Collier announces he will not seek re-election

Sheriff Keith Collier, the dean of office holders in Scurry County, today officially announced that he will not seek re-election.

The decision by Collier, serving his eighth four-year term, is expected to set off the field for a crowded race starting with the March 12 party primaries.

The filing period is Dec. 3 through Jan. 2. Potential candidates may announce their intentions to run prior to that time, however.

At least three current deputies — Kerry Fritz, Darren Jackson and Joe Cheyne — have expressed interest in running for the county's top law enforcement job, although none have officially announced.

Collier said he had also heard "three or four other names mentioned."

Collier added, "Some have speculated that I would run when filing time came, but I do plan to retire." When Collier last announced for re-election three years ago, the veteran sheriff said the current term would be his last.

"I want to thank all of the people of Scurry County for letting me serve as sheriff for 32 years."

Prior to his election as sheriff, Collier served as a deputy for four years, and his retirement will mark 36 years with the Scurry County sheriff's department.

"I want the people to know I appreciate their support and cooperation over the years," Collier added.

Collier, a Democrat, is a past-president of the Sheriff's Assocation of Texas and served as a director of the Texas Association of Counties. In 1987, Collier was recipient of the Tom Tellepsen Award as the top law officer in the state.

Collier is also a past president of the West Central Texas Law Enforcement Association and he was an active member of the economic development committee, the task force that successfully brought the Price Daniel prison unit to Snyder.

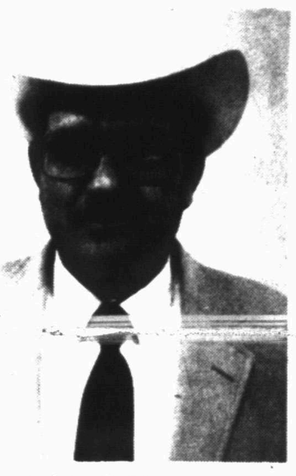
In addition to the race for sheriff, two other local races are expected to attract attention. District Judge Ernie Armstrong, appointed earlier this year by Gov. George W. Bush, will have to run for a four-year term.

Armstrong replaced Republican District Judge Gene Dulaney who stepped down after reaching mandatory retirement age.

When Armstrong became judge, the district attorney's post became vacant and Gov. Bush appointed asssistant DA Dana Cooley, who now must also run for a four-year term.

Other offices up for nominations in the March primaries are county attorney, county tax assessor, Precinct 1 and 3 commissioners and Precinct 1 and 2 constable.

Party nominees will then square off in the November general election. Those winning in November will then assume office in January, 1997.



Keith Collier

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THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Some vices are legal, but they're not compulsory."

The local Ryder Truck agent is ticked off.

I.E. Martin, Snyder city councilman, says the national news media has been obsessed with the announcement that Colin Powell might run for president, then Colin Powell was undecided about running for president, and finally that Colin Powell wasn't going to run.

Says Martin, "Heck, I'm not running either and there hasn't been a word said or written about me."

Now that the federal government is back up and sort of running, the most conversation we've heard is about the "essential" and "non-essential" workers.

A guy in the Department of Treasury knew what was important.

Worried about the growing number of dead rats found in the Treasury office building, the senior department official urged other "essential" workers to make sure garbage is picked up and put in plastic bags during the shutdown.

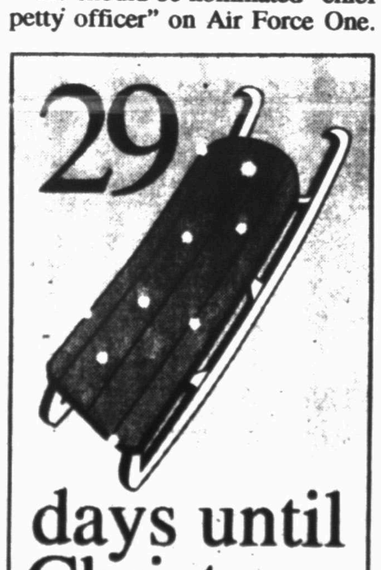
Another senior official in the same department summed up the shutdown best: "The problem now is that all the people who make work are here, but all the people who do the work are furloughed."

In our minds Clinton didn't get very good marks during the White House-congressional standoff over the budget. But neither did GOP leaders.

It was offensive to watch national leaders try to negotiate in front of the TV audience. We have to conclude that the nation is still feeling the fallout of the televised O.J. Simpson murder trial.

Newt Ginrich also says he's not going to run for president. Watching his tantrums about being seated in the back of the plane and being snubbed by the President en route to Israel, we also have to conclude that the House Speaker from Georgia isn't such a peach of a fellow.

He should be nominated "chief petty officer" on Air Force One.



TxDOT wants citizen input for highway planning

Public meeting slated for 7 o'clock Tuesday

By Wade Warren
Staff Writer

Local officials of the Texas Department of Transportation hope they will be receiving a host of requests and comments concerning transportation improvements Tuesday night when a public meeting is held at 7 o'clock in city council chambers at City Hall.

Comments and suggestions for the TxDOT Transportation Improvement Plan for the four-county area of Scurry, Kent, Borden and Fisher will be forwarded to the Abilene office and then to Austin for improvements scheduled primarily to take place in 1999 and 2000.

TxDOT area engineer Mike Taylor said citizen input is important in scheduling highway improvements.

Two good examples, said Taylor, of projects that were built as a result of suggestions to this program are the improvements to FM 1673 and the recently completed landscaping at the traffic circle.

FM 1673 is commonly known as the landfill road which runs from U.S. Highway 84 across U.S. Highway 180 and on to the Price Daniel Unit.

"This is the third year for the TIP program," said Taylor who noted that most of the suggestions come from governmental officials and not from the public sector.

"We want input from the people who travel a road every day and see areas that need improvement that the department might not be aware of," emphasized Taylor.

Taylor said people who travel roadways on a regular basis, under varying weather conditions, are an important source of information for the highway department.

Engineering assistant Kim Soucek echoed Taylor's sentiments, saying that the department tends to favor improvments which seem to affect the most people.

"If enough local people can demonstrate the need for improvments and show a lot of support, the projects are often looked upon more favorably," said Soucek.

At the Tuesday meeting, the public will have an opportunity to ask questions as well as make requests. Those unable to attend may submit comments to Mike Taylor, Snyder area engineer, Box 396, Snyder.

Invitations to the meeting have been sent to all government officials in the four counties, said Taylor.

After the suggestions from the meeting are assembled with all mail-in suggestions that are due by

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LANDSCAPE PROJECT - TxDOT area engineer Mike Taylor discusses the newly landscaped traffic circle area with Carolyn House, a member of Snyder's Beautification Committee. The landscaping project is a result of the Transportation Improvement Plan. Citizens are invited to submit ideas for area highway improvements at a public meeting Tuesday at 7 p.m. at City Hall. A form for suggestions can be found on Page 12A. (SDN Staff Photo)

Blood drives slated here

Scurry County residents have donated 495 units of blood thus far for 1995 through the community blood program. They'll get one more opportunity Tuesday.

The drive will take place from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center, located at 1701 7th St.

A separate drive for Cogdell Hospital employees and their families will be held from noon until 5 p.m. Wednesday. That drive will be held at the hospital, in the United Blood Center's new Blue Bird mobile unit.

Letters to Santa

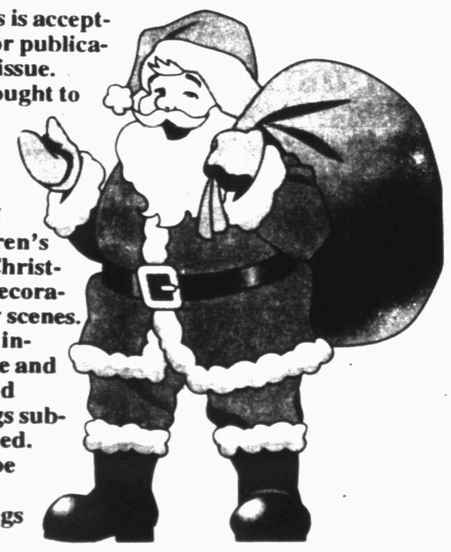
Snyder Daily News is accepting letters to Santa for publication in its Dec. 23-24 issue.

Letters may be brought to the newspaper office at 3600 College Avenue or mailed to P.O. Box 949.

This year, the SDN will also accept children's drawings depicting Christmas, such as Santa, decorated trees and Nativity scenes. The drawings should include the child's name and age. Because of limited space, not all drawings submitted can be published.

Drawings will not be returned.

Letters and drawings must be received by 5 p.m. Dec. 15 in order for them to be forwarded to the North Pole in time for Christmas.



10 o'clock...

County court to meet Monday

Scurry County Commissioners Court will consider a request concerning a girls' softball field, renewal of a health clinic medical provider contract and employee benefits in special session at 10 a.m. Monday.

Among items of new business: Snyder Independent School District and the Girls Softball Association are expected to request permission to move a fence at Cates Field;

The court will discuss renewal of the physician provider contract at the health clinic for Early Periodic Medical Screening and Diagnostic Services;

Commissioners will consider benefits as they relate to 40-hour employees.

Under old business, the court will consider accounting firms for the annual outside audit and consider bids for heating and air conditioning repairs for the coliseum.

Also on the agenda are a budget amendment, line-item transfers and approval of bills and previous minutes.

Santa Claus here Saturday

Santa Claus will arrive Saturday in Snyder.

St. Nick will be at the gazebo to visit with children from 6 until 8 p.m. as part of the courthouse lighting ceremony.

The lights will be turned on at 6 o'clock.

Snyder's annual Lighted Christmas Parade is set for Dec. 9. Citizens are reminded that the deadline to enter the parade and still be eligible for a prize is 5 p.m. Monday.

First and second place prizes will be awarded for floats, vehicles and walkers. Floats will also be judged in two categories: best use of lights and most unique.

Residents are invited to bring a family Christmas ornament to the chamber to be placed on a tree outside the courthouse during ceremonies set for Dec. 9. Ornaments may be reclaimed after the event.

ASK US

Q—If Cogdell Hospital is sold will the taxpayers of Scurry County be responsible for the Price Daniel Unit prisoners' healthcare?

A—No. Their healthcare is provided for through a contract with TDCJ.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 72 degrees; low, 31; 7 a.m. reading Saturday, 38; no precipitation; total for 1995, 19.03 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low 45-50. SW wind 5-15 mph. Sunday, partly cloudy, breezy. High, mid 80s. SW-W wind 15-25 mph, gusty. Caution, advised on area lakes.



Sunset: 5:41 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:20 a.m.

328 days in 1995, the sun has shone 312 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Where no oxen are, the manger is clean. But much increase comes by the strength of the ox.

Proverbs 14:4

Cleanup continues in wake of flooding in South Texas

RAYMONDVILLE (AP) — A team of American Red Cross volunteers are still helping residents with cleanup and repairs to homes damaged by flooding last weekend.

"In many places, it's drying up. In other places, we're just now getting access, and that means they've had some substantial losses," said Pat Conley, a Red Cross volunteer from Kerrville.

By Friday morning, about 30 volunteers had tagged at least 67 homes as severely damaged and another 549 in need of repair across Willacy County, said Jan Richards, director of emergency services for the Rio Grande Valley chapter of the Red Cross.

About 11 inches of rain fell on some areas of the county during the week leading up to last weekend, causing flooding unseen in the Raymondville area since Hurricane Beulah in 1967, Chapa told the Valley Morning Star of Harlingen.

Hardest hit were Raymondville, Lyford, Sebastian, Lasara and San Perlita.

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The first national adhesive postage stamps in the United States were issued in 1847.

ADOPT-A-SCHOOL — Two more businesses have adopted Stanfield Elementary School. Representing Lawrence IGA are C.R. Perez, second from left, site manager of store #400, and Jamie Lopez, of store #100. Another adopt-a-school partner is Mark McCormick, fourth from left, of McCormick Marketing. Stanfield representatives include Dana Henderson, teacher, far left; and Lois Boles, far right, principal. (SDN Staff Photo)

Peso woes give border merchants the blues

McALLEN (AP) — Border merchants have a bad case of the blues being caused by the ailing peso.

At the upscale Laser Sound electronics shop in La Plaza Mall, sales manager Juan Alvarez remembered nostalgically the days when free-spending Mexican shoppers crowded the store.

"They used to come four or five times a month, and now they come once and they spend almost nothing," Alvarez told the Houston Chronicle, referring to clientele from Monterrey and other northern Mexico cities. "It has been really affecting us. We've lost about 70 percent of our business.

"If the peso is high, the sales are low," Alvarez said.

Last Dec. 20, a devaluation of the peso by the new administration of Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo triggered a monetary nose dive that has seen the peso lose roughly 50 percent of its value. And while Mexico's economy seemed to stabilize in recent months, consumer and investor confidence is still obviously shaken as the peso began sliding again this month.

Before last December's devaluation, it took a little more than three pesos to buy a dollar. Today, it takes nearly eight pesos to buy a dollar.

And, rumors of another major devaluation before Christmas are rampant along the border.

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ACADEMIC CHALLENGE — Snyder High School students will compete for the fourth year in KTXS Academic Challenge. Participating in this year's contests will be, from left, David Kerr, captain LaTrisha Lee, Ammie Harrison and Mandy Baker. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Schools in Texas make gains in foreign student enrollment

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas gained on California and New York last year in the race to enroll the most foreign students in U.S. higher education, according to a new survey.

The Institute of International Education reported that Texas enrolled 28,903 foreign students in 1994-95, up 1,285 from the previous year's 27,618. Top-ranked California lost about 1,000 and second-ranked New York gained about 225.

The institute said the Texas A&M, Texas, Southern Methodist, Baylor, Houston, St. Thomas, and Dallas universities and Houston Community College were among the institutions with the most U.S. students studying abroad. It did not rank those students by state.

"Those statistics are important because a two-way flow of international education is essential to this state," said Kenneth Ashworth, Texas' commissioner of higher education.

"After all, students today will operate in a 21st century economy where they'll have to be comfortable dealing with other cultures."

Texas' improvement still left it significantly behind California and New York, which last year enrolled 55,685 and 47,510 foreign students, respectively, the Houston Chronicle reported.

China, Japan, Taiwan, India and Korea were the top five countries of origin for foreign students and Hong Kong, Malaysia, Indonesia and Thailand were seventh through 10th.

Among all U.S. institutions with students studying abroad, UT ranked third, with 782, and A&M 12th, with 572. SMU, with 327, and Baylor with 291, ranked ninth and 10th, respectively, among medium-sized doctoral institutions.

St. Thomas ranked seventh, with 269 students, among master's institutions. And Dallas ranked 11th among bachelor's institutions, with 200.

Texas is not as progressive in rankings of institutions with the most foreign scholars, however. In a category topped by Harvard, the University of California-Berkeley and UCLA, no Texas school finished in the top 12.

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SHS team to compete against Eula

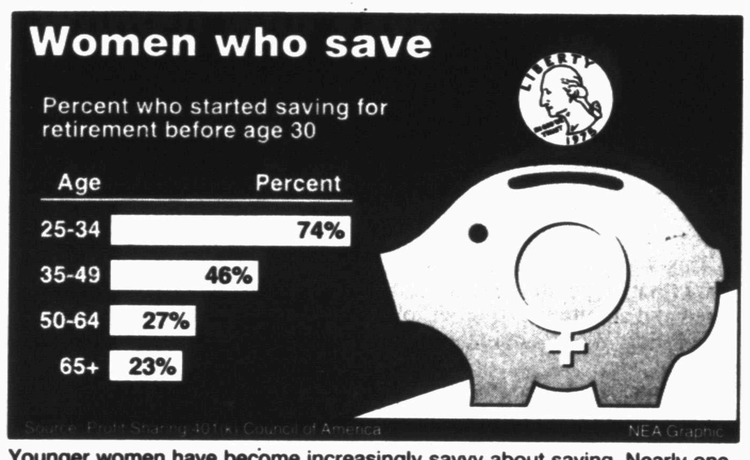
On Dec. 30 at 6 p.m., a foursome from Snyder High School will be aired as they compete against Eula in the first round of the KTXS-TV Academic Challenge.

Matches of the first round action has been shown every Saturday at 6 p.m. since Sept. 23. Thirty-two schools from across the Big Country will be vying for the championship title, trophy and medallions.

"We at KTXS-TV are very pleased with the enthusiasm that goes along with each team that participates in the challenge. Every year proves to be a new and more indepth league of competitors from around the Big Country vying for the championship title and we are pleased to promote academics in our area and hope to continue to do so in the future," said Kelly McGill, executive producer of Academic Challenge.

The SHS team reached the final four last year. This year's team is composed of LaTrisha Lee, captain, Mandy Baker, Ammie Harrison and David Kerr and they are coached by Betsy Griffin.

"Pay-as-you-go" income tax withholding began for American wage and salary earners in 1943.



Younger women have become increasingly savvy about saving. Nearly one-third of all women between the ages of 25 and 34 plan to use profit-sharing programs or 401(k) plans to fund their retirement.

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Let me acquaint you with some of the details of our mission. Children who are living in situations in which they are experiencing physical or sexual abuse or neglect of basic needs may be removed from their homes until the situation can be remedied, or until an adoptive family can be found. As you might imagine, many of these children arrive at their foster homes with little more than their clothes, sometimes just wearing their underwear. It is the duty of the Board to provide for the immediate needs of these children, as well as to provide for some of their more unusual long-term needs, such as eyeglasses, dental work, and even Christmas presents. But we see our mission in an even broader scope, to aid needy children throughout the County. To this end, for the past two years we have provided school supplies for children in need at each of the elementary schools.

Although we have the authority to manage Scurry County funds budgeted for some of these purposes, we have felt it to be our mission, as well, to minimize the burden of these needs to the local taxpayer. As you can see, donated funds are necessary to carry on our work and fulfill our mission. We appeal to you to consider these special children we serve as you decide upon the direction of your year-end giving.

Whatever you are able to share will be carefully used and is tax deductible.

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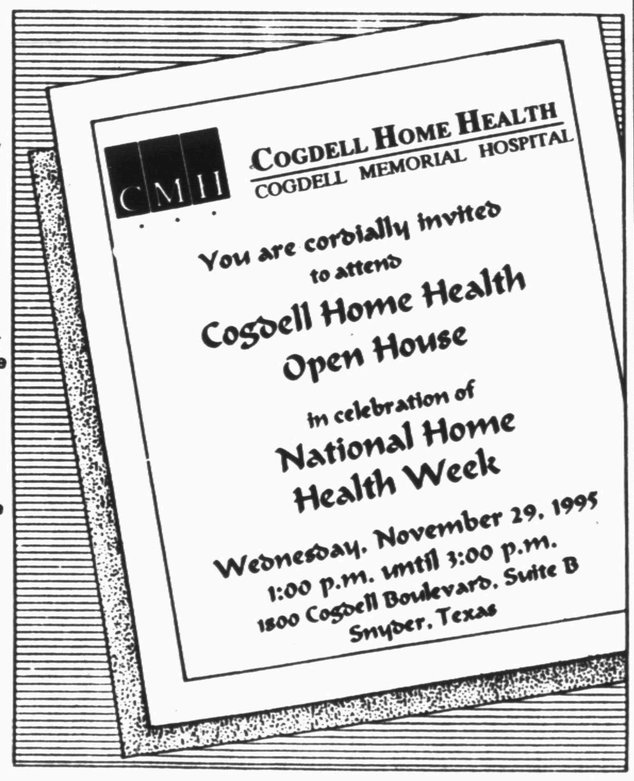


A portion of the Home Health staff are pictured at the Cogdell Home Health office, located at 1500 Cogdell Blvd., Suite B. Front row, left to right are Lana Turner, Susan Birkenfeld, Tracy MacKay, Loretta Lee, Jackie Goldesberry, Judy McCullough and Josie Perez. Back row from left are Teressia Shoemake, Sherma Barham, Denise Hardin, Eli Rodriguez, Dawn Fish and Jim Underwood.

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Tobacco companies eye Asian markets

CHIANG MAI, Thailand (AP) — Smoking cigarettes means liberation, equality and Western glamour — or at least that's the message American tobacco companies are aiming at Asian women.

Delegates to a meeting of the Asia Pacific Association for the Control of Tobacco say the advertising blitz seems to be working.

"Probably the greatest opportunity for preventive health in Asia today is to prevent a rise in smoking among women, and we're losing everywhere," said Judith Mackay of the Asian Consultancy on Tobacco Control.

Smoking rates among Asian women remain relatively low, but Mackay said cigarette makers are trying to change that with advertisements featuring slim Western women that link smoking to emancipation.

Virginia Slims ads, for example, have urged Japanese women to "Be You," and told Hong Kong women, "You're On Your Way."

At the meeting, which ended Friday in this northern Thai city, delegates said tobacco companies are using satellite television and sponsoring sports, arts and music events to get around advertising bans in some Asian countries, such as Thailand and Singapore.

Madonna, Paula Abdul and other stars allow their names to be associated with cigarettes in Asia, Mackay said.

Asian-American tennis star Michael Chang — who is idolized by the region's teen-age girls — plays regularly in the Marlboro and Salem tournaments in China, Japan, South Korea and Hong Kong. The Marlboro Music Hour of American pop music is heard daily in China.

"Satellite TV is very dangerous for our tobacco control in Asia," said Hatai Chinanondh, a Thai doctor and president of the Asia and Pacific Association for Control of Tobacco.

For three U.S. tobacco giants — Philip Morris, R.J. Reynolds and American Brands — international sales rose from $6 billion in 1984 to $35 billion in 1994 even as sales in the United States lagged, said Gregory Connolly of the American Public Health Association.

"They promote the Western brand (in Asia) as a lighter, easier-smoke cigarette," Connolly said. "Smoking now becomes something very glamorous, Western."

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Man admits he killed mother on Dallas TV

DALLAS (AP) — On one of the slowest news days of the year, a man walked into the lobby of KDFW-TV on Friday and gave the station a scoop — his confession to fatally stabbing his 65-year-old mother.

James Wylie Parker sat down for an interview during a noon newscast and admitted that he stabbed his mother, Ann Parker, several times with a butcher knife before setting fire to her house.

Parker, 42, was immediately arrested and murder charges were being filed Friday afternoon, said Dallas police Sgt. Mia Sullivan. The district attorney's office will decide next week whether to also file arson charges, she said.

KDFW reporter Richard Ray had spent about an hour at the scene of the fire Friday morning before returning to the downtown studios to prepare his story, which was one of the lead items on the noon broadcast.

Shortly after it aired, Ray went across the street to pick up lunch. Parker was in the lobby when he returned.

"He walked into our studios around 12:05 and he made it clear he wanted to surrender," Ray said. "I told him the police were on the way and I asked him if he wanted to talk about it.

"He said he woke up this morning and he had to kill his mother, that she was evil. I told him that neighbors said she was wonderful and he said she was, but she was also evil."

Police immediately were called to the scene. The station aired the confession and arrest during the last few minutes of the noon broadcast.

Parker had been released on a four-day holiday pass from the Veterans Affairs hospital in Waco, hospital spokeswoman Elizabeth Crossan said. Parker told Ray that he had spent the last few years at the hospital for treatment of manic depression and schizophrenia.

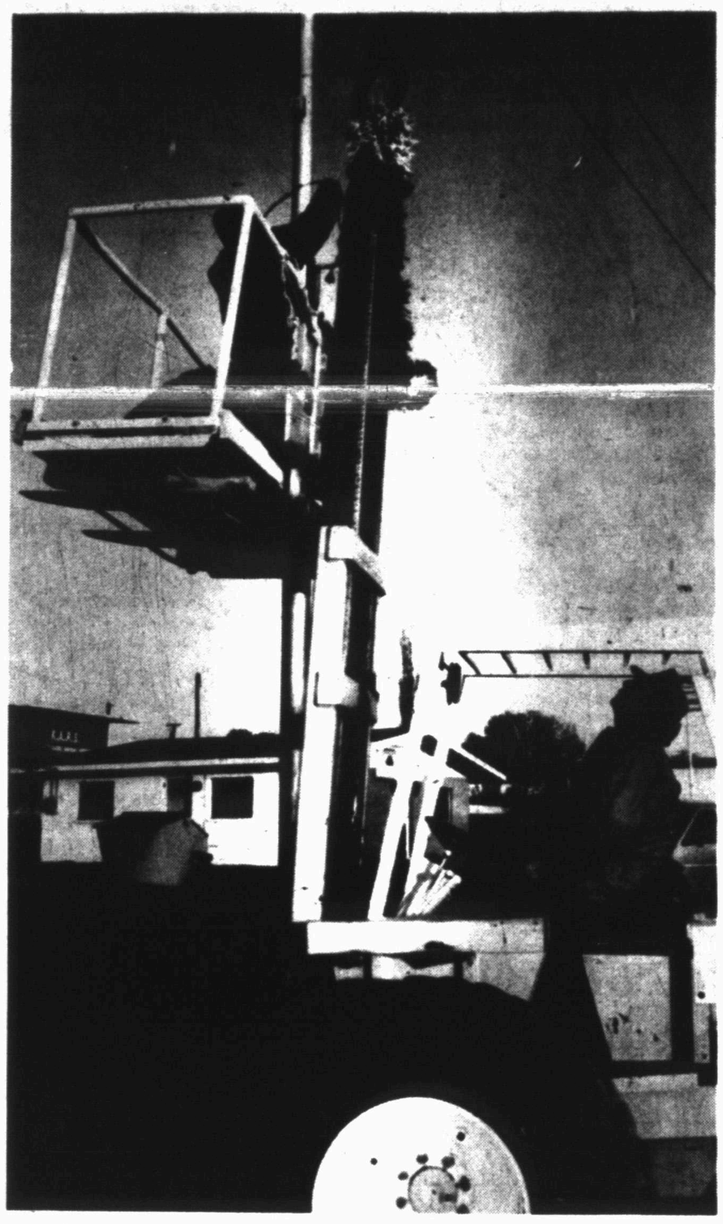
"He was agitated, but not threatening," Ray said. "He seemed pretty lucid, except at one point he said, 'I'm Lee Harvey Oswald.'"

