11 billion.

"Our first obligation is to fulfill the needs demanded from the laws already on the books," said Sen. Judd Gregg, R-N.H., who has proposed increasing the federal contribution to at least $9 billion.

In their first education debate this year, Republicans and Democrats sparred over a bill that would let schools spend money sought by the Clinton administration for new elementary school teachers on special education instead. The Senate approved the idea, but the House didn't consider it.

Republicans, not usually known for increasing education spending, have criticized President Clinton's request for a 1 percent increase in special education funding. Giving the states more special education money frees local money for other needs such as new computers, new teachers and new school buildings, Gregg says.

But Democrats want federal money spent on the teachers and other early education programs that they say could help reduce the number of children classified as learning disabled, the biggest category of special education students.

If budget restraints were gone, the administration would support more special education money, said Judith E. Heumann, who runs the Education Department's special education programs. But states also should manage their own dollars better, she said.

Heumann, who is in a wheelchair, says of Republicans: "They are scapegoating disabled kids. We have serious concerns that one group should be pitted against the other."

When the federal special education law was passed in 1975, there were approximately 4 million children who needed special education, approximately 8 percent of school-age children. Nearly 2 million of them, some with severe disabilities, were excluded from financially strapped public schools, and the law was passed to ensure they were educated.

Today, 5.8 million special-needs children nationwide representing 12 percent of the school-age population.

Some critics suggest schools are placing into special education more students who simply can't read well, who speak another language or who have behavior differences that prevent them from fully functioning in a classroom setting.

The National School Boards Association estimates that 17,000 children nationwide have high-cost needs. The Education Department says 600 to 2,000 need ventilators like Frey.

In Cedar Rapids, for example, the average expense per special ed child is $7,800 — $3,800 above its average for non-special-needs children. The district has about 50 severely disabled students who cost at least $15,000 each a year to educate.

"I believe in the rights of those students, but we're getting to the point that we're not always protecting the rights of other children who are not disabled," said Dolorita Reandeau of the South Kitsap schools in western Washington state, which recently paid a $20,000 legal bill in a due process hearing for one student. "Our hands are tied."

Parents of special ed students say they and their children are paying, too.

Cheryl Watson of Harrisburg, Pa., has spent years struggling with her district over the cost of services, such as tutoring and computer software, for her 13-year-old son, who has Tourette's syndrome and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder.

"The bottom line is you have to look at the severity of the impact on the child's learning," Watson said.

Examples of special ed funding

By The Associated Press

The federal government estimates that this year it will spend about $702 per child for each student nationwide with a disability requiring special education.

Schools nationwide spend an average of about $6,000 a year per student, but about twice that amount on average per student with a disability.

However, such averages often mask low costs, such as the case of a student who might need some equipment or occasional help for less than $1,000 a year. And they also mask high costs, amounting to tens of thousands of dollars for severe or multiply disabled children who need steady, personal attention and expensive medical equipment.

Federal funding has varying effects on state and local spending:

—Pennsylvania spends about $680 million on special education and gets about $83 million in federal money. State officials say a 40 percent contribution would bring in an additional $343 million.

— In the Charlotte-Mecklenburg schools in North Carolina, it costs $1,024 a year to provide one student with one hour a week of speech and language therapy. The district gets about $539 in federal money a year for all services to such a student, even if the student needs much more assistance.

Report stirring debate

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than 20 million Americans have or could develop gambling problems, but the economic impact of that is "relatively small," concludes a study likely to further enflame the debate over legalized wagering.

The survey conducted for the National Gambling Impact Study Commission found that more than 5 million Americans are pathological or problem gamblers and an additional 15 million are at risk.

A second report, also released Thursday as the commission began two days of meetings in Washington, estimated that 1.8 million Americans suffer severe "pathological" gambling each year.

The commission has three months to finish a wide-ranging report on gambling for Congress, and the extent of compulsive gambling in the country is just one of several open issues. Yet gambling addiction is the most contentious topic, and the report on the survey conducted for the commission only widened the chasm between the two sides.

Frank J. Fahrenkopf, Jr., president of the American Gaming Association, alleged that an earlier draft of the report was retooled to exaggerate the dangers of gambling through sensational language and changes in conclusions.

Still, he noted that the report "confirms that the economic and social benefits of gaming far outweigh the costs to society of pathological and problem gambling."

The report's classification of 15 million Americans as "at risk" for developing a gambling problem was criticized by Fahrenkopf and some commission members.

Survey participants who said they gambled just once to relieve uncomfortable feelings were put in the "at risk" group, said commission member John Wilhelm, general president of the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union.

Other members were troubled by the report's finding that the economic cost of problem gambling is "relatively small" — about $5 billion a year in legal fees for divorce, court and jail costs for arrests, lost wages and bankruptcy. That compares with $72 billion for smoking, $166 billion for alcohol abuse and $71 billion for motor vehicle crashes, the report said.

James Dobson, president of Focus on the Family and the panel's most outspoken opponent of gambling, said the $5 billion estimate of gambling's cost is far too low. He wondered how to calculate the costs of child abuse or spousal abuse committed by a gambling addict.

"Everybody on the commission has really struggled with this: How do you estimate the social cost?" said commission Chairwoman Kay James. "It's very difficult to do. At best, I think what we can say at this point is we really need more research, we need more information."