He had been released on a four-day pass for the holidays, said Liz Crossin, spokeswoman at the Veterans Affairs hospital in Waco.

This was the third time in four years that a person has surrendered and admitted to murder to a Dallas-Fort Worth area television station.

George Lott confessed to WFAA-TV in Dallas in 1992 after shooting several people at the Tarrant County Courthouse in Fort Worth, 36 miles to the west. He was executed by lethal injection in 1994.

Last year, Oliver Miller Sr., father of Toronto Raptors' basketball player Oliver Miller, walked into KTVT-TV in Fort Worth and confessed to having shot a Fort Worth real estate agent three days before. Miller was convicted in September and sentenced to 99 years in prison.



LIGHTING UP THE TOWN - City of Snyder employees were up early Wednesday morning putting Christmas decorations on light poles around town. Paul Gutierrez operates the fork lift while Anson Luna hangs the decorations. (SDN Staff Photo)

Arguments ends when man shoots his family

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — A man with a record of domestic violence was charged Friday with shooting his wife and their two children to death during an argument on the way home from Thanksgiving dinner.

Errol S. Dehaney was ordered held in lieu of $7 million bail.

The killings Thursday came one day after Dehaney was ordered to stay away from his wife and children by a judge considering charges that he assaulted Shennavia Dehaney, 22, about two weeks ago.

Dehaney, 27, has signed a statement about the killings, according to court records.

"If not a confession, he certainly has admitted his participation in the incident," Assistant State's Attorney Herb Carlson said. Dehaney could face the death penalty if convicted of murder.

The couple argued in the car after leaving the holiday party, and Mrs. Dehaney got out and went back into the friends' house, police Lt. Joseph Buyak said.

Dehaney followed her into the house and shot her in the head, Buyak said. He then went back to the car and shot Errol Jr., 5, and Shantelique, 2, in the head, he said.

Police said Dehaney called them and said he had shot his family. When they arrived, they found Dehaney in front of the house holding a pistol, and another woman was with him.

The woman, whose identity and relationship to the suspect were not immediately disclosed, was released unharmed and Dehaney dropped the gun. He was taken into custody late Thursday.

Dehaney had been charged with sexual assault and unlawful restraint against his wife. During a hearing Wednesday on those charges, a judge ordered Dehaney to have no contact with his wife, Carlson said.

Dehaney also was charged with breach of peace for allegedly trying to strangle his wife with an extension cord in December 1993, court records show. The outcome of those charges was not immediately known.

A hearing on the murder charges was set Dec. 12.

Financial Focus

A recent report in USA Today stated that today's baby boomer who plans to retire on annual income of $50,000 will need a $1 million nest egg. That means effective retirement planning - and the sooner, the better.

Unfortunately, many people don't think about retirement planning until it's too late. Following are some of the reasons that people avoid planning for retirement.

1. Difficulty defining goals. While most of us might know how much next year's vacation will cost, few can estimate what retirement will cost, much less how they will meet those expenses. Typically, younger workers approach retirement planning by investing whatever they can, whenever they can, with an unspoken hope that Social Security and a company pension will make up the difference.

Realistically, of course, you can't plan for retirement without thinking about your specific goals. What kind of retirement lifestyle do you want? Will it cost more, less or the same as your current income? Estimate your annual expenses during retirement, and don't forget to factor in inflation. You can't determine how much you need to save today until you calculate how much income you will need in retirement.

A tendency to spend all current income (or worse, go beyond it). Americans today face many more spending temptations than their parents and grandparents did. It's hard to resist spending money on the latest fashions, cars, entertainment, vacations, a nice home and even eating out.

But resisting temptation today can benefit you in retirement. For example, a recent study reported by the Associated Press showed that spending less on cars can add substantially to retirement savings. Say you decide to start keeping your car for 10 years instead of trading it in every three years. Based on the average new car cost of $19,629 in 1994, if you were to invest the money you would save and earn a reasonable 7.5 percent interest rate, your savings would grow to about $385,000.

3. Lack of financial knowledge. Some people are simply intimidated by retirement planning, afraid they just don't have enough financial "savvy." However, it's not necessary to become an expert on every one of the hundreds of financial products and services that are available. A basic understanding of investing can help you choose suitable investments to meet your objectives. Taking the time to learn about investing can be simpler than programming your VCR - and a much better investment of your time.

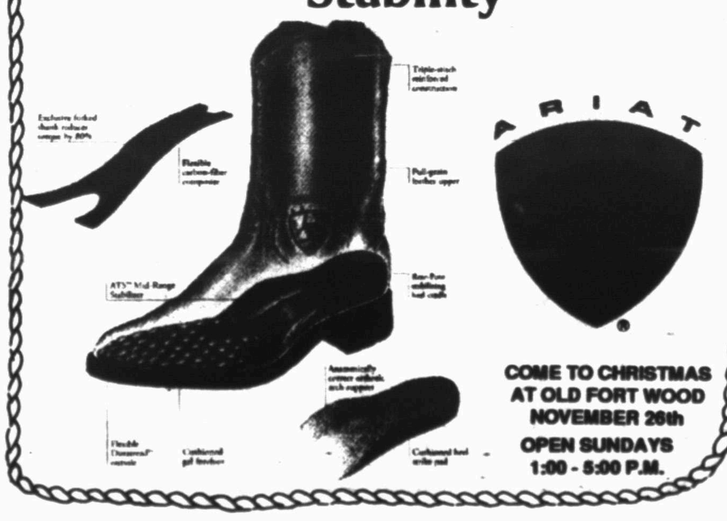
A tendency to procrastinate. With major tasks like retirement planning, it's easy to be like Scarlett O'Hara and say, "I'll worry about that tomorrow." No defined goals, a tendency to live beyond our means and a lack of financial knowledge all lead to procrastination.

But procrastinating about retirement planning can be a fatal mistake. To illustrate, consider an individual who puts off saving for retirement until age 50. For the next 15 years, from age 50 to 65, she deposits $2,000 per year into an IRA earning 8 percent annually. By age 65, she has invested $30,000 and it has grown to about $58,000.

Now consider an individual who begins investing at age 35. He deposits $2,000 per year into an IRA earning the same annual rate of 8 percent. After five years and total deposits of only $10,000, he stops making contributions. His IRA continues compounding at 8 percent for the next 25 years and grows to about $86,000. He deposited $20,000 less than the procrastinator, yet because he started earlier, compounding enabled his retirement nest egg to be worth $28,000 more.

Don't allow procrastination, a lack of financial knowledge, spending temptations, a lack of goals or any other excuse to get in your way. Make retirement planning a top priority today!

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Are wood stoves hazardous to health?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Much has been written about second-hand cigarette smoke, but what about second-hand wood smoke? I live in a neighborhood where most of the homes use wood stoves, which run about eight months of the year. Because I am surrounded by them, the air always smells of smoke, and is especially bad on foggy days. My house is in need of constant washing due to the wood ash and soot. The smoke makes me cough. I have no intention of starting a neighborhood battle on this, but would like to know if smoke is a health hazard.

DEAR READER: I've always associated autumn with the smell of burning leaves, and winter with the aroma of wood smoke. But, I guess, I'm irrevocably old-fashioned, because the practices of burning leaves and logs are now considered to be environmentally irresponsible.

The particulate matter in such smoke certainly has the potential for causing respiratory ailments in susceptible individuals, such as asthmatics. Also, the smoke itself is believed to contribute to smog, not to mention the damage it can cause when combined with moisture (fog and so forth) when it lands on painted surfaces.

There are many studies proving that wood smoke is unhealthful — especially for people with emphysema — when it is inhaled in quantity. The faint, acrid and pleasantly pungent bouquet of a distant wood fire does not, on the other hand, cause illness. It's a matter of degree, like so much else in life.

I've been told that in certain communities in Maine during the winter, the pall of woodsmoke is so pervasive that authorities have been forced to enact ordinances to limit wood-burning. I hope the rest of the country never reaches that nadir. However, the air pollution caused by woodsmoke can certainly be a public health nuisance — if not a menace — when it is overdone.

I don't have any earth-shattering advice for you, except that I agree with your last comments: You probably don't need a neighborhood battle over this issue.

Like any pollutant, wood/leaf smoke has consequences, especially if the density is high because of environmental factors, such as temperature inversion. However, to my knowledge, moderate (and intermittent) exposure to this smoke has fewer health consequences than, say, chronic exposure to tobacco side-stream smoke.

Finally, look at it this way: We have to heat our houses in winter. Electricity may be "clean," but power companies release tons of fossil-fuel smoke into the atmosphere. This release occurs away from our homes, so we're not aware of it. (The residents near the power plants are though, you can bet.) Or, we may burn oil or coal in our houses. These fuels also pollute.

So, the bottom line is: You pay your money and take your choice. All nonnuclear fuel pollutes when burned; wood is no exception. However, the health problems are not excessive.

Let's talk about something less controversial, like those big, stinky diesel trucks that belch clouds of greasy smoke when they shift gears. Why aren't they all required to have catalytic converters or other devices to reduce pollution?

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DEAR DR. GOTT: I am a 70-year-old woman who has gained 8 pounds in four months, all of it in my stomach. Suddenly, I have developed a prominent "pot belly." My doctor has little to say about it, but it bothers me. What can I do?

DEAR READER: A sudden increase in abdominal girth, in the absence of a change in diet, may indicate a problem with the abdominal organs. I don't want to frighten you unnecessarily, but when I see a patient with a similar complaint, I investigate to make sure that she doesn't have a malignancy — such as ovarian cancer — or liver disease with ascites (fluid in the belly).

In my opinion, you should have blood tests and an abdominal ultrasound examination to rule out a serious disorder.

Of course, a "pot belly" also commonly accompanies the aging process, as most of us "oldies" can attest, especially if we are somewhat stout. In such instances, prudent dieting may help reduce the roll of abdominal fat.

If that is unsuccessful, doctors can perform liposuction to remove the fat deposit.

Because the cause of your unexplained abdominal protuberance is unclear, I suggest that you seek advice from a gynecologist or a family physician who will be more sympathetic to your concern about body image. Once the possibility of a serious disorder has been eliminated, the physician can counsel you about diet or refer you to a plastic surgeon for liposuction if such an option is appropriate.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I snore at night and my doctor believes the problem is due to sagging tissue at the back of my throat. Would laser surgery correct this?

DEAR READER: As we age and our tissues become more flabby, the soft palate — the tissue at the back of the throat — can flop down during sleeping and partially obstruct the airway, leading to snoring and a dangerous condition called sleep apnea (extended periods during sleep when a person cannot breathe).

Surgery can correct this. One technique involves cutting away the floppy tissue with a scalpel; another procedure, although similar, uses a laser as the cutting instrument; the intense beam of light causes less tissue damage and bleeding than the standard surgical devices.

In both instances, the obstruction is removed and the person, at least in theory, becomes snore-free. Ask your doctor about this.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "An Informed Approach to Surgery." 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.

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The Virginia state constitution was adopted June 29, 1776, and Patrick Henry was made governor.

Man gunning for former cop had smoked PCP for 3 days

RUBIDOUX, Calif. (AP) — A man who charged into a halfway house looking for former LAPD Sgt. Stacey Koon had been smoking PCP for three days before he killed a man and was shot to death, his relatives said.

Randall Craig Tolbert's family said they didn't believe him when he called to say he was barricaded inside the house where Koon was finishing a 30-month prison term for violating Rodney King's civil rights in a 1991 beating.

"He said he was at the halfway house. I thought he was joking," Tolbert's mother, Emogene, said Friday. "I said, 'Well, get yourself out of there.' And he said, 'I can't. I'm barricaded in. I can't get out and they can't get in.' And he said he loved us."

Tolbert, 35, had been living with his family in the unincorporated community of Rubidoux, trying to get his life back together after numerous scrapes with police and start a party videotaping business. His brothers said he had been smoking PCP for three days before Thanksgiving when he stormed the halfway house.

"He said he wanted to make a point about Stacey Koon being there," brother David Tolbert Jr. said. "The fact that he was here was eating at all of us."

Tolbert, who is black, killed a visitor to the Re-Entry Community Corrections Center, wounded an inmate and pistol-whipped a neighbor who tried to help. Tolbert was shot and killed by sheriff's deputies after a two-hour standoff.

Koon, who is white, and three other white officers were videotaped beating King, who is black, after a traffic stop. Their acquittals in state court touched off the 1992 Los Angeles riots.

The four officers were later indicted on federal charges. Koon and Officer Laurence Powell were convicted in 1993 of violating King's civil rights.

Koon, who was fired from the force, was to leave the halfway house Dec. 14. He refused to comment Friday when approached outside his tract house, about 20 miles north of Los Angeles.

Ira Salzman, Koon's lawyer, said it was unlikely he would return to the house but the alternatives were uncertain.

Authorities call in FBI in missing case

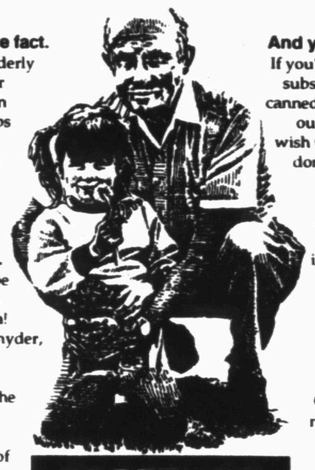
VICKSBURG, Miss. (AP) — The FBI was being asked to join the search for furniture heiress Jacqueline Levitz, who vanished, leaving signs of a violent struggle and blood in her one-story brick house.

"They can help us," Warren County Sheriff Paul Barrett said. "They can talk to people in Florida and in California that we can't talk to and we need to talk to."

A helicopter search Friday turned up no trace of Ms. Levitz along any road in the county or along either bank of the powerful mile-wide Mississippi River. There was also no sign of the sheets missing from her bed, which might have been used to wrap her body.

She was last seen alive Nov. 18.

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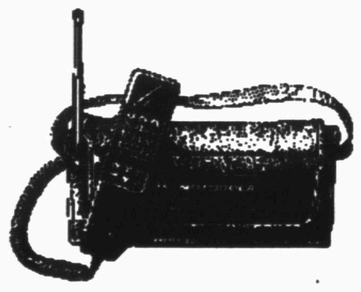


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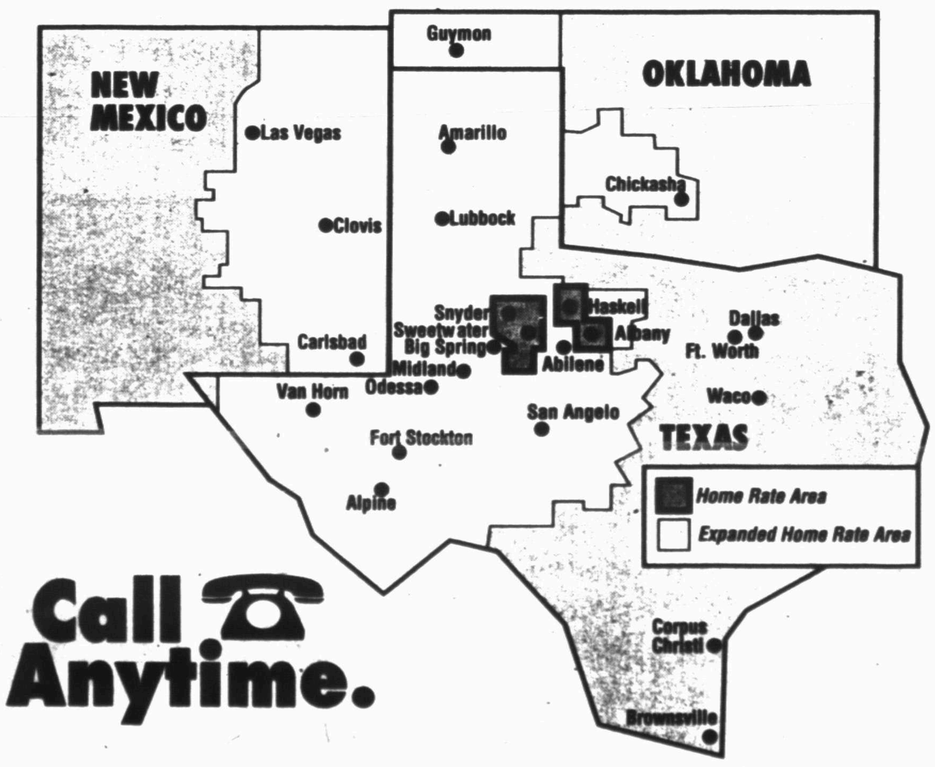


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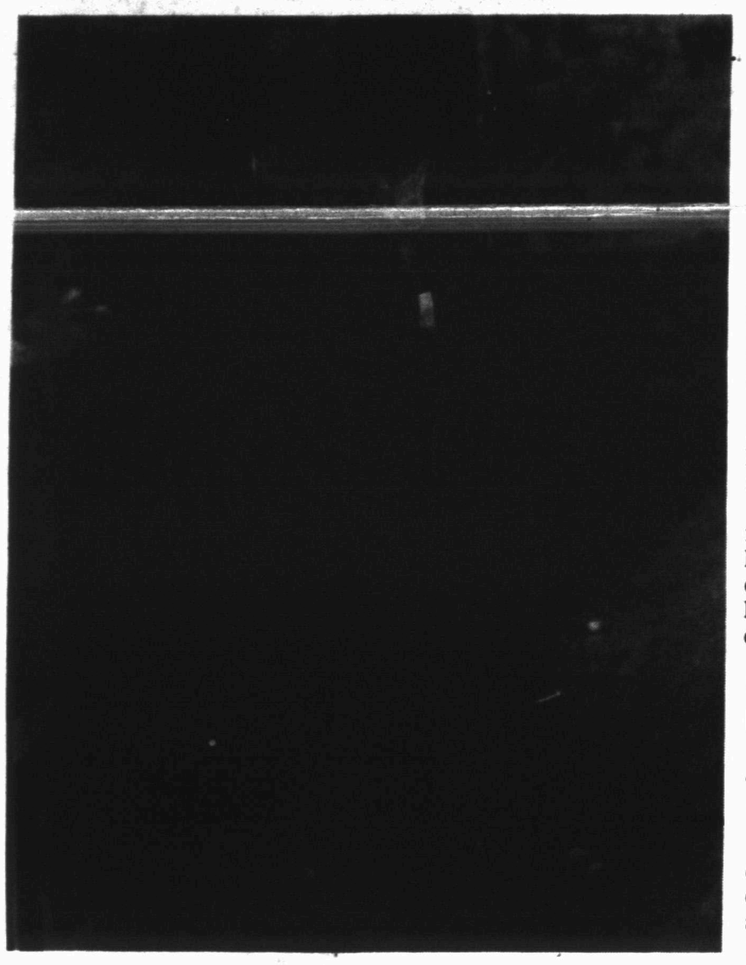
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SPORTS



FASHION STATEMENT—Western Texas College Lady Westerner Coach Brenda Nichols, broken ankle and all, visits with Rick Hall before a Lady Westener game in the Lady Westerner Thanksgiving tournament. The tournament concludes Saturday with with WTC taking on Rose St. (SDN Staff Photo by Brent Taylor)

Frank Phillips and Rose win in WTC Thanksgiving tourney

Frank Phillips defeated Ranger and Rose State knocked off Paris during the third day of the WTC Lady Westerner Thanksgiving tournament being held at the Scurry County Coliseum.

The tournament concludes Saturday with Paris and Frank Phillips at 5 and WTC and Rose State at 7:30.

Frank Phillips, coached by former University of Texas Lady Longhorn Johnna Pointer, outscored Ranger, 66-49. The Lady Plainsmen had three girls in double figures, led by Sherryann Louison with 19, Bridgette Murphy 18 and Amy Herchock 14.

Margo Davis had 11 and Yolanda Yett 10 to lead the Lady Rangers.

In the nightcap, Rose State got 30 points from Angela Castle, 21 in the first half, to down Paris Junior College, 71-55. Karen Pierce was also in double figures with 16.

Randi McKinney and Julie Wilmoth both had 10 for the Lady Dragons.

RANGER (49)
Davis 5 1-2 11, Yett 2 3-4 10, Speight 1 0-0 8, Sapp 0 0-0 3, Robertson 2 0-0 4, Okeke 2 0-0 4, Karlik 1 7-8 9, Totals 13 11-14 49.
FRANK PHILLIPS (66)
Herchock 4 6-7 14, Louison 6 7-7 19, Murphy 7 4-4 18, Crutcher 0 3-4 3, Lawlis 0 5-6 5, Hamilton 1 0-0 2, Cooper 0 1-2 1, Johnson 0 2-2 2, Pratt 1 0-0 2, Totals 19 28-32 66.
Halftime score: Frank Phillips 33, Ranger 24.
3-Point goals: Ranger 4 (Yett 1, Speight 2, Sapp 1), Frank Phillips 0. Fouled out: Ranger 1 (Davis), Frank Phillips 1 (Martin).

PARIS (55)
McKinney 1 2-2 10, Johnson 1 0-0 2, Crabtree 0 0-2 0, Lewis 1 0-0 2, Mills 1 2-2 4, Womack 0 1-2 7, Sims 1 0-0 2, Cheers 2 1-6 5, Stephens 0 1-3 4, Brown 4 1-3 9, Wilmoth 3 4-4 10, Totals 14 12-24 55.
ROSE STATE (71)
Hampton 1 0-0 2, Wallis 0 2-4 2, Cox 1 2-3 7, Divine 2 1-2 5, Pierce 4 2-2 16, Durham 1 5-6 7, Castle 11 8-16 30, Russell 1 0-0 2, Totals 21 20-33 71.
Halftime score: Rose State 39, Paris 25.
3-Point goals: Paris 5 (McKinney 2, Womack 2, Stephens 1), Rose State 3 (Cox 1, Pierce 2). Fouled out: Paris 2 (Womack, Wilmoth), Rose State 2 (Hampton, Divine).

SJHS ends team tennis season

Snyder Junior High tennis team ended its season with two wins, one over Abilene Wylie, 24-15, and the other over Colorado City, 18-8.

Against Wylie, Adrian Gonzales had a tough match that he won with a tie breaker, 8-6, over Travis Adams. According to Coach Dan Pulattie, "All of the seventh grade boys, Allen Smith, Ryan Gibson, Nick Hand, Tim Green and Austin Haire played good matches."

Against Wylie, four freshmen girls competed with Snyder winning all four singles matches and the two doubles matches.

In the match with Colorado City, seventh grader Kristen York won her match in a tie breaker, 9-8, over Steff Lee and eighth grader Natalie Hill also won in a tie breaker, 9-8, over Shauna Wilking. Eighth grader Andrea Pavlik won her match over Danmi White, 8-4, and the eighth grade doubles team of Kim Vath and Audra Reneau played well in a loss to Wyrosdick and White, 8-4.

"This wraps up our fall tennis schedule," Pulattie said. "It has been an exciting season. All of these kids are exceptional and all worked hard and showed outstanding attitude. Working with these kids has been a lot of fun and it has been refreshing to be associated with people like them. Everyone of these kids can tell whoever asks them something they have learned and need to work on. We expect a terrific spring season."

Snyder vs. Abilene Wylie
9th Grade
Girls Singles: Vickie Vargas def. Lindsey Sife 8-3, Angela Sanchez def. Amanda Rogers 8-2, Michelle Rollins def. Angie Ruth 8-3, Cynthia Fennell def. Brooke Seago 8-1.
Girls Doubles: Vargas/Sanchez def. Sipe/Rogers 8-4, Fennell/Rollins def. Ruth Seago 8-0.

8th Grade
Mens Singles: Adrian Gonzales def. Travis Adams 8-6, Kris Casas lost to Preston Files 8-6, Glen Burk def. Kyle Johnson 6-3, Justin Guy def. Drew Pitman 6-1, Josh Levens def. Kyle Johnson 8-2.
Womens Singles: Cara Best def. Ashley Boring 8-1, Andrea Pavlik lost to Lindsey English 8-3, Natalie Hill lost to Robin McFarlin 6-4, Natalie Hill lost to Alicia Gonzalez 6-2.
Mens Doubles: Gonzales/Guy lost to Adams/Files 8-3, Casas/Burk def. Johnson/Pitman 8-1, Levens/Hensley def. Johnson/Pitman 8-2, Stone/Border lost to Levens/Hensley 7-6.
Womens Doubles: Best/Pavlik def. Boring/English 8-6, Best/Pavlik def. Gonzalez/McFarlin 8-2.

7th Grade
Mens Singles: Allen Smith def. Chase McKinney 8-6, Ryan Gibson def. Kevin Naraq 8-3, Nick Hand lost to Jacob Brindel 8-2, Tim Green def. Steve Hayes 8-3, Austin Haire def. James Elliot 8-7.
Womens Singles: Whitney Graham lost to Stephanie Haynes 8-7, Natalie Alexander def. Courtney Staples 6-3, Lyndsey Ornelas lost to Cameron Roberts 6-0, Lisa Hall lost to Christina Sneed 6-4, Jordan Harden lost to Ashley Patterson 6-0, Claire Cotton def. Kristin Smith 6-2.
Mens Doubles: Smith/Gibson def. McKinney/Elliott 8-1, Green/Hand def. Naraq/Elliott 8-3.
Womens Doubles: Graham/Alexander def. Haynes/Staples 8-5, Ornelas/Hall lost to Roberts/Sneed 8-2, Cotton/Hardin lost to Smith/Patterson 9-7, Vath/York lost to Roberts/Sneed 6-0.

Snyder vs. Colorado City
8th Grade
Boys Singles: Adrian Gonzales def. Austin Watson 8-0, Kris Casas def. Oscar Rodriguez 8-1, Glen Burk lost to Austin Watson 8-4, Kevin Taylor def. Austin Watson 8-3, Justin Guy def. Jason Graham 8-2, John Hensley def. Tobias Bushong 8-0.
Girls Singles: Cara Best def. Tasha Wyrosdick 8-3, Andrea Pavlik lost to Danmi White 8-4, Natalie Hill lost to Shauna Wilking 9-8, Diedra Goebel lost to Becky Luera 8-3.
Boys Doubles: Levens/Heasley def. Upham/Rodriguez 8-2, Stone/Border def. Upham/Rodriguez 8-4, Levens/Casas def. Graham/Bushong 8-2.
Girls Doubles: Carrisalez/Hill def. Hall/Luera 8-1.

7th Grade
Boys Singles: Nick Hand lost to Jeremy Raymond 8-3, Tim Green def. Justin Gross 8-4, Pace Milhollon def. Simon Moreno 8-6, Austin Haire def. Todd Moody 8-2.
Girls Singles: Whitney Graham def. Jessica Rankin 8-5, Natalie Alexander lost to Jessica Rankin 8-3, Kristen York lost to Steff Lee 9-8.
Boys Doubles: Green/Haire def. Raymond/Gross 8-4, Haire/Milhollon def. Moody/Limones 8-1.
Womens Doubles: Ornelas/Hall def. Hui/Rankin 8-6, Cotton/Hardin def. Lewis/McCoury 8-3, Vath/Reneau lost to Wyrosdick/White 8-4.

NFL AT A GLANCE

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East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	8	3	0	.727	223	198
Miami	6	5	0	.545	275	225
Indianapolis	6	5	0	.545	210	210
NewEngland	4	7	0	.364	177	242
N.Y.Jets	2	9	0	.182	163	285
Central						
Pittsburgh	7	4	0	.636	277	242
Cincinnati	4	7	0	.364	269	277
Cleveland	4	7	0	.364	201	244
Houston	4	7	0	.364	231	223
Jacksonville	3	8	0	.273	184	250
West						
KansasCity	10	2	0	.833	277	185
Oakland	8	3	0	.727	271	187
Denver	6	5	0	.545	249	201
Seattle	5	6	0	.455	249	273
SanDiego	4	7	0	.364	196	238

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Dallas	10	2	0	.833	343	214
Philadelphia	7	4	0	.636	235	248
Arizona	3	8	0	.273	171	289
N.Y.Giants	3	8	0	.273	199	246
Washington	3	8	0	.273	227	268
Central						
GreenBay	7	4	0	.636	277	236
Chicago	6	5	0	.545	297	269
TampaBay	6	5	0	.545	175	191
Detroit	6	6	0	.500	304	302
Minnesota	6	6	0	.500	300	293
West						
Atlanta	7	4	0	.636	241	226
SanFrancisco	7	4	0	.636	294	160
St.Louis	6	5	0	.545	201	236
Carolina	5	6	0	.455	202	213
NewOrleans	4	7	0	.364	205	252

Thursday's Games
Detroit 44, Minnesota 38
Dallas 24, Kansas City 12
Sunday's Games
Miami at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
New England at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Chicago at New York Giants, 1 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Denver at Houston, 4 p.m.
New York Jets at Seattle, 4 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, 4 p.m.
St. Louis at San Francisco, 4 p.m.
Atlanta at Arizona, 4 p.m.
Carolina at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Monday's Game
Oakland at San Diego, 9 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 30
New York Giants at Arizona, 8 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 3
Indianapolis at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Houston at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at Miami, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at New England, 1 p.m.
St. Louis at New York Jets, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Denver, 4 p.m.
Kansas City at Oakland, 4 p.m.
Cleveland at San Diego, 4 p.m.
Washington at Dallas, 4 p.m.
Philadelphia at Seattle, 4 p.m.
Buffalo at San Francisco, 8 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 4
Chicago at Detroit, 9 p.m.

TAYLOR MADE
By Brent Taylor
Sports Editor

What turned out to be a better season than anyone expected came to an end last Saturday in Abilene for the Snyder Tigers.

In what will be a game talked about for years, the Snyder Tigers narrowly missed knocking out the two-time defending Class 4A state champions, Stephenville.

When asked if he thought Stephenville had the team to win its third straight state title, Coach David Baugh said, "I don't think so." Neither do I coach.

The Sweetwater Mustangs have a much faster team, not only in Shaun Carr, but in the entire team. Based on what I saw in one game, I will be surprised if Stephenville wins state, much less win its next game against Sherman.

As for Sweetwater, go win state.

Taylor Made

There are a lot of people involved during football season that make my job as sports editor a lot easier. I would like to thank two people in particular, Maria Quiros and Stephanie Whittenburg. These two girls have taken the majority of the pictures of the football games.

In a one-man sports department, it is impossible to cover all the sub-varsity games in person and that is where the coaches help out tremendously. They are the reason we get the information in the paper. The same can be said about the volleyball coaches, too.

And last, thanks to all the people here at the SDN who proof read my stories and gave me their advice and opinions. As my English teachers in school can testify, spelling is not my cup of tea. In fact, I imagine there are several English teachers who cannot belive, or should that be believe I am writing newspaper articles.

Thanksgiving a day late for Cowboys

IRVING (AP) — Thanksgiving came one day late for the Dallas Cowboys.

A medical report contained good news on Emmitt Smith's left knee, injured during the third quarter of Thursday's 24-12 win over Kansas City.

Smith, who has missed only one game due to injury in his pro career, sustained a mild sprain of the medial collateral ligament against the Chiefs and could play Dec. 3 when Dallas plays host to Washington.

"Doctors said Emmitt will be listed as probable day-to-day and he could play next week," said Cowboys spokesman Rich Dalrymple. "Doctors will know more next Monday about his availability against the Redskins."

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Mascots provide history in Southwest Conference

By TRAVIS TINGLE
San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO — They have stolen fans' hearts. Fans have just stolen them heart, hair, hide and all.

To many, mascots are as much a part of the Southwest Conference's football legacy as any player, coach or marching band.

Everyone has their favorites. And preferences don't always reflect school ties.

"When it comes to mascots, I've always been partial to (Texas') Bevo and the (Arkansas) Razorback," said former SMU coach Ron Meyer. "At SMU, I always wished we had some big Clydesdale, you know, standing about 20-hands high, to run out on the field with us. Instead, we had this little old Shetland (pony) . . . I never could understand that."

If an SWC gallop poll was taken, SMU and Texas Tech easily would finish with the highest marks. Those schools' horses make the football teams' field entrance an electric moment.

The Mustangs' first Peruna, a 150-pound show pony, made his debut Nov. 4, 1932, after being donated by T.E. Jones, the owner of old Arlington Downs. Jones also provided a red saddle blanket to go along with the horse.

Unfortunately, after just two years of service as SMU's mascot, Peruna I ran out into the middle of Mockingbird Lane near campus and was struck by a car and killed. The horse was buried at Ownby Stadium, where a small statue marks both his grave and all other Perunas who have trotted off to that big pasture in the sky.

Texas Tech unveiled the first Masked Rider, Joe Kirk Fulton, against Auburn in the 1954 Gator Bowl. After seeing Fulton, a black-and-red cape flapping in the air, and his trusty steed, Blackie, dash around the field in Jacksonville, Fla., an Atlanta newspaper reporter wrote: "No team in any bowl game ever made a more sensational entrance."

But the 40-year-old tradition of the jet-black horse and Zorro-like rider racing around the field at full speed after Red Raiders' touchdowns also endured a tragic setback in 1994.

Tech's quarterhorse, named Double T, lost its rider and died after smashing into the wall as it tried to leave Jones Stadium through the southwest tunnel. This season in Lubbock, the Masked Rider only darts around the field when the team first enters.

"The most exciting mascot is the one at Texas Tech," said former Texas A&M coach Emory Bellard. "It's always been pretty dangerous what they did. He would go around that field and get the crowd working up in a sweat. I always told our kids to be alert and that, if they didn't want to get run over by that horse, don't let 'em score."

If the SWC mascots could ever get together and produce their own yearbook, Bevo, Texas' Longhorn steer, probably would be voted "Most Likely To Be Stolen."

One of the more memorable bull-nappings happened in 1963. And, as was often the case whenever SWC mascots disappeared from their pens, cages or secret hiding places, Aggies proved to be the culprits.

That season, A&M cadets had managed to swipe the mascot from nearly every opponent on the Aggies' football schedule, with the exception of LSU's tiger, Mike, and the University of Houston's cougar, Shasta. But Bevo, of course, was seen as the final stroke in A&M's mascot-marauding masterpiece.

"They took the steer back to College Station and about mid-morning they confessed to the local Texas Ranger that they had taken it and told him where it was," said longtime UT sports information director Bill Little, who covered the caper as a student reporter for the Daily Texan.

"The Ranger goes out to this farm, and it wasn't there. So he comes back and it was kind of like the old saying, "You in a heepa trouble, boy!' because what they had done was confess to what was at that time cattle rustling.

"All the other mascots they had stolen were relatively harmless. But when you stole cattle in the state of Texas back then, that was rustling and it was still punishable by hanging. I'm still not sure who was more relieved that the steer was eventually found safe and sound, the Texas fans or the Aggies that took him."

A Texas mascot heist during the early 1960s turned out far more disastrous. Some UT students once tried to swipe the Baylor bear cubs from their stone-laden den in Waco.

It got ugly real quick.

"As they went through the fence, one of the cubs started scratching the guy who was carrying him and he wound up hitting it in the head, with a hammer or something, and killing it," Little said. "The kids involved in it ended up being expelled from school. It was just a case where the kid with the bear panicked."

Baylor's bear cubs, given names like Ted, Joe College, Barney and Bailey throughout the years, usually have gotten the best of any would- be thieves. And their track record against other mascots isn't too shabby, either.

Former Bears coach Grant Teaff remembers a non-conference tussle between the hedges in Athens, Ga., where the best thing his coaching staff later saw on the game film was a classic stiff arm from the cub.

"Georgia had an old grouchy bulldog, and the tradition was to take the other mascot over to meet him," Teaff said. "The old bulldog was slobbering up next to him, and that bear cub swatted that bulldog upside the head and knocked him silly. He must have rolled about 10 feet. We lost the game, but we won the mascot war."

One of Arkansas' wild hogs, Big Red II, snorted and drooled along the sidelines until it escaped from an animal exhibit in the Summer 1977. It didn't take long for an irate farmer with a shotgun to put an end to Big Red's piglet-fathering days.

"He got shot and killed for molesting that farmer's pigs," said Rick Schaeffer, Arkansas' sports information director. "He just thought it was another wild boar on the loose."

For obvious reasons, Houston always kept its cougar in a cage.

UH hasn't used a live cougar at its athletic events since 1988. Shasta V saw her last action that season. But the ferocious feline also was known for throwing a scare into the unsuspecting.

At a road game in 1975, the Cougar Guard, fraternity brothers charged with Shasta's care, rented its customary adjoining rooms at a Memphis, Tenn., hotel. With the management's blessing, Shasta was given a room to herself.

Given such vacation-like freedom, she loved to stretch out and take cat naps in the bathtub.

"We went out to get something to eat and forgot to put out the do-not- disturb sign on her door," said Calvin Speer, a former Cougar Guard member. "When we got back, the desk clerk told us that a maid had gone in there to clean the room. Apparently, she ran out of there screaming."

At least the cat didn't get her tongue.

When it comes to mascot pampering, though, A&M's Reveille is hard to top. She hardly ever has it all that ruff ... make that rough.

All six Reveilles have been given a variety of special privileges in Aggieland. The dogs eat in the corps dining hall, sleep in its dorm rooms and even attend classes with the members of the cadet outfit that take care of her.

The first Reveille, a skinny, black mutt hit by a carload of guilt-ridden cadets and nursed back to health, died at age 12 in 1944. She was given a full military funeral and buried just outside Kyle Field.

"That might be what a man wants to do, pass away and come back as Reveille," Bellard said. "She is royalty and treated in high esteem. That's the kind of dog's life you want to live."

Nuggets win in overtime

DALLAS (AP) — The Denver Nuggets finally ended one of their bad habits. They didn't fade down the stretch.

Denver got a season-high 39-point performance from Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf and two key baskets in overtime from rookie Antonio McDyess in a 112-109 victory over the Dallas Mavericks on Friday night.

"This was a huge win," Nuggets reserve guard Jalen Rose said. "Any time you come into another team's arena 2-8, any win is huge. We made plays down the stretch and found a way to win. We need to keep finding ways to win."

Abdul-Rauf nailed 8-of-11 attempts from 3-point range and Bryant Stith added a season-high 25 points.

Jamal Mashburn poured in a season-high 37 points, but needed 34 shots to do so, and George McCloud added 20 points off the bench for the faltering Mavericks, who lost their fifth straight after a 5-1 start.

Jason Kidd's follow-up with 12 seconds remaining in regulation narrowed Denver's advantage to 103-101. Kidd then stole the inbounds pass and dunked with 8.3 seconds left for a 103-103 tie.

SDN SPORTS WEEK

BASKETBALL

Monday: Abilene Cooper at Snyder 9th boys A 7:00 B 5:30
Ira JHS at Borden County 6:00
Hermleigh JHS at Highland 6:00

Tuesday: Odessa at Lady Westerners 7:30
Lubbock High at Lady Tigers varsity 6:00, JV 4:30, 9th 4:30
Seminole at Tigers varsity 7:30, JV 6:00 (Jr. High)
Southland at Hermleigh, varsity B & G, JV 5:00

Thursday: Lady Westerner at South Plains, 7:30
Lady Tigers in Brownfield Tournament
Tigers in Denver City Tournament
Tigers JV in Coahoma Tournament
Ira Dog Pound Classic B & G varsity
Hermleigh in Southland Tournament B & G varsity
Hermleigh JV in Ira Dog Pound Classic

Friday: Lady Tigers in Brownfield Tournament
Tigers in Denver City Tournament
Tigers JV in Coahoma Tournament
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Hermleigh in Southland Tournament B & G varsity
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Hermleigh JV in Ira Dog Pound Classic
Levelland at Lady Tigers 9th 11:00 a.m.
Levelland at Lady Tigers 8th 11:00 a.m.
Levelland at Lady Tigers 7th 10:00 a.m.
Tigers at Levelland 9th 12:00
Tigers at Levelland 8th 11:00 a.m.
Tigers at Levelland 7th 10:00 a.m.

NBA AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press
National Basketball Association
All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlantic Division				
Orlando	10	2	.833	-
NewYork	9	2	.818	½
Miami	6	3	.667	2½
Washington	5	5	.500	4
Boston	4	6	.400	5
NewJersey	4	7	.364	5½
Philadelphia	2	8	.200	7
Central Division				
Chicago	10	1	.909	-
Atlanta	6	5	.545	4
Indiana	5	5	.500	4½
Detroit	4	6	.400	5½
Milwaukee	3	6	.333	6
Charlotte	4	8	.333	6½
Toronto	4	8	.333	6½
Cleveland	3	8	.273	7
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Houston	10	1	.909	-
Utah	10	3	.769	1
SanAntonio	6	4	.600	3½
Dallas	5	6	.455	5
Denver	3	8	.273	7
Vancouver	2	10	.167	8½
Minnesota	1	9	.100	8½
Pacific Division				
Sacramento	8	4	.667	-
Seattle	8	5	.615	½
L.A.Clippers	7	5	.583	1
L.A.Lakers	6	6	.500	2
Portland	6	6	.500	2
Phoenix	5	5	.500	2
GoldenState	4	8	.333	4

Thursday's Game
Houston 115, Indiana 108
Only game scheduled

Friday's Games
Washington 110, Miami 94
Charlotte 116, Vancouver 104
Detroit 101, Philadelphia 78
Cleveland 100, Indiana 93
Golden State 101, Boston 94
Orlando 109, Minnesota 98
Chicago 90, Utah 85
Denver 112, Dallas 109, OT
Portland 99, New Jersey 87
Seattle 112, San Antonio 100
Sacramento 99, L.A. Lakers 98

Saturday's Games
Houston at New York, 1 p.m.
Golden State at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Denver, 9 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
San Antonio at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Charlotte at Boston, 7 p.m.
Houston at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Seattle, 8 p.m.
New Jersey at Sacramento, 9 p.m.

FOOTBALL PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

By The Associated Press
Texas High School Playoff Results, Pairings
All games Friday unless noted

Class 5A, Division I
Region I
Regional semifinals
Odessa Permian 38, EP Hanks 7
Grapevine (9-2) vs. Arlington (7-4), 1 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving

Regional finals
Region I
Odessa Permian (11-1) vs. Grapevine (9-2) or Arlington (7-4), TBA

Class 5A, Division II
Area round
Region I
Abilene Cooper 19, EP Irvin 16
Flower Mound Marcus (11-0) vs. FW Wyatt (9-2), 8 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving
Midland Lee 28, EP Socorro 26
Arlington Lamar (10-0-1) vs Lewisville (7-3-1), 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving

Regional semifinals
Region I
Abilene Cooper (6-4-1) vs. Flower Mound Marcus (11-0) or FW Wyatt (9-2), TBA
Midland Lee (10-0-1) vs. Arlington Lamar (10-0-1) or Lewisville (7-3-1), TBA

Class 4A
Area round
Region I
Pampa (9-1) vs. Andrews (5-6), 2 p.m. Saturday, Jones Stadium, Lubbock
Sweetwater (11-0) vs. Denison (11-0), 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Maverick Stadium, Arlington
Borger 56, San Angelo Lake View 21
Stephenville (10-1) vs. Sherman (10-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Pennington Field, Bedford

Regional semifinals
Region I
Pampa (9-1) or Andrews (5-6) vs. Sweetwater (11-0) or Denison (11-0), TBA
Borger (9-2) vs. Stephenville (10-1) or Sherman (10-1), TBA

Class 3A
Area round
Region I
Childress (8-3) vs. Springtown (8-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium, Wichita Falls
Abilene Wylie (10-1) vs. Midland Greenwood (9-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, San Angelo
Littlefield 23, Boyd 19
Ballinger (10-1) vs. Colorado City (8-3), 7:30 Saturday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

Regional semifinals
Region I
Childress (8-3) or Springtown (8-3) vs. Abilene Wylie (10-1) or Midland Greenwood (9-2), TBA
Littlefield (12-0) vs. Ballinger (10-1) or Colorado City (8-3), TBA

Class 2A
Area round
Region I
West Texas 10, Seagraves 0
Hamlin 39, Stanton 28
Canadian (9-1-1) vs. Sundown (7-2-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Kimbrough Stadium, Canyon
Winters 21, Albany 7

Regional semifinals
Region I
West Texas (11-1) vs. Hamlin (10-1), TBA
Canadian (9-1-1) or Sundown (7-2-1) vs. Winters (12-0), TBA

Class A
Area round
Region I
Shamrock 37, Kress 19
Wink 34, Plains 6
Sunray 13, Petersburg 7
Sudan (6-4) vs. Rankin (9-2), 7:00 p.m., Seminole

Region II
Bronte 21, Roby 20
Crawford 21, Windthorst 7
Roscoe 55, Munday 12
Hico 26, Bryson 6

Regional semifinals
Region I
Shamrock (11-0) vs. Wink (11-1), TBA
Sunray (10-2) vs. Sudan (7-4), TBA

Region II
Bronte (8-3) vs. Crawford (10-1-1), TBA
Roscoe (10-1) vs. Hico (10-1-1), TBA

Six-man
Second round
Region I-II
Whitharral 50, Meadow 0
Klondike 60, Balmorhea 57
Amherst 78, Jayton 48
Ackerly Sands 47, Imperial Buena Vista 24

Third round
Region I-II
Whitharral (10-1) vs. Klondike (12-0), TBA
Amherst (12-0) vs. Ackerly Sands (11-1), TBA

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So-called aphrodisiac has deadly side effects

ATLANTA (AP) — As he prepared for an amorous encounter, a 17-year-old boy ate a brown rock-like substance he thought would make him an ardent lover.

Instead, he ended up vomiting and his heart had drastically slowed, from 72 to just 48 beats per minute.

Though he survived, at least four men have died after eating the Chinese aphrodisiac, which contains dried toad secretions and is supposed to be applied to the genitals, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported Friday.

The substance is no longer legally available in this country, but a spokesman for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration said consumers should hear the "cautionary tale" about the four men who died in New York between February 1993 and May of this year.

"If you don't know what you're taking, it can get you into trouble," said Herman Janiger of the FDA's New York district office.

The product was sold in New York City from 1993 through April under the names "Stone," "LoveStone," "Black Stone," and "Rock Hard," in containers without labels listing ingredients or directions for use, said Lina Balluz, a CDC environmental health researcher.

Officials in Philadelphia, Miami, Tampa, Fla., North Carolina and Virginia have reported seizing it as well, the CDC said.

The FDA banned its importation in April, and domestic production would be difficult because it includes the dried skin secretions of a toad not found in the United States, Janiger said.

An analysis found that the aphrodisiac contained an ingredient similar to the prescription heart drug digoxin and bufadienolides, a steroid that disrupts the heart's rhythm.

The same steroid is found in a traditional Chinese medication called Chan Su and similar chemicals are present in teas made from poisonous oleander and purple foxglove.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Perfect Gift for Seniors Is As Close as Your Mailbox

DEAR ABBY: Some time ago, you had a letter in your column concerning ideas for gift-giving to senior citizens, and you mentioned giving postage stamps as a useful gift.

Since then, I have retired and given it a lot of thought. I send out many letters and cards, pay bills and order by mail. I have compiled a list of reasons for giving stamps. I mentioned it to my local postal clerk, who not only agreed with me, but got a chuckle out of it.

Since Christmas is coming soon, you may want to share my list with your readers.

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8. They go anywhere in the world without a passport, a visa or an airline ticket.
9. They are always appreciated.
10. They can be used to send cards and letters that bring laughter and warm the heart. (Also to write to Dear Abby.)

There you have it! My 10 best reasons for giving stamps as a gift. Use my name if you like. I have enjoyed your column for many years.

CHRIS DANILSON, SUMNER, WASH.

DEAR CHRIS: Your list gets my Dear Abby "stamp" of approval!

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DEAR ABBY: My husband hasn't spoken a word to me in three weeks because I said something he didn't like.