Court to rule

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — California's Supreme Court will soon decide whether Gary Saderup has the right to market Three Stooges T-Shirts.

The high court agreed Wednesday to review a $75,000 verdict against Saderup for producing T-shirts with charcoal sketches of Larry, Moe and Curly.

Comedy III Productions, which holds the commercial rights to the Three Stooges, had sued Saderup and won under a California law that prohibits the unauthorized commercial use of a dead celebrity's likeness.

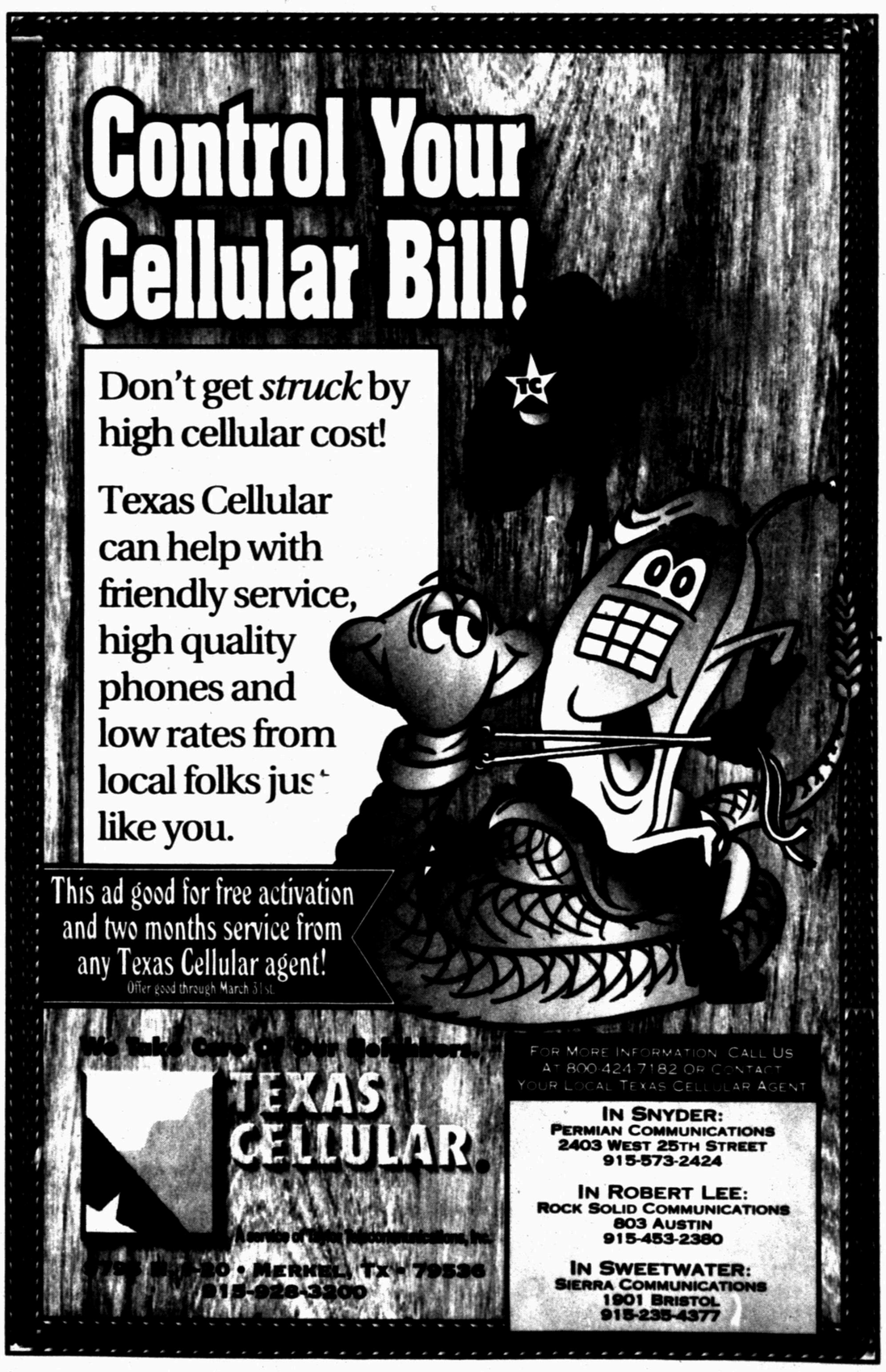
On appeal, Saderup argued that he is an artist whose work in protected by the Constitution.

Hirt hospitalized

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Al Hirt has been hospitalized and is in failing health since becoming ill at home three weeks ago.

Family members did not disclose details of the illness or identify the hospital.

The 76-year-old Grammy-winning trumpeter recorded more than 50 albums during a career that peaked in the 1960s when he played Las Vegas and Carnegie Hall and had his own TV variety show.



We've got that hometown spirit
and we're passing it around!

94 Years

Serving Snyder And Scurry County

SNYDER NATIONAL BANK

SERVING SCURRY COUNTY SINCE 1905

FDIC

EQUAL HOUSING LENDER

Lobby Hours
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MEMBER FDIC

Motor Bank Hours
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.