If I bring up the subject, he gets verbally abusive. He has used this technique for years. (Once he refused to speak to me for six months.)

He is in his early 60s and is a recovering alcoholic. He refuses to go for counseling and won't give me a divorce. Abby, please don't recommend counseling for me — I've already been there.

Any solutions? Please answer this in the newspaper because my husband never misses your column.

FRUSTRATED IN VIRGINIA

DEAR FRUSTRATED: I regret that I have no magic words to solve your problem. You say that your husband punishes you with the silent treatment. That is not a new technique; however a six-month silence is sometimes preferable to a six-month pelting of verbal abuse.

As for your husband's refusal to give you a divorce: If you sincerely want out of your marriage, my advice is to see a lawyer.

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UNFORGETTABLE QUOTE: I never look at the right-hand side of a menu or at the price tag of clothes. Otherwise, I would starve naked.

HELEN HAYES

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DEAR ABBY: To continue the argument concerning prayer in school, and the actions of a school district in firing a principal who violated a rule banning it: I believe the principal should, indeed, have been disciplined, in whatever manner the superintendent and school board saw fit. Not for calling for school prayer per se, but for violating a school ordinance and, in this case, a federal law.

As for prayer in school, I should like to see a few minutes set aside for silent prayer. The word "silent" is important because prayers recited aloud are sure to offend some member(s) of the class whose religions call for a different kind of prayer from the one being recited.

When there is silent prayer, the pupil may or may not pray, as he or she chooses, but has the option of praying without offending anyone and with great satisfaction to him or herself — and, I would venture to guess, the Lord, as well.

CAROLINE K. IN LOS ANGELES

DEAR CAROLINE: I received a flood of mail about my answer regarding the issue of school prayer — some favorable, others critical. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I was appalled by the answer you gave Gary Buchanan of Monson, Mass., concerning the school principal who was fired for allowing prayer in school. You said you sided with the board of education.

I thought you were a citizen concerned with gang violence and all of its innocent victims.

Mr. Buchanan didn't stipulate what type of prayer should be allowed. Perhaps the principal allowed for a moment of silence for all to pray as they saw fit or not to pray, if that was their preference. Not bothering to find out, you arbitrarily sided with the school board. Shame on you, Abby. I thought you were more objective than that. Prayer is preferable to guns and knives, any way you look at it!

This will probably never make your column, but at least I hope you are aware of the poor taste you exhibited.

CHAR LaROQUE, LOYAL TACOMA READER

DEAR CHAR: I can think of no one in this country who is not concerned about gang violence and its effect on the innocents caught in the crossfire. But it defies logic to conclude that the solution to this complex social problem is as simple as a moment of prayer in school.

In conclusion: IF the principal about whom Mr. Buchanan wrote had allowed a moment for all to offer a silent prayer, I'd have had no complaint; however, he still would have violated a federal law.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 15-year-old male sophomore with mid-length hair that goes every way except where I want it to go. I wet it down and carry a comb, but it dries and curls again within the hour. I have long since given up on the idea of growing long hair.

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Hearing aids, phones to be compatible

WASHINGTON (AP) — Call it the price of modern convenience: When telephones became lightweight, many lost the ability to work with hearing aids, creating headaches for millions of people.

But federal regulators have come up with a proposal to ensure that business phones — such as those in hotels, hospitals and at work — can be used by hearing-aid users.

The Federal Communications Commission is expected to adopt the proposal Tuesday; the plan would be fine-tuned and subject to another commission vote before becoming final.

When people who wear hearing aids use regular telephones, there is so much static and interference, the phones are useless, regulators said.

New phones bought by businesses must be compatible with hearing aids. Businesses would not be required to buy new ones immediately — a costly proposition and one of the big reasons a previous set of commission rules in this area was suspended.

"By the beginning of the next century, all Americans should be able to count on usable telephones regardless of their hearing problems," FCC Chairman Reed Hundt said in an interview. He called the proposal "an example of how the communications revolution can extend to everyone."

The FCC does not know precisely how many phones used by businesses are compatible with hearing aids, but regulators say millions of business phones would be covered by the plan.

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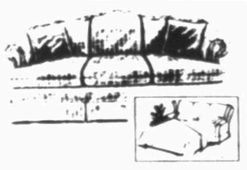


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More travel for pleasure than usual might be possible in the year ahead. In its own way, each trip could be a pleasurable, memorable experience. Make sure to remember your camera.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your best asset today will be your ability to think fast under pressure. You can make correct judgments while others are still sifting through the facts. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your present cycle is very favorable, and strong opportunities to advance personal interests are evident. Make the most of each situation today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) For best results today, deal with the big shots and not subordinates. People who have clout are more likely to respect your ideas.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Substantial benefits might be generated today through the efforts of others. Ironically, you could be the one who receives the greatest reward.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your ideas and suggestions will have extra zest and impact today. You should be especially effective if you have to impress a particular group.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) In a collective endeavor today where financial rewards are at stake, it will be your responsibility to bring all the factions together.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Harmony can be restored in a valued relationship that has been testy lately. Previous disagreements can be resolved without any additional finger pointing.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If a successful friend presents a proposal that could generate profit today, listen carefully. This one could be a winner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You will be more popular in this cycle than you may realize. Today, a close friend might tell you some of the nice things others are saying about you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Work you've been brushing aside can now be completed to your satisfaction. Make this a productive day. Avoid the temptation to procrastinate.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It could be difficult to avoid the spotlight today, and there's no reason to hide. Regardless of where you go, you will attract favorable attention.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Luck is on your side today, especially in arrangements that could contribute to your material well-being. Anticipate fortuitous developments.

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Your Birthday

Monday, Nov. 27, 1995

Do not get discouraged in the year ahead if your hopes and expectations are fulfilled slowly. You are on a winning track, and you will build momentum.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Ambition and optimism will be compatible components of your psychological attitude today. With these two dynamic factors working for you, outstanding achievements will be possible. Major changes are ahead for Sagittarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Someone you've helped in the past has never forgotten your kindness. Today, this person might be working on ways to return the favor.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Hope should not be diluted by pessimism today. A negative attitude could limit your possibilities. Dreams can become real if your focus is positive.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) The achievement of an important objective might have a large price tag today. Even if this is true, the ends might not justify the means.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You could be extremely fortunate today when working out arrangements with key people who are in positions to help advance two important plans you have in mind.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) The old saying, "Everything happens for the best," could apply to you today, especially in regard to your material affairs.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Try to be fair when working out arrangements with others today, but use your strengths instead of making unnecessary concessions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Doing your duty should be your highest priority today. However, what appears to be an obligation, could also provide a hidden opportunity.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Today, certain developments might enable you to efficiently handle a tricky situation. Follow your intuition.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) The harder you work today, the luckier you will become. Dedicate yourself to the situation that will yield the greatest rewards.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you've been hoping to get involved with a new social circle, today you may have an opportunity to crack the ice. Make your opening moves.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Take pride in your unselfish nature. Today, this quality will earn the respect of your peers.

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Selected from more than 80,000 works that flooded this city after the April 19 blast, 50 pieces now hang in a museum exhibit designed to acknowledge the sentiments and raise the city's spirits.

In one work called "Hands Across America" by Kassi Stabio of Billings, Mont., tracings of hands are superimposed over the American flag. Over the hands is pasted a clipping of the famous photograph of 1-year-old Baylee Almon's limp, bloody body in a firefighter's arms.

The child, one of the 169 victims who died in the blast, is a recurring theme in the art, as are the looped multicolored ribbons of remembrance for the victims, and pictures of the rescue dogs that sniffed through the rubble for survivors.

"They were transfixed by the dogs," said Carolyn Hill, director of the Oklahoma City Art Museum.

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Clinton may play saxophone

LONDON (AP) — Could it be Bubba playing "Brown Eyed Girl?"

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2213 44th, 3-2, CH/A.	36.5T
306 35th, 3-2.	25T
3706 Ave. U, 3-2, CH/A.	54T
3002 40th, 3-1, CH/A.	35T
2301 41st, CH/A.	30T
304 36th Place, 3-1-1.	30T
Country, 3-3, aprx. 3A.	65T
2304 30th, 3-1.	30T

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314 35th, 3-1, nice.	23.5T
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4600 El Paso, 3-2½-2.	90T
501 N. Ave. Q, 2-1.	36T
1904 Ave. M, 2-1-1, ch/a.	25T
2809 Denison, 3-2, stg.	78T
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Gary Brewer Rd., 4-3-2,	85T
3609 41st, 4-3-3, grdn rm.	89.9T
2903 36th, 3-3-2.	97.5T
2900 Westridge , 3-3½-2.	
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010 LEGAL NOTICES

BID NOTICE
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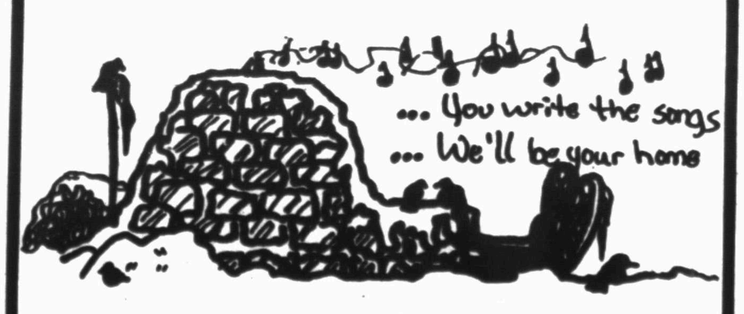
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Building Inspection Department
City of Snyder
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Of Proposed Texas Highway Maintenance Work
Sealed Proposals For:
Mowing Highway Right-of-Way on Various Highways in Various Counties. Will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation located at: 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas. Until Respective Bid Opening Time on Wednesday, December 13, 1995 then publicly opened and read.
All prospective bidders are advised that the Pre-Bidder's Conference for these contracts will be held at the Abilene District Office located at 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas on Tuesday, December 5, 1995 at 10:00 a.m. Bidding proposals, plans and specifications will be available on and after Tuesday, November 28, 1995 at the District Office located at: 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas. Telephone (915) 676-6852.
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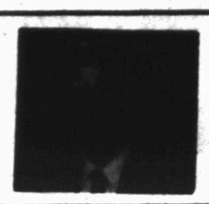


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Family Focus

By James C. Dobson, Ph.D.



Q. My family lives together under one roof, and we share the same last name, but we don't "feel" like a family. How can I begin to put a sense of togetherness into our harried household? How do you put meaningful activities into your family?

A. I've written and spoken extensively on the subject of overcommitment and "routine panic," and I will not repeat those warnings here except to say that you should make a concerted effort to slow the pace at which your family is running.

Beyond that advice, however, I would emphasize the importance of creating special traditions in your home. By traditions, I'm referring to those recurring events and behaviors that are anticipated--especially by children--as times of closeness and fellowship between loved ones.

For example, when our two children were growing up, some of our important holiday traditions centered around food. Each year during Thanksgiving and Christmas, we prepared tremendous meals involving a huge turkey and all that goes with it. A great favorite of ours was a fruit dish called ambrosia, containing sectioned oranges and peeled grapes. The family peeled the grapes together the night before Thanksgiving.

The Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays were wonderful experiences for all of us. There was laughter and warm family interaction through the day. We looked forward to that festive season, not just for the food, but for what happens between loved ones who convene.

Back in those days, before I changed my diet following my heart attack in 1990, we tried to have specific foods on each holiday throughout the year. On New Year's Day, for reasons which I cannot explain, we always enjoyed a southern meal of pinto beans cooked at least eight hours with large chunks of lean ham, served with cornbread and little onions. It was so good!

On July 4th, we usually invited 30 or more friends and served barbecued hamburgers and baked beans in the back yard. This became a prelude to the fireworks display.

Obviously, many of our traditions (but not all) focused on the enjoyable activity of eating together. Another example occurred immediately prior to the Thanksgiving dinner. After the food was on the table and family members were seated, I read a passage of Scripture, and Shirley told the story of the Pilgrims, who thanked God for helping them survive the ravages of winter. Then each person was given two kernels of Indian corn to symbolize the blessings he or she was most thankful for that year. Our expressions of thankfulness inevitably involved people--children and grandparents and other loved ones. As the basket moved around the table, tears of appreciation and love were evident on many faces. It was always one of the most beautiful moments of the year.

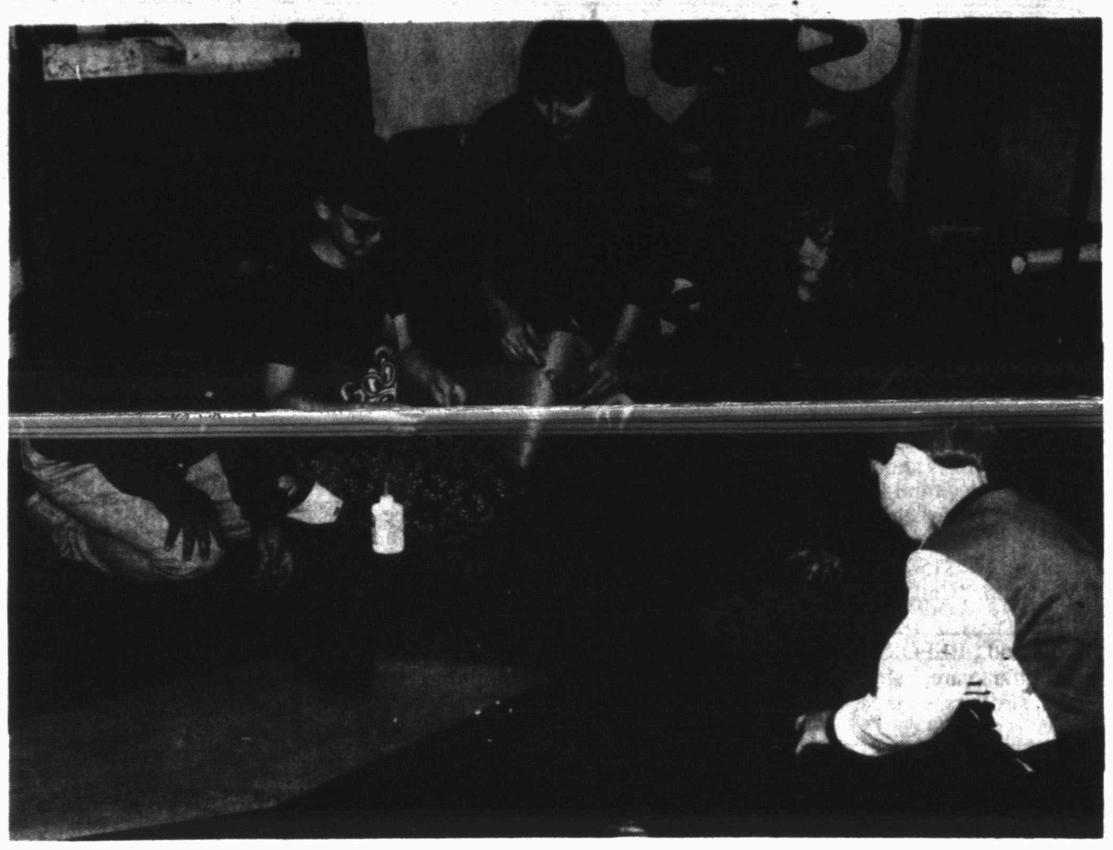
This brings me back to the question about harried homes. The great value of traditions is that they give a family a sense of identity and belonging. All of us desperately need to feel that we're not just part of a busy cluster of people living together in a house, but we're a living, breathing family that's conscious of our uniqueness, our character and our heritage. That feeling is the only antidote for the loneliness and isolation that characterizes so many homes today.

Q. How do you feel about having a family council, where each member of the family has an equal vote on the decisions affecting the entire family?

A. It's a good idea to let each member of the family know that the others value his viewpoint and opinion. Most important decisions should be shared within the group, because that is an excellent way to build fidelity and family loyalty.

However, the equal vote idea is carrying the concept too far; an 8-year-old should not have the same influence that the mother and father have in making decisions. It should be clear to everyone that the parents are the benevolent captains of the ship.

This column is brought to you courtesy of the Colonial Hill Baptist Church. These questions and answers are excerpted from the book, Dr. Dobson Answers Your Questions. Dr. Dobson is a psychologist, author and president of Focus on the Family, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home. Send your questions to Dr. Dobson c/o Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, CO 80903 (c) 1982 Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.



ART PROGRAM — Carol Bullard, center, is pictured as she recently instructed Central third graders in an art form. Bullard is teaching art in all elementaries throughout the school year, the result of a grant awarded SISD. Shown are Stanley Cozart's students. From left, they are Corie Hernandez, Emily Pinkston, Abby Foree and Matthew Morris. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Grant allows art program to be developed in Snyder

The Snyder Independent School District has been awarded a grant from the Texas Commission on the Arts for the implementations of an Art in Education Program (AEP).

This program is one of several programs offered through the Texas Commission on the arts with support from the National Endowment for the Arts. The school district was one of five organizations to receive the maximum award of a 28-week artist residency out of a list of 39 awarded sponsors. The other four are located in Austin, San Antonio and Dallas. Funding is dependent on the ability of the applicant organization to successfully compete in the assistance review process and the availability of funds. The grant proposal is chosen on the basis of an evaluation by an advisory panel which includes both a ranking system and written panel comments according to certain review criteria.

The comments were very complimentary of this community: "There is evidence of successful projects in the past," "The city is supportive of the arts, especially for a city of this size," "Their use of community volunteers is commendable and Snyder teachers are committed to the arts."

Carol Bullard is the resident artist for the Snyder program. The commission implements comprehensive statewide recruitment efforts for both artists and sponsors. Before Bullard could be placed with the SISD, she was required to be interviewed by a panel of educators and artist peers for placement on the Approved Artist Roster. Each artist was reviewed in Dallas to determine the artistic quality of their work and skills in oral and written communication.

Following notification of her acceptance on the roster, she was then matched with the SISD, which had subsequently received notification of the TCA grant award. Bullard was then required to attend an Arts in Education Training Institute in Austin for instruction in the implementation of the residence. Mrs. Ann McCabe, assistant superintendent for SISD, joined Bullard in Austin for the required artists and sponsors orientation sessions which followed.

Mrs. McCabe praised Mrs. Bullard's dedication and diligent work on procuring this grant. During the Austin orientation, Mrs. Bullard's grant was used as an example of outstanding work and composition.

McCabe further commented that Snyder is extremely fortunate to have an artist of the caliber of Carol Bullard. The other four cities that received the same type award are much larger."We are excited about the instruction our children will receive from this gifted artist," said McCabe.

At the conclusion of the program, Bullard will have taught three days a week at each elementary campus, spending six weeks on each campus.

The AEP artist residency program places approved professional artists, craft persons and art educators in educational residencies throughout the state. Artists in the visual, performing, literary, media and folk arts serve to enhance existing arts education programs and act as catalysts for exemplary learning in all educational environments. The TCA is committed to strengthening basic learning skills in all Texas schools and communities.

Residencies are sponsored in schools or communities through grants to local school districts, non-profit organizations, alternative learning centers, local arts agencies, and other educational institutions and service organizations. Activities are designed to enhance teaching and learning through the implementation of projects based on quality artistic standards and the Fine Arts Essential Elements mandated in Texas.

The AEP provides up to 50 percent of project costs for an artist-in-residence. Residencies may range from one week to 10 months in length. It provides for a 40-hour a week obligation. Artists are to devote 20 hours of direct service to the sponsors. These 20 hours may include curriculum-based and experimental activities with students, parents/teachers training, and various community projects and outreach. The remaining 20 hours are to be designated for the individual artist's professional development.

Morningside Baptist announces new pastor

Rev. Willie Fay Smith is the new pastor at Morningside Baptist Church.

He and his wife, Mary, moved into the parsonage just before the Thanksgiving holiday. Both said they are very happy to be in Snyder.

They moved here from Dallas where he served as outreach minister and she was the church musician at Bethel Baptist Church.

The Smiths have three sons, Wayne (deceased), Gary and Keith.

Rev. Smith was born in Arkansas. His school years were spent in Hot Springs. Since college, he has lived mainly in Texas. He is a graduate of the B.M.A.A. Theological Seminary in Jacksonville. He has pastored in Texas and Michigan. Missionary work also took him to Anchorage, Alaska, Calgary, Alberta, Canada and Montana.

Mary is descended from a Texas pioneer family that settled in East Texas. While at college she met and married Willie. She has always been active in women's groups and presently serves as a national office in WMA work. She has served in all levels of that work.

They both enjoy teaching spiritual growth seminars together.



Rev. and Mrs. Willie Smith

SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR TxDOT TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN

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Snyder Area Engineer
Texas Department of Transportation
Box 396
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Suggestion Submitted By:

Name

Address

City Zip Code

Home Number Work Number

Affiliation/Occupation
(include title if you are a government official)

You may be contacted by letter or by phone to obtain more details about your suggestions.

Describe the location of your suggested improvement project

County:

Suggest locations for new roads or specify which highway, bridge, road, or street, etc. for existing roadways.

Identify which section or length of the above roadway that is in need of improvements.

Describe the nature of the problem or the improvement that you feel is needed.

Some try to restore outdoor art

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some Americans, spurred by a love of art and history, are determined to rescue statues and other outdoor sculpture from the ravages of neglect and abuse.

Thousands of public art works are getting registered and in many cases repaired by volunteers in a "Save Outdoor Sculpture" project backed by the Smithsonian Institution.

From the nation's capital to Chicago to Seattle, more than 15,000 individuals and private organizations and public groups and governments have joined the SOS effort since 1992, registering three-dimensional outdoor sculptures.

So far, more than 22,000 outdoor "sculptures" have been catalogued — from a 12-mile-wide volcanic crater in Arizona to manhole covers in Seattle that depict compasses with the "N" pointing north. More than half of them need repairs, and 10 percent urgently, the project reports.

"These are the orphans of the art and history worlds — the statues that someone put up more than a hundred years ago and forgot," says Susan Nichols, project director. "Even some well-known sculptures have been neglected."

In the nation's capital, someone stole Andrew Jackson's stirrups at Lafayette Square. Revolutionary War hero Thaddeus Kosciusko, the Polish patriot who shares the park near the White House, is without saber and hat.

Nationwide, help is on the way for such art works.

Photographers in Minnesota camped across the state to document 25 outdoor pieces. Rollerbladers in Florida took to the roads. City's like Dallas and Los Angeles instituted "adopt a sculpture" programs. And Girl Scouts earned merit badges by documenting the public works.

The sculpture project administrators — the Smithsonian's National Museum of American Art and the National Institute for the Conservation of Culture Property — say it's the largest cultural volunteer effort.

Each community uses its own standards in deciding which works to document. Monuments such as the Statue of Liberty in New York City and the presidential faces carved into Mount Rushmore in South Dakota are counted.

But the Washington Monument and the St. Louis arch aren't. Bob's Big Boy and McDonald's Ronald don't make the cut.

Shopping Network deal considered

NEW YORK (AP) — Media mogul Barry Diller is making a deal to take over the Home Shopping Network from the nation's largest cable TV operator, USA Today reported Friday.

Diller, a director of the company, would become chairman in a tentative deal with Tele-Communications Inc., the newspaper said in an unsourced story.

TCI's Liberty Media subsidiary owns 80 percent of Home Shopping.

Home Shopping spokeswoman Louise Cleary said the company had nothing to say, called the report "speculation" and added that the board was not meeting.

Calls Friday to the offices of Diller and TCI weren't returned.

Diller, who helped build the Fox TV network, once led the Paramount movie studio and was previously entertainment president of ABC. His moves are widely watched in the entertainment industry, where he is considered one of the most creative executives.

The newspaper said the deal would probably involve swapping TCI's stake in Home Shopping for an interest in Silver King Communications, owner of a group of TV stations controlled by Diller.

The 12 Silver King stations had been portrayed as the nucleus of a potential new TV network that Diller would put together.

Date Book

Nov. 25, 1995

Today is the 329th day of 1995 and the 64th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1920, King Tut's cobra-infested tomb was opened.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Lope de Vega (1562-1635), Spanish dramatist; Andrew Carnegie (1835-1919), tycoon-philanthropist; Carry A. Nation (1846-1911), U.S. temperance advocate; Angelo Roncalli (1881-1963), Pope John XXIII; Virgil Thomson (1896-1989), composer-music critic; Joe DiMaggio (1914-), baseball great, is 81; John Larroquette (1947-), actor, is 48.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1937, Supreme Court Justice Byron "Whizzer" White ran for two touchdowns and returned an interception for another as Colorado beat Denver 34-7.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Harmony is pure love, for love is complete agreement." — Lope de Vega

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1950, heavy snow during the Michigan-Ohio State football game in Columbus, Ohio, led to 45 punts being kicked.

SOURCE: 1995 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (Nov. 22) and first quarter (Nov. 29).

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Nov. 26, 1995

Today is the 330th day of 1995 and the 65th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1992, England's Queen Elizabeth volunteered to pay income tax.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Sarah Grimke (1792-1873), antislavery and women's-rights activist; Eric Sevareid (1912-1992), broadcast journalist; Charles M. Schulz (1922-), cartoonist, is 73; Robert Goulet (1933-), singer-actor, is 62; Rich Little (1938-), impressionist, is 57; Tina Turner (1938-), singer, is 57.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1896, Chicago beat Michigan at Chicago stadium in the first ever indoor football game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "When there is an income tax, the just man will pay more and the unjust less on the same amount of income." — Plato

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1950, an East Coast storm dropped 27 inches of snow on Pittsburgh, and battered parts of New England with 100 mph winds.

SOURCE: 1995 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (Nov. 22) and first quarter (Nov. 29).

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FOLLOW-UP CARE — Sue Griffin welcomes Cogdell Home Health case manager, Susan Birkenfeld, RN, to her home. Griffin has received daily visits from Cogdell Home Health for follow-up care after a recent orthopedic procedure performed by Dr. Kathleen Weaver at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Cogdell Home Health routinely provides from 1,250 to 1,500 visits each month to home-bound patients. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Cogdell Home Health celebrates International Home Care Week

Cogdell Home Health celebrates International Home Care Week, Nov. 27-Dec. 3, with an Open House Wednesday from 1-3 p.m. at 1800 Trinity Blvd.

The public is invited to come for refreshments as well as information about home care services that are available to clients.

In recognition of World Home Care Week, the local hospital-based Home Health joins Home Health Services throughout the world to honor physicians, nurses, aides, therapists and social workers who provide care in patients' homes.

This was previously known as National Home Care Week, but as health care advances, the need for home care has expanded globally.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital has been providing home health care to patients in the following counties: Scurry, Borden, Fisher, Garza, Howard, Kent, Mitchell and Nolan since 1984.

A broad range of services are available to Cogdell Home Health clients. Services and therapies provided by CHH include: nursing, IV therapy coordination, home health aide, physical therapy, speech/language therapy, nutritional support and counseling, medical social services, medical equipment and supplies coordination and oxygen therapy coordination.

CMH Home Health also provides a free blood pressure clinic every Friday afternoon at their suite of offices at 1800 Trinity Blvd.

All Cogdell Home Health services are planned and coordinated by the CMH Home Health professionals and the attending physician. Nursing procedures as required by the patient's condition include sterile wound care, catheter insertion and care, injections, IV antibiotic therapy and home photo therapy for jaundiced newborns.

To qualify for home health care, one must be essentially homebound, have a skilled health need resulting from illness or injury, and have the care ordered by a physician.

However, family members or friends can request home health service and arrange for an evaluation of the client's needs by one of Cogdell Home Health registered nurses.

Cogdell Home Health is accredited by the (JCAHO) Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organization), certified by Medicare and licensed by the State of Texas.

Members of the Cogdell Home Health staff include Sherma Barham, RN, nurse manager.

Six registered nurse care managers include, Susan Birkenfeld, Tracy Mackay, Teressia Shoemake, Tammy Tyrrell, Karen Walker and Linda Briseno, all RNs.

Nine licensed vocational nurses are Nelda Baze, Dawn Fish, Montie Ivison, Judy McCullough, Cathy McNew, Melba McNiel, Lana Turner, Shirley Kelley and Denise Carter, all LVNs. Carter is the office manager.

Five certified home health aides are: Michelle Floyd, Jackie Goldesberry, Sylvia Juarez, Eli Rodriguez and Jim Underwood, all CNAs.

The staff also includes Loretta Lee, speech/language therapist; Jeff Mason, licensed physical therapist; Julienne Stewart, licensed physical therapist; and Bethany Stevens, physical therapy assistant who provide physical therapy to home bound patients; and Jeannie Cumbie, LSW, who provides medical social services.

Monica Guzman is Cogdell Home Health secretary; Ruth Johnson is the office clerk. Tori Lyons, who is a patient finance representative with Cogdell Memorial Hospital, provides back-up in the accounting department; and Josie Perez, is with the housekeeping department.

IRS doesn't believe woman who has 2 young daughters

ARLINGTON (AP) — The mother of two children is having a hard time convincing the Internal Revenue Service that the children exist and she is eligible for a $2,288 income tax credit.

"I've just really been offended over all of it. I feel like my integrity is on the line here," said Jeannmarie Long.

"The thing is there's nothing I've done wrong. If there was something I've done wrong, I could understand."

Ms. Long said she needs the money from the federal payment to the working poor to buy a car so that she can drive herself to a technical school for classes in computer-aided drafting.

Her 1-year-old daughter, Megan, who has a rare intestinal disease, also must be taken to the doctor for treatments.

"Everybody who knows me knows I take pride in my children, but the IRS is telling me I don't have these two," said Ms. Long, pointing at Megan and her sister, Ashley, 3.

Jackie Antweiler, a spokeswoman for the IRS Austin Compliance Center, said she couldn't comment on specific cases. However, she said Ms. Long's case is one of millions of claims for the earned income credit, a tax feature that has been the focus of an anti-fraud campaign since January.

While the IRS has uncovered 2,700 fraudulent schemes involving more than 30,000 tax returns in which people have listed fictitious children so they can claim the tax credit, some honest taxpayers have mistakenly been targeted, Ms. Antweiler said.

"It's unfortunate that the honest taxpayer credits are delayed because there is so much fraud," she told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram for a story Friday editions.

Ms. Long said that during the seven-month process, she has complied with the agency's requests — mailing copies of her daughters' life insurance policies, letters from fellow church members, lease agreements and medical documents.

On Oct. 25, she received a "deficiency" letter from the agency informing her that she owes $2,350 in back taxes.

Despite the intervention of U.S. Rep. Martin Frost, a Dallas Democrat, more than a month ago, Ms. Long still hasn't received her tax credit, said Jennifer Ward, Frost's staff assistant.

Information about the case will be forwarded to the IRS personnel center's Problem Resolution Office, said Ms. Antweiler.

"I feel sorry for anyone who's got hung up in any system where they feel like their needs aren't getting met," she said. "Our goal is to give the best public service that we can."

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Clinton goes golfing in the cold

HAGERSTOWN, Md. (AP) — With temperatures in the mid-30s, President Clinton played golf Friday, telling an autograph seeker the weather was the culprit for some poor presidential shots.

Accompanied by brothers-in-law Hugh and Tony Rodham and lobbyist Vernon Jordan, Clinton left Camp David for an afternoon outing at the Black Rock Golf Course in northern Maryland.

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Then he added, "The Lord lives, and blessed be my rock; And exalted be God, the rock of my salvation... Therefore I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord, among the nations, And I will sing praises to Thy name" **(2 Samuel 22:47, 50)**.

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Serbs demonstrate against peace pact

PALE, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Thousands of Serbs demonstrated against the Bosnian peace agreement in Sarajevo Saturday, only hours after their leaders grudgingly told them to accept the deal.

Failure to persuade recalcitrant Serbs to accept the agreement initialed in Dayton, Ohio, could torpedo international efforts to bring peace to Bosnia after 3½ years of bloodletting.

"The time has come to use political means to achieve our goals," Serb leader Radovan Karadzic said after telling a prime time television audience Friday night: "We accept the peace."

But Karadzic faced a tough audience. Earlier Friday leaders of Serb-held suburbs of Sarajevo told him they could not accept the U.S.-brokered plan that obliged them to cede control of their territory.

"The people of Serb Sarajevo simply have nowhere to go, unless America offers us a new city in Ohio where we all can move," Ratko Adzic, a leader in the Illijas suburb, was quoted as saying by the Bosnian Serb news agency SRNA.

Sarajevo Serbs "will have to militarily defend our city and property and to fight one for all and all for one," Adzic said.

The peace agreement roughly halves Bosnia, with one part governed by Serbs and the other by a Muslim-Croat federation. The more than 100,000 Serbs in Sarajevo would have to return control of their portion of the capital to the Muslim-led government.

But Sarajevo Serbs say they fear for their lives and property if the whole city is placed under the Bosnian government.

Thousands of Serbs protested Saturday in the city and suburbs, SRNA reported. Hundreds had demonstrated Friday, including some soldiers.

Some Sarajevo Serbs said they would fight to death, others that they would burn their homes and leave.

Nikola Koljevic, a Bosnian Serb leader viewed as a possible successor to Karadzic, also went on television to appeal to Serbs to accept the "historic task" of ending 3½ years of war.

Prosecutors probe origin of millions said linked to Salinas

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Under a false name in a Swiss bank account sat $84 million — apparently held there by the former president's brother. Mexican prosecutors want to know where it came from.

Swiss officials said Friday that the arrest of Paulina Castanon, sister-in-law of ex-President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, was linked to investigations of drug-running and money laundering.

While the former president has not been implicated, the arrest fed widespread cynicism and anger at his administration, which ended on Dec. 1, 1994 — three weeks before an economic collapse that has caused hardship for millions of Mexicans.

President Ernesto Zedillo on Friday linked the case to his vow to clean up Mexico's legal system.

"It has to be clear that in Mexico there are no untouchables," he said at a conference of health workers.

Castanon's husband, Raul Salinas de Gortari, on trial for murder, issued a statement promising to reveal the source of the money, which he insisted "does not come from illegitimate activities."

But Attorney Gen. Antonio Lozano Gracia said at a news conference in Zacatecas that investigators were investigating the source of the funds.

He said additional charges could be filed "if it is determined that those quantities were deposited when he occupied the position of a public official."

Castanon was arrested on Nov. 15, allegedly while trying to use false documents to withdraw funds from accounts holding nearly $84 million.

Obituaries

Mrs. Clements

1903-1995

Funeral service was set for 4 p.m. Saturday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel for Lillie Belle Clements, 92.

Officiating was to be the Rev. C.J. Smith, retired Baptist minister, and the Rev. Jim Mosley. Burial was to follow in the Snyder Cemetery.

A homemaker, Mrs. Clements died Thursday, Nov. 23, in Codgell Memorial Hospital.

Born Nov. 23, 1903 in Rockdale, she was a member of the Ira Baptist Church. She married Samuel R. Clements On Dec. 23, 1924 in Eastland County, and he died in 1973.

She was also preceded in death by a son; a grandson; two brothers and four sisters.

Survivors include a daughter, Anna Rhodes of Big Spring; two sons, Harvey Clements and Hubert Clements, both of Ira; a brother, J.A. Greenwood of Eastland; two sisters, Emma Harper of Eastland and Mozelle Johnson of Stephenville; seven grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Thomas Lea

1913-1995

Funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Saturday in The Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for Thomas Merrill Lea of Colorado City with Mr. Charles Anderson officiating. Burial followed in Hillside Memorial Gardens in Snyder.

Mr. Lea died Thursday, Nov. 23, in Valley Fair Lodge in Colorado City. He was 82.

Born in Zephyr, Mr. Lea was an arc welder and a Navy veteran of World War II. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge 591 in Zephyr.

Mr. Lea had trained many young men to become arc welders in Texas, New Mexico and Louisiana. After the war, he worked in Scotland and the North Sea as a welder on off-shore rigs. He later lived in Florida and Houston before moving to the Coleman area where he raised cattle. He moved to Snyder about six years ago.

He was preceded in death by three sisters and three brothers.

Survivors include eight nieces, Margaret Browning of Snyder, Betty J. Crockett of Hugo, Okla., La Verne Dixon of San Antonio, Doris Hunt of Mason, Betty Lea and Nancy Polvado, both of Houston, Dorothy Lea of California, and Billie Cole of Houston; four nephews, Bryan Lea, Joe Lea and Jack Hunt, all of the Dallas area, and Blake Lea of Early; and a grand-niece, Sandra Galyean of Snyder.

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Results look close as Irelands votes on divorce debate

DUBLIN, Ireland (AP) — Piles of ballots that appeared equally divided between Yes and No suggested a close finish Saturday in Ireland's referendum on legalizing divorce.

RTE, the state broadcasting service, said the "yes" side had 50.9 percent of the vote in its unofficial count. The count was based on some complete returns, some unofficial tallies of counts in progress, and estimates of turnout.

But the first official results from seven districts showed the "yes" side trailing, with 49.4 percent of the vote.

RTE estimated the turnout in Friday's referendum was 62 percent, or 1.6 million voters.

Ireland, more than 90 percent Roman Catholic, is the only Western nation whose constitution bars divorce. Voters decided 2-1 in the last referendum in 1986 to retain the ban.

Michael Noonan, who directed the government's campaign to legalize divorce, predicted the "yes" side would win this time with 51 percent.

Dublin, home to 1 million of Ireland's 3.5 million people, was the crucial battleground. Pre-vote polls had indicated rural areas would vote against divorce.

"We need to be able to get 60 percent so we're knocking on the door," said Michael Taft, who was observing the count for the Democratic Left party. He said the "yes" vote in Dublin appeared a bit short of that level.

RTE said preliminary counts showed rural areas voting "no" but supporters of legalized divorce leading in Dublin. RTE said the vote in the rural areas appeared to be closer than in 1986, when a proposal to legalize divorce was buried under a 63.5 percent no vote.

TxDOT sets public meeting

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Dec. 17, Taylor said the information will be submitted to the Abilene district for project selection and funding.

"All the district engineers will submit a 'wish-list' and we'll sit down and evaluate them," added Taylor. "Of course, having the available funds play a big part in the ultimate decision on which projects will be started first."

The Abilene district is normally allowed $23 million per year for planning purposes, of which approximatley $20 is eventually let for projects.

Approximately 28 percent of that amount is used for preventative maintenance such as seal coating, overlays and slurry seals. A large chunk of the district's budget is restricted for use on Interstate 20.

Almost 12 percent is for use in rehabilitating existing roadways while 3.4 percent is for the construction of new farm-to-market roads.

Noting the large amount of funds used for I-20 and other U.S. highways, Taylor emphasized that projects affecting small numbers of people may not be selected if no public support is noted.

"I urge everyone to come to the meeting Tuesday," said Taylor. "Let us hear from you on what you feel needs to be done in the way of highways and improvements."

Arrest, burglaries keep officers busy

One person was arrested early Saturday morning while officers and deputies investigated reports of theft.

Following a call at 12:09 a.m. Saturday from the Eastridge Apartments concerning a subject using a coin phone and yelling and using profanity, officers arrested at 33-year-old male for public intoxication.

Deputies were notified at 10:12 a.m. Friday that the ABC School had been burglarized.

Officers were notified at 3:32 p.m. that five juveniles, between the ages of three and 11, had entered an abandoned house in the 1300 block of 22nd Street and were breaking windows.

At 4:24 p.m., Dana Moss reported the theft of $46.38 while she was at a residence on North Avenue O.

An offense report for Class B theft was made at 10:52 p.m. in reference to items stolen from a vehicle owned by Lena Atkinson of 2100 41st St.

An offense report for burglary was submitted following a burglary at the College Avenue Coin Laundry. The incident was reported at 12:02 a.m. Saturday by Mike Huddleston.

An offense report for a runaway juvenile was made at 1:10 a.m. Saturday in reference to a 15-year-old female leaving home and not returning.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Linda Barker, 6661 CR 254; Alma Ferch, Gladston, Mich.; Don King. 510 33rd; Nathaniel Lopez, 606 34th; Ruby Puliz, 416 Alamo Dr.; Maria Rubio, 606 34th; Audrey Talbott, P.O. Box 1416; Sybil Wiley, 411 N. Ave. U; David Lee, 200 36th; Hermalinda Martinez, 1134 N. Ave. Q; Monica Torres, 1134 N. Ave. Q.

DISMISSALS: none.

CENSUS: 52 (Med., Surg.-13, Long-term Care-37, CCU-3, OB-1, Nursery-1).

Births

Todd and Jerre Danley of Snyder announce the birth of their daughter, Allison Brooke, born at 12:02 p.m., Nov. 15, weighing seven pounds, six ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Gary and Patte Wood of Austin and Jerry and Connie Lynch of Buda. Paternal grandparents are Wesley and Mary K. Danley of Portales, N.M.

Ruben Lopez and Maria Rubio of Snyder announce the birth of their son, Nathaniel Lopez, born at 6:21 a.m. on Nov. 24 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He weighed seven pounds, five ounces.

What's Up?

Toys For Tots meeting set

Toys For Tots volunteers will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the basement of Hugh Boren & Son, 2501½ College Ave. Volunteers are needed.

Anyone having toys to donate may drop them off at Wal-Mart, the chamber of commerce or the fire department.

Video series continues

A new Key To The Kingdom video series will air on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. The first tape, "A Sure-Fire Recipe For Happiness," will be shown at 7 p.m. Monday.

Change in Madrigal Dinners

Due to extenuating circumstances, the three Madrigal Dinners performances have been reduced to one, slated for Tuesday, 7 p.m. at the country club. A few tickets are still available and can be reserved by calling the high school at 573-6301 on Monday.

Anyone who has reservations and cannot attend the performance Tuesday may call for a refund.

Arts and crafts festival

The fifth annual Scurry County Christmas Arts and Crafts Festival will be held Dec. 2-3 in the county coliseum. Hours will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 2, and from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. There is no admission charge.

Battle of Bands coming

Scurry Youth Center will host a "Battle of the Bands" from 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, at the center.

Student bands interested in competing may pick up an entry blank at the center, located at 31st Street and Avenue B. Hours are 6-10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7 to midnight on Friday and from noon until 5 p.m. and 7 until midnight on Saturday.

The deadline to enter is Nov. 30.

SNS accepting applications

Snyder Neighbors Sharing is accepting applications for its 1996 workday. Applications may be picked up at Sam Robertson's Insurance Agency, the chamber of commerce or West Elementary and returned to Snyder Neighbors Sharing, P.O. Box 541, Snyder, Texas, 79550.

Applications are due by Jan. 15, 1996. To be considered, applicants must own and be living in the house, be current on taxes and be age 65 or older or disabled.

Angel Tree outreach

Angel Tree is an outreach effort of prison fellowship. Churches and individuals are needed to assist in providing Christmas gifts for children in Snyder who have a parent in prison. If your church, organization or class would be willing to help, contact Bee Beauchamp at 573-0509 or Donna Gray at 573-2376 for further information.

'Forever Plaid' to return

"Forever Plaid," the popular musical comedy featuring music from the 1950s and 1960s, will have its second run at the Ritz Theatre beginning next Thursday.

The comedy will run nightly at 8 o'clock through Saturday, Dec. 2, with a 2:30 p.m. matinee on Dec. 3.

To make reservations, contact the Senior Center at 573-4035 from 2 to 5 p.m. weekdays.

'Murder in the Magnolias'

Snyder Junior High's fall production, "Murder in the Magnolias," premieres next Thursday in the SHJS auditorium. Performances will be at 7 o'clock nightly through Saturday, Dec. 2.

Tickets are $2 in advance at the junior high office, or $3 at the door.

Rabies vaccination meeting set

A public meeting on a planned oral rabies vaccination project which includes portions of Scurry County will be conducted by the Texas Department of Health at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the county courtroom.

Senior dedication ads due

Parents of SHS seniors are reminded that senior dedication ads for the Tiger's Lair yearbook are due Dec. 1. The message, photo and $30 may be mailed to SHS Student Publications, 3801 Austin Ave. Photos will be returned when the books arrive next fall.

For additional information, call 573-6301, ext. 35.

Orders taken for yearbook

Orders are still being taken for the 1996 Tiger's Lair yearbook. Orders placed through Dec. 15 will be $35. A $20 deposit may be made, with the balance due by Feb. 1. Beginning Jan. 2, the order price is $40. No extra books will be ordered. For information, call 573-6301, ext. 35.

Pick 3

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

1-5-7

(one, five, seven)

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

6-15-16-23-32

(six, fifteen, sixteen, twenty-three, thirty-two)

Patterson recounts first 3 months in Belgium

(Editor's Note: Amy Patterson is a Rotary Foreign Exchange Student from Snyder going to school in Belgium. Below, she talks about her experiences after three months there. Amy is the daughter of Robert and Maria Patterson.)

By Amy Patterson

I am one of about 250 Rotary exchange students living in both the French-speaking and Dutch-speaking parts of Belgium. I live in the French-speaking part called Wallonie, in a small village called Chapon-Seraing, with a family.

My host mom is a pharmacist and my host dad works for the post office. My host sister is 18 and we have the same birthday. Her name is Rapheal. She lives at home and goes to the university Liege, a large town about 10 minutes away by car.

I also have a brother, Francois, who is 15. He lives at school and is home on the weekends and holidays.

Their house is a big farm house with a garden, apple trees, a cat, a walnut tree, chickens and two sheep. In front of the house is a sugar beet field, which is the main crop of the area. There are also several dairy cattle.

The school I attend is in a town nine kilometers away. Many students take the bus to school but I ride with a friend.

My school has grades 7 through 12 and is a public school. I have classes in French, English, history, geography, math and physical education.

Classes are over at noon on Wednesday and I am an aide for pre-kindergarten kids. I love it. The children do not realize that my French is not perfect so they respond to me just like everyone else. It's great.

The teacher has asked me to teach a little bit of English to the children because they are young and it is easy for them to learn.

I have a lot of friends at school and they are very good about helping me with my French. I attend school from 8:25 a.m. until 4 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and from 8:25 until noon on Wednesday.

A train station is located in Waremme, the town where I go to school. It is very easy to take the train here to go wherever you want. I take it all the time to go to Liege for the cinema, shopping and cafes.

On weekends there is usually a party hosted by the schools. There is a DJ, dancing, drinks and fun. The drinking age here is 16 and many young people also smoke.

It is different here than in Texas. The driving age is 18 so most young people cannot drive. They go to the parties with older friends or their parents take them. Also, about every third weekend I go spend time with other exchange students.

A program called ROTEX — Belgian students who have returned from their Rotary exchanges — organize activities for us. We have had a rafting trip, barbecues, Halloween party, (Halloween doesn't exist in Belgium) and a three-day trip to London.

There are about 250 students with Rotary from America, Bermuda, Japan, Austria, New Zealand, Canada, Australia, South Africa, India, Mexico, Brazil, Equador, Italy, Turkey and more. It is very interesting because you not only learn about Belgium but also about all these other countries and cultures.

While I have been here I have also visited Holland, England and Germany and plan on traveling much more. I love this country (not as much as Texas, though) but sometimes it gets a little wet and cold.

It usually rains here about three or four times a week. The temperature now is 2 degrees (maybe 37 degrees F.) and it is getting colder. We will probably have snow by the time this story is printed.

I would also like to recommend this program to any student who is interested. I have talked to students who are on exchanges with other programs and have decided that the Rotary Exchange Program is best by far. It is the least expensive and the easiest to work with if there is a problem. If anyone is interested they can contact Jerry Vestal, Julie Sentell or any of the Snyder Rotary Club members.

I would like to thank my parents for giving me their love and support in this year that is changing my life. I would also like to thank the Rotary Club of Snyder for giving me this wonderful opportunity to experience a new country, culture and life. Thank you all with all my heart!

If anyone would like to write to me, my address, until January, is: Amy Patterson, Rue de Huy 1, 4537 Chapon-Seraing. The phone number with access number and country code is 011.32.1-9.56.66.50.



TOWER BRIDGE — Amy Patterson, far right, and Steven, an Australian foreign exchange student, are shown visiting the Tower Bridge. With them is a guard of the crown jewels. Amy is studying in Belgium through the Rotary Youth Exchange Program. She is the daughter of Robert and Maria Patterson. (Contributed Photo)



ORIENTATION — Amy Patterson, second from left, back row, is shown at an "elsenborn," (orientation) in Belgium, along with other foreign exchange students from the U.S., Canada, Australia, India and Bermuda. Amy, daughter of Robert and Maria Patterson, is spending the school year in Belgium through the Rotary Youth Exchange program. (Contributed Photo)

The foraging ways of the Efe, a short-statured African people widely known as Pygmies, may be similar to human existence prior to the introduction of agriculture some 10,000 years ago.

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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Tom and June Holcomb of Snyder announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Leigh, to Wayne Holloway of Abilene, son of Debby Loving of North Richland Hills. Miss Holcomb and Mr. Holloway plan a 2 p.m. wedding on Feb. 3 in the East Side Church of Christ with Leigh's father officiating. (Photo by Wadleigh Studio)

Memory program given by Beta Sigma Phi member, Lois Cave

Lois Cave presented a "memories" program at a recent Xi Alpha Alpha Theta of Beta Sigma Phi meeting recently at Martha Ann Woman's Club.

"One of the oddest things in life, I think, is the queer things one remembers," she began. The quote was from "Endless Nights," by Agatha Christie. Ms. Cave led the group in exploring things remembered and not remembered; remembering events differently than a spouse or sibling; bizarre things remembered; and sharing techniques used to bury an unhappy memory.

The group discussed how to accomplish learning something one may want to recall from memory at a later date. Other topics were on how one's memories are allowed to play tricks on us, making us forget real incidents and remember things that were pure imaginings. She explained that research shows that during times of great stress, often it is some insignificant detail our memory retains such as a picture one saw on a wall or the music that may have been playing at the time.

She concluded with suggestions on how to exercise the brain for better memory retention, challenging members to help children, grandchildren, and nieces and nephews to establish pleasant memories of their childhood.

The business meeting, including committee reports, roll call and minutes, was conducted by Loretta Worthen, second vice president. Members were adjourned by repeating the closing ritual and mizpah.

Patchwork club meets in the Williams home

Terri Williams presided at the recent Patchwork Squares Club held Nov. 13. Members planned their Christmas party and elected officers.

They also discussed past and future projects. Members attending were Dorothy Campbell, Ruby Clark, Freida Dever, Peggy Fowler, Sherrie Clayton, Dycie Kemp and Williams.

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

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

American Cancer Society; board room at Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 5 p.m.

Dialogue, cancer support group; Cogdell Memorial Hospital, board room; 7 to 8 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-8971 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-9458, 573-8626 or 573-8929; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers; Trinity Methodist Church (south wing); noon; for more information, call Nathalie at 573-0015.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Scurry County Genealogical Society; Scurry County Library; visitors welcome; 7 p.m.

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

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for inofrmation call 573-3956, 573-2101,573-1141 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Snyder Christian Women's Club's prayer coffee; home of Martha Schiebel, 3011 Ave. T; 9:30 a.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

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

SOS (singles of Snyder) volleyball and games; First Baptist Church Family Center; 7 p.m.

Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd. Suite B; 1-2 p.m.

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointments; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or573-8929; (last Friday of the month is the birthday, open meeting); 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-3956 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349; 10 a.m.

Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1 to 4 p.m.

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

Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.

Snyder Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

FRIDAY

Dot Casey directed games all three days. Friday there were six tables.

1. Jane Hinton, Louise Thompson.
2. Ann Davis, Monte West.
3. Lucille Joyce, Dot Casey.
4. Mippy Brownlee, Billie Long.
5. Verdi Kimbro, Marjory Brown.
6. Margaret Bridwell, Barbara Yorgesen.

SUNDAY

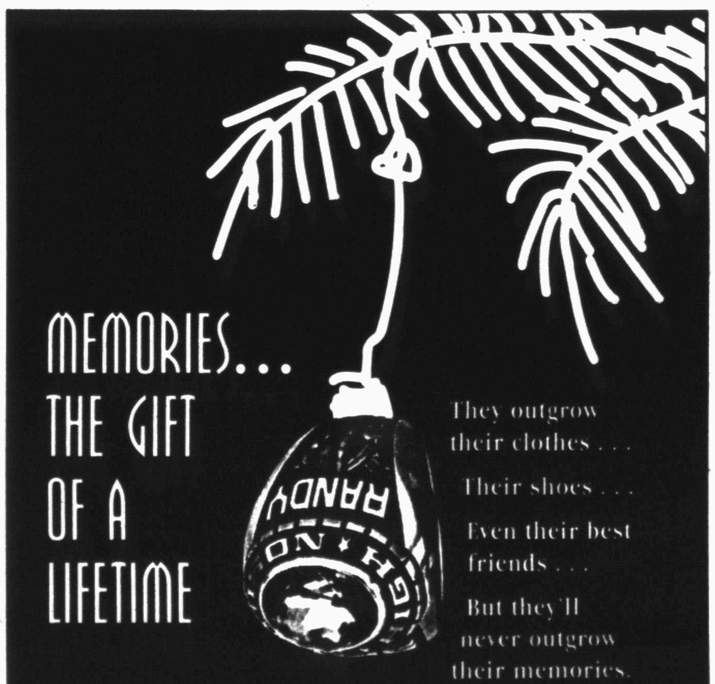
Four tables.

1. Margaret Birdwell, Jane Hinton.
2. Nona Morrison, LaVerne Hood.
3. Clara Tate, Bobbie McShan.
4. Dot Casey, Louise Thompson.

TUESDAY

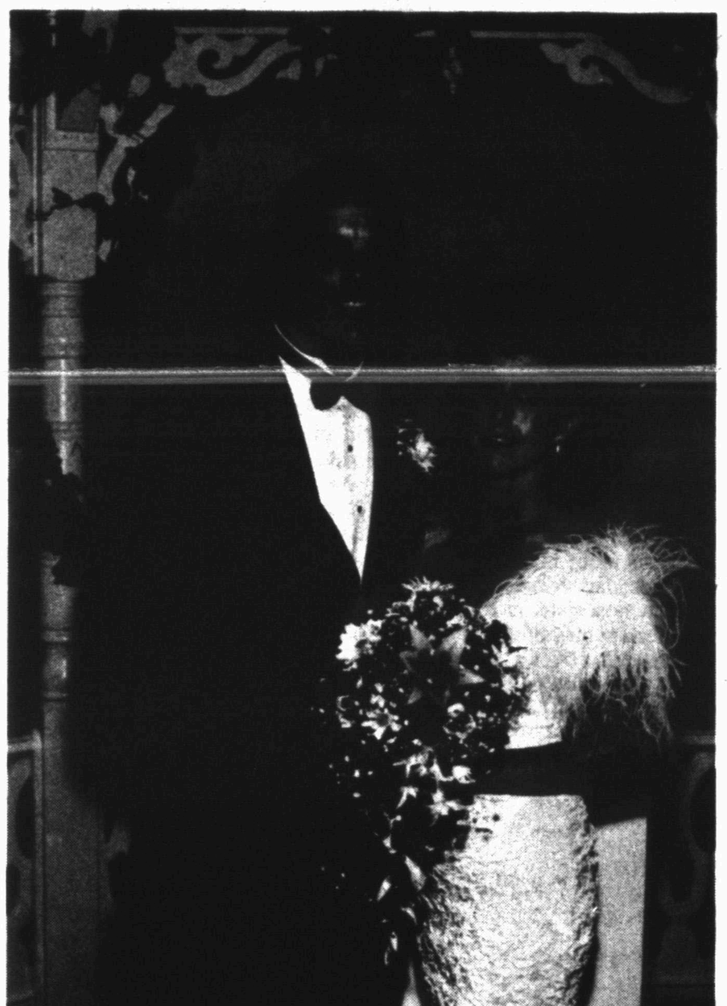
Three tables.

1. Barbara Yorgesen, Rube McKinley.
2. Shirley Stewart, Mippy Brownlee.
3. Frances Stevenson, Mal Stevenson.



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MARRIED — Mark Veber and Rhonda Wilson were married on Aug. 30 at the Excalibur Wedding Chapel in Las Vegas, Nev. Mr. and Mrs. Veber have made their home in Snyder. They own and operate AMCO Medical Service. (Contributed Photo)

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



	NORTH 11-25-95	
	♠A Q 8 3	
	♥9	
	♦A K 8 7 5 4 2	
	♣6	
WEST		EAST
♠9 7 4 2		♠K
♥A J 3		♥K 10 8 7 6 5 2
♦10 6		♦Q J
♣J 9 4 2		♣A 10 5
	SOUTH	
	♠J 10 6 5	
	♥Q 4	
	♦9 3	
	♣K Q 8 7 3	

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		1 ♦	1 ♥
1 ♠	2 ♥	4 NT	Pass
5 ♣	Pass	5 ♠	All pass

Opening lead: ♥A

South, a world champion, ran the spade jack, but East won with the king and played the heart king, forcing declarer to ruff in the dummy. Now West had to score a trick with the spade nine for two down. Was South unlucky to find the spades like this, or did he misplay?

I think he misplayed. Sitting East was John Lowenthal. If he didn't have the spade king, surely at trick three he would have led the heart king (or switched to a diamond), trying to lock declarer in the dummy so that he couldn't take the spade finesse.

Given that East has the spade king, the best line is to play a diamond to dummy's king at trick four, cash the spade ace, dropping the king, lead a spade to hand and play a diamond toward the dummy. This minimizes the loss if East has four diamonds.

It was an imaginative defense by Lowenthal but, as he says, it shouldn't have worked.

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Online bridge magic

More and more people are going online. Through your computer, you can send e-mail and talk to people around the world for the cost of a local telephone call and a monthly fee. On the Internet, there are discussion groups for just about everything. For example, on the second Thursday of each month at 8 p.m., you can powwow about potbellied pigs!

Today's deal was played on OKBridge. North was in Las Vegas, East in New York City, South in Florida and West in California.

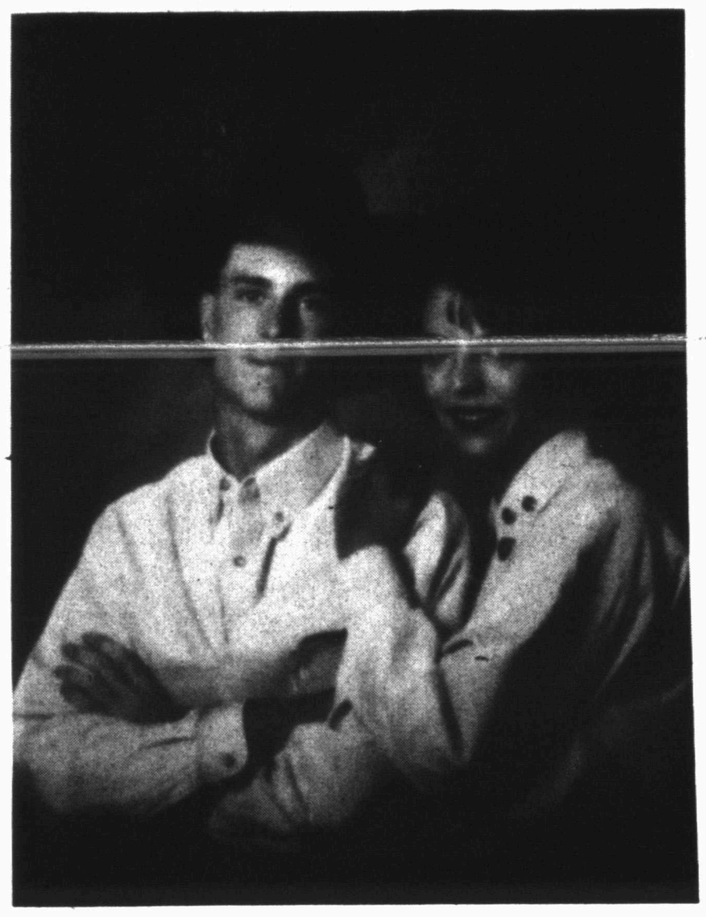
Against five spades, West cashed the heart ace and switched to a club. After winning with the ace, East returned a club.

New store opens

Sweet William's, located at 2505 Ave. U, will feature a "Little Christmas Corner" until Dec. 23. 9 a.m to 5 p.m. The store is owned and operated by William and Laura Powell.

On June 30, 1934, Adolf Hitler began his "blood purge" of hundreds of political and military leaders in Germany. Among those killed was Ernst Roehm, leader of the Nazi stormtroopers and Hitler's onetime ally.

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MAY VOWS PLANNED — Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Pendleton announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa, to Cody Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Williams of Denver City. Vows will be exchanged at First United Methodist in Snyder on Saturday, May 4 at 7 p.m. (Photo by Wadleigh Studio)



NOVEMBER WEDDING — Roger Garza and Francis Torres, pictured left, were united in marriage at the Scurry County Courthouse on Nov. 21, officiated by Justice of the Peace Charlie Reynolds. They are pictured with their attendants, Aurora Riveara and Randy Randolph. The couple's parents are Elio and Rosa Garza and Benancio and Arcilia Torres, all of Snyder. (Contributed Photo)



BRIDAL COURTESY — Lori Etchison and David Cozart were honored with a wedding shower at Colonial Hill Baptist Church on Nov. 4. The couple plan to marry on Dec. 30 in Highland Baptist Church in Waco. From left are Lindsey Etchison of Waco, sister of the future bride; Jackie Etchison of Waco, her mother; the honoree, Miss Etchison from Brownwood; Linda Cozart, mother of the prospective groom; Nell Spence, his grandmother; and Brooke Cozart, sister of the groom. (Contributed Photo)

Seymour had two miscarriages

RADNOR, Pa. (AP) — Jane Seymour, pregnant in real life and as the title character on TV's "Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman," says she had two miscarriages — one on live television.

"It was terrible," Seymour said of the day she had a miscarriage while announcing at a Rose Bowl Parade. "Nobody knew. The audience certainly didn't know. I never told anybody."

In an interview in the Nov. 25 issue of "TV Guide," Seymour said she "just handled" the situation until her husband, James Keach, arrived and rushed her to the hospital.

Seymour, 44, the mother of three children, is now eight months pregnant with twin boys via in vitro fertilization.

She has stopped work on the popular CBS series until after their birth.

Holiday Recipes

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Printing of recipes will be published each Tuesday throughout the holiday season.

Senior Center Menu

MONDAY
Braised Ham
O'Brien Potatoes
Chopped Broccoli
Waldorf Salad
Coconut Cookies

TUESDAY
Braised Beef Tips on Rice
Carrot Coins
Cream Style Corn
Three Beans Salad
Peach Pizza

WEDNESDAY
Hamburger Steak
Macaroni & Cheese
Italian Green Beans
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Graham cancels tour

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Evangelist Billy Graham was ordered by doctors to cancel a preaching tour of Australia and New Zealand scheduled for February and March.

Graham, 77, was diagnosed several years ago as suffering from Parkinson's disease. According to a statement, Graham's doctors said they feared that two months away from home and his primary health support could intensify his condition.

Prince's watercolor show now postponed

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. (AP) — The government shutdown has touched Prince Charles.

The Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum, part of the National Archives, shut its doors before the scheduled opening Saturday of an exhibit of the prince's watercolors.

"We're just a little disappointed," said museum spokeswoman Lynda Schuler. "But the exhibit will open some time in the next three or four days, and it'll be up through Jan. 7."

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Shondra Robinson & Michael Davis	Robyn Beckham & Clint Belcher	Lisa Pendleton & Cody Williams
Lori Etchison & David Cozart	Ruth Richburg & Scott Richburg	Robin Burney & Kevin Jones
Stephanie Weaver & Keith Martin	Karen J. Encke & Brent McFarland	Cheree Tate & Kevin Tate
Farrah Justiss & Ferrell Young	Felicia Perry & Hugh Johnson	Toni Evans & Jim Hall
Rana Eicke & Shane Meier	Kristen Grant & Ben Murphy	Mande Henry & Greg Reeves
Lisa Nachlinger & Eric Nachlinger		

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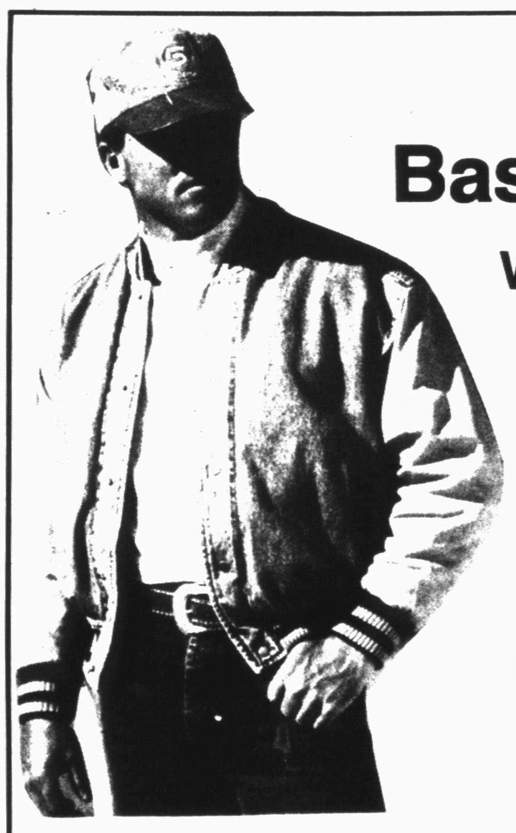
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RIBBON CUTTING — A ribbon cutting ceremony and reception was held recently welcoming Initial Ideas as a new member of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce. They feature custom embroidery, monograms and gifts "from the hearth." The store, owned by Janie Naizer, is located on the south side of the square at 1806 26th Street. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



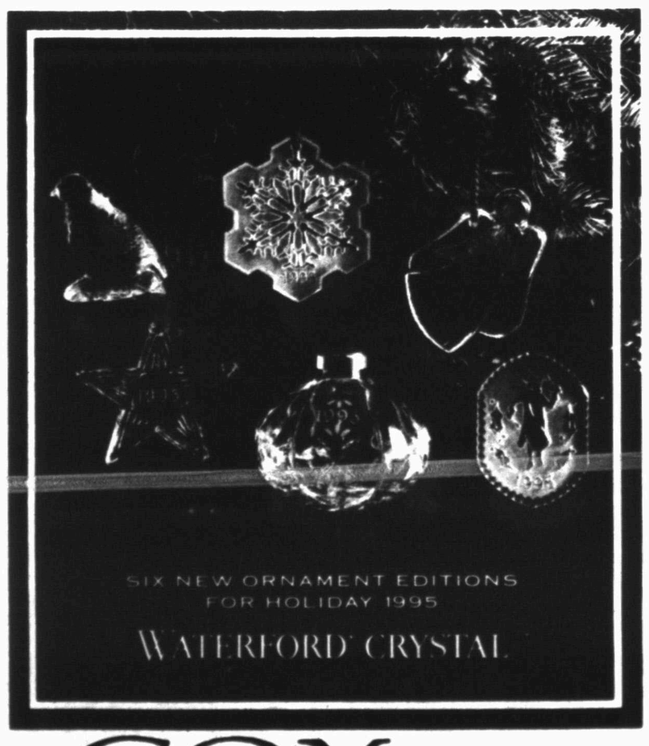
COUPLE HONORED — Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sherrod were honored recently at a wedding shower held at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Mr. Sherrod and Robyn Hornsberger were married Nov. 25. Pictured from left are Mary Langford, grandmother of the groom; Bessie Sherrod, grandmother of the groom; Barbara Justiss, mother of the groom; the honorees; Debbie Collier, mother of the bride; and Nelda Kruger, grandmother of the bride. (Contributed Photo)

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Ask Anne & Nan

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Nash-Cummings

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I've been told that the Food and Drug Administration or some government agency decided to stop the making of quinine for leg cramps. I would like the address so I could write and object to this decision — quinine has saved my life and/or sanity from horrible cramps caused by a damaged nerve. — **WANDA JONES, Blackwell, Okla.**

DEAR WANDA: You don't need to write the Food and Drug Administration; you need to go see your doctor.

According to our pharmacist, quinine was available over-the-counter until recently. It is still available, but only with a prescription.

A reader wrote to us last spring and told us that if you have leg cramps during the night, just pull your lower lip into your mouth and bite it. We certainly aren't doctors, but Anne says, "It works!"

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I am trying to locate a source for darning yarn with no success. Can you be of help? — **LAURA BARNETT, Rollo, Mo.**

DEAR LAURA: Gohn Bros. in Middlebury, Ind., usually carries darning yarn. Unfortunately, their supplier isn't able to get it at the moment. We called several other notions dealers and none of them have it.

Our suggestion would be for you to get in touch with Gohn Bros. in a month or so to see if they have found a new source.

Gohn Bros. specializes in Amish and plain clothing. Their phone number is 219-825-2400, and their address is 105 South Main, Box 111, Middlebury, IN 46540-0111.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I make things with pressed flowers. Besides flower notes, I do pictures, decorate wedding invitations, etc. Some flowers keep their color while others fade during pressing. Is there anything I can use on them to keep their original color? I would be so grateful for any advice. — **ADA WINTERSTEIN, Lombard, Ill.**

DEAR ADA: We called the one person we know who makes things with pressed flowers, and she told us she sometimes uses a highlighter pen to touch up colors.

FEEDBACK: HOW TO KEEP YOUR WALKER QUIET — Benjamin Test and his wife are residents of the Arizona Pioneers Home in Prescott, Ariz. The problem of being wakened in the night by upstairs neighbors using their walkers was solved when someone came up with the idea of poking a hole in a couple of tennis balls and putting them on the hind legs of the walker. "Now all the residents who use walkers are following suit," Ben writes.

THE HOLIDAYS ARE COMING — We've put together a pamphlet of gift-giving ideas for under $10 as well as some deals for our readers. For a copy of "Anne and Nan's Gift Giving Ideas for Under $10" send $2, plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Ask Anne and Nan in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 1884, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

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The Garden Editor

By Dr. Ted Brice

Many trees and shrubs have had an abundance of fruit this season. Some that produce colorful berries are especially attractive in the fall include hawthorne, pyracantha, crabapple, holly, bittersweet, euonymus and viburnum.

The Washington hawthorne is a small tree that has produced orange-red fruits this season. Young trees often do not fruit heavily, but, as plants become more mature, berry production becomes spectacular. Washington hawthornes should be pruned high, or planted where the thorns are not a hazard to passers-by or small children.

Another plant producing abundant berries this year is the pyracantha, also known as firethorn. This spreading shrub produces large clusters of orange-red fruit along the branches.

The past mild winter has left plants in good condition for an excellent display. Pyracantha is a close relative of the apple, and is subject to some of the same diseases. Most common are scab, which turns the berries black, and fireblight, which may cause canes to die back.

Brilliant berries cannot be mentioned without thinking of holly. Both decidious and evergreen hollies producing red berries make a spectacular addition to the landscape.

Two hollies with red berries that drop their leaves are winterberry and possum haw. Winterberry is a shrub that has greater cold hardiness than possum haw or the evergreen hollies; possum haw forms a small tree, and is best here in the North Texas area. Both are heavy berry producers and hold berries well into the winter or until the birds eat them.

Among the hardier evergreen hollies are American holly, Foster's holly and hybrids of rugosa holly such as blue princess and blue angel. Both the male and female plants must be present for an abundant berry production in these hollies.

The fruits of crabapples are also colorful. Yellow and varieties of numerous sizes are available. Do not plant crabapples close to walks or patios where the dropping fruit can get in the way and cause a problem.

Bittersweet is a twining vine often found growing naturally on farm fences and trees. It may make a good landscape subject for fall color where there is adequate space available for it to climb. Both male and female plants are necessary for berry production. Do not let it climb on desirable trees since it will twine around the branches and eventually kill them as the vines tighten and enlarge.

Not only enjoy the beauty of these berries this time of the year, but also make a list of the ones you like that would complement your landscape for your spring planting next year.

Let me leave you with this thought, "God does not deduct from man's alloted time those hours spent gardening. Good gardening until next time." from Dr. Ted Brice, the Garden Editor.

Prized possession found to be stolen

BOSTON (AP) — When Gary Cooper's daughter had one of her father's prized possessions appraised, she found out it was a really hot item — as in stolen.

The 1777 letter written by George Washington was found to have been among 17 letters taken from the Massachusetts state archives in the 1940s.

Maria Cooper Janis, who was informed of the purloined letter by Christie's auction house, wrote state officials to say she would turn it over and explain "an unknown party" gave it to her father.

"To the best of my recollection the letter was given to my father in the mid- to late-1940s."

Secretary of State William Galvin said Tuesday he suspects the letter, appraised at $24,000, may have been stolen by some of the people handling the documents at the time.

In the letter, Washington discusses when to release prisoners captured at the battle of Saratoga.



Jim and Opal Brown
(Contributed Photo)

Ira couple celebrate 60th

Jim and Opal Brown, longtime Ira residents, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary Saturday evening with a family dinner in the fellowship hall of the Ira Baptist Church, hosted by their children and grandchildren.

They were married by Rev. R.R. Cumbie on Nov. 23, 1935 in the parsonage at Dunn. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have lived in the Ira Community all but four years of their married life.

Retired from farming, they continue to own the farm where Mr. Brown was born. Mrs. Brown was employed on and off for 11 years by the Ira School System and was a former secretary to Supt. Roy Sallee. She taught school for three years in the Canyon Community and is also a former lunch room supervisor.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown are members of the Ira Baptist Church.

The Browns have two daughters and sons-in-law, Mickey and Joe Flowers of Ira and Peggy and Ken Hamm of Kingwood; one son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Janet Brown of Ira.

Their grandchildren include Walter and Vicki Flowers of Greenwood; LaNell and Steve Dean of Midland; Betty Ann and Mackey Williams of San Angelo; Karen Kay and Wes Thiers of Mertzon; Bob Flowers of Levelland; Debbie and Monte Moore of San Angelo; Jeff Hamm of Houston; Thomas Brown of Boston, Mass.; and the late Douglas Brown.

Their great-grandchildren are Stephanie and Bengiman Dean; Sarah and Gregory Williams; Brittany and Jon Wesley Thiers; and Grant Flowers.

Hermleigh School Menu

BREAKFAST
MONDAY
Fruit
Cinnamon Toast
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TUESDAY
Juice
Breakfast Pizza
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Fruit
Breakfast Muffins
Milk

THURSDAY
Juice
Buttered Grits
Toast
Milk

FRIDAY
Fruit
Dry Cereal
Toast
Milk

LUNCH
MONDAY
Grilled Pork Patties
Sweet Potatoes
Baked Beans
Hot Rolls
Plum Cobbler
Milk

TUESDAY
Swiss Steak
Macaroni & Cheese
Buttered Green Beans
Hot Rolls
Chilled Pears
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WEDNESDAY
Franks/Cheese Sauce
Potato Wedges
Bean & Pea Salad
Hot Rolls
Chocolate Pudding
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THURSDAY
Frito Pie
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HERITAGE HOME — One of four Heritage Homes to be opened for the Christmas Tour of Homes on Dec. 10 is the Joyce house at 3106 Ave. U. Built around 1930, it is now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Junior McCormick. They have done extensive remodeling but left the west front of the house unchanged. A red steel roof has been added. (Contributed Photo)



JOYCE HOUSE — Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Joyce and their seven daughters are pictured at the Joyces' 50th wedding anniversary celebration held in the Joyce House in 1948. Left to right, the daughters are Roberta Nations, Mabel Adams, Cleora Gilmore, Ruby Stinson, Faye Polk, Mary McPherson and Milton Vicary. Faye, Mary and Milton were married in the house. It is now owned by Junior and Barbara McCormick and will be open for the Christmas Tour of Homes on Dec. 10. (Contributed Photo)

McCormick home on tour list

Remodeling in stages has turned the house Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Joyce built, about 1930, at 3106 Ave. U into the dream home of Mr. and Mrs. Junior McCormick.

The house will be open for visitors during the sixth annual Christmas Tour of Homes on Dec. 10, sponsored by Historic Scurry County, Inc. and the Scurry County Historical Commission.

The Joyces had a home on their ranch northeast of Snyder but the house in town was a convenience as their seven daughters were growing up. The house was rented at one period when times were hard.

Junior and Barbara McCormick bought the house in 1966. Barbara moved to Snyder with her parents when she was in the eighth grade and first remembers the Joyce house when she visited a friend, Mary Deffebach Williams, who lives on Ave. T.

In their remodeling, the McCormicks extended the east end of the house to add a sun room, utility room, bath, storage room and a double garage. The original kitchen was completely gutted and modernized. Upstairs there are three bedrooms, a bath and the "staircase room" furnished with comfortable seating and a television.

The Tour of Homes is scheduled from 2-4:30 p.m. Other homes on the tour are the Strayhorn house at 2111 30th St., the Leath house at 2311 Ave. A, the Everett house at 3200 Lamesa Highway and the new home of the Mark McCormicks at 2805 32nd St.

Tickets are $10, with proceeds going to add a structure to Heritage Village.

Haynes completes overseas deployment with U.S. Navy

Navy Fireman Christopher E. Haynes, son of Emery P. and Lois E. Haynes of Ira, has returned to Norfolk, Va.,after completing a six-month-overseas deployment aboard the amphibious transport dock USS Nashville, as part of the USS Kearsage Amphibious Ready Group (ARG).

Haynes is one of 1,320 sailors and Marines aboard the ship who completed the 30,000-mile-long voyage, along with the amphibious assault ship USS Kearsarge, the dock landing ship USS Pensacola and the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit. Equipped with a Marine landing force, helicopters, Harrier attack jets, high-speed assault hovercraft, armored vehicles and landing craft, the Kearsarge ARG provided area commanders with a wide range of capabilities.

While in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia, Haynes and his fellow sailors and Marines trained for a variety of contingencies including rescuing downed pilots, evacuating civilians and providing support to the international efforts in the former Yugoslavian republic.

In June, Haynes and fellow shipmates proved they were ready for any situation when they provided support for USS Kearsage's rescue of downed Air Force pilot Capt. Scott O'Grady, who had been shot down over Bosnia.

Haynes' ship also participated in several multinational exercises with forces from Albania, Great Britain, Greece, Italy, the Netherlands, Sardania, Spain and Turkey.

While spending 133 days at Sea, Haynes and fellow sailors also visited France, Greece, Italy and Spain.

The 1992 graduate of Ira High School joined the Navy in December of 1992.

Holidays can be dangerous for pets

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Don't forget Fido and Boots this holiday season. For them, it can be filled with danger.

They can be tempted by tinsel and ornaments, mistletoe and poinsettia, veterinarians say. And chocolate can be lethal to dogs.

It contains theobromine, a caffeinelike compound that simulates the heart and nervous system. Chocolate also is toxic for cats, although they apparently don't have the same sweet tooth and are less likely to eat it.

Dogs and cats may find plants irresistible, said Larry Thompson, a clinical toxicologist at Cornell University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

While the occasional dog may be able to "snarf up a whole poinsettia" without any trouble, Thompson said he has seen animals with stomach or mouth irritations from eating small amounts of the plant.

Mistletoe is far more toxic, especially the berries. Thompson suggests buying the kind with plastic fruit.

Cabinet minister has to wear dress

LUSAKA, Zambia (AP) — Zambia's parliament speaker admonished a female Cabinet member for wearing pants in the chamber and ordered her to put on a dress.

Robinson Nabulyato, who has been speaker for 23 years, said Energy and Water Minister Edith Nawaksi was dressed improperly Thursday when she wore a dark, floral jacket and black slacks.

"I would like to ask the minister to go out of the house and dress like a woman," said Nabulyato, who is Zambia's longest-serving parliament speaker.

Area Calendar

'Stone Soup'

ROTAN — Theatre on the Brazos will present "Stone Soup" Dec. 1-3. Curtain times for the one-act play are 7 p.m. Dec. 1; 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 2; and 3 p.m. Dec. 3.

Tickets prices are $4 for adults and $2 for children age 12 and under. Tickets will be available at the door, or by calling the box office at 915-735-2341. Or contact Evonne Teague at 915-735-2302 after 3 p.m.

Classical Chorus

ABILENE — The Classical Chorus of Abilene will present "Tidings of Comfort and Joy: A Christmas Celebration" on Saturday, Dec. 9, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 10, at 3 p.m. at the First Christian Church, 1420 North Third Street.

Ticket prices are $9 for adults; $7 for senior/military/student and $4 for children. Call 676-7052 for reservations or more information.

'Charley's Aunt'

POST — The Garza Theatre will present "Charley's Aunt" Dec. 8-10 and 15-17.

Curtain times are 7:45 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are $8 for adults and $5 for children 6-12.

Box office hours are Monday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. except show weekends which are noon to curtain time.

Call 806-495-4005 for reservations. Special group rates and season tickets are also available.

The Garza Theatre will present "The Man Who Came To Dinner" Jan. 26-28, Feb. 2-4 and 9-11.

Pet tiger mauls 3-year-old boy

APEX, N.C. (AP) — A family's pet Bengal tiger mauled and critically wounded a 3-year-old boy as his father was walking the animal on a leash.

Tyler William Forsythe underwent surgery for head wounds at a hospital Thursday night. The year-old, 350-pound male tiger, which had been declawed, was shot dead by the boy's father and police.

The attack Thursday afternoon came several weeks after conservationists warned the family about the dangers of keeping the tiger. They had even tried to get federal officials to confiscate the animal.

"Taking a year-old tiger for a walk is just stupid," said Linda Dunn, an animal worker at the Carnivore Preservation Trust in nearby Chatham County. "It's an accident waiting to happen."

The boy's father, Mark Forsythe, kept the tiger in a pen behind his brother-in-law's home in a rural area outside this Raleigh suburb, police said.

Forsythe walked the tiger on a leash almost daily and told investigators that he took his three children to see the animal for the first time on Thanksgiving Day.

Forsythe said he was returning the tiger to its pen when his three children approached and Tyler, the youngest, was attacked.

Animal control officers were checking the tiger's carcass for rabies.

In most of Wake County, the only restriction on exotic animals is that they be kept in secure enclosures.

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TV camera thefts believed lined to the black market

HOUSTON (AP) — Industry and police officials say the theft of 16 expensive video cameras from television stations in Houston and three other cities might be the work of a single group that sells them on the black market.

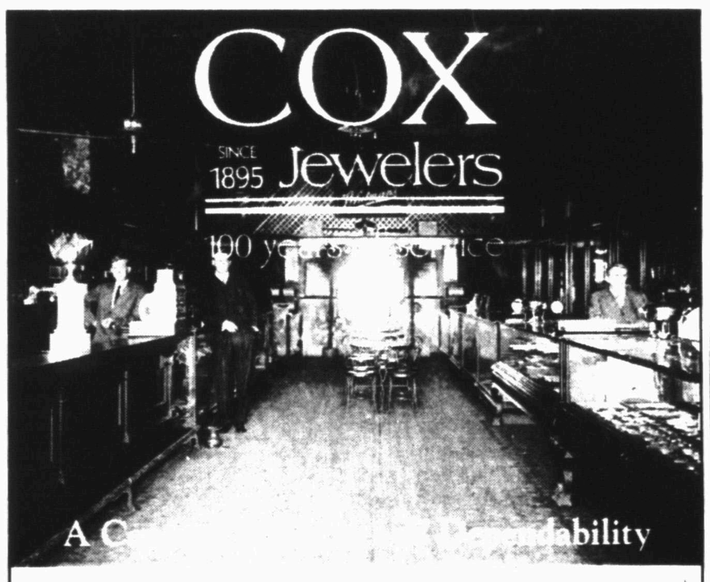
The cameras, each valued at $30,000 to $65,000, were pilfered from stations in Houston, San Antonio, New Orleans and Baton Rouge, La., within the past month.

Five were stolen from photographers covering the Selena murder trial in Houston.

"This is the work of professionals," said Vivian Leigh, a San Antonio broadcaster present during the Selena trial when a camera was stolen outside the Harris County Courthouse. "I mean, if it was kids, they would grab the microphones, the spare batteries, the tripods."

Officials believe it is unlikely the equipment is being sold to other U.S. media organizations because their serial numbers can easily be traced. More likely, authorities say, the cameras are being sold to pornographic film producers or smuggled to Mexico.

"It looks like it's premeditated, organized and planned," said Charles Cooper, executive director of the National Press Photographers Association in Durham, N.C. The group represents 11,000 journalists.



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Grounding the Flat Tax



JOSEPH SPEAR

Surely you've heard the old adage that if you don't launch your boat when the tide is high, you'll end up stuck in the mud.

Actually, I just made it up, but the point is valid and I fear it is what the Republicans are doing with a scow called the Flat Tax. They've been too scared to launch, or too dumb, or too greedy, and now I'm afraid they're losing the opportunity.

If the thing ever gets afloat, everyone in the nation would be paying a flat rate tax on their income, and the system, for the first time in the nation's history, would be fair, simple and efficient — which may explain why the politicians are in no rush to get it going. If we ever manage to streamline the system, they won't have much to do most of the year, and we just might get the notion they could do with less pay and benefits.

You sort of expect Democrats to be against the flat tax because they relish progressivity and are fond of the fantasy that the rich pay more the way things are now. But Republicans should favor a flat system because it caps taxes at a reasonable level, spurs investment and stimulates economic growth.

So why haven't we been hearing any rousing tunes from the flat-tax chorus? If you ask them, they will say it is too bold a move to attempt so soon after the revolution.

The truth is, the Republicans did not want to invest time and energy to educate the public about the long-term benefits of a flat-tax system. They wanted to dole out some goodies — meaning things that will buy them some votes in 1996 — and so they have been spending their political capital on a $500-per-child tax credit and a big reduction in capital gains rates.

So much for noble revolutionaries.

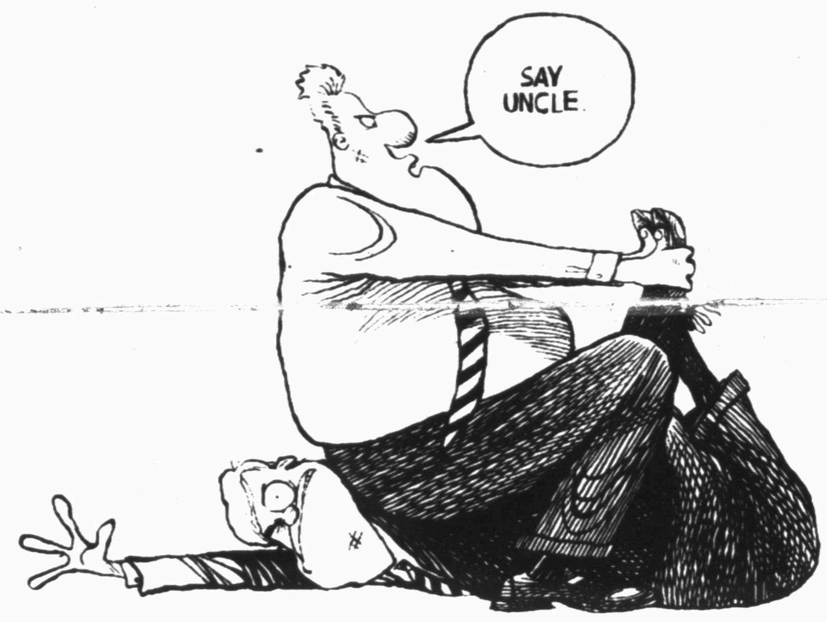
Anyone with an open mind who studies the flat-tax idea can see it is a vast improvement over the marginal rate system we use now. It is simple — you could calculate your taxes over lunch. It is fair — there would be no deductions for anything except personal allowances, and every individual and every business would pay at the same rate. It is less costly — tax lawyers and accountants would be rendered obsolete. It is less intrusive — it would reduce the IRS to an agency of file clerks.

But who among us expects the oil industry, say, to remain silent while the loopholes they have paid millions for over the years, in the form of contributions and favors to politicians, get plugged? Who anticipates that municipalities will stand by as their main source of borrowing — tax-free bonds — are reduced to the status of any other investment instrument? Who believes that homeowners and the housing industry will abjectly acquiesce in the dismantling of the $80 billion subsidy they receive every year in the form of a mortgage deduction?

Indeed, the housing industry has already started cranking up its anti-flat-tax machine. On the first of July, the National Association of Realtors released a study that claimed that the cost of owning a home would rise and property values would drop a collective $1.7 trillion if Congress instituted a flat tax.

Numerous economists immediately censured the findings as a gross exaggeration. House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, a leading proponent of flat taxes, pointed out that homeowners would make up for the lost deductions with lower interest rates and a regenerate economy. Several plans have been suggested, moreover, which would ease the pain of transition from the old tax system to the new. Nobody would be left high and dry.

Except the Flat-Tax barge itself, it they don't soon shove off.



Country Life

By Deanie Francis Mills



DEANIE FRANCIS MILLS

What a great week this has been for mothers and daughters — at least, for this mother and daughter.

You know, my mother and I have always been close. We've always talked freely and joked lavishly and enjoyed one another's company. But things were so different between my mother's generation and mine than they are between my own generation and my daughter's.

Mother grew up in a world so dramatically different from the one in which she raised me. And bless her heart, she tried to raise a "nice girl," but she did it with all these platitudes from the forties which sounded just plain wacko in the freewheeling sixties. Like, Mother told me that if a girl gave in to a guy and "went all the way" with him before marriage, then her reputation would be destroyed and it would ruin her life forever and all time.

Well, I looked around me in the days of "free love" and I thought, "Huh?" I mean, the stuff she was telling me just plain old did not apply anymore. If she'd have said, "Save it for marriage, honey, or one of these days you'll be dealing with an unwanted pregnancy, a sexually transmitted disease, or worse" — now, that would have made a lot more sense.

Once I went away to college, an experience my mother never had, I entered a world so foreign to her that we could barely relate anymore. Men were walking on the moon, kids were getting shot down by the National Guard on American college campuses, Charlie Manson was sending out his hippy hoardes to butcher a pregnant woman, the inner cities were aflame, student riots filled the evening news, Harvard professors were dropping acid — and my sweet mom was still telling me that nice girls never kissed on the first date.

It's different with my daughter and me.

This week, a little movie came to the Cinema in Snyder called "Now and Then." It was produced by Demi Moore and starred Moore, Melanie Griffith, Rita Wilson and Rose O'Donnell, along with a dynamite cast of young female actors such as Gaby Hoffman and Christina Ricci (of "Addam's Family" fame) as their younger versions. My 15-year-old daughter, Jessica, and I had been looking forward to seeing this film, because as I eagerly explained to her, it was the first GIRL'S "coming of age" movie ever, unless you want to count "Little Women" — but the first I can think of anyway to which modern women and girls could relate. ("Nancy Drew" doesn't count — those were books, not movies.)

Think of it: in every exciting story, (mystery, sci-fi, whatever) you can name involving young people, boys are always the stars. It is always boys who sneak out of their windows at night and go off adventuring with their friends, as in the movie, "Stand By Me," based on the classic Stephen King story, "The Body," or Ray Bradbury's timeless "Something Wicked This Way Comes." Sometimes, as in the movie "Goonies," girls tag along, but it's the boys who get to do all the cool stuff.

The critics were snide. Said things like "estrogen-charged" and stuff. (They were all men, of course.) The theater was filled with girls, girls and moms, women — and yes — guys. Not a huge crowd, what with a James Bond film over on the other side, but a few.

Now, I'm not going to sit here and say that this is the best movie I've ever seen, but I will say that it was cool. Very cool. These young ladies were future gutsy broads if I ever saw any — and thunk up adventures every bit as neato as the guys can think up. My daughter and I had a glorious time because, for once, we got to see females up there on the screen who are like us. We talked like girlfriends all the way home. I hope the other moms and daughters did too.

Then, of course, there was "The Beatles Anthology." The absolute all-time coolest of the cool. I have such a vivid memory of myself, hunkered down on my knees in front of the TV, watching the Beatles on "The Ed Sullivan Show" — and now here we were, my daughter and me, hunkered down in front of our TV, watching the Beatles. She said, "My gosh! I could look at Paul McCartney all day long! I had no idea he was so cute! I mean, I saw pictures of him, but on video, when he sings, he..."

"Feels the music in every cell of his body," I supplied.

"Yeah," she said. "Among other things."

"Yup," I said, and broke into the Whitney Houston song, "IIIIIIIII Will Always Looooooove Youewewew..." We howled.

And we giggled at the sardonic wit of John Lennon and the guys' clowning and just grooved out to the music. "I LOVE this music! she cried. "I've heard some of it, but...wow! Have you got this on tape?" (Referring to McCartney's standout "Yesterday.")

"Have I got it on tape? HAVE I GOT IT ON TAPE?" I mock-yelled, feigning a swoon.

Now I walk down the hall and hear Beatles music pounding from my daughter's room just as my mother must have heard so many times so long ago. I think of her a lot these days. I'm sorry we couldn't have shared more.

I know the times are a-changin', to coin a phrase, but I refuse to believe that progress is always a bad thing. With mothers and daughters, it can even be downright cool.

NAFTA to increase wear and tear on Texas highways

By Dan Morales
Attorney General

The health and safety of 18 million Texans will be at risk beginning Dec. 18, unless the officials of our state are allowed to properly and effectively enforce existing health and safety regulations.

Under provisions of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Mexican trucks may begin traveling throughout Texas and other border states on Dec. 18. Before that date, Mexican trucks are restricted to limited zones in certain border cities. The problem becomes apparent when you consider that less than five percent of Mexican trucks meet U.S. weight and safety standards.

NAFTA and its ramifications will affect each and every one of us — and most of it will be positive. Texas stands to benefit greatly from expanded trade with Mexico. But the advent of Mexican trucks is a health and safety concern for all Texans.

More than $73 billion of the $100 billion in U.S. trade with Mexico is delivered by truck, and 70 percent of that cargo comes through Texas. Experts have estimated that the increase in traffic over the next 40 years will require the addition of 10 extra lanes to each freeway just to maintain the congested traffic flow we currently have.

Noncompliance with U.S. standards can pose a safety threat, lead to excessive wear and tear on Texas roads, and increase the flow of drugs and other hazardous materials into our state.

It is critical that the State of Texas retain the unfettered ability to enforce state and federal health and safety laws in order to protect Texas citizens. Differing standards for vehicle insurance, inspection, registration and maintenance are also matters of deep concern to us. American truckers undergo rigorous and extensive training and are restricted to 10 daylight hours behind the wheel. Mexican drivers, on the other hand, often have little or no training and their driving time is not limited.

Current U.S. safety regulations require a domestic truck to weigh no more than 80,000 pounds, but many Mexican trucks top the scales at more than twice the limit. Overweight Mexican trucks must be prevented from damaging or destroying our highways, in which Texans have invested billions of dollars.

The increase in hazardous material transportation is another major concern. More than one-fourth of the approximately 5,000 Mexican trucks that cross into Texas each day carry corrosives, chemicals, explosives, jet fuel, poisons, toxic waste and pesticides.

The growing trucking trade with Mexico must not be allowed to increase the importation of illegal drugs, hazardous or dangerous materials, or foods tainted with illegal pesticides. The huge increase in cross-border traffic has the potential of making state enforcement efforts less effective.

International borders fall under the jurisdiction of the federal government. That is why we have put forward a number of recommendations to the national government. We are hopeful that the Clinton administration is going to be sensitive to the concerns we are raising.

We urge that:

•President Clinton issue an executive order designed to facilitate the work of Texas law enforcement officials in federally administered ports of entry along the Texas-Mexico border.

•President Clinton establish a federal interagency working group to ensure that the State of Texas has access to all relevant programs that can assist in enforcing health and safety laws against foreign motor carriers.

•The federal government work cooperatively with the State of Texas to develop a new type of modern, "one-stop" border inspection facility to ensure tht Mexican trucks comply with all applicable state and federal laws.

•U.S. representatives of the NAFTA Land Transportation Standards Subcommittee be directed to preserve current U.S. health and safety laws.

•A federal study be undertaken to explore the feasibility of developing a new network of truck-only NAFTA superhighways for the coming century.

By building an effective partnership with the federal government, Texas can lead the way to a better tomorrow.

But strict standards and effective inspections will be necessary to ensure that a prosperous future is also a safe and healthy future. Our office is prepared to actively seek any necessary changes in federal law and federal policy to reach this goal.

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Letters to the Editor

A hearty 'thanks'

Dear Editor:

Please accept this as a hearty thank you to all who participated in the American Cancer Society's Scoot-A-Boot barn dance fund-raiser.

To all who attended, hosted, decorated and cleaned up, thanks ever so much.

The auction generated $1,874. We sincerely appreciate all the donors as well as the auctioneer and bidding participants.

Our sincere thanks
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Hospital situation

To the Editor:

My compliments to your staff writer, Mr. Wade Warren, in his balanced and factual reporting of the joint meeting of the commissioners court and the hospital board. Given the broad range of issues addressed and the many opinions expressed, it was difficult to encapsulate it all in a newspaper article, but I think Mr. Warren well described much of what was said. I would like to emphasize some points, though.

First, as regards my practice, although I did sell it, I don't believe I "sold out" or "betrayed Snyder." Selling my practice has allowed me to shift the administrative responsibilities of personnel management, payroll, benefits management and oversight of supplies and assets to others, so that I might spend more time caring for patients. This benefits the community by allowing more people access to my services. As an example, my admissions of patients to Cogdell Hospital have increased this year compared to 1994.

A new clinic, built by St. Mary Hospital, will benefit the community as well. Our community is long overdue for modern, efficient physician offices. The offices of Drs. Burleson and Thompson are inadequately designed for family physicians, limiting the number of people who can be served each day. Our hospital board and administration have been pondering for some time how better office facilities might be provided, but lack of available funds has been a major obstacle. If St. Mary Hospital builds a large clinic, there will be no direct cost to the taxpayer, and Snyder gains an attractive facility, an asset in attracting new businesses and new physicians to town. I'm convinced that we have too few physicians in this city. New physicians, of course, will give more access to medical services to all Scurry County residents, and will also increase the hospital census, thereby improving the financial condition of the hospital.

The representatives of the Texas Hospital Association who attended the meeting made a number of important observations. Let me mention a few. First, many communities would desperately desire what we have here: interested community members, hospital board and administration, commissioners, medical staff and hospital nurses and employees all interested enough in the future of the hospital to give up a Wednesday afternoon to examine the issues and begin searching for solutions. The recently established task force should be able to capitalize on this strength.

Secondly, the want of money should not drive us to make unwise decisions regarding the future of the hospital. The wrong type of alliance could be devastating. Rural hospitals have closed after being taken over by large corporations. Some corporations siphon off profits for shareholders, rather than reinvesting them in the local hospital. With time, the condition of the hospital declines, profits turn into losses, and eventually the corporation pulls out, leaving the hospital a shell of its former self.

Finally, it was not emphasized enough at the meeting that our present situation is not so bleak. The hospital is not about to close the doors. We're not even close. When I moved here in 1991, I remember reading month after month, the front page newspaper articles reporting hospital requests for transfers of funds due to operating deficits. Now that isn't happening. Instead, almost every month, the hospital reports a profit. And some major projects are even funded out of cash from operations! This is such a major shift in our financial position; we should rejoice in how far we have come, knowing how much more desperate our situation was just a few years ago.

I would like to see the same spirit of optimism, resourcefulness and cooperation that helped to bring Lorber Industries to Snyder be exercised in the months ahead as we consider the path that our hospital should take in the future. I look forward to working with other members of the community to ensure a healthy hospital not only for us, but for future generations as well.

Sincerely,
Gary A. Nussey, M.D.
Snyder



Jim and Jan Browning

Couple included in tour of Korea

SEOUL, Korea — Jan McPherson Browning of San Antonio, recently visited her husband, Jim Browning in the Republic of Korea during the Reunion in Korea Program, sponsored by the Korean National Tourism Corporation.

Browning is a captain in the U.S. Air Force. He works as a chaplain with the 8th Fighter Wing.

They have two children, Julie and Jaree, who stayed with their grandparents, J.M. and Geraldine McPherson in Snyder.

This special event began in 1981 when officials of the Korean National Tourism Corporation wanted to recognize the centennial of U.S. and Korean diplomatic relations and the American contributions to security on the peninsula. There are about 37,000 military service members currently serving in Korea. More than 90 percent of them are serving a one-year tour without family members. "Missing loved ones back home is the real challenge," states Browning.

Families participating in the reunion attended a welcome dinner at the Sheraton Walker Hill Hotel in Seoul where they were briefed by a senior United States Forces Korea official about the current situation of United Nations forces and the threats facing them.

During the five-day reunion, visitors were offered the chance to attend several different tours throughout the Republic to sites such as the United Nations Command Joint Security Area at Panmunjom in the Demilitarized Zone. The DMZ divides democratic South Korea and communist North Korea.

They were also given the opportunity to visit one of two ancient palaces in Seoul; the historic Bulkuska temple and the National Museum in Kyongju, which is the dynastic capital of Korea and the Korean Folk Village of Suwon, a living museum dedicated to traditional Korean ways of life.

During the reunion, visitors were exposed to modern Korean culture while staying in Korean hotels, eating Korean meals and enjoying traditional local entertainment.

The families and loved ones who participated in the tour were offered a rare opportunity to see how service members live and work during an overseas assignment.

Man convicted of murdering couple

LEWISTON, Idaho (AP) — In a case cast as a tale of frontier justice, a man was convicted of murdering a couple who he claimed had sexually tortured his teen-age daughter.

The jury deliberated 10 hours before convicting Kenneth Arrasmith, a 44-year-old trucker and former sheriff's deputy from Sunnyside, Wash.

He faces life in prison at his Feb. 26 sentencing. Prosecutors said they won't seek the death penalty.

Male worker harassed by female boss wins Domino's settlement

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — David Papa's boss at Domino's Pizza told him not to bend over because it turned her on.

For five months, the woman made comments about his body, grabbed his buttocks and put her arms around his waist. Six days after he told her to stop, she fired him.

A federal judge has now ordered the pizza chain to pay Papa $237,000 in damages in the first case the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ever took to trial involving a woman harassing a man.

"When it first happened, people didn't want to hear it. My friends were like, 'Why didn't you just sleep with her? You had a woman coming on to you,'" Papa said Wednesday.

"But this was about my career. I take my job very seriously. I felt very embarrassed, having her touching me, saying these things to me. It made me feel self-conscious and awkward," he said.

Papa was repeatedly harassed in 1988 by his area supervisor, Beth Carrier, according to the verdict, issued Friday by U.S. District Judge Henry Lee Adams Jr.

At the time, Papa was 25, newly divorced and had just gained custody of his 3-year-old son. He had worked for Domino's for two years and had been promoted to manager of a store in Port Richey, about 35 miles northwest of Tampa.

He was earning about $350 a week, and averaged $600 in monthly bonuses. Just before firing him, Carrier nominated him for Manager of the Year.

Several times, Papa said, Carrier touched him on the shoulders and buttocks, squeezed his buttocks and made comments about his body.

At a business meeting, Carrier told him not to bend over because it "turns me on." Another time, while making pizza dough, Carrier told Papa her bra had slipped off and asked him if that turned him on.

At a meeting with two other store workers, Carrier told Papa she loved him and wanted to live with him and his son.

"I was so frustrated, I really lost my temper and said, 'Get out of my office.' That was the big blowup," Papa said.

Six days later, Carrier fired Papa, saying he was improperly paying a driver from the store's mileage account rather than its labor account. The judge ruled that Carrier earlier had told Papa that using the mileage account was allowed.

He ordered Domino's to pay Papa $237,257, post a policy on sexual harassment in each of its stores, and hold sexual-harassment training every year for its managers.

The verdict came one year after a nonjury trial.

"It was probably pretty unique to have this type of case and to have it go as far as it went," EEOC lawyer Karen Khan said.

Domino's spokeswoman Maggie Proctor said the company had not yet seen the verdict and had no comment. Domino's would not say where Carrier is now, and the EEOC did not know.

After being fired, Papa took a series of jobs working at a sandwich shop, as a pizza delivery man and as a restaurant cook.

"When I told (prospective employers) I was sexually harassed by a female supervisor, people had a hard time with that."

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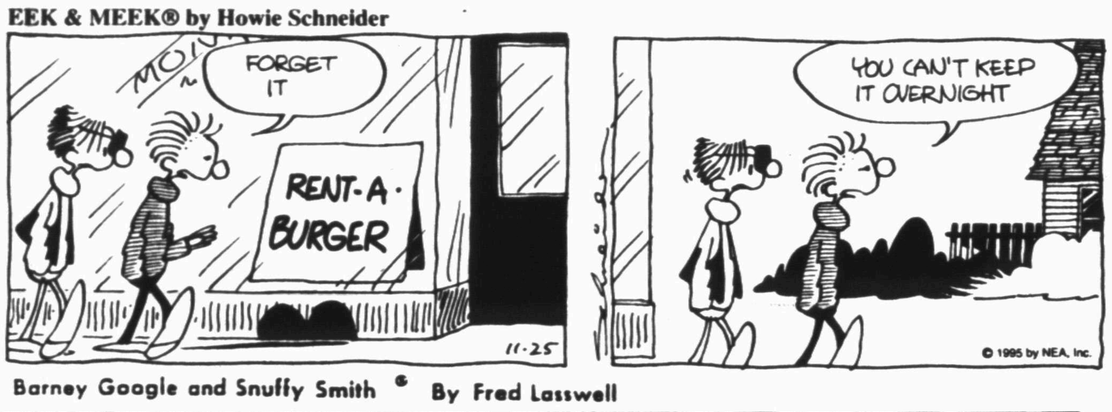
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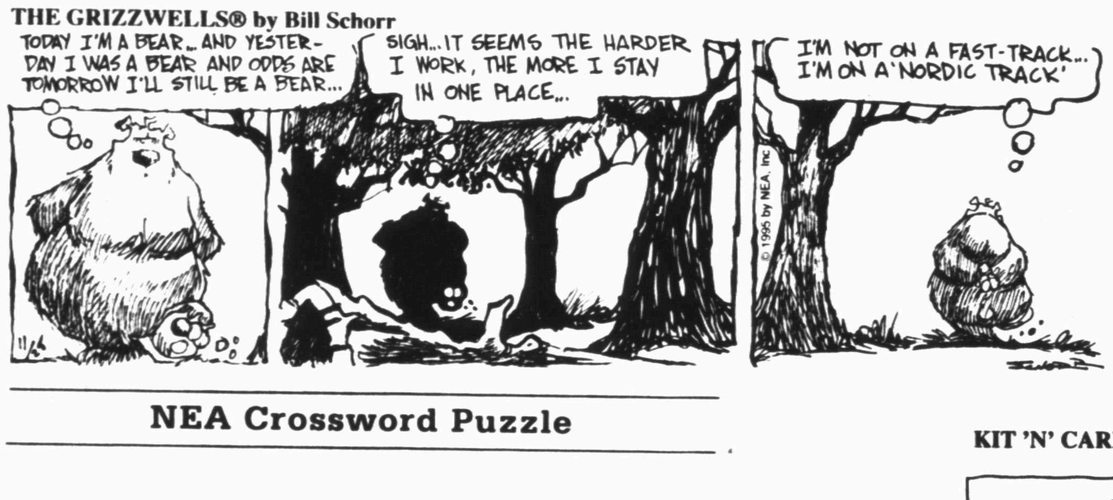
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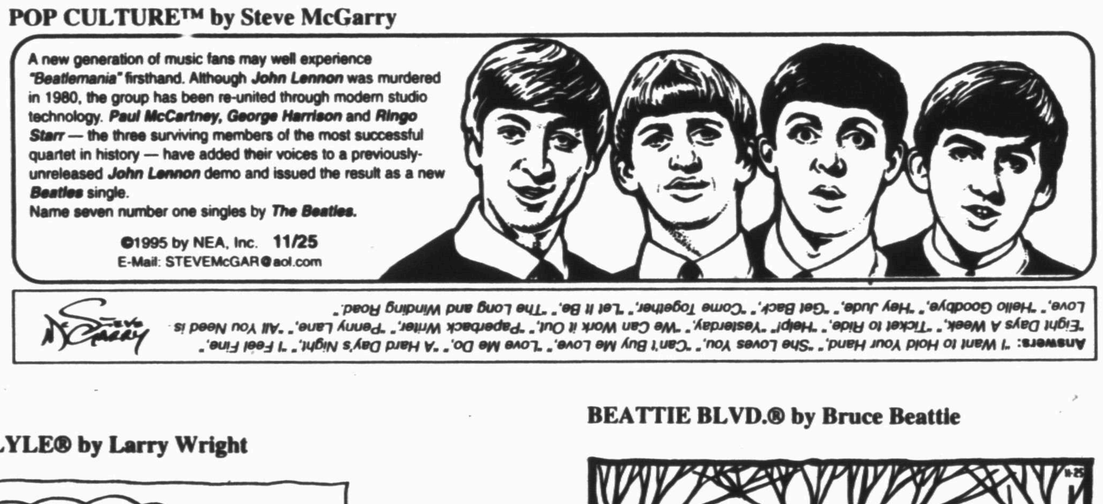
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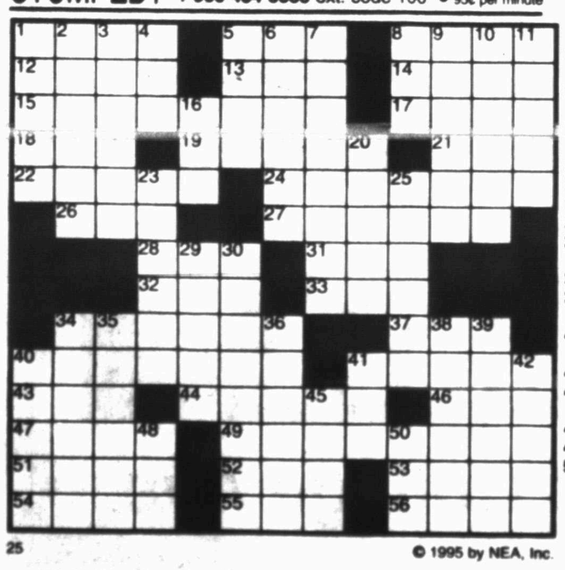
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Misty M. Clem,, 1995 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Jeff Hammond, 1995 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Robert Romero Jr., 1995 Ford from Wilson Motors.

George Scifres, 1996 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

James and Katie N. Beasley, 1995 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

William and Lorraine Lester, 1996 Ford Explorer from Wilson Motors.

Robert Gerstenberger, 1995 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Pete and Celia Rios, 1995 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

Debby Baldwin Greer, 1995 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

Ray S. and Nellie S. Johnson, 1995 Oldsmobile from Big Country Autoland.

Ray and Mary Kincheloe, 1995 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Charlotte Smith, 1995 Chevrolet Tahoe from Big Country Autoland.

D.H. and Dorothy H. Duncan, 1995 Ford van from Wilson Motors.

E.D. Walton Construction Co, two 1996 Ford pickups from Wilson Motors.

Thomas F. Ingram, 1996 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

E.D. Walton Construction Co., 1995 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Rickey Thompson, 1995 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Marriage License

Luis Garcia and Bolena Ceniceros Luevanos, both of Snyder.

Michael Swinney and Theresa Fay Brasher, both of Snyder.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Brian Wade Spencer and Christy Ramirez Spencer, divorce granted.

Josephine Rebecca Perez and Johnny Joe Perez vs. Mary Powell Brownlee, order of dismissal.

Scurry County vs. Forrest Wemken, judgment for plaintiff.

Filed in District Court

Keith Bamsey, dba Bamsey Painting, vs. Kelly-Moore Paint Co., suit for deceptive trade practice.

Brenda Humphreys vs. Tresha Renaye Phillips, damages for motor vehicle accident.

Scurry County vs. Robert McCauley, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. J. H. Rogers, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Randy N. Davis, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Susan Annette Frazier, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Roy Lee Beasley, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Juan Manuel Hernandez, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Elton Issac Lewis, aka Ike Lewis, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Pete Jalomos, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Richard T. Orosco, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. J.C. Watson Jr., et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Glenda O. Valentine, aka Glenda O. Hibbitt, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Larry W. York, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. Ventura (Ben) Orosco, aka Bentura Orosco, aka Ben Orosco, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County vs. W. F. Burney, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Deed Records

Terry Fred McKay and Leatha Jeane McKay, all of Lot 13 in Block 10 of the Original Town of Snyder.

Ivan and Jovita Santiago to Harbor Financial Mortgage Corp., all of Lot 10 in Block 3 of the Morningside Subdivision of Blocks 9 and 10, Blocks 15 and 16 and Blocks 25 and 26 of the Adams Addition.

James Calvin and Joe Nell Smylie to James Calvin Smylie and Joe Nell Smylie Revocable Living Trust, all of Lot 12 in Block C of the Towle Place Addition.

L.B. and Sibyl Minyard to Carol E. Hill and Patricia A. Johnson, tract one being the east one-half of the northwest one-quarter of Section 33, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being 119.7 acres in the northeast part of Section 37, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract three being 1.1273 acres in Section 37, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract four being the northeast one-quarter of Section 56, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Johnny S. McDonald, independent executor of the estate of Panch McDonald, to Johnny S. McDonald and Don McDonald, all of the south 35 feet of Lot 6 and the north 36 feet of Lot 7 in Block 4 of the Martin Addition.

Felix Sanchez Diaz to Joe and Virginia Lara, all of the south one-half of the east one-half of Lot 3 in Block 35 of the Cody Heights Addition.

Lillie Atchley, Ruby Vernon and Lola Bayless to Jimmie G. and Patsy A. Cornett, all of Blocks 85, 93, 98 and 103 in Block 93 of the Town of Hermleigh.

George and Norma Rocha to T. Mike and Deborah B. Jones, all of Lot 1 in Block 2 of the Wall Addition.

Colleen Bishop to Mark G. Veber, all of the north 80 feet of Lot 1, Block 32 of the Blakenship Addition.

Laverne Lee to Carlene Lee, 0.482-acre tract in Section 181, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Edna Earl Davis to Lanny and Patricia K. Covey, all of Lots 1 and 2 in Block 9 of the Colonial Hill Addition.

McCormick Cafe Inc. to McCormick Marketing Inc., tract one being 0.699-acre tract in the east one-half of Section 123, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being a 0.350-acre tract in the east one-half of Section 123, Block 3, H&GN survey.; tract three being all the north one-half of Lot 2 in Block 36 of the Lundy's Park Addition.

Catherine L. Manning to Jacqueline V. Grossi, Lot 10 in Block 29 of the Gross Subdivision of the Scarborough Addition.

Billy Joe and Kendra Stephens to Wade Robert and Terah Ann Hatter, Lot 13 in Block 12 of the Park Place Addition.

Arthur Lawson Dennis, individually and as independent executor of the estate of Harvey Ben Dennis, to Jerry Hatfield, all of Lots 11 and 12 and the west four feet of Lot 10 in Block 37 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Laverne Hood to Jim Buck Hood, an undivided one-half interest in Section 154, Block 3, H&TC survey, save and except 3.332 acres in the east one-half of the southeast one-quarter.

Charles William Harrell, individually and as independent executor of the estate of Myrtle J. Harrell and Fay Harrell, et al, to Norma Duke Parson, 0.873-acre tract in Block 1 of the Warren Crest Addition.

Richard Calvin Davis to Velma Dianne Davis, all of Lot 1 and the east 30 feet of Lot 2 of the Replat of Block 72 of the Grayum and Nelson Second Addition.

U.S. senators' draft criticizes federal actions at Ruby Ridge

WASHINGTON (AP) — A draft report by a Senate subcommittee criticizes all federal agencies involved in the deadly 1992 Ruby Ridge standoff, but praises some corrective actions taken by the FBI, according to a congressional source.

"All the agencies were sharply criticized," said this official, who requested anonymity. A final version of the report is not expected until next week.

The draft questioned "what business the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms had dealing with an informant" who helped build the original firearms case against white separatist Randy Weaver, the official said Wednesday.

FBI Director Louis Freeh "was given a hard going over" for promoting his friend, Larry Potts, to deputy FBI director at the same time he disciplined Potts for poorly managing the Idaho siege, the official said. Potts has since been demoted and suspended and Freeh has admitted the promotion was a mistake.

"The draft also praised Freeh for admitting error, being forthright and taking corrective action," this official said. Freeh has said the FBI will never again use shooting rules like those in force when an FBI sniper shot and killed Weaver's wife, Vicki, as she held an infant in her arms.

The draft is highly critical of the shot by hostage rescue team sniper Lon Horiuchi that killed Vicki Weaver, but the draft "did not address whether to prosecute him," the official said.

Last year, the Justice Department decided against prosecuting Horiuchi based on his account that he did not see Vicki Weaver as she held open a door for Kevin Harris, an armed Weaver associate. Horiuchi said he was aiming at Harris.

Horiuchi was operating under altered rules of engagement that allowed him to shoot at any armed adult male in the open.

December birthdays party planned at Senior Center

A birthday observance for senior citizens born in December will be held at the Senior Citizens Center at 10 a.m. Wednesday. All senior citizens are invited to join the party.

The Kitchen Band will be playing in the center at 11 a.m. Wednesday.

Domino games will start in the center at 10 a.m. Monday. 42 is scheduled at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday and Canasta at 1 p.m. Wednesday.

The Local Yokels will present a musical program at 11 a.m. Tuesday. Benny Benitez and his band will play for country/western dancing in the center starting at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

The Senior Center will be closed Thursday and Friday (Nov. 30, Dec. 1) while repairs are being made to the kitchen floor.

Senior citizens who would like to go on the Christmas Tour of Homes on Dec. 10 are invited to meet at the center at 1:30 that afternoon. The tour begins at 2 p.m. and ends at 4:30 p.m. It is hosted by the Historic Scurry County, Inc. and the Historical Commission, with proceeds going to help place another structure in Heritage Village where the Cornelius-Dodson House and Dermott School are located.

Senior citizens wishing more information may contact Norma Laywell, director of the center.

Quilting is a year-around activity in the center and more quilters are needed. Quilting is now being done on a Texas Sesquicentennial quilt pieced by Mae Bursh. The quilt features a large Texas map in the center, with stars quilted in blue on the white background around the map. The quilt will be sold during the 1996 May Day Auction. Anyone interested in helping the quilters at the center is invited to talk to Pamela Fenton, activities director.

Heroin overdoses cause alarm in Central Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — Ten Central Texans have died of heroin overdoses since Oct. 5, in what authorities have described as a mini-epidemic.

One of the latest cases to come to light involves Bruce Bramlett, 38, of Austin, whose body was found Nov. 4 after an apparent heroin overdose by injection.

In 1994, 24 people in Travis County died of heroin overdoses. So far this year,. 29 heroin-related deaths have occurred and authorities fear the deaths could be linked to a potent form of heroin in the marketplace.

Lt. Gary Barrington, of the narcotics division of the Austin Police Department, said Bramlett, like many others who die of a heroin overdose, may have been a first-time user.

Barrington said new heroin users are especially susceptible to overdosing because of a potent form of the drug called "black tar."

"People, especially novice users, aren't cutting (diluting) it at all," Barrington said. "If we can get any leads on where the heroin came from in the deaths, we'll certainly work on it. (But) it's not that it's killer heroin; it's that people aren't cutting it properly."

None of that is consoling to Bramlett's loved ones.

"I have a hard time believing that (he shot up)," said Marilyn Bramlett, Bruce's sister. "But I also know that if you get hooked on something bad enough, and you want it enough, you might."

Lin Sutherland, 47, a former girlfriend of Bramlett, said he had a history of abuse with cocaine and alcohol but not heroin.

"He was needlephobic," Ms. Sutherland said. "Never, never, never, never got near them."

Bramlett died of acute narcotism and alcohol intoxication, according to a report from Travis County Medical Examiner Robert Bayardo.

Bayardo said there were no needle marks of a habitual user on Bramlett's body.

"He might have used (heroin) occasionally," Bayardo said. "This might have been the first time that he ever used it."

National effort aims to restore statues and other outdoor art

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some Americans, spurred by a love of art and history, are determined to rescue statues and other outdoor sculpture from the ravages of neglect and abuse.

Thousands of public art works are getting registered and in many cases repaired by volunteers in a "Save Outdoor Sculpture" project backed by the Smithsonian Institution.

From the nation's capital to Chicago to Seattle, more than 15,000 individuals and private organizations and public groups and governments have joined the SOS effort since 1992, registering three-dimensional outdoor sculptures.

So far, more than 22,000 outdoor "sculptures" have been catalogued — from a 12-mile-wide volcanic crater in Arizona to manhole covers in Seattle that depict compasses with the "N" pointing north. More than half of them need repairs, and 10 percent urgently, the project reports.

"These are the orphans of the art and history worlds — the statues that someone put up more than a hundred years ago and forgot," says Susan Nichols, project director. "Even some well-known sculptures have been neglected."

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Wrap Up Christmas In Snyder With A Low-Interest Loan!



7% A.P.R. interest

Holiday Loans

The American State Bank, West Texas State Bank, Snyder National Bank, the Snyder Chamber of Commerce and Snyder Merchants are excited about the "Christmas Scrip" loan program.

The Snyder National Bank, The West Texas State Bank and The American State Bank are offering loans of $250 to $1,000 at the unbelievable rate of 7% interest.

YES! If you qualify for the loan, you receive "Christmas Scrip" redeemable just like currency* at many, many Snyder Merchants...repay your loan at 7% interest AND enjoy all the benefits of "shopping in Snyder."

HERE'S WHAT YOU DO

(1) Apply at the participating bank of your choice. Your loan will be processed in the same manner as any loan that you might request.
(2) When approved, you will receive your loan proceeds in Scrip that may be redeemed at any participating Snyder Merchant. A list of these merchants will be published frequently throughout the 1995 Christmas shopping season in The Snyder Daily News.
(*3) Scrip may be redeemed just like U.S. currency, except that credit instead of change will be given.
(4) Enjoy shopping Snyder Merchants and save money, time and hassle. Increase your enjoyment of Christmas 1995.
(5) All Scrip must be spent by Dec. 31st.

Participating Snyder Merchants

Bar -H- Bar Family Outfitters
Brenda's Bernina
McWilliams Pharmacy
Classic Interiors
Landes Home Furnishings
Dr. Cave - Optometrist
Limmer's Ladies Apparel
Permian Communications
Roe's Furniture & Appliance
Radio Shack
Snyder Electronics
Strickland TV
Wal-Mart
Lowrance Western Auto
Dr. Nesbit - Optometrist
Thompson's On The Square
Snyder Healthmart Drug

Watch this space for the addition of other participating Snyder merchants.

To Become A Participating Merchant, Call The Snyder Chamber Of Commerce 573-3558

